

SCSO arrests Apopka man in 20-year cold case homicide - 01/09/2012

Seminole Co. Fla., (1/9/12)- The Seminole County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) today arrested David Hedrick, 50, of Apopka, for the murder of Betty Clair Foster nearly two decades ago.

Hedrick was identified when SCSO investigators were notified of a "hit" made through the state's DNA Database. Hedrick's DNA, which was submitted to the Database due to his recent conviction for failure to remit state taxes, matched DNA left at the scene of Foster's murder.

"Time and technology caught up with the killer," said Seminole County Sheriff Don Eslinger. "This case may have been cold, but our investigation never stopped, and now justice can finally be sought for Betty Foster."

Foster was stabbed to death during the afternoon of Jan. 31, 1991 while she worked alone at My Comp, a computer store that was then located at 1501 S.R. 436 in Casselberry. Foster was 50-years-old at the time of her death.

Hedrick was booked into the John E. Polk Correctional Facility. He was charged with murder in the first degree and is being held on no bond. First appearance is scheduled for tomorrow at 1:30 p.m.