

Friday evening, January 22, 2010 drug agents of the Henderson County Sheriff's Office obtained a search warrant for the residence of 48 year old Robert Wilbert Smith, Jr. of 80 Sweetgum Trail, Laurel Park, NC. The search yielded a felony amount of marijuana and various drug paraphernalia.

Sheriff's drug agents received credible information from a citizen of the Laurel Park community that resulted in the raid and subsequent seizure of marijuana from this residence. Sheriff Rick Davis stated "Other raids in the county have yielded larger quantities of marijuana; however this appeared to be a very high grade product." Mr. Smith was charged with felony possession of marijuana, possession with intent to sell and deliver marijuana, maintaining a dwelling to keep controlled substances and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was arrested and placed under a \$5,000 bond which was posted through a bail bondsman. A review of Smith's criminal history reveals that he has been arrested in the past for charges including receiving stolen property, theft, robbery, other minor drug charges and bank robbery in Pennsylvania in 1980.

According to Sheriff Davis, the execution of the search warrant was carried out with the assistance of officers of the Laurel Park Police Department.