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**DATE: 05/23/2013**

**NATURE OF INCIDENT: Marijuana Trafficking Investigation yields Arrests**

**CASE NO.: 13098930**

**INCIDENT DATE :05/22/2013**

**INCIDENT TIME: 1:06 AM**

**INCIDENT LOCATION: 1600 block East 4th Street**

**SUBJECT: Marijuana Trafficking Investigation yields Arrests**

**BY: DPD Public Information Officer Jim Hansen (218) 390-2232**

On Wednesday, May 22nd, 2013 at 1:06 AM Duluth Police officers and investigators with the Lake Superior Drug & Violent Crime Task Force executed a search warrant at a residence in the 1600 block of East 4<sup>th</sup> Street. The Duluth Police Tactical Response Team was used for entry. This warrant was in relation to an on-going marijuana trafficking investigation.

During the search warrant investigators seized a quantity of marijuana packaged for sale, a digital scale, packaging and other evidence of drug distribution, U.S. currency, a fully loaded 12 gauge shotgun with a round in the chamber and two loaded .40 caliber pistols.

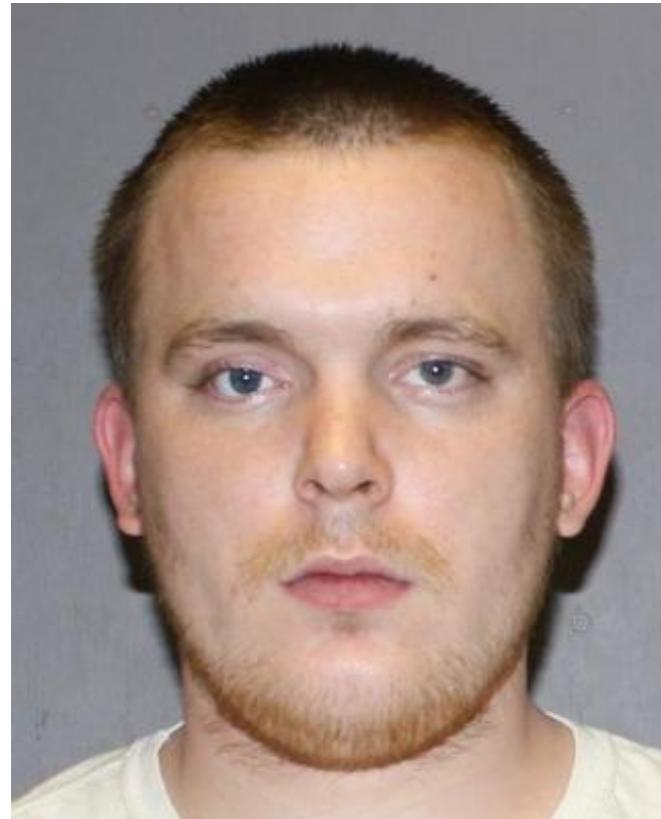
**The following were arrested:**

- **Walter Verneil Guthrie**, a 45 year old male resident of Duluth - Arrested for Felon in Possession of a Firearm and 5<sup>th</sup> Degree Sale of Marijuana (Guthrie is currently on probation for 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Sale of Crack Cocaine)
- **Robert Lee Gurney**, a 24 year old male resident of Duluth - Arrested for Felon in Possession of a Firearm and 5<sup>th</sup> Degree Sale of Marijuana and Child Endangerment (Gurney is currently on probation for Felon in Possession of a Firearm and has previous convictions for 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Assault and Domestic Assault)
- **Roberta Kay Williams**, a 43 year old female resident of Duluth - Arrested for 5<sup>th</sup> Degree Sale of Marijuana, 5<sup>th</sup> Degree Possession of Marijuana and Child Endangerment

**All were transported to the Saint Louis County Jail and have been formally charged.**



Walter Virneil Guthrie



Robert Lee Gurney



Roberta Kay Williams