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North Syracuse Man Charged with Assault



Town of Clay, New York - Onondaga County Sheriff Kevin E. Walsh reports that Sheriff's Deputies have charged a North Syracuse man in connection with last Saturday's early morning assault.

Yesterday afternoon, Ronald Dalton (30), of 109 Oak Drive, North Syracuse, was charged with one count of assault in the 1st degree and one count of criminal possession of a weapon in the 3rd degree, in connection with the June 21st assault of motorist Christopher Pedro.

Leading the investigation was Sheriff's Deputy Bryan Hart, who was able to identify Dalton with information provided by witnesses. Dalton is accused of using a knife during an altercation that took place at the intersection of Lawton Road and Fortuna Parkway.

The incident began Saturday morning, just before 2:45 am, when Dalton pulled up alongside the victim's car on East Circle Drive. Dalton allegedly cut the victim off as the two drove towards Route 11. Dalton is said to have followed the victim to the intersection of Lawton Road and Fortuna Parkway, where he pulled his SUV in front of the victim's car and came to a stop.

Dalton exited his vehicle and approached the victim's car, where a physical confrontation ensued. During the altercation Dalton pulled a knife and slashed the victim's face and shoulder before fleeing from the scene.

Assault in the first degree is a class B felony and criminal possession of a weapon in the 3rd degree is a class D felony. Dalton was arraigned and has been released from the Onondaga County Justice Center on bail set by the Town of Clay court where he is scheduled to reappear on June 30, 2008.

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