

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Detective Sergeant Patrick O'Neill

Eureka Police Investigate Shooting

On 1-8-2010 at about 2039 hours, Officers were dispatched to the 200 block of Humboldt Street to a reported shots fired call. It was reported to the Eureka Police Dispatch center that three (3) shots had been heard, followed by a large amount of yelling.

Upon arrival Officers located a single male subject down in the roadway and several subjects physically fighting. The down subject was unresponsive and bleeding. A Eureka Police Officer administered life saving efforts, until medical personnel arrived. However, the subject succumbed to his wounds and was pronounced dead at the scene.

The scene was quickly secured, with the assistance of Deputies of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department, and several subjects were detained and interviewed. Eureka Police Detectives and forensic processing personnel soon responded to the scene to investigate. Due to the large crime scene and vast amount of interviews to be conducted, a mutual aid request was made to the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office and their personnel assisted in the investigation.

Through the investigation it was determined that an argument took place between the deceased and a male subject at a nearby apartment. The argument became heated and shots were fired. The victim was struck while attempting to flee the scene. The suspect and a female companion fled the scene.

The suspect was identified as Tellest Antwion Keyes (28 years old of Eureka). The female companion was identified as Jessica Diane Montel (21 years old of Eureka). Currently Keyes is sought by Law Enforcement for Murder and Montel is being sought for being a accessory after the fact. Keyes and Montel are possibly in possession of two young children and may be driving a Grey 1986 Lincoln Towncar, bearing California License Plate 2CSC794.

Anyone with information concerning Keyes or Montel's whereabouts is urged to contact the Eureka Police Department at 707-441-4044. The public is also requested not to contact or attempt to detain Keyes or Montel. They are to be considered armed and dangerous.

This is an ongoing investigation and further details will be released as they become available.

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