



## Northwest Regional Police Department

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### News Release

**Date: 16 March 2009**

**At 2310 hours on 15 March 2009, officers from the Northwest Lancaster County Regional Police Department responded to a residence in the 600 block of Rockwood Dr. in Mount Joy Township. The response was related to a report of a father threatening to kill his two year old child. The father was reported to be armed with a knife.**

**After assessing the information available, officers from the Northwest Regional Police Department requested the services of the Lancaster County Special Emergency Response Team. It had been determined that the suspect was in the residence with an adult female and a small child. Officers had received information that the suspect was threatening to kill the child if the police became involved.**

**The Lancaster County Emergency Response Team was activated under the command of Detective James Zahm of the Lancaster County District Attorney's Office. At approximately 0040 hours on 16 March 2009, members of the Lancaster County Special Emergency Response Team were able to ascertain that the suspect was temporarily isolated from the adult female and child in the residence. The SERT immediately made a tactical entry into the residence and took Lonnie Douglas Clark into custody without incident.**

**In addition to the Lancaster County SERT, the Northwest Regional Police were assisted by officers from Elizabethtown Borough, Mount Joy Borough, Susquehanna Regional, Columbia Borough, East Hempfield Township and the Pennsylvania State Police departments.**

**As a result of the incident, Officer Michael Shetter of the Northwest Regional Police Department charged Lonnie Douglas Clark, M/42 YOA, with Terroristic Threats, Unlawful Restraint, Simple Assault, Recklessly Endangering Another**

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**Person and Disorderly Conduct. He was arraigned before District Justice Robert Herman and committed to the Lancaster County prison in lieu of \$150,000 bail**



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