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On April 20, 2024, the sheriff's office was called to investigate a shooting in the 500 Block of Cypress Street in Luling. Throughout the investigation, detectives learned that 50-year-old Blaze Gilyot, was shooting a .22 caliber rifle from his backyard toward a target he set up on the levee. Gilyot was unaware that a 17-year-old male was jogging on the levee and upon firing his weapon he unintentionally struck the 17-year-old male.

When Gilyot realized that he had shot the 17-year-old male, he immediately rendered aid to him until medical services arrived. The 17-year-old was airlifted to the hospital where he remains in stable condition.

Gilyot was ultimately taken into custody and charged with Negligent Injuring and the parish ordinance relative to discharging a firearm in a residential area. Gilyot was issued a \$5,000 bond by the Honorable Judge Connie Aucoin, which he satisfied, and was released from the Nelson Coleman Correctional Center.

This is still an ongoing and active investigation.