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CASE NUMBER: 2011-3897

DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT: 05-31-2011 @ 11:16 a.m.

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NATURE OF STORY: Robbery I, Burglary I, Burglary II, Menacing, Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Theft III X 2

LOCATION: Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer
255 Maxwell Road, Eugene
Also at the 1700 Block of Barton Drive, Eugene

ARRESTED: Walker, Michael Lee / DOB 07-02-1964
Eugene area transient

DETAILS:

On 05-31-2011 at about 11:16 A.M., Deputies from the Lane County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to the Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer at 255 Maxwell Road regarding an armed subject. Initial information was that a naked adult male was running around the church grounds armed with a knife and threatening people at the location. As LCSO Deputies responded to the location it was reported that the male had got dressed and was fleeing the area on a bicycle. The first responding Deputies found several people in the church parking lot directing us to where the suspect was last seen.

Deputies headed in the direction the suspect fled and encountered a female resident of the 1700 block of Barton Drive standing in the roadway. The female resident pointed out the fleeing suspect to the Deputies and further stated that the suspect had entered her home, confronted her and stole her purse. The Deputies quickly caught up with the suspect, who initially refused to stop. After several blocks the suspect, later identified as

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Michael Lee Walker, stopped and was taken into custody without further incident. Walker was still in possession of the knife used at the church, as well as the purse taken from the female resident in the 1700 block of Barton Drive.

At the completion of the investigation Walker was charged with the above listed crimes and lodged at the Lane County Jail.

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