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## Charges Placed on Barricaded Suspect

Harrisonburg, Va. – The Harrisonburg Police Department (HPD) continues its investigation into the events leading up to the barricade incident that unfolded yesterday morning.

Maxim M. Nikitin, 21, was charged yesterday with grand larceny, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, brandishing a firearm, and assault and battery.

In addition, outstanding warrants were served for an incident that took place over the weekend for grand larceny, breaking and entering with the intent to commit a felony, and attempt to commit non-capital offense.

On Saturday, November 12, Nikitin broke into a residence in the 1000 block of North Main Street and on Sunday, November 13, he took money from a taxi cab driver in the 1100 block of Devon Lane.

HPD's Major Crimes Unit continues investigating the involvement of Nikitin in other crimes in the Harrisonburg area and additional charges are pending.

Through the investigation, it was determined that Nikitin was an acquaintance with individuals who resided in the apartment in the 1100 block of Devon Lane but had no permanent fixed address.

"It was through the partnerships with all agencies involved in yesterday's incident, that the situation ended safely," explained HPD Lieutenant Kurt Boshart. "We greatly appreciate the assistance from those agencies, along with the cooperation from the residents in the area."

Anyone with additional information related to these incidents are asked to contact the Major Crimes Unit at 540-437-2640. Those who may have information and wish to remain anonymous may call Crime Solvers at 540-574-5050 or text "HPD" plus their tip to CRIMES (274637).

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