



Newport Police Department

169 SW Coast Highway
Newport, Oregon 97365

NPD MEDIA RELEASE

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Incident: Warrant Arrests in South Beach **Case #:13N-00368**

Location: Hwy 101 and SE 40th St., South Beach

Date/Time: 02/28/2013 2:09 p.m.

Suspects: Joseph Douglas LaCroix, age 28 of Newport
Elizabeth Diana Holmes, age 32 of Newport

Details: On 02/28/2013, at 2:09 p.m., Newport Police Officers and Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputies responded to assist Parole and Probation (P&P) Officers in South Beach. A P&P officer had observed convicted sex offender Joseph Douglas LaCroix, age 28 of Newport, on Hwy 101 near SE 40th St. in South Beach. LaCroix had a felony Parole Board warrant for his arrest. As the P&P officers attempted to contact him, he fled on foot. NPD Officers and LCSO Deputies established a perimeter and began to search the area. During the search, officers contacted Elizabeth Holmes, age 32 of Newport, in a motor home parked in a vacant lot where she and LaCroix were living. A valid misdemeanor warrant was found for Holmes; she was taken into custody.

At about 3:08 p.m., a Deputy spotted LaCroix hiding in a storage area adjacent to the Central Lincoln PUD warehouse and shop facility. Although surrounded, LaCroix still tried to flee on foot until being subdued by officers a few minutes later.

Holmes was lodged at the Lincoln County Jail on a Marion County no-bail warrant that charged her with Obstruction of a Criminal Investigation, and Providing False Information to a Police Officer.

LaCroix was lodged at the Lincoln County Jail on a no-bail Oregon State Parole Board warrant, and a new charge of Failure to Register as a Sex Offender.

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