



Cortland Police Department



**Press Release-
Lieutenant David M. Guerrero
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Tuesday, July 13, 2010

On July 4, 2010, at approximately 12:30 PM, a female resident of 39 Port Watson Street Apartment 4 responded to the City of Cortland Police Department to report a home invasion robbery. The resident reported that at about 3:20 AM a black male dressed in dark clothing, wearing a baseball cap, having a blue bandana around his face, and having a backpack entered her apartment unannounced. The resident and four overnight guests were asleep at the time. The suspect was armed with a black colored handgun. The suspect was known to the resident and one of her guests. The suspect was identified as Nathan C Wood. Wood pointed the handgun at all of the occupants of the apartment while demanding that they turn over money to him. Wood struck the three male guests about their face and heads. No injuries resulted. Wood pointed the handgun and touched the breast of the female guest while commenting on her appearance. The resident turned over approximately \$500.00 and a Blackberry cellular telephone to Wood. Wood took another sum of money and a pack of cigarettes from the apartment before leaving. Wood threatened to return and kill the occupants of the apartment if they reported the robbery to the police. The resident waited more than nine hours to report the robbery due to their fear.

At about 4:30 PM officers and investigators of the City of Cortland Police Department responded to Wood’s residence. Wood was located and uncooperative. He was arrested and transported to the Police Department for processing. A search warrant was obtained for the residence. At about 6:40 PM the search warrant was executed on the residence. Recovered were: a black colored CO2 handgun, clothing worn at the time of the robbery, more than \$400.00, and a small amount of marihuana.

Arrested in connection with this incident is:

Nathan C Wood 19 Years of Age 5 Rickard Street, Cortland

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| Burglary in the 1st Degree | Class B Felony |
| Robbery in the 2nd Degree | Class C Felony |
| Crim. Posses. of a Weapon | 3rd Degree Class D Felony |
| Menacing in the 2nd Degree | Class A Misdemeanor |
| Forcible Touching | Class A Misdemeanor |
| Unlawful Possession of Marihuana | Violation |



Wood was arraigned in Cortland City Court at about 9:30 PM on July 4, 2010. He was remanded to Cortland County Jail on \$50,000 cash or \$100,000 bond. Wood is scheduled to reappear in Cortland City Court on July 7, 2010 at 9:30 AM.

The investigation is ongoing as police attempt to identify witnesses, locate evidence, or identify anyone having information regarding the robbery. Police are requesting anyone who may have information concerning this incident to please contact Sgt. Patrick C. Sweeney at (607) 758-8308 or Lt. David M. Guerrera at (607) 758-8307