

Drug Investigation Leads to Three Arrests

**(KAIR)--Three Atchison County residents face drug charges following the conclusion of a multiple-week investigation by the Atchison County Sheriff's Office.**

**According to the Sheriff's Office, an initial search warrant was conducted in mid-August at an apartment at 221 North 3rd Street in Atchison. The search warrant led to the arrest of Robert Gilliland of Atchison for Distribution of Methamphetamine within 1000 feet of a school.**

**Upon completion of the search warrant, the Sheriff's Office recovered 4 grams of meth - far less than the 1.5 ounces they had expected to recover based on information they had been given.**

**The investigation continued with the sheriff's office monitoring mail and phone calls between Gilliland and his associates. Then, on September 8th, the sheriff's office obtained information alleging that the quantity of meth believed to have been missing had been found by sheriff's deputies, and had been hidden outside the apartments at 221 North 3rd. The Sheriff's Office determined that numerous suspects were involved in trying to recover and distribute the meth.**

**Along with Gilliland, David Chapman of Lancaster, and Tina Ordaz of Effingham were also arrested. All have been charged with Conspiracy to Distribute Methamphetamine and Using a Communication Facility in the Attempted Commission of a Felony Drug Violation. Ordaz was additionally charged with Attempted Distribution of Methamphetamine. All three were booked into the Atchison County Jail with a 25-thousand dollar bond.**

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