

MEDIA RELEASE

6/23/10 Multi-Agency Deadbeat Parent Roundup

A multi-agency law enforcement team initiated a warrant round-up yesterday evening, June 23, 2010, specifically targeting parents who have missed court appearances and owe substantial amounts in past-due child support.

Approximately 40 officers from the East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office, the East Baton Rouge District Attorney, the Baton Rouge City Police, the Louisiana Department of Support Enforcement Services, the Louisiana State Police, the Louisiana Office of Probation and Parole and the Baton Rouge City Constable located and arrested 12 individuals owing more than \$436,772 dollars in outstanding child support. Those whose cases could be heard yesterday evening by Judge Kathleen Richey were brought to court. Out of the 12 arrested, 6 were remanded to prison to serve time. Others were given suspended jail sentences subject to the conditions set by the judge to reduce their outstanding child support obligation.

Among the 12 individuals recovered was one Clyde Maten (booking photo attached), who owes a record \$90,673.72 in past due child support; the highest past-due amount encountered by Judge Richey in her 19 years on the bench.

Tonight's actions brings the total number of deadbeat parents recovered by this multi-agency effort to 150 out of the 250 persons sought in the Crime Stoppers program.

Those not located will continue to appear in Crime Stopper's deadbeat fugitive program and the agencies warrant teams will continue to seek them.

Those located: Melvin Williams b/m owed \$11,715 released with new court date; Calvin Lee b/m owed \$23,421 booked in to the parish prison; Chad Banks b/m owed \$35,302 booked into the parish prison (Theft over \$500/Disturbing the peace); Milton Bureau b/m owed \$33,188 released with new court date; Therence Moton b/m owed \$36,111 booked into the parish prison 90 days; Stanley Gaurian b/m owed \$61,437 released with new court date; Phillip Cummings b/m owed \$43,439 released with new court date; Tony Grimm b/m owed \$35,730 released with new court date; Marcus London b/m owed \$19,869 released with new court date; Jeffery Edwards b/m owed \$17,767 booked into the parish prison 90 days; Clyde Maten b/m owed \$90,673 booked into the parish prison 90 days; Cedric Dixon b/m owed \$28,114 booked into the parish prison 90 days.