

<b>WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS MEDIA RELEASE</b>		<b>NEWS RELEASE NUMBER 2020-006</b>
<b>INFORMATION: WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE MAKE DOMESTIC BATTERY ARREST</b>		
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Winnebago County Sheriff Gary Caruana announced the following:

On January 29, 2020, deputies assigned to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Tactical Team attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a red Saturn sedan near the intersection of Brooke and Collins roads in Rockford. The vehicle fled at a high rate of speed. Deputies attempted to stop the vehicle's flight by successfully deploying a device used to flatten car tires. Once the car's tires were flattened the vehicle struck a snow bank near the intersection of Reed and Collins. The driver fled on foot and was caught inside a residence on Collins after a short foot chase. The driver was identified as Michael D. Ford and was found to be wanted on a \$100,000.00 arrest warrant for domestic battery. Ford was later lodged in the jail on the warrant and the additional offenses of aggravated fleeing to elude, resisting a peace officer and issued several traffic citations.

Readers are reminded that Michael Ford is innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Contact person: Deputy Chief Mark Karner

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