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WANTED FUGITIVE WITH 11 OUTSTANDING WARRANTS ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGES AFTER RESISTING ARREST

On Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at approximately 12:30 pm (CST) deputies assigned to the La Porte County Sheriff's Office Warrants Division went to a home located in the 10,000 West block of Division Road, near Westville, searching for a wanted fugitive. The Sheriff's Office held eleven (11) outstanding warrants for 47 year old Bernard SHAW for offenses that included Domestic Battery, Failure to Return to Lawful Detention, Criminal Recklessness with a Deadly Weapon and Intimidation.

Upon arrival, deputies entered the residence and located SHAW hiding in a room within the house. He failed to comply with commands of the deputies and began to actively resist and after a striking one of the deputies about his face and chest as well as kicking him, he was secured in handcuffs. The struggle to secure SHAW took several minutes. While transporting SHAW, he was verbally abusive and threatened the deputies and their families with bodily harm. As a result, he was also charged with Resisting Law Enforcement, a class "A" misdemeanor, Battery of a Police Officer, a Level 6 Felony and Intimidation of a Law Enforcement Officer, a Level 6 Felony.

He is currently being held in the La Porte County Jail with no bond. He is scheduled to appear in La Porte County Circuit Court and La Porte County Superior Court IV.

La Porte County Sheriff Michael Mollenhauer stated: "This encounter and arrest of this wanted fugitive illustrates the danger that our law enforcement officers face every day. We are pleased that our deputies were able to develop leads concerning the whereabouts of Mr. SHAW and pursue and locate him and ultimately bring him to justice." Sheriff Mollenhauer also added: "We are also pleased that neither our deputies nor the suspect were seriously injured as a result of this incident."

*The charges against the defendant is merely an accusation, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty

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