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Police believe man impersonated officer

Morgantown woman said two suspicious traffic stops on same day led her to call county authorities

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Police are searching for a man who posed as a police officer and stopped a woman on her way to and from work Friday night.

A Morgantown woman was suspicious when the man pointed a spotlight on her after he stopped her to tell her that her brake lights were out, according to a Johnson County Sheriff's Office report.

When the man stopped the woman the second time, he told her he believed she was driving a

stolen car but would let her go with a warning.

The man, who was driving a tan Ford Crown Victoria, made the first stop about 3 p.m., Johnson County sheriff's detective Phil Murphy said.

The car had a fixed spotlight and possibly something hanging on the rearview mirror, the report said.

The man had blue eyes and brown hair and was wearing a light brown uniform that had no gun belt, badges or nametag, the report said.

The woman described the man as between 5 feet, 6 inches and 5-

foot-8 and weighing about 200 pounds. She said he had a small mustache and goatee and was wearing a wedding ring.

He told the woman his name was Gene when she asked, the report said.

The woman was returning home from work about 6 p.m. when she was stopped by the man a second time near County Road 300S and County Road 100E, which is northeast of Trafalgar on Nineveh Township's north border.

The man asked her for her driver's license and registration, and when she could not find her

registration, the man said he thought she was driving a stolen vehicle.

He told the woman he would let her go with a warning, according to the report.

The man did not use red and blue flashing lights for either stop, according to the report.

Johnson County Sheriff Terry McLaughlin said the department hasn't had any other complaints about the individual but is investigating the incidents.

The department usually gets a couple of reports per year of people impersonating police officers, he said.

A Brownsburg man was arrested for the most recent incident, where a woman reported that a man driving a brown unmarked car used red and blue flashing lights to stop her on State Road 37.

In the May 7 impersonation, the uniformed man asked the woman to step out of the vehicle and touched her inappropriately, a police report said.

The man was not wearing a badge and didn't show any identification, the report said.

Shaun C. Campbell, a Brownsburg security guard, was arrested on charges of sexual battery and impersonating a public servant.

WHEN YOU GET PULLED OVER

When drivers think they are being stopped by someone impersonating a police officer, they need to report it to police, Johnson County Sheriff Terry McLaughlin said.

Drivers should try to stop in well-lit areas and make sure doors are locked when they are pulled over.

When police are in unmarked cars, they still must be in uniform.

If the person doesn't have clear uniform markings, drivers can ask the officer for identification, which should distinctly identify the department they are with, McLaughlin said.

100 DAYS AND COUNTING



First-graders at Isom Elementary School in Greenwood celebrated the 100th day of school Monday by releasing 100 helium-filled balloons.

Students made projects throughout last week, and celebrations ended Monday with cake and milk.

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Woman who stole mom's money gets 3 years in prison

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A Greenwood woman was sentenced to three years in prison for using money from her mother's bank account to make unauthorized purchases.

Lynn A. McNulty, 48, was sentenced Thursday after previously pleading guilty.

McNulty's mother contacted Greenwood police in June 2004 to report that her daughter had stolen checks and withdrawn money from her bank account, according to an arrest warrant.

The woman said her daughter had come to live with her in August 2003 after being released from prison.

In March 2004, the mother realized that she had not been receiving bank statements in the mail.

When she received a statement in June 2004, after McNulty had been arrested again, the woman realized that her account was significantly overdrawn and she had lost \$2,000 to \$5,000, the warrant said.

When police questioned McNulty, she confessed that she had used her mother's account to cover checks she had written, the warrant said.

McNulty also told police she had used her mother's ATM/debit card to get cash to make purchases at several stores.

She received the maximum sentence for the class D felony and will serve three years in prison minus 68 days for time already served.

She will also have to pay back almost \$200 to stores where she had made purchases using her mother's money.

McNulty asked to appeal the sentence at the hearing but has not yet filed an appeal.

Johnson County Deputy Prosecutor Kathleen Hash, who handled the case, said the prison time fit McNulty's situation.

"Given her lengthy criminal history for similar crimes, it seemed appropriate," Hash said.

McNulty told Johnson Circuit Judge Mark Loyd that she is the sole caregiver for her invalid mother.

She asked the judge for extra time to see about getting someone to care for her mother, but the request was denied, as the plea agreement had been in place since March.

McNulty also has a pending case on a charge of forgery. In that case, she is accused of forging checks that belonged to her mother.

Grant will help sheriff's office deal with Hispanic suspects

Daily Journal staff report

Sheriff's deputies will be able to read suspects their rights in Spanish after making an arrest — sort of.

CDs or DVDs will recite Miranda rights in Spanish for the deputies.

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office plans to use a \$2,000 grant from Cinergy Foundation to help deputies and jail workers communicate better with Spanish-speaking people.

Sheriff Terry McLaughlin plans to use the grant to make Spanish audio tapes, CDs or

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DVDs that recite the Miranda rights, jail rules and other information about rights and conduct. Having rules and rights written in Spanish is not helpful enough, McLaughlin said. He wants that information in audio format so people who can't read are able to hear what the rules are.

Currently, the sheriff's department uses bilingual inmates to translate for Spanish-speaking people being booked into the jail when no employees with Spanish-

speaking skills are available.

Deputies can take classes to learn Spanish, but doing so requires overtime pay, and county government is strapped for cash. Deputies do know enough Spanish to speak on a simple basis with suspects and witnesses.

The change in format for the jail is relevant to Johnson County, which has a growing Hispanic population mostly concentrated to the north. The 2000 census said that more than 1,000 people in Johnson County use Spanish as their primary language, but The Hispanic Center in Greenwood thinks that number has grown significantly

during the past five years.

The Hispanic Center hopes other government agencies and schools enact similar policies to help cross the language barrier and communicate with the Spanish-speaking population.

WHITE RIVER TOWNSHIP

Nine minors busted at underage drinking party

A 17-year-old girl was hostess to an underage drinking party late Saturday night and early Sunday while her mother attended an Indiana Pacers game in Indianapolis.

Four adults and five juveniles

were found at the home on Delta Drive in White River Township about 1:20 a.m. Sunday, a Johnson County Sheriff's Office report said.

Deputies found shot glasses and a plastic water bottle with vodka in it inside the house, the report said.

Everyone at the party submitted to breath tests. Results showed all nine had at least traces of alcohol in their systems, and a 15-year-old had the highest reading, a blood alcohol level of .10, the report said.

The legal state limit for driving under the influence is .08.

A 17-year-old identified herself as the party's host and told police that she was having friends over

and that they had been drinking, the report said.

Four 18-year-olds were each given a court summons on a charge of possession of alcohol by a minor, a Class C misdemeanor:

- Zach Boner, 1199 Hospital Road No. 63, Franklin
- Kyle J. Goss, 4962 Pearcrest Circle, Greenwood
- Chelsie Hornaday, 3302 Delta Drive, Greenwood
- Antonio A. Roberts, 1283 Elm Grove Lane, Greenwood

The juveniles, between the ages of 15 and 17, were released to their parents. A report was sent to juvenile probation.

ON THE RECORD

Jail bookings

The following people recently were arrested and booked into the Johnson County jail:

Cristobal B. Ortiz, 24, 1655 France St., Franklin: arrested on a charge of driving while suspended with a previous conviction; released on \$1,000 bond.

Daniel Joseph Maple, 21, 4489 Country Lane, Greenwood: arrested on charges of prescription drug fraud, possession of marijuana/hashish and visiting a common nuisance; released on \$5,000 bond.

Jeremy Ray Prosser, 21, 5267 Johnson St., Greenwood: arrested on charges of possession of marijuana /hashish, maintaining a common nuisance and possession of paraphernalia; held on \$5,000 bond.

David J. Cummings, 37, 133 S. Baldwin St., Bargersville: arrested on a charge of being a habitual traffic violator; held on \$16,000 bond.

Lisa M. Rowland, 35, 2249 Traditions Court, Franklin: arrested on a charge of public intoxication; held on \$1,000 bond.

Roger L. Schoolcraft, 52, 7383 E. County Road 350N, Needham: arrested on a charge of causing damage to real estate or personal property; held on \$1,000 bond.

Gilbert Lopez, 35, 2459 Finley Ave., Indianapolis: arrested on charges of forgery and driving while suspended with a prior conviction; held on \$12,000 bond.

Efrain Osorio, 26, 242 Tamara Lane, Apt. 4, Indianapolis: arrested on a charge of failure to appear in court; held on \$3,000 bond.

Yuri Smith, 22, 2102 Sugargrove Ave.,

Indianapolis: arrested on a charge of driving while suspended with a prior conviction; released on \$1,000 bond.

Ralph David Peters, 36, 1821 S. Meridian St., Greenwood: arrested on a charge of invasion of privacy; held on \$2,000 bond.

Anthony Lee Sizemore, 20, 1656 Lochry Road, Franklin: arrested on a charge of failure to appear in court; held on \$2,500 bond.

William Dietrich Alfke, 24, 1168 Sweetbriar Drive, Greenwood: arrested on a charge of failure to appear in court; released on \$5,000 bond.

Oscar Steven England, 38, 6895 S. County Road 1100, Medora: arrested on a charge of possession of restricted drug injection device; held on \$6,000 bond.

The following person recently was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated and booked into jail:

Jamie Jo Kimberlin, 48, 106 Florence Drive, Greenwood: also arrested on charges of battery and resisting an officer; held on \$3,000 bond.

Births

Johnson Memorial Hospital
Brittany and Derek Grant of Greenwood, boy born Jan. 22.

Jasmine Sowash and James Stokes, girl born Jan. 21.

Northwestern Memorial Hospital (Chicago)

Julie and Chad Allman of Chicago, boy born Nov. 14.

Officials: CVS, Osco Drug chains to merge

Area pharmacies' fate still to be determined

The Associated Press

BOISE, Idaho

Folks who need to fill a prescription might soon have fewer places to go for it.

A deal between two national pharmacies could leave southside residents with fewer drugstores.

Albertson's Inc., the nation's second biggest traditional grocery store chain, said Monday it has agreed to sell the company for about \$9.7 billion in cash and stock to an investment group that includes supermarket chain Supervalu Inc. and drugstore chain CVS Corp.

Albertson's owns Jewel, Acme and Shaw's grocery stores and Sav-on Drugs and Osco Drug stores.

Company officials have yet to name what stores might close, but pharmacies are located within a mile of each other in two areas of Johnson County.

In Greenwood, an Osco Drug store near Fairview Road and State Road 135 could be in danger of closing because a CVS

Pharmacy sits a mile south on Smith Valley Road. A Franklin Osco Drug store in Northwood Plaza could close in competition with a CVS pharmacy less than a mile south on U.S. 31.

The deal comes about a month after the collapse of an earlier attempt by the consortium to acquire Albertson's. The companies said the total value of the transaction was \$17.4 billion including debt being assumed by the buyer.

Under the terms of the transaction, Albertson's stockholders will receive \$26.29 a share in cash and stock, a 9 percent premium over Albertson's closing price on Friday of \$24.11.

That includes \$20.35 in cash and a fixed exchange ratio of 0.182 shares of Supervalu stock for each Albertson's share. The stock portion of the deal is worth \$5.94 per share, based on Supervalu's 20-day average closing price of \$32.65 per share.

Supervalu, based in Minneapolis, is paying about \$6.3 billion in stock and cash and will assume approximately \$6.1 billion of Albertson's debt for 1,124 Albertson's stores. The deal would make Supervalu the nation's second-largest supermarket chain after Kroger Co.

CVS of Woonsocket, R.I., is purchasing about 700 stand-alone Sav-on and Osco drugstores and Albertson's ownership interests in the drugstore real estate for about \$2.9 billion. The chain now operates more than 5,000 stores.

The other purchasers, led by Cerberus Capital Management L.P., include real estate investment trust Kimco Realty Corp., Schottenstein Stores Corp., Lubert-Adler Partners and Klaff Realty. The Cerberus-led group

will acquire stores in Dallas/Fort Worth, Northern California, Florida, Rocky Mountains and Southwest areas, and the group plans to operate the stores under the Albertson's name.

The boards of Supervalu, CVS and Albertson's, as well as the investment committees or equivalents of the Cerberus-led group, have approved the transaction.

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