

Lakewood Police Department

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Incident Report

Report # 01-08-000637

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I N C I D E N T	Report #	Report	Occurred From	Occurred To	Report Type
	01-08-000637	01/22/2008 21:31	01/22/2008 21:25	01/22/2008 21:31	Original
	Dept. Classification	Case Status	Date Report Completed	Cleared Scene	
	ROBBERY		01/23/2008	01/22/2008 22:49	
	Common Name EL TANGO TAQUERIA - 14224 MADISON AV LAKEWOOD, OH 44107 (CUYAHOGA County)				
Day of Week : Tuesday		Shift : Patrol Mids 1900 - 0700			
Dispatched : 01/22/2008 21:31		Zone : BEAT 300			
Responded : 01/22/2008 21:31		Additional Officers : 80,74,13,LDW,30,31,16			
Arrived : 01/22/2008 21:32		Total Damaged Property Value : \$0.00			
Map Reference : RD25		Total Stolen Property Value : \$180.00			
Zone : BEAT 300		Total Recovered Property Value : \$0.00			

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O F F E N S E	State/ Dept. Classification		Attempted/ Committed
	ROBBERY 1299		COMMITTED
	Statute/Ordinance	Location Type	Disposition Date
1	2911.02	Restaurant	
Weapon 1 : Hands/feets		Latents : No	
How Entry : FRONT DOOR		Scene Processed By : FIORITTO, STEVEN M.	
Where Exit : Back Door		Evidence Collected : Yes	
Forced Entry : No		# of People Arrested : 03	
Photos : Yes			

P E R S O N	Person Type	Business/Person Name		Business Phone
	VIC - Victim	JOSEPH R HILTNER		
	Home Phone	Person Address		Map Reference
	Other Phone	Employer Address		Map Reference
		14224 Madison AV Lakewood, OH 44107, CUYAHOGA County		
	Race	Sex	SSN	DL Exp. Date
White	Male			
Birth Date	Birth City			
Age : 37		Adult/Juvenile : ADULT		
Occupation : COOK		Employer : EL TANGO TAQUERIA		

P E R S O N	Person Type	Business/Person Name		Business Phone
	VIC - Victim	ANTONIO L CARAFELLI		
	Home Phone	Person Address		Map Reference
	Other Phone	Employer Address		Map Reference
		14224 Madison AV Lakewood, OH 44107, CUYAHOGA County		
	Race	Sex	SSN	DL Exp. Date
White	Male			
Birth Date	Birth City			
Age : 60		Adult/Juvenile : ADULT		
Occupation : OWNER		Employer : EL TANGO TAQUERIA		

Reporting Officer	Department	Report Status:
PTL. JOSHUA MICHAEL GREER (1085)	LAKEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT	Approved
Supervising Officer		Date/Time
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3	Person Type ARA - Arrested Adult		Business/Person Name CLIFFORD J FINKLEA			Business Phone
	Home Phone		Person Address MORESBLACK AV Cleveland, OH 44104 , CUYAHOGA County			Map Reference
	Other Phone		Employer Address			Map Reference
	Race Black	Sex Male	SSN	DL Exp. Date	DL Number	
	Birth Date		Birth City			
	Age : 24 Occupation : NONE Max. Height : 6'7 " Adult/Juvenile : ADULT Booking Number : lk-08-00660			Coat : BLACK Hat : BLK SKI MASK Pants : BLACK Build : Large		

4	Person Type ARA - Arrested Adult		Business/Person Name ASHLEY M HARDWICK			Business Phone
	Home Phone		Person Address Madison AV Lakewood, OH 44107 , CUYAHOGA County			Map Reference
	Other Phone		Employer Address			Map Reference
	Race White	Sex Female	SSN	DL Exp. Date	DL Number	
	Birth Date		Birth City			
	Age : 21 Min. Height : 5'5 " Adult/Juvenile : ADULT Booking Number : lk-08-00658			Coat : BLACK Hat : BLACK SKI MASK Pants : DARK		

5	Person Type ARA - Arrested Adult		Business/Person Name MAJOR C SCAIFE			Business Phone
	Home Phone		Person Address Madison AV Lakewood, OH 44107 , CUYAHOGA County			Map Reference
	Other Phone		Employer Address			Map Reference
	Race Black	Sex Male	SSN	DL Exp. Date	DL Number	
	Birth Date		Birth City			
	Age : 23 Max. Height : 5'8 " Adult/Juvenile : ADULT Booking Number : lk-08-00659			Coat : BLACK Hat : BLK SKI MASK Pants : DARK		

1	Category STOLEN	Property Type Currency/Negotiable	Make US	Model COINS/ PAPER	
	Serial #		Color	Description MISC BILLS AND COINS	Condition
	Associations : Owner is ANTONIO CARAFELLI			Value : \$, ,180.00	

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Topic Original Report

M.O. - By punching victim in the face and taking money from cash register and leaving business with same.

On 1-22-08 at approximately 2131 hrs, officers were detailed to El Tango Taqueria at 14224 Madison on the report of the business having just been robbed. Dispatch advised that there were three parties involved who were all wearing black jackets and ski masks. The suspects left the business through the back door and left N/B through the back lot. The victim was unable to see what direction they went after that.

Upon arriving at the business and speaking with VIC/ JOSEPH HILTNER, I learned the following: He again stated that all three people involved were wearing black jackets and dark pants and had black ski masks on. He said one suspect was a very large male approximately 6'5"- 6'7". The other two suspects were shorter and approximately 5'5" - 5'7". He thought they might have been white males, but was not sure because they also had gloves on and he could not see their faces. This information was passed on to the other officers checking the area for the suspects. Two of the suspects were located shortly after that. Ptl. Roda and Ptl. Harner located one of the suspects, ARA/ MAJOR SCAIFE, at Belle and Franklin. Inv. Pickens, Inv. Foye, and Sgt. Wilkins located the second suspect, ARA/ ASHLEY HARDWICK, in the area of 1542 Olivewood.

In further speaking with HILTNER, he stated that the three suspects entered the restaurant through the front door. They kept their ski masks on the entire time, but because of the cold temperatures outside, he did not think anything was suspicious. The tall male, later identified as ARA/ CLIFFORD FINKLEA, stepped up to the front counter and began looking at a menu while the other two suspects stayed around the entrance. FINKLEA ended up telling HILTNER that he wanted to order some nachos. At that time, FINKLEA reached over the counter and punched HILTNER in the right side of the face knocking HILTNER's glasses off. FINKLEA then ran behind the counter where HILTNER was.

At this time, the other two suspects, HARDWICK and SCAIFE, were standing behind FINKLEA. FINKLEA, who had hit HILTNER, said "give us the money". HILTNER said he opened the register then and FINKLEA grabbed the cash drawer out of the register. He dumped the money out of the cash drawer onto the counter because he was wearing gloves and could not get the money out of the drawer. He then grabbed as much of the money off of the counter as he could. They told HILTNER to open the back door so they could leave and he did so. FINKLEA, SCAIFE, and HARDWICK left the restaurant at that time N/B through the back lot and HILTNER walked around the front of the building and went back inside and contacted LPD at that time. See HILTNER's statement for further details.

After speaking with SCAIFE and HARDWICK, Inv. Pickens, Sgt. L. Wilkins, Inv. Allen, and Ptl. Schad later responded to 15010 Madison and located FINKLEA in apartment #303.

HILTNER stated that he was not injured, but did have a small scrape on the right side of his face, and did not want medical attention at that time.

At that time, VIC/ ANTONIO CARAFELLI had also arrived at the business. CARAFELLI and HILTNER stated that approximately \$180 in misc bills and coins was taken from the register. There were several coins and a \$10 bill on the counter and the floor of the restaurant that had been dumped out of the

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cash drawer by FINKLEA.

Inv. Fioritto arrived at the business and photographed the scrape on HILTNER's face and the money that was left behind.

FINKLEA, SCAIFE, and HARDWICK were arrested by Inv. Pickens, Sgt. L. Wilkins, and Ptl. Roda for Robbery and transported to LPD where they were booked in by C.O. McCarthy.

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