



Nassau County Sheriff's Office

Tommy Seagraves, Sheriff

PRESS RELEASE

The illegal use of prescription medication continues to be a problem in Nassau County. Narcotics detectives recently arrested two people for selling and possessing illegal prescription pills.

During an undercover operation on November 17, 2009, detectives purchased ten Oxycodone pills from Myra Pascual Cooley of St. Augustine. They bought more illegal drugs from her on December 1, 2009. At that time, detectives arrested her.

During an undercover operation on November 18, 2009, narcotics detectives bought 25 Oxycodone pills from William Gerrard Hare of Jacksonville. They purchased more illegal prescription medication from him on December 1, 2009 and arrested him at that time.

Ms. Cooley and Mr. Hare were together in the Target parking lot, 463737 State Road 200, in Yulee when they were arrested. Detectives found more than 750 prescription pills including Oxycodone and Xanax in their car.

Both suspects were charged with two counts of selling illegal drugs, two counts of trafficking drugs and one count of possession of a controlled substance without a prescription. Ms. Cooley and Mr. Hare are currently being held in the Nassau County Detention Center. The bond for each is set at more than \$80,000.

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