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Gunshot Call Results in Several Arrests

Manchester Police responded to the area of Maple Street and Spruce Street at 3:20 p.m. yesterday for a reported fight involving a firearm. A witness called into dispatch and stated one of the males on scene had fired a handgun into the air, which dispersed the crowd engaging in the altercation.

Multiple officers arrived on scene in an attempt to locate a possible victim(s), witnesses and the perpetrator. Officer McKennedy arrived on scene and spoke with the reporting party, who lives in the area. The 60-year old woman stated she heard a gunshot so she looked out the window and observed a male subject holding a handgun in the air.

The officer spoke with the 18 year-old female victim who stated she engaged in a physical altercation with another female whom she identified as arrested; Jailene Vega Pagan, 24 of 394 Second Street, City.

The victim stated Vega Pagan had struck her several times with a set of "brass knuckles". It was at the time of the altercation that Vega Pagan's boyfriend/arrested; Orlando Velez Casiano, 23 of 394 Second Street, City allegedly fired a handgun into the air before fleeing the area with Vega Pagan.

The victim's father took her to the hospital where she was treated for non-life threatening injuries sustained to her head and face. Vega Pagan and Velez Casiano fled the scene but were arrested inside of the Manchester Police Department a short time later when they agreed to speak with police about the incident.

Vega Pagan was charged with Second Degree Assault and released on $1,000.00 cash/surety bail. Velez Casiano was charged with Reckless Conduct and released on personal recognizance. Both are set to appear in the 9th Circuit Court-Manchester on June 29, 2016. Detectives confiscated a handgun from Velez Casiano.

Officers on scene made two additional arrests before Velez Casiano and Vega Pagan turned themselves in. Officer Casey Finn arrested Keishla Casiano, 22 of 289 Spruce Street, City behind her residence. Officer Finn observed Casiano attempt to leave the rear of the address as the officers investigated the initial shooting call for service. She allegedly assaulted the officer by kicking him in the chin as he attempted to detain her and make sure she was not armed and/or involved in the call for service. The officer did not sustain a serious injury and immediately returned to work.

She was ultimately charged with Resisting Arrest/Detention and Simple Assault. She was released on $500.00 cash/surety. She is scheduled to appear in the 9th Circuit Court-Manchester on June 29, 2016.

Another female was arrested in the area of the initial call. Detective Feather located and arrested; Katria Cancela, 29 of 287 Spruce Street, City. Detective Feather stopped Cancela as she hurriedly walked away from the area where the altercation occurred. She was sweating profusely and appeared to be avoiding contact with the detective, so he felt she may have been involved in the fight or may have been involved. He observed a large object inside of her shirt so he asked her what it was. She removed it as she opened the small package, which released an unknown quantity of a powdery substance into the air.

A female officer arrived on scene and removed the drugs from her shirt. The remnants were weighed at police headquarters. The .8 grams of powder tested presumptive positive for heroin. Cancela was charged with Possession of Controlled Drugs. She was released on $500.00 cash/surety and is scheduled to appear in the 9th Circuit Court-Manchester on June 29, 2016.

Velez Casiano

Vega Pagan

Casiano

Cancela