



MEDIA RELEASE

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St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Crime Report for December 19, 2011

On December 9, 2011, deputies responded to a report of assault Lynn Drive, Lexington Park, Maryland. Investigation revealed Horace Allen Douglas, 41, of Lexington Park, Maryland, became involved in an argument with the victim. After the argument subsided, the victim observed Douglass sitting in a room pointing a handgun at the doorway stating he was going to shoot the next person who walks by the door. The victim fled the residence and called police. Deputy Rogers arrived on scene and apprehended Douglas in his residence. Douglas was charged with First Degree and Second Degree Assault.

On December 9, 2011, at 11:45 p.m., deputies responded to Point Lookout Road in Callaway, Maryland, for a disturbance. Investigation revealed Donald Leo Parks, 18, of Lexington Park, Maryland, was observed by a witness taking a purse and jacket off a table in a business and leaving. The victim located the stolen items in an area where Parks had just been observed, however cash was missing from the purse. Deputy Foor located Parks in the parking lot and arrested him. Parks was charged with Theft and Rogue and Vagabond.

On December 10, 2011, at approximately 0200, Deputy Potter, conducted a welfare check on a vehicle parked on the side of the Three Notch Road, Lexington Park, Maryland. Deputy Potter approached the vehicle and observed the driver holding a suspected marijuana cigarette. When the driver saw Deputy Potter, the driver put the vehicle in drive and fled the area. Deputy Potter pursued the vehicle and a short time later, the driver stopped and fled on foot. After a short foot chase Deputy Potter apprehended the subject who was identified as John Francis Stewart, 54, Lexington Park, Maryland. Deputy Potter located suspected marijuana inside Stewart's vehicle. Stewart was arrested and charged with Possession of CDS.

On December 9, 2011, deputies responded to Point Lookout Road and Piney Point Road for a robbery report. Investigation revealed Jonathan McLain Barnes, 19, Chaptico, Maryland, was at a residence on Canvas Back Drive, Callaway, Maryland, and attempted to forcefully obtain narcotics from the victim against the victim's will. The victim was in a bathroom when Barnes entered the room grabbed a pair of scissors and attempted to stab the victim. A struggle ensued and the victim was able to escape the residence and call police. Deputy First Class Ruest located Barnes at the residence where the assault occurred. While attempting to take Barnes into custody, Barnes actively resisted and assaulted Deputy Wood by grabbing Deputy Wood's arm. Barnes also provided a false name to police until he was identified by Deputy Ellis who was familiar with Barnes. Barnes' identity was further verified through a Motor Vehicle Administration photo. Barnes was arrested and charged with Armed Robbery, Robbery, two counts of Second Degree Assault, Resisting Arrest and False Statement to Peace Officer.

On December 11, 2011, deputies responded to a residence on Sugar Maple Court for a report of an assault with a firearm. Prior to police units arriving, a lookout was broadcast for the suspect and vehicle and that he fled the scene. Police units located the subject a short time later and identified him as Jeremy Jerrelle Taylor, 25, of Lexington Park, Maryland. Investigation revealed Taylor went to the victim's residence and became involved in an argument. The argument escalated when Taylor punched the victim in the shoulder. Taylor then assaulted a second victim at the residence by grabbing and choking the victim. As Taylor was fleeing the residence, he brandished a handgun and pointed it at both victims. Taylor entered his vehicle but before leaving he shot the handgun in the direction of the victims. Police units located Taylor a short time later. Taylor was arrested and charged with First Degree Assault, Second Degree Assault, Reckless Endangerment, Carrying a Handgun and Transporting a Handgun.

On December 9, 2011 at approximately 6:09 AM deputies responded to a motor vehicle collision. Preliminary investigation reveals a 2009 Scion XD, being operated by Lorenza Best (85), of Camp Springs, was traveling south on Patuxent Beach Road in the area of North Patuxent Beach Road in California, Maryland. Best's vehicle crossed the center line for an unknown reason and struck a northbound 1999 Ford Explorer operated by Lyndon Jack (24), of Lexington Park. Jack was transported to St. Mary's Hospital. Best was also transported to St. Mary's Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries. Alcohol and speed are not believed to be contributing factors in the collision. The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Crash Reconstruction Team responded to the scene and assumed the investigation. At this time, alcohol and speed do not appear to be contributing factors in the crash. Anyone who may have witnessed the crash and has not already provided their information to authorities is requested to contact Dfc. William Watters at (301) 475-4200 Ext. 9114.

On December 12, 2011, Deputy Seyfried responded to WalMart, California, Maryland, for an internal theft report. Investigation revealed Cheryl Anne Panagakos, 49, of Lexington Park, Maryland, began stealing merchandise from WalMart beginning in September 2011. Another store employee became suspicious of Panagakos' actions and started an internal investigation. Panagakos was arrested by Deputy Seyfried and charged with Theft and Theft Scheme.

In November of 2011 Glen Michael Gilley, Sr., 23, of Lexington Park, Maryland, was served with a Protective Order ordering that he have no contact with the Petitioner of the order. On December 12, 2011, deputies responded to a local business in California, Maryland, for a violation of protective order. Investigation revealed Gilley was inside of the store following and making contact with the victim which is in violation of the still active Protective Order. Deputy Ellis located and arrested Gilley for violating the terms and condition of the Protective Order. In addition, Gilley was charged with stalking and harassment.

Jeffrey Donald Hephner (Age 31 of Mechanicsville) was arrested on an open Child Support warrant by a Vice Narcotics Support Team Deputy. During his arrest he was also served a Criminal Summons charging him with attempting to obtain a prescription medication by fraud.

Vice narcotics detectives received information related to a prescription medication distribution operation that was being operated by Robert Anthony Mister (age 42 of Chesapeake Beach). Contact was made with the Calvert County Sheriff's Office and a joint investigation continued. After nearly six months of investigations detectives from both jurisdictions executed Search and Seizure Warrants. Suspect Mister was located in St. Mary's County conducting a drug deal when detectives, assisted by Patrol Deputies, stopped Suspect Mister and several others. Suspect Mister was found to be in possession of more than 100 "Oxycodone" pills with a street value of more than \$2,800.00, \$30,000.00 in cash and other related evidence. Calvert County Sheriff's Office detectives executed a Search and Seizure Warrant on Suspect Mister's residence and recovered two handguns and other document evidence. Other monies seized totaled nearly \$2,300 and other prescription medications recovered were Suboxone and Alprazolam. The

investigation is continuing in both jurisdictions and numerous other charges and arrests are expected.

Annette Pamela Sapia (Age 45 of Dundalk, Md) was arrested after responding to St. Mary's County to engage in sexual intercourse for money with an undercover vice narcotics detective. She was charged with one count of "Prostitution" and her bond status is unknown.

Vice narcotics detectives began an investigation into Suspect Francis Michael Barnes (Age 53) distribution of PCP from his Leonardtown home. After a several week investigation, a Search and Seizure Warrant was executed on his residence. Several vials of PCP (empty and full) cocaine, marijuana and related paraphernalia were recovered. Additional charges are pending.

On December 12, 2011, Deputy Worrey responded to the Carter Building, 23110 Baldrige Street, Leonardtown, Maryland, for a controlled dangerous substance (CDS) violation. Investigation revealed Andre O'Brien, 27, of Lexington Park, Maryland, was entering the Carter Building when a bag containing suspected marijuana fell from the front of his pants. A court security officer who witnessed this, retrieved the suspected marijuana and contacted police. Deputy Worrey located O'Brien in the Parole and Probation Office and placed him under arrest. O'Brien was charged with possession of CDS.

On December 13, 2011, deputies responded to a residence on Columbus Drive, Lexington Park, Maryland, for a report of an assault. Investigation revealed Christopher Anthony Robinson, 28, of Lexington Park, Maryland, was involved in an argument with the victim which escalated when Robinson pushed the victim to the ground and hit the victim in the face. Deputy First Class Reese arrested Robinson and charged him with Second Degree Assault.

On December 13, 2011, at approximately 11:45 hours, Deputy Ellis conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle at Missouri Avenue and South Shangri-La Drive, Lexington Park, Maryland. When Deputy Ellis made contact with the driver and occupants, he detected an odor of burnt marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. During a probable cause search of the driver identified as Trevone Damone Butler, 21, of Lexington Park, Maryland, Deputy Ellis located a baggie of suspected marijuana in Butler's jacket pocket. A further search of the vehicle revealed a baggie containing suspected crack cocaine on the passenger seat where passenger, James Eric Dorsey, 18, of Lexington Park, Maryland, had been sitting. Butler and Dorsey were arrested and charged with CDS possession.

On December 14, 2011 two victims arrived at St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office to report an assault. Investigation revealed Robert Barton Whitley, 38, of Avenue, Maryland, became involved in a verbal argument with the victim. The argument escalated when Whitley grabbed the victim by the hair throwing the victim to the ground. A third party witness attempted to intervene and was kicked in the back and struck in the face by Whitley. Deputy Flerlage responded to the residence, arrested Whitley and charged him with two counts of Second Degree Assault.

On December 7, 2011, Sergeant Butler responded to the Waste Water/Sewer Treatment Plant, located on Van Wert Lane in Leonardtown, Maryland, for a burglary report. Investigation revealed several water meters had been stolen from a shed located on the property. The victim valued the loss at approximately \$3,800. On December 12, 2011, a representative from Super Salvage Scrap Metal Recycling Facility located in Prince Frederick, Maryland, contacted Sergeant Butler and reported they received the stolen property at their location. Sergeant Butler responded to Super Salvage and viewed video tape showing two subjects bringing in the stolen water meters. Sergeant Butler was able to identify the two subjects as Kyle Stephen Fink, 19 and Brandon Henry Underwood, 18, both of Leonardtown, Maryland. Sergeant Butler arrested Fink and Underwood. They were charged with Second Degree Burglary and Theft.

If any additional information is needed, please contact the Public Information Officer at 301-475-4200 x9113.