

WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS MEDIA RELEASE		NEWS RELEASE NUMBER 2018-028
INFORMATION: HOME INVASION / AGGRAVATED BATTERY TO A SENIOR CITIZEN		
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On Monday, April 2, 2018 at approximately 10:00 p.m., Winnebago County Deputies responded to 2419 Devonshire Court for a Home Invasion. A 92 year old female was found at the home with a hand injury from being knocked to the ground and dragged. The victim reported that her front door was kicked in and entered by two black males, one armed with a handgun. A jewelry box containing jewelry was stolen. The suspects fled the scene in a dark colored Chevy Impala. The victim was taken to St. Anthony's Hospital where she was treated and released.

While Deputies were on scene on Devonshire Court, it was discovered that the Rockford Police Department were already on scene at 1632 Oakes Ave. for a similar Home Invasion that occurred approximately 30 minutes prior to the Devonshire Ct. incident. On Oakes Ave., an 83 year old female victim was beaten with a handgun by one of two armed suspects. The victim received a cut to her head, however declined immediate medical attention after Rockford Fire Department personnel attended to her.

At approximately 10:45 p.m., a Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputy located a suspicious vehicle parked on Tampa Lane at North Second St. The vehicle, a maroon Chevy Impala was occupied by a black female driver. While speaking with the driver, two black males matching descriptions from the Home Invasions, returned to the vehicle, running from the rear of a home on Tampa Lane. One male entered the car and the other ran off to a nearby bar. The car drove off from the scene through a parking lot before coming to a stop.

Deputies located a handgun thrown from the vehicle in the parking lot and evidence from both Home Invasions in the car. The third suspect was apprehended at the bar. Winnebago County Detectives were called in to investigate the incidents.

The black female driver and two black males were subsequently lodged in the Winnebago County Jail, and charged:

~Black Female 25 years old of Rockford

- Home Invasion (2 counts)**
- Aggravated Battery to Senior Citizen (2 counts)**
- Theft**

~Black Male 21 years old of Rockford

- Home Invasion (2 counts)**
- Aggravated Battery to Senior Citizen (2 counts)**
- Theft**

~Black Male 25 years old of Rockford

- Home Invasion (2 counts)**
- Aggravated Battery to Senior Citizen (2 counts)**
- Unlawful Use of a Weapon by a Felon**

**-No Firearms Owners Identification Card
-Theft**

The arrestees' names and photographs are being withheld at this time, due to their suspected involvement in numerous pending incidents.

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