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Press Releases

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PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, February 01, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Jeffrey Scott Kinkade, 44, of Hazleton. Kinkade was arrested and charged with third degree Attempted Burglary (aggravated misdemeanor). This arrest was made following an incident in the 400 blk E Sufficool Street in Hazleton.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, February 01, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Abdul Corydell Jones, 38, of Elk Run Heights. Jones was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Violation of Pre-Trial Release. This arrest was made in the 200 blk Fifth Avenue NE in Independence.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, February 01, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Brandy Joy McDermott, 31, of Postville. McDermott was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. This arrest was made in the 200 blk Fifth Avenue NE in Independence.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, February 01, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Linda Marie Lau, 43, of Winthrop. Lau was arrested and charged with third degree Theft (aggravated misdemeanor). This arrest was made in the 100 blk Madison Street in Winthrop.

PRESS RELEASE

On Wednesday, February 03, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Jess James Wirkler, 28, of Cedar Rapids. Wirkler was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Probation Citation. The Linn County Sheriff's Office assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, February 05, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Douglas Michael Hogan, Jr., 27, of Independence. Hogan was arrested on two active arrest warrants out of Buchanan County for Failure to Comply with the Iowa Sex Offender Registry (class D felony). This arrest was made in the 1800 blk Grant Avenue. The Iowa State Patrol assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, February 06, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Nathan Michael Williams, 27, of Hazleton. Williams was arrested and charged with Driving While License Barred (aggravated misdemeanor). This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 1000 blk Jackson Avenue (Hwy 150) north of Hazleton.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, February 06, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Mallory Elizabeth Biggs, 24, of Independence. Biggs was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended

(simple misdemeanor). This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 100 blk Fifth Avenue NE in Independence.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, February 06, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Seth Allen McLane, 22, of Independence. McLane was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. The Oelwein Police Department assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

Monday, February 08, 2016

Buchanan County Sheriff Bill Wolfgram is happy to announce the newly implemented Sheriff's K-9 Unit.



The Buchanan County Sheriff's Office's last patrol dog was K-9 Deputy Drigon, who retired from service in 2005. In 2015, after 10 years without a patrol K-9, Sheriff Bill Wolfgram announced that he would be reinstating the Sheriff's Office's K-9 program. Subsequently, Deputy Ben Ward and K-9 Deputy Koda began normal patrol duties just prior to January 2016. K-9 Deputy Koda is a Belgian Malinois born in 2014 in the central European country of Slovakia. Deputy Ward and K-9 Deputy Koda were paired as a team in November 2015 while Deputy Ward attended K-9 handler training at Vohne Liche Kennels in Denver, Indiana. Following the six week training course, Koda received training and is certified in narcotics detection, persons tracking and handler protection. Deputy Ward and K-9 Deputy Koda attend various training exercises each month with surrounding law enforcement agencies that also have K-9 units in order to keep different techniques and certifications up to date.

Sheriff Wolfgram, Deputy Ward and the rest of the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office sincerely thank everyone who donated or otherwise contributed to the K-9 fundraisers that were held over the last few years. The K-9 Unit is an essential tool for day-to-day operations and we are pleased to have this program once again.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, February 08, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Eric Dean Zieser, 35, of Hazleton. Zieser was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor) and Failure to Have SR22 Insurance as Required (simple misdemeanor). Zieser was also issued a citation for Unlawful Possession of Driver License. This arrest was made after a Deputy observed Zieser driving in the 100 blk W Hayes Street in Hazleton.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, February 08, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Kelli Lynn Shannon, 53, of Waterloo. Shannon was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for an original charge of second degree Theft (class D felony). The Black Hawk County Sheriff's Office assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Tuesday February 09, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Patrick Palmer Gosselin, 18, of Fort Dodge. Gosselin was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for an original charge of fifth degree Theft (simple misdemeanor). The Webster County Sheriff's Office assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, February 11, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested George Eugene McNeese, 47, of Maynard. McNeese was arrested on active felony arrest warrants out of Buchanan County for original charges of Manufacturing and Possession of Controlled Substances. McNeese was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office. PRESS RELEASE On Thursday, February 11, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Christopher Scott McLaury, 21, of Maynard. McLaury was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Violation of Pre-Trial Release. McLaury was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, February 11, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested James David Welton, 36, of Independence. Welton was arrested on active arrest warrants out of Buchanan County for original charges of Possession of Controlled Substance Precursors (class D felony), Child Endangerment – Methamphetamine Exposure (class D felony), second offense Possession of Controlled Substance – Marijuana (class D felony), and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (simple misdemeanor). Welton was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, February 11, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested John Raymond Lehmann, 64, of Rowley. Lehmann was arrested and charged with three counts of Animal Neglect (simple misdemeanor) and one count of Failure to Dispose of Deceased Animal (simple misdemeanor). This arrest was made following the conclusion of an investigation into an incident in the 1900 blk 305th Street southwest of Rowley.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, February 12, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Tyler Mitchell Robinson, 22, of Boyd, MN. Robinson was arrested on active arrest warrants out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. Robinson was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, February 12, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Justin Dean Niedert, 27, of Washburn. Niedert was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for an original charge of Forgery (class D felony). The Iowa State Patrol assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, February 12, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Kyle Alexander Miller, 24, of Independence. Miller was arrested on active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for an original charge of Driving While License Barred (aggravated misdemeanor). Miller was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, February 12, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Cordell James Bures, 20, of Cedar Rapids. Bures was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. The Linn County Sheriff's Office assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, February 13, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Wesley James Granahan, 37, of Waterloo. Granahan was arrested on active arrest warrants out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear and an original charge of Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor). Granahan was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Sunday, February 14, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Richard Lee Wiener, Jr., 53, of Independence. Wiener was arrested and charged with first offense Operating While Intoxicated

(serious misdemeanor), Eluding (aggravated misdemeanor) and Reckless Driving (simple misdemeanor). Wiener was also issued citations for Driving on the Wrong Side of Highway and Speeding. This arrest was made after the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office received a report of a vehicle traveling eastbound in the westbound lanes of Hwy 20 near the 245 mile marker. Deputies located and attempted to stop vehicle west of Independence, but the vehicle attempted to elude deputies. The vehicle eventually went through the median and into the correct lanes before stopping. The Buchanan County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Independence Police Department.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, February 15, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Larry Edwin Shannon, 50, of Oelwein. Shannon was arrested and charged with Driving While License Barred (aggravated misdemeanor) and Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor). Shannon was also issued citations for Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance, Operation without Registration, Fraudulent Use of Registration and Failure to Maintain Registration Plates. This arrest was made following a traffic stop near Third Street and Washington Street in Winthrop.

PRESS RELEASE

On Tuesday, February 16, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Timothy Abdul Ayer, 35, of Lamont. Ayer was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor), Possession of Controlled Substance – Marijuana (serious misdemeanor) and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (simple misdemeanor). Ayer was also issued citations for Operating Non-Registered Vehicle, Failure to Carry Registration, Fraudulent Use of Registration and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance. This arrest was made in the 700 blk Hwy 187 in Lamont.

PRESS RELEASE

On Wednesday, February 17, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Lisa Marie Soto, 49, of Manchester. Soto was arrested on an active arrest warrant for Violation of Parole. Soto was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Wednesday, February 17, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Angelica Ramirez Salazar, 21, and Christine Irene Bolanos, 33, both of Des Moines. Ramirez-Salazar was arrested and charged with second degree Theft (class D felony), Unlawful Possession of Prescription Drugs (serious misdemeanor) and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (simple misdemeanor). Ramirez-Salazar was also issued citations for Failure to have Valid Driver License, Failure to Display Registration Plates and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance. Bolanos was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor), Unlawful Possession of Prescription Drugs (serious misdemeanor) and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (simple misdemeanor). Bolanos was also issued citations for Failure to Maintain Control, Unlawful Use of Driver License, Failure to Carry Registration Card, Stopping in Travel Portion of Roadway, Defective Tires and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance. These arrests were made after a deputy stopped to render assistance to vehicles that were stopped on the roadway. One of the vehicles was discovered as reported stolen out of Cedar Rapids. The other vehicle left the scene as the deputy stopped and was later found in the ditch nearby in the 1400 blk 330th Street. This incident occurred in the 800 blk South Street in Brandon.

PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, February 18, 2016 at approximately 1:35 pm, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a report of a motor vehicle accident in the 1500 blk Fairbank-Amish Blvd. According to the investigation, a northbound 2009 Chevrolet Impala operated by Gary Miller of La Porte City was slowing to turn into a driveway. A 2001 Toyota Corolla operated by Gordon Earley, Jr., of Fairbank was also northbound behind the Miller vehicle. Earley was unable to stop in time and swerved to avoid a collision with the Miller vehicle. The left front of the Earley vehicle made minor contact with the right rear of the Miller vehicle, causing a damage taillight and bumper. The Earley vehicle left the roadway

and entered the east ditch, going through a fence before coming to rest in a field. No injuries were reported and Earley was issued a citation for Failure to Stop in Assured Clear Distance. The Buchanan County Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Iowa State Patrol.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, February 19, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Jonathan Joe Jacobsen, 35, of Independence. Jacobsen was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended and Operation without Ignition Interlock Device. This arrest was made in the 200 blk South Main Street in Hazleton.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, February 20, 2016 at approximately 6:10 am, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to a report of a vehicle in the ditch in the 1400 blk 190th Street south of Littleton. Upon arrival, nobody was present at the scene. Upon investigation, it was determined that the 2009 Chevrolet Silverado had been operated by Tracy Wirtz of Maynard and was traveling west on 190th Street when he lost control of the vehicle. The vehicle entered the south ditch where it continued west for a distance, striking and going over a field drive embankment and coming to rest in the ditch. Wirtz received minor injuries and did not require medical attention. He was later issued a citation for Failure to Maintain Control.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, February 22, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Cody James Robinson, 26, of Lamont. Robinson was arrested and charged with first offense Operating While Intoxicated (serious misdemeanor). Robinson was also issued a citation for Open Container. This arrest was made near 290th Street and Nolen Avenue after deputies received a report of a vehicle in the ditch with the driver appearing to be passed out behind the wheel.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, February 22, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Larry Edwin Shannon, 50, of Oelwein. Shannon was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Probation Violation. The Oelwein Police Department assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Tuesday, February 23, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Jeffery Dean Cusick, 54, of Winthrop. Cusick was arrested and charged with Violation of No-Contact Order (simple misdemeanor). This arrest was made in the 600 blk Washington Street in Winthrop.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, February 27, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Amanda Marie Durnin, 33, of Hazleton. Durnin was arrested and charged with Public Intoxication (simple misdemeanor). This arrest was made in the 300 blk W Hayes Street in Hazleton.

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