



# SHERIFF

ALLEGHENY COUNTY

KEVIN M. KRAUS, SHERIFF  
CHIEF DEPUTY JOHN A. KEARNEY

436 Grant Street  
Courthouse 111  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Office: 412-350-4700  
24 Hour: 412-350-4714

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
AUGUST 15, 2024

CONTACT: MIKE MANKO  
(412) 496-3633  
[MManko@alleghenycourts.us](mailto:MManko@alleghenycourts.us)

## McKEESPORT MAN IN POSSESSION OF GUNS AND BODY ARMOR ARRESTED FOLLOWING PURSUIT

**Pittsburgh PA ----** Sheriff Kevin M. Kraus announced today that a McKeesport man is in custody following a pursuit that began in Beltzhoover and ended on Banksville Road.

Wednesday night at 8:30pm, a deputy on routine patrol attempted to initiate a traffic stop involving 22-year-old Tyler Stewart after the vehicle operated by Stewart was observed driving erratically and at a high rate of speed on Bausman Street. The attempted traffic stop eventually resulted in a pursuit that began along Saw Mill Run Boulevard, continued onto Crane Avenue and Banksville Road and ended when the Jeep Cherokee operated by Stewart crashed into another vehicle at the intersection of Banksville Road and McMonagle Avenue. The person operating that vehicle sustained a broken pelvis.

Following the crash, Stewart attempted to flee on foot, running into the parking lot of Banksville Plaza where he attempted to carjack a vehicle by trying to pull an elderly man out of a sedan. Stewart was then chased by two people who witnessed the attempted carjacking with Stewart crossing Banksville Road before being tackled by the witnesses. Our deputy and Pittsburgh Police Officers then proceeded to take Stewart into custody.

A subsequent search of the Jeep produced a handgun with a loaded clip, an assault style weapon with a loaded clip and other items in addition to the body armor that Stewart was wearing at the time of his arrest.

“First off, I am thankful that the person injured as the result of this reckless and criminal conduct did not sustain life threatening injuries, and we hope for a quick recovery,” said Sheriff Kraus. “While we can’t say with any certainty what this individual’s intentions were last night, it’s clear from the way he was outfitted and from the items recovered from the car, that he is an extremely dangerous person who posed a significant threat to the safety of our community.”

Stewart was transported to the Allegheny County Jail for arraignment on more than a dozen charges, and he is also facing detainers on active bench warrants from Allegheny, Butler and Westmoreland Counties.

####