



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

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From: Lt. Steve Knight
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Subject: Discharge of Firearm Arrest

Case: 201404113

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 08-31-2014, at approximately 7:30 p.m. the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call from a man who reported his wife was armed with a .44 caliber handgun and just shot at him. Deputies and California Highway Patrol (C.H.P.) Officers responded to the 600 block of Oakridge Drive, Redway where they met with the male victim outside the residence. The investigating deputy spoke with the 44 year old male husband, while C.H.P. Officers watched the couple's residence, where the victim said his wife was located. The victim told the deputies at approximately 5:00 p.m. his wife Kim Aileen Peterson, 44 years old, came home intoxicated, and they got into a verbal argument which lasted almost two hours. At one point during the argument, the victim asked Peterson why she doesn't just shoot him. Peterson walked into the couple's master bedroom while the victim stood in the kitchen. The victim heard a gunshot and immediately retreated from the home. He called law enforcement from a neighbor's residence. The victim was not injured.

While the deputy was speaking with the victim, Peterson walked out of the residence unarmed and surrendered. Peterson told the deputy the weapon she used was cocked and loaded, and was located underneath a vehicle in the driveway of the residence. She later told the deputy she fired the weapon outside the home, never at the victim. Deputies searched the residence and did not locate any bullet holes in the residence.

Peterson was arrested for negligently discharging a firearm, and was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where she was booked. Her bail was set at \$100,000.00.

Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539.

Mike Downey
Sheriff

