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BURGLARY SUSPECT IN CUSTODY

From June 30, 2007 to August 14, 2007 the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office responded to four different business burglaries in Byers, Colorado, reference coin changers being broken into. Three burglaries occurred at the Tri Valley Gas, 25 West Colorado 40, with the fourth occurring at the Wash Tub Laundromat, 51 West Bijou Avenue. A pry bar or tire iron apparently was used to pry open the change machines. In one burglary, a video surveillance camera captured the suspect during the burglary. The suspect appeared to be a young white male, wearing possibly a tan jacket, baggie jeans, a dark colored baseball cap and gloves.

On August 15, 2007, Sheriff's patrol deputies and an investigator developed information that led to the identity of a possible suspect. At 9:00 P.M. on August 15, 2007, the suspect was contacted in Byers and interviewed. The suspect is identified as:

Christopher Daniel Edwards, Age 18
251 South Owens Street
Byers, Colorado 80102
(Photo Attached)

Edwards was taken into custody and is being held at the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Detentions Facility on a \$10,000 bond. Edwards will be charged with the following criminal violations:

18-4-204 C.R.S. – Third degree burglary, a Class 5 Felony.

A Class 5 Felony is punishable, upon conviction, by a sentence of 1 – 3 years imprisonment within the Department of Corrections

18-4-401 C.R.S. – Theft, a Class 2 Misdemeanor.

A Class 2 Misdemeanor is punishable, upon conviction, by a sentence of 3 – 12 months incarceration within the County Jail.

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18-5-501 C.R.S. – Criminal Mischief, a Class 2 Misdemeanor.

Edwards appeared in Arapahoe County District Court Division 301 on August 16, 2007. His next court appearance is August 21, 2007 at 10:00 A.M., Division 301 for Filing of Charges. Bond is set at \$10,000.

The investigation continues.



For additional information, please contact Sheriff Grayson Robinson at 720. 874.4165.

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