



## **LEA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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# **News Release**

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**June 29, 2017 at approximately 8:48am Lea County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the 4800 block of West Stiles Road, for a reported Breaking and Entering in progress. The reporting person gave a physical description of (2) subjects (a male and a female) on the property along with a vehicle description. Upon arrival of the responding Deputies the (2) subjects and the vehicle where located on the property. Evidence at the scene was discovered indicating a building had been entered by damaging a lock, further investigation lead to the arrest of Christopher Baugh 43, of Hobbs, New Mexico. During the arrest of Baugh, a small eye glass case was located. The eye glass case did contain a clear plastic bag with a white in color crystalized substance which field tested positive for methamphetamine along with items of narcotic paraphernalia. The female subject was not charged and was released after it was determined this subject did not enter the building.**

**Christopher Baugh was charged with (1 count) of Breaking and Entering (4<sup>th</sup> degree felony) and (1 count) of Possession of a Controlled Substance; to wit Methamphetamine (4<sup>th</sup> degree felony). Baugh was booked into the Lea County Detention Facility located in Lovington, New Mexico without incident. No bond was set at the time of arrest.**

**The Lea County Sheriff's Office would like to remind citizens to request a Deputy to please call the Lea County Sheriff's Office at (575) 396-3611 or to report criminal or suspicious activities to the Lea County Crime Stoppers at (575) 393-8005. Caller may remain anonymous.**



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