

COUNTERFEIT CASE: Two face forgery charges

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WOOD RIVER – The **Wood River Police Department** credited significant help from the news media and social media in recognizing a female suspect in the recent Walgreens counterfeit case at **Wood River Walmart Supercenter** last Thursday evening.

Authorities quickly moved in for the suspect and apprehended the person identified as **Kristen M. Lenz**, 35, of Imperial, Mo., Lenz was wanted on two felony forgery warrants from Missouri, **Wood River Deputy Chief Dan Bunt** said.

The first counterfeit \$20-bill incident occurred on Saturday, Feb. 27, and the other on Monday, Feb. 29.

On Friday, March 4, the probe led investigators to a Granite City Motel where a male subject, **Nathan A. Hickam**, 33, of Barnhart, Mo., was taken into custody. Hickam was wanted on a felony domestic charge from Missouri, Bunt said.



A search warrant on the motel room yielded additional evidence in this case, Bunt added.

The following charges were filed on both subjects:

Kristin Lenz- 4 counts Forgery (Class-3 felonies) \$40,000.00 bond.

Nathan A. Hickam 1-count Forgery (Class-3 felony) \$15,000.00 bond.

Both Lenz and Hickam were held pending the counterfeit/forgery charges in Wood River. The cases were presented this afternoon to the Madison County State's Attorney's Office.