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PRESS RELEASE

On May 30, 2015 Bates County Sheriff's Office Deputies responded to a residence on County Road 15004 in Adrian, MO in reference to a disturbance that had just occurred. The reporting party advised Deputies that the suspect, Mike Barnhart of Adrian, MO, had forced his way into the residence. Her Father, the victim, went to see what was going on. Her Father yelled for her to dial 911.

The victim found Mr. Barnhart to be on the enclosed porch. Mr. Barnhart attempted to get past the victim and enter the kitchen area. The victim blocked his entrance and told Mr. Barnhart to get off of his property. Mr. Barnhart pushed the victim and then struck him in the head and ear with his fist. Mr. Barnhart then attempted to strike the victim again and hit him on the right side of his head. Mr. Barnhart then proceeded to yell threats to the victim and left the residence in an unknown vehicle.

Deputies conducted an area canvass on all nearby roads leading into Adrian. Deputies also checked several known locations where the suspect could possibly be. Deputies had negative contact.

The following day, Adrian Police Department was involved in a foot pursuit with the suspect, Mike Barnhart in a field north of Main Street in Adrian, MO. Adrian Police were able to detain the suspect until a Deputy arrived on the scene. Deputies arrived on the scene and took Mike Barnhart into custody. He was transferred to the Bates County Jail.



Mike Barnhart (DOB 12/25/1973) was charged with Burglary in the 1st Degree and Assault in the 3rd Degree. His bond was set at \$12500.00 cash or surety.