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Arrest Made in Saint Albans Shooting Investigation

Saint Albans, WV – Detectives with the Kanawha County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigative Section have filed felony malicious wounding charges following the March 4th shooting incident in Saint Albans.

Through the course of the investigation, detectives determined the shooting took place on Pearsall Lane in Saint Albans. Kenneth D. Allen was identified as the suspect and is accused of shooting the victim in the back of the arm/shoulder. The motive for the shooting remains under investigation.

Today, Kanawha County deputies arrested Allen at a residence on Moses Street in Saint Albans.

This remains an active investigation. Anyone with additional information is urged to contact the Kanawha County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigative Section at 304-357-0556.



Kenneth D. Allen

Aka: "Smokie"

33 years old.



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Overnight Shooting in Saint Albans Leaves One Man Injured

Saint Albans, WV – The Kanawha County Sheriff's Office is investigating an overnight shooting that left one man injured in Saint Albans.

At approximately 3:13 a.m., deputies responded alongside the Saint Albans Police Department to a reported shooting at Go Mart, located at 53 Maccorkle Avenue. Upon arrival, they discovered a 39-year-old homeless man from Saint Albans suffering from a gunshot wound to his upper left arm and shoulder area.

According to the victim, he had been walking from the Teays Hill Cemetery area and took a trail leading to W. Main Street. While on the trail, he heard what he described as a "pop" but did not immediately realize he had been shot. He continued walking to the Saint Albans Go Mart, where he became aware of his injury and called 911.

The victim reported that he did not see or encounter anyone while walking. Investigators believe he was struck by birdshot pellets from a shotgun. He was transported to a local hospital for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries.

No suspects have been identified at this time. The Kanawha County Sheriff's Office urges anyone with information regarding this incident to contact the **Criminal Investigative Section** at **304-357-0556**.

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