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TO: Press Sources

DATE OF INCIDENT: July 25, 2011

LOCATION: Town of Hyde Park

INCIDENT: Police announce arrest in Knights of Columbus burglary

Following an investigation into a series of burglaries at the Knights of Columbus on Violet Ave., Hyde Park Police have arrested a 16-year-old subject in connection with one of the incidents and have recovered some of the proceeds.

Police have charged Phillip Pectel of Poughkeepsie with several offenses in connection with the most recent break-in, which occurred sometime during the overnight hours of July 12-13. Hyde Park Police had been conducting an ongoing investigation into several burglaries at that location, and over the course of last week had developed information that led them to the suspect. During this latest incident, the suspects forced their way into the K of C, damaged a cabinet inside, and over \$300 worth of beer was taken; officers from HPPD were able to locate some of these proceeds, and placed them as evidence.

Pectel was arraigned last Friday evening in Hyde Park Town Court in front of the Hon. Judge Kennedy; was remanded to the Dutchess County Jail on \$ 5,000 cash / \$10,000 bond. A preliminary hearing will be held later this week, and Pectel is scheduled to reappear in Town Court on Thursday. Hyde Park Police are not ruling out additional arrests as the investigation into this series of burglaries continues.

Arrested: Phillip J. Pectel, 16, of 536 Creek Road, Poughkeepsie

Charges: Burglary 3rd Degree, a Class D Felony
Criminal Mischief 4th Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor
Petit Larceny, a Class A Misdemeanor

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