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TO: Press Sources

DATE OF INCIDENT: April 21, 2011 10:45 AM

LOCATION: 57 South Cross Road, Hyde Park

INCIDENT: Two parolees face felony larceny charges after Hyde Park incident

Yesterday morning at app. 10:45 AM, Hyde Park Police were dispatched to the area of 57 South Cross Road for a report of a larceny in progress. Officers arriving on the scene observed two male subjects loading what appeared to be large aluminum light poles into a truck. The subjects told police that they had been given permission from a subject to remove the items; but an investigation by police showed the subjects' story to be fictitious. The actual owner of the property contacted police, and stated he had no idea who these two men were or why they were stealing items from his property. Based upon these findings, Hyde Park Police took both subjects into custody. The approximate value of the aluminum found in the truck was nearly \$2,000.

It was subsequently learned that both subjects, later identified as 30-year-old Thomas Lutz and 37-year-old Walter Brown, both of Hyde Park, were both on parole from previous criminal convictions; Hyde Park Police contacted the NYS Division of Parole, and Violation of Parole warrants were lodged on both subjects. Lutz and Brown were brought to Hyde Park Police HQ, where they were booked and later brought to appear before the Hon. Judge Kennedy in Hyde Park Town Court; both were remanded to the Dutchess County Jail on \$5,000 cash / \$10,000 bond on the charges stemming from the incident. Both subjects are also held without bail on the parole violation warrants, pending a parole hearing.

Arrested: Thomas A. Lutz, 30, of 43 Fallkill Road, Hyde Park
Walter C. Brown, 37, of 131 Haviland Road, Hyde Park

Charges: Grand Larceny 4th Degree, a Class E Felony
Trespass, a Penal Law violation
Violation of Parole, a Felony

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