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EDMONDS POLICE SOLVE A STRING OF BURGLARIES

On April 6, 2012, it was reported to Edmonds Police that a residence in the 22200 block of 96th Ave West had been burglarized while the homeowner was away. Through the course of an investigation that followed, Edmonds Police developed information that led them to believe the unidentified suspect intended to burgle the home a second time. As a pro-active measure, law enforcement tactics were deployed to monitor the home surreptitiously. On Monday morning, April 9, 2012, at 5:27 a.m. Edmonds Police officers were alerted that the home was being broken into again. The police responded immediately and contained the residential area in less than 3 minutes.

Edmonds Police officers, with assistance from Lynnwood and Mountlake Terrace Police, approached the home and observed a suspicious vehicle parked directly across the street from it. Moments later the burglar was spotted exiting the residence carrying bags loaded with stolen property. Although the suspect was armed with weapons, he was taken into custody without resistance.

The resident was not home at the time of the crime.

The 44-year old Monroe man was arrested for suspicion of residential burglary. His vehicle was seized by police until a search warrant was obtained to recover stolen property contained therein. As the investigation developed, Edmonds Police detectives served three search warrants where stolen property was recovered from the seized vehicle as well as the burglar’s residence in Monroe. The recovered property included precious metals, jewelry, silver and china serving sets, televisions, collectable antiques, and tools. Some of the property was easily identified by owner inscribed unique numbers.

Thus far, detectives have solved six Edmonds burglaries this suspect is believed responsible for. The man has been booked into the Snohomish County Jail while the investigation continues.

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