

Onondaga County Sheriff's Office News

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Suspected Gunman Surrenders To Sheriff's Deputies



Onondaga Nation, New York- Onondaga County Sheriff Kevin E. Walsh reports that an alleged gunman surrendered this afternoon to Sheriff's Deputies.

This afternoon, Thomas Lowe (25), of the Onondaga Nation, surrendered to Sheriff's Deputies after members of the Onondaga County Sheriff's SWAT Team were called.

At approximately 3:55 am, Sheriff's Deputies were called to the Onondaga Nation regarding an armed suspect who fired a rifle at an occupied residence. Witnesses believed that Thomas Lowe (25), of the Onondaga Nation, was responsible for firing several shots at a residence located on Lyons Den Road. Lowe was not at the scene when deputies arrived.

During the initial investigation, Deputies obtained information the Lowe had fled to another home, located on Route 11A, and that he was armed with a rifle.

To insure safety, members of the SWAT team were called out to establish a perimeter and attempt to locate Lowe. Due to the rural layout of the Onondaga Nation, members of the Syracuse Police Department Emergency Response Team were also called to assist with the operation.

Onondaga Nation leadership had initial contact with Lowe, however were unable to confirm Lowe's whereabouts on Route 11A, forcing the Sheriff's Office to discontinue its tactical operation.

Lowe, who had an active warrant for his arrest for burglary in the 1st degree and criminal possession of a weapon in the 2nd degree in connection with an unrelated incident, turned himself to Sheriff's Deputies approximately one hour later. Lowe is currently being arraigned in the Town of Onondaga Court on those charges.

No charges have been filed, regarding the alleged early morning incident, due to conflicting witness accounts, however Sheriff's Detectives will continue a complete investigation.

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