



## **PRESS RELEASE**

Case #14-220012

### **Volunteer Arrested for Theft of School Funds**

May 29, 2014, Washington County Sheriff's Detectives arrested a Banks High School volunteer for theft of school funds. The money was supposed to be used to support school programs.

On January 22, 2014, the Banks High School administration called the Sheriff's Office to report a possible theft that occurred on school property. The deputy learned that the administration was viewing surveillance video for an unrelated matter when they saw what appeared to be Cindy Schorn, 53, from Banks, stealing money.

Ms. Schorn has been a volunteer with the school district for eight years and one of her responsibilities was to collect the money for entry to basketball games. She would sit at a table in the hallway with a cash box while accepting the entry fees. It appeared that while Ms. Schorn was selling tickets to a basketball game, she took money out of the cash box and then placed the money into her pants pocket. This was observed on video on two occasions at two different basketball games by the administration.



The Banks School District fully cooperated with the investigation. The Sheriff's Deputy contacted the Washington County Property Crimes Detectives to assist with the case. Sheriff's Detectives utilized enhanced surveillance capabilities, and on a third occasion, observed Ms. Schorn take money out of the cash box and place the money in her pocket (photo attached).

On May 13, 2014, Cindy Schorn was issued a criminal citation of arrest for three counts of Third Degree Theft. She is scheduled to appear in court on June 12, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.