

Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

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Subject: Multiple Assaults Case: 201300808

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 02-17-2013, approximately 1:00 a.m. the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office received 911 call from a citizen who reported three males were at a large party in the area of East Ferry Road, Ferndale and were assaulting several people. Sheriff's Deputies, California Highway Patrol Officers and Ferndale Police responded to the scene. While deputies were enroute they were advised the three male suspects were attempting to leave the area in a dark colored KIA Rio. A Ferndale Police Officer spotted the SUV near Fernbridge and stopped it. Deputies and CHP Officers joined the Ferndale Officer and detained the three males who were in the Kia. The officers saw the occupants had fresh injuries to them and showed signs of alcohol intoxication. The officers could also see open alcoholic containers in the vehicle. All three subjects identified as Douglas Wayne Flowers, 43 years old, from Fortuna and Curtis Flowers, 22 years old, from Fortuna and Christopher James Hanly, 23 years old from McKinleyville were detained. Douglas Flowers is the father of Curtis Flowers. Curtis was the driver of the KIA Rio. Medical was requested to respond to the scene and treat them for their injuries.

Deputies then contacted witness and the victims. They were told by the witness and victims that the Flowers and Hanly showed up at the party on the Ferndale River bar intoxicated. The suspects shouted "White Pride", as they walked around through the crowd. They were asked to calm down by party attendees. Curtis Flowers started pushing people and challenging them to fight. An 18 year old female attempted to leave the party in a Toyota Pickup truck because of Curtis Flowers behavior. As she got into the truck Curtis Flowers walked up to the truck and swung the truck door open. In doing so the door struck another 18 year old female who was watching what was occurring and standing near the pickup truck. When the female who was struck by the door made a comment about being struck by the door to

Curtis Flowers, he punched her in the face with a closed fist. When the injured female got back up Douglas Flowers then punched her in the face knocking her back to the ground. The female immediately fell to the ground a second time. Meantime the female who had been in the truck exited the truck to assist the assaulted and injured female and she was punched in the face, which knocked her to the ground and unconscious. A 16 year old male who was close by came to both females aid and was punched in the eye by Curtis Flowers. Then all three suspects Curtis Flowers, Douglas Flowers and Hanly began punching him in the face after knocking the 16 year old to the ground.

Deputies could see the sixteen year olds eye was swollen almost shut. One of the eighteen year old females received a broken jaw which required surgery at a local hospital. The other female refused medical attention.

Curtis Flowers was transported by ambulance to Redwood Memorial Hospital to be treated for a cut on his neck and was admitted, however he fled from the hospital on 2-17-2013 around 5:00 p.m. Fortuna Police checked the area for him and were unable to locate him. Curtis Flowers is on active State Parole for a conviction of Assault with a Deadly Weapon. Curtis is wanted for Assault Causing Great Bodily Injury, Driving under the Influence, Assault and Battery, and Violation Parole. A Be-on-The-Lookout was broadcast to local Law Enforcement.

Douglas Flowers and Hanly were both arrested and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility. Douglas Flowers was booked for Assault Causing Great Bodily Injury and Public Intoxication. His bail was set at \$50,000.00. Hanly was booked for Assault, Probation Violation and Public Intoxication and was released on his own recognizance.

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.

The Sheriff's Office will be increasing patrols in the Eel River area for the foreseeable future to help curtail parties and other criminal activity.

Douglas Flowers



CURTIS FLOWERS



CHRISTOPHER HANLY

