



MEDIA RELEASE

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St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Crime Report for March 1, 2010

Members of the Bureau of Criminal Investigations are seeking information on several malicious destructions of properties to vehicles, mailboxes, and thefts from motor vehicles in the Hollywood and Wildewood areas of St. Mary's County. Anyone with information is urged to contact Trooper First Class L. Nims at 301-475-4200 x1947 or call Crime Solvers at 301-475-3333. Tipsters can also text their tips to "TIP239" plus your message to "CRIMES" (274637). Callers and tipsters do not have to leave a name, just the information. If the information leads to the arrest and conviction, the caller/tipster may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000.00.

On February 20, 2010, Deputy First Class R. Gill responded to Radford Lane in Lexington Park to check the welfare of a child. Upon arrival he located a black Chevrolet Cavalier with a woman sleeping in the passenger seat and a small child in a child safety seat inside the vehicle. As Deputy First Class Gill was attempting to contact the woman, Christopher N.M.N. Hale, age 29 of no fixed address, walked up to the vehicle. He explained that the occupants of his vehicle were related to him. A check of the vehicle registration revealed the registration plates on the vehicle were reported stolen from Charles County. Hale was arrested and charged with Theft Under \$100.00.

On January 20, 2010, the victims reported they heard the door to their residence being broken. The victims went downstairs to investigate and found Justin Matthew Clausen, age 21 of Lexington Park, lying on their couch. Clausen was extremely intoxicated. None of the victims knew Clausen. The victims called 911. Corporal V. Walker responded to the residence and arrested Clausen. Clausen was charged with two counts of Burglary and one count of Destruction of Property. Further investigation revealed Clausen was currently out of jail on personal recognizance for committing a similar crime on February 17, 2010 where he was arrested by the Maryland State Police.

On February 21, 2010, Deputy Melissa Green responded to a residence on Mary Lynn Drive in Lexington Park for a report of a disturbance. The investigation revealed Mary Agnes Morgan, age 39, and Lawrence Maurice Anderson, age 48, both of no fixed address, had been involved in an argument with the victim. The argument escalated into a physical assault when Morgan struck the victim in the head with a rod iron lamp, knocking the victim to the ground. Once the victim was on the ground, both Morgan and Anderson repeatedly kicked and stomped the victim's body. Due to the nature of injuries, the victim was flown by Maryland State Police Helicopter Trooper 7 to Prince George's Hospital. Morgan and Anderson were arrested and each charged with one count of First Degree Assault and one count of Second Degree Assault.

On February 21, 2010, the victim called the St. Mary's County Emergency Communications Center to report that Torrence Luccus Wimbish, age 27 of Lanham, had stolen a "Smart Cycle" from her. The victim stated the Smart Cycle belonged to her and Wimbish had no claim to the item. The victim further reported Wimbish left her residence in an ADT van heading north on Three Notch Road from Cambridge Avenue. Deputy First Class C. Dodson located and stopped the van. Deputy First Class Dodson found Wimbish in possession of the Smart Cycle, verified the victim's ownership of the Smart Cycle and arrested Wimbish. Wimbish was charged with Theft Under \$1,000.00.

On February 22, 2010, John Michael Jackson, age 32 of Avenue, was in the Circuit Court for a child support review hearing. A warrant check on Jackson revealed he had an open warrant for Violation of Probation. Jackson was arrested on the open warrant. A search of Jackson's person at the St. Mary's County Detention Center revealed two baggies filled with tobacco products and 16 pills concealed on his body. The pills were identified as naproxen and paxil. Jackson was served the open warrant and charged additionally with Possession of Prescription Medication Without a Label and Possession of Contraband in a Detention Facility.

On February 22, 2010, Corporal D. Corcoran located David Arnold Raley Jr., age 42 of St. Inigoes, at his residence and arrested him on two open warrants. Raley was in the bedroom area of his residence when arrested. As Corporal Corcoran was arresting Raley, he noticed a controlled dangerous substance smoking device in plain view. Corporal Corcoran also located other control dangerous substance smoking paraphernalia throughout the residence. Raley was arrested and charged with two counts of Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, suspected marijuana and cocaine, and two counts of Possessing Controlled Dangerous Substance Paraphernalia.

On January 24, 2010, deputies responded to Applebee's Restaurant in California for a report of an assault. The investigation revealed Kyle Matthew Blazer, age 21 of Hollywood, was upset with the victim, grabbed her by the throat and "choked slammed" her to the ground. The victim sustained injury as a result of Blazer's assault. Deputies gathered the initial information on the scene and conducted follow up interviews for the investigation. On February 23, 2010, Blazer responded to the Sheriff's Office and was served with a Criminal Summons charging him with the January 24, 2010 Second Degree Assault.

On February 24, 2010, the St. Mary's County Emergency Communications Center dispatched a lookout for a blue Pontiac Grand Am with Maryland registration plates. It was reported the occupants of the Grand Am had just robbed a subject in the area of Mechanicsville Road and Beverly Drive in Mechanicsville. Deputy First Class J. Graves located and stopped the vehicle. The vehicle was occupied by Deshaun Steven Hardaway, age 21 of no fixed address, Joshua Craig Crandall-Gascon, age 21 of Welcome, Nicole Marie Garrow, age 19 of no fixed address, and Christine Nicole Smoot, age 19 of Nanjemoy, all of which were detained by Deputy First Class Graves for further investigation. Further investigation revealed the victim had arranged to meet Hardaway, Gascon, Garrow and Smoot in the area of Mechanicsville Road and Beverly Drive to facilitate an illegal drug transaction. When the victim met with the subjects, they assaulted him by punching him in the face several times and stole his wallet containing his money. The suspects then fled the area. The victim positively identified Hardaway, Gascon, Garrow, and Smoot as the subjects who assaulted and robbed him. A search of the vehicle did not reveal any illegal substances. Hardaway, Gascon, Garrow, and Smoot were all charged with Second Degree Assault and Robbery.

On February 25, 2010, Deputy First Class S. Ruest responded to a residence on Three Notch Road in Lexington Park for a report of a domestic assault. The investigation revealed Dale Lee Lokey Sr., age 41 of Lexington Park, was involved in a verbal dispute which escalated into a physical assault when Lokey tackled the victim to the ground. The victim was able to break free and Lokey slapped the victim across the face. The assault was stopped by a third party in the residence. Lokey was arrested and charged with Second Degree Assault.

On February 25, 2010, Deputy First Class D. Harris responded to a residence on Greenwell Hill Lane in Leonardtown for a report of a domestic assault in progress. Upon arrival Deputy First Class Harris made contact with the victim who was standing outside of the residence. The victim reported he and Tami Sue Lindstead, age 39 of Leonardtown, were involved in a verbal dispute which escalated into a physical assault when Lindstead grabbed a pair of scissors and thrust them towards him. The scissors made contact with the victim's arm causing a scratch on his forearm. Lindstead then grabbed a beer bottle and struck the victim in the head and punched the victim in the eye. The victim was able to get away from the attack. Deputy First Class Harris made contact and interviewed Lindstead. Lindstead was subsequently arrested and charged with First and Second Degree Assault.

On February 25, 2010, Corporal K. Moritz was on routine patrol in the area of Trapp Road in St. Inigoes when he observed Walter Jerome Ford Jr., age 24 of Lexington Park. Corporal Moritz is familiar with Ford and knew Ford had two outstanding warrants for his arrest for Failing to Appear in Court. Corporal Moritz confirmed those warrants were still outstanding and arrested Ford. A search of Ford's person incident to the arrest revealed Ford to be in possession of a clear plastic baggie containing 24 pills, suspected ecstasy. Ford was charged with Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance.

Vice/Narcotics Detectives, assisted by the Sheriff's Office Emergency Services Team, executed a Search and Seizure Warrant on a Mechanicsville residence. The warrant was related to an investigation that has been ongoing for several months. Vice/Narcotics Detectives located 430 oxycontin and oxycodone pills valued at \$15,000.00, over 100 alprazolam pills and amphetamines combined valued at more than \$600.00. Almost \$1,700.00 in cash was also recovered. Detectives were able to identify William Jordan, age 22, Abujuma Nader, age 42, and Heather Smith, age 27, as the distributors of the illegal prescription medication. They face additional charges after a case review with State's Attorney Richard D. Fritz.

If any additional information is needed, please contact the Duty Officer at 301-475-4200 x1900.