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MEDIA RELEASE

McHenry Man Arrested After Burglarizing Bar, Running from Deputy

On April 26, 2019, at approximately 4:10AM, Lake County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to Route 12 Bar & Grill, 37450 North Route 12, Spring Grove, for a burglar alarm.

Sheriff's Deputies arrived and began checking the exterior of the bar & grill. An alert Sheriff's Deputy found a closed door which had fresh pry marks on the door, indicating someone attempted to force entry into the bar & grill.

The Sheriff's Deputy called for additional units and believed a burglar was inside the building. As the additional units were responding, a man, later identified as James M. Kennebeck, 29, of the 400 block of Rand Drive, McHenry, emerged from the bar & grill. The Deputy ordered Kennebeck to stop, but Kennebeck refused and fled on foot. The Sheriff's Deputy apprehended Kennebeck after a brief foot-chase.

Kennebeck was found to be in possession of several bottles of alcohol stolen from the bar & grill. While fleeing, one of the bottles hidden in his pants shattered and cut him on the leg. He was evaluated by paramedics and released into the custody of the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

Kennebeck was transported to the Lake County Jail where he was subsequently charged with:

- Burglary (Class 2 Felony)
- Possession of Burglary Tools (Class 4 Felony)
- Resisting a Peace Officer (Class A Misdemeanor)
- Criminal Damage to Property (Class A Misdemeanor)
- Theft (Class A Misdemeanor)

Kennebeck also had an active failure to appear arrest warrant out of McHenry County for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Kennebeck remains held in the Lake County Jail pending an initial court hearing today.

Sheriff Idleburg reminds the community all defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

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