

**\*\*MEDIA RELEASE\*\***

## **BIG LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT**



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160 Lake Street North, Big Lake MN, 55309

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**Incident Number: 14-7901**

**Date/Time: 11/7/2014**

### **Suspect Arrested for Auto Theft**

On November 5 at 10:50 p.m. Officer Chris Hoard was dispatched to take a vehicle theft complaint on Chestnut Circle involving a Chevrolet Blazer. The owner of the vehicle had left the keys in it anticipating another family member would soon be coming to get it. The owner realized the vehicle was missing and that the other family member had not picked it up.

Through his investigation Officer Hoard located the stolen vehicle at a local liquor establishment. It was determined Brenda Strong (Age 45 – Big Lake) was responsible for its theft, having taken it from the Chestnut Circle location. According to her own admission, Strong had taken the vehicle to the local liquor establishment along with her son. The vehicle was returned to its owner, Strong was placed under arrest and transported to the Sherburne County Jail for the theft of the vehicle.

Strong was charged by criminal complaint with; 1 Count of Theft/Possessing a Stolen Vehicle.