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Attorneys, Agents Honored for Their Work

10/29/05 HAMMOND | A team of prosecutors and federal agents working in Northwest Indiana won high praise for their performance in Washington, D.C., Friday.

Northern District of Indiana Assistant U.S. Attorneys Thomas L. Kirsch II, Robert Trgovich, Gary Bell and Joseph A. Cooley (Former), and FBI Special Agents Bradley Bookwalter and Anthony T. Riedlinger were honored for their work resulting in the convictions of 23 members of the Gary-based Concord Common Affiliated street gang, according to a press release from the U.S. Department of Justice.

Full Story:

http://nwitimes.com/articles/2005/10/29/news/lake_county/1e52bf6a7fdb0173862570a900024490.txt

Feds Target Guthrie Street Gangs

01/14/05 EAST CHICAGO | Federal authorities say their drug raid at the Harborside Apartments Tuesday is only the first step in breaking street gangs' hold over the public housing project.



The FBI has identified Terry Wayne "Little T" Johnson, the man they arrested on a cocaine possession charge, as a member of the Gangster Disciples.

FBI Special Agent Elena Iatarola, who took part in the raid, said in an affidavit filed in U.S. District Court that "drug trafficking trade on Guthrie Street is understood to be operated by (Gangster Disciples) and their associates."

Full Story:

http://www.nwitimes.com/articles/2005/01/14/news/lake_county/1128b7cbd192fdb86256f880081c4b0.txt

MS-13 Gang Member Arrested By ICE In Monticello

07/12/05 MONTICELLO, Ind. — U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officers arrested a member of the violent "Mara Savatrucha" (MS-13) gang here last week in cooperation with the Monticello Police Department.



Victor Maravel, 28, a national of El Salvador, was arrested Thursday at his girlfriend's residence in Monticello, Ind. Maravel is an admitted member of the violent MS-13 street gang, and is in the U.S. illegally. He has a criminal history that includes convictions for public intoxication, resisting law enforcement, and operating a vehicle without a license.

Full Story: <http://www.ice.gov/graphics/news/newsreleases/articles/050712monticello.htm>

Related for reference

United States Attorney's Office Homepage
www.keepingourcommunitiessafe.us

United States Attorney's Office Gang Resource Site
www.keepingourcommunitiessafe.us/gangs.htm

Midwest

Planned Neo-Nazi March Sparks Violence



10/15/05 TOLEDO | A neo-Nazi group's scheduled march against "black crime" in Toledo, Ohio, sparked rioting Saturday afternoon.

Police and SWAT teams moved in, and about two dozen rioters were arrested, Toledo Police Chief Michael Navarre said. He said he expected 30 to 40 arrests by the end of the day.

Toledo Mayor Jack Ford declared a state of emergency and asked for 50 highway patrol officers to reinforce Toledo police. A curfew came into effect at 8 p.m. for people "roaming around the streets," he said. [\(Watch neo-Nazi protests turn violent\)](#)

He also blamed gang members for the violence, saying it turned into "exactly what they wanted," referring to the Nazi group. Ford said he had appealed to the community Friday night to ignore the Nazi march.

Full story: <http://www.cnn.com/2005/US/10/15/nazi.march/index.html>

Related for reference

Gangs Called Truce for United Front to Neo-Nazis, Police Say – News Article
<http://www.toledoblade.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20051018/NEWS03/510180375>

National Socialist Movement

<http://www.nsm88.com/>

Milwaukee Gang Raid Nets 49 on Charges in Murders, Drugs



10/05 MILWAUKEE | Forty-nine more people have been indicted in Milwaukee as part of what a federal prosecutor says is an effort to "overwhelm" gangs.

The 49 are alleged members of a street gang called the Almighty Latin King Nation. The suspects, with such names as Squirt Guns, Spider and Fat Fat, are charged with racketeering crimes including murder, attempted murder and drug trafficking. Some could get life in prison if convicted.

Most of the attempted murders were against members of rival gangs, which authorities say fueled the violence.

Twenty-nine of the suspects were rounded up in a series of raids yesterday. The rest were already in state custody on other charges.

Source: <http://www.kait8.com/Global/story.asp?S=3973276&nav=0jsh>

Related for reference

Latin Kings Information Site

http://www.geocities.com/tupper89_2000/gangs/lk.htm

Three Gang Members Sentenced for Drug Trafficking – Local News Article

http://nwitimes.com/articles/2005/03/26/news/lake_county/fc119b599a12000486256fd000093a7d.txt

Federal grand jury in Detroit indicts 25 in drug, money laundering scheme

10/28/05DETROT | A federal grand jury in Detroit has indicted 25 people in one of the largest drug and money laundering conspiracies in Michigan.



The gang, known as the Black Mafia Family, distributed more than 476 kilograms of cocaine in metro Detroit and laundered more than \$270 million in drug proceeds since the early 1990s, officials said today.

The alleged ringleaders, Terry and Demetrius Flenory of Detroit, moved drugs and money nationwide in cars with hidden compartments. The gang operated in California, Georgia, Kentucky and Missouri.

Full Story: http://www.freep.com/news/latestnews/pm6991_20051028.htm

Related for reference

Cocaine-trafficking ring broken by feds

http://www.dailynews.com/news/ci_3162477

National

F.B.I. Targets MS-13 Street Gang

10/05/05 WASHINGTON | The FBI has formed a national task force aimed at dismantling street gangs and has focused attention on the MS-13 gang, which federal investigators say rivals the infamous Crips and Bloods.

Federal law enforcement officials in states around the country are targeting the criminal organization known as MS-13, a violent street gang with origins in Central American countries.

In September, police in Oregon and Minnesota arrested suspected gang members, some accused of violent crimes.

In Northern Virginia, where police estimate there are over 2,000 members, a 17-year-old Herndon High School student was stabbed to death by an MS-13 gang member who pled guilty to the crime.



Full story: http://www.pbs.org/newshour/extra/features/july-dec05/gangs_10-05.html

Three MS-13 Members Held After Cross-Country Effort

10/20/05 VIENNA | Three suspected MS-13 gang members were arrested in Vienna, Va., Wednesday night after police tracked their activity among Los Angeles, Massachusetts and Virginia for five months. One of the men is wanted for an MS-13-related slaying in Massachusetts. All three are illegal immigrants from El Salvador.



Alexander Dominguez, 24, is accused of shooting Miguel Mendez, 37, outside a house in New Bedford, Mass., in October 2004. He is wanted on a Massachusetts warrant and has been traveling with Jorge Alberto Platero Castillo and Jose Zosimo Platero Mercado, two suspected MS-13 members from Los Angeles. They were arrested by U.S. marshals at about 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Vienna apartment where they were staying.

Full story: <http://www.washtimes.com/metro/20051020-105957-7374r.htm>

Related for reference

National Alliance of Gang Investigators Associations' Site on MS-13

http://www.nagia.org/mara_salvatrucha.htm

Most Wanted Suspect Jailed



10/07/05 SCHENECTADY | A New York City street gang member whose involvement in armed jewelry store heists earned him a place on the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Most Wanted List has been arrested by Schenectady police, authorities said.

Police arrested Darnell Foskey, 20, of Brooklyn after a brief car chase that ended Tuesday night in Mont Pleasant, authorities said. Officer Donald Kiser tried to stop Foskey for speeding on State Street, but he took off, heading down the edge of Hamilton Hill and onto Michigan Avenue in Mont Pleasant, police said.

He crashed the vehicle into a traffic signal pole and then ran from the vehicle, police said. Police captured him several blocks away on Wing Avenue.

Once in custody, Foskey allegedly gave police a phony name, but a check of his fingerprints revealed that he was wanted by the ATF and New York City police.

A federal grand jury has indicted Foskey on interstate robbery and firearms charges in the January robberies of jewelry stores in Brooklyn and the Bronx.

Full story:

<http://timesunion.com/AspStories/story.asp?storyID=406103&category=SCHENECTADY&BCCode=&newsdate=10/7/2005>

Judge Signs Death Warrant for Crips Gang Co-Founder



10/25/05 LOS ANGELES | A judge signed a death warrant Monday for Stanley "Tookie" Williams, a co-founder of the notorious Crips gang who was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize for his children's books.

Williams is scheduled to die December 13 at San Quentin prison. The judge rejected requests by his attorneys to delay the execution until December 22 to give them more time to seek clemency from Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger. The December 13 date means attorneys have only until November 8 to submit a

clemency request. The U.S. Supreme Court declined to consider Williams' case earlier this month. "This case has taken over 24 years to get to this point," Superior Court Judge William R. Ponders said. "That is a long delay in itself, and I would hate to add to that delay." Williams, 51, and a high school friend started the Crips street gang in Los Angeles in 1971.

Full story: <http://www.cnn.com/2005/LAW/10/25/williams.execution.ap/index.html>

Related for reference

Crips Information on the Web

http://www.knowgangs.com/gang_resources/crips/crips_001.htm

Party Crews on the Rise

10/17/05 EL PASO | Party crews, which have been described as a type of gang or a high-school fraternity, have seen a recent resurgence and have spread into middle schools, a local gang expert says.

Party crews have been in El Paso for years but peaked in popularity about five years ago. By 2003-2004, they "pretty much died out," said Rob Gallardo, a gang prevention counselor with the OnRamp Youth Foundation of El Paso.

But party crews and "rebel crews," competitive dance groups, have re-emerged this year, Gallardo said.

Andre Gallardo belonged to a party crew but he didn't consider himself a gang member like the cholos he grew up with in Socorro, he said.



"I didn't think of us as a gang," said Gallardo, a 19-year-old student at El Paso Community College who is no longer in the Beyond Intoxication Krew he helped establish. "I understood we did some things that were like a gang. ... We fought with other crews."

Full story: <http://www.borderlandnews.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20051017/NEWS/510170321/1001>

Featured Internet Sites

<http://www.gangsorus.com/>

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<http://www.keepingourcommunitiesafe.us>

This website developed by the U.S. Attorney's Office-Northern District of Indiana serves as an excellent resource for the public as well as law enforcement. The website contains information on Anti-Terrorism, Methamphetamine, Gangs and much more.

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