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Troy Heck, Sheriff
Neal Jacobson, Chief Deputy

PRESS RELEASE

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AUTHORITY OF SHERIFF TROY HECK

A man and a juvenile were arrested for burglarizing a building in Maywood Township.

On December 21st, 2025 at about 9:45 pm, the Benton County Sheriff's Office received a call from an individual reporting suspicious activity in Maywood Township. The caller advised they observed on their security cameras two vehicles park at the Oak Park Creamery and two individuals walk from these vehicles to an abandoned building in the 16000 block of Ironwood Rd NE. Within minutes, the first responding deputy arriving at this location found a black 2012 BMW and a silver 2008 Volkswagen parked at the Oak Park Creamery. The deputy observed flashlights lighting up the inside and outside of the nearby abandoned building. The deputy and his K-9 partner attempted to locate the suspects, instructing them to give themselves up. As the deputy was searching for the suspects, he heard the two vehicles at the Oak Park Creamery start. The black BMW fled eastbound on Ironwood Rd NE and the silver Volkswagen fled westbound on Ironwood Rd NE. The deputy pursued the silver Volkswagen as it turned northbound on 165th Ave NE and then westbound on Hwy 23.

Having been alerted by the pursuing deputy, a Foley police officer was watching for the arrival of the silver Volkswagen on Hwy 23 near 13th Ave. In a matter of moments, the silver Volkswagen arrived in Foley and was stopped on 13th Ave by the Foley police officer and Benton County deputy. The driver and lone occupant of the silver Volkswagen, Mason Kaul (age 18 of St. Cloud), was placed under arrest without incident.

Investigating deputies found evidence indicating the suspects had been inside the abandoned building and attempted to steal property from this location. Investigating deputies contacted the Sherburne County Sheriff's Office regarding the black BMW that fled the scene. Deputies from the Sherburne County Sheriff's Office arrived at the registered owner's residence and, following an investigation, arrested a 17-year-old male without incident.

Mason Kaul was transported to the Benton County Jail where he remains awaiting his first court appearance. The juvenile male was transported to a juvenile detention facility and is also awaiting his first court appearance. Both suspects are being held on charges of Burglary, Trespassing, and Fleeing a Police Officer.

The Benton County Sheriff's Office was assisted in this investigation by the Foley Police Department and Sherburne County Sheriff's Office.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Troy Heck".

Troy Heck
Benton County Sheriff