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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, VA (December 26, 2009) Suffolk Police investigators have identified the suspect in Thursday night's shooting and are asking for the public's assistance in locating him. Deon McCoy Thomas, age 20, is currently wanted for aggravated malicious wounding, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, cut, stab or wound and shooting into an occupied vehicle.

Thomas is reported to have friends or relatives that live in the 4700 block of Helens Burgh Drive in Chesapeake and the 700 block of Bismark Myrick St in Portsmouth. Thomas should be considered armed and dangerous. Police ask if anyone knows Thomas' whereabouts to contact Suffolk Police at 923-2350 or Crime Line at 1-888-Lock-U-Up.

SUFFOLK, VA (December 24, 2009) Suffolk Police are investigating a shooting that occurred last night. At approx. 9:15 p.m., Emergency Communications received a call of shots fired in the 5600 blk. of Plummer Blvd. Police learned that a twenty-six year old man was shot at that location and drove himself to his girlfriend's residence the 4600 blk. of Maplewood Dr., after failing to get assistance at the door of a residence on Plummer Blvd. The victim struck a tree on Plummer Blvd. when leaving.

The victim, John Craig, suffered two gunshot wounds to the face. He was ground transported to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital. Police believe his injuries to be non-life threatening. He is currently listed in fair condition.

Investigators are following leads in the case. No arrests have been made. Detective Herbert Bruce is the lead investigator.

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