

4 arraigned in car thefts - They are allegedly part of a regional auto theft ring that sold four stolen pickup trucks for \$760.

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HIGHLAND PARK -- Members of an alleged auto theft ring that sold four new Dodge Ram pickups for \$760 were arrested in a Highland Park service station for allegedly trying selling a stolen 2005 Kia for \$400.

Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans said the case proves auto theft is a regional problem and sheriffs need to form partnerships to combat the crime.

Arraigned in 30th District Court in Highland Park were:

Y Berry Robinson III of Detroit, charged with conspiracy to receive and conceal a stolen motor vehicle, receiving and concealing a motor vehicle, possession with intent to deliver about an ounce of heroin, possession with intent to deliver about an ounce of cocaine and being a habitual offender. He is in the Wayne County Jail in lieu of \$50,000 bond.

Y Isaiah "Ike" Blessit Jr. of Detroit, charged with conspiracy and with receiving and concealing. He is lodged in the county jail in lieu of \$50,000 bond.

Y Jaroslaw "Jerry" Slawko Wilchivsky of Warren, charged with conspiracy and receiving and concealing. He is free on a bond of \$25,000.

Y Valerie Lianjave, also known as Delores Glover, charged with two counts of possessing counterfeit certificates of auto insurance and driving with a suspended license. She is held in lieu of \$10,000 bond.

Robinson, Blessit and Wilchivsky were expected to also be arraigned in 36th District Court in Detroit on charges of operating a chop shop and four counts of receiving and concealing.

Wayne County Sheriff's Detective Eddie Smith said in August he was loaned to the South Auto Theft Unit of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office to assist Oakland County's investigation of recent auto thefts. Smith said it was Wilchivsky, who told deputies he is on disability after 20 years work at the General Motors Tech Center in Warren, who offered to sell him the four new trucks for \$2,000.

Smith said he balked because the trucks' ignition locks were broken and their wheels were gone. Smith said he finally bought all four trucks from **Robinson** at a residence in Detroit for \$760.

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