



Newport Police Department

169 SW Coast Highway
Newport, Oregon 97365

NPD MEDIA RELEASE

09/21/2012 1:00 p.m.

Incident: Domestic Assault / Menacing **Case#: 12N-01743**

Location: 207 NW 56th St

Date/Time: 09/21/2012 at 11:00 a.m.

Suspect: Vera Lee Forbis, age 48 of Newport
Thomas Brandon Spivey, age 23 of Newport

Details: On 09/21/2012, at 11:02 a.m., Newport Police Officers were dispatched to a reported domestic dispute at on NW 56th St. Upon arrival, Officers learned that Vera Lee Forbis, age 48 of Newport, had been involved in a domestic dispute with her estranged husband. During the dispute, she brandished a rifle while threatening to shoot him, dowsed his truck with gasoline, and hit him several times with her hands and with parts of a metal bed frame. The victim received injuries to a hand and leg, but refused medical treatment.

Forbis was arrested at the scene, then suffered a possible medical issue and was transported by ambulance to Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital in Newport for evaluation and treatment. After being treated at SPCH, she was released to the arresting officer and lodged at the Lincoln County Jail on charges of Assault II, Menacing, Disorderly Conduct II, and Harassment. Her bail was set at \$150,000.

Her son, Thomas Spivey, age 23 of Newport, was also at the residence. He interfered several times with the officers as they were trying to conduct the investigation, including throwing his bike at his step-father, causing damage to the garage door. Spivey was arrested and lodged at the Lincoln County Jail on charges of Disorderly Conduct, Criminal Mischief II, and Interfering with a Police Officer. His bail was set at \$40,000.

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