



# OTSEGO COUNTY OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

172 County Highway 33W  
Cooperstown, New York 13326

## MEDIA RELEASE

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SHERIFF



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UNDERSHERIFF

**Charges:**                    **Robbery 1<sup>st</sup> – felony**  
                                      **Criminal use of a firearm 1<sup>st</sup> - felony**  
                                      **Grand larceny 3<sup>rd</sup> – felony**  
                                      **Unlawful possession of marihuana – violation**

**Person(s):**                 **Christine Jill Lord, 43, 888 Tulip St, Deltona, FL**  
                                      **Timothy Scott Lord, 45, 888 Tulip St, Deltona, FL**  
                                      **Kaine Willow Lord, 21, 888 Tulip St, Deltona, FL**

**Date of arrest:**            May 28, 2014 @ 11:30 a.m.

**Court date:**                T/Hartwick Court on 06/03/14 @ 11:00 a.m. – felony hearing

A mother, father and son were arrested yesterday by Otsego County Sheriff's Office investigators at the Daytona County Correctional Facility in Daytona Beach, FL for acting in concert with each other to commit an armed robbery of the Pit Stop convenience store on SR-28 in the Town of Hartwick last December 23<sup>rd</sup>. Around 9:25 p.m. that evening, Sheriff's deputies and police responded to the 911 call of an armed robbery that had just occurred. The convenience store clerk told responding officers that he had been robbed at gunpoint by two masked men who stole money and then fled the scene.

Sheriff's investigators developed the Lord family as suspects during the investigation and determined that they had fled New York State and went to Deltona, FL in early February. Investigators contacted the Volusia County Sheriff's Office District IV Criminal Investigation Division in April regarding the robbery investigation. On May 7<sup>th</sup> VCSO investigators obtained a search warrant signed by Volusia County Circuit Court Judge James R. Clayton for Lord's new residence. On May 8<sup>th</sup> the Volusia County SWAT team executed the pre-dawn search warrant on the Lord's Deltona residence. VCSO investigators then searched the residence and located evidence relating to the Pit Stop armed robbery as OCSO investigators were interviewing the Lords. An arrest warrant for robbery 1<sup>st</sup> for the Lords was then obtained from Hartwick Judge Orrin D. Higgins. The VCSO investigators arrested the Lords as fugitives from justice on the NYS robbery charge and they were held in the Volusia County Jail pending their return to NYS.

On May 13<sup>th</sup> Sheriff's Office investigators obtained a search warrant that was signed by Hartwick Judge Orrin D. Higgins for Lord's former residence at 593 Greenough Road in the Town of Hartwick. Sheriff's investigators with assistance from NYS parole officers from the Utica office executed the search warrant on May 14<sup>th</sup> and seized evidence relating to the robbery and approximately a quarter ounce of marihuana out of the residence.

Yesterday Otsego County Sheriff's Office investigators arrested the Lords in Florida on the above charges and returned them back to NYS. They were arraigned late last evening by Hartwick Town Judge Orrin D. Higgins and remanded to the OCCF on \$100,000 bail returnable next week in the Hartwick Town Court.

If convicted the Lords face up to 25 years in prison on the felony charges.

District Attorney John M. Muehl is prosecuting the case.

The following agencies also assisted the Sheriff's Office with the investigation: Otsego County District Attorney's Office; Cooperstown Police Department; NYSP at Richfield Springs; NYSP Troop C Forensic Investigation Unit; Otsego County District Attorney's Office Special Investigations Unit; FBI Albany and investigators from the Office of State Attorney, 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit of Florida.

For additional information concerning this release please contact: Sr Inv Mike Ten Eyck @ 607 547-4363

*MISSION STATEMENT*

*The Otsego County Sheriff's Office is committed to partnering with the people we serve in order to prevent crime and injustice. We are driven to enhance the quality of life of our community as we hold ourselves to the highest standards of professionalism, performance and ethics.*

**Submitted by:** \_S/Inv M.F. Ten Eyck\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_05/29/14\_\_\_\_\_