



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Crime Report for August 30, 2010**

On August 20, 2010, deputies responded to Millison Plaza in Lexington Park for a report of a subject exposing himself to persons shopping in the plaza and urinating in public. Ricky Ray Hewlett Sr., age 59 of no fixed address, was identified by witnesses as the subject who was exposing himself. Hewlett was arrested and charged with Indecent Exposure.

On August 20, 2010, Deputy W. Thompson was patrolling the area of St. Mary's Square in Lexington Park when he observed Fredy Herman Eatmon II, age 45 of Washington D.C. Deputy Thompson ran a warrant check of Eatmon and discovered he was wanted in Prince George's County on an outstanding warrant. Eatmon was arrested on the open warrant. Search incident to the arrest revealed Eatmon was in possession of a glass smoking device containing suspected crack cocaine residue. Eatmon was served with the open warrant and additionally charged with Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, suspected cocaine and Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance Paraphernalia.

On August 20, 2010, Deputy First Class N. Chimko-Fahey responded to the Sea Breeze Restaurant in Mechanicsville for a report of a theft. The investigation revealed Carolyn Skye Woodall, age 21 of Callaway, an employee of the Sea Breeze Restaurant, had been stealing money from the business since the beginning of August 2010. Woodall was arrested and charged with Theft Over \$1,000.00 but under \$10,000.00 and Theft Scheme.

On August 22, 2010, Deputy First Class S. Carberry responded to an unoccupied dwelling on North Sandgates Road in Mechanicsville for a burglary complaint. The investigation revealed Jeffrey Glenn Burch, age 35, who is homeless, was staying in the dwelling without the knowledge or permission of the owner. Burch was found in the dwelling and arrested. Burch was charged with Fourth Degree Burglary.

On August 22, 2010, deputies responded to Krystal Lane in Lexington Park for a report of a disturbance. The investigation revealed Donald Wade Balch, age 42 of Lothian, is involved in a legal dispute with the victim. On August 22, 2010, Balch went to the victim's residence, rammed his vehicle into the victim's vehicle, threatened to burn the victim's house down and fled in a 1991 Dodge van prior to the arrival of the deputies. A lookout for Balch and the vehicle was dispatched. Balch was stopped on Patuxent Beach Road in California and arrested. Further investigation revealed Balch was operating the van on a revoked driver's license. Balch was charged with Destruction of Property, Threats of Arson and with Driving While Revoked.

On August 22, 2010 at approximately 2215 hours, deputies responded to Columbus Drive in Lexington Park for a report of a prowler. Upon arrival, Deputy T. Snyder made contact with Harold Nathaniel White, age 57 of Lexington Park, who appeared to be intoxicated and was yelling towards a residence. White, who was upset and yelling, told Deputy Snyder that he had been in a verbal dispute with an occupant of the residence and had been asked to leave the residence. Deputy Snyder asked White several times to lower his voice and stop yelling. White's yelling and disorderly behavior drew the attention of several neighbors who looked out of their windows or exited their residences to investigate the disturbance. White refused to stop yelling, was arrested and charged with Failing to Obey a Lawful Order of a Police Officer and Disorderly Conduct.

On August 22, 2010 at approximately 0345 hours, Deputy First Class N. Chimko-Fahey was patrolling the area of Maddox Road and Budds Creek Road when she noticed a suspicious vehicle parked in the parking lot across from Village Liquors. Deputy First Class Chimko-Fahey investigated and conducted a computer check of the vehicle's registration. The computer check revealed the registration plate which was affixed to the vehicle was stolen. Deputy First Class Chimko-Fahey approached the vehicle and found George Carlton Mattingly Sr., age 59 of no fixed address, sleeping in the vehicle. Mattingly was arrested and charged with Theft Under \$1,000.00.

On August 24, 2010, Deputy H. Allen responded to the Best Buy in California for a report of a theft. The investigation revealed John Patrick Norris, age 25 of Hollywood, concealed store items on his person, walked past all points of purchase and attempted to leave the store without paying for the items. Norris was stopped and detained by store security until Deputy Allen arrived. Norris was arrested and charged with Theft. A search of his person incident to the arrest revealed Norris was in possession a hypodermic needle and a small spoon containing suspected cocaine residue. Norris was charged with Theft, Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance and Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance Paraphernalia.

On August 24, 2010, Deputy First Class M. George responded to the Green Door Bar in Park Hall to investigate a counterfeit complaint. The investigation revealed Anthony Demtrious Lee, age 30 of Patuxent River, entered the business establishment around 1930 hours. Lee made numerous purchases of beverages and paid for each individual purchase with a twenty-dollar bill. Lee also requested the business make change or exchange his twenty-dollar bills for lower denomination bills. The bartender became suspicious of the exchanges and the several twenty-dollar bills which Lee had passed. The bartender further suspected the money may be counterfeit so he contacted the Sheriff's Office. Deputy First Class George examined the money and determined the bills were counterfeit. Lee was still in the business when Deputy First Class George arrived and conducted his investigation. Lee was arrested for Theft and Possessing Counterfeit Currency. Further investigation revealed Lee had actually manufactured the counterfeit currency so he was also charged with Manufacturing Counterfeit Currency.

On August 25, 2010, Deputy H. Adams responded to a residence on Dogwood Circle in Mechanicsville for a report of an assault. The investigation revealed John Frederick Nicodemus, age 55 of Mechanicsville, was engaged in a verbal dispute with the victim which escalated into a physical assault when Nicodemus struck the victim in the face. Nicodemus was arrested and charged with Second Degree Assault.

On August 26, 2010, deputies responded to a residence on Point Lookout Road in Great Mills for a report of an armed robbery which had just occurred. Upon arrival, deputies met with the victim who reported Heather Nicole Young, age 25 of California, called him on his cell phone and asked him to meet her in the parking lot of McKay's in Lexington Park. The victim agreed and met Young in the parking lot. Young arrived in a 1999 green Honda Accord, along with a white male who the victim did not know. Young exited her vehicle and began speaking with the victim. The male exited the vehicle, approached the victim and Young as they were talking. The male then pointed a handgun at the victim and demanded his money. The victim complied with

the demand and turned over his money. The male and Young then fled in the Honda Accord. A lookout was broadcast for the suspects and the Honda. The suspects and the vehicle were located a short time later at a residence on Summer Lane in Lexington Park. The victim was able to identify both Young and the white male, Jeremy Raymond Eberle, age 20 of Lexington Park, as the persons who robbed him. Young and Eberle were arrested and charged with Armed Robbery, First Degree Assault, and Theft Less Than \$1,000.00.

On August 26, 2010, deputies responded to 2000 Liquors in Lexington Park for a disturbance complaint. The investigation revealed Bruce Nathaniel Johnson Jr., age 27 of Tall Timbers, removed a bottle of liquor from the shelf and exited the store without paying for the item. A few minutes later Johnson re-entered the store and removed a second bottle from the shelf. A store employee confronted Johnson and asked for identification. Johnson complied and handed the employee his identification. The employee then informed Johnson that he was contacting the police. Johnson became irate and left the store. As deputies were responded to the scene, Johnson contacted the St. Mary's County Emergency Communications Center and stated that if the police did not expedite their response to 2000 Liquors, he would "blow the place up". When deputies arrived, Johnson fled on foot but was apprehended a short time later. Johnson was arrested for Theft and Threat of Arson. A search of Johnson incident to the arrest revealed Johnson was in possession of a glass smoking device containing suspected cocaine residue. Johnson was charged with Theft, Threat of Arson, Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance Paraphernalia and Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance.

Vice/Narcotics Detectives were alerted to possible contraband activities within the confines of the St. Mary's County Detention Center. Detectives began working with the Correctional Staff and the investigation identified a contract kitchen employee as the suspect. The contraband was identified as cigarettes. As the investigation concluded, evidence was discovered that led to Katherine Lee Kolbe, age 43 of Leonardtown, being charged. The charges were four counts of Contraband Delivery. Kolbe was immediately relieved of her duties. She is currently awaiting a Preliminary Hearing in the District Court.

Vice/Narcotics Detectives, assisted by the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Emergency Services Team, executed a Search and Seizure Warrant on a residence in Lexington Park. The target of the Search Warrant, Shawn Roosevelt Thompson, age 29, was present. Thompson was identified by Detectives as a distributor of marijuana during the course of their investigation. Four bags of marijuana with a value of approximately \$250.00 were recovered. Thompson was arrested and additional charges are pending a case review with State's Attorney Richard D. Fritz.

Lekuarius Clifford Plater, age 27 of Waldorf, was arrested on open Grand Jury Indictments for Distribution of Cocaine. Plater was identified through an ongoing investigation conducted by Vice/Narcotics Detectives as a cocaine dealer throughout St. Mary's County. He was originally held without bail.

Vice/Narcotics Detectives obtained a Search and Seizure Warrant related to an investigation into a possible marijuana growing operation in the Great Mills area. The Search Warrant was executed by the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Emergency Services Team (EST). Robert Michael Wagner, age 20, began to destroy evidence as the EST members made entry into the home and he was stopped. Marijuana in the form of plants and finished product, growing equipment, and other items were seized. Wagner was arrested and additional charges are pending a State's Attorney's Office review.

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