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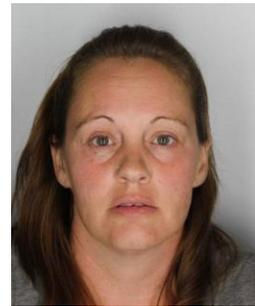
Early Wednesday afternoon, the Delaware County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division, upon completion of a criminal drug investigation, obtained a Search Warrant for a property and home in the Town of Walton.

Sheriff's Deputies and Investigators, assisted by K-9 "Ozzie", subsequently executed the Search Warrant at the County Highway 23, Town of Walton, residence of Michael D. and Toni L.



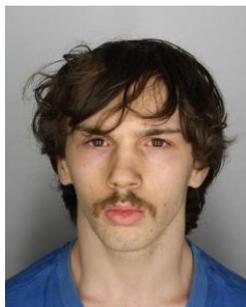
Michael D. Spencer

Spencer and seized ten marihuana plants, a quantity of processed marihuana, a video surveillance system, growing equipment, firearms and public assistance benefit cards. During their search of a garage on the premises, Deputies and Investigators noted that the interior dimensions of the garage appeared noticeably smaller than its exterior and subsequently discovered a clandestine room that was being used for the indoor propagation, cultivation and processing of marihuana.



Toni L. Spencer

At the conclusion of the search Investigators arrested and charged 47 year old Michael D. Spencer, 39 year old Toni L. Spencer and 18 year old Bradley T. Jackson with Criminal Possession of Marihuana in the Second Degree (*a class D felony*) and Unlicensed Cultivation of Cannabis (*an unclassified misdemeanor*). They are each charged with growing and possessing more than sixteen (16) ounces of marihuana.



Bradley T. Jackson

All three were arraigned before Judge Paul Laauser in the Town of Walton Court and were remanded to the Delaware County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$10,000 cash bail.

Undersheriff Craig DuMond stressed "Although recent legislation in the State of New York may have changed its laws relating to the medicinal use of marihuana, the unlicensed cultivation and possession of marihuana remains illegal and, as such, the Delaware County Sheriff's Office is committed to seeking out and charging those who violate New York's marihuana laws with the same tenacity as those persons who are responsible for poisoning our communities and families with heroin, cocaine, diverted pharmaceutical medications or other drugs. Sheriff Mills and I are

proud of the tenacious and courageous work of our Criminal Investigators and Deputies. We will not rest or waiver from our position to rid our County of the despicable acts of the drug dealers who are plaguing our communities...these dealers need to be on notice that we will work tirelessly to bring them to justice and hold them accountable for their actions".

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office continues to urge the public to call their Toll Free Tip Hotline at (1-888-914-9111) to report drug and other criminal activity. The public can also submit tips to the Sheriff's Office via its Mobile Patrol App.