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Four Leesburg Men Face Sumter Charges

Bushnell, FL. – June 29, 2012



Christopher D. O'Neil



Justin R. Kusiak



Charles C. Carter



Travis L. Holiday

Four Leesburg men have been arrested in connection with a Bushnell drug transaction. On June 27, 2012 at approximately 10:25 a.m., four Leesburg men met in the parking lot of the Hess station at 504 N. Main Street in Bushnell to complete a drug transaction. In doing so, detectives with the Sheriff's Special Investigations Squad happened to be in the parking lot and watched the transaction take place.

Detectives made contact with Christopher D. O'Neil, 22, and Justin R. Kusiak, 28, who were in a green GMC truck. Detectives noticed that the vehicle was emitting the odor of what appeared to be marijuana. The driver of the truck, Justin Kusiak, had a suspended Florida license and was arrested. Christopher O'Neil, a passenger in the truck with Kusiak, was found to be in possession of Oxycodone, which he does have a prescription for. O'Neil admitted to detectives he was selling the pills in order to repay a drug debt. O'Neil also had an active warrant issued for his arrest out of Lake County for Violating Probation; Possess / Use Narcotic Equipment; he was arrested without incident.

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Detectives also made contact with Charles A. Carter, 40, a passenger in a white Cadillac also in the parking lot. Carter was acting suspiciously and was unable to keep his hands from his pockets. As detectives patted him down, a quantity of pills and money was found when Carter pushed one of the detectives and fled on foot. After a short foot pursuit, Carter was arrested without further incident.

Travis L. Holiday, 29, the driver of the Cadillac. Deputy Jason Adkison utilized his K9 partner, Cerry, alerted detectives to the presence or recent presence of narcotics in the Cadillac occupied by Carter and Holiday. During a search of the Cadillac, detectives located a green leafy substance that tested positive for marijuana under the driver's seat. Holiday was arrested without incident.

The four men are charged with the following:

Charles A. Carter-Battery on a Law Enforcement Officer and Resisting an Officer with Violence
Bond: \$100,000 dollars

Christopher D. O'Neil-Trafficking in Oxycodone and Violation of Probation
Bond: None

Justin R. Kusiak-Driving While License Suspended or Revoked
Bond: \$500 dollars

Travis L. Holiday-Possession of Marijuana Less than 20 Grams
Bond: \$500 dollars

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