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Sumter Man Arrested for Attempted Murder

(Georgetown, SC) ---Georgetown County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Carlos Butler, 32, of 29 South Salem Avenue in Sumter, SC on Saturday, November 19 in connection with shots fired at 6235 Johnson Road in Georgetown County.

At approximately 6:00 p.m. on November 19, a verbal altercation started outside a meeting hall where a birthday party was taking place. After a few moments of arguing, witnesses stated the suspect walked to the trunk of his vehicle and pulled out a black in color handgun. The suspect began firing shots toward a small group of people. The suspect then exited the scene at a high rate of speed.

A short time later, a vehicle matching the victims' description was located at the Mingo Exxon at the intersection of Hwy. 51 and County Line Road. A traffic stop was initiated. Due to the statements given by witnesses and as a result of the investigation enough probable cause was found to arrest Butler.

Butler is charged with four (4) counts Attempted Murder, Discharging a Firearm into a Dwelling, and Malicious Injury to Personal Property. Butler is currently being held at the Georgetown County Detention Center awaiting a bond hearing.

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