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Press Release

Today's Date: 1/24/14
Date & Time Occurred: 1/9/14 @ 2:00 p.m.
Submitted By: Lt. John Carli
Phone: (707)449-5200
Case Number: 14-00202
Type of Crime/Incident: Felon possess firearm
Falsified financial statements
Perjury
Attempt to record false or forged instrument
Location: 3321 Farrell Road, Vacaville
Suspects: Mark Lewis , 39, Vacaville resident
Danny Lewis, 60, Vacaville resident

UPDATE TO ORIGINAL PRESS RELEASE of VACAVILLE POLICE ARREST LOCAL PASTOR, THREE OTHERS, FOR ARSON

On January 24, 2014, at 2:00 p.m., Investigators from the Solano County District Attorney's Office were assisted by the Vacaville Police Department and the Solano County Sheriff's Office during the service of a search warrant at the Fellowship Baptist Church on Farrell Road in Vacaville. Investigators from the District Attorney's office learned S-Mark Lewis, the pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, fraudulently posted bail in the amount of \$500,000 on January 11, 2014, the day after his initial arrest for his involvement in the arson on January 9, 2014.

S-Mark Lewis used the church property as collateral to fraudulently post bail in the amount of \$500,000 by securing the property of Fellowship Baptist Church located at 3321 Farrell Road and 6657 Gibson Canyon Road in Vacaville. A Deed of Trust for both properties was recorded in S-Mark Lewis' name with the Solano County Recorder / Assessor's Office in order to secure his bond. This Deed of Trust was changed and a new Deed of Trust was drafted by California Bail Bonds on January 11, 2014, the day S-Mark Lewis posted bail. The "Trustor" listed on the 2014 Deed of Trust was Pastor Mark Lewis and Treasurer Danny Lewis (Mark Lewis' uncle).

The paperwork provided to the bailbond company did not appear legitimate and officers with the Solano County District Attorney's Office investigated. The investigation revealed Fellowship Baptist Church, Inc., the name utilized by the Fellowship Baptist Church in Vacaville did not appear to be a legitimate corporation. It was determined that Fellowship Baptist Church, Inc. was actually a name associated with a Baptist Church in Riverside California and not Vacaville. Corporation numbers being utilized by the Fellowship Baptist Church in Vacaville also belonged to the Baptist Church in Riverside as well. The California Secretary of State's office also confirmed the Fellowship Baptist Church at 3321 Farrell Road in Vacaville, CA, had never filed for a non-profit status, commonly known as a 501(C)(3) status, through the Attorney General's Office. Further investigation revealed loans secured in the name of Fellowship Baptist Church in Vacaville may have also used the identity and corporation numbers of the same church in Riverside.

S-Danny Lewis, Mark Lewis' uncle, was also arrested during the service of this search warrant based on information learned since the service of the previous search warrant on January 11, 2014. A handgun with the serial numbers removed was located in S-Danny Lewis' bedroom



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and Detectives since learned that S-Danny Lewis was a convicted felon who was prohibited from owning firearms.

This investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information is urged to call the Vacaville Police Department at (707) 449-5200 or Investigator Vicki Rister with the Solano County DA's Office at 707-784-6800.

ORIGINAL PRESS RELEASE

Today's Date: 1/10/14
Date & Time Occurred: 1/9/14 at 3:30 a.m.
Submitted By: Sgt. Jeff King
Phone: (707)449-5200
Case Number: 14-00202
Type of Crime/Incident: Arson of an inhabited dwelling
Location: Chateau Circle, Vacaville CA
Suspects: Mark Lewis , 39, Vacaville resident
Anthony Newbolt, 33, Sacramento resident
Richerd Wright, 28, Sacramento resident
Kristen Broyles, 30, Citrus Height resident

VACAVILLE POLICE ARREST LOCAL PASTOR, THREE OTHERS, FOR ARSON

Four people, including the pastor of a local church, have been arrested and charged with arson of an inhabited dwelling, as well as other charges.

S-Mark Lewis, 39, pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, was arrested a short time after three others were arrested following an attempt to burn down an occupied home on Chateau Circle.

Vacaville Police received a 9-1-1 call at 3:30 a.m. Thursday, January 9, 2014, from someone inside a residence on Chateau Circle saying a Molotov cocktail had been thrown into their home. No one was injured and damage to the home was minor as the residents inside were able to put the fire out prior to emergency personnel arriving. A total of six people were asleep inside the residence at the time of the incident, including three children. Police and fire units responded to the scene for aid and to begin a criminal investigation.

A patrol officer responded to the intersection of Ulatis Drive and Leisure Town Road within minutes of this call for service. At that time, the officer saw a rental vehicle traveling northbound on Leisure Town Road heading toward the highway; it was the only vehicle on the road at the time. The officer, seeing a vehicle code violation, made an enforcement stop.

S-Anthony Newbolt, 33, of Sacramento; S-Richerd Wright, 28, of Sacramento; and S-Kristen Broyles, 30, of Citrus Heights were located inside the vehicle. During the course of this investigation, information and evidence was obtained implicating all three suspects in the fire bombing on Chateau Circle.

S-Anthony Newbolt, S-Richerd Wright and S-Kristen Broyles were arrested and booked into Solano County Jail on charges of arson of an inhabited dwelling and possession of an incendiary device. S-Anthony Newbolt and S-Kristen Broyles also had unrelated outstanding arrests warrants. S-Anthony Newbolt and S-Kristen Broyles told investigators that they had been staying at the Fellowship Baptist Church, 3321 Farrell Road in Vacaville, because they are homeless.

Criminal activity can be reported at www.cityofvacaville.com/departments/police, or you can call "Crime Stoppers" and leave an anonymous tip at 707-644-STOP.7867). Crime Stoppers may pay up to \$1,000 for information that leads to an arrest.



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Investigators learned the victim from the Chateau Circle arson case has an active restraining order against S-Mark Lewis. S-Mark Lewis had also been named as a suspect in four separate incidents of harassment and vandalism against the victim since Christmas. In one incident, bushes in front of the victim's home were set on fire.

S-Mark Lewis resides in a home at Fellowship Baptist Church and as a result, officers served a search warrant at the home. Numerous items of evidence were seized during the search including an illegal handgun and suspected methamphetamine. Detectives also found evidence implicating S- Mark Lewis as a co-conspirator in the Thursday morning arson fire.

S-Mark Lewis was arrested for arson on an inhabited dwelling in the Thursday morning incident; conspiracy; and stalking. He is currently being held at Solano County Jail in Fairfield with bail set at \$500,000.

This investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information is urged to call the Vacaville Police Department at (707) 449-5200 or Detective Chris Lechuga at (707) 449-5269. Photos of the four suspects in this case have been attached to this press release.



Anthony Newbolt



Kristen Broyles



Richerd Wright



Mark Lewis