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Man Convicted of Burglary

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that Allen W. Lindsey, 23, of Springfield, MO was convicted today of burglary in the second degree following a jury trial before the Honorable Dan Conklin. The jury deliberated for just under two hours before returning its verdict.

In June of 2012, the defendant and two other men broke into a neighbor's home while the home owner was out of town. Another neighbor testified that he was watching the house while the owner was away and saw flashlights moving around inside while checking on the house. After seeing the flashlights in the house, he saw the defendant and two other men emerge from the house and start to carry away stolen items. The neighbor notified law enforcement, who immediately responded. Police officers were able to locate two of the suspects near the scene, and recover all of the stolen items.

Burglary in the Second Degree carries a range of punishment from one day to seven years imprisonment, as well as a potential fine up to \$5,000. Judge Conklin set a sentencing hearing for June 6, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. following a sentencing assessment report by the Department of Probation and Parole.

This case highlights the importance of citizens and neighbors being alert and watching out for one another in their community. Citizens are encouraged to monitor their neighborhoods for suspicious activity, especially when they are aware that a neighbor is out of town. If you see anything suspicious, immediately contact law enforcement, but do not attempt to stop anyone on your own or place yourself in a dangerous situation. Information that a crime is occurring or has just occurred is beneficial to law enforcement because it helps police to quickly recover evidence and begin their investigation immediately.

Subject: Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Press Release, State v. Lindsey, 1231-CR07483-01

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Christopher Hoeman and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Ida Shafaie. It was investigated by the Springfield Police Dept. and Detective Pepper Jackson was the lead investigator assigned to the case.

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