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BURGLARY SUSPECT, FROM RASH OF NORTHERN COUNTY BREAK-INS, CAPTURED

PITTSBURGH, PA – Sheriff William P. Mullen announces the apprehension of Peter Dott IV, 25 years old of Lower Burrell. Dott was wanted on three criminal bench warrants for a violation of probation. The original charges included Theft By Deception, Criminal Trespassing and Receiving Stolen Property, among others. In addition to the criminal bench warrants, Dott had five arrest warrants from Cheswick Borough, Frazier, Harrison and Indiana Townships, regarding a string of burglaries. In these burglaries, authorities believe that Dott kicked in doors of the homes and ransacked the houses for valuables to be pawned.

This morning, sheriff's deputies developed information that placed Dott at an address in the 1100 block of Fifth Avenue in New Kensington. Upon surveying the area, deputies observed Dott on foot. Deputies immediately attempted to apprehend Dott, who grabbed at his waistband as if he had a weapon. However, he decided to flee the scene by leaping over a fence, in an effort to elude apprehension. Numerous deputies began to pursue Dott, both on foot and in vehicles, and ultimately located Dott attempting to hide in a patch of weeds approximately two blocks from the initial detection on Fifth Avenue.

After placing Dott into custody around 12:15PM, he was found to have jewelry, cash and coins on his person, as well as a small amount of marijuana. Deputies also located a fully loaded, semi-automatic handgun that Dott had pitched while fleeing from authorities.

Dott was transported to the Frazier Township Police Department, where he will be interviewed regarding the string of burglaries to which he had been charged. Upon completion of the interview, Dott will be transported and lodged in the Allegheny County Jail to await arraignment and hearings on the aforementioned arrest and bench warrants.

Sheriff Mullen would like to thank the US Marshals, Frazier Township, Indiana Township, Brackenridge, Harrison Township, New Kensington, Lower Burrell and Shaler Township Police Departments for their assistance throughout this investigation and the successful apprehension of Peter Dott.



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