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From: Sergeant Donna Black
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Re: Arrest made in Murder on Otter Drive-Ridge Manor

Date: May 5, 2010

Case#: 2010-17299

Arrested: #1 Stephen Horne, W/M, DOB 02/05/1991, of 35029 Broken Stone St., Ridge Manor.
#2 Angel Gonzalez, W/M, DOB 07/09/1983, of 1050 Solar Dr, Holiday, Fl

Both charged with MURDER- no bond

Victim: Ivan Horne W/M, DOB 7/8/1962, of Tampa. He is the father of Stephen Horne

On May 4, 2010 Hernando County Detectives responded to 6478 Otter Dr, Ridge Manor reference to a report of a subject laying in the front yard of this vacant house. When deputies arrived they discovered a W/M, was deceased and was clad in a pair of boxers, white socks and a black long sleeve shirt. The deceased had been shot several times in the torso and once in the back. During the search of the crime scene Detectives observed a partial prescription with a name visible. This bit of information led to the identity of the deceased.

The Detectives continued to follow leads and information which led to Stephen Horne who is Ivan's son. Detectives made contact with him in the evening hours of May 4th. Stephen was transported to the Sheriff's office and during their interrogation they learned from him that on May 3rd at approximately 10:30 pm, he contacted the victim, who is his father, via cell phone. After contacting the victim, Stephen and a second individual identified as Angel Gonzalez drove to Tampa to pick up his father, the victim.

After picking up the victim, Stephen Horne and Angel Gonzalez drove to 6478 Otter Drive with the intention of shooting and killing the victim and robbing him of his Oxycodone pills. After arriving at 6478 Otter Drive, Stephen Horne, Angel Gonzales and the victim went around to the back of the vacant house. The victim was led to believe that Gonzales lived in the home. As the victim, began to walk to the rear of the location with Angel, Stephen shot the victim in the back one time with a .12 gage shotgun. After Ivan fell to the ground Stephen continued to shoot Ivan three more times in the torso.

Stephen told detectives that he and Angel removed the victim's shorts and boots and left the victim on the ground. After removing the victim's clothing he and Angel drove to Stephen's residence at 35029 Broken Stone Street. Once at the residence he removed 22 Oxycodone pills and approximately 640.00 dollars cash from the victim's shorts pockets. Stephen then buried the victim's clothing and the shotgun in his backyard located at 35029 Broken Stone Street. Stephen Horne has been arrested by Hernando County Detectives, charged with Murder, and transported to the Hernando County Jail held on a no bond status.

In the early morning hours of May 5, 2010, Angel R. Gonzalez, was located at his residence and transported to the Hernando County Sheriff's Office. During the interrogation Gonzalez relayed to detectives the same information as Stephen Horne had revealed earlier. He told detectives that he received some of the pills and money they had taken from Ivan Horne after he was dead. Gonzalez was arrested and charged with Murder and transported to the Hernando County Jail on a no bond status.