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Note: Arrest photographs of Wesley Carter and Jamie Carter are attached.

Wanted Rock Springs man and his aunt arrested

(Rock Springs, Wyo. – April 20, 2012) A wanted Rock Springs man - and his aunt - were taken into custody by county deputies after a foot chase in Rock Springs on Thursday.

Sweetwater County Sheriff Rich Haskell said deputies were following up a lead on the whereabouts of 26-year-old Wesley J. Carter, wanted on a range of charges including felony probation violation, battery against a family member (domestic violence), and failure to pay on drug offenses, that led them to an address on Creek Avenue in Rock Springs where his aunt, Jamie Carter, 49, answered the door.

Carter told Sergeant Joe Tomich and Detective Jason Mower her nephew was not there.

Detective Jeff Sheaman, who was watching the back and sides of the home, spotted a newly-opened window and Carter running from the scene. The three-minute foot chase that ensued took Sheaman across Bitter Creek to the area of Ridge and Rugby Avenues, where he caught up with the fleeing fugitive and arrested him without further incident.

Haskell said several Rock Springs police officers, including Officer Mike Nielson, assisted.

Jamie Carter was arrested for interference with a peace officer.

On Friday she pleaded guilty to her charge in Circuit Court in Rock Springs and was fined $300, all of which was suspended. She was released from custody and given 30 days to pay $40 in court costs and $200 to the Crime Victim Compensation Fund. She was also placed on one year of unsupervised probation.

Wesley Carter remains in custody at the Sweetwater County Detention Center pending court appearances.