

POLICE BLOTTER
Ulster County Sheriff
Updated: May 12

Gerard A. Favorito, 53, of Chatham, was arrested at 10:48pm April 21 and charged with DWI (Class U Misdemeanor), Unlawful Possession of Marihuana (Violation), and Speeding (Infraction) by K9 Deputy Travis VanAlstyne and Deputy Jason Garvey. Favorito was stopped on State Route 203 in the Town of Kinderhook for speeding. He is accused of being intoxicated at the time of the stop. He was administered a breathalyzer which yielded a .14% BAC result. Favorito was also in possession of a quantity of marihuana. He was issued appearance tickets returnable to Kinderhook Town Court on May 9.

Meghan S. Herchenroder, 29, of Rensselaer, was arrested on a warrant at 5:00pm April 21 and charged with Promoting Prison Contraband in the First Degree (Class D Felony) and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree (Class A Misdemeanor) by Deputies Kris Bauhoff and Daniel Keyser. Herchenroder is accused of bringing a quantity of heroin into the Columbia County Jail. She was arraigned in Greenport Town Court and remanded to the Columbia County Jail in lieu of \$1,000 bail/\$2,000 bond. She will appear back in court at a later date.

Ashley L. Crandall, 28, of Ghent, was arrested at 9:14pm April 22 and charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree (Class A Misdemeanor), Controlled Substance in non-original container and Unlawful Possession of Marihuana (Both Violations) by Deputy Jason Garvey and K9 Deputy Travis VanAlstyne. Deputies stopped a vehicle on Garage Place Road in Ghent for speeding. Crandall, who was a passenger in that vehicle, allegedly possessed amphetamine and morphine pills not prescribed to her. She was also in possession of a quantity of marihuana. Crandall was issued appearance tickets returnable to Ghent Town Court on May 8.

Guadalupe Tapia-Cruz, 25, of Valatie, was arrested at 1:26am April 23 and charged with DWI (Class U Misdemeanor), Leaving the scene of a property damage accident, driving without a license, and fail to use designated lane (All Infractions) by Deputy Jason Garvey and K9 Deputy Travis VanAlstyne. Deputies were on routine patrol on Main Street in the Village of Valatie and observed a vehicle strike a parked vehicle without stopping. The driver and sole occupant, Guadalupe Tapia-Cruz, is accused of driving while being intoxicated, driving without a license, and leaving the scene of an accident. A breathalyzer test was administered and the result was a .16% BAC. He was issued tickets returnable to Kinderhook Town Court on May 2.