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TWO BURGLARLY SUSPECTS APPREHENDED

[Lancaster, Ohio, March 9, 2010] "On March 8, 2010 at 10:58 a.m. the Fairfield County Sheriff's Office received a call from a West Chester subdivision resident reporting seeing two suspicious young men carrying large trash bags out of a neighbor's home into a small green car," stated Sheriff Dave Phalen.

Deputies responded to the area and Deputy Stephanie Russell located what she believed to be the vehicle in question and initiated a traffic stop. Upon checking the driver, **Jamel J. Wood, 19**, of Columbus, she discovered he did not have driving privileges. The passenger, **Isaiah J. Moore, 19**, of Gahanna, was found to have an active warrant out of Gahanna Mayor's Court. Both men were taken into custody at that time.

When checking the contents of vehicle, Deputy Russell observed a television monitor, jewelry and other electronic equipment in the trunk. Deputies, when checking the location of the original call, found it had been burglarized. Deputies then discovered mail that belonged to another nearby home and found that residence broken into. Both men were taken into custody for further interviews. Both subjects are being charged with **BURGLARY, F2**, punishable by up to eight (8) years confinement and \$15,000 fine.

These individuals are believed to be responsible for numerous daytime burglaries in the Violet Township area over the last several weeks. "We anticipate these individuals will face additional charges in other burglary cases being investigated," stated Sheriff Phalen.

Photos of stolen items will be provided upon request.