

On 08-04-2013 at about 8:30am Kankakee Police were called to N. Hunter Ave and E. Chestnut St. in reference to shots fired. Upon arrival, officers heard gun shots coming from a house in the 1300 block of E. Chestnut St. The house was quickly secured and the occupants ordered from the home. Officers secured four adults and three children who were in the home when the shots were heard at the house.

The four adults are identified as: Johntae D. Mays, M/B, 19 years old, of 900 E. Bourbonnais K3, Diamond Sykes, F/B 18 years old, of 1000 S. Monitor Chicago, Kenneth Groves, M/B, 20 years old, of 1000 S. Monitor Chicago, and Laucharra D. Johnson, F/B, 22 years old, of 300 S. Rosewood K3. All are being held at the Jerome Combs Detention Center on initial charges of Child Endangerment, Reckless Discharge of a Firearm, and Unlawfull Use of a Weapon. The children, ages 4, 3, and an infant, in the home were released to relatives.

That intersection is a school bus stop and there were numerous children and adults present in the area. Initial details of the incident indicate one of the adults that is being held in custody was at the intersection waiting for a school bus with a child, when shots were fired into the area. As people scattered to avoid the gunfire, the adult ran back to the residence on E. Chestnut. Once inside one of the persons being held in custody then fired a weapon inside the residence.

After a search of the house, two weapons were recovered along with a large amount of cocaine, with a street value of \$9,000.00. Police believe this incident along with an incident from the previous night are possibly connected and are continuing to investigate, and seek further arrests in connection with the 2 incidents.

Any persons with information about either incident are urged to call Crime Stoppers at (815) 93-CRIME or the Kankakee Police Investigation Division at (815) 933-0426.