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NEWS RELEASE

Man arrested for shooting at vehicle and houses

On 02/05/2012 Carteret County deputies arrested John Nesi Jr, 47, of 5212 Hwy 101, Newport on charges of Going Armed to the Terror of the Public and related weapon violations.

(Note: The residential areas on Hwy 101 near the Craven County line are considered Newport addresses not Beaufort addresses).

Sheriff's deputies responded to the "man with a gun" call approximately 9:40pm last night and determined Nesi had fired several rounds from a stolen 40 caliber Smith & Wesson handgun at two residences and several rounds from a 12 gauge shotgun at a passing motorist operating a Chevy truck.

Lt. Tom Maulshagen stated that relatives of Nesi reported he was intoxicated and they were able to get the weapons away from him and hold him down until deputies who arrived on the scene took him into custody.

The vehicle Nesi shot at was traveling east on Hwy 101 towards Beaufort and the two residences were located on Hwy 101 in Newport near the Carteret / Craven County line. Deputies recovered eight 40 caliber spent rounds in addition to the weapon which was reported stolen in 2009. Deputies also recovered the shotgun and eleven spent shotgun shells. Numerous other weapons were also seized from Nesi's residence.

Nesi was charged with Going Armed to the Terror of the Public, Discharging a Weapon into a moving vehicle, Injury to Real Property, Injury to Personal Property, Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, two counts of discharging a weapon into a residence, and Possession of a Stolen Firearm. He is being held in the Carteret County Jail under a \$200,000.00 bond and his first court appearance is this morning 02/06/2012.

