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Three Houma subjects were arrested this week in connection with a counterfeit check scam, Sheriff Vernon Bourgeois said.

Patrol officers responded to a complaint at Scotty's Mobile Station on Martin Luther King Boulevard on Wednesday of a female attempting to cash a possible counterfeit check. Upon the arrival of the officers, it was determined that a female, identified as Bonnie Esponge, was attempting to cash a counterfeit payroll check. Patrol officers questioned her and her cousin who was waiting in his vehicle in the parking lot and both admitted that the check was counterfeit. They further admitted that they received the check from friends who had printed that check, as well as others.

Upon further investigation, it was revealed that the friends who reportedly made the counterfeit checks had cashed two of the fake checks at the same store earlier in the week.

Three suspects were subsequently arrested:

Bonnie Esponge, 53, 619 Roussell Street, Houma, two counts of theft over \$500.00.

Marshall Boudier, 20, 873 High Street, Houma, two counts of theft over \$500.00.

Angel Contranctis, 22, 619 Roussell Street, Houma two counts of theft over \$500.00.

The fourth suspect is still at large. He is identified as Samuel Verrett, 31 of 104 Santa Monica Drive in Houma. A warrant will be issued for Verret. If anyone has any information as to his whereabouts, please contact TPSO at 985-876-2500.