



ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

INCIDENT DATE: 04/29/13 INCIDENT TIME: 12:00 PM

INCIDENT LOCATION: Northern St. Louis County

INDIVIDUAL(S) INVOLVED: (Refer to News Media Policy-Rules III A. 1 Thru 4: Procedures B.1, A thru J & 1; 2b; 3b; g & h; 4a, b, & c)

Name: See attached sheets Age: Address:

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INCIDENT SUMMARY:

Numerous narcotics investigations involving the Boundary Waters Drug Task Force were concluded over the past months, which have resulted in (9) individuals being charged with various narcotics offenses in North St. Louis County. See the attached sheets for further information.

ASSISTING AGENCIES:

AUTHORITY: Sgt. Robert Tarr DATE: 04/29/13 TIME: 12:00PM

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR UPDATE:

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NAME: Timson Ray Carrier Jr. AGE: 27 ADDRESS: Eveleth, MN

On March 28, 2013, Carrier was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia, MN with two felony counts of 2nd degree Sales of a Controlled Substance in a Park Zone (Heroin) and three felony counts of 3rd degree Sales of a Controlled Substance (Heroin) as a result of an investigation conducted by members of the BWDTF. His next scheduled court appearance is set for May 6, 2013 in Virginia, MN.

NAME: Ricky Leroy Knaffla AGE: 56 ADDRESS: Iron, MN

On April 5, 2013, Knaffla was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Hibbing, MN with one felony count of 5th degree Possession of a Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine) and one gross misdemeanor count of Driving after Cancellation (Inimical to Public Safety) as a result of a traffic stop conducted by the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office in Hibbing. The BWDTF and Minnesota State Patrol assisted with the investigation. His next scheduled court appearance is set for May 23, 2013 in Hibbing, MN.

NAME: Bradley Keith Smith AGE: 21 ADDRESS: Aurora, MN

On April 8, 2013, Smith was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia, MN with one felony count of 3rd degree Sales of a Controlled Substance (Heroin) as a result of an investigation conducted by members of the BWDTF. His next scheduled court appearance is set for May 3, 2013 in Virginia, MN.

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NAME: Ashley Marie Hansen AGE: 27 ADDRESS: Chisholm, MN
NAME: Ryan Jeffery Shoen AGE: 25 ADDRESS: Chisholm, MN

On April 11, 2013, Hansen and Shoen were both formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Hibbing, MN with one felony count of 5th degree Possession of a Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine), one felony count of Exposing a Child to Methamphetamine Paraphernalia, and one petty misdemeanor count of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia as a result of an investigation conducted by members of the BWDTF. The Chisholm Police Department assisted with the investigation. Hansen's next court appearance is set for June 6, 2013 in Hibbing, MN. Shoen appeared at a recent court hearing on April 25, 2013 in Hibbing, MN.

NAME: Zeb David Pickar AGE: 34 ADDRESS: Eveleth, MN

On April 17, 2013, Pickar was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia, MN with one felony count of 3rd degree Sales of a Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine) as a result of an investigation conducted by members of the BWDTF. His next scheduled court appearance is set for May 24, 2013 in Virginia, MN.

NAME: Bart John Ziebarth AGE: 33 ADDRESS: Keewatin, MN

On April 17, 2013, Ziebarth was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Hibbing, MN with two felony counts of 2nd degree Possession of a Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine) and 4th degree Possession of a Controlled Substance (Prescription Medications) as a result of a traffic stop conducted by the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office in Hibbing. The BWDTF assisted with the investigation. Ziebarth appeared at a recent court hearing on April 25, 2013 in Hibbing, MN.

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NAME: Alicia Nicole Cooper AGE: 19 ADDRESS: Virginia, MN

On April 22, 2013, Cooper was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia, MN with one felony count of 3rd degree Sale of a Controlled Substance (Heroin) as a result of an investigation conducted by members of the BWDTF. Cooper's next court appearance is set for May 6, 2013 in Virginia, MN.

NAME: Jonathan Robert Morin AGE: 19 ADDRESS: Mt. Iron, MN

On April 23, 2013, Morin was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia, MN with two felony counts of 5th degree Sales of a Controlled Substance (Marijuana) and 5th degree Possession of a Controlled Substance (Marijuana) as a result of an investigation conducted by the Mt. Iron Sheriff's Office. The BWDTF assisted with the investigation. His next scheduled court appearance is set for May 24, 2013 in Virginia, MN.

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