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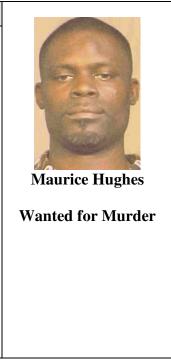
CATCH OF THE WEEK

Week of September 27th, 2004

Taking the Worst of the Worst Off the Streets

Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force

On September 28, 2004, at approximately 8:30 a.m., Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force (SERFTF) investigators arrested fugitive Maurice Hughes without incident at a bus stop in Stone Mountain, Georgia. On August 15, 2004, Hughes allegedly strangled his wife to death in Chicago, Illinois and immediately fled the jurisdiction. A warrant for first degree murder was issued for Hughes in Cook County Circuit Court on August 26. On September 1, the SERFTF received information from both the Great Lakes Regional Task Force and Chicago P.D. that Hughes had caught a bus to Georgia possibly to stay with a family friend at an apartment in Stone Mountain, Georgia. After extended surveillance on the location, SERFTF agents identified an individual fitting Hughes description exiting the building with an unknown female and walking toward the highway in the direction of the bus stop. SERFTF members positively identified and arrested Hughes without incident. Hughes has a lengthy criminal history including twenty-seven prior arrests for offenses including battery, aggravated assault, domestic violence, and violations of restraining orders.



New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force

On September 13, 2004, the Essex County Prosecutor's Office requested the assistance of the NY/NJ Regional Fugitive Task Force in locating a suspect in connection with a homicide that took place in East Orange, New Jersey on September 2, 2004. The suspect allegedly robbed and then shot the victim once in the shoulder and once in the head, causing victim's death. It was alleged that the robbery and shooting were part of a "CRIPS" gang initiation. Task Force members and Essex County Homicide Investigators, with substantial assistance from the U.S. Marshals Technical Operations Group, developed leads through investigation and interviews that identified Brian Durant as the shooter. On September 28, 2004, a warrant was issued for Durant charging him with Homicide, Unlawful Possession of a Weapon (Handgun), and Possession of a Weapon for Unlawful Purpose. Task Force members and Essex County Homicide Investigators arrested Durant later that day in Newark, New Jersey without incident.



Brian Durant

Wanted for Homicide

Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force

Walter Burns, Jr., was arrested in Los Angeles, California on September 28, 2004 by members of the Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force (PSW RFTF) and detectives and officers from the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). Burns, a "Rolling 40s Crip" gang member was wanted by the LAPD for Murder, stemming from a shooting incident that occurred in South Central Los Angeles in August 2004. Burns allegedly became involved in an argument with another person on the street which culminated with Burns shooting the victim twice and then executing him by shooting him in the head three times after he fell to the ground. Burns is also known as "Rated R" from the rap group "Thug Life." Following a lengthy surveillance, PSW RFTF and LAPD investigators identified Burns and took him into custody.



Walter Burns, Jr.

Wanted for Murder

Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force

On September 29, 2004, at about 1:00 a.m., Treve Abel allegedly murdered his girlfriend in Prince Georges County, Maryland. Prince Georges County police identified Abel as the suspect and learned that he may have had plans to flee to Jamaica. They contacted the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF) for assistance later that morning. Coordinated efforts to locate and arrest Able were developed through the CARFTF, U.S. Marshals International Investigations Unit, the Office of International Affairs, and the U.S. Marshals field office in Kingston, Jamaica. Investigators learned that Abel was on an Air Jamaica flight heading for Jamaica. Members of the USMS-trained Jamaican Fugitive Apprehension Team and deputy U.S. marshals working in the Jamaican Field Office responded to Norman Manley Airport in Kingston and took Abel into custody by 12:00 p.m. the same day the homicide occurred. Abel is in Jamaican custody awaiting extradition.



Treve Abel

Wanted for Murder

Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force

On September 30, 2004, Ruben Rebollar was arrested on 2 counts of 1st Degree Sexual Assault of a Minor Under 13 Years of Age and a Minor Under 16 years of Age. The subject was wanted by the Waukesha County, Wisconsin Sheriff on a 7 year-old warrant dated 1997. Investigators from the Eastern Wisconsin office of the Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force (GLRFTF) contacted investigators from Northern Illinois GLRFTF after information was developed that the subject may be in the Chicago area. An investigator with Homeland Security discovered that Rebollar had an arrest warrant after the subject had applied for U.S citizenship. developed information Investigators on Rebollar's Task Force whereabouts and arrested the subject at his place of employment. He is awaiting extradition to Wisconsin.



Ruben Rebollar

Wanted on several counts of Sexual Assault of a Minor

Regional Fugitive Task Forces Catch of the Week for the Week of September 20th, 2004