

## **Deputies thwart hanging attempt**

**ANNAPOLIS** — A 15-year-old boy tried to hang himself in a holding cell at county Circuit Court yesterday after he was sentenced to more time at a youth facility, county Sheriff's Office officials said.

Deputies were called to juvenile court on the second floor to remove the teen after Master Erica J. Wolfe sentenced him to additional time at the Cheltenham Youth Facility in Prince George's County.

A deputy was injured during the courtroom scuffle and was taken to the hospital for a possible broken hand.

The teen was placed in a cell. Moments later, deputies monitoring the cell's surveillance camera noticed the boy trying to hang himself with his shirt.

Deputies John Nooney and Dennis Stagi rushed into the cell, removed the shirt and handcuffed the boy. They also removed his shoes as a safety precaution.

The teen was charged with failing to obey, resisting arrest, and assault on a police officer, officials said.