## **PRESS RELEASE**

On February 28, 2012 at approximately 10:30 a.m. Deputies were given a call in rural Princeton regarding a theft that just occurred from a residence. Deputy Denise Beadle responded to the location where the theft had occurred and spoke with the caller to get information. The caller stated that two white males, who she was familiar with, came inside the residence and shortly after took several items that belonged to the owner and left in a blue car.

The vehicle was dispatched out to all agencies and Princeton officers called in and advised they knew the alleged vehicle and saw it was parked at a residence on west Emerson Street. Princeton police officers and Gibson county sheriff's deputies arrived at the location and spoke with the owner of the vehicle, Brandt White. It was determined that this vehicle was the vehicle described by the caller that had been at the residence earlier.

Owner, Brandt White was not cooperative with giving information of the second male suspect who was later determined to be Scott Cates. Officers asked the female resident of 320 W. Emerson if she would give permission to search her home for evidence that had been stolen form the residence on CR 350 E. Resident Lacey Wilson gave officers permission to go inside her residence at that time.

While inside officer found Scott Cates hiding in the attic under insulation. They also were able to locate several other items that had been stolen from the caller's residence in rural Princeton. Scott Cates was arrested for theft and transported to the Gibson county jail for booking. Brandt White refused officer to search his blue Mercury vehicle so it was towed and held at 64 garage pending obtaining search warrant.

Deputy Denise Beadle was the investigating officer, with Princeton police officers assisting other Gibson county deputies on scene.

