



# Macomb County Sheriff's Office

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### MEDIA CRIME REPORT

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#### Sheriff's Auto Theft Squad Recovers Stolen Motorcycles

**MT. CEMENS, MI – July 30, 2015** - On the 21<sup>st</sup> of July, after receiving a crime tip, St Clair Shores Police Officers recovered a stolen motorcycle from an address in the 21000 block of Elaine Street. St. Clair Shores Police Department contacted the Macomb Auto Theft Squad (M.A.T.S.) for help in identifying the motorcycle. Detectives found that the identification numbers had been ground off, however a major component part had been reported stolen in Mobile Alabama in 1973.

Detectives from M.A.T.S. prepared a search warrant and returned to the Elaine Street address on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. They located five (5) other stolen motorcycles in the garage. The motorcycles that were recovered had been reported stolen from St. Clair and Lapeer Counties.

The homeowner, Michael James Falbo was arrested and charged with six (6) counts of Receiving & Concealing Stolen Property. R & C carries a potential jail term of 5 years and/or \$10,000 fine OR 3 times the value of the motor vehicle, whichever is greater.

Falbo was arraigned in the 40<sup>th</sup> District Court of St. Clair Shores on July 24<sup>th</sup>. He was given a \$25,000 (personal) bond and he was released. He is due back in Court on August 18, 2015 @ 8:30am.

The Macomb Auto Theft Squad is a multi-jurisdictional auto-theft task force that is comprised of detectives from the Macomb County Sheriff's Office, the Warren Police Department, Clinton Township, St Clair Shores and Sterling Heights.

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M.A.T.S. is funded in part thru a grant by the Michigan Auto Theft Prevention Authority (A.T.P.A.).

Note: An arrest warrant has also been procured for a second individual in conjunction with this same case. The second individual has not been arrested yet.

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