

****MEDIA RELEASE****

BIG LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT



160 Lake Street North, Big Lake MN, 55309

Incident Number: 14-8440

Date/Time: 12/3/2014

Suspect Arrested for Terroristic Threats

On November 29 at 12:00 a.m. Big Lake Police Officers were dispatched to an address in the City of Big Lake in response to a 911 call reporting a domestic disturbance. The initial report stated a male in the residence was "out of control" and making threats to other occupants. While dispatch was on the 911 call, it was disconnected.

As the responding officers approached the residence, they could hear yelling coming from the front of the house. The source of the yelling was determined to be Justice Whitelaw (Age 18 – Big Lake). Through interviews with individuals present, it was determined Whitelaw had issued a threat to "stab" the victim, then ran towards the kitchen to locate a knife. When the victim indicated to Whitelaw a call was being placed for police assistance, Whitelaw went to a fuse box and disconnected power to the residence ending the phone call prematurely. Whitelaw was placed under arrest and transported to the Sherburne County Jail.

Whitelaw was charged by criminal complaint with 1 count each; Terroristic Threats (Felony, Interference with a 911 Call (Gross Misdemeanor), and Minor Consuming Alcohol (Misdemeanor).