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News Release

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December 16, 2009

ARRESTEE (Name, Age, Sex): Cockerham, Michael, 21, M

ADDRESS: 426 Turtle Creek Lane, St. Rose, LA

CHARGE(S): Aggravated Burglary with an armed weapon

PLACE OF ARREST: _____

DATE OF ARREST: _____

ITEM NO.: L-01353-09

Sheriff Greg Champagne reports that the above subject was shot and killed by a homeowner while burglarizing a St. Rose home. Cockerham allegedly kicked down victim's rear door to his residence while armed with a semi automatic hand gun. Victim observed a laser light from what he believed to be a weapon shine through the opening of the damaged doorway at which time the homeowner fired a single shot from his weapon at the intruder.

Cockerham was located in the yard of a neighbor with a single gunshot wound to his abdomen. He was pronounced deceased at the scene by the St. Charles Coroner's Office.

The matter is under investigation. No charges have been filed against the homeowner.