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RED BICYCLE LEADS TO "MOST WANTED" FUGITIVE

PITTSBURGH, PA – Sheriff Mullen announces the apprehension of Scott McGrath, 42, of Crafton Borough. McGrath was wanted for failing to appear at his trial in September where he faces charges of burglary, theft, receiving stolen property and conspiracy. The charges stem from an incident in July of 2016 when two homeowners returned to their house from camping to find their residence broken into and extensive property damaged. McGrath is accused of breaking into the home through a basement window and then using a wrench to shatter a glass door in order to make entry into the main portion of the residence. The stolen items included a Taurus handgun, $7,500.00 cash, savings bonds, an engagement ring, many other pieces of jewelry, multiple credit/gift cards and old coins. In August of 2016, Crafton Borough police discovered McGrath had pawned many of these stolen items at the Coin Exchange.

Today, sheriff's deputies developed information that McGrath was currently homeless and seen riding his red mountain bike around the Northside of the City of Pittsburgh. Around 10:00 AM this morning, deputies located a red mountain bike next to an abandoned building underneath the West End Bridge, a location that is known to be frequently inhabited by the homeless community. Deputies searched the building and located McGrath hiding behind a furnace. McGrath was taken into custody by deputies and transported to the Allegheny County Jail, where he will await trial for the above mentioned charges.

Scott McGrath

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