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FREMONT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



PRESS RELEASE

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SIDNEY, Iowa — Sheriff Kevin Aistrope reports the following arrests and investigations conducted by the Fremont County Sheriff's Office between April 1, 2026, and April 16, 2026.

George Leo Fraissinet (Age 65) | Bartlett, Iowa

- Arrest Location: Bartlett, IA
- Arrest Date: April 5, 2026
- Charges:
 - Iowa Code § 124.401(1)(b)(7): Drug Trafficking (5g–100kg Methamphetamine)
 - Iowa Code § 124.402(1)(e): Keeping a Vehicle or Premise for Controlled Substances
 - Iowa Code § 124.401(5): Possession of Cocaine (2nd Offense)
 - Iowa Code § 124.401(5)(b): Possession of Marijuana (2nd Offense)
 - Iowa Code § 724.8B: Person Ineligible to Carry Weapons
 - Iowa Code § 124.414: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
 - Iowa Code § 453B.12: Drug Tax Stamp Violation
- Details: On April 5, the Fremont County K9 Unit, assisted by the Mills County K9 Unit and additional deputies from both counties, conducted a narcotics investigation in Bartlett. Fraissinet was found in possession of packaging materials and approximately 18 grams of suspected methamphetamine. This quantity represents roughly 180 individual doses with a regional street value of up to \$1,800.
- Status: Held at the Fremont County Jail on a \$100,000 cash/surety bond.

Tijae Bullen Smith (Age 41) | Tabor, Iowa

- Arrest Location: Waubonsie State Park

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- Arrest Date: April 9, 2026
- Charges:
 - Felon in Possession of a Firearm
 - Threat of Terrorism
- Details: Deputies responded to reports that Smith was at Waubonsie State Park and had made threats against local VA clinics and law enforcement. Two local VA clinics were placed on lockdown as a precaution. Deputies apprehended Smith at the park without incident. Smith, a convicted felon, was found in possession of a rifle with an altered serial number.
- Status: Held on a \$10,000 cash bond; additional charges are pending.

Additional Arrests

Nicholas Scott Carlson (Age 36) | Council Bluffs, Iowa

- Arrest Location: Hamburg, IA
- Arrest Date: April 5, 2026
- Charges: Driving While Barred, Keeping a Vehicle or Premise for Controlled Substances, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.
- Status: Held on a \$2,000 cash/surety bond.

Christine Maree Howell (Age 56) | Hamburg, Iowa

- Arrest Location: Hamburg, IA
- Arrest Date: April 9, 2026
- Charge: Contempt of Court.
- Status: Released on April 10 after posting cash bond.

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Andrew Robert Skokan | Missouri Valley, Iowa

- Arrest Location: Hamburg, IA
- Arrest Date: April 10, 2026
- Charge: Driving Under Suspension.
- Status: Cited and released on April 11.

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