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Police Make Arrests for Drug Dealing

On Thursday, June 2nd the Investigative Division of the Wadesboro Police Department served a search warrant at 1066 Salisbury Street, the home of Mr. Elvis White. Information put together by Det. Lt. Brandon Chewing led officers to believe that this home was serving as a known house to purchase illegal drugs.

Det. Lt. Chewing used the services of Wadesboro Police Department's Special Response Team (SRT) to assist in serving the search warrant. Arrested during the raid were LaJames Jawand Buchanan of 1066 Salisbury Street. Buchanan was charged with Possession with Intent to Sell and Deliver Cocaine, Possession of Cocaine, Maintaining a Dwelling for Keeping a Controlled Substance, and Possession of Marijuana. His bond was set at \$15,000 with a court date of June 13.

Also arrested was John Junior Polk of Fairview Drive in Polkton. Polk was charged with Possession with Intent to Sell and Deliver Cocaine and Possession of Cocaine. His bond was set at \$5,000 with a court date of June 13.

Others charged were Tommy Parker of Salisbury Street and Donnie Lee Brown of Thomas Street in Wadesboro. Their charges were misdemeanors of Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia with court dates of June 28.

Anson County Cal Ripken 7-8U Tournament Champions...Anson Orange!



Tournament Champions are pictured from left, front: Cameron Lockhart, Wesley Lear, Grant Thuleen, Hunter Ross, Brady Ross, Brett Tice, Rylan Phifer and Jak Kendall. Second row: Craisen Martin, Undra Little, Chandler Beachum, Austin Burns, Matthew Ashby and Bryce Wilson. Back row: Coaches Charlie Lockhart, Tony Thuleen, Gary Lear and Cory Ross.

Unless you're from the eastern part of Union County or Anson County you may have thought that the game of the weekend was between the women's college softball teams from Alabama and Florida. Or perhaps you were eager to watch the NBA finals between the Miami Heat and the Dallas Mavericks. But in Anson County the game of the weekend was played in Polkton at the Field of Dreams on Sunday afternoon in the Eastern Union County/Anson County Cal Ripken 7-8U Rookies League.

The game pitted Anson Blue (Lynn Thomas Grading) against Anson Orange (Kendall Construction) for the end of the season tournament championship. Going into the tournament the regular season champions were Anson's Orange, Kendall Construction, with a perfect 12-0 record. That's pretty impressive in itself. It would prove to be a hard

fought battle on Sunday afternoon with the heat bearing down on the fans shouting for either the blue or the orange. And, with both teams from Anson County it would be a heart breaker for one and a triumph for the other.

Ending the three-game tournament, Anson Orange would find themselves with a 15-0 record overall and were heralded the tournament champions. After defeating the Marshville Reds, 6-3, Piedmont, 11-1 and Anson Blue, 7-5 the other guys from Anson, the ones wearing orange, each received their championship trophies from Coach, Tony Thuleen who said, "I am so darned proud of you guys! This doesn't happen every season."

Congratulations to Anson Orange Cal Ripken 7-8U Rookies League regular season and Tournament Champions! Great job guys on your perfect end to your already perfect season. Photo and story by Mel Lyon

Dollar General Store Robbed

On Friday, June 3rd at approximately 5 p.m. the Dollar General Store located on Highway 74 in Wadesboro was robbed. The suspect was described as a dark skinned black male wearing jeans and a white t-shirt. Officers from the Wadesboro Police Department responded along with the K-9 officers from the Chesterfield Sheriff's Office.

As information came streaming in, it was quickly determined that the suspect had run to the Myrtlewood area of Wadesboro. Within 45 minutes time the suspect was positively identified as Princeton Jerom Patterson, 30, of Union County. Warrants were issued for Patterson for Common Law Robbery and Assault on a Female.

Warrants were also issued on Necole Demont Horne, 30, for Common Law Robbery. Horne has ties to the Myrtlewood area, but he also resides in Union County. Horne was arrested in Union County, but Patterson is still at large.

The Wadesboro Police Department is requesting any and all assistance in information as to the whereabouts of Patterson. If you have information that you would like to share, please call the Department at 704-694-2167.

"Great work by a bunch of great officers," stated Chief Janie Schutz.

Man Charged with Statutory Rape

On Monday June 6th the Wadesboro Police Department arrested Joseph Shawn Tomlin, a white male, 37, of 358 Cherry Street in Wadesboro. Tomlin was charged with Statutory Rape of a 13 year old female. The child in question was an acquaintance of the suspect's family and the incident occurred in late May.

Tomlin's first court appearance was set for June 13 and he is in the Anson County Jail under a \$30,000 bond.

Wadesboro Watch Email Network News

This is a release from Wadesboro Police Chief Janie Schutz to the Wadesboro Community Watch Email Network: Last week our police department took a report on the larceny of a purse from a vehicle parked in the Food Lion parking lot. The woman had gone into the store for only a short time and didn't think it was necessary for her to lock her vehicle or actually carry her purse with her. When the victim returned to the car, she saw that her purse was gone. Of course now's the time that everyone thinks of calling the police and the expectation is (or maybe just the hope is) that the police catch the person who did the crime. This was an interesting case because I can actually tell you that YES, we did catch the "bad guys" but this particular result is truly few and far between.

The officer who took the report for this woman and the other officers on the shift did a phenomenal job! They checked local business such as Wilco-Hess and CVS Pharmacy, along with many others. In talking with the clerks at both stores, our suspects had gone in both stores and both stores had them on tape - smart thinking officers, who undoubtedly also had some good luck. This now gave us pictures of what the suspects looked like, and one clerk remembers the male suspect talking to his girlfriend about "going back to the room to lay down." Ok, so now we can see our suspects some and we have a clothing description, now what to do? The officers do the logical thing and check the local motels. No, no one at the Valley Motel matching our known description...hmmm. Well, let's try the Anson Inn and, low and behold, bingo, sure enough our description matches that of two people staying at a room. Oh but wait, these very smart officers are now due to leave, since their shift has ended, and so what to do?

Enter the Police Chief. The incoming night shift was down one man until 10 p.m. so your chief knows that running surveillance is important, and hey, I had nothing much to do that evening anyway. Sooooo, the Chief goes and sets up surveillance, and two hours later, sure enough, two suspects pull up wearing the same clothes as seen on the video and otherwise matching our information to a tee. Call in the troops and hit the room. Boom!

Skipping all the boring details, I can tell you that we do recover the personal identification cards and credit cards belonging to our victim from Food Lion. The interesting case is that we also found a purse and personal cards, etc. from another person from Union County, but unfortunately, Union County does not have any report from this other woman claiming she is missing a purse. Just prior to physically taking the suspects to the police department for processing, a call is received from a woman at the Wadesboro Wal-Mart stating that her purse has been stolen from her vehicle in the Wal-Mart parking lot. What a great thing to be able to say, "Come to the police department to make a report, BUT, we have already recovered your purse." This woman couldn't have been more grateful and I want you to know that it's a true blessing in this line of work to be able to hand someone back property that some "bad guy" had decided to take for themselves.

The moral of this lovely story is to please remember to lock your vehicles at all times. I suggest that you also lock your vehicles in your driveway. Never assume that just because you are gone for only a few moments, or that just because you are parked in your own driveway, that someone isn't watching and waiting to take advantage of you. Be safe and not sorry and take that extra step to lock your vehicles and keep all valuable items out of plain view if someone were to look into your car.

By the way, it appears that our two suspects have been visiting quite a few mailboxes in Union County and helping themselves to both the incoming and outgoing mail. The female arrested had 13 active warrants from other agencies, and she was wanted by the Secret Service in Charlotte for fraud. The male subject had four other warrants on him from other agencies.

Wadesboro Police Department officers did a great job for the citizens of our town, and again, I think you all should be very proud of the effort that this department has shown.

Wadesboro citizens are invited to join the Wadesboro Watch email network. You can get information about joining by emailing WadesboroWatch@yahoo.com.

Anson County Schools' Early Release Times

Here are the Anson County Schools' early release times for Friday, June 10th:

- Wadesboro Elementary/Wadesboro Primary - 12:30 p.m. release
- All Other Elementary Schools - 1 p.m. release
- Anson Early College/Anson New Technology - 1 p.m. release
- Anson High/Anson Middle - 1:30 p.m. release

SPCC Career Cruiser Releases Summer Schedule

South Piedmont Community College has released the summer 2011 schedule for its Career Cruiser. The summer schedule will begin on Monday, June 6. The Career Cruiser is SPCC's mobile classroom, a one-stop shop for information and training for individuals interested in entering or re-entering the workforce. The Career Cruiser is equipped with the latest technology, including smart board, satellite access and 13 computers.

For questions or more information about the Career Cruiser schedule or services, call Eric Tillmon at 704-290-6292. The summer schedule is as follows:

- Mondays, 8 a.m. to noon at Horizon Family First Services & 1 to 5 p.m. at Morven Church of God and Prophecy
- Tuesdays, 8 a.m. to noon at Whit's Convenience Store, Lilesville & 1 to 5 p.m. at Peachland Fire Department
- Wednesdays, 8 a.m. to noon at various locations & 1 to 5 p.m. at IGA, Wadesboro
- Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Ansonville Fire Department & 3 to 7 p.m. at Burger King

Never Leave Your Child Alone in a Car

On average, 35 to 40 children across the country die from heat exposure in vehicles each year, and 2010, with 49 hyperthermia deaths, turned out to be one of the deadliest years on record for children two months to six-years-old.* In the past five years, at least ten children in North Carolina have died from hyperthermia after being trapped in hot vehicles. Some of these deaths occur when a parent accidentally forgets a child in a car; some occur when a parent intentionally leaves a child in a vehicle. In other cases, a child was playing in an unattended vehicle when overtaken by heat.

"Sadly, these deaths are preventable," said Insurance Commissioner Wayne Goodwin, state chair of Safe Kids North Carolina. "Leaving a child unattended in a car, even for a minute, is more dangerous than many people realize."

That's why Safe Kids North Carolina has launched a new safety campaign, with the slogan "S'more dangerous than you think... Never leave your child alone in a car." Safety experts show parents, caregivers and children how easy it is to bake a s'more in a vehicle to demonstrate how quickly the inside of a car can become dangerously hot.

With its soaring temperatures, July is historically the deadliest month for cases of vehicular hyperthermia in children in our state. However, the danger spreads from March through November due to the subtropical North Carolina climate. Hyperthermia can occur even on days with mild 70-degree temperatures. The temperature in a closed vehicle can rise about 20 degrees in 10 minutes and nearly 30 degrees in 20 minutes. Cracking a window has little effect.

Follow these safety tips from Safe Kids North Carolina:

- Never leave a child alone in a vehicle. Check to make sure all children exit the vehicle when you reach your destination.
- Lock the doors when your vehicle is parked and store keys in a secure location. Teach children that cars are not places to play.
- Busy parents have a lot of their minds, so give yourself a reminder. Place your purse, briefcase or other important items in the backseat next to your child's car seat so you have to look in the back before leaving the car. Also, set a reminder on your cell phone or other mobile device to remind you to drop off children when routines change.
- Make an arrangement with your child's school or daycare that you will be notified if your child is not dropped off at the normal time.
- If you see a child or pet left unattended in a vehicle, call 911 immediately.
- Check vehicles and trunks first if a child goes missing.

Safe Kids North Carolina reaches out to parents, caregivers and children to prevent childhood injuries through 36 Safe Kids Coalitions working in 64 counties. For more information, visit www.ncsafekids.org.

Scholarship Program for Children of Veterans

The North Carolina Division of Veterans Affairs wishes to remind high school seniors and other interested people about the ongoing State Scholarship Program for children of certain disabled, deceased or POW/MIA veterans. The scholarships may be used at schools located in North Carolina which are: 1) State-owned institutions of higher education, community colleges and technical institutions, or 2) Privately-owned, nonprofit colleges and universities.

Scholarships, with one exception, provide free tuition, certain fees, and a reasonable room and board allowance in state-owned institutions and \$4,500 per academic year in private institutions. The exception being that awards under the 100% service-connected disability provision provide free tuition and certain fees in state-owned institutions and \$1,500 per academic year in private institutions.

All awards are for four academic years in duration which must be used within eight years from the date of award. Unlimited awards are made under Classes I & IV. Classes II and III are limited to 100 awards each year in each class.

If you are interested, you are urged to contact the local County Veterans Service Officer in Anson County, Ted Ward. He can provide detailed information, advice and assistance with the application. Ward's office is located at 111 North Greene Street in uptown Wadesboro and the telephone number is 704-694-4418. Or you can contact the North Carolina Division of Veterans Affairs.

Board of Elections Meeting is June 9

The Anson County Board of Elections' regular meeting has been rescheduled to Thursday, June 9 at 5 p.m. It will be held in the Board of Elections office, located at 101 South Greene Street, Suite B-01 in Wadesboro.

For more information contact Elections Director Tasha Coleman at 704-994-3223.

Cruise-In at The Old Store

There will be a Cruise-In every third Thursday of the month at The Old Store in Lilesville, from 5 to 8 p.m. Bring your cars, trucks and motorcycles and show them off! All cruise in participants will receive 10% off any menu item plus enjoy great fellowship and lots of fun. There will be free door prizes and a 50/50 drawing to benefit Feed My Lambs food and clothing ministry of Wadesboro.

For more info call Jim and Lynn Marshall at 704-851-3637 or Marvin Forbes at 704-851-3800.

Movies at Parks & Rec

Anson County Parks and Recreation and the Anson County Library will be showing movies on Tuesday afternoons starting June 21st until August 16th, except the week of July 4th. Movies will be screened at the Hampton Allen Library, from 2 to 4 p.m. The first movie, to be shown on June 21st, is *Tangled*.

To attend, preregister by calling Wanda Chappell at 704-694-5868. The cost is \$1 per person.

Tourism Meeting is Today!

The Anson County Tourism Development Authority will hold its monthly meeting at noon on Wednesday, June 8 at the Lady Bug Restaurant. The public is invited to attend.

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