

Springfield Man Convicted in Burglary Ring

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On Wednesday, August 10, 2011, a Clark County jury found Jordan Christopher Beverly, a 23 year old Springfield man, guilty of one count of Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity, a first degree felony, eight counts of Burglary, all third degree felonies; one count of Attempted Burglary, a third degree felony; one count of Attempted Burglary, a fourth degree felony; one count of Failure to Comply, a third degree felony; one count of Failure to Comply, a fourth degree felony; one count of Having Weapons Under Disability, a third degree felony; five counts of Receiving Stolen Property, all fourth degree felonies; and one count of Receiving Stolen Property, a fifth degree felony. The eight-day trial culminated with the jury deliberating for approximately 5 hours before reaching its verdict late Wednesday evening.

Beverly is scheduled to be sentenced by the Honorable Douglas M. Rastatter on Friday, August 12, 2011 at 8:30 AM. He faces a possible maximum sentence of seventy-five (75) years imprisonment.

Beverly and a co-defendant, Branden Imber, committed a series of auto thefts and burglaries beginning in November 2010 through January 28, 2011. The two would steal vehicles from the Cincinnati Area and then return to Clark and Madison Counties where they committed numerous burglaries. Beverly and Imber would knock on the front door of a home in the middle of the day to see if anyone was home. When a resident answered the door, they would lie about why they were there and move on to the next home. If a resident did not answer the door, Beverly and Imber would proceed to kick in the back door of the home, and completely ransack the house. They targeted large flat screen televisions, firearms, jewelry, and money, and often destroyed or stole personal sentimental items belonging to the residents.

On January 28, 2011, both men were apprehended after a pursuit with the Springfield Police Division that ended in the K-9 Unit finding both subjects hiding in a shed.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Andrew R. Picek and Prosecuting Attorney D. Andrew Wilson prosecuted the case on behalf of the Clark County Prosecutor's Office. Detectives James Hollopeter of the Clark County Sheriff's Office and Dana Lewis of the Springfield Police Division were the lead investigators in the case. The Madison County Sheriff's Office, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation and Identification, and several other local law enforcement agencies throughout southwest Ohio assisted in the investigation and prosecution.