



BOONE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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Media Release

Incident: Drug and weapons arrest
Location: Clark Lane at the Highway 63 connector
Date & time: 04-07-14 @ 2352
Case Number: 14-1719

Details:

On the above date and time, Boone County deputies stopped a car on Clark Lane near the intersection of the Highway 63 connector. Deputies recognized the driver and knew he had a significant criminal history, knew he was currently on parole, and knew his driver's license was revoked.

When deputies contacted the driver they could smell marijuana and noticed he was wearing an empty handgun holster. A search of the car and the two occupants revealed two loaded handguns (one under each front seat), methamphetamine, marijuana, drug packaging material, drug paraphernalia, electronic scales, and about \$1000.00 in cash.

Arrested were:

Lester M. Johnson, age 35, of Columbia for Distribution of a controlled substance RsMO 195.211, Unlawful possession of a firearm RsMO 571.070, and Driving while suspended RsMO 302.321.

Stephanie M. Botts, age 27, of Columbia for Possession of drug paraphernalia, RsMO 195.233.

At the time of this release, booking photos were not available. Current photos can be viewed at the Sheriff's Department website tomorrow morning after 7:00 a.m. at:

<http://www.boonecountymo.org/sheriff/0700/0700.asp>

All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Release date & time: 04-08-14 @ 0115
Release authorized by: Sgt. Britt Shea