



# MARSHALL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



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**Handgun fired in mobile home park**

Timber Valley Mobile Home Park 2552 Smith Avenue, - The Marshall County Sheriff's Office responded to an altercation between neighbors Sunday evening where a man had reportedly fired a handgun.

At approximately 8:30 p.m. Sunday evening, September 14, 2014, the Marshall County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to Timber Valley mobile Home Park south of Marshalltown on Smith Avenue regarding an altercation where one party left and returned with what was believed to be a handgun. The man with the gun had reportedly discharged it multiple times in the vicinity of the residence.

Eventually, damage to the home was found. The damage appeared to be a bullet hole through a glass door and fragments consistent with a small caliber bullet were recovered.

The suspect, Thy Krouch, age 43, was not located Sunday; however, a search warrant was obtained and executed Monday for his residence, located at lot #57.

Krouch and two others were present at the time the warrant was served. Krouch was taken into custody without incident and the other occupants, Jarrell Watkins, age 26, and Kayla Ocampo, age 25, were arrested on outstanding warrants from Tama County regarding failure to appear for court.

During the course of the search, evidence of drug use was observed. The Mid-Iowa Drug Task Force then obtained an additional warrant to search for drug-related evidence, in addition to the firearm related evidence that was originally being sought.

A handgun, ammunition, evidence of drug sales and a small quantity of marijuana was seized.

Watkins and Ocampo were turned over to the Tama County Sheriff's Office. Krouch was transported to the Marshall County Jail where he was served with an outstanding arrest warrant regarding failure to appear for arraignment and was charged with the following: Intimidation with a dangerous weapon, a class C felony; Felon in possession of a firearm, a class D felony; 4th degree criminal mischief, a serious misdemeanor.

Krouch remains in the Marshall County jail held on a \$50,000 and \$5,000 bond.

**About Marshall County Sheriff's Office**

The Marshall County, Iowa Sheriff's Office is lead by Sheriff Ted G. Kamatchus. Sheriff Kamatchus is committed to keeping communities and neighborhoods safe in Marshall County.

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