

News Release



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121 Lake Street North, Big Lake MN, 55309

Incident Number: 13-2223

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Armed Burglary/Assault Arrest

Members of the Big Lake Police Department were dispatched to an address in the 5200 block of Pond View Lane on April 26 at about 3:00 a.m. regarding a fight in progress. At that time nobody present desired to cooperate with an investigation, and no further action was taken. At about 5:15 a.m. Officers responded a second time on a report a burglary and assault that had taken place involving a firearm. Officers were assisted by Deputies from the Sherburne County Sheriff's Department.

The initial investigation indicates that 3-4 individuals who were involved in the first altercation, returned at 5:15 a.m. Several of the individuals who were wearing ski masks approached the front door. A male identified as Garrett Wilson brandished a handgun through the window, and motioned for a female to open the door. When she refused, Wilson forced the door open and entered the house, the female retreated to a bathroom and locked the door. Wilson forced the bathroom door open, struck the female with the gun multiple times in the head, then put the gun in her mouth and threatened to kill her. Other individuals were also assaulted as the other individuals entered the residence, all suspects later fled the scene. Wilson was taken into custody in Monticello by Wright County Deputies, he is identified as; Garrett Wilson – Age 27 – Monticello. A second female identified in this incident was also taken into custody, she is identified as; Cyrena Quast – Age 22 – Monticello). Wilson remains in custody in the Sherburne County Jail charged with; 1st Degree Felony Burglary, 2nd Degree Felony Assault with a Weapon, and Felony Terroristic Threats with a \$150,000 bail. Cyrena posted bail with charges of; 1st Degree Felony Burglary, and 2nd Degree Felony Assault. The investigation continues with the possibility of further charges.

This was not a random act and is an incident isolated to specific individuals who knew one another, there is no threat to the general public.



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