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New York men arrested in sting

BROOKSVILLE -- Deputies conducting a surveillance operation around Cortez and Mariner boulevards arrested two New York men early Thursday morning. Edmond Ciesalk, 20, of Bayport, N.Y., and Steven Butera, 18, of Patchogue, N.Y., face charges of retail theft, possession of an alcoholic beverage by a person under the age of 21, disorderly conduct and resisting an officer without violence, records show.

They were taken to the Hernando County Jail where bail was set at \$1,250 each.

According to a sheriff's report, several Hernando County deputies were involved in the surveillance operation about 2 a.m. Thursday.

Deputies watched a Nissan sport utility vehicle pull into the parking lot of Ross. Deputies watched the pair urinate in the open, head for the Circle K and walk inside.

When the pair, later identified as Ciesalk and Butera, came back outside, deputies saw they had bulges in their shirts. Authorities identified themselves to the two and Ciesalk and Butera ran, dropping bottles of Natural Light and Icehouse. Deputies later caught the two at the rear of the Beacon Theater, a sheriff's report said.

After the pair was caught, authorities say they confessed to stealing the items.

62-year-old man bit by friend's dog

RIDGE MANOR -- A 62-year-old man visiting his friend's home was bitten by the friend's dog Thursday.

Authorities say the 4-year-old German Shepherd bit Joe Charland about 2:30 p.m. at a home on Ranch Road.

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Charland suffered minor injuries.

According to a sheriff's report, Charland went to the home at 33028 Ranch Road to pick up building materials.

As he got out of his truck, the dog bit him on his right calf, the report said.

The owner of the dog, John Williams, was not able to provide up-to-date shots records on the German Shepherd, so the dog will be quarantined for 10 days.

The case was handed over to Hernando County Animal Services.

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