

Macomb County Sheriff's Office Anthony M. Wickersham

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MEDIA CRIME REPORT

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Sheriff's Office Arrest Three for Operating While Impaired

Macomb County Sheriff Anthony Wickersham reports that his deputies arrested three persons for Operating While Impaired during a nine-hour period over the past weekend.

Arrest #1 Macomb Township (#59951-15)

The first incident occurred on Saturday afternoon at approximately 5:52pm. The Sheriff's Dispatch Center put out a "BOLO" (be-on-the-look-out) for a black Toyota Scion that was reportedly weaving and crossing into oncoming traffic. A Sheriff Deputy located the vehicle on North Avenue near 26 Mile Road in Macomb Township.

The driver, a 36 year-old Waterford woman appeared to be highly intoxicated however she denied that she had been drinking before driving. She was arrested after failing to successfully perform field sobriety tests. Deputies were to learn that she was presently operating on a temporary driver's permit due to a different OWI arrest that had occurred in St Clair County on 08-07-15.

Once brought to the Macomb County Jail, the woman was given a formal breathalyzer test and her blood alcohol level was determined to be .39%.

After the administration of the breathalyzer at the Jail and due to her high-level of intoxication, she was subsequently transported to an area hospital for treatment.

She faces charges of Operating While Intoxicated with High BAC.

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Arrest #2 Ray Township (#59985-15)

Approximately four hours later (09-12-15 @ 9:48pm), other Macomb Sheriff deputies were dispatched to a report of a 2008 Ford Super-Duty Pick-up truck in a ditch near 27 Mile and Teller Roads in Ray Township. Deputies encountered the driver, a 47 year old man who was behind the wheel of the truck. The man was helped from the truck and deputies asked him to perform field sobriety tests which he was unable to do successfully. He was subsequently arrested and transported to the Macomb County Jail.

Once there, he was given a breathalyzer test with results of .25%. The driver, Jonathon Alhakim of Grosse Pointe Farms had six (6) prior Operating While Impaired (OWI) convictions as well as several driver's license suspensions and revocations. He was charged with OWI 3rd Offense, DWLS 2nd Offense and having Open Intoxicants in a motor vehicle.

On 09-14-15 Alhakim was video-arraigned in the 42nd District Court of Romeo. He was given a \$25,000 cash bond and he remains in the Macomb County Jail. He is due back in Court on 09-22-15.

Arrest #3 Macomb Township (#60022-15)

On Sunday, 09-13-15, at approximately 2:27am a sheriff deputy on patrol near Card Road and 21 Mile Road (Macomb Township) observed a 2014 Dodge Ram pick-up truck that was not maintaining its lane of travel. A traffic stop was effected on Hall Road and Macomb Center Drive and the deputy spoke to the two passengers in the vehicle.

During a subsequent investigation, the deputy noticed that the driver appeared confused and disoriented. He was asked to perform some field sobriety tests which he could not perform successfully. The man was arrested for Operating While Impaired and, once he was brought to the Macomb County Jail, he was given a formal breathalyzer test with results of .18%. The man, Lesh Gorvokovic 34, from New Haven was arrested and transported to the Macomb County Jail. Deputies were to learn later that the man had three (3) prior convictions for Operating While Impaired and his driving privilege was denied and revoked.

He was charged with Operating While Impaired 3rd Offense and Drove While License Suspended 2nd Offense.

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Gorvokovic was the subject of an interim bond hearing on Sunday morning and he was given a \$10,000 bond. He was released (09-13-15 @ 3:20pm) after posting the bond.

"Thanks to callers into our Dispatch Center, we were able to get two of these intoxicated motorists off the road. The third arrest was the result of proactive police patrols. In each instance, deputies were able to get these intoxicated drivers off of our roadways before someone was injured or killed."

Sheriff Anthony M. Wickersham