Shots Fired in SE Bend Domestic Dispute

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Three children and an adult were able to escape a southeast Bend mobile home safely early Tuesday while police were involved in intense negotiations with a Bend woman who allegedly discharged a firearm and bit a man during a domestic disturbance, said authorities.

Bend Police Officers were dispatched to a residence at the Country Sunset Mobile Home Park at 61445 Southeast 27th Street about 3:15 a.m. November 7 in response to reports of a domestic dispute with shots fired, said Sergeant Thomas Pine in a news release. Officers surrounded the residence and called in deputies from the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office, who arrived a short time later.

Shortly after the arrival of law enforcement, four people, including three children left the residence unharmed.

Based on information that became available at that time, officers determined that a male victim and female suspect were inside the home and because firearms were available to them, the Central Oregon Emergency Response Team (CERT) was dispatched to the location.

The victim, identified as 31-year old Michael C. Griggs, exited the house and was detained without incident before CERT team members arrived.

Contact was eventually made with the suspect, 26-year old Jamie M. Bouchard, as CERT members began arriving. During "intense negotiations―, she surrendered to police without further incident, wrote Sergeant Pine in the news release.

Investigation determined that Bouchard allegedly discharged a firearm and bit Griggs during a domestic dispute. No injuries occurred as a result of the gunfire, although the victim sustained minor injuries from the bite wound.

Bouchard was transported to St. Charles Medical Center-Bend for evaluation, said Sgt. Pine. Charges including unlawful use of a weapon, fourth-degree felony domestic assault, harassment, and four counts of reckless endangering are pending.