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St. Thomas Man Injured By Gunfire

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A 51-year-old St. Thomas man reported being shot in his upper left shoulder on November 28 by Henry Tuitt Polanco, 57, who walked up to him and, unprovoked, opened gunfire, according to police spokesperson Melody Rames.

Police say the incident took place at about 5:30 p.m. at the Doble Play Bar and Restaurant on St. Thomas.

According to the initial police report, witnesses say the victim was inside the bar when another male walked in and shot him. The suspect then left the scene in a green Madza. The victim, who was taken to the Schneider Regional Medical Center in a private vehicle and treated, also told police that Polanco assaulted him with a golf club several days

prior to the shooting incident.

Police say Polanco turned himself in, and was arrested at about 8:45 p.m. the same day of the shooting and was charged with Assault Third Degree. His bail has been set at \$45,000 and he was remanded to the Bureau of Corrections pending further court action.

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