

Multiple arrests in Hiawatha drug bust

(KNZA)--Five Hiawatha residents were arrested after search warrants were served on a Hiawatha residence Sunday morning.

Brown County Sheriff John Merchant said Sheriff's deputies had information that two individuals who had outstanding warrants were inside a residence at 404 South Third Street and a search warrant was obtained.

Upon execution of the warrant, 30-year-old Ashley Rhyne and 42-year-old Peter Carter were both located in the residence.

While in the residence, Merchant said drug paraphernalia and other items of concern were visible in plain view and another search warrant was applied for and granted. He said an investigation and evidence from that warrant provided probable cause for multiple arrests.

Peter Carter was arrested on a \$5,000 Cash Brown County Felony Failure to Appear Warrant.

Ashley Rhyne was arrested on charges of Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia as well as a \$1500 Jackson County Warrant for Theft.

34-year-old Gary Wendtlandt was arrested on charges of Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

64-year-old Rodney Bindel and 62-year-old Leonard Bindel were arrested on charges of Possession of Meth, Possession of Opiates, Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

The Hiawatha Police Department and Kansas Highway Patrol assisted in the execution of the search warrants.

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