



CARLTON COUNTY

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

317 Walnut Avenue, P.O. Box 530, Carlton, Minnesota 55718

Kelly A. Lake, Sheriff

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: April 21 2018

Nature of Incident: Shooting

Case Number: CA18030046

Incident Date: April 20 2018

Incident Time: 11:36 PM

Incident Location: 4020 Kari Rd, Progress Township

By: Sheriff Kelly Lake

On April 20 2018 at 11:36 PM, Carlton County Sheriff's Office Communications received a 911 call reporting a shooting at 4020 Kari Road in Progress Township in Carlton County. The caller was identified as 53 year old Michael Montano who resides at 4020 Kari Road. Montano reported that his son, 32 year old James Montano of Bayfield Wisconsin, had shot Michael's brother, 57 year old Andrew Gokee of Wisconsin Rapids Wisconsin. The Fond Du Lac Tribal Police Department and Carlton County Deputies initially responded to the call along with ambulances from the Cromwell Fire Department and Cloquet Area Fire District.

Michael Montano reported that he heard another gun shot outside the residence and that James had run away from the residence.

When Deputies and Officers arrived at the address they found a male, identified as Gokee with a gunshot wound to the head. Deputies transported Gokee to an awaiting ambulance and he was transported by ambulance to St Luke's hospital in Duluth where he is currently being treated. Gokee's medical status was not known at the time of this press release.

A second male victim, 38 year old Hudson Gauther of Stevens Point Wisconsin was also located at the residence. Gauther had a superficial gunshot injury. Gauther was treated by EMS at the residence but denied transport to a hospital

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Information from Michael Montano and other witnesses at the residence indicated that James Montano had fled the residence into the woods in a northwestern direction from the residence. Assistance was requested and received from the Cloquet Police Department, Minnesota State Patrol Troopers and Air Wing Unit, Fond Du Lac Conservation, Duluth Police Department K9 Unit, and the St Louis County Sheriff's Office Tactical Response Team.

An extensive air search was conducted by the Minnesota State Patrol Air Wing Unit and a person was located in a wooded area approximately 300 yards west of the residence. James Montano was located and taken into custody by members of the St Louis County Tactical Response Team. James was located with a gunshot wound to his chest. James was transported by ambulance to Essentia St Mary's Hospital in Duluth where he is currently receiving treatment. At the time of this press release James's medical condition is not known, and it is not known how he received the gunshot wound.

The Minnesota BCA Mobile Crime Processing Team and Investigative Agents have been contacted to assist with this ongoing investigation. At the time of this press release no one is in custody.

The Sheriff's Office is not looking for any more suspects and the public is not in any danger. We believe we have identified and located all persons involved in this shooting incident. This investigation is still active and ongoing. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

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