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### Robbery Suspect Arrested

July 1, 2013 (Bushnell, FL) – Sumter Sheriff's Detectives have arrested a Lake Panasoffkee man in connection with attempting to rob another man.

**Thomas J. Leonard, 27, of Lake Panasoffkee** was arrested after he attempted to rob another man on June 18, 2013 in the parking lot of the AA Discount Store located in the 2800 block of N. CR 470 in Lake Panasoffkee. Leonard met the victim in the store's parking lot at approximately 11:30 PM under the ruse of offering a ride to a witness, but instead, attempted to rob the victim.

Leonard, who was armed with a silver colored revolver, pointed it at the victim demanding money. When the victim did not comply with his demands, the suspect shot into the ground near the victim's feet. The victim was not injured.

Leonard was arrested without incident on July 1, 2013 after agreeing to meet the investigating detective at the sheriff's office. Leonard is charged with one count of Attempted Armed Robbery and Aggravated Assault; his bond was set at \$57,000 dollars.



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