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Police report: Officers cleared in shooting case

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SOUTH MEMPHIS

Officers cleared in shooting case

Two Memphis police officers who shot and killed a suspect May 8 have been cleared in the case, officials said Wednesday.

Officers Pierce Hayden and Steve Theriac shot and killed Dewayne Bailey, 38, after they said he tried to run them over.

According to police, Bailey was sleeping in his car in the parking lot at 4046 Horn Lake near Third. When police arrived, they tried to wake him.

When Bailey finally woke, he was agitated, police said, and then tried to run them over with his car.

The two officers fired, killing Bailey.

Both officers returned to duty Monday.

-- Jody Callahan

MEMPHIS

Woman charged with ID theft

A 31-year-old Memphis woman told police that her boyfriend provided another man's personal information that led to her arrest on Tuesday, according to a court affidavit.

Memphis police charged Lavona L. Suell with five counts of identity theft and one count of felony theft. Suell was held in Shelby County's Jail East on \$25,000 bond.

On April 5, a black leather bag containing a man's personal information, laptop computer and other items was stolen from a Toyota Corolla parked outside a restaurant on Ridgeway near Park, police reported.

Suell told police that her boyfriend brought the stolen property to her house.

The victim's bank alerted him after a woman called and tried to use his personal information to change the address for his account.

-- Kevin McKenzie

WHITEHAVEN

Man charged in apartment fire

Otavis Hill, 24, was charged with aggravated arson after an apartment fire Tuesday at 4759 Tulane. Officials said clothing was intentionally set on fire in a bedroom.

-- Jody Callahan

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