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Man with Narcotics Arrested After Leaving His Car Running, Unattended

Monday morning, just after 2 A.M., Leon County Sheriff's Office Field Training Officer Deputy Ryan Michaels and his recruit, Max Frazier, were proactively patrolling the hotels in the area of North Monroe Street and I-10. While there, they noticed a white Chrysler vehicle, parked in front of one of the hotels with the motor running but no one with it.

As deputies approached the vehicle to investigate, 35-year-old Sheldon Barber came out of the hotel to the car. Barber told them the car was his and he had gone inside the hotel.

Deputies also observed a bag on the passenger seat of the vehicle, open and small packets of cocaine inside. Also inside the vehicle, they found an Alpha PVP pill, an ecstasy pill, and paraphernalia related to drug sales and use.

Barber admitted to deputies the items were his and he said he was selling them to make money for his family.

Prior to being taken to the Leon County Detention Facility, deputies also found a baggie of cocaine in his pocket.

Barber was taken to the Leon County Detention Facility.

LCSO would like remind the public that it is illegal to leave your car running and unattended. Per Florida Statute 316.1975(1), "A person driving or in charge of any motor vehicle may not permit it to stand unattended without first stopping the engine, locking the ignition, and removing the key. A vehicle may not be permitted to stand unattended upon any perceptible grade without stopping the engine and effectively setting the brake thereon and turning the front wheels to the curb or side of the street."



ARRESTED: Sheldon Barber AGE: 35

CHARGES: Possession of Cocaine with the Intent to Sell Possession of Amphetamine with the Intent to Sell (2 Counts) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia



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