



Lynchburg Police Department

Press Release



November 12, 2015

On November 12, 2015 at approximately 1846 hours, officers with the Lynchburg Police Department responded to 1811 Memorial Ave., Star Quality Used Cars, in reference to a malicious wounding. When Officers arrived on the scene they located the victim, Christopher Michael Heater W/M, age 34 of Spout Spring, VA suffering from multiple stab wounds to his person. Heater was transported to the Lynchburg General Hospital where he is currently receiving treatment for his injuries. His condition is unknown at this time.

According to witnesses on the scene, a B/M suspect was attempting to break into a vehicle at the business when he was confronted by the victim. The suspect pulled out a knife and began stabbing the victim multiple times on his arms, legs, and abdomen area. The suspect also attempted to stab and rob a second victim at the scene but was unsuccessful. The suspect fled on foot behind the business toward Pollard Street.

During the investigation Shawn O'Neal Hamlette B/M, age 23, of Lynchburg, VA was developed as a suspect in the incident. On November 12, 2015 at approximately 2301 hours, the Lynchburg Police Department took Hamlette into custody without incident in the 400 Block of Chambers Street. Hamlette was charged with the following: Aggravated Malicious Wounding, Attempted Malicious Wounding, and Attempted Robbery. Anyone with information in reference to this incident is asked to call the Lynchburg Police Department or Crime Stoppers.

The incident remains under investigation by the Lynchburg Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective C.T. Davis at (434) 455-6166 or call Crime Stoppers at 1-888-798-5900. Visit the Central Virginia Crime Stoppers website at www.cvcrimestoppers.org to enter a web tip, or text "CVCS" plus your message to 274637.

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