

# NEW LONDON POLICE DEPARTMENT

## PRESS RELEASE

**Incident type:** Aggravated Assault

**Location:** City of New London

**Date/Time:** Saturday, March 26 2005

**Details:** New London Police have arrested a 23-yr-old New London man after a severe early-morning assault in a parking lot.

The Waupaca County Emergency Dispatch Center received a 911 call at 3:24 a.m. of an unconscious male in the Dautermann parking lot (a city-owned lot at the rear of several businesses that front on Pearl Street). The caller indicated the subject had severe head injuries and was bleeding.

Officers and medical personnel treated the man at the scene. He was then transported to New London Family Medical Center. He was subsequently transported by Theda-Star to Theda-Clark Regional Medical Center, where he remains in critical condition. He has been identified as a 27-yr-old New London man. His name is not being released today.

The investigation revealed that the suspect approached the lone victim in the parking lot and confronted him about things he had said months ago. The suspect assaulted the victim and then fled in a vehicle. No weapons appear to have been used. The suspect turned himself in at the New London Police Department about an hour later.

The suspect is identified as:

Anthony R. Popke, 23 years, of Northgate Estates  
(Northgate Estates is a trailer park in the City of New London)

Anthony Popke was booked at the Waupaca County Jail for one count each:

940.19 (4) Aggravated Assault, a class E Felony

940.23(1)(a) Reckless Injury, a class D Felony

He is expected to have an initial appearance on 03/28/05

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