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PRESS RELEASE

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Delaware County Sheriff Tom Mills today announces the arrest of two Margaretville residents on felony drug possession and other charges following the execution of a Search Warrant at a residence in the Town of Middletown on Monday morning.

The issuance and execution of the search warrant and the subsequent arrests conclude a two week long prescription drug trafficking investigation conducted in the Town of Middletown by members of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division and a burglary investigation conducted by members of the New York State Police at Margaretville.

Members of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office and New York State Police executed the search warrant at the East Hubbell Hill Road, Town of Middletown, residence of 24 year old Lucas M. Labumbard and 20 year old Anna Christina Bubko. The search led to the seizure of a quantity of stolen Hydrocodone and Oxycodone tablets and more than \$1400 in cash.

Investigation by Sheriff's Office and State Police Investigators disclosed that Labumbard and Bubko forcibly entered Miller's Drug Store on Main Street, Margaretville, between the night of February 1st and the morning of February 2nd and stole a combination of prescription narcotics including more than three thousand (3,000) Hydrocodone and Oxycodone tablets which they later sold and consumed. Labumbard and Bubko later attempted to conceal and destroy other evidence, including the pharmacy containers, stolen from Miller's Drug Store.

Labumbard and Bubko were each arrested by Sheriff's Investigators and charged with the class B felony offense of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree (*intent to sell*), the class E felony of Tampering with Physical Evidence and a misdemeanor charge of Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the Fifth Degree. Both are expected to face additional charges in the future relating to sales of the stolen narcotic tablets during the course of this investigation.

Labumbard and Bubko were arrested by State Police Investigators and charged with the class D felony offense of Burglary in the Third Degree in relation to the Miller's Drug Store burglary and narcotics theft.

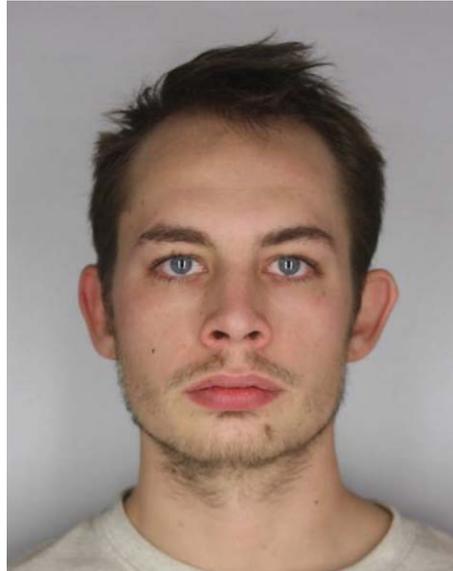
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Both defendants were arraigned in the Town of Middletown Court before Judge John R. Fairbairn, III, and remanded them to the Delaware County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$75,000 cash bail pending further court action.

Undersheriff Craig DuMond remarked, “The on-going collaboration between the Sheriff’s Office and State Police in Margaretville during the past three weeks has led in the recovery of a significant amount of stolen property, the arrest of a number of burglary suspects and the closure of more than fifteen State Police burglary investigations. We are proud of the teamwork put into this investigation and will continue to foster and promote partnerships in an effort to improve our communities in Delaware County...we are all in this together”.



BUBKO Anna Christina



LABUMBARD Lucas M