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North Spokane County Resident Interrupts Burglary

A north Spokane County resident was working on his house at about 1:45 p.m. this afternoon when he had to leave for approximately ten minutes to borrow some tools from his father. The victim said when he returned home he found an adult male, identified as Harold A. Willey, loading items from the victim's garage into the back of his pickup truck. The victim said when Willey, a 52 yr old male, saw him driving up the driveway. Willey jumped in his truck, threw the items he had placed into the bed of his pickup on the ground and sped away.

The victim followed Willey from the 12000 block of North Forker Rd. and called 911 to report the Burglary. The victim was able to provide a description of Willey and his truck to 911 and advised Willey was heading westbound towards the area of Argonne Rd.

Sgt. McNall was at the intersection of Argonne Rd. and Bruce Rd. when he saw Willey approach Argonne Rd. from Bruce Rd. Sgt. McNall activated his emergency lights on his patrol vehicle in an attempt to stop Willey. Willey pulled towards the shoulder, then accelerated northbound on Bruce Rd.

Willey failed to stop at the northbound stop sign at Peone Rd. and Bruce Rd. in an attempt to elude Sgt. McNall. Responding deputies had set up spike strips at the round-a-bout at Bruce Rd. and Hwy 206 in an attempt to disable Willey's vehicle. Willey avoided running over the spike strips, drove around the round-a-bout and continued northbound on Bruce Rd.

Concerned for the safety of the motoring public, Sgt. McNall successfully performed a PIT maneuver (Pursuit Intervention Technique) on the north side of the round-a-bout at Bruce Rd. and Hwy 206. Initially, Willey failed to obey commands from deputies on scene but was quickly taken into custody without incident.

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Wiley booked into Spokane County jail on the charges of:

- 2nd Degree Burglary
- Attempting to Elude
- Resisting Arrest
- Driving While License Suspended 2nd Degree
- 1 Felony Warrant for Possession of a Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine)
- 1 Misdemeanor Warrant for Violation of a Protection Order

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