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KPD Makes Two Major Narcotics Bust

Kilgore, TX -- On Tuesday, 12-14-2010, Officer Stephen Goodson of the Kilgore Police Department stopped a vehicle in the 1200 block of Southport Road, Kilgore, Texas for a traffic offense. The driver of the vehicle, identified as Sean Allen Goodwin, 23 years of age, from Longview, Texas, was found to have an outstanding Gregg County Traffic Warrant and was subsequently arrested. A passenger in the vehicle, after providing Officer Goodson with a fictitious name and date of birth, ran from the vehicle but was quickly captured by police. The passenger was finally identified as Jesse Ryan Connolly, 22 years of age, from Diana, Texas. Jesse Connolly was found in possession of 28.9 grams of Methamphetamine along with \$9375.00 in U.S. Currency. Both the money and narcotics were seized by police. Jesse Connolly was charged with Delivery of a Controlled Substance Felony One, Resisting Arrest a Misdemeanor, Failure to Identify /Fugitive a Misdemeanor and an outstanding Gregg County Theft Warrant. Jesse Connolly is currently confined in the Gregg County Jail. A photograph of Mr. Connolly is available on the Gregg County Website.

On Sunday, 12-12-2010, Officer Tim Dukes and Officer Jason Romine, both of the Kilgore Police Department, responded to a residential burglary alarm at 909 Camp Street, Kilgore, Texas. Upon arrival police discovered the door to the residence had been forced open. While searching the residence for possible burglary suspects, police observed narcotic type equipment and paraphernalia within the residence. The residence was secured and a search warrant obtained. Members of the Gregg County C.O.D.E. unit assisted the Kilgore Police Department with execution of the search warrant. Police located and seized four (4) bricks of Marijuana with a total weight of 4.03 pounds and an estimated street value of \$45,000 from the residence. The high street value of the drugs seized in this case is due to a special kind of marijuana that was located which is different and more potent than normal strains of the drug. The homeowner was identified as Brandon Hamilton, 29 years of age. Criminal charges for Felony Possession of Marijuana are pending.