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## **N e w s      R e l e a s e**

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The person(s) whose name(s) appear in this release has/have been booked/cited for, not convicted of, the offense(s) shown. All accused persons should be presumed innocent until proven guilty.

May 27, 2011

**ARRESTEE:** Bowman, Lynda

**ADDRESS:** 498 Highway 628, LaPlace, LA

**CHARGE(S):** Second Degree Cruelty to a Juvenile

**PLACE OF ARREST:** 100 Barton Gravier Drive, LaPlace, LA

**DATE OF ARREST:** 5/26/11

**ITEM NO.:** E-00771-11

Sheriff Greg Champagne reports that the above subject was arrested on the above charges. On May 8, 2011, River Parish Hospital contacted the Sheriff's Office regarding a 6 year old handicapped child who was in the emergency room with severe lacerations on her facial area consistent with a dog attack. Through an investigation, it was learned that the child was in the custody of her grandmother, Lynda Bowman when the reported injuries occurred. Bowman was house/dog sitting for her son in Hahnville, LA. When Bowman dropped the child off to her mother with a large bandage covering the child's face, Bowman informed her that on May 7, 2011 the child had climbed on an outdoor furniture chair, causing the chair to fall, which caused the injuries to her face. Bowman did not disclose the injury on May 7, 2011 nor did she seek medical attention for the child's severe injuries which showed signs of infection. Bowman was arrested and booked accordingly.