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### ARREST RELEASE

On Friday evening, January 29, 2016 Rockford Police M3 Street made two felony arrests involving firearms and illegal narcotics.

Shortly after 9:00 pm Rockford M3 Officers were in the area of Montague and West Streets regarding the recent rash of armed robberies and stolen vehicles. Officers observed a 2002 Buick LeSabre that had fled from officers on several occasions recently. Officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop and the vehicle fled. Assisting officers observed the vehicle traveling through various neighborhoods on the west side of Rockford. At one point one of the officers heard gunshots and thought that the shots may have come from the car. Eventually the vehicle reached the 2700 block on Knight Avenue and was slowing due to mechanical problems. Both the driver and passenger jumped from the vehicle while it was moving and the vehicle then struck a parked car. The driver, Kenyotis Holliman was captured by officers. The front seat passenger was not located but a coat containing a loaded .22 caliber handgun was found in the coat and it was apparent that this gun had been recently fired. The coat was located along the path the passenger fled.

A search of the vehicle yielded the following guns and ammunition:

.22 caliber handgun, .357 caliber revolver, .410 gauge shotgun, .20 gauge shotgun, .22 caliber stolen handgun, 55 shotgun shells.



Arrested:

Kenyotis Holliman, 21 years of age, Rockford resident.

Charges:

Unlawful use of Weapon by a Felon  
Aggravated Unlawful use of Weapon  
Possession of a look-a-like substance  
No FOID  
Possession stolen firearm  
Armed Violence

Reckless Conduct  
Aggravated fleeing to elude  
Resisting a police officer  
Traffic Violations  
City of Rockford Warrant

The charges against Holliman are allegations and he is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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Prior to this incident two other M3 Street Officers stopped a teal 1998 Chevrolet pickup near West Street and Lincoln Avenue for a traffic violation. The driver, Kevin Johnson exited the vehicle and walked away while discarding items later determined to be several individually packaged rocks of crack cocaine.

Arrested:

Kevin Johnson, 32 years of age, Rockford resident

Charges:

Violation of Controlled Substance Act: Possession of cocaine with intent to deliver within 1000 feet of a park,  
Violation of the Controlled Substance Act: Possession of cocaine with intent to deliver within 1000 feet of a school,  
Traffic violations

The charges against Johnson are accusations and he is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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