

October 23, 2013

News Release

For Immediate Release

Suspect faces felony charges after break-in, assaults

At 12:02 a.m. on Oct. 22, Springfield police were dispatched to 1204 W. Florida Street in reference to a burglary and assault situation. The suspect, Tyler A. Cockrum, forced entry into the residence armed with a knife with intent to contact a female who was staying there. Cockrum began threatening residents with the knife until the knife broke after he allegedly stabbed a door. He then began attacking residents with his fists. When officers arrived, they found Cockrum being restrained on the floor by one of the people who had been assaulted. [Cockrum](#) was removed from the residence and transported to Greene County Jail.

Charges were presented to the Greene County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. One felony count of 1st Degree Burglary, one felony count of Unlawful Use of a Weapon, and three misdemeanor counts of 3rd Degree Assault were filed against Cockrum with a bond of \$25,000. The charges announced herein are merely an accusation and Cockrum is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

Case #13-44831

Media Contact: [Lisa Cox](#), Public Affairs Officer

O: 864-1786 | C: 839-5301

Release authorized by: Lt. Tad Peters