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Update 1

On December 28, 2014, the Joplin Police Department responded to a burglary at The Software Center, 2604 E. 7th St.

On January 2, 2015, the Joplin Police Department responded to a burglary at Hidden Acres Antiques, 1508 E. 32nd St.

On January 7, 2014, investigation by Joplin Police detectives led to the recovery of a very large amount of stolen property from the burglaries and to the arrest of Ricky Doke, age 34, of Joplin, MO. (no listed address)

Doke is currently being held in the Joplin City Jail pending the filing of formal charges.

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The value of the items stolen from Hidden Acres Antiques and recovered by Joplin Police detectives is $44,455.00.

January 8, 2015, the Jasper County Prosecutor’s Office filed charges against Doke for Burglary - 2nd Degree and for Theft/Stealing (Value of Property or Services $500 Or More but Less Than $25,000). A warrant is issued and the amount of bond is set at $10,000 plus $2,500 cash.

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