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Date: August 20, 2014

Time: 9:30 A.M.

Contact: Officer Joseph Nichols

Public Information Officer

Subject: Drug Search Warrant and Meth Labs

MEDIA RELEASE

The Oshkosh Police Department has concluded a drug investigation that began on Thursday, August 14, 2014 in the 800 block of Jackson St.

On August 14th, Oshkosh Police received information that a subject residing at a residence in the 800 block of Jackson St. had a warrant out for his is arrest and that drugs were being manufactured at the residence. Oshkosh Police observed the 35 year-old male who had the warrant outside with a group of people and took the 35 year-old into custody and secured the residence due to the report of drug manufacturing taking place.

A search warrant was drafted and Oshkosh Police located heroin, methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia in the home and on those who were taken into custody.

The 35 year-old male from Oshkosh was arrested for the warrant and possession of methamphetamine.

A 33 year-old female from Oshkosh was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and maintaining a dwelling for sale of controlled substances.

A 31 year-old male from Oshkosh was arrested for delivery of heroin and possession of heroin.

A 29 year-old female from Oshkosh was arrested for child neglect, possession of drug paraphernalia and a probation hold.

A 13 year-old male, who was with one of those arrested, was placed with a family member.

During the investigation, Oshkosh Police developed information that methamphetamine was being manufactured at a residence in the 800 block of Wright St. During a consent search by the occupants on the Wright St. residence, a meth lab was discovered to be ongoing.

A 26 year-old male from Oshkosh was arrested for Possession of Methamphetamine Waste and maintaining a dwelling for sale of controlled substance.

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A 42 year-old female was arrested for possession of methamphetamine waste and a warrant.

A 37 year-old female was arrested for maintaining a dwelling for sale of controlled substances.

A 14 year-old female who resided at the residence was taken to shelter care until living arrangements could be made.

All subjects arrested were transported to the Winnebago County Jail on August 14th.

Oshkosh Police contacted the hazardous clean-up crew from Chicago, IL to remove the remnants of chemicals left behind after methamphetamine was produced. The clean-up crew arrived at about 10:25pm and left at about 11:40 pm on August 14, 2014.

Oshkosh Police is releasing this information now due to the ongoing investigation after the initial incident. Oshkosh Police determined there was no concern for safety after locating the meth lab.

The manufacturing of methamphetamine is extremely hazardous and dangerous. There are numerous, volatile chemicals used in the production of this drug.

An indication that someone is manufacturing the drug is a strong odor of chemicals coming from the house, garbage or detached buildings that smells like ammonia, cat urine or rotten eggs. The home may have windows that are covered; have an elaborate ventilation system; and/or an elaborate security system including dogs, keep out signs and baby monitors/video cameras outside the home.

The garbage will contain used containers of lighter fluid, Freon, paint thinner, drain opener, empty cold medicine packaging, and/or lithium batteries torn apart; empty plastic bottles with holes near the top and tubes coming out; rubber tubing; coffee filters with stains; rubber gloves and respirators.

The occupants of the home will act paranoid; have visitors during all times of the day; stay inside and come outside only to smoke; may be unemployed but always have money; and may place their garbage in another's trash bin.

If you know of someone who is manufacturing methamphetamine, do not attempt to take matters into your own hands and remain calm. Contact your local police department. If you live in Oshkosh, call the Oshkosh Police Department at (920) 236-5700.

If you wish to remain anonymous, please utilize the Winnebago Crime Stoppers website at www.winnebagocrimestoppers.org; or call (920) 231-8477 or text IGOTYA and your tip to 274637.

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