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Teen burglars to be sentenced tomorrow in Riverhead

A pair of Centereach teens arrested for burglaries in northern Brookhaven Town will be sentenced tomorrow (Thursday, February 7) in Suffolk County court in Riverhead.

Maurice Jones, 20, and codefendant Sion Sosa, 19, were arrested in May of last year by Sixth Precinct Squad detectives, assisted by Sixth Precinct Crime Control, Patrol and Community Oriented Police Enforcement (COPE). Both men pleaded guilty to charges of burglary in the second degree.

Sosa and Jones pleaded guilty last month to a burglary of a residence in Setauket. A video game system, a camera and coins were stolen. Police reported the house, on Julia Circle, was also vandalized during the break-in; the defendant's intentional clogging of the drains with all the faucets turned on caused a floor collapse. The initial damage estimate was \$8,000.

Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota said prosecutors will make a sentencing recommendation that each defendant be imprisoned for at least five years in an upstate correctional facility.

In addition to the Setauket crime, Maurice Jones pleaded guilty to burglarizing a home on Shady Tree Lane in Port Jefferson, and residences on View Street and Niagara Street in Miller Place.

Two burglary victims are expected to attend the sentencing to deliver victim impact statements.

Judge Richard Ambro (fourth floor of the courthouse) will call the calendar at 9:30 am.

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