Oriental NC Weather Station
57°F
NNW @ 10mph
9:50am
▸ Weather Forecast
▸ Weather Details
▸ LIVE Wind Gauge

Today
N Winds 15 - 20 Knots

It's Friday April 24, 2015

SMALL CRAFT ADVISORY IN EFFECT UNTIL 2 PM EDT THIS AFTERNOON

Search TownDock

Coming Spring 2015

New 35 Ton Travelift
Extended Crossbeam
The Newest and Largest Travelift in Oriental

BIG TIME RELAXING
SMALL TIME PRICE

Rent A Boat
Sailboat
Powerboat
Kayak

Seacoast Marine Electronics
Extended WIFI Solutions
Aquatic AV Stereo Solutions
click for more info

Design That's Timeless.

Water Line "Breaking News" - Was The Fix In?

Make Work Scheme Says Sheriff's Office
December 18, 2012

The recent spate of water line breaks in Pamlico County turned out to be a make-work program, according to the Pamlico County Sheriff's Office.

On Tuesday, charges were filed against an Alliance construction company owner, Judith Hardison, and a New Bern man, Rodney Brame.

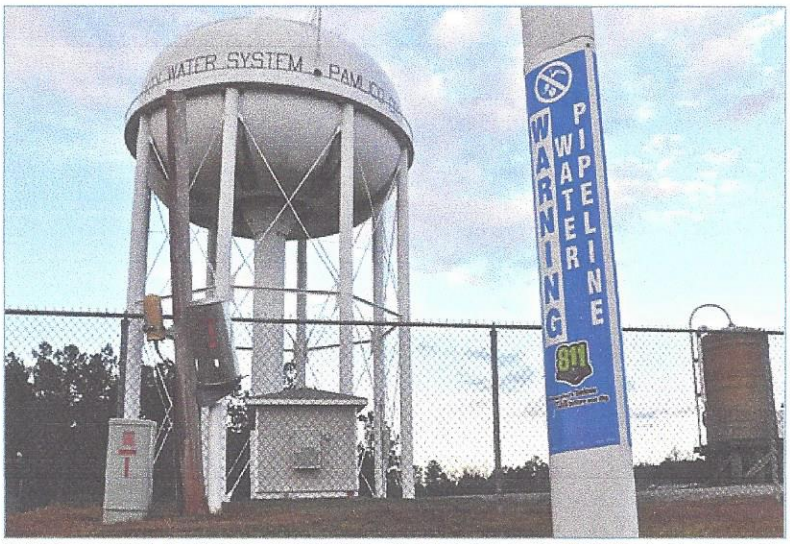
Judith Hardison in a "mug shot" provided by the Pamlico County jail.

A press release from the Sheriff's Office says that Hardison hired Brame to vandalize the lines so that her company, Triple H Construction, could make the repairs. Triple H was under contract with the County to fix water line breaks as they arose.

Brame and Hardison each face six felony counts of Damaging a Public Water System and one felony count of Obtaining Property By False Pretense. The charges stem from six water line breaks in recent months. The repairs set the county back almost $41,000.

According to the Sheriff's office, "Brame would do damage to the pipes with the intention of the repairs being made on weekends, holidays or after hours so the charges would be at a higher rate than normal hours. This was done at the request of Hardison."

As a result of this investigation, the Sheriff's Office says it is also looking in to water line breaks in the past.



In the background, the Pamlico County Water System tower on Kershaw Road, an area where water lines were broken. In the foreground, warning signs near the water lines which tell concerned citizens where not to dig. They may have been useful in this case when someone was intentionally breaking the lines.

Home
What's Happening
Classified Ads
Local Weather
Marine Wx Neuse
Marine Wx Pamlico
Water Levels
Web Cams:
HarborCam
RiverCam
MarkerCam
PecanCam
AnchorageCam
Columns:
The Shipping News
Drawing The Town
Pet Of The Month
Community:
Farmers' Market
Youth Sailing School
Etc:
Letters
On The Cover
Mug Shots
Dock Quotes
"NewsExtra" Archives
About Oriental
About TownDock.net

Recent Posts:
• April 2015 - 2015 Oriental Boat Show
• April 2015 - Paddling The Neuse End to End
• March 2015 - Birds Tangled In Fish Nets
• March 2015 - First Oriental Sailpack Invitational Regatta
• March 2015 - Prepping For The Regatta
• March 2015 - 5th Great Oyster Revival
• March 2015 - Seals Near Oriental?
• February 2015 - Snow Fall in Oriental
• February 2015 - Indoor Dragon Boat Race In Oriental
• February 2015 - Ice Encases Village
• February 2015 - 18 FJ's Added To Bow To Stern Fleet
• January 2015 - Splash of the Silver Voyager
• January 2015 - 2015 Instead of Football Regatta
• December 2014 - Friends Of The Dragon 2015
• December 2014 - Reindeer in Oriental

BOONEDOCKS
AFT CABIN
The cutest little guest house in Pamlico County
On the water - minutes from Oriental
252-249-3625
click here

Judith Hardison was arrested Tuesday and as of late in the afternoon was still in detention at the Pamlico County Jail in Bayboro. Brame had not yet been arrested.

The water line breaks affected Pamlico County Water System customers along Kershaw Road, Kennels Beach among other places. Taps ran dry and because of the low pressure, customers were advised to boil their water before using it.

Residents in the Town of Oriental, which has its own water system, did not suffer a disruption in service. Those in Oriental-area 28571 zip code just outside the town limits (where one is on county water), were among those affected.

EMAIL THIS STORY | BACK TO TOP

Copyright © TownDock.net | All Rights Reserved