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Multiple Visitors Arrested at Cayuga Correctional Facility

Five Women Arrested in a Single Day Attempting to Smuggle in Drugs

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Cayuga, NY – Six women were arrested and charged with promoting prison contraband after a K9 alerted to them while carry drugs during inmate visits on two days in April at the medium security correctional facility.

On Sunday, April 9, a female from Schenectady was arrested for Promoting Prison Contraband 2nd after a K9 alerted to her for drugs. The suspect voluntarily turned over four balloons to investigators. The balloons contained 108 grams of Marijuana.

On Sunday, April 16, a female from Johnson City was arrested for carrying four latex balloons containing 68 grams of Synthetic Marijuana, commonly known as K2. The woman was arrested for Promoting Prison Contraband 2nd after a K9 alerted to her.

On Sunday, April 16, a female from Endicott was charged with Promoting Prison Contraband 2nd after a K9 alerted to her and she voluntarily turned over two latex bundles that contained 72 grams of Marijuana.

On Sunday, April 16, a female from Mattydale was charged with Promoting Prison Contraband 1st after she voluntarily turned over three balloons that contained two plastic razors and 99 pills that tested positive for Ecstasy. A K9 initially alerted to the woman.

On Sunday, April 16, a female from Buffalo was charged with Promoting Prison Contraband 2nd after a K9 alerted to her and she turned over four black bundles that contained Marijuana and K2.

On Sunday, April 16, a female from Elmira was charged with Promoting Prison Contraband 2nd after a K9 alerted to her and she turned over four latex bundles to investigators. The bundles contained 37 grams of Marijuana.

All suspects were transported to the New York State Police Barracks for processing.

“Once we emerged from the pandemic and inmate visits were restored again, there was no doubt that visitors would resume smuggling drugs into inmates during visits. The six arrests in April proves the effectiveness that the officers assigned to every facility has. Being alerted to five woman and seizing the amount of drugs in that one day is a testament to the officers and the need for every facility to have a K9. This is just another example of the wide variety of duties our members carry out daily and their ability to work under any circumstances, with or without the support of certain members of the legislature. Unfortunately, because of the progressive criminal justice policies supported by many of our State Legislators, these six woman will face little or no punishment for their crimes and will be back at our prisons attempting to smuggle drugs in once again. How does this make any sense?”– Stated Kenny Gold, NYSCOPBA Western Region Vice President.