

Shooting being investigated in Brown County

(KNZA)--Authorities are investigating a shooting in Brown County that sent a woman to the hospital.

According to Brown County Sheriff John Merchant, the sheriff's dispatch received a call around 4:00 Monday afternoon of a possible shooting and battery in the vicinity of U.S. 36 Highway and Timber Road.

Deputies responded and located the adult female victim who suffered an apparent gunshot wound to the lower leg. She was transported by ambulance to Amberwell Hospital in Hiawatha where she was treated and released.

Merchant said it was learned that the suspect had fled the scene before deputies arrived and an Attempt To Locate was immediately issued by Brown County dispatch to surrounding areas. The sheriff's office drone was also deployed in the search for the suspect.

A short time later, Merchant said the sheriff's office was notified that the adult suspect had been located in St Joseph, Missouri and was arrested. His name has not been released.

During the initial investigation and search for the suspect, 55-year-old Shane Meggison, of Hiawatha, was arrested on charges of child endangerment, felony obstruction, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana and no drug tax stamp.

Meggison remains in the Brown County Jail, held on a \$25,000 bond.

The case remains under investigation by multiple law enforcement agencies.

The Kansas Highway Patrol, Sac and Fox Police Department, Town and Country Ambulance, Hiawatha Fire Department and Squad 48 assisted.

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