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Sheriff Vernon Bourgeois says that on January 30, 2011, Sunday morning at approximately 7:00 a.m. A Terrebonne Parish deputy was on patrol when he observed a silver Honda Civic disobey the traffic signal (red light) at the intersection of West Park Ave. and Bayou Gardens Boulevard. The deputy followed this vehicle east on Bayou Gardens Blvd. and the driver of this vehicle refused to stop.

The driver of this vehicle ran into a garbage can in the 5800 block of Vacari St. He then exited the driver door and ran into the wooded area. Deputies chased the suspect into the wooded area and escorted him back to the location of this traffic stop. The driver was identified as a 15-year-old male.

The front seat passenger was identified as Wenona Nelton, age 20. Nelton informed deputies that she is the owner of this vehicle. Nelton admitted to being in a relationship with the driver (age-15) of this vehicle. There was also a 15-year-old backseat passenger.

After further investigation deputies searched the vehicle and found a small amount of marijuana, a metal smoking pipe and prescription medication (general aderal and alprazolam). There were also stolen items, such as car stereos, speakers, purses etc., inside of this vehicle that was discovered to have been stolen during vehicle burglaries that occurred within the Houma City limits. TPSO detectives contacted the Houma Police Department and HPD detectives continued the investigation regarding the vehicle burglaries.

Wenona Renee Nelton, age-20, 835 Aragon Rd. Montegut was arrested for two counts of contributing to the delinquency of a juvenile, possession of marijuana, possession of drugs (CDS II) and (CDS IV), possession of drug paraphernalia and indecent behavior with a juvenile. Nelton was transported to the Terrebonne Parish Jail where she was booked and jailed. Nelton arraignment date is set for March 17, 2011.

The 15-year-old driver of the vehicle was arrested for disobeying a red light, possession of tobacco under age 18, speeding, littering, no driver's license, resisting an officer, criminal damage to property, drug paraphernalia, flight from an officer and possession of marijuana.

The 15-year-old backseat passenger was also arrested for possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of CDS II and CDS IV.

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