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NEWS RELEASE

MHC registered Sex Offender faces more charges

On 09/16/2012 Carteret County Deputies arrested Robert Hughes Springle, 59, of 182 Dorcus Dr, Morehead City for once again exposing himself to a mother and daughter in his neighborhood.

Deputy Ray Soulet reported the two female victims, ages 23 and 44, called 911 while they observed Springle standing in his yard wearing an opened robe while masturbating in front of them.



Springle, who has a history of exposing himself and masturbating in front of people, was previously arrested in November of 2011 for masturbating and exposing himself in front of two other women and a child in his old neighborhood. That case is scheduled for court on 10/26/2012.

Springle was originally convicted of engaging in a lewd and lascivious act of indecent exposure in front of a child in 1988 and again in 2004 in the State of Florida. He was transferred to the North Carolina Sex Offender Registry in 2007 for the Florida conviction. Springle is considered a recidivist in NC and must remain on the registry for life.

Springle was again charged with Indecent Exposure for his most recent display and placed in the Carteret County Jail under a \$15,000.00 bond. His court date for this incident is 12/12/2012. For more information on sex offenders in your area visit: <http://sexoffender.ncdoj.gov/>

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