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Case: FD19-3136 – Disorderly Conduct, One Triton Circle, Fort Dodge

On Friday, October 25 at approximately 1:20 P.M., the Webster County Communications Center received a call regarding a male threatening harm to others in the cafeteria of Iowa Central Community College (ICCC). Information relayed to responding officers indicated the male was armed. As officers were responding to the area, the individual had left the area, walking west toward Highway 169. Officers located a male matching the description given walking northbound on the shoulder of Highway 169 where they approached and detained him.

Additional officers responded to the ICCC cafeteria to investigate what had occurred. It was discovered that a male entered the cafeteria and approached the area of two individuals who worked in the cafeteria. This male began yelling and verbally threatening to kill the two employees. It was learned that the male was well known to one of the employees. Based on the disruptive behavior and threats being made, several students in the area at the time exited the building.

Following the investigation into this incident, 52-year-old Gary D. Evans of Fort Dodge, was arrested on the following charge;

- Disorderly Conduct (Simple Misdemeanor)

Mr. Evans will make his initial appearance in Webster County Magistrate Court tomorrow morning at 9:00 A.M. As with all cases, Mr. Evans is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

As threats were directed at specific individuals, it was the choice of those potential victims not to press charges against Mr. Evans for the threats made to them.

Although information was relayed that the male was armed, there is no evidence to support that any weapons were possessed or displayed in this incident. No weapons were located in the area, nor did any witnesses observe the male with a weapon at any time in this incident. Those involved were not students and no injuries were reported.

The Fort Dodge Police Department was assisted on scene by the Webster County Sheriff's Office.

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Anyone with information is urged to contact the Fort Dodge Police Department.
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