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MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPUTIES ARREST PREDICATE FELON AND ROCHESTER WOMAN WITH HISTORY OF ARRESTS ON NEW BURGLARY AND GRAND LARCENY CHARGES

Re: Burnie Daniels and Erin Starkweather

Rochester, NY (March 6, 2019) – On February 26, 2019, at 1:00 a.m., Monroe County Sheriff’s Deputies observed Burnie Daniels, 53, Rochester driving a van with passenger Erin Starkweather, 36, Rochester inside. Deputies had developed Daniels as a suspect for larcenies, criminal mischiefs, and commercial burglaries throughout Monroe County. Sheriff’s deputies observed the van stopped for a short time at a Kwik Fill in the area of 85 Stonewood Ave., Rochester before it pulled away. Shortly thereafter, the burglary alarm was activated and Deputies verified that the Kwik Fill had been burglarized.

Deputies attempted to stop the van in the area of Lake and Lyell Avenues in the city of Rochester; however the van refused to stop. The Rochester Police Department and New York State Police responded to assist and within minutes, the van came to a stop at 152 Barton St., Rochester with Ms. Starkweather still in the passenger’s seat. Daniels fled on foot. Sheriff’s deputies, RPD Officers and a New York State Police K-9 unit set up a perimeter and began to search for Daniels. At 1:29 a.m., Daniels was located in the backyard of a home at 448 Cottage St., Rochester. Daniels refused to stop for law enforcement officers despite law enforcement officers demanding him to do so. While being uncooperative, Daniels was bitten by the NYSP K-9. Deputies took Daniels into custody and transported him to Strong Memorial Hospital to be treated for the dog bite. After Daniels was treated, he and Ms. Starkweather were remanded to the Monroe County Jail without bail.Investigators discovered approximately $1,900 worth of stolen cigarettes in Daniels’ van, taken from the Kwik Fill. Both Starkweather and Daniels were arraigned on the following charges:
Daniels, Burnie  
53 years old  
Rochester, NY  

Charges:
- Burglary 3rd  
(Class D Felony)  
- Grand Larceny 4th  
(Class E Felony)  
- Fleeing an Officer in  
Motor Vehicle 3rd  
(Class A Misdemeanor)  
- Parole Violation  
- Numerous Vehicle and  
Traffic Violations  

Starkweather, Erin  
36 years old  
Rochester, NY  

Charges:
- Burglary 3rd,  
(Class D Felony)  
- Grand Larceny 4th  
(Class E Felony)  
- Prostitution  
(Class B Misdemeanor)  

“The arrests of Mr. Daniels and Ms. Starkweather are a testament to the tenacity and diligent police work of our road patrol deputies and investigators,” said Monroe County Sheriff Todd K. Baxter. “Thank you also to the Rochester Police Department and New York State Police who assisted in helping to put an end to this community-wide crime spree. Both of these individuals have been in and out of the Monroe County Jail for years acting as career criminals.”  

BACKGROUND:  
This investigation is significant because of the number of times Burnie Daniels has been arrested. Mr. Daniels has been arrested at least 41 times by multiple police agencies dating back to 1982. Daniels’ record also reflects:  
- Parole revocations: (3)  
- Probation revocations: (1)  

Investigators believe Daniels may be responsible for other outstanding crimes on Monroe County’s west side. The investigation is ongoing  

Erin Starkweather also has a significant criminal history, having been arrested 7 times dating back to 2000 by multiple police agencies. Starkweather’s record also reflects:  
- Probation revocations: (2)  

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