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I.F. Man Arrested for Stealing Lottery Tickets

Idaho Falls Police arrested a convenience store clerk Tuesday morning for stealing Idaho Lottery Tickets.

Justin Sanders, 30, was arrested for felony burglary and felony theft of lottery tickets following an investigation into the thefts at a Maverick Store, located at 145 S. Woodruff.

According to a police report, officers responded to the Maverick around 7 a.m. at the request of the store manager who had detained Sanders for questioning regarding the thefts.

The manager told police that Sanders had stolen several Lottery tickets from the store on multiple occasions during the last two weeks while on working the night shift.

Maverick and the Idaho Lottery Commission are continuing to gather information on how many tickets were stolen.

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I.F. Man Arrested for Drugs

Idaho Falls police arrested a man Tuesday morning when a routine warrant service lead to the discovery of drugs.

Derick B. Degan, 36, of Idaho Falls was arrested for felony possession of methamphetamine, misdemeanor possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was also cited for no insurance, no registration, too dark of window tint, open container and possession of a mutilated driver's license.

According to police, officers initially responded to the Yellowstone Motel around 10 a.m. to serve 34-year-old Jennifer A. Bell with three arrest warrants. Degan answered the door and denied Bell was there. But, Bell was there and escape out the bathroom window.

While pursuing Bell, Degan fled from Police despite officers requesting he stop. Degan was later located for questioning near Pioneer and Sunnyside roads.

Officers noticed Degan acting suspicious and requested K9 Duke to assist with a drug search of Degan's vehicle. A small amount of marijuana and methamphetamine was discovered in the center console of the vehicle.

Bell was also caught and arrested by police.

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The Idaho Falls Police Department had 139 calls for service on Tuesday and 10 arrests. Calls for service includes all traffic stops.

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