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At approximately 1100 hours on Friday, August 10th, 2012, the Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Office received a call to respond to 855 Wainwright Road SE, New Philadelphia (Warwick Township) because John L. Reichman, Age 34, had cut his wrists with a knife and ran off into the woods. The family member that called stated that Reichman was under the influence of crack cocaine.

Prior to Deputies and Detective's arrival, Reichman had apparently obtained a gun and pointed it at his own head and at the head of his wife. John also had taken a "box cutter" style knife and made some cutting attempts at his wrists. As John ran from one of the rooms to the other, family obtained the first gun from John, however, John went into the woods grabbing a shotgun on his way out. Family had received a text from Reichman's wife, stating John was acting out in anger and the family member responded to the text and became very concerned when Reichman's wife did not answer. Family went to the home, located John's small children crying. John then intentionally drove his own truck over an embankment and took off through the woods. The Shotgun (unloaded at the time it was found) was located lying on the ground next to the truck. As Reichman tried to gather up the children and leave the residence, Reichman got into another family vehicle and nearly struck the vehicle his wife and children were in. Evidence showed that the wife was assaulted both today and in a recent but previous episode.

Upon our arrival, John L. Reichman (DOB: 7-11-78) was arrested without incident at a family member's driveway next door. Three Road Deputies, two detectives and Sheriff Wilson were on scene.

John was charged with two counts of Domestic Violence and placed in the Tuscarawas County Jail.

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