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# News Release

## Arkansas City man, three juveniles arrested regarding theft case

*Barber, juveniles accused of auto theft, fleeing, criminal use of financial card*

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan. (April 13, 2017) — The Arkansas City Police Department arrested four people Monday on multiple counts of theft after a vehicle was reported stolen, resulting in a vehicle pursuit.

Nathaniel Scott Barber, 18, of rural Arkansas City, was arrested on suspicion of criminal use of a financial card, fleeing and eluding a law enforcement officer, and felony theft of a motor vehicle.

He was transported to and booked into the Cowley County Jail in lieu of \$2,000 bond through Cowley County District Court in Arkansas City. Barber remained in custody at the time of this release.

Three juveniles — a 15-year-old Arkansas City male, a 17-year-old Arkansas City male and a 16-year-old Kaw City, Oklahoma, male —were arrested on felony theft charges. Two of the juveniles also were arrested on suspicion of fleeing and eluding.

All three boys were transported to the custody of Cowley County Juvenile Intake.

Police on Sunday took a report of a red Chevrolet Cruze that had been stolen from an address in Arkansas City. Inside the vehicle were two purses belonging to two 20-year-old female victims.

The purses contained cash, credit cards and identification cards.

Officers on Monday located the stolen vehicle at B Street and Madison Avenue. A short pursuit ensued, until the suspects abandoned the vehicle and fled on foot. They were apprehended later.

Police were able to determine the identities of the suspects and learned that they had tried to use one of the victims' credit cards at Casey's General Store, located at 601 S. Summit St.

Further investigation allowed police to make the arrests in connection with the stolen vehicle.

A defendant's guilt or innocence is to be determined by a court of law.

**For immediate release**

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