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Burglary Suspects Lead Deputies on Pursuit, Attempt Escape from K-9s by Hiding on Store Roof

November 1, 2017 – Two suspects were arrested after burglarizing a residence and leading deputies on a pursuit. One suspect attempted to escape K-9s by hiding on a store roof and later breaking into the store through the ceiling.

On November 1, 2017, at 1:49 p.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a report of a homeowner finding two people inside his vacant residence in the 9100 block of Southwest Meadow Lane in the West Slope community.

As deputies were arriving, a male and female got into a vehicle and fled, coming within feet of striking a deputy as they passed. A pursuit ensued, and during it the male passenger got out and ran on foot.

The driver, 31-year-old Lynsey Picket, was stopped and arrested after deputies surrounded her vehicle on a dead end street. During a search of the vehicle, deputies located materials consistent with producing methamphetamine, as well as numerous stolen credit cards and identifications.



K-9 Tux (left) and K-9 Rizzo (right)

Beaverton Police Officer Tony Bastinelli and his partner, K-9 Rizzo, responded and tracked the male suspect for over two hours but he was not located. Nearby Jesuit High School was placed in a lockout for about 45 minutes as a precaution.

At 5:09 p.m., dispatch received a call from the Bi-Mart in Beaverton reporting that an unknown male had entered the store through the ceiling and ran out the front door. Deputies quickly determined that it was the same male from the earlier incident and he had likely been hiding on the Bi-Mart roof.

Beaverton Police K-9 Rizzo, with the assistance of Washington County Sergeant Danny DiPietro and his partner, K-9 Tux, and a Multnomah County Sheriff's Office



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K-9, began searching for the suspect. Deputies received numerous calls from the public during this time as the male fled through a neighborhood.

At 6:14 p.m., K-9 Tux located the male, 30-year-old Cody Benton, hiding in a shed in the 5000 block of Southwest Chestnut Avenue and took him into custody.

Ms. Picket was lodged at the Washington County Jail on charges of burglary in the first degree, possession of burglary tools, manufacturing methamphetamine, elude, attempted assault on a public safety officer (three counts), identity theft, and offensive littering.

Mr. Benton was lodged at the Washington County Jail on charges of burglary in the second degree, criminal mischief in the third degree (two counts), and criminal trespassing (two counts).

The Washington County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the Beaverton Police Department and the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office for their response and persistence during this incident.



Lynsey Picket



Cody Benton