

Auburn Police Department



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FOR IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE January 11, 2015 ARMED STANDOFF ENDS PEACEFULLY

Today at approximately 11:15am, Auburn Police responded to 28 Chickadee Drive for a report of a suicidal elderly male armed with a firearm. Officers found that 83 y/o Francis Bruno was armed and threatening suicide with his wife in the house.

With assistance of the Maine State Police Crisis Negotiation Team, officers were able to contact Bruno and convince him to leave the house peacefully. Officers took Bruno into protective custody without incident and Bruno was transported to St. Mary's Hospital for an evaluation. Bruno was summonsed for Creating a Police Standoff.

Due to a firearm being involved, several houses in the neighborhood were evacuated as a precaution. Bruno's wife was unharmed in the incident and is in the care of family members.

