

Fillmore - Man Arrested for Negligently Discharging Firearm at New Years Celebration
1/2/2015 7:03:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Recklessly Discharging a Firearm During the Holiday Season

Report Number: 15-000052

Location: 1100 block of Mockingbird Lane

Date & Time: January 1, 2015 @ 20:580 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Vargas, Alfonso	Fillmore	35

Narrative:

On the evening of New Year's day, Alfonso Vargas attended a party on the 1100 block of Mockingbird. While at the party, he produced a hand gun and fired 4 to 6 shots into the backyard of the residence. Neighbors reported hearing the gun fire and called for police assistance. Deputies responded and identified Mr. Vargas as the suspect in the illegal shooting.

Mr. Vargas was located at the party in possession of a semi-auto hand gun at the time the deputies made contact. Mr. Vargas was arrested and charged with 243.3(a) PC, Negligent Discharge of a Firearm and 30305 (a) (1) PC, A Person Prohibited from Possessing a Firearm. He was booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Facility.

The public is reminded that firing firearms in celebration of the holidays and other events is a crime and always dangerous. This is especially true in areas with greater population density like our cities and rural communities.

Prepared by: Dave Wareham, Captain

News Release Date: January 2, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Javier Chavez, Detective- 805-524-2233

Approved by: John Reilly, Captain

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Thousand Oaks - Residential Burglary Suspects Arrested

1/2/2015 6:18:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Residential Burglary Suspects
Report Number: 14-29388
Location: Triunfo Canyon Road / Aranmoor
Date & Time: 12/31/14 3:45 PM
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department ' Patrol / Investigations

<u>(S)uspects,</u>	City of Residence	Age
Freer, Chloe	Los Angeles	24
Crockett, Robert	Los Angeles	36
Flowers, Rayshaun	Los Angeles	28

Narrative:

Over the past several months, Los Angeles and Ventura Counties have seen a sharp increase in residential burglaries. Typically, the suspects knocked on the front door to the residence to determine if anyone was home. If no one answered the door, they went around the backside of the residence and forced entry into the residence. If someone answered the door, they fabricated a reason for being there, such as asking if the resident had seen a missing dog or for a person who they knew did not live there. The purpose of the ruse was to determine if anyone was home without raising suspicion. On some of the cases, the residents did not answer the door or announce their presence. The suspects then forced entry into the residence with the residents inside.

According to witness statements from several of the crime scenes, the suspects were male and female, and were driving newer vehicles with dealer plates. These statements were often corroborated by video surveillance.

On 12/31/14, at about 3:45 PM, Thousand Oaks police responded to a call of suspicious male and female subjects looking into the window of a residence. When confronted by the resident, the subjects stated they were there looking for their lost dog. The subjects, however, did not want to provide any contact information to the resident in case she found the dog. This raised suspicion and the homeowner called police after seeing the subjects meet up with another subject who was waiting in a car.

Police responded to the scene and observed a vehicle with dealer plates leaving the area. The vehicle was similar to one used in prior residential burglaries. A traffic stop was then conducted.

The ensuing investigation determined the three suspects had committed at least one residential burglary and were in the process of attempting another when confronted by the homeowner. Investigators learned the suspects had employed a ruse similar to those previously described in an attempt to determine if the house was occupied. Investigators also located evidence of the burglaries inside the suspect vehicle.

Robert Crockett, Chloe Freer and Rayshaun Flowers were arrested for residential burglary and attempt residential burglary. All three were booked into the Ventura County jail and had bail set at \$500,000. Their arraignments are scheduled for Monday, January 5, 2015 at 1:30 PM.

All three suspects are from the Los Angeles County area. Investigators believe there may be more victims or witnesses who may have information about these suspects. Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Jerin Widofsky (805)494-8221 or Sgt. Jason Robarts (805) 947-8108.

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Camarillo - Two Cashiers Cited for Selling Alcohol to Minors

1/3/2015 8:26:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Alcohol Decoy Sting Operation

Report Number:

Location: Various Retail Locations - City of Camarillo

Date & Time: January 2, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Dimas, Alma Rosa Valdez	Oxnard	48
(S) Nolte, Hailee Rose	Camarillo	19

Narrative:

On January 2, 2015, the Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit conducted an alcohol sting, using underage minor decoys, in an attempt to purchase alcohol from various retail establishments in the City of Camarillo. The goal of this operation was to limit minors' access to alcohol and confirm retail establishments are abiding by the Business and Professions Code and rules set forth by the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control.

Two underage decoys were used in an attempt to purchase alcohol from twenty locations throughout the City of Camarillo. Cashiers at eighteen locations asked for identification and turned the decoys away without selling any alcoholic beverages. A cashier at two locations, Camarillo Liquor Market and Toppers Pizza sold to the underage decoy and either failed to ask for identification or looked at the identification and sold anyway.

The Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit will continue to conduct periodic sting operations in an effort to prevent minors' access to alcohol. These sting operations are being funded by a grant through the California Department of Alcohol Beverage Control.

The police department would like to remind the public that selling alcohol to minors is illegal and that alcohol is a factor in many homicides and suicides; which along with car crashes are the leading causes of death in 15-20 year olds. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office wants to remind the public to report incidents of underage drinking and illegal purchasing of alcohol.

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Approved by:

Captain Mark Franke

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Ojai - Residential Burglary Suspect Arrested

1/3/2015 5:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary Arrest
Report Number: 15-0000105
Location: 2100 Block Valley Meadow
Date & Time: January 2, 2015 3:00 P.M.
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office ' Ojai Patrol Station

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Barrack, Andrea	Oak View	34

Narrative:

On January 2, 2015, Ojai Patrol Deputies responded to the 2100 block of Valley Meadow in Oak View for a call of a suspicious subject. An alert and vigilant resident in the area saw a female walking with several large bags of property. The female subject dropped one of the bags and some prescription medication fell onto the ground. The resident thought this was suspicious and contacted the Sheriff's Office. Deputies responded and located the bags carried by the female subject. Upon inspection, the deputies found that the bags contained valuable property from a nearby residence. A short while later, the female subject seen by the resident was located and detained. The owner of the property was located and was found to be out of town and no one had permission to remove property from her house. The female subject seen carrying the bags of stolen property was identified as Andrea Barrack from Oak View CA. Barrack was arrested and booked on charges of burglary with a bail amount of \$70,000. Barrack is also being held on a parole violation.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would wish to remind residents to ensure their homes are secured when they leave for any extended periods of time. It is also a good idea to communicate with your neighbors so they can keep a watchful eye out when you are away. Please report any suspicious behavior to the Sheriff's Office at (805) 654-9511.

Prepared by: Sgt. Kevin Donoghue
News Release Date: January 3, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Joe Mulrooney (805) 646-1414
Approved by: Captain Dave Kenney

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###

Suspect Sought for Attempted Murder in Unincorporated Area of Moorpark

1/5/2015 11:22:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Attempt Murder
Report Number: 15-281
Location 11800 Block Broadway Rd, Unincorporated Area of Moorpark
Date & Time 01/05/15 @ 3:55 A.M.
Unit(s) Responsible: Major Crimes Bureau and Arson Investigators

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Female	Moorpark	29
(S) Soria, Juan Manuel Hernandez	Moorpark	31

Narrative:

On Monday, January 5, 2015, at approximately 3:55 a.m. the Ventura County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call from a female resident of the location reporting her husband tried to set her on fire. Deputies from the Moorpark Patrol Station and Ventura County Fire Personnel responded and determined a fire occurred.

The woman suffered significant injuries and was transported by ambulance to an area hospital. The investigation is continuing.

Detectives are actively seeking the suspect identified as Juan Soria Hernandez, described as a Hispanic male, 5'7", 200 lbs., black hair and brown eyes, and facial hair. Soria is believed to be driving a white, 2005 Ford F250 4x4, license 86644S1/CA (see attached photographs of suspect and vehicle). The truck has a white toolbox and fuel tank in the bed and large tires. Suspect has access to firearms. Anybody that sees the suspect or truck is urged to call 911. Anyone with information can contact Detective Peterson at (805) 384-4744.

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Nature of Incident: DUI Warrant Service
Report Number: 15-294
Location: Thousand Oaks
Date & Time: January 5, 2015, 10:00 am
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police ' Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Steven Keel	Thousand Oaks	67

Narrative:

Suspect with Outstanding DUI Warrant

Caught in Thousand Oaks Police Department Sweep

Thousand Oaks, CA ' Some think if they just don't show up for a court hearing, the police won't have the manpower to come find them. If your violation is a DUI, don't count on it. Thousand Oaks Police Department Officers with dozens of outstanding arrest warrants fanned out into neighborhoods in search of high risk DUI offenders yesterday. Officers arrested one offender who failed to show up for a court date in an outstanding DUI case.

"The best bet for anyone with a missed DUI court date is to go to court on their own now," said Thousand Oaks Police Sergeant Brad Clifton. "If you don't, that warrant isn't going away. We're going to come find you and take you to jail."

Those caught often face additional jail time for failing to appear in court or for violating probation. When family, friends, and co-workers find out, violators can also face personal embarrassment as they are lead away in handcuffs, as well as missing work while sitting in jail.

Special DUI Warrant Service Operations along with regularly scheduled 'High Visibility' DUI enforcement has a deterrent effect on those who disregard driving safety and abuse alcohol and drugs. The Thousand Oaks PD places a high priority on lowering deaths and injury with the goal of removing impaired drivers and heightening awareness of the dangers of driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol.

Funding for the operation is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety

through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers; Call 9-1-1!

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Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

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###

Investigators Arrest Attempt Murder Suspect

1/9/2015 2:01:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt Murder Suspect Juan Soria Hernandez Arrested

Report Number: 15-281

Location: Bakersfield, CA

Date & Time: 1/8/15 @ 9:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Soria Hernandez, Juan Manuel	Moorpark	31
(V) Female	Moorpark	29

Narrative:

Sheriff's Major Crimes investigators received information that suspect Juan Soria turned himself in to local law enforcement authorities near Bakersfield, California, last evening. Soria was arrested by law enforcement officers on a warrant for the attempt murder of his wife. He was transferred to Ventura County where he was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility.

Detectives have been searching for Soria since the attempt murder investigation began on January 5th. Soria was in Bakersfield when he contacted the Bakersfield Police Department and asked to be taken into custody.

Soria was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility early this morning for attempt murder, arson causing great bodily injury, aggravated mayhem, torture, and child endangerment. His bail is set at \$1,000,000 and he is scheduled for arraignment at Ventura County Superior Court on January 12th at 9:00 a.m.

The victim (suspect's wife), is in critical condition and being treated at an area hospital. Their children were not injured at the original incident and are being cared for at a safe location.

Anyone with information about this case can contact Detective Peterson at (805) 383-4474.

Prepared by: Captain Don Aguilar

News Release Date: January 9, 2015

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Approved by:

Captain Chris Dunn

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Thousand Oaks - Pair Arrested for Possession and Sales of Narcotics

1/9/2015 10:18:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Narcotics Arrests
Report Number: 15-623
Location: 1900 block of Burleson Avenue, Thousand Oaks
Date & Time: 1/9/2015, 1300 hours
Unit Responsible: Sheriff's Narcotics Unit/ East County Street Team

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Walker, James	Thousand Oaks	42
Yeates, Jennifer	Thousand Oaks	46
Fratella, Joseph	Thousand Oaks	54
Dupont, Jeffrey	Thousand Oaks	44

Narrative:

On 1/9/2015, the Sheriff's East County Narcotics Team concluded an investigation into James Walker, who was selling methamphetamine to customers in the city of Thousand Oaks. Deputies with the Thousand Oaks Police Directed Enforcement Team assisted detectives by stopping Walker after he left his Thousand Oaks residence. Walker was with a female identified as Jennifer Yeates who was under the influence of a controlled substance. Walker was in possession of over two grams of methamphetamine. Both Walker and Yeates were arrested and transported to the East County Sheriff's station.

Narcotics detectives served a search warrant at Walker's residence where they detained another resident, Joseph Fratella. Fratella was found to be under the influence of a controlled substance and was arrested.

During the search of the residence, detectives located about six (6) ounces of methamphetamine in Walker's vehicle. Several grams of methamphetamine and a small amount of concentrated marijuana commonly referred to as 'Honey Oil' was found inside Walker's bedroom. Detectives found over twenty (20) pounds of dried marijuana and the implements of a small marijuana extraction operation in various locations of the house. A small marijuana grow was found in the rear yard and several marijuana plants were eradicated.

Jeffrey Dupont, another resident arrived at the house during the search. Dupont was in possession of several grams of methamphetamine and also had two (2) active warrants for his arrest. Dupont was also arrested.

Walker was booked at the East County Sheriff Jail for possession of a controlled substance for sale, possession of marijuana for sale, and manufacturing concentrated marijuana. Dupont was

arrested and booked for possession of a controlled substance and the two (2) outstanding warrants. They are both scheduled to appear in court on 1/13/2015, at 1:30 PM. Walker's Bail is set at \$50,000 and Dupont's bail is set at \$40,250

Fratella and Yeates were arrested and cited for being under the influence of a controlled substance. They are scheduled to appear in court on 2/5/2015.

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Thousand Oaks Police - "Coffee with the Chief" Friday, January 16th

1/12/2015 12:03:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Police Department 'Coffee with the Chief' Community Outreach Program

Location: The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf 487 N Moorpark Rd. Thousand Oaks, Ca 91360

Date & Time: January 16th 2015. 8:30 AM ' 10:00 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is pleased to announce a 'Coffee with the Chief' event on Friday January 16th. Thousand Oaks Police Chief Tim Hagel will be at The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf, located at 487 N Moorpark Rd. Thousand Oaks. Chief Hagel believes these events are an excellent opportunity to continue building on existing partnerships with the community. He would like to hear any questions or concerns from the public. The chief will be available from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department views open lines of communication as an integral part of developing proactive partnerships with the community and working together on identifying, prioritizing and solving problems, including safety, crime, and quality of life issues.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, Crime Prevention Bureau

Media Release Date: January 12, 2015

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Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

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Tri-County Investigators Seek Public's Help Identifying Burglary Crew

1/12/2015 11:59:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Public's help needed to identify tri-county burglary crew

Report Number: 14-25727

Location: Ventura, Santa Barbara and Los Angeles County

Date & Time: Sept 2014- Dec 2014

Unit(s) Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations

<u>(S)uspects,</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Unk	Unk	20s
Unk	Unk	20s
Unk	Unk	20s

Narrative:

Since October 2014, numerous late night and early morning commercial burglaries have occurred in various cities throughout Ventura, Santa Barbara and Northern Los Angeles Counties. It is believed the same suspects are responsible for the crimes. The suspects are targeting commercial buildings and taking primarily Apple computers and laptops.

We are asking for the public's help in identifying the subjects in the attached photos, which were taken from video surveillance from one of the recent crimes.

Anyone with information on the crimes or the below pictured suspects is urged to call **Sgt. Jason Robarts at (805) 947-8108** or **Jason.robarts.Ventura.org**

Prepared by: Sgt. Jason Robarts #2948

News Release Date: 01/12/2014

Media Follow-Up Sgt. Jason Robarts (805)947-8108

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Approved by: Captain Reilly

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***person(s) responsible for this crime. The caller may remain anonymous.
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Camarillo Deputies Arrest Juveniles for Burglary and Vandalism of a Church

1/15/2015 2:32:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary and Vandalism of a Church
Report Number: RB #15-302
Location: 500 Block of Anacapa Drive, Camarillo
Date & Time: Between 01/04/2015 @ 12:30 PM and 01/05/2015 @ 9:30 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department's Special Enforcement Detail (SED)

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Male Juvenile	Camarillo	16
(S) Male Juvenile	Camarillo	13

Narrative:

On 01/05/2015, Camarillo Police Department Deputies took a vandalism report at the Hillside Assembly of God Church. SED Detectives reviewed surveillance footage and saw two suspects enter the church by crawling through an open window. The suspects vandalized several rooms of the church by breaking items, clogging plumbing, and spray painting the walls and carpet.

The suspects forced opened a locked door into the main portion of the church. They took items, which included keys and video games. It appeared the suspects attempted to start a notebook tablet on fire outside the church. There were also some papers inside the church that appeared to have been burned. Church officials estimate the value of the damage at about \$3,500.00.

SED conducted an investigation and quickly identified the suspects. On 01/09/15, SED served a search warrant at one of the suspect's residences. Evidence was located that linked the juveniles to the crime at the church. Both suspects (juveniles) were arrested for violating Penal Code 594.3(b), felony vandalism to a church and Penal Code 459, commercial burglary. Both were lodged at the Juvenile Justice Center in Oxnard.

Prepared by: Detective Larry Oriee
News Release Date: 01/14/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Larry Oriee (805) 388-5113
Approved by: Capt. Eric Dowd

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Nature of Incident: Pedestrian Safety Enforcement

Report Number:

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: January 16, 2015, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

Traffic Enforcement Operations Planned for Thousand Oaks

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will step up pedestrian safety enforcement operations this Friday with focused enforcement on collision causing factors involving motorists and pedestrians. Routine traffic patrols will focus efforts in trouble spots while special overtime patrols will also be deployed to crackdown on drivers and pedestrians who violate basic traffic laws.

The department has mapped out locations over the past three years where pedestrian involved collisions have occurred along with the violations that led to those crashes. Officers will be looking for traffic offenses made by drivers and pedestrians alike that can lead to life changing injuries. Special attention will be directed toward drivers speeding, making illegal turns, failing to stop for signs and signals, failing to yield to pedestrians in cross walks or any other dangerous violation. Additionally, enforcement will be taken for observed violations when pedestrians cross the street illegally or fail to yield to drivers who have the right of way. Pedestrians should cross the street only in marked crosswalks or at corners.

Pedestrian fatalities are rising in California as more people use non-motorized means of transportation. Locally, the Thousand Oaks Police Department has investigated 95 fatal and injury collisions involving pedestrians during the past three (3) years. In 2012, California witnessed 612 pedestrian deaths that year while nationally; 4,743 pedestrians were killed.

A national study reveals that pedestrians and drivers do not obey laws and signals consistently and many often use cell phones, text and listen to music while walking or driving. Only 60 percent of pedestrians said they expected drivers to stop when they were in crosswalks, even though they have the right-of-way. The following safety tips can save lives and stop this tragedy witnessed far too often in Thousand Oaks:

Drivers can:

- Look out for pedestrians, especially in hard-to-see conditions such as at night or in bad weather.
- Slow down and be prepared to stop when turning or entering a crosswalk where pedestrians are likely to be.
- Stop at the crosswalk stop line to give drivers in other lanes an opportunity to see and yield to the pedestrians too.
- Be cautious when backing up ' pedestrians, especially young children, can move across your path. See www.safercar.gov/parents/backover.htm

Pedestrians can:

- Be predictable. Follow the rules of the road, cross at crosswalks or intersections, and obey signs and signals.
- Walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible if there is no sidewalk.
- Pay attention to the traffic moving around you. This is not the time to be texting or talking on a cell phone.
- Make eye contact with drivers as they approach. Never assume a driver sees you.
- Wear bright clothing during the day and reflective materials (or use a flashlight) at night.
- Look left-right-left before crossing a street.

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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Approved by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

Camarillo Police Launch I.D. Program for At Risk Adults

1/16/2015 9:58:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Adult Information Card Program

Location: Camarillo Health Care District / 3639 Las Posas Road, Camarillo

Date & Time: Third Thursday of Every Month / 3:30PM - 5:00PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit / Camarillo Police Department

Narrative:

The Camarillo Health Care District is partnering with the Camarillo Police Department every third Thursday of the month, beginning January 15, 2015 in launching a new program designed to aid adults in the community that are at risk.

Since there are several at risk adults and many senior living facilities in Camarillo, the Camarillo Police Department developed the 'Adult At Risk Information Card Program.' The 'Adult At Risk Information Card' will contain the following information: name, photo, date of birth, height, weight, phone number, address, known disability or illness, communication method, and two contact numbers and addresses. The types of at risk adults and families that may find this card helpful are those that may have the following diagnosis or disabilities: Alzheimer's, Autism / Asperger Syndrome, Blind or Low Vision, Brain Injury, Deaf or Low Hearing, Dementia, Diabetes, Down Syndrome, Epilepsy or Seizures, Mental Illness or some type of physical disability.

The Camarillo Health Care District will provide space at room E117 from 3:00PM ' 5:00PM to provide this service, the third Thursday of each month.

Two cards will be provided to at risk adults, one for the adult and one for the spouse / caregiver. The cards will be retained by the at risk adult and the spouse / caregiver and can be presented to law enforcement should the at risk adult become lost or disoriented. Additionally, an at risk flyer can be made immediately and distributed to other Law Enforcement agencies, news stations, etc if the at risk adult is missing or lost.

The Adult At Risk Information Card Program is run by the Camarillo Citizen Patrol, which was founded in 1976. All Citizen Patrol members are volunteers that live in the Camarillo community and work under the umbrella of the Community Resource Unit.

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi ' 805-388-5135

News Release Date: January 16, 2015

Media Follow-Up

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Approved by:

Captain R. Thomas

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Leisure Village Prescription/ Rx Collection Results

1/17/2015 8:49:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Prescription / Rx Collection Results @ Leisure Village
Location: 200 Leisure Village Drive, Camarillo, CA
Date & Time: January 17, 2015 / 5:00PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit

Narrative:

On Saturday January 17, 2015, the Camarillo Police Department partnered with Leisure Village Security for the fourth time, to collect unused / expired prescription medication from residents of the village. The collection time was from 10:00 AM ' 3:00 PM and 119 pounds of unused / expired medication was collected in just five hours' time. This was the largest one day collection at Leisure Village, since the Camarillo Police Department started its first prescription Rx collection in December of 2012. During the first three collections, a total of 305 pounds of unused / expired prescription medication was collected bringing the overall total to 424 pounds. The Camarillo Police Department would like to thank the residents of Leisure Village and Leisure Village Security for their help in making our community a safer one.

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Approved by: Captain Mark Franke

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Thousand Oaks - Indecent Exposure Incidents

1/20/2015 2:49:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Indecent Exposure Incidents
Location: Eastern Thousand Oaks / Westlake Village
Date & Time: January 10 -17, 2015 / 4:00 P.M. ' 6:00 P.M.
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department Investigations Unit

<u>(S)uspect</u>	City of Residence	Age
Unknown	Unknown	20 - 30

Narrative:

During the early evening hours of January 10 through January 17, 2015, there were a few reported incidents of a male exposing himself in the eastern area of Thousand Oaks and Westlake Village area. The indecent exposures occurred in the area of Russell Park and nearby greenbelt areas.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is seeking the public's assistance in identifying the suspect. The suspect was described as an adult Hispanic male, 5'8' and 150 pounds with short spiked hair. He may be associated with a silver compact vehicle. The attached sketch is a depiction of the suspect.

Residents are cautioned while visiting parks or walking in greenbelt areas to be aware of suspicious subjects and report the activity to the Thousand Oaks Police Department. Anyone who may have information on the identity of the suspect is urged to contact Detective Eric Taylor (805) 371-8397.

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: January 20, 2015

Media Follow-Up Timothy Lohman (805) 947-8255 /

Contact: tim.lohman@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Camarillo Police Arrest Robbery Suspects

1/21/2015 6:16:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Two Armed Robbery Suspects Arrested in Camarillo

Report Number: 150001365

Location: Robbery #1 Ventura Boulevard at the Factory Outlets, Camarillo
Robbery #2 Mobil Avenue at Kino Street, Camarillo

Date & Time: January 18, 2015 at 8:00 PM and 7:30 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Salinas, Dionicio	Camarillo
(S) Estrada, Jose Martin	Camarillo

Narrative:

On the evening of January 18, 2015, two separate armed robberies occurred in the city of Camarillo. Camarillo Patrol and Detectives located and arrested both suspects for the crime.

The first reported robbery occurred at approximately 8:00 PM near the Factory Center Outlets. An employee of one of the stores was riding his bicycle on the sidewalk of East Ventura Boulevard at Factory Store Drive, in Camarillo, when he encountered the two male suspects. As he neared the suspects, they parted ways and appeared to be allowing the victim to pass in between them. As the victim rode his bicycle between the two suspects, one of them punched the victim on the side of his head, knocking him to the ground.

The suspects then ordered the victim to give them his wallet and backpack. The suspects threatened to shoot the victim if he did not comply. One of the suspects then began punching the victim on his head, while the other suspect pulled the victim's backpack off of him. After taking the victim's property, the suspects fled the area. The victim sustained minor injuries that did not required medical attention.

The victim continued to ride his bicycle home, when he encountered the suspects again, this time in a vehicle. The suspect drove by the victim and taunted him by calling him names. The victim saw the suspects stop in the shopping center in the 600 block of Las Posas Road, in Camarillo. The victim was able to contact the police and give them a description of the suspects.

Arriving patrol deputies located Dionicio Salinas in the parking lot of the shopping center. He was detained and was positively identified by the victim. Neither the second suspect, nor the vehicle was located in the area.

While deputies were investigating the first robbery a second victim reported that he was robbed

at gunpoint by two suspects, at approximately 7:30 PM, near Mobil Avenue near Kino Street, in Camarillo.

The victim reported that he heard someone approach him from behind, and when he turned around he saw two suspects running toward him and pointing guns in his direction. One of the suspects told the victim to get down on the ground and take everything out of his pockets. The victim complied and then one of the suspect's removed items from the victim while the other suspect's began to punch the victim on his head. The suspects then fled the area with the victim's property. The victim sustained minor injuries that did not required medical attention.

This victim was brought to the area where Salinas was being detained and he also positively identified Salinas as one of the suspects who robbed him.

Salinas was arrested and booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for two counts of robbery. His bail was set at \$65,000.00.

On January 20, 2015, detectives identified Jose Estrada as the second suspect involved in the robberies.

On January 21, 2015, detectives served a search warrant at a residence in the 800 block of Calle La Palmera, in Camarillo, and arrested Estrada for robbery. Estrada was booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility. His bail has not yet been set.

Prepared by: Sergeant Pete O'Sullivan

News Release Date: January 21, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Hector Macias (805) 388-5116
Detective Harold Orr (805) 388-5119

Approved by: Captain Eric Dowd

Thousand Oaks Investigators Arrest Indecent Exposure Suspect

1/21/2015 8:36:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Indecent Exposure Suspect Arrested

Location: Russell Park / Greenbelt Area

Date & Time: January 20, 2015 / 6:00 P.M.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department Investigations Unit

(S)uspect

Cerna, Antonio

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

49

Narrative:

While conducting surveillance at Russell Park, detectives observed a male Hispanic, later identified as Antonio Cerna, walking east bound on Medicine Bow Court. Cerna approached the greenbelt area and quickly walked northbound. Cerna walked up and down the greenbelt as though he was looking for someone. He was then contacted by detectives.

Cerna claimed he was in the area looking for recycling material. An infield show up was completed utilizing several victims. Detectives also learned that Cerna had driven a silver compact vehicle, matching the description given by a victim.

Cerna initially denied any wrongdoing, but ultimately admitted to committing both of the recent indecent exposures in this neighborhood. He was arrested and transported to the East County Sheriff's Station.

While at the station, Cerna admitted to committing several other lewd acts within the City of Thousand Oaks.

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant Robert Fleming

Media Release Date: January 20, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Timothy Lohman (805) 947-8255 /
tim.lohman@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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New Prescription Drop Off Location at Thousand Oaks City Hall

1/22/2015 4:04:00 PM

Nature of Incident: New Prescription Drop Off Location

Location: Police Resource Center at Thousand Oaks City Hall
2100 Thousand Oaks Boulevard, Thousand Oaks

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is now offering an additional location for the public to drop of un-used or unwanted prescriptions for destruction.

The Police Resource Center located at the Thousand Oaks City Hall will be open for prescription collection Monday ' Thursday and every other Friday from 8 A.M to 4:30 P.M. The public can contact the Resource Center directly at 805-449-2760 for information or directions.

Prescriptions are also collected at the Thousand Oaks Police Station located at 2101 East Olsen Road Monday- Friday 8 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Syringes are not accepted at either location.

Prepared by: Sergeant Brian Slominski

Media Release Date: January 22, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Brian Slominski
805-494-8256
brian.slominski@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Fryhoff

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Countywide Pharmaceutical Collection Totals for 2014

1/23/2015 1:24:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Pharmaceutical Collections for the year 2014

Report Number:

Location: All Sheriff's Sub-Stations

Date & Time: 01/23/2015 - 1100

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
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Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is very pleased to announce that we have collected 5,538 pounds of unused / expired medication for the year 2014. During 2013, we collected a total of 5,288.2 pounds of unused medication.

A breakdown of the 2014 collection totals is as follows: Ojai PD ' 210.7 pounds, Fillmore PD ' 61.5 pounds, Camarillo PD ' 2,161.2 pounds, Moorpark PD ' 432.1 pounds, Headquarters ' 339.4 pounds and Thousand Oaks PD ' 2,334 pounds. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the citizens of Ventura County for their outstanding effort to make our communities safer.

The non-medical use of prescription drugs ranks second only to marijuana as the most common form of drug abuse in America. Additionally, the majority of teenagers abusing prescription drugs get them from family, friends and the home medicine cabinet. Unused drugs that are flushed contaminate the water supply.

If you want to drop off unused / expired medications at any Sheriff's Substation, we have Pharmaceutical drop-off bins in all of our lobbies. The lobbies are open Monday-Friday from 8:00AM - 5:00PM.

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi

News Release Date: 01/23/2015

Media Follow-Up Sergeant John M. Franchi / 805-388-5135

Contact:

Approved by: Captain Eric Dowd

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Thousand Oaks - Investigators Arrest Attempt Murder Suspect in Venice

1/23/2015 10:53:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempted Murder Arrest

Report Number: 15-1686

Location: Premier Inn 2434 W. Hillcrest Drive, Newbury Park

Date & Time: January 23, 2015 / 1300 Hours

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department, Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, and Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Female	Transient	43
(S) Hans Abraham Goodlein	Transient	38

Narrative:

On January 23, 2015, Victim and Hans Goodlein were staying at the 'Premier Inn' at 2434 W. Hillcrest Drive in the city of Thousand Oaks when they were involved in a domestic disturbance. During the disturbance, Goodlein wrapped a cord around the victim's neck and almost choked her to death. The victim became unconscious. The victim woke up and called 911. The victim was transported to a local hospital for treatment. Goodlein fled before police arrived.

Goodlein was located in the Venice area of Los Angeles where he was taken into custody without incident by the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit. Goodlein was transported and booked into the Ventura County Jail.

The victim is expected to survive.

Prepared by: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre

Media Release Date: January 23, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre / anthony.aguirre@ventura.org
(805) 384-4730

Approved by: Captain Chris Dunn

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Camarillo City and Unincorporated: Sex Registrant Compliance Checks Conducted

1/27/2015 2:18:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

Report Number: N/A

Location: City of Camarillo
Unincorporated areas of Camarillo

Date & Time: February 21, 2015.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

Narrative:

On February 21, 2015, Ventura County Sheriff's detectives assisted by probation officers, conducted compliance checks at the residences of registered sex offenders in the city and county areas of Camarillo. The compliance checks were part of the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE) grant.

Forty-four (44) of the sixty-three (63) sex offenders were located and found to be in compliance with their registration requirements. Sixteen (16) of the registrants were not contacted because they were not home. Three registrants appeared to no longer reside at the registered residence, requiring additional investigation. Sheriff's detectives will follow-up to determine if the registrants are out-of-compliance.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office will be conducting similar sweeps on an ongoing basis, to verify registered sex offenders are living at their reported residences and in compliance with any probation or parole terms.

Residents of Ventura County can visit the Megan's Law website (www.meganslaw.ca.gov) to familiarize themselves with the sex registrants in their community.

Prepared by: Sergeant Ryan Clark

Media Release Date: February 24, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Investigator Jim Botting / 805-384-4743
Jim.botting@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Investigators Seek Identity of Laundromat Burglary Suspect

1/27/2015 1:36:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt to Locate Burglary Suspect
Report Numbers: 14-27113 /14-28175
Location(s): Mira Monte Quick Clean / Coin House Laundry
Dates & Times: 12/01/2014 0000-0800
Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai and Camarillo Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Unknown	Unknown	unk

Narrative:

During the early morning hours of 12/01/2014, an unknown suspect entered two different self-serve laundry locations in the Ojai Valley. The suspect pried open numerous washing machine coin boxes and then stole the coins stored inside. Security video shows the suspect is a mid-twenties Hispanic male.

During the investigation, Ojai detectives learned that a similar crime was committed in the City of Camarillo on November 5, 2014. A review of the Camarillo security tape revealed that the suspect in the Camarillo theft appears to be the same suspect as the Ojai thefts.

The Sheriff's Office is requesting the public's help in identifying this suspect. Anyone who can help identify the suspect from the attached photographs is asked to call Det. Mulrooney at (805) 646-1414.

Prepared by: Sgt. R. Harwood
News Release Date: 01/27/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Joe Mulrooney 805-947-8075
Approved by:

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Thousand Oaks Investigators Seek to Identify Wallet Thieves

1/27/2015 2:48:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Public's Help Needed to Identify Wallet Thieves Targeting Women

Report Number: 14-29220, 15-941, 15-1265

Location: Ventura and Los Angeles Counties

Date & Time: Dec 2014- Jan 2015

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Unk	Unk	25-30
Unk	Unk	25-30

Narrative:

Since December 2014, there have been several incidents where women have been victimized by two suspects who have been stealing wallets from purses. The two suspects work as a team to distract the victims who are shopping inside stores. The suspects have been able to remove the victims' wallets from their purses without being seen by the victims. Typically, the victims' purses had been placed in the shopping cart, providing the suspects easier access.

The suspects have then used the victim's credit cards to make various purchases, which have totaled over \$10,000. The thefts and charges occurred in various cities throughout Ventura and Northern Los Angeles Counties. It is believed the same suspects are responsible for the crimes.

We are asking for the public's help in identifying one of the suspects seen in the attached photo and surveillance video, which were taken from one of the recent crimes.

SURVEILLANCE VIDEO AND PHOTO OF A SUSPECT IS AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING/DOWNLOAD AT <http://goo.gl/VPYarj>

Anyone with information on the crimes or the below pictured suspects is urged to call Detective Gregg Delarosa at (805) 494-8225 or Gregg.delarosa@Ventura.org

Prepared by: Detective Gregg Delarosa #3762

Media Release Date: 01/26/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Jason Robarts (805) 947-8108

Approved by:

Captain Mike Hartmann

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Thousand Oaks - Drug Dealers Arrested While Using Uber to Commit Crimes

1/28/2015 10:34:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Drug Dealers Arrested While Using Uber to Commit Crimes

Report Number: 15-2103

Location: Westlake Boulevard South of Avenida De Los Arboles, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: 1-28-15 at 11:58 a.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Patrol

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Cody Jens	Agoura Hills, CA	24
(S) Luke Karasiuk	Thousand Oaks	22

Narrative:

On January 28, 2015, patrol deputies from the Thousand Oaks Police Station made an enforcement stop on a car for a vehicle code violation. The deputies soon learned the driver was operating his vehicle for the Uber taxi service. The rear seat passengers were contacted and found to be in possession of approximately one quarter pound of concentrated cannabis known as 'butane honey oil' and \$2000. The investigation revealed the two subjects were using Uber to drive them to a drug deal where they could sell their concentrated cannabis. Cody Jens and Luke Karasiuk were arrested for possessing a controlled substance for sale. They were both booked into the Ventura County Jail.

Concentrated Cannabis, aka honey oil, wax, or shatter, is an extremely potent drug that can contain purity levels of up to 80% of Delta 9 THC (the active ingredient in marijuana). A typical dose of honey oil is 1/10th of one gram. These individuals had well over a thousand dosage units of the product. Honey oil is extremely dangerous in that it can cause adverse events in users such as severe hallucinations and panic attacks. Honey oil is very hazardous to make since it involves a chemical reaction utilizing large amounts of butane. Frequently, labs blow up killing or maiming individuals attempting to make the product.

Prepared by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

Media Release Date: 1-28-2015

Media Follow-Up Jim Fryhoff, Captain - 805-797-6378

Contact:

Approved by: Robert Thomas, Captain

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###

Ojai - Police Arrest Suspect for Explosive Devices

1/30/2015 6:07:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Explosive Device Arrest

Report Number: 15-2072

Location: N. La Luna Avenue, Meiners Oaks Ca.

Date & Time: 1-27-15 @ 7:30 pm

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent

Travis Ross

City of Residence

Ojai

Age

24

Narrative:

On 1-27-15 at approximately 7:30 p.m., deputies from the Ojai station along with Ventura County Fire Department personnel responded to the area of N. La Luna Avenue and Fairview Road. Sheriff's dispatch had received numerous calls of loud explosions in the area.

Patrol deputies at the scene developed information that the explosions were possibly coming from a specific address on N. La Luna. Patrol deputies were unable to locate the person who was responsible for the explosions or any evidence to confirm the explosions. Ojai station detectives took over the investigation and identified Travis Ross as the suspect in this case. Their investigation revealed that Ross has been building and detonating small bombs by filling plastic bags with a mixture of oxygen and propane. Once the bags were filled and sealed, a lighter or match was used to light a slow burning fuse.

This past summer there were several similar incidents reported to the Ojai Police Department that went unsolved. At this time, it is unknown if Ross was involved with those explosions. On January 30, 2015, Ross was arrested and booked into the Main Jail for making and detonating an explosive device. Ross' bail has been set at \$100,000.00.

Prepared by: R. Harwood, Sergeant

News Release Date: January 30, 2015

Media Follow-Up Detective Will Hollowell (805) 947-8083

Contact:

Approved by: Captain Reilly

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###

Camarillo - Local Dentist Arrested for Multiple Arsons

1/31/2015 2:49:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Arson Suspect

Report Number: 15-2173

Location: Two locations in Camarillo

Date: January 30th, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Arson Unit, Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit and Ventura County Fire Department Arson Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Leopold Weinstein	Moorpark	63

Narrative:

On January 30th, 2015, Detectives from the Sheriff's Office Arson Unit, Major Crimes Unit, Moorpark Police Department, Camarillo Police Department and Ventura County Fire Department Arson Unit served a search warrant at the residence of Leopold Weinstein in Moorpark. That same morning, Leopold Weinstein was arrested on three counts of arson of a structure, three counts of attempted arson of a structure, and possession of a silencer.

Leopold Weinstein's arrest was the result of several different units of the Sheriff's Office and Fire Department investigators working together. This, coupled with information provided to investigators early on in the investigation by a concerned citizen provided the clues necessary to conduct a thorough investigation that resulted in Leopold Weinstein's arrest.

The investigation started in June of 2014 when large amounts of flammable liquids were found on the roof of a dental building in Camarillo and it was obvious to investigators the suspect intended to use the liquids to commit arson. Less than two weeks later, another dental building in Camarillo was a victim of arson. Investigators looked into several different motives, but were left with very few clues. Over the following five months Leopold Weinstein was identified after his vehicle was observed near one of the locations at an odd time of day. The concerned citizen took a photo of the vehicle and passed it on to investigators, but the information was not immediately advantageous. It wasn't until investigators were able to determine a vehicle matching the description of the one provided by the citizen was observed in previous incidents.

On January 28th, 2015, a sixth, and final act of arson was committed by Leopold Weinstein at the original dental building that was targeted in June of 2014. Surveillance provided investigators a positive identification and caught Leopold Weinstein in the act of setting fire to the building. Leopold Weinstein's motives are not entirely clear, but he too is a dentist and it appears it was

financially motivated. Leopold Weinstein was booked at the Ventura County Sheriff's Main Jail and his bail is set at \$250,000. Leopold Weinstein is scheduled to appear in Court on Tuesday, February 3rd, 2015.

Prepared by: Detective Michael Rompal #3293

News Release Date: January 31st, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Michael Rompal (805) 797-7099

Approved by: Captain Reilly

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###

Camarillo Woman Arrested for Child Molestation

2/3/2015 5:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Child Molest Suspect

Report Number: 15-1940

Location: Camarillo, California

Date & Time: 02/02/2015 / 1545 Hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Tracey Marie Marsh	Camarillo	46
Juvenile Male		16

Narrative:

Tracey Marsh was arrested at her residence, located in the City of Camarillo, after an investigation was conducted in reference to a child molestation.

Detectives became aware of the incident(s) after the juvenile male victim disclosed to family members that Marsh had engaged in sexual acts with him, which had been ongoing over the past several months.

Detectives were able to gather evidence that corroborated the victim's statement. On 02/02/2015, Detectives with the Ventura County Sheriff's Major Crime Bureau contacted Marsh at her residence in Camarillo. Marsh was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Jail for child molestation charges with bail being set at \$50,000.00.

Prepared by: Detective Randy Skaggs / Major Crimes Bureau

News Release Date: 02/03/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Don Aguilar
(805) 797-7349

Approved by: Captain Chris Dunn / Major Crimes Bureau.

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Moorpark Police: Pedestrian Safety Reminders

2/5/2015 4:41:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Pedestrians in Bicycle Lanes PROHIBITED

Location: City of Moorpark

Date & Time: Monday, February 5, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark City Beat Coordinator

Narrative:

Jogging and walking in bicycle lanes when sidewalks are available is against California Vehicle Code law.

With the beautiful warmer days ahead, many people will be heading to the roadways and sidewalks throughout the City to enjoy the fresh air and scenery. We want to make sure that everyone enjoys this nice weather safely. It is very important to remember that bicycle lanes are for bicycles and not for jogging or walking.

Violations of this law can result in the violators receiving a citation.

California Vehicle Code---21966. States **no pedestrian shall** proceed along a bicycle path or lane where there is an adjacent adequate pedestrian facility (Added Ch. 751, Stats. 1976. Effective January 1, 1977.)

Be conscientious of all of those around us enjoying the outdoors and be respectful of the laws designed for our safety so we can all enjoy a great summer.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Beat Coordinator Robert Berger

Media Release Date: Thursday, February 5, 2015

Media Follow-Up: Senior Deputy Bob Berger (805) 620-8771

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

###

Oak Park Deputy's Traffic Stop Leads to Arrests for Drug Possession and Child

Endangerment

2/5/2015 4:38:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotic Arrests

Report Number: 15-2683

Location: Kanan @ 101 Freeway, 300 block of Alder Springs Drive, Oak Park

Date & Time: 2/4/2015, 1240 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Narcotics Unit.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Alvarez, James	Fillmore	29
Penuelas, Albert	Transient	27
Orduno, Elroy	Oak Park	29
Vitela, Penny	Oak Park	26

Narrative:

On 2/4/2015, Ventura County Sheriff's patrol deputies working the Oak Park area stopped a vehicle for a minor violation. They contacted the driver, James Alvarez and his passengers Elroy Orduno and Albert Penuelas. During the traffic stop, deputies discovered Alvarez was on active probation in Ventura County and the vehicle he was driving belonged to Orduno. They invoked Alvarez's probation search terms and searched Alvarez and the vehicle. Deputies located two pounds of high grade marijuana inside the vehicle. Deputies arrested all three subjects for conspiracy and possession for sales of marijuana. Deputies later determined Penuelas provided them false identifying information. The deputies were able to determine his true name and discovered he had two outstanding felony warrants.

Narcotic Detectives assisted with the investigation and served a search warrant at Orduno's residence located on the 300 block of Alder Springs Drive in Oak Park. Officers with the Thousand Oaks Directed Enforcement Team (DET) assisted Narcotic Detectives with the service of the search warrant. They contacted and detained Orduno's girlfriend, Penny Vitela and their two minor children, ages 4 and 6, inside the residence.

During the search of the residence, detectives located about two thousand Xanax pills, over 22 grams of methamphetamine, 5 grams of cocaine, small amount of marijuana and a loaded shotgun.

The condition of the house was unkempt and some of the drugs were found in locations that were within arm's reach for the minor children. Based on the circumstances, detectives began a Drug Endangered Children (DEC) investigation. Child Protective Services was contacted and notified of the situation. They immediately responded to assist with the investigation. At the conclusion,

Child Protective Services took custody of the children and removed them from the home.

The children's mother, Penny Vitela was arrested for child endangerment and she was later booked into the Main Jail in Ventura. Her bail is set at \$50,000

Elroy Orduno was arrested for violations of possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana for sale, possession for sale of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance with a firearm, and child abuse. His bail is set at \$70,000

James Alvarez was arrested for Transportation of Marijuana and his bail is set at \$50,000

Albert Penuelas was arrested for giving false information to a peace officer and conspiracy to transport marijuana and two felony warrants.

All four subjects are set to appear in court on February 6th, at 1:30 PM.

Prepared by: Sergeant Jose Rivera

News Release Date: 2/5/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Jose Rivera, jose.rivera@ventura.org,
(805) 797-6341

Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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###

Camarillo Police Parent Project Classes Starting March 5th

2/6/2015 12:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: The Parent Project ❖

Location: Camarillo Police Department

Date & Time: Beginning March 5, 2015 from 6:00-9:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department/ Community Resource Unit- Youth Services

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department has a great interest in ensuring children reach their scholastic and personal growth potential. In today's society, children face many obstacles, bad influences, and distractions, which create added difficulties for the parent(s) trying to raise them. Some children engage in harmful behaviors fueled by negative social influences including alcohol, drugs, gangs, and peer pressure.

In furtherance of our commitment to the community, the Camarillo Police Department is offering The Parent Project❖ Thursday evenings for ten weeks starting on March 5, 2015. Parents with difficult, defiant, or problematic children are encouraged to attend; however, all parents of middle and high school students will also benefit from this course. Our goal is to give parents guidance to help them develop more successful children. We are excited to offer these sessions and truly wish to support parents by offering strategies to deal with difficult children.

The course content consists of methods to address drugs, sex, gangs, poor grades, runaways, and violence. Additional content includes guidance in gaining children's compliance of house rules, how to never argue with your child again, and how to use other parents for support. Additional information can be reviewed at www.parentproject.com. This course is free however; there is a \$20 fee for the course workbook. Interested parents are asked to call Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger at (805) 388-5155 for further information.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger

News Release Date: February 6, 2015

Media Follow-Up
Contact:

Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger
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Approved by:

Captain Eric Dowd

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###

Sheriff's Narcotics Unit Arrest Agoura Man for Heroin Sales

2/6/2015 7:39:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest
Report Number: 15-2845
Location: 30000 block of Mulholland Highway, Agoura
Date & Time: 2/6/2015, 1310 hours
Unit Responsible: Sheriff's Narcotics Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Brass, Corey	Agoura	27

Narrative:

On 2/6/2015, Narcotic Detectives with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office concluded an investigation into Corey Brass who was selling heroin to residents in Los Angeles and Ventura Counties. Detectives arrested Brass as he left his residence located on the 30000 block of Mulholland Highway in Agoura. Brass was in possession of a small amount of heroin when he was detained by detectives.

Detectives served a search warrant at Brass' residence where they located over an ounce of heroin, a small amount of methamphetamine, over \$1500.00 in cash and evidence Brass was actively involved in the sales of illegal drugs.

Brass was arrested for possession for sales of a controlled substance. He was booked into the Ventura County Main Jail. He is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on 2/10/2015, at 1:30PM. His bail is set at \$50,000.

Prepared by: Sgt. Jose Rivera
Media Release Date: 2/6/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Jose Rivera, jose.rivera@ventura.org, 805-797-6341
Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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Headquarters Station: Three Arrested During Alcohol "Shoulder Tap" Operation

2/7/2015 10:17:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Alcohol 'Shoulder Tap' Operation

Report Number: N/A

Location: Unincorporated areas of West County/Headquarters Station

Date & Time: February 6, 2015 / 2- 10 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff, Headquarters Station

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Ojeda, Mario	Oxnard	51
(S) Oretta, John	Oxnard	34
(S) Valerio, Juan	Oxnard	36

Narrative:

On 2-6-2015, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office conducted an alcohol enforcement operation. Underage minor decoys were used, under the direct supervision of law enforcement officers, to solicit adults outside California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) licensed stores to purchase alcohol for the minors. The goal of this operation was to limit minors' access to alcohol.

Underage decoys were used in an attempt to solicit others to purchase alcohol for them in different locations throughout the unincorporated areas of West County. Approximately 19 subjects at 6 locations were solicited during the operation. Three adult males purchased alcohol for the minor decoys. The subjects were arrested for BP 25658(a) / furnishing alcohol to a minor. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Headquarters Station wants to thank the other 16 subjects who refused to purchase alcohol for the minors.

The Ventura County Sheriff Headquarters Station will continue to conduct periodic operations in an effort to prevent minors' access to alcohol.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Headquarters Station would like to remind the public that selling alcohol to, or purchasing alcohol for, minors is illegal and that alcohol is a factor in many homicides, suicides, and other unintentional injuries which along with car crashes are the four leading causes of death in 15-20 year olds. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office wants to remind the public to report incidents of underage drinking and illegal purchasing of alcohol.

Prepared by: Brian Richmond, Sergeant

News Release Date: February 7, 2015

Media Follow-Up Sergeant Brian Richmond, (805) 654-2110

Contact:

Approved by: Patti Salas, Captain

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###

Thousand Oaks Traffic Unit: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint Results from

2/9/15

2/10/2015 10:36:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks
Reino Road north of Lesser Drive
Avenida de Las Flores west of Young Avenue

Date & Time: February 9, 2015, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint Nets 1 Arrest

Thousand Oaks, CA ' Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a Driver's License/DUI checkpoint on February 9, 2015, first on Reino Road north of Lesser Drive and then on Avenida de Las Flores west of Young Avenue between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Checkpoints are placed in locations that have the greatest opportunity for achieving unlicensed and drunk driving deterrence and provide the greatest safety for officers and the public.

Driver's License/DUI checkpoints have been shown to lower DUI deaths and injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive drunk or drugged impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging everyone to use sober designated drivers.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), checkpoints have provided the most effective documented results of any of the DUI enforcement strategies, while also yielding considerable cost savings of \$6 for every \$1 spent. Ninety Percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

- 531 Vehicles Screened
- 1 DUI-Alcohol suspect arrested
- 7 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 26 Citations issued
- 5 Citations issued for driving outside the parameters of the license provisions
- 1 Vehicle towed

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting another Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint on

March 14, 2015 in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and injuries upon our streets and highways.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 9-1-1!

Prepared by: Barbara Payton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: February 10, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
Brad.clifton@ventura.org

Approved by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

Fillmore Injury Accident

2/14/2015 9:13:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Injury Traffic Collision

Report Number: RB# 15-3479

Location: Ventura at 'C' Street, Fillmore Ca.

Date & Time: 02/13/2015 / 1738 hours.

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore City Units / Traffic Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(P) Gamble, Robert	Santa Maria	Unk.
(P) Terry, Harrison	Santa Paula, Ca.	75
(V) Unknown Name	Santa Paula, Ca.	81
(V) Unknown Name	Santa Paula, Ca.	58

Narrative:

On 2-13-2015, at approximately 1738 hours, Fillmore Deputies were dispatched to an injury accident at the intersection of Ventura Street (SR126) and 'C' Street. The accident included two vehicles, a Ford F250 pickup and a Chrysler PT Cruiser. The driver of the Ford Pickup, Robert Gamble, was traveling westbound on Ventura Street and the Driver of the PT Cruiser, Harrison Terry, was traveling eastbound preparing to make a left turn (North) onto 'C' Street. As the two vehicles entered the intersection they collided head on. The Ford Truck continued Westbound colliding with the traffic control light pole on the corner, taking the pole down. Due to the significant injuries, Traffic Investigator Sr. Deputy John Popp was called to the scene. Terry and his two passengers were transported to VCMC for injuries ranging from minor to major injuries. Gamble was uninjured.

Prepared by: Dave Sparks / Sergeant

News Release Date: February 14, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Traffic Investigator: John Popp. (805)388-5146 / john.popp@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Reilly

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###

Cops Running For Charity To Run Antarctic Peninsula in March

2/17/2015 5:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Cops Running For Charity To Run On Seventh Continent

Location: Antarctic Peninsula

Date & Time: Mar. 9, 2015 @ 9:00 am

Unit(s) Responsible: Cops Running For Charity

Narrative:

After years of running all over the world and burning through countless pairs of shoes, Cops Running For Charity has reached a major milestone. They will be running a marathon in Antarctica. This will mark the realization of a long-standing goal to compete in marathons on all seven continents.

Logistically, running in Antarctica requires much more planning than their previous trips abroad. Just getting there will be an adventure in itself. The group will travel from Los Angeles to Buenos Aires, and then on to Ushuaia in Tierra Del Fuego. From there, the men will board a Russian icebreaker that will take them across the Southern Ocean via the Drake Passage on a four-day journey to the Antarctic Peninsula.

Despite it being summertime in the southern hemisphere, the race will take place in sub-freezing temperatures on ice-covered roads linking scientific research stations along the peninsula. Race organizers will have their hands full ensuring runners are adequately equipped for the difficult conditions during the race.

For years, CRFC has been making its mark in major running events throughout the world, including a multi-day run in the Sahara Desert, a marathon on China's Great Wall, as well as events in Iceland, Siberia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Easter Island, Patagonia, Ireland, and numerous major marathons in the United States.

All of their events fulfill multiple goals for the group. They raise thousands of dollars for local medical charities, they promote physical fitness, and they enjoy the camaraderie of sharing their travels and adventures throughout the world.

The Antarctica team will consist of Thousand Oaks Chief of Police Commander Tim Hagel, Ojai Chief of Police Captain Dave Kenney, Sergeant Frank Underlin Ret., Captain Paul Higgason Ret., and Thousand Oaks Chief of Police Commander Randy Pentis Ret.

The team has raised more than \$300,000 for organizations such as Children's Hospital Los Angeles, ALS, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Ventura County, Camarillo Hospice, and Make-a-Wish Foundation.

The idea of starting CRFC started on the back of a cocktail napkin more than ten years ago. The team's motivation can be summed up by a quote from Winston Churchill: 'We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.'

For more information about the team and how you can help support their charities, visit www.copsrunningforcharity.com or contact Commander Tim Hagel at (805)947-8189 or retired Commander Randy Pentis at (818)661-8540.

Prepared by: Sgt. Eric Buschow

News Release Date: Feb. 12, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Eric Buschow (805)947-8129
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Approved by: Cmdr. Tim Hagel

###

Two Arrested for Overdose Death of 19-year-old Thousand Oaks Man

2/18/2015 3:47:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrests Made in Thousand Oaks Overdose Death

Report Number: 14-10788

Location: 3300 block of Hollygrove, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: May 11, 2014

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes
Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Corita Aburto	Thousand Oaks	36
(S) Mateo Peterson	Thousand Oaks	20
(V) Bradley Marquez	Thousand Oaks	19

Narrative:

On May 11, 2014, Bradley Marquez died from an overdose of heroin and valium at a residence in the 3300 block of Hollygrove, Thousand Oaks. After several months of investigation, multiple search warrants, and numerous interviews, detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Unit and the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit concluded their investigation with the arrest of Corita Aburto and Mateo Peterson for their role in Marquez' death.

The investigation revealed all three subjects were using heroin and valium at Aburto's residence on May 11, 2014, in the 3300 block of Hollygrove, Thousand Oaks. Marquez suffered an overdose from the drugs. Instead of immediately calling 911, Peterson, Aburto, and another subject at the residence, who happened to be a nurse, attempted to treat him themselves. After several hours and no improvement in his condition, Marquez was dragged out of the house and left at a neighbor's door step. Peterson and Aburto then attempted to destroy and hide Marquez' phone and then Peterson 'discovered' Marquez and called 911. Peterson initially disavowed any knowledge of Marquez' identity and Aburto hid in the residence. Paramedics responded and pronounced death.

The Ventura County District Attorney's Office filed one count of 11366 of the California Health and Safety Code / Maintaining a Place for drug use or sales against Aburto. The Ventura County District Attorney's Office filed one count of 32 of the California Penal Code / Accessory after the fact and one count of 135 of the California Penal Code / Destroying or concealing evidence against Peterson. The investigation is continuing as to who supplied Marquez the drugs and additional charges are possible.

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of the task force is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use. Anyone with information regarding these topics is encouraged to contact the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit at (805) 383-8700 or via e-mail at pharm.tip@ventura.org.

The task force investigates all drug related overdose deaths in the County of Ventura and will continue to aggressively pursue all individuals involved in the furnishing of drugs resulting in another person's death. Arrests will be made and cases will be presented to the District Attorney's Office in investigations where investigators believe charges can and should be filed. All too often, young adults begin their opiate addiction innocently enough with exposure to prescription medication received for an injury. They may also be introduced to medication through friends or family. Prescription medication use, sometimes leads to abuse. This abuse of highly addictive, yet very expensive drugs, regularly leads to heroin use. Heroin users become heroin dealers to support their habits. It is a vicious cycle that very frequently ends in tragedy and death.

The PCU supports responsible prescribing and dispensing of opiate medication from doctors and pharmacists, in the hope that increased scrutiny from medical professionals will curtail heroin abuse in the future. Several sources state that the United States has about 5% of the world's population but consumes nearly 80% of the opiate medications produced, most notably 99% of the world's hydrocodone (Vicodin).

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: February 18, 2015

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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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**Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit Arrests Three for Drugs,
Stolen Motorcycles and Child Endangerment**

2/18/2015 3:42:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Three Arrested in Cocaine Sales / Motorcycle Theft / Child Endangerment Investigation

Report Number: 15-1737

Location: Ventura and Los Angeles Counties

Date & Time: February 17, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) George Ramirez	Los Angeles	26
(S) Francisco Ramirez	Los Angeles	38
(S) Eddy Franco	Los Angeles	22

Narrative:

On February 18, 2015, the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit concluded an investigation into an organization dealing cocaine to teenagers and young adults in the east end area of Ventura County. George Ramirez, Francisco Ramirez, and Eddy Franco were arrested after it was learned they were in possession of nine ounces of cocaine destined for Ventura County. This investigation was a continuation of a prior investigation that was conducted in September of last year, when Marco and Sandy Cuevas were arrested for similar activity.

Search warrants were served at Ramirez' residences in the 6600 block of Chimineas and 5600 block of Tyrone in the City of Los Angeles. Additional cocaine and several thousand dollars in US Currency were located at the Chimineas address. Motorcycle 'chop-shops' were located at both locations and three stolen full motorcycles, two stolen motorcycle frames, a stolen motorcycle engine, and thousands of dollars in suspected stolen motorcycle parts were recovered. One of the motorcycles was stolen out of the City of Simi Valley. George Ramirez was also arrested for felony child endangerment when his three and eight year old children were found home alone with cocaine accessible to them.

George and Francisco Ramirez are in custody at the Ventura County Main Jail with a bail of \$500,000. Eddy Franco is in custody at the Ventura County Main Jail with a bail of \$100,000. They all have court dates on February 19, 2015.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force comprised of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, and the California Highway Patrol. The primary mission of the task force is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger

population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use. Anyone with information regarding these topics is encouraged to contact the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit at (805) 383-8700 or via e-mail at pharm.tip@ventura.org.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office East County Narcotics Street Team and the Ventura County Auto Theft Task Force assisted in the investigation.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: February 18, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Victor Fazio
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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

###

Thousand Oaks Police: Red Light Scam

2/19/2015 1:37:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Police Warn Public of Red Light Scam

Location: Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: 02/17/2015 ' 1:30 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Investigations Unit

Narrative:

Scammers have been busy pretending to be police officer's by defrauding residents out of thousands of dollars by employing the red light scam.

Recently, several Thousand Oaks residents have been contacted by phone claiming their photograph was captured while failing to stop for a red light at an intersection. The suspect tells the victim the violation had been ignored and there is a warrant for their arrest. The victim is told the warrant can be cleared by paying the bail. The victim is instructed to purchase a 'Reload It' gift card for the full amount of the bail and to re-contact the suspect to provide the information on the gift card. This information allows the suspect to take the money from the card. Once the money is removed from the card, the money is lost.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department and other local police agencies do not attempt to collect fines by phone. Traffic violators are told to either go to court to pay the fine or mail their payment to the courthouse. No police agency will ask you to pay a fine using a gift card or reloadable card.

Although the intersections within the city of Thousand Oaks are not equipped with red light cameras, we ask residents to drive safely. Avoid becoming a victim of a scam by researching the particular request from the suspect or by calling Detective Lohman (805) 494-8232, before you send money or reloadable gift cards.

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: February 19, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Timothy Lohman (805) 494-8232
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Approved by: Captain Ross Bonfiglio

Thousand Oaks: Three Arrested for Possession of Drugs for Sale

2/20/2015 12:42:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotic Arrests-Thousand Oaks

Report Number: 15-3865

Location: 100 block Maegan Place, Thousand Oaks
1200 block Avenida De Los Arboles, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: 2/18/2015, 0700 hours

Unit Responsible: Sheriff's Narcotics Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Hernandez, Ricardo	Thousand Oaks	34
Castro, Alberto	Thousand Oaks	27
Hernandez, Alejandro	Thousand Oaks	34

Narrative:

On 2/18/2015, deputies with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office served an eviction order on Ricardo Hernandez, 100 block of Maegan Place. Hernandez was home and left the residence after being served with eviction and stay away orders. Shortly after Hernandez left, deputies observed illegal drugs inside the residence.

Sheriff Narcotic Detectives responded to assist with the investigation. A search warrant was obtained and the residence was searched. Detectives located numerous grams of methamphetamine packaged for sale, loaded shotgun, two assault rifles- one of which was a loaded AK47 rifle, two loaded handguns, ballistic vest, various military knives and evidence that Hernandez was actively involved in the sales of illegal drugs.

After completing the search of the residence, detectives conducted a surveillance of the location in hopes that Hernandez would return. An hour later, Hernandez arrived at the location with Alberto Castro and Alejandro Hernandez. All three subjects entered the residence and left after a few minutes. Detectives followed them away from the residence where deputies with the Thousand Oaks Police Directed Enforcement Team conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle and arrested Hernandez.

During the traffic stop, the deputies determined Alberto Castro and Alejandro Hernandez were under the influence of a controlled substance and they were arrested. They also provided false identification to the deputies but their true identities were quickly determined with the use of a portable fingerprint identification system. The fingerprint identification device that identified Castro also alerted deputies that Castro had three outstanding warrants for his arrest.

Detectives searched the vehicle and located over 19 grams of methamphetamine and evidence of illegal drugs sales. Detectives determined Alberto Castro and Alejandro Hernandez both

resided at a residence located on the 1200 block of Avenida De Los Arboles. Based on the ongoing investigation, detectives obtained a search warrant for their residence on Avenida De Los Arboles.

Shortly after 2200 hours, Narcotic detectives and deputies with the Directed Enforcement Team converged on Castro and Hernandez's residence and served the warrant. They encountered over 15 individuals inside the residence and had to summon patrol units to assist with the service of the warrant.

After securing the residence, detectives observed numerous make shift shelters and room additions that were made into living quarters. The shelters and rooms were obviously not up to code so detectives requested the assistance of the City of Thousand Oaks Code Enforcement. An officer from Code Enforcement arrived and conducted an investigation. A determination as the status of the residence will be made at a later time.

Detectives searched the residence for evidence of drug activity, but nothing notable was found.

Ricardo Hernandez was arrested for disobeying a court order, possession for sale of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance with a firearm, and possession of ammunition designated to penetrate metal or armor. His bail is set at \$50,000

Alberto Castro was arrested for possession for sales of a controlled substance, transportation of controlled substance, under the influence of a controlled substance, drug paraphernalia, conspiracy, providing false information, and three outstanding warrants. His bail is set at \$70,000

Alejandro Hernandez was arrested for possession for sales of a controlled substance, possession for sale of a designated controlled substance, and conspiracy. His bail is set at \$50,000

All three subjects are scheduled to appear in court on 2/20/2015, at 1:30PM.

Prepared by: Sergeant Jose Rivera

Media Release Date: 2/19/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Jose Rivera, 805-797-6341, jose.rivera@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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Podiatrist Arrested for Prescription Fraud

2/21/2015 10:58:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Ventura Podiatrist Arrested for Prescription Fraud

Report Number: 15-3983

Location: 1100 block of Pacific Highway, San Diego

Date & Time: February 20, 2015 at 08:00 am

Unit(s) Responsible: Division of Investigation- Health Quality Investigation Unit
Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Dr. Randolph Nordyke	San Diego	60

Narrative:

On February 20, 2015, members of the Health Quality Investigation Unit (HQIU) of the California Division of Investigation (formerly known as the Medical Board of California) and the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit (PCU) arrested Dr. Randolph Nordyke for multiple health and safety code and penal code violations, at his home in San Diego, California.

The HQIU and PCU concluded an investigation into Podiatrist Randolph Nordyke on February 20, 2015, with his arrest and service of a search warrant at his home. Investigators recently learned Dr. Nordyke, who was reportedly retired from his Ventura practice, was doctor shopping, and falsifying prescriptions, in order to feed his own oxycodone addiction. Dr. Nordyke, on multiple occasions, wrote prescriptions in one of his former Ventura County patient's name for large amounts of oxycodone. Dr. Nordyke then went to Ventura and San Diego area pharmacies and picked up the prescriptions posing as the husband of the patient. Dr. Nordyke was also visiting multiple doctors in the Ventura County area to obtain oxycodone prescriptions.

Dr. Nordyke was arrested for charges including identity theft, unlawfully prescribing controlled substances, forging prescriptions, and burglary. The investigation is continuing as to the extent of his doctor shopping as well as identifying other potential identity theft victims.

Dr. Nordyke relinquished his privilege to prescribe controlled substances to the Drug Enforcement Administration who also assisted in the investigation.

Dr. Nordyke is in custody at the Ventura County Main Jail with a bail of \$50,000.

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pharm.tip@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: February 20, 2015

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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

###

Suspect Arrested for Setting Fire to Vehicles at County Government Center

2/21/2015 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Suspect Arrested on Arson Charges for Vehicle Fires at County Government Center

Report Number: 15-4075

Location: Ventura County Government Center
800 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura

Date & Time: February 21, 2015 @ 4:15 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, Bomb Squad, Arson Unit, Ventura County Fire Department Arson Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Landis, Jeffrey	Santa Monica	36

Narrative:

On February 21, in the early morning hours, patrol deputies responded to a report of vehicles on fire at the Ventura County Government Center public parking lot. Upon arrival at the scene there were several parked vehicles on fire as they encountered suspect Jeffrey Landis. Deputies attempted to detain Landis for arson but he resisted. Less Lethal force and a Sheriff's K9 was used to take Landis into custody. Landis sustained minor injuries and has been booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility.

The vehicle fires were first observed by CHP officers as they were leaving the Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Shortly after, deputies arrived on scene and arrested Landis. Ventura City Fire Department extinguished the fire. Landis was treated at a local hospital for his injuries prior booking.

Five vehicles were burned. Four of the vehicles were property of the County of Ventura. One County of Ventura vehicle had moderate damage. The rest of the burned vehicles were total losses.

A small backpack claimed by Landis was on the ground at the scene of the vehicle fires. Landis made statements of a possible explosive device in the backpack. The Sheriff's Bomb Squad responded and rendered the backpack safe. There were no evacuations or street closures during the incident.

Sheriff's and Ventura County Fire Department Arson Investigators as well as Sheriff's Major Crimes detectives are continuing with the investigation. Anyone with information about this incident is urged to call Sheriff's Major Crimes Detective Ryan Clark at (805) 384-4721. Landis was booked for arson and resisting arrest. His bail is set at \$ 20,000.

Prepared by: Captain Don Aguilar

News Release Date: 2/21/15

Media Follow-Up Captain Don Aguilar (805) 797-7349

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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Sheriff Releases 2014 Crime Statistics

2/23/2015 9:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Sheriff Releases 2014 Crime Statistics

Location: Countywide

Date & Time: January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Crime Analysis Unit

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has released its 2014 Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) statistics for Part I Crimes in all Sheriff's jurisdictions. Overall, Part I Crimes were down 10%. Reported Violent Crime was up 1% and Property Crime was down 11%.

Specifically, the cities of Thousand Oaks, Fillmore, and Ojai saw an increase in burglaries, mainly commercial type. Additionally, the city of Ojai saw an increase in grand thefts, which included thefts from vehicles and buildings. The city of Fillmore had an increase in 'Aggravated Assault' with the use of a firearm. One of these reported assaults was a shooting at a group of 11 people who were classified as victims. A single shot was fired at the group and none of the victims were injured. While reviewing the information, you will notice an increase in the category of 'Rape.' In January of 2014, the definition changed and the UCR Program started collecting uniform information from law enforcement agencies with the new definition of 'Rape' which broadened the scope of the previously narrow definition. For more information about this change, visit <http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr/new-rape-fact-sheet>.

This new definition will redistribute currently captured crime information from the category Part II 'Sex Offenses' to the category Part I 'Rape.' As predicted by the FBI Assistant Director of the Criminal Justice Information Services Division, there will be a more accurate accounting of rape crimes alone with a noticeable increase in the category this year.'

The full report can be viewed at: <http://goo.gl/bC7Uf5>.

Part of our success as a law enforcement agency is due to our partnerships with the communities we serve. We encourage people to actively report suspicious and/or criminal activity immediately by calling 9-1-1. Non-emergency reports can be made through our Sheriff's Communication Center by calling (805) 654-9511.

For questions on specific patrol area crime statistics please contact:

Camarillo Police Department

Commander Monica McGrath: 388-5102

Fillmore Police Department

Captain Dave Wareham: 524-2233

Moorpark Police Department

Captain Steve Wade: 532-2705

Ojai Police Department

Captain Dave Kenney: 646-1418

Thousand Oaks Police Department

Commander Tim Hagel: 494-8265

Prepared by:

Captain Don Aguilar

News Release Date:

February 23, 2015

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Approved by:

Assistant Sheriff Steve DeCesari

Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility: Inmate Arrested for Attempt Murder of Fellow Inmate

2/23/2015 8:26:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Ventura County Sheriff's Inmate Slashes The Face Of Another Inmate

Report Number: 15-3713

Location: Ventura County Sheriff's Pre Trial Detention Facility

Date & Time: February 17, 2015 / 0830 Hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Detention Services Division & Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Male Victim	Oxnard	34
(S) Anthony Aaron Baty	Ventura	28

Narrative:

On February 17, 2015, Ventura County Sheriff's Inmate Anthony Baty walked up to another inmate who was asleep on his bed and slashed him with a jail made 'shank' (knife) across his face just missing his neck area. Medical staff and jail personnel responded and treated the victim for his injury. The victim was transported and received further treatment at the Ventura County Medical Center (VCMC).

An investigation by the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau and Jail Classification Unit was conducted. It appeared Baty and the victim had a verbal argument the day prior which prompted Inmate Baty to attack the victim.

The victim sustained an approximate 6' laceration to the right side of his lower face. The victim was treated for his injury and returned to the Ventura County Jail.

Baty was subsequently arrested for 664/187 PC (attempted murder) and 4502(b) PC (manufacture a weapon in a custody facility).

Prepared by: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre

News Release Date: February 23, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre / 805 384-4730
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Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith

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Camarillo Man Arrested for Child Molestation

2/27/2015 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Child Molest Suspect

Report Number: 15-4173

Location: Unincorporated Area Near Camarillo

Date & Time: 02/22/2015 / 8:10 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Donald Osborne Hatch	Camarillo	71
Juvenile Female		4

Narrative:

On February 22, 2015, Investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau arrested Donald Osborne Hatch for child molestation. Hatch had molested a 4-year-old child while the victim was at Hatch's residence. Hatch is currently in custody at the Ventura County Pre-Trail Detention Facility on \$1,000,000.00 bail. Hatch will be arraigned in Ventura County Superior Court on March 9, 2015.

Anyone with further information is asked to contact the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, Detective Randy Skaggs at 805-384-4725.

Prepared by: Detective Randy Skaggs / Major Crimes Bureau

News Release Date: 02/26/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Ryan Clark / Major Crimes Bureau
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Ryan.clark@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith / Major Crimes Bureau.

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Ojai: One Arrested in Alcohol Shoulder Tap Operation

3/1/2015 12:01:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Alcohol 'Shoulder Tap Operation'
Report Number: N/A
Location: Various Retail Locations ' Ojai Valley
Date & Time: February 28, 2015 / 2 pm until /10 pm
Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
1 adult male		

Narrative:

On 2-28-2014, the Ojai Police Department conducted an alcohol enforcement operation. Underage minor decoys were used, under the direct supervision of law enforcement officers, to solicit adults outside California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) licensed stores to purchase alcohol for the minors. The goal of this operation was to limit minors' access to alcohol.

Three underage decoys were used in an attempt to solicit others to purchase alcohol for them in different locations throughout the City of Ojai and the surrounding unincorporated areas. Approximately 33 subjects at four different locations were solicited during the operation. One adult male purchased alcohol for the minor decoys. The one male subject was arrested for BP 25658(a) / furnishing alcohol to a minor. The Ojai Police Department wants to thank the other 32 subjects who refused to purchase alcohol for the minors. The Ojai Police Department will continue to conduct periodic operations in an effort to prevent minors' access to alcohol.

The Ojai Police Department would like to remind the public that selling alcohol to, or purchasing alcohol for, minors is illegal and that alcohol is a factor in many homicides, suicides, and other unintentional injuries which along with car crashes are the four leading causes of death in 15-20 year olds. The Ojai Police Department encourages the public to report incidents of underage drinking and illegal purchasing of alcohol.

Prepared by: Sgt. R. Harwood
News Release Date: February 28, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Will Hollowell (805) 947-8083
Approved by: Captain Mark Franke

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Thousand Oaks: Local Business Man Killed in Solo Motorcycle Accident

3/1/2015 5:04:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Local Business Man Killed in Solo Motorcycle Accident

Report Number: RB#15-4693

Location: Skyline Auto Center, N. Skyline Drive, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: February 28, 2015 5:02 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau

<u>(P)arty</u>	City of Residence	Age
Male Adult	Thousand Oaks	49 yrs.

Narrative:

On Saturday, February 28, 2015, at approximately 5:02 PM, a 49 year old male was riding a motorcycle at his business, attempting to load the motorcycle into a truck/trailer. For unknown reasons, the rider was unable to load the motorcycle, and both he and the motorcycle struck the ground. The male motorcyclist suffered critical injuries and was transported to Los Robles Hospital for treatment. Several hours later, he succumbed to his injuries. At this time, he will not be identified pending notification of next of kin.

There are limited details as this incident is currently under investigation by the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Traffic Bureau. Citizens who may have knowledge of the accident, are asked to call the Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau at 805-494.8271.

We would also encourage motorcycle riders to be vigilant in their safe driving habits, and to always wear a motorcycle helmet, whether a driver or a passenger.

Prepared by: Sgt. B. Payton

Media Release Date: March 1, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. B. Payton
805-494-8246
Traffic Investigator Deputy Mike Berg
805-494-8271

Approved by: Captain John Reilly

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responsible for this crime. The caller may remain anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

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Lockwood Valley Station Seeks Off-Highway Vehicle Grant Funds

3/2/2015 3:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Seeks Off-Highway Vehicle Grant Funds

Location: Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station

Date & Time: February 26, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: West County Patrol Services/Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Lockwood Valley Station, is applying for a grant from the California State Park Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division. This year's State Parks grant budget is anticipated to be about \$5,400,000 designated for distribution to law enforcement agencies within the state. The Sheriff's Office is seeking approximately \$72,508 of the designated funds.

The Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station covers approximately 610 square miles in the northern back county of Ventura County, which includes areas of the Los Padres National Forest and Hungry Valley State Vehicular Recreation Area. These areas have approximately 300 miles of dedicated recreational Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) trails. Deputies assigned to the Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station regularly patrol these OHV areas and are subject to call outs for OHV related collision, injuries, and search and rescue operations.

The funds being sought will be invaluable to the Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station and will enable deputies to establish off-highway patrols to provide information, education, and enforcement actions as needed.

The grant application can be viewed and your comment(s) can be submitted at the California State Parks OHV Division website www.ohv.parks.ca.gov. Comments can be made from March 3, 2015 through April 6, 2015.

Prepared by: Deputy Matthew Caezza / Lockwood Valley Station

News Release Date: March 2, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Caezza or Deputy Knowlton (661) 245-3829

Approved by: Captain Dave Kenney

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***person(s) responsible for this crime. The caller may remain anonymous.
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Camarillo Detectives Arrest "Hot Prowl" Burglary Suspect

3/3/2015 4:47:00 PM

Nature of Incident: 'Hot Prowl' Burglary Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 15-4559

Location: 500 Block of Vineyard Avenue, Oxnard

Date & Time: February 27, 2015 at 12:30 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Detectives and Special Enforcement Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Sims, Keagon Alexander (aka Smith, Keagon)

City of Residence

Oxnard

Narrative:

On February 27, 2015, detectives from the Camarillo Investigations Bureau and Special Enforcement Unit arrested Keagon Sims for first degree residential burglary and elder abuse.

Between 9:00 PM on February 26, 2015 and 7:30 AM on February 27, 2015, a suspect(s) entered the residence, located in the 1800 block of Onda Drive, in Camarillo, and stole several guns from a gun cabinet and a flat screen television. The elderly victim was sleeping in a bedroom during the commission of the crime. The suspect(s) closed the victim's bedroom door during the commission of the crime.

Camarillo detectives began their investigation of the burglary and determined a window at the back of the residence had been purposely left unsecured. The victim reported that no one other than a carpet cleaner had been in the residence recently and the victim had not left the window unsecured. Detectives learned the victim hired the carpet cleaner, Keagon Sims, via Facebook. When Sims arrived at the residence to clean the carpet, the victim was skeptical he was a professional carpet cleaner, due to the fact his equipment appeared to be rented from a grocery store.

Detectives followed up on this information and learned that Sims was currently on probation for Identity Theft and was living at one of two locations in the city of Oxnard. Detectives set up surveillance at the locations and located Sims in the 500 block of Vineyard Avenue. Detectives conducted a probation search at the location and located the three rifles and the flat screen television that belonged to the victim.

Sims was arrested for first degree residential burglary and elder abuse. He was booked at the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility in lieu of \$60,000.00 bail.

The Sheriff's Office would like to remind the public to be extremely careful when hiring people

from social media outlets or other un-vetted employment sources. It is always a good idea to seek recommendations from family, friends or neighbors when hiring someone to do work on the inside or outside of your residence.

Prepared by: Sergeant Pete O'Sullivan

News Release Date: March 3, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Gene Martinez
(805)388-5149

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Camarillo Detectives Arrest Mail and Package Theft Suspect

3/3/2015 4:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Mail Theft Suspect Arrested
Report Number: 15-4533
Location: 1600 block of E. Daily Drive, Camarillo
Date & Time: February 27, 2015 at 12:00 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence
Gross, Ethan	Camarillo

Narrative:

On February 27, 2015 at 12:00 PM, detectives from the Camarillo Investigations Bureau arrested Ethan Gross for possession of stolen property, identity theft and several drug related offenses at a local motel in Camarillo.

Between February 12 and 13, 2015, a suspect stole mail from the victim's mailbox in the 100 block of Granada Street, in the city of Camarillo.

On February 20, 2015, a suspect stole a UPS package, containing a vehicle part, from the front porch of a residence located in the 1600 block of Jose Avenue, in the city of Camarillo.

Camarillo detectives investigated these cases and learned that the distinctive vehicle part was being advertised for sale on Craigslist. Detectives were able to identify the seller of the part was Ethan Gross. They learned Gross was on local probation for narcotics, burglary and other theft related offences.

On February 27, 2015, detectives conducted a probation search at Gross' residence and recovered the stolen vehicle part. Detectives later located Gross at a local motel in Camarillo, and conducted a search of the room. There they located drugs, drug paraphernalia, mail and checks from the mail theft on Granada Street.

Gross was arrested for possession of stolen property, identity theft, possession of narcotics, under the influence of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. Gross was booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility in lieu of \$80,000.00 bail.

Prepared by: Sergeant Pete O'Sullivan

News Release Date: March 3, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Scott Norris @ (805) 388-5120

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Fillmore Vehicle Pursuit and Arrest

3/3/2015 8:45:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Suspect arrested for a Stolen Vehicle, Felony Evading, Hit and Run, and Burglary

Report Number: 15-4808

Location: Mountain View and Sespe Ave.

Date & Time: March 3, 2015, 1030-1430 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Jesus Mora

City of Residence

Fillmore

Age

25

Narrative:

Today at 0900 AM, a deputy from the Fillmore station ran a routine records check on a parked vehicle. The check revealed the vehicle was recently stolen out of the Palmdale area of Los Angeles County. While he was watching the vehicle, (S) Jesus Mora got into the car and drove away. The deputy attempted to initiate a traffic stop on Mora at 2nd St. and Island View, but Mora accelerated and started a vehicle pursuit. They traveled to Second St. and Mountain View and fled south on Mountain View through a school zone. Speeds were estimated near 60 MPH as Mora drove through the intersection of Sespe and Mountain View, passing a vehicle that was stopped to make a right hand turn onto Mountain View. This action, in addition to the dip in the roadway intersection and the wet surface, appear to have caused Mora to lose control of the car. He sideswiped a parked vehicle and started to rotate 360 degrees. The rear bumper then collided into another parked car, totaling it, and pushing it more than 50 feet south on Mountain View. The vehicle's rear passenger's door collided into an electric pole, pushing it 18-24 inches into the vehicle, and causing the vehicle to spin in the opposite direction into a block wall and knocking it over, finally coming to rest into a residence's driveway on the west side of the 400 block of Mountain View.

The deputy, who pursued with lights and sirens, saw the vehicle lose control and slowed, seeing the collision unfold before him. The sole occupant and driver, who was partially ejected through the passenger's front window, was able to immediately get out through the window and flee over one fence, into the backyard, and over the rear fences of the 400 block of Mountain View.

The deputy attempted to chase the suspect, but injured his knee while running and had to discontinue the foot chase. A security perimeter was quickly set up around the neighborhood. San Cayetano Elementary was locked down during the search. A School Resource Officer was assigned to maintain the perimeter of the school and ensure the safety of the students and faculty until the end of the incident or school.

The Sheriff's helicopter, a K-9, additional deputies from other areas and citizens patrol members

arrived to help secure the perimeter and execute the search. A detailed search was conducted of backyards, garages, and open residences without initial success. After nearly four hours of searching, the suspect, Mora, was located in a locked garage within the perimeter. Mora had changed clothes and was hiding under blankets and behind objects in the garage. Mora was taken into custody without further incident. He will be charged with felony evading in a car, possession of a stolen vehicle, burglary into a dwelling, and hit and run. Mora suffered minor injuries from the collision and was booked into the Sheriff's Pretrial Detention Facility after receiving medical treatment at a local hospital.

Prepared by: Captain Dave Wareham

News Release Date: March 2, 2015

Media Follow-Up Detective Javier Chavez Cell 947 -9128

Contact:

Approved by: Captain Reilly

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Help Us Identify Theft Suspects

3/3/2015 9:55:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Police seek the public's assistance in identifying theft suspect

Report Number: #15-411, #15-425

Location: Thousand Oaks and Los Angeles, CA

Date & Time: January 4, 2015, 11:15 A.M.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Unk Adult Male

City of Residence

Unk

Age

60-75

Narrative:

In early January 2015, the suspect in the attached surveillance photographs used several victims' debit card information to fraudulently withdraw money from ATM machines in the cities of Thousand Oaks and Los Angeles. The suspect is described as a white male between 60-75 years old and has darker, graying hair. He appears to be unshaven with a thin gray beard and mustache. All the victims still had their ATM cards in their possession at the time of the crimes, and how the suspect obtained the victims' information is still under investigation.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect in the photographs. Anybody with information regarding the suspect in the photos is encouraged to contact Detective Chris Jones at 805-371-8396.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind its residents to frequently check their credit reports and monitor their savings/checking accounts for unauthorized activity. If any suspicious activity is noted, immediately call your financial institution and report it to the Thousand Oaks Police Department at 805-654-9511.

Prepared by: Detective Chris Jones #3597

Media Release Date: February 26, 2015

Media Follow-Up Senior Deputy Tim Lohman 805-947-8255

Contact:

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Thousand Oaks Police Increase Patrols for Distracted Drivers

3/4/2015 7:53:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Distracted Driver Enforcement Patrols

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: March 6, 2015, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

Thousand Oaks Police Department to Step Up Enforcement for Distracted Drivers

In an effort to make our roads safer, the Thousand Oaks Police Department is deploying extra traffic enforcement officers on Friday, March 6, 2015, to stop distracted driving. Thousand Oaks PD is spreading the message that distracted drivers are not only a danger to themselves, but everyone else on the road.

Using an electronic device while driving is a serious safety problem. Most drivers know that texting while driving is a dangerous behavior, but many still use their cell phones and other mobile devices when they are behind the wheel, putting themselves and others at risk. Many drivers see distracted driving as risky when other drivers do it, but do not recognize how their own driving deteriorates.

In 2012, 3,328 people were killed and 421,000 were injured nationwide in crashes involving a distracted driver. That same year, eleven percent of fatal crashes were reported as distraction-affected crashes.

While anything that takes your eyes off the road, hands off the wheel, or mind off the task of driving is a hazard, there is heightened concern about the risks of texting while driving because it combines all three types of distraction ' visual, manual and cognitive. In addition, most drivers aren't aware that just talking on a cell phone, hand held or hands free, can lead to 'inattention blindness' as critical brain functions needed for driving are used for cell phone talking.

At any given daylight moment across America, there are about 660,000 drivers using cell phones or manipulating electronic devices while driving. The Thousand Oaks Police Department is focusing on ways to change the behavior of drivers through enforcement, public awareness and education ' the same activities that have curbed drunk driving and increased seat belt use.

In a national survey, almost half (48%) of drivers say they answer their cell phones while driving at least some of the time, and more than half of those (58%) continue to drive after answering the call. Your Police Department recommends the following safety measures:

You can:

- } turn off electronic devices and put them out of reach before starting to drive
- } speak up when you are a passenger and your driver uses an electronic device while driving. Offer to make the call for the driver, so his or her full attention stays on the driving task

Parents can:

- } be good role models for young drivers and set a good example. Talk with your teens about responsible driving
- } If you know your teen is on the road ' don't call or text them until you know they have reached their destination

Employers can:

- } Adopt, publicize, and enforce company policies that prohibit employees from texting or talking on hand-held cell phones while in a company vehicle, or in a personal vehicle while using a company issued cell phone.

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. For more information about distracted driving, please visit www.distraction.gov.

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: March 3, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

Detention Services Division: Jail Cook Job Recruitment (English & Spanish Versions)

3/6/2015 10:47:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Employment Opportunity / Jail Cook Job Recruitment

Location: Ventura County Sheriff's Office / Detention Services Division

Date & Time: March 5, 2015 / 4:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Detention Services

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
N/A		

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office currently has an open recruitment for Sheriff's Jail Cooks and is seeking qualified individuals to fill several positions.

The position offers steady work in a team environment, with a competitive salary and an extensive benefits package that includes, but is not limited to:

- Flexible Benefit Program that an employee can allocate among a variety of benefits options including contributing to the cost of Medical, Dental and Vision insurance
- 10 Paid holidays
- Paid vacation and sick leave
- Defined retirement plan (both employee and employer contributions)
- Optional 401 (K) and 457 Deferred compensation plans
- Educational incentive
- Work schedule that permits more days off during the year and yields an added financial incentive.
- Enjoy a job that offers stability and promotes a teamwork environment.

Under direction at a Sheriff's jail facility, a jail cook is responsible for food preparation for an operation that runs around the clock. Jail cooks work a 12-hour shift in a compressed work week, which affords generous time off. The position requires a minimum of two (2) years' experience as an institutional/restaurant cook in a kitchen preparing a variety of meals. Applicants must possess a valid California driver's license.

Qualified candidates are encouraged to apply by visiting the County of Ventura Human Resources Division at 800 S. Victoria Ave. #1970, Ventura, Ca. 93009 or calling (805) 654-5129. They can also visit the website at: www.ventura.org/hr

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Taurino Almazan
News Release Date: March 5, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Taurino Almazan @ (805) 947-8070
Approved by: Commander Ron Nelson

Tipo de Incidente: Oportunidad de Empleo / Contratación Abierta Para Cocineros de Cárcel

Ubicación: Oficina de Sheriff del Condado de Ventura / División de Servicios de Detención

Fecha y Hora: Marzo 5, 2015 / 4:00 PM

Unidad Responsable: Servicios de Detención

Narrativa:

La Oficina de Sheriff del Condado de Ventura actualmente tiene contratación abierta para cocineros de cárcel y busca personas calificadas para ocupar varias posiciones.

La posición ofrece trabajo estable en un ambiente enfocado en equipo. También ofrece un salario competitivo y un amplio paquete de beneficios que incluye pero no se limita a:

- Programa flexible de beneficios donde un empleado puede asignar entre una variedad de opciones de beneficios incluyendo contribuciones al costo Médico, Dental y Visión
- 10 Días festivos pagados
- Días de baja por enfermedad y vacaciones pagadas
- Plan de jubilación definido (Contribuciones del empleado y empleador)
- Planes opcionales de compensación diferidos 401(k) y 457
- Incentivo de educación
- Horario de trabajo que permite más días de descanso durante el año y da un incentivo financiero adicional
- Disfrute de un trabajo que ofrece estabilidad y promueve un ambiente de trabajo de equipo

Bajo dirección en una instalación de cárcel del Sheriff, un cocinero es responsable de la preparación de alimentos para una operación que corre las 24 horas del día. Los cocineros trabajan turnos de 12 horas en una semana laboral comprimida que ofrece abundante tiempo libre. La posición requiere un mínimo de dos (2) años de experiencia de cocinero en cocina institucional / restaurante preparando una variedad de comidas. Los solicitantes también

deben poseer una licencia de manejar valida de California.

Se anima a los candidatos calificados de aplicar visitando el Condado de Ventura División de Recursos Humanos en el 800 S. Victoria Ave. #1970. Ventura. Ca. 93009 o llame al (805) 654-5129. También puede visitar el sitio de la red: www.ventura.org/hr

Preparado Por: Senior Deputy Taurino Almazan

Fecha de Lanzamiento:

Contacto de Prensa: Senior Deputy Taurino Almazan @ (805) 947-8070
or taurino.almazan@ventura.org

Aprobado Por: Commander Ron Nelson

Thousand Oaks: Two Arrested for Gang Related Robbery

3/6/2015 4:53:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Gang Related Robbery Arrests

Report Number: RB# 15-5097

Location: 800 Block of Warwick Ave. Thousand Oaks, Ca.

Date & Time: 03/05/2015 @ 6:45 PM,

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit and Directed Enforcement Unit.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Erik Ancelmo	Thousand Oaks	25
(S) Male Juvenile	Thousand Oaks	17
(S) Male Juvenile	Thousand Oaks	16

Narrative:

On March 5, 2015, at approximately 6:45 PM the Thousand Oaks Police Directed Enforcement Team was conducting proactive foot patrol on Warwick Avenue when the Ventura County Sheriff's Communications Center broadcast a call of a robbery that had just occurred in the 800 Block of Warwick Ave. The Directed Enforcement Team responded and handled the initial investigation. The suspects, two juvenile males had fled the scene prior to the Directed Enforcement Team's arrival. The investigation revealed the two juvenile suspects, both of whom are documented gang members in the City of Thousand Oaks, confronted the victim and demanded money from the victim. When the victim stated he had no money to give, the suspects began punching the victim in the face and body. While the victim was being beaten his baseball cap fell to the ground. One of the juvenile suspects picked up the victim's baseball cap and both suspects then fled the area. The victim sustained minor injuries to his face

On March 6, 2015, the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit continued the investigation of the robbery. The Special Enforcement Unit conducted additional interviews and eventually located the two suspects walking together on Warwick Avenue. Both suspects were arrested for 211 PC ' Strong Armed Robbery, and 186.22 PC ' Street Terrorism / Gang Step Act. The investigation also revealed that one of the juvenile suspects threatened the victim with additional violence if the victim called the police. The juvenile that made this threat was also arrested for 136.1 PC ' Witness / Victim intimidation. Both juveniles were lodged into the Juvenile Justice Facility.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: March 6, 2015

**Media Follow-Up
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Camarillo Police Department Makes Arrests at Massage Establishment

3/7/2015 1:07:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo Police Department works with Camarillo Code Compliance in Massage Establishment Arrests

Report Number: 15-5092

Location: April's Massage / 2109 Pickwick Drive, Camarillo

Date & Time: March 5, 2015 / 1400

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit / Special Crimes Intelligence Unit / Camarillo Code Compliance

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Victim	Alhambra	17
Li, Han	Alhambra	45
Miao, Jie	Monterey Park	31

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit arrests two employees at local massage establishment.

The Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit and the city's code compliance office have been completing compliance checks of local massage establishments. Compliance checks of massage establishments are allowed under the City of Camarillo's Municipal Code. Since code compliance completes the initial inspection when a massage business applies for a license / permit to operate, the Police Department and the City of Camarillo coordinate their efforts more efficiently when both are at the establishment for the compliance checks. The thought is that the code compliance officer would recognize any physical changes (plumbing, electrical, construction etc.) that occurred and were not approved at the time the permit was issued.

On March 5, 2015, at approximately 1300 hours, the Police Department and City Code Compliance conducted a compliance check at April's Massage, 2109 Pickwick Drive. April's Massage had just opened for business on Feb 6, 2015. During the compliance check deputies learned that two employees of the business were performing massages without licensing or certification. Deputies also learned that the owner of the business, who was also present, was in violation of several of Camarillo's Municipal Codes. Through further inspection of the business, the code compliance officer noticed several changes to rooms, including the installation of a large jetted tub (also referred to as a Table Shower) that was not there during the initial inspection. Additionally, deputies discovered several suitcases with luggage tags attached, throughout the building. Deputies became suspicious that employees were living at the business.

All three subjects were taken into custody for the violations, and interviews were conducted at the

Police Department to determine the identities of the employees. These interviews were conducted by the Sheriff's Office Special Crimes / Intelligence Unit. During these interviews, deputies discovered that one of the masseuses was only 17 years old and was the daughter of the other masseuse. Both masseuses were performing massages when deputies initially entered the business. Deputies also discovered a significant amount of cash in one of the masseuses' purse.

The owner of the business was cited for several Camarillo Municipal Code violations, and the mother of the juvenile masseuse was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for several charges, including child endangerment. The juvenile was released to the custody of Child Protective Services.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to thank the Camarillo Code Compliance Office for their outstanding partnership in discovering these violations. The Police Department also wants the public to know that we will continue to perform these compliance checks on a regular basis, and will aggressively seek prosecution for these violations.

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi
News Release Date: March 6, 2015
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Approved by: Commander Monica McGrath

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Arrest of "Revenge Porn" Suspect

3/9/2015 3:55:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of 'Revenge Porn' Suspect**Report Number:** 14-11332**Location:** Ventura, California**Date & Time:** 03/05/2015 / 1130 Hours**Unit(s) Responsible:** Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau**(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent**Andrew Jacob Parkin
Adult Female**City of Residence**Ventura
Ojai**Age**23
19**Narrative:**

On March 03, 2015, Investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau arrested Andrew Parkin for distribution of private intimate photos also known as 'Revenge Porn.' Parkin had made a fake Craigslist ad which included naked photos of his ex-girlfriend when she was 15 years old. Investigators became aware of the incident and were assisted by the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI). Parkin was later identified as the person who wrote the ad. Parkin was contacted and arrested for a misdemeanor section of distribution of private intimate photos. Parkin will be arraigned in Ventura County Superior Court on April 2, 2015.

Governor Jerry Brown signed SB 255 into law in California on October 1, 2013. This new law makes revenge porn a misdemeanor under California's disorderly conduct statute. The punishment is six months in jail and a \$1,000 fine with additional fines for repeat violations. In January of 2015, SB 1255 was enacted which expanded the 'Revenge Porn' law to include photos taken by the victim also known as 'Selfies.'

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is committed to protecting victim(s) of Internet crimes. In today's world of social media it is easy to become a victim of such crimes. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office reminds parents to educate their children of the dangers and consequences of posting and sharing personal and private information with others.

Prepared by: Detective Randy Skaggs / Major Crimes Bureau**News Release Date:** 03/09/2015**Media Follow-Up Contact:** Sergeant Ryan Clark / Major Crimes Bureau
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Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith / Major Crimes Bureau.

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###

Death Investigation of Body Found in Unincorporated Area of Oxnard

3/9/2015 2:44:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Death Investigation
Report Number: 15-5351
Location: 6000 Block of Arnold Road, Unincorporated Area of Oxnard
Date & Time: March 09, 2015 @ 6:41 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(D) Unidentified Adult Male		

Narrative:

On March 09, 2015 at 6:41 AM, the Sheriff's Office received a '911' call from a worker who found an adult male subject in an agricultural field not breathing. Patrol Deputies and the Ventura County Fire Department arrived on scene and determined the subject was deceased.

Investigators from the Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau responded to the scene to conduct an investigation. At this time, the manner of death is still under investigation and the cause is not yet known. Investigators are seeking the public's help with any information. If you have any information, please contact Sgt. Ian Laughlin @ (805) 384-4737.

Prepared by: Captain John Reilly
News Release Date: March 09, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Ian Laughlin (805) 384-4737
Approved by: Captain Mark Franke

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###

Headquarters Patrol Deputies Catch Commercial Burglar Inside Business

3/9/2015 12:46:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Deputies Make Arrest During In-progress Commercial Burglary

Report Number: 15-5345

Location: 4700 Block of Vineyard Avenue, Oxnard

Date & Time: 3/8/2015 @ 10:45 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Headquarters Patrol

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Cruz, Rodrigo	Oxnard	32

Narrative:

On March 8, 2015, Headquarters patrol deputies responded to an audible alarm at the Red Wing Shoe Store. The deputies arrived within minutes of being dispatched and found a smashed window and Rodrigo Cruz inside. Evidence indicated Cruz had removed some merchandise from the store and had gone back inside to retrieve more. Cruz was arrested without incident.

A representative of Red Wing Shoes responded and determined Cruz removed over \$3,500.00 in merchandise from the store. The crime scene was processed and the merchandise returned to the business.

Rodrigo Cruz was booked for commercial burglary at the Ventura County Main Jail. His bail was set at \$20,000.00. Cruz will be arraigned on March 10, 2015 at 1:30 PM.

Prepared by: Brian Richmond, Sergeant

News Release Date: 3/9/2015

Media Follow-Up Detective Jon Smith, (805) 662-6770

Contact:

Approved by: Patti Salas, Captain

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###

Thousand Oaks Investigators Arrest Two for Mail Theft and Fraud

3/10/2015 6:57:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Identity / Mail Theft Arrests

Report Number: RB# 15-456

Location: 700 Block of Tudor Circle Thousand Oaks, Ca.

Date & Time: 12/30/2014 @ 1000 AM,

Unit Responsible: City of Thousand Oaks Forgery / Fraud Unit and the City of Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Rosel Mayor Magistrado	Agoura Hills	34
(S) Jeffery Robert Greenfield	Agoura Hills	31

Narrative:

On March 5, 2015, Detectives with the City of Thousand Oaks Police Forgery / Fraud Unit and the Special Enforcement Unit served a search warrant at the Lexington Apartments in the City of Agoura Hills, Los Angeles County. The warrant resulted in the arrest of Rosel Mayor Magistrado and Jeffery Robert Greenfield for multiple counts of identity theft, forgery, grand theft auto, commercial burglary, and unlawful use of credit cards.

In January 2015, patrol deputies responded to a forgery call in the City of Thousand Oaks. The victim had paid utility bills using his personal checks and placed the bills in the mailbox for the postal carrier to pick up. About a week later the victim was reviewing his bank records when he noticed the 'Pay to the Order of:' and the amount on his checks had been changed. The victim reported these discrepancies to the bank and the Police Department.

Forgery / Fraud Detectives received the case and began their investigation. Through their investigation Detectives determined Magistrado had deposited the personal checks into Greenfield's bank account.

As with any identity theft case detectives also discovered that Magistrado was using multiple names and using other victim's identities to obtain goods. Detectives were able to link Magistrado to numerous crimes where she used other victim's identity to purchase groceries, dog food, pay bills, rent an apartment, and even lease a BMW vehicle.

As a result of the search warrant executed at Magistrado's residence, detectives recovered miscellaneous mail, bank statements, checks, check books, driver licenses, social security cards, birth certificates, passports, credit cards, income tax W-4's and 1099's, cell phone numbers, and addresses for in excess of 250 persons. The addresses on the mail span multiple counties including Santa Barbara County, Ventura County, Los Angeles County, San

Bernardino, Orange County and San Diego County.

Detectives are currently working with the United States Postal Service to have the mail returned to its rightful owners and the United States Secret Service regarding the credit card forgery equipment seized.

Rosel Magistrado was arrested for 502.6(a) PC ' Fraudulent Use of Card Scanning Device, 530.5(a) PC ' Identity Theft, Obtaining Credit with others Identification, 487(d)(1) PC ' Grand Theft Auto, 476 PC- Forgery, 182(a)(1) PC ' Conspiracy to commit a crime, 484i(c) PC ' Unlawful access Card Activity, 496 (A) PC ' Receiving Stolen Property, 484(a) PC ' Petty theft, and 459 PC ' Burglary. Jeffery Greenfield was arrested for 502.6(a) PC ' Fraudulent Use of Card Scanning Device, 476 PC- Forgery, 182(a)(1) PC ' Conspiracy to commit a crime, 484i(c) PC ' Unlawful access Card Activity, and 496 (A) PC ' Receiving Stolen Property. Both Magistrado and Greenfield were booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Magistrado is currently pending trial and is being held on \$250,000.00 bail. Greenfield was released pending further investigation.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: March 10, 2015

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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Thousand Oaks Police: Suspects Burglarizing Gym Lockers and Using Stolen Cards

3/10/2015 12:32:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Detectives seek the public's help in identifying thieves

Report Number: 15-177, 15-419, 15-2953

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA.

Date & Time: January 3, 2015 @ 11:00 A.M.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S-1) Unknown	Unknown	35-50
(S-2) Unknown	Unknown	30-40
(S-3) Unknown	Unknown	40-50

Narrative:

Throughout January and February 2015, several lockers at high end health clubs in the city of Thousand Oaks were burglarized. Within an hour of the crimes, the suspects were captured on security cameras charging thousands of dollars to the victims' credit cards.

Investigators with the Thousand Oaks Police Department are seeking the public's help in identifying the suspects in the attached surveillance photographs. All appear to be Caucasian males.

S-1 is described as being between 35-50 years old, about 5'5"-5'9" tall, and weighing between 165-180 pounds.

S-2 is described as being between 30-40 years old, about 5'10"-6'0" tall, and weighing between 150-160 pounds. He has light brown hair, is clean shaven and spoke with a 'European' accent.

S-3 is also a Caucasian male between 40-50 years old. He is described as being 6'0"-6'4" tall. He had a thin build and weighing between 160-170 pounds. He had dark brown hair and wore prescription glasses. He also was reported to speak with a 'European' accent.

Anybody with information regarding the identity of these suspects is encouraged to call the Thousand Oaks Police Department, Detective Chris Jones at 805-371-8396.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind persons who use health clubs to secure their valuables in a safe place. It is further recommended that persons using health clubs bring as few items to the health club as possible. If valuables are brought to the health club, secure the items in the trunk of a car, or keep them with you at all times.

Prepared by: Detective Chris Jones #3597

Media Release Date: March 10, 2015

**Media Follow-Up
Contact:** Sergeant Jason Roberts #2948
805-494-8214

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Nature of Incident: St. Patrick's Day DUI Enforcement

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: March 17, 2015, 7:00 pm to 2:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent **City of Residence** **Age**

Narrative:

Be a Saint. Drive Sober.

St. Patrick's Day is One of the Deadliest Days of the Year Because of Drunk Driving
Thousand Oaks, CA St. Patrick's Day brings to mind shamrocks, leprechauns, pots of gold, and good luck. But no amount of luck can save you from a drunk-driving crash. So whether you're buzzed or drunk on St. Patrick's Day, it doesn't matter. NHTSA wants to remind everyone that *Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving* drive sober.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be deploying two roving DUI patrols this St. Patrick's Day looking to stop and arrest drivers who are impaired by alcohol or drugs. These DUI patrols are, in addition to regularly scheduled patrol officers, all looking for the tell-tale signs of an impaired driver behind the wheel.

In 2013, there were 31 people killed in drunk-driving crashes on St. Patrick's Day. All in all, during the St. Patty's Day period from 2009 to 2013, there have been 276 drunk-driving fatalities. Every one of those lives was lost because of bad decisions. Unfortunately, March 17 has become a deadly day in the United States, with a dramatic spike in drunk-driving fatalities. And we're not just talking about a little bit too much to drink here; from 2009 to 2013, almost three-fourths of the drunk-driving fatalities on St. Patrick's Day involved drivers who were *twice* the legal limit.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department offered this advice to partygoers: 'Get ahead of the decision this year. If you know you're going to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with alcohol, then figure out a plan ahead of time for how you'll get home. Don't wait until you're too buzzed to decide, and don't let your friends drive drunk.' *Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving*, so if you have anything to drink, count on a sober friend, taxi, or public transportation to drive you home safely. Not drinking' Maybe this St. Patrick's Day, you'll be the saint who drives your friends sober.

Let's make 2015 different. Use this party-planning checklist to stay safe this St. Patrick's Day.

- DDVIP: The California Office of Traffic Safety DDVIP app is now available for free download on iOS and Android devices. Launched last year the new DDVIP app offers enhanced features, allowing users to 'Map a Spot' with their current location to find DDVIP partnering establishments in their area or a 'List of Spots' to search all participating bars and restaurants throughout California. Users can stay up-to-date with the latest from DDVIP and see what other users are saying via its social tab. Also through the app, for those who want to imbibe but also make it a point to plan ahead, users can easily order a sober ride from Uber, Lyft or Curb ' all from one screen.
- NOW: Even if you don't have plans yet, plan to drive sober or designate someone else to. Save the number of a taxi company in your phone so you always have a backup plan.
- WHEN YOU MAKE PLANS: A sober driver is an essential part of any party plan. Once you know where you'll celebrate, decide whether you're drinking or driving. You can only choose one.
- ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY: Before you take your first sip of green beer, leave your keys at home or give them to a friend. If you're the designated driver, don't drink. Enjoy non-alcoholic beverages and brag about your VIP (very important partygoer) status online using the hashtag #designateddriver. Only drive sober or ride with a sober driver.
- EVERY DAY: If you're impaired, use a taxi, call a sober friend or family member, or use public transportation to get home safely. If you know people who are about to drive or ride while impaired, take their keys and help them make other arrangements to get to where they are going safely.
- DRUGS, MEDICATION & ALCOHOL= CRASHES: Recent statistics reveal that 30 percent of drivers in fatal crashes had one or more drugs in their systems. A study of active drivers showed more tested positive for drugs that may impair driving (14 percent) than did for alcohol (7.3 percent). Of the drugs, marijuana was most prevalent, at 7.4 percent, slightly more than alcohol.

Funding is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that reminds everyone to 'Report Drunk Drivers! Call 9-1-1.' Stay connected with OTS via: <http://www.facebook.com/CaliforniaOTS>, http://twitter.com/#!/OTS_CA, www.ots.ca.gov

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

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Approved by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

Thousand Oaks Police Traffic Unit - Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint Planned -

March 14, 2015

3/10/2015 4:37:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: March 14, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent **City of Residence** **Age**

Narrative:

Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint Planned

Thousand Oaks, CA ' The Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit will be conducting a Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint on March 14, at an undisclosed location within the city limits.

The deterrent effect of Driver's License/DUI checkpoints is a proven resource in reducing the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug involved crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an unlicensed or impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized Driver's License/DUI checkpoints and proactive DUI patrols are conducted routinely.

In California, this deadly crime led to 802 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2012 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Nationally, the latest data shows nearly 10,000 were killed by an impaired driver. 'Over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 6 lives and resulted in 93 injury crashes harming 131 of our friends and neighbors,' said Sergeant Barbara Payton.

Officers will be looking for signs of alcohol and/or drug impairment with officers checking drivers for proper licensing delaying motorists only momentarily. When possible, specially trained officers will be available to evaluate those suspected of drug-impaired driving, which now accounts for a growing number of impaired driving crashes. Drugs which may impair driving not only include illegal narcotics, but many prescription drugs, marijuana, and even some over-the-counter medications.

Driver's License/DUI Checkpoints are placed in locations based on collision statistics and

frequency of DUI arrests affording the greatest opportunity for achieving unlicensed and drunk/drugged driving deterrence. Locations are chosen with safety considerations for the officers and the public.

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, other expenses that can exceed \$10,000 not to mention the embarrassment when friends and family find out.

Funding for this checkpoint is provided to Thousand Oaks Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, reminding everyone to 'Report Drunk Drivers! ' Call 9-1-1'.

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News Story Date: March 10, 2015

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Approved by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

Two Subjects Arrested for Burglary Involving High End Alcohol / Pursuit

3/10/2015 8:43:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Two Arrested for Burglary of High End Alcohol

Report Number: RB# 15-5452

Location: Vons, 4241 Tierra Rejada Road, Moorpark, CA 93021

Date & Time: March 10, 2015 / 12:50 P.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark & Thousand Oaks Investigations Units, Moorpark, Thousand Oaks and Camarillo Patrol, Sheriff's Aviation and Search and Rescue Units

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Dushaun Nichols	Van Nuys	43
Charles Burks	Van Nuys	35

Narrative:

On March 10, 2015, at about 12:50 PM, Moorpark Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the Vons market located at 4241 Tierra Rejada Road in Moorpark, CA reference a theft that had just occurred. A Vons employee reported a subject, later identified as Dushaun Nichols, had just stolen multiple bottles of high end alcohol products. The employee stated that Nichols had been in Vons before and had stolen \$700-\$1000 worth of alcohol on prior occasions. Nichols ran out of the Vons with the stolen alcohol and got into a white SUV that was occupied by another male, later identified as Charles Burks. Nichols got into the driver's seat and sped away.

A Thousand Oaks Sheriff's Detective spotted Nichols' white SUV on Tierra Rejada near the Vons. Nichols sped up and led the detective and responding deputies on a pursuit, failing to yield to deputy's emergency lights and sirens. Nichols drove at a high rate of speed and on the wrong side of the road as he traveled west bound on Santa Rosa Road towards the City of Camarillo. Nichols drove into the residential neighborhood off East Las Posas Road and the pursuit ended when Nichols drove into a dead end in the area of Presilla Road east of Barranca Road. Nichols and Burks exited the vehicle and ran from the deputies in an attempt to evade capture. Burks was taken into custody almost immediately after exiting the vehicle.

The Sheriff's Aviation Unit helicopter assisted with the search. A request for the Sheriff's K-9 Unit and Sheriff's Search and Rescue Bloodhound was made due to the extreme terrain in the area. Approximately 20 minutes later, Deputies located Nichols hiding under a piece of plywood in a nearby backyard. Both suspects were safely taken into custody without incident.

Over \$1100 dollars of stolen alcohol was recovered from Nichols' vehicle. Nichols was also identified as the suspect in two prior burglaries of high end alcohol from this same Vons. Nichols was booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility for three counts of burglary, resisting arrest, and felony evading. Burks was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility for burglary and resisting arrest.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Wright

News Release Date: March 10, 2015

Media Follow-Up Sergeant John Wright / (805) 797-7128

Contact:

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Camarillo Boys and Girls Club Magazine Solicitation Scam

3/11/2015 4:09:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo Boys and Girls Club Magazine Solicitation Scam

Report Number:

Location: Mission Oaks

Date & Time: 3/10/2015 ' Evening Hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
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Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit is advising the public about a magazine solicitation scam involving the Camarillo Boys and Girls Club.

On 3/10/2015, during the evening hours, magazine solicitors in the Mission Oaks area claimed they were soliciting funds for the Camarillo Boys and Girls Club. This is a scam as the Camarillo Boys and Girls Club does not solicit door to door. If you are solicited from someone representing themselves as being associated with the Camarillo Boys and Girls Club, please report this activity to the Camarillo Police Department, by calling Sheriff's Dispatch @ 654-9511.

If you are ever unsure about solicitations involving the Camarillo Boys and Girls Club, you can contact the club @ (805) 482-8113. The Camarillo Boys and Girls Club is located @ 1500 Temple Ave.

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi

News Release Date: 03/11/2015

Media Follow-Up John.Franchi@ventura.org / (805) 947-9363

Contact:

Approved by: Commander Monica McGrath

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Rio Mesa High School Drug Arrest

3/11/2015 3:44:00 PM

Nature of Incident: School Resource Officer Makes an Arrest for Drugs on School Property

Report Number: 15-5439

Location: Rio Mesa High School

Date & Time: 3/10/2015 10:20 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff Headquarters School Resource Officer

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Jacquez-Montejano, Vincent	Oxnard	18

Narrative:

On March 10, 2015, Rio Mesa High School conducted random searches of vehicles parked on school property using Gold Coast K9. The Sheriff's School Resource Officer at Rio Mesa High accompanied the K9 team.

The K9 alerted to a vehicle owned by 18 year old Vincent Jacquez-Montejano, a Senior at Rio Mesa. A search of the vehicle and trunk revealed just under 11 ounces of packaged marijuana and items related to marijuana sales.

Vincent Jacquez-Montejano was arrested and booked for possession of marijuana for sale and transportation of marijuana. His bail was set at \$20,000.00. Jacquez-Montejano will be arraigned on March 12, 2015 at 1:30 PM.

Prepared by: Brian Richmond, Sergeant

News Release Date: March 11, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Brian Richmond, (805) 654-2110

Contact:

Approved by: Patti Salas, Captain

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Fire Erupted Near Brooks Institute

3/12/2015 7:36:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Brush Fire Erupts Near Brooks Institute

Report Number: 15-5636

Location: 5301 N Ventura Ave. between Ventura and Ojai

Date & Time: 03-12-15 / 3:54 P.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff Office
Ventura County Fire Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Unknown		

Narrative:

On 03-12-15, at 3:53 P.M., Patrol Deputies from the Ojai Station were flagged down by a citizen who saw smoke rising from a field next to the Brooks Institute located at 5301 N. Ventura Road. Firefighters from the Ventura County Fire Department, Ventura City Fire Department and Cal-Fire quickly arrived on scene and fought the blaze. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office Aviation Unit assisted with water drops. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office Unmanned Aviation System (UAS) was deployed in support of the firefighting efforts. This is the first time the Sheriff's Office has deployed the UAS since receiving countywide authorization from the FAA. Approximately 15 acres have burned.

Approximately 150 people from the Brooks Institute were evacuated as a precaution. At this time, no injuries have been reported. The California Highway Patrol assisted with the closure of Ventura Ave. between Crooked Palm Road and Canada Larga Road. The blaze has been determined to be human caused and is under investigation. Investigators from the Ventura County Fire Department and Ventura County Sheriff's Arson Unit are investigating the cause.

Anyone with information about the cause of the fire is asked to contact Detective Mike Rompal at (805) 383-8743.

Prepared by: Captain John Reilly

News Release Date: 03-12-15 / 6:30 P.M.

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain John Reilly (805) 947-6782.
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Approved by: Captain Todd Inglis

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Narcotic Detectives Seize Drugs from Motel Room Following Warrant Arrest

3/12/2015 5:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest
Report Number: 15-4915
Location: Devonshire Street and Reseda Boulevard, Northridge Area
Date & Time: 3/3/2015, 1530 Hours
Unit Responsible: Ventura Sheriff's Narcotics Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Cleveland, Kyle	Los Angeles, CA	30

Narrative:

On 3/3/2015, Detectives with the Sheriff's Narcotics Unit concluded an investigation with the arrest of Kyle Cleveland. Cleveland had an outstanding arrest warrant for a probation violation and was taken into custody near the intersection of Devonshire Street and Reseda Blvd. in the neighborhood of Northridge. He was booked into the Ventura County Jail for the warrant.

After the arrest, detectives conducted probation searches at Cleveland's motel room in Granada Hills and his residence in the neighborhood of Northridge where various controlled substances were seized. Detectives seized over a pound of methamphetamine, 2-1/2 pounds of marijuana, 1-1/2 ounces of heroin, and a small amount of cocaine. Stolen property was also recovered from Cleveland's motel room.

On 3/11/2015, Detectives arrested Cleveland for two counts of possession for sale of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana for sale and possession of stolen property. Cleveland was still in custody for the probation violation when he was arrested for the additional charges.

Cleveland is scheduled to appear in court on 3/13/2015, at 1:30PM and his bail is set at \$250,000.00

Prepared by: Sgt. Jose Rivera
Media Release Date: 3/12/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Jose Rivera, jose.rivera@ventura.org, 805-797-6341
Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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Camarillo: Couple Arrested for Mail and Identity Theft

3/13/2015 3:43:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary and Identity Theft Suspects Arrested

Report Number: 15-5639

Location: 100 Block of Cartagena Street, Camarillo

Date & Time: 03/12/15 @ 4:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail
Camarillo Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Ethan Gross	Camarillo	28
Melanie Hoffman	Camarillo	28

Narrative:

On 3/12/15, Ethan Gross was arrested in Camarillo with his girlfriend, Melanie Hoffman, for residential burglary and identity theft.

On 2/27/15, Gross was arrested by detectives from the Camarillo Investigations Bureau for possession of stolen property, identity theft and drug related offenses. Gross was booked into the Sheriff's Pre-Trial Detention Facility and was released on 3/03/15.

On 3/09/15, a resident who lived in the 1400 block of West Chapel Drive in Camarillo called the Sheriff's Office to report a possible burglary at the home. Responding deputies discovered the resident left from the home several days earlier, and upon returning, the resident found a door unlocked and found property in the home belonging to Hoffman. Upon closer inspection, the resident discovered several items were stolen from the home.

Patrol deputies went to Gross' home to conduct a probation search on him and discovered several items from the victim's home in Gross' bedroom. Gross was not present at the time of the search.

On 3/12/15, detectives from the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail went to Gross' home to conduct a probation search. Gross fled from the residence on foot but was apprehended a short time later. A search of his room revealed additional property that was stolen from the residential burglary in the 1400 block of West Chapel Drive. Hoffman was also at the home and was arrested for narcotics-related charges. Detectives continued investigating and discovered that Gross and Hoffman were responsible for entering the victim's home and stealing the victim's property. Additionally, Gross and Hoffman used the victim's personal identifying information to open an online financial account.

Gross and Hoffman were arrested and booked at the Sheriff's Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Gross' bail was set at \$130,000 and Hoffman's bail was set at \$55,000.

Prepared by: Sergeant Eric Tennesen

News Release Date: March 13, 2015

Media Follow-Up Detective Patrick Hawthorne @ (805) 388-5119

Contact:

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Man With Baby Arrested Selling Heroin Near DeAnza Middle School

3/13/2015 1:00:00 PM

**VENTURA COUNTY INTERAGENCY PHARMACEUTICAL
CRIMES UNIT
News Story**

Nature of Incident: Man with Baby Arrested Selling Heroin near De Anza Middle School

Report Number: 15-4588

Location: 100 block of Cameron Court, City of Ventura

Date & Time: March 13, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Gabriel Flores	Ventura	33
Steven Merrill	Ventura	24

Narrative:

Synopsis: The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit completed an investigation of Gabriel Flores selling heroin in the City of Ventura. Flores was arrested and a search warrant was served at his residence on Cameron Court, in the City of Ventura.

Investigation: During the latter part of 2014 and early 2015, detectives from the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit learned of the use and sales of heroin and Xanax in the City of Ventura, among teenagers and young adults. Detectives learned of several probable heroin overdose deaths in the city as well.

Detectives from the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit initiated an investigation into Gabriel Flores when they learned he was selling heroin in the City of Ventura. The investigation revealed that Flores sold heroin within 50 feet of De Anza Middle School, located in Ventura, on multiple occasions. The drug sales did not occur on the school property. Flores sold the drugs while school was in session, however. None of the buyers had any connection to the school.

On March 13, 2015, detectives from the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit and the West County Sheriff's Narcotics Street Team conducted surveillance on Flores' residence located in the 100 block of Cameron Court, Ventura. Flores residence was within one block of De

Anza Middle School.

During the surveillance, detectives observed Flores leave his residence pushing a stroller with his three month old baby seated inside. Detectives then observed Flores conduct a hand to hand heroin deal with Steven Merrill of Ventura. Flores and Merrill were arrested and taken into custody without incident. Flores' three month old baby was released to Ventura County Child Protective Services. A search warrant was served at Flores residence. Heroin packaged for sale, used syringes, as well as a syringe loaded with suspected heroin was seized. All of these items were found in a location easily accessible by the five and six year old children also residing in the apartment. The five and six year old children were also released to Ventura County Child Protective services.

Merrill was arrested for a misdemeanor charge of possession of heroin. He was booked into Ventura County Jail with a \$15,000 bail. His court date is pending.

Flores was arrested and booked for sales of heroin with an enhancement of dealing near a school, possession of heroin for sale, and child endangerment. Flores is in custody in the Ventura County Jail with a \$500,000.00 bail. His court date is pending.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force comprised of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, and the California Highway Patrol. Their primary mission is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use. Anyone with information regarding these topics is encouraged to contact the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit at (805) 383-8700 or via e-mail at pharm.tip@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Detective Robert Davidson

News Release Date: March 18, 2014

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Robert Davidson
(805) 383-8700

Approved by: Captain Mark Franke

Moorpark Man Arrested for Indecent Exposure

3/13/2015 8:36:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Moorpark Man Arrested for Indecent Exposure
Report Number: 15-5596
Location: 14000 block of Crystal Ranch Road
Date & Time: 03/12/15 @ 09:14 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department and East County Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Female Bus Driver		
(S) Ford, Richard Patrick 'Pat'	Moorpark	64

Narrative:

On March 12, 2015, at about 9:14 AM, a female bus driver with the Moorpark Unified School District was in the area of the 14000 block of Crystal Ranch Road. While she was waiting for a student, (S) Richard Patrick Ford approached her bus and engaged her in conversation. At some point during the conversation, Ford directed the Victim's attention to his groin area at which time she noticed that the zipper of his pants was partially down exposing his genitals. Ford continued talking to the victim while he further exposed his genitals. At no time did Ford make any attempt to cover himself.

After an extensive investigation by the Moorpark Police Department and the Ventura County Sheriff's East County Major Crime Bureau, Ford was located at a local coffee shop. Ford was contacted, arrested, and booked by detectives without incident into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility in Ventura for one felony count of indecent exposure.

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant Robert Fleming
News Release Date: 03/12/15
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman (805) 947-8255
Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Camarillo Station: Three Arrested for Purchasing Alcohol for Minors

3/15/2015 12:01:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Alcohol 'Shoulder Tap' Operation
Report Number: N/A
Location: Various Retail Locations - City of Camarillo
Date & Time: March 14, 2015 / 2-10 p.m.
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department- Community Resource Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Mason Marquez	Camarillo	25
(S) Ryan West	Camarillo	22
(S) Gustavo Ceballos	Camarillo	52

Narrative:

On 3-14-15, the Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit conducted an alcohol 'Shoulder Tap' enforcement operation. Underage minor decoys, under the direct supervision of law enforcement officers, as well as an ABC agent, were used to solicit adults outside California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) licensed stores to purchase alcohol for the minors. The goal of this operation was to limit minors' access to alcohol.

Two underage decoys were used in an attempt to solicit others to purchase alcohol for them in different locations throughout the City of Camarillo. Approximately 23 subjects at 9 locations were solicited during the operation. Three adult males purchased alcohol for the minor decoys. The three male subjects were arrested for BP 25658(a) / furnishing alcohol to a minor. The Camarillo Police Department wants to thank the other 20 subjects who refused to purchase alcohol for the minors.

The Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit will continue to conduct periodic operations in an effort to prevent minors' access to alcohol.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to remind the public that selling alcohol to, or purchasing alcohol for minors is illegal. Alcohol is a factor in many homicides, suicides, and other unintentional injuries which, along with car crashes, are the four leading causes of death in 15-20 year olds. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office wants to remind the public to report incidents of underage drinking and illegal purchasing of alcohol.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Franchi

Media Release Date: March 14, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi (805) 947-9363
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Approved by: Captain Romano Bassi

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Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau: Three Arrested From DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint
3/15/2015 11:08:00 AM

Nature of Incident: DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks
Borchard Road at Theresa Drive
Hampshire Road at Wild Rose Street

Date & Time: March 14, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Ross, Kari	Newbury Park	40
(S) McDonald, Drew Christian	Newbury Park	24
(S) Rheume, Slade Robert	Westlake	22

Narrative:

DUI Checkpoint Nets 3 Arrests

Thousand Oaks, CA ' The Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on March 14, 2015, on Borchard Road at Theresa Drive between the hours of 9:00 pm and 12:00 am, and on Hampshire Road at Wild Rose Street between the hours of 12:30 am and 3:00 am. Checkpoints are placed in locations that have the greatest opportunity for achieving drunk and drugged driving deterrence and provide the greatest safety for officers and the public.

DUI/Driver's License checkpoints have been shown to lower DUI deaths and injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive drunk or drugged impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging everyone to use sober designated drivers.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), checkpoints have provided the most effective documented results of any of the DUI enforcement strategies, while also yielding considerable cost savings of \$6 for every \$1 spent. Ninety Percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

- 383 Vehicles Screened
- 3 DUI-Alcohol suspects arrested

- 7 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 11 Citations issued

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting another DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint DUI in May of 2015 in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and injuries upon our streets and highways.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 9-1-1!

Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: March 15, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Romano Bassi, Captain

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Camarillo Resident Arrested for Multiple "Swatting" Incidents

3/17/2015 4:36:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Multi-Jurisdictional 'Swatting' Suspect Arrested in Camarillo

Report Number: Ventura County Sheriff's Office #15-1485
Ocean City Police Department, New Jersey #15-1107
Ventura Police Department #15-777

Location: 1500 Block of Tierra Buena Court, Camarillo

Date & Time: March 17, 2015 at 10:00 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Male Juvenile

City of Residence

Camarillo

Narrative:

On March 17, 2015 detectives from the Camarillo Investigations Bureau arrested a 13 year old Camarillo resident for reporting a false emergency, a practice also known as 'Swatting.'

The term 'SWAT'ing or Swatting,' is derived from SWAT (Special Weapons and Tactics), which are known as a highly trained law enforcement officers who respond to incidents beyond the capabilities of normal patrol operations. 'Swatting' is the act of calling in a false report to law enforcement that is of such an extreme nature, that the deployment of the SWAT team is usually required. These incidents have been used in the past as a prank or to harass the subjects who reside at the location law enforcement is responding to.

On January 20, 2015, deputies responded to the 1600 block of Bridgeport Lane, in Camarillo for a possible hostage situation. At approximately 4:40 PM, a male subject called the Ventura County Sheriff's Communication Center and told them he was holding ten people hostage at the location. He demanded a large sum of money and said he would blow-up the house if his demands were not met. The caller described the type of weapons he had and the amount of explosives he was going to detonate.

The Sheriff's Department deployed over eighteen units to the scene, some of which included members of the Sheriff's SWAT team, several K-9's and detectives. Deputies spent close to an hour securing the scene, until they realized this was a false report.

While detectives from the Camarillo Investigations Bureau were investigating this incident, they received information from detectives with the Ocean City Police Department, in New Jersey, that they were investigating a 'Swatting' incident that occurred on January 15, 2015 in their city. Their investigation revealed the IP (Internet Protocol) address of the suspect was located in Camarillo,

CA.

Detectives followed up on this information and developed a possible suspect in the case with ties to both the Camarillo and New Jersey 'Swatting' incidents. They additionally learned of another 'Swatting' incident that occurred on January 16, 2015, in the city of Ventura, CA. During that incident, the caller gave almost identical information to the Ventura Police dispatcher that he gave during the Camarillo incident.

On March 17, 2015, Camarillo detectives and members of the Southern California High Tech Task Force served a search warrant in the 1500 block of Tierra Buena Court, in Camarillo, and arrested a 13 year old male juvenile for Penal Code 148.3(a) / Reporting a false emergency. The juvenile was cited and released to his parent.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to remind the public that any reported emergency is taken very seriously and responded to professionally. When we receive false reports of emergencies of this nature, it not only endangers the lives of the officers responding to the scene and the innocent parties at the locations, but takes emergency resources away from situations where they are truly needed.

Prepared by: Sergeant Pete O'Sullivan

News Release Date: March 17, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Gene Martinez @ (805) 388-5149

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Moorpark Police: One Arrested for Selling Alcohol to Minor

3/17/2015 10:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Alcohol 'Shoulder Tap' Operation

Report Number: N/A

Location: Various Retail Locations - City of Moorpark

Date & Time: March 15, 2015 / 2-10 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department's Special Enforcement Unit
Thousand Oaks Police Department's Directed Enforcement Team

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Jorge Casas	Northridge	63

Narrative:

On March 15, 2015, the Moorpark Police Department's Special Enforcement Unit and the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Directed Enforcement Team conducted an alcohol enforcement operation. Underage minor decoys were used, under the direct supervision of law enforcement officers, to solicit adults outside California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) licensed stores to purchase alcohol for the minors. The goal of this operation was to limit minors' access to alcohol.

Three underage decoys were used in an attempt to solicit others to purchase alcohol for them in different locations throughout the City of Moorpark. Approximately 36 subjects at four locations were solicited during the operation. One adult male, Jorge Casas, purchased alcohol for the minor decoys. Mr. Casas was arrested for California Business and Professions Code 25658(a) / furnishing alcohol to a minor. The Moorpark Police Department wants to thank the other 35 subjects who refused to purchase alcohol for the minors.

The Moorpark Police Department's Special Enforcement Unit will continue to conduct periodic operations in an effort to prevent minors' access to alcohol.

The Moorpark Police Department would like to remind the public that selling alcohol to, or purchasing alcohol for, minors is illegal and that alcohol is a factor in many homicides, suicides, and other unintentional injuries which along with car crashes are the four leading causes of death in 15-20 year olds. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office wants to remind the public to report incidents of underage drinking and illegal purchasing of alcohol.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Wright

News Release Date: March 17, 2015

Media Follow-Up

Detective Darin Yanover (805) 947-8220

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Approved by:

Stephen Wade, Captain

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Nature of Incident: Bicycle Enforcement Operation

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: March 21, 2015, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
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Narrative:

Traffic Enforcement Operations Planned for Thousand Oaks

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will step up bicycle safety enforcement operations on Saturday, March 21, 2015, with focused enforcement on collision-causing factors involving motorists and bike riders. Special overtime patrols will be deployed to crackdown on drivers and bicyclists who violate basic traffic laws.

The department has mapped out locations over the past three years where bicycle involved collisions have occurred along with the violations that led to those crashes. Officers will be looking for violations made by drivers and bike riders alike that can lead to life changing injuries.

Bicycle fatalities are rising in California as more people use bicycling for commuting, exercise and recreation. Locally, Thousand Oaks Police Department has investigated 85 fatal and injury collisions involving bike riders during the past three (3) years. In 2012, California witnessed 124 bicyclist deaths that year while nationally 726 riders were killed.

Nationally, fatal bike crash patterns have changed markedly. The percentage involving adults age 20 and older increased from 21 percent in 1975 to 84 percent in 2012. The percentage involving males increased from 82 percent to 88 percent during this period. Adult males comprised 74 percent of all bicyclist deaths in 2012. The percentage of deaths occurring in urban areas climbed from 50 percent in 1975 to 69 percent in 2012. The following safety tips can save lives and stop this tragedy witnessed far too often in Thousand Oaks:

Drivers:

- 'Share the road' with bicyclists
- Be courteous; California law now mandates at least three feet of clearance when passing a bike riders

- Look for cyclists before opening a car door or pulling out from a parking space
- Yield to cyclists at intersections and as directed by signs and signals
- Be especially watchful for riders when making turns, either left or right

Bicyclists:

- Wear properly fitted bicycle helmets every time they ride. If under 18 years of age, it's the law
- A helmet is the single most effective way to prevent head injury resulting from a bicycle crash
- Riders are considered vehicle operators; they are required to obey the same rules of the road as other vehicle operators, including obeying traffic signs, signals, and lane markings.
- When cycling in the street, cyclists must ride in the same direction as traffic.
- Bicyclists should increase their visibility to drivers by wearing fluorescent or brightly colored clothing during the day, and at dawn and dusk
- To be noticed when riding at night, the law requires a front light and a red reflector to the rear
- For additional safety, use a flashing rear light, and use retro-reflective tape or markings on equipment or clothing

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: March 17, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau: Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Scheduled for
3/22/15
3/17/2015 7:36:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Motorcycle Enforcement Operation

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: March 22, 2015, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
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Narrative:

Improving Motorcycle Safety Aim of Thousand Oaks Police Department Operation

Careless motorists as well as riders get special scrutiny

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting a specialized Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation on Sunday, March 22, 2015, in an effort to lower deaths and injuries. Extra officers will be on duty patrolling areas frequented by motorcyclists and where motorcycle crashes occur. Officers will be looking for violations made by drivers and riders alike that can lead to motorcycle crashes. They will be cracking down on both those operating regular vehicles and motorcycles that are under the influence of drugs or alcohol, speeding, making illegal turns, or any other dangerous violation.

Motorcycle fatalities saw a phenomenal drop of 37 percent from 2008 to 2010, but then rose 23 percent by 2012. Operations like this are aimed at curbing any more rises in motorcycle deaths and sending the numbers back downward. Over the course of the past three years, motorcycle involved collisions have resulted in 85 fatal and injury crashes. During that time period, four collisions involved motorcyclist who were DUI.

California collision data reveals that primary causes of motorcycle-involved crashes include speeding, unsafe turning and impairment due to alcohol and other drugs by both riders and drivers alike.

Safety tips for riders ' See and Be Seen:

- } Ride with lights on during daylight hours
- } Use your lane position to increase visibility; change lanes only when there is ample room

- } Match your speed to surrounding traffic
- } Always wear a DOT compliant helmet and brightly colored, protective clothing

Safety tips for drivers ' Share the Road:

- } Look twice for motorcyclists, especially when entering the roadway, turning or changing lanes
- } Motorcyclist are allowed in HOV lanes unless prohibited by signage

Riders are urged to get training through the California Motorcyclist Safety Program. Information and training locations are available at www.CA-msp.org or 1-877 RIDE 411 (1-877-743-3411).

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The message to all drivers and motorcyclists is: share in the responsibility and do your part by safely 'sharing the road.'

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: March 17, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

Butane Honey Oil Lab Investigation in Newbury Park

3/18/2015 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Butane Honey Oil Lab Investigation in Newbury Park
Report Number: 15-6157
Location: 700 block of Rudman, Newbury Park
Date & Time: March 18, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Mitch Keatley	Newbury Park	32
(S) Nicholas Fenzke	Newbury Park	23
(S) Sebastian Krehbiel	Newbury Park	23

Narrative:

Synopsis: On March 18, 2015, the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit (PCU) completed an investigation into Mitch Keatley selling concentrated cannabis in Newbury Park. A butane honey oil lab was discovered at his residence.

Investigation: During the month of March, 2015, detectives from the PCU learned Mitch Keatley was dealing marijuana and concentrated cannabis in the City of Thousand Oaks. Concentrated cannabis is also known as wax, BHO, or shatter. Keatley, and his passenger, Nicholas Fenze, were arrested on March 18, 2015, while they were driving to Thousand Oaks to deliver marijuana. A search warrant was served at Keatley's residence in the 700 block of Rudman, in Newbury Park. The residence is in close proximity to a school. About eighty marijuana plants, several pounds of processed marijuana, an active butane honey oil lab, and several thousand dollars in cash, was discovered at the house. The residence was evacuated and eventually secured by officers from LA IMPACT, an interagency task force of Los Angeles City and County police officers who specialize in clandestine lab investigations. The lab created a dangerous condition for the residents as well as for the entire neighborhood. Butane honey oil labs frequently blow up and have caused injury and death.

Keatley was booked into the Ventura County Jail for a multitude of charges including manufacturing drugs. He is currently in custody with a bail of \$300,000.

Fenzke was booked into the Ventura County Jail for conspiracy to sell marijuana and possession of marijuana for sale. He is currently in custody with a bail of \$20,000.

Krehbiel was booked into the Ventura County Jail for maintaining a place where drugs are used

or sold. He bailed out of custody.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office East County Street Team assisted on the investigation.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force comprised of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, and the California Highway Patrol. Their primary mission is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use. Anyone with information regarding these topics is encouraged to contact the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit at (805) 383-8700 or via e-mail at pharm.tip@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: March 19, 2014

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Victor Fazio
(805) 856-8793

Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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Nature of Incident: Ojai Citizen's Academy
Report Number: N/A
Location: Ojai Police Station, 402 S. Ventura St., Ojai Ca.
Date & Time: April 7th 2015 thru June 11th 2015
Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent **City of Residence** **Age**

Narrative:

On April 7th, 2015, the Ojai Police Department will begin its 2015 Citizen's Academy program. This is a ten-week course designed to give citizens an overview of the police department's function and operational procedures.

There will be presentations by a superior court judge, K-9 officer, S.W.A.T. team members, bomb squad, narcotic officers, and many others. Participants will also have the opportunity to meet the Chief of Police and get a comprehensive tour of the police station. There will be field trips to the Pre-Trial Detention Facility (main jail), Sheriff's Dispatch, the Sheriff's Training Academy, and heliport. Participants will also get the opportunity to go on a ride-along with a patrol deputy in Ojai.

Anyone interested in attending the Citizen's Academy can get an application at the Ojai Police Station or Ojai City Hall. You can also have one mailed to you by calling 646-1414 during normal business hours. Potential candidates must be at least 18 years of age, live or work in Ojai or the unincorporated area of the Ojai Valley, have no felony convictions, and have no misdemeanor convictions within one year of applying. Applications can be mailed, faxed (640-1803), e-mailed to rick.harwood@ventura.org or dropped off at the police station.

Classes will meet on Thursday evenings from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM for ten consecutive weeks. Classes will be held at the Ojai Police Station.

For additional information call the Ojai Police Station at 805-646-1414 or email Sergeant Rick Harwood at rick.harwood@ventura.org

Prepared by: Sgt. Rick Harwood

News Release Date: March 18, 2015

Media Follow-Up

Senior Deputy Andrea Regan (805) 620-1874

Contact:

Approved by:

Captain Mark Franke

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Pre-Trial Detention Facility: Inmate Death

3/18/2015 11:21:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Inmate Death

Location: Pre-Trial Detention Facility, Ventura

Unit Responsible: Major Crimes Unit and Classification Unit

<u>Decedent</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Age</u>
Hans Goodlein	Carpenteria	38

Narrative:

On March 12, 2015, at about 7:15 pm, during cell checks, deputies found Mr. Hans Goodlein hanging in his cell as the result of an apparent suicide attempt. Deputies entered the cell immediately and rendered first-aid. Jail medical personnel responded and assisted with life-saving efforts. Ventura City Fire Department and AMR also responded, and after additional life-saving efforts, were able to get a faint pulse. Mr. Goodlein was transported to CMH and placed on life-support. After the family consulted with the attending physicians, Mr. Goodlein was removed from life support on March 15, 2015, and passed away on March 15, 2015 at 8:50 pm.

Goodlein was booked into the county jail on January 23, 2015 on the following charges:

- 664/187 (a) PC, Attempted Murder.

Goodlein was in custody awaiting trial.

Officer Preparing Release: Sergeant Dave Lareva

Follow-up Contact: Detective Steve Michalec 805 384-4732

Date of Release: March 18, 2015

Approved by: Commander Rick Barrios

Mail Thefts Are On The Rise In Camarillo

3/20/2015 7:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Mail Thefts Are On The Rise

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: 3/20/2015/ - 1615 Hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
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Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit is advising the public that mail thefts are on the rise.

Since January 1, 2015, eighteen thefts of mail have been reported to the Camarillo Police Department. Some victims were not aware that their mail had been stolen until the Police Department contacted the victims about recovering their stolen mail. In one case, a female suspect had stolen mail in her possession from over 41 different victims throughout Ventura County.

Theft of mail is occurring everywhere, including in the industrial areas as well as your typical residential areas. The Camarillo Police Department would like to offer the following tips so that you won't become a victim:

Stop your mail if you are going on vacation or will be gone for several days; Do not put your outgoing mail in your mailbox and lift up the flag, this will only alert thieves that there is outgoing mail in the box; Don't let your mail sit in the mailbox and pile up; If you need to mail something, take your mail to the post office or place your mail in a secure mailbox.

If you observe suspicious activity in your neighborhood, please report this activity to the Camarillo Police Department immediately, by calling Sheriff's Dispatch @ 654-9511.

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi

News Release Date: 03/20/2015

Media Follow-Up

John.Franchi@ventura.org / (805) 947-9363

Contact:

Approved by:

Captain Todd Inglis

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###

Fatal Traffic Collision In Moorpark

3/22/2015 12:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fatal Traffic Collision

Report Number: 15-6409

Location: Tierra Rejada Road and Walnut Creek Road, Moorpark, Ca. 93021

Date & Time: 03/21/2015 @ 6:04 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department Traffic Bureau, Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau / Ventura Count Fire Department / AMR

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(D) Male adult	Moorpark	18
(P) Mc Namara, Keiko	Moorpark	22

Narrative:

On March 21, 2015 at about 6:04 PM, deputies from the Moorpark Police Department responded to a single vehicle traffic collision on Tierra Rejada Road east of Walnut Creek Road. During the investigation, deputies discovered a Toyota Prius had been traveling westbound on Tierra Rejada Road and for an unknown reason left the roadway colliding with a tree in the center median. As a result of the collision, the driver sustained fatal injuries and passed away at the scene.

At the same time, a second vehicle traveling east on Tierra Rejada Road in the vicinity of the collision suffered moderate damage as a result of debris being ejected from the Toyota Prius after hitting the tree. The driver of the second vehicle had complaint of pain and suffered from broken glass striking her in the face and head. She was treated at the scene by the Ventura County Fire Department and American Medical Rescue (AMR) and released.

Alcohol does not appear to be a factor in this collision at this time. The cause of this collision is still under investigation. The Ventura County Medical Examiner's Office will be releasing the decedant's information after the appropriate notifications. Eastbound and westbound lanes near the collision scene were closed for approximately 5 hours as traffic investigators from both Moorpark and Thousand Oaks Police Departments collected evidence. Anyone who was in the area or may have witnessed the collision is asked to contact Deputy David Anaya at the Moorpark Police Station.

Prepared by: David Anaya, Deputy

News Release Date: 03/22/2015

Media Follow-Up

Contact:

Approved by:

Deputy David Anaya Cellular 805-947-8219
or Office 532-2700 x 505, david.anaya@ventura.org
Stephen Wade, Captain

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Bank Robber Arrested

3/25/2015 4:47:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Bank Robbery Arrest
Report Number: 15-2310
Location: Rabobank
410 N. Ventura Avenue, Oak View
Date & Time: January 30, 2015 @ 4:15 p.m.
Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, Sheriff's Gang Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Juan Barbosa	Ventura	50

Narrative:

On 01-30-2015, Sheriff's Deputies responded to a bank robbery that had occurred at Rabobank in Oak View. The bank teller reported one male suspect entered the bank and used a note to demand money. The suspect was given an undisclosed amount of cash. The suspect left the bank on a black BMX type bicycle and was last seen riding into the Larmier residential area.

Bank surveillance cameras captured the suspect on video and assisted investigators with identifying the suspect. The suspect was identified as Juan Barbosa from Ventura.

On 02-20-2015, members of the Sheriff's Gang Unit and the Major Crimes Bureau served a search warrant at Barbosa's residence. Barbosa was arrested for firearm and drug related offenses. Barbosa remained in custody at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility.

On 03-20-2015, investigators arrested Barbosa at the jail for the bank robbery.

Prepared by: Detective Steven Jenkins
News Release Date: 03/23/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Steven Jenkins 805-384-4745
steven.jenkins@ventura.org
Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Distracted Driver Campaign

3/25/2015 4:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Distracted Driver Safety Campaign

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: The first week of April 2015

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent **City of Residence** **Age**

Narrative:

Silence the Distractions

April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month 'It's Not Worth It!'

Thousand Oaks, CA ' To save lives and educate all Californians, especially young drivers, about the dangers of distracted driving, the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), California Highway Patrol (CHP), Impact Teen Drivers, and more than 200 law enforcement agencies statewide are working together on increased education and enforcement efforts for National Distracted Driving Awareness Month in April and California Teen Safe Driving Week, the first week of April.

'Driving takes one's full attention and any distraction can have deadly, dangerous consequences,' said Assistant Chief Jim Fryhoff of the Thousand Oaks Police Department. 'Imagine driving for four or five seconds while blindfolded. That can be the effect of looking down to send a text message. In the average time it takes to check a text message ' less than 5 seconds ' a car travelling 60 mph will travel more than the length of a football field.'

Throughout the month of April, Police, Sheriff and the CHP will focus on educating the public about the dangers of driving distracted through local media interviews, visits to schools, and traffic safety presentations. In addition, two dates, April 1 and April 15, have been earmarked for special statewide high visibility enforcement days for all law enforcement agencies that are participating in the national traffic safety campaign.

The urge to read and answer an incoming message when we hear the text sound can be almost overwhelming. The Office of Traffic Safety is using a message of 'Silence the Distraction' in new public service announcements aimed at getting drivers to turn off their phones while driving so they won't be tempted.

'No text, call, or social media update is worth a crash,' said OTS Director Rhonda Craft. 'With an average of less than a second to react to an urgent situation, drivers need to have all their attention on the roadway.'

While distracted driving can take on many forms and affects all road users, young drivers are at a greater risk. During 'California Teen Safe Driving Week,' April 1-7, Impact Teen Drivers will focus on educating teens that their number one killer 'reckless and distracted driving' is 100% preventable. 'People are realizing that everyday behaviors, such as texting or reaching for a dropped item, can be lethal when done behind the wheel,' Kelly Browning, Ph.D., Executive Director of Impact Teen Drivers, said.

'Each of us must drive responsibly, keeping full attention to the task at hand - *DRIVING*. If you have teenagers in your family who are driving, make sure they understand the laws and what their responsibilities are as well,' Assistant Chief Jim Fryhoff added. 'The collective goal with this month-long campaign is to change the behavior of all drivers. That change begins with education.'

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: March 25, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
brad.clifton@ventura.org

Approved by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

Help Ojai Detectives Identify Grand Theft Suspect

3/25/2015 11:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Ojai Detectives are seeking help in identifying a grand theft suspect.

Report Number: 15-6463

Location: Ojai Athletic Club

Date & Time: March 22, 2015 @ 1:30 PM ' 2:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department Detective Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Unknown	Unknown	Unknown

Narrative:

The Ojai Police Department is seeking the public's assistance in identifying a grand theft suspect. On 3/22/15, an unknown suspect took the victim's bicycle (valued at \$3,200) from a bicycle rack that was mounted to his vehicle. The vehicle was parked in the parking lot of the Ojai Athletic Club located 409 Fox St, Ojai, CA. The bicycle is described as follows:

The bicycle is all glossy black "Niner", "Air 9", carbon fiber, hard tail mountain bike with white lettering, front shocks, 1x11 gearing, 29 inch wheels with "Stan's Wheels" and "Racing Ralphs" tires (no serial number).

Please view the attached surveillance video and photographs of the suspect. In this video, the suspect is seen just prior to the theft riding his skateboard through the parking lot. If anyone has any information or knowledge regarding the identity of this suspect please contact Det. Hollowell at the Ojai Police Department (805) 646-1414.

Prepared by: Sergeant Kevin Donoghue #2735

News Release Date: March 25, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Det. Will Hollowell (805) 646-1414
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Approved by: Captain Garo Kuredjian #3051

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Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit Arrest Three with 13,000 Pills and 13 Guns

3/26/2015 11:01:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Three Suspects Arrested with 13,000 Pills and 13 Guns

Report Number: 15-6521

Location: Oxnard, CA

Date & Time: March 20, 2015 ' March 24, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit
Ventura County Sheriff's Gang Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Martin Ipatzi	Oxnard	22
(S) Erica Barboza	Oxnard	22
(S) Alfredo Leon	Oxnard	29

Narrative:

Synopsis: Between March 20, 2015 and March 24, 2015, the Ventura County Sheriff's Gang Unit (SGU) and Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit (PCU) concluded an investigation with the arrest of three individuals suspected of trafficking in prescription medication and guns.

Investigation: At the beginning of 2015, the PCU received an anonymous tip regarding Alfredo Leon selling prescription medication in the County of Ventura. Detectives identified Leon and several of his associates. The Sheriff's Gang Unit arrested one of his associates, Martin Ipatzi, on 3-20-15. Ipatzi was in possession of approximately 700 pills of hydrocodone and clonazepam. Three handguns were also seized during his initial arrest.

Detectives from the PCU followed up this arrest with several search warrants at Ipatzi's apartment, a residence where he kept property, and two storage lockers. All locations were in the city of Oxnard. Over 12,300 pills including hydrocodone and clonazepam were seized along with 7 handguns and a rifle. Ipatzi's girlfriend, Erica Barboza, was also arrested in the investigation. One of the storage lockers was in her name and investigators learned she destroyed evidence in this case after Ipatzi was arrested.

Detectives then served a search warrant at Leon's residence in the city of Oxnard. He was arrested for conspiracy to sell Alprazolam and Hydrocodone. Two guns were seized from his residence as well. In total, over 13,000 pills and 13 guns were seized in this investigation.

All individuals were booked into the Ventura County Jail for a variety of drug and weapons violations. Court dates are pending. This investigation is continuing and additional arrests are

anticipated.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office East County Street Team and Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail assisted on the investigation.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force comprised of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, and the California Highway Patrol. Their primary mission is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use. Anyone with information regarding these topics is encouraged to contact the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit at (805) 383-8700 or via e-mail at pharm.tip@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: March 25, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain John Reilly
(805) 947 6782

Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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2015 Ventura County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

3/30/2015 2:20:00 PM

Nature of Event: 2015 Ventura County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Date & Time: March 30, 2015 12:00 (noon)

Unit Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services (OES), in cooperation with the Ventura County Watershed Protection District, and various cities and special districts within Ventura County, is launching a countywide effort to re-assess risks posed by natural and human-caused disasters and identify ways to reduce those risks.

The planning process will result in the preparation of an updated Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP). The County developed their first MHMP in 2005, updated the plan in 2010 and is kicking-off the 2015 plan update process. An updated version of the plan is required under the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 in order to be eligible to continue to receive certain forms of Federal disaster assistance. OES has received a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for preparation of the updated plan.

Additionally, the updated 2015 MHMP will support the County's participation in the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System (CRS) program by addressing the program's Floodplain Management Planning activities. To earn CRS credits and participate in the CRS program, communities must illustrate that they have gone beyond the minimum floodplain protection requirements and have developed extra measures to provide protection to their community from flooding. In 2011, Ventura County entered the CRS program at class 6 participation. Ventura County is the first county in California to enter the program at that level.

Ventura County is vulnerable to a wide range of disasters. In the past five years, Ventura County has received multiple Presidential disaster declarations and State Emergency Proclamations due to various natural disasters including the hazards of winter storm, drought and wildfire. The risks posed by these hazards and other hazards increases as the County's population continues to grow. The 2015 MHMP will provide the County, the participating cities and special districts with the necessary tools to identify these risks and prioritize future actions for reducing these risks. Additionally, the plan will provide a framework for future requests for Federal assistance to institute risk-reducing actions.

The County's current Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, as well as information about the CRS program can be found on the County of Ventura's flood information webpage: <http://www.vcfloodinfo.com/home>.

The planning process will occur from March ' August 2015. For further information about the project and/or if you are interested in participating in the plan update process please contact Dale Carnathan at dale.carnathan@ventura.org or (805) 654-5152. For further information specific to CRS and the FMP appendix, please contact Brian Trushinski at Brian.Trushinski@ventura.org or (805) 477-1967.

Additionally, there will be an opportunity for public comments on a draft of the plan. The comment period is anticipated to occur in July 2015; specific details will be distributed closer to the comment period date.

Follow-up Contact: Dale Carnathan, Ventura County Sheriff's Office ' OES at (805) 654-5152

Approved By: Captain Randy Downard

Date of Release: March 30, 2015

Fillmore Police Arrest One During Underage Alcohol Sting Operation

3/30/2015 1:22:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Alcohol 'Shoulder Tap' Sting Operation
Report Number: N/A
Location: Various Locations - City of Fillmore & Unincorporated Piru
Date & Time: March 29th, 2015, between the hours of 2:00 PM and 10:00 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department Investigations Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
One (1) Adult Male	Fillmore	

Narrative:

On 3/29/2015, the Fillmore Police Department's Investigations Unit conducted an alcohol enforcement operation. Underage minor decoys were used, under the direct supervision of law enforcement officers, to solicit adults outside California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) licensed stores to purchase alcohol for the minors. The goal of this operation was to limit minors' access to alcohol.

Two underage decoys were used in an attempt to solicit others to purchase alcohol for them in different locations throughout the City of Fillmore and the unincorporated area of Piru. Approximately 20 subjects at four locations were solicited during the operation. 1 adult male purchased alcohol for the minor decoys. The one male subject was arrested for BP 25658(a) / furnishing alcohol to a minor.

The Fillmore Police Department's Investigations Unit will continue to conduct periodic operations in the area in an effort to prevent minors' access to alcohol.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Fillmore Police Department would like to remind the public that selling alcohol to, or purchasing alcohol for, minors is illegal and that alcohol is a factor in many homicides, suicides, and other unintentional injuries which along with car crashes are the four leading causes of death in 15-20 year olds. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office wants to remind the public to report incidents of underage drinking and illegal purchasing of alcohol.

Prepared by: Sergeant Mario Aguilar

News Release Date: 03/29/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact:

Detective Javier Chavez 805-524-2233
Javier.chavez@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain R. Bassi #2978

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Camarillo Station: Two Suspects Wanted for Daytime "Hot Prowl"

4/2/2015 5:25:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Attempted Robbery, Resulting in Injured Victims

Report Number: 15-7244

Location: 1000 Block of Modesto Avenue, Camarillo, CA.

Date & Time: 03/31/2015 @ 10:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations and Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
V-1: Female	Camarillo	82
V-2: Male	Camarillo	86

Narrative:

On March 31, 2015, at approximately 1030 hours, two suspects, described as black male teenagers, gained entry into a residence in the 1000 block of Modesto Avenue. While inside, the suspects began searching for valuables and violently confronted two elderly residents. As a result, each victim sustained non-life threatening injuries.

The suspects fled from the residence shortly thereafter and entered an awaiting vehicle, driven by a third suspect. The vehicle was last seen driving northbound on Modesto Avenue. The suspect vehicle was described as a silver or gray colored sedan.

The public is reminded to remain vigilant and report any suspicious people, vehicles, or circumstances in your neighborhood. We would also remind you to secure your doors and windows.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact Sergeant John Gleason at (805) 384-4727.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Gleason

News Release Date: April 2, 2015

Media Follow-Up Sergeant John Gleason, Major Crimes Bureau (805)

Contact: 384-4727 or john.gleason@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Headquarters Station: Three Arrested for Burglary in Silver Strand Area

4/2/2015 3:26:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Deputies Arrest Residential Burglars
Report Number: RB# 150006700
Location: 300 Block Cahuenga Drive, Silver Strand
Date & Time: 03/24/15 @ 11:35 P.M.
Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Headquarters Deputies and Detectives

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Douglas Pearce	Oxnard	19
(S) Michael Hanson	Oxnard	18
(S) Byron Willis	Ventura	20

Narrative:

On March 24, 2015, Headquarters patrol deputies responded to a residential burglary call. Arriving within minutes, deputies located an open window at the home. A search of the residence located Douglas Pearce hiding inside. Pearce was arrested without incident.

Over the course of the following week, Detectives completed a follow-up investigation and identified two additional suspects. Michael Hanson and Byron Willis were located and arrested without incident. Deputies recovered stolen property at the Willis residence.

All three suspects were booked for residential burglary at the Ventura County Main Jail. Each had bail set at \$50,000.

Prepared by: Sergeant Brian Richmond
News Release Date: April 2, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jon Smith (805) 662-6770
Approved by: Captain Patti Salas

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Thousand Oaks: Four Arrested for Theft and Identity Theft Related Charges

4/2/2015 5:14:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Identity Theft / Fraudulent Use of Card Scanning Device

Report Number: RB# 15-7284 / 15-7304

Location: 1500 Block of Newbury Road Thousand Oaks, CA.

Date & Time: 3/31/15 @ 3:50 PM,

Unit Responsible: City of Thousand Oaks Police - Special Enforcement Unit.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Matthew Jesus Cardona	Oxnard	29
(S) Dawn Marie Zolman	Transient	39
(S) Terry James Oliphant	Oxnard	44
(S) Jose Jesus Cardenas	Camarillo	31

Narrative:

On March 31, 2015, at approximately 3:50 PM, a detective with the City of Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit was driving in the 1500 block of Newbury Road when he observed a subject sitting in a parked vehicle. The detective contacted the subject, and immediately recognized the subject as Terry Oliphant who was currently on probation with search terms for drugs. During a search of Oliphant's vehicle, the detective located a billy club and tools commonly used during burglaries. Detectives also searched Oliphant's hotel room. In the hotel room detectives located a credit card scanning device, and a notebook that contained credit card and pin numbers for multiple victims. Oliphant was arrested for 22210 PC ' Possession of a Billy Club, 466 PC ' Possession of Burglar's Tools, and 502.6(a) PC ' Fraudulent Use of Credit Card Scanning Device. Oliphant was also arrested for a violation of probation and a misdemeanor warrant. Oliphant was booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility with a bail of \$75,000, and is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on April 2, 2015 at 1:30 PM.

At approximately 4:45 PM, detectives with the City of Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit contacted a female in the area of Oliphant's arrest. Detectives believed this female was associated with and sharing a room with Oliphant. The female, who was later identified as Dawn Zolman, was with two male subjects, Matthew Cardona and Jose Cardenas. As the detectives approached, Cardenas placed the items he was holding atop the vehicle he was standing next to. In doing so, Cardenas dropped a glass pipe that is commonly used to ingest narcotics. Due to the possible narcotics activity, detectives detained the three subjects. It was determined these three subjects were not associated to Oliphant, but were staying at the same hotel as Oliphant. Detectives received consent to search the subject's hotel room. While

searching the hotel room, detectives located a credit card skimming device, credit card and pin numbers for multiple victims. Detectives also learned the hotel room was rented using a stolen credit card and driver license. Dawn Zolman and Matthew Cardona were arrested for 502.6(a) PC ' Fraudulent use of a Credit Card Scanning Device, 530.5(c)(3) PC ' Possession of Personal Information, 530.5(a) PC ' Obtaining Credit in Another Person's Name, 484g(a) PC ' Fraudulent Use of an Access Card, and 182(a)(1) PC ' Conspiracy to commit a crime. Both Zolman and Cardona were booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Zolman is being held on \$55,000 bail and Cardona is being held on \$100,000 bail. Both Zolman and Cardona are scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on April 2, 2015 at 1:30 PM.

Cardenas was arrested for 11364 H&S ' Possession of Opium Pipe. Cardenas was released from the scene with a citation.

Detectives assigned to the City of Thousand Oaks Police Investigative Bureau will be conducting a follow-up investigation in an attempt to identify the multiple victims of identity theft.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: April 2, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sr. Deputy Tim Lohman, 805-947-8255 (Cell)
Tim.lohman@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Moorpark Station - Major Injury Traffic Collision

4/5/2015 3:16:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Major Injury Traffic Collision / Road Closure

Report Number: 15-7646

Location: Los Angeles Avenue & Spring Road, Moorpark, CA. 93021

Date & Time: 04/04/2015, 6:44 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department Traffic Bureau,
Assisting: Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau, California Highway Patrol, Ventura County Fire Department, American Medical Rescue, Cal-Trans

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Belinda Razo	Santa Barbara	62
(V) Sylvia Duran	Ventura	54
(V) Deborah Mickelson	Newbury Park	65
(P) Coleton Sears	Thousand Oaks	19

Narrative:

On April 4, 2015, at about 6:44 PM, units from the Moorpark Police Department responded to a three-car traffic collision on Los Angeles Avenue at Spring Road in the City of Moorpark. Belinda Razo was driving her car westbound on Los Angeles Avenue at Spring Road when it collided into the driver's side of Deborah Mickelson's truck, which was turning from southbound Spring Road to eastbound Los Angeles Avenue. As a result of the initial collision, Mickelson's truck continued southwest across the intersection colliding into the front of Sears' car, which was stopped for the traffic signal eastbound on Los Angeles Avenue at Spring Road in the #2 lane.

Razo, Mickelson, and a passenger in Razo's car were all transported by AMR Ambulance to Los Robles Hospital for their injuries.

Razo was arrested for suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol and the investigation continues by the Moorpark Traffic Bureau. Anyone who may have witnessed this traffic collision is encouraged to contact the Moorpark Traffic Bureau.

The intersection of Los Angeles Avenue and Spring Rd. was closed with the assistance of Cal-Trans for approximately five hours while investigators made measurements and collected evidence.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko #2979

News Release Date: April 5, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko (805) 947-8217

Approved by:

Stephen Wade, Captain

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###

Fillmore Explorer Post Cleans Up Santa Paula Punch Bowls

4/6/2015 3:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Explorers Clean Up Santa Paula Punchbowls

Location: Santa Paula Punchbowls

Date & Time: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 (0800-1700 hours)

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department and VCSO Aviation Unit

Narrative:

On Tuesday March 31, 2015, the Fillmore Explorer Post #2958 spent their spring break hiking up to the Santa Paula Punch Bowls near Thomas Aquinas College. As they hiked up to the pools of water, they collected several bags of trash scattered throughout the canyon. In coordination with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Aviation Unit, the explorers carried the trash bags to a designated location where the explorers were then able to witness the air unit touch down, pick up the bags, and then fly them away. Explorer Advisor Deputy Leonardo Vazquez described the event as "a great opportunity for the explorers to clean up their environment, get a workout, and witness one of the Ventura County Sheriff's Office greatest resources in action." The hike was led by Civilian Explorer Advisor DJ Wareham, Cadet Julio Espinoza, Deputy Leonardo Vazquez, and Fillmore Citizen Patrol member Isela Larin. The Fillmore Explorers would like to thank Sergeant Carl Patterson and the members of the Aviation Unit for their collaboration with this event. #VCSO #AIRUNIT #EXPLORERS #FILLMOREPOLICE

The Law Enforcement Explorer Program consists of young men and women ages 14-21 with an interest in learning more about careers in the field of Law Enforcement. The explorer program provides law enforcement career experiences, leadership opportunities, educational training, and community service activities. The primary goals of the program are to help young adults choose a career path within law enforcement and to challenge them to become responsible citizens in their communities and the nation.

If you would like more information about your local explorer program, please contact School Resource Officer, Deputy Leonardo Vazquez at Leonardo.vazquez@ventura.org or 805-947-8150

Prepared by: Cadet Julio Espinoza

News Release Date: April 6, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Cadet Julio Espinoza (805) 524-2234

Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

Thousand Oaks "Coffee with the Chiefs" April 16th at Brent's Deli

4/6/2015 4:29:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments 'Coffee with the Chiefs' Community Outreach Program

Location: Brent's Deli 2799 Townsgate Rd. Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: April 16th, 2015. 8:30 AM ' 10:00 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments are pleased to announce a 'Coffee with the Chiefs' event on Thursday, April 16th. Thousand Oaks Police Chief Tim Hagel and Thousand Oaks Fire Chief Ted Smith will be at Brent's Deli, located at 2799 Townsgate Rd in Westlake Village. Chiefs Hagel and Smith believe these events are an excellent opportunity to continue building on existing partnerships with the community. They would like to hear any questions or concerns from the public. The chiefs will be available from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM.

The Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments view open lines of communication as an integral part of developing proactive partnerships with the community and working together on identifying, prioritizing and solving problems. Chiefs Hagel and Smith believe these topics include safety, crime, and quality of life issues.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, Crime Prevention Bureau

Media Release Date: April 6, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Ed Beauvais (805) 371-8362 / edward.beauvais@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

###

Academy Class 2014-2 Graduation

4/8/2015 3:58:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Academy Class 2014-2 Graduation

Report Number:

Location: Oxnard Performing Arts and Convention Center, 800 Hobson Way, Oxnard, California.

Date & Time: Friday, April 10, 2015 / 1:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Criminal Justice Training Center

Narrative:

Sheriff Geoff Dean is pleased to announce the graduation of the Ventura County Criminal Justice Training Center's Academy Class #2014-2. The graduation ceremony will be held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, April 10, 2015, at the Oxnard Performing Arts and Convention Center, 800 Hobson Way, Oxnard, California. The guest speaker for the graduation ceremony will be Thousand Oaks City Mayor Pro Tem Joel Price.

The recruits have completed 24 weeks of instruction provided through the combined efforts of local law enforcement agencies and other criminal justice entities. The intense training and education prepares these recruits for the responsibilities of serving their communities as peace officers.

Please see below for the names of the graduating recruits and their respective agencies.

**ACADEMY ROSTER
Basic Academy Class #2014-2
Graduating Recruits**

OXNARD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Christian Aldrete
Ignacio Coronel Jr.
Mayra J. Gonzalez
Justin D. Iglehart
Carlos M. Jaramillo
Chad A. Ordelheide
Alfonso R. Silva

Eric R. Turner Jr.

SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Nicholas C. Clark
Shaun M. Cozzens
Michael G. Herrick
Matthew W. La Barge

SIMI VALLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Anthony J. Haidet
Scott C. Holty

VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Anthony Santino Reginato
Jameson Spies

VENTURA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Tonia Bellgraph
Andrea R. Bennett
Michael N. Dixon
Steven M. Donlon
Nicholas M. Gildroy
Scott M. Grijalva
Myranda Braziel Huck
Jamal I. Labb
Daniel M. Lewis
Thomas B. Millar

Prepared by: Sergeant Cecil Valenti

Media Release Date: April 8, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Dave Murray (805) 383-4744

Approved by: Captain Dave Murray

###

April 12-18: National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

4/9/2015 3:18:00 PM

Nature of Incident: National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

Report Number: Non-applicable

Location: Ventura County Sheriff's Communications Center

Date & Time: April 12 ' April 18, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Communications Center

Narrative:

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week is April 12 ' 18, 2015, and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office is honoring the public safety dispatchers who serve as the lifeline between people in need and vital law enforcement services. These public safety dispatchers have dedicated their careers to providing superior service to people who have a need for law enforcement assistance. In many cases, the dispatcher can make the difference between life and death.

Each year, the public safety dispatchers and supervisors at the Ventura County Sheriff's Office handle more than 340,000 telephone calls, including 98,000 911 calls. Every day, hundreds of people depend on the skill, expertise and commitment of the dispatchers who work in public safety communications. These team members help save countless lives by handling emergency telephone calls, dispatching law enforcement resources, and providing moral support to people in distress.

Public safety dispatchers must undergo a rigorous testing and background process before being hired. After they have been hired, new dispatchers must attend the three-week Basic Dispatcher Course that is certified by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST). Typically, their training also includes four additional weeks of classroom training and between 6 ' 12 months of on-the-job training before the new dispatcher is allowed to work independently. Even then, almost 50% of the dispatchers hired are not able to successfully complete the training program, due to the demands of the job.

Within the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, we are celebrating the valuable contributions that our public safety dispatchers make on a daily basis. We are incredibly fortunate to have such talented and dedicated professionals who work so hard to serve the public and the deputies. Please join us in thanking them for doing such an excellent job at fulfilling a critical role in public safety.

Prepared by: Erin M. Brockus, Assistant Communications Manager

News Release Date:

April 9, 2015

Media Follow-Up

Contact:

Erin M. Brockus, Assistant Communications
Manager
(805) 654-5158

Approved by:

Captain Luis Obregon, Communications Manager

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###

Sheriff's Technical Communications Specialist Ann Dyer - 2015 Dispatcher of the Year

4/9/2015 3:19:00 PM

Nature of Incident: 911 Dispatcher to Receive Award

Report Number: Non-applicable

Location: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Communications Center, 800 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, California

Date & Time: April 18, 2015, 5:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Communications Center

Narrative:

Ventura County Sheriff's Technical Communications Specialist Ann Dyer has been selected as the 2015 Dispatcher of the Year Award. She will be honored at the annual Dispatcher Awards Banquet at California State University, Channel Islands on April 18, 2015. Ann was selected by her peers and supervisors to receive this award, which is presented to the outstanding dispatcher for their exemplary work and contributions to public safety and the residents of Ventura County.

Ann has been a dispatcher with the Sheriff's Office since December, 2001. During her time with the Sheriff's Office, Ann has become an accomplished dispatcher and has established herself as a consummate team player. In addition to her challenging primary assignment she is also a trainer for newly hired dispatchers.

Sheriff dispatchers answer, assess, and refer 9-1-1 calls, and business calls that come into the Sheriff's Office. They are responsible for dispatching and coordinating patrol response to calls for service and at times, responsible for up to 70 patrol deputies in the field. Dispatchers are among the first responders to emergency incidents and are expected to remain calm, professional, and proficient at all times. Peers have noted that Ann is just that; calm, professional, and proficient. She is an exceptional team player and assists in bringing substantial patrol incidents to a successful conclusion.

Congratulations to Ann Dyer for being selected as the 2015 Dispatcher of the Year.

Prepared by: Erin Brockus, Assistant Communications Manager

Media Release Date: April 9, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Erin Brockus, Assistant Communications Manager,
805-654-5158

Approved by: Captain Luis Obregon, Communications Manager

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###

Thousand Oaks Investigators Arrest Massage Therapist for Sexual Assault

4/9/2015 1:09:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Massage Therapist Arrest

Report Number: 15-7659

Location: Massage Envy, 3835 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd. #1, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

Date & Time: 4-4-2015

Unit Responsible: East County Sexual Assault Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Sperling, Gary

(V) Female

City of Residence

Woodland Hills, CA

Thousand Oaks, CA

Age

67

25

Narrative:

On 4-4-15, the female victim went to the Massage Envy for a massage. During the massage, the suspect sexually assaulted the female victim. Investigators with the East County Major Crimes, Sexual Assault Unit, conducted an investigation and identified (S) Gary Sperling as the suspect.

On 4-8-15, Sperling was interviewed and ultimately arrested for one count of PC 286(g) / Sodomy of an Incompetent Person and one count of PC 288(c)(2) / Lewd Act on Dependent Adult. Sperling also told Investigators he has worked as a massage therapist at several Massage Envy locations for nine years.

Sperling was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility in Ventura on \$100,000.00 bail.

At this time, Investigators are not aware of any additional victims. Anyone who may have information about this suspect is asked to contact East County Major Crimes Detective Eric Taylor at 805-371-8397 or eric.taylor@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Sergeant Robert Fleming

Media Release Date: 4-9-15

Media Follow-Up Detective Tim Lohman

Contact: 805-947-8255

Tim.Lohman@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Fillmore Station -Multiple Vehicle/Injury Traffic Collision

4/10/2015 8:55:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Injury Traffic Collision

Report Number: 15-8025

Location: SR 126 (Ventura St.) at Santa Clara St., Fillmore

Date & Time: 4-9-15 @ 4:35 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(P) John Toy	Fillmore	65
(P) Michelle Artran	Oxnard	36
(V) Nahun Orizabal	Oxnard	25
(V) Margaret Brown	Ventura	55
(V) Lissette Ochoa	Oxnard	24
(V) Yvonne Bucio	Santa Paula	18

Narrative:

On April 9, 2015, at approximately 4:40 PM, emergency personnel with the Fillmore Police Department, Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Fillmore Fire Department, Santa Paula Fire Department, American Medical Response, and Gold Coast Ambulance responded to a two-car, injury traffic collision at SR 126 (Ventura St.) and Santa Clara St., Fillmore. The collision occurred when one vehicle, driven by Mr. Toy, attempted to turn left from southbound Santa Clara St. to eastbound SR 126 and was struck by the second vehicle, driven by Ms. Artran, as she drove westbound on SR 126. Mr. Toy was injured as a result of the collision and transported to a local hospital for treatment. Ms. Artran and her four passengers were injured and trapped in the vehicle for a short time. Ms. Artran and two of her passengers were transported to a local hospital for treatment, while the other passengers were treated at the scene and released. The collision caused significant traffic delays in the area for about two hours. The investigation into the cause of the collision is being conducted by the Fillmore Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Kevin Vaden

News Release Date: 4-10-15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Bill Lattin / 805-524-2233

Approved by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

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responsible for this crime. The caller may remain anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

###

Thousand Oaks - Early Morning Residential Burglary

4/10/2015 5:01:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Burglary
Report Number: 15-7704
Location: 1800 block of Burleson Avenue
Date & Time: 04/06/2015 @ 02:00 AM
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Patrol Services & East County Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) James Tabor	Transient, Thousand Oaks	44
(V) Female	Thousand Oaks	50

Narrative:

On April 6, 2015, at about 2:10 AM, deputies responded to a call of a subject attempting to force entry into a residence. The subject initially pounded on the front door and ultimately forced entry into the home by breaking a window. The suspect, James Tabor, confronted the homeowner, who was the only occupant in the residence. Tabor began acting bizarre towards the homeowner. The resident was able to flee her home uninjured and contact a neighbor who called 9-1-1.

The first responding deputy contacted Tabor inside the residence. Tabor fled into the backyard where he was eventually taken into custody by the deputy. Tabor was transported to Los Robles Hospital for medical treatment and evaluation. Tabor was arrested for one-count of PC 459 / Residential Burglary and one-count of 236 PC / False Imprisonment By Violence.

Tabor was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility in Ventura on \$100,000.00 bail.

Prepared by: Detective Billy Hutton #3438

Media Release Date: April 10, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Billy Hutton #3438
(805) 947-8113

Approved by:

Captain Mike Hartmann

NAMI Walk Ventura County - May 2, 2015

4/13/2015 7:44:00 PM

Nature of Incident: NAMI Walk Ventura County

Location: Ventura Promenade

Date & Time: Saturday May 2, 2015

Unit Responsible: Crisis Intervention Team

Narrative:

The Ventura County Law Enforcement Crisis Intervention Team is proud to announce the 2015 NAMI Walk, in Ventura County.

NAMI Walk Ventura County is being held on Saturday May 2nd. Please come and join our team comprised of every Law Enforcement agency in the county of Ventura. You can participate in a 5K walk or you can jog along the beautiful Ventura Promenade to help raise awareness and funds to support the National Alliance on Mental Illness. (NAMI) NAMI provides education and advocacy programs to the community at no cost.

CIT is inviting all of our community members to join our team by logging in to our team page @ <http://namiwalks.nami.org/CITVentura2015> and signing up today!

Check in time for the event is at 9:00 AM with a start time of 10:00 AM. Please partner with us to raise critical awareness of Mental Illness, in Ventura County.

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi

Media Release Date: April 13, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: John.Franchi@ventura.org / 805-947-9363

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Todd Road Jail - Inmate Arrested for Battery On Deputy

4/13/2015 7:38:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Inmate Arrested for Battery on Deputy Sheriff
Report Number: RB#15-8318
Location: Todd Road Jail Facility 600 S. Todd Road, Santa Paula, Ca.
Date & Time: 04/13/15 6:50 a.m.
Unit(s) Responsible: Detention Services ' Classification

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Keisha Arceneaux	Oxnard	30
(V) Deputy Sheriff		

Narrative:

A Ventura County Jail inmate attacked a deputy sheriff at the Todd Road Jail during morning court movement operations. The inmate is currently in custody on charges of being under the influence of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and theft.

On 04/13/15, a female deputy was in the process of conducting a pat down search of inmate Keisha Arceneaux, a standard procedure when preparing inmates being transported to court proceedings. During the search, Arceneaux became combative and a physical altercation ensued. The deputy sustained minor injuries to her facial and neck area.

Arceneaux was arrested for Penal Code section 69, obstructing or resisting an executive officer in the performance of their duties, and Penal Code section 243(b), battery on a peace officer. Her bail is set at \$20,000.00.

Prepared by: Sergeant Darrell Erickson
News Release Date: 04/13/15
Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Don Aguilar (805) 797-7349
don.aguilar@ventura.org
Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

###

Camarillo Teacher Arrested for Lewd Acts with a Minor

4/14/2015 6:21:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo Teacher Arrested
Report Number: 14-28375
Location: Camarillo and Moorpark
Date & Time: 4/14/14 0800 hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Special Services Division / Major Crimes Bureau / Sexual Assault Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Suspect: Kiley Bedwell	Thousand Oaks	28

Narrative:

S-Bedwell is suspected of lewd acts with a minor, which occurred during 2011 and 2012 when the victim was between the ages of 15 and 16 years old and Bedwell was between the ages of 24 and 25 years old. Bedwell had regular contact with the victim while working as an athletic coach in Camarillo during the time of the incidents. Although S-Bedwell currently works at University Preparation School in Camarillo, there is no indication of him being involved with crimes at the school.

Detectives arrested Bedwell at his home in Thousand Oaks.

Anyone with additional information regarding Bedwell is urged to contact Det. Christine Rettura (805) 797-6328 at the Ventura County Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit.

Prepared by: Det. Christine Rettura
News Release Date: 4-14-15
Media Follow-Up Contact: Det. Christine Rettura / (805) 797-6328
christine.rettura@ventura.org
Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Moorpark Police Volunteer in Policing Program - Over 45,211 Hours Volunteered Since 2003

4/14/2015 3:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: National Volunteer Week (April 12, 2015 to April 18, 2015)

Location: City of Moorpark

Date & Time: April 14, 2015 11:45AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Volunteer In Policing Program

Narrative:

This week is National Volunteer Appreciation Week. Volunteers are every day heroes whose service makes a lasting impact on your organization and strengthens communities locally, nationally, and around the world.

We are extremely proud to recognize our outstanding volunteers during this week. Moorpark Volunteers in Policing (VIP's) are role models in our community, donating their time, energy, and talent to bring us closer together as neighbors, a community and a nation. This week is set aside thanking these volunteers and inspiring everyone in our community to make volunteering a central part of their lives.

The Moorpark Volunteers in Policing Program began in 1993. Since the beginning of hourly record keeping in 2003, the Moorpark Volunteers in Policing have provided over 45,211 hours of volunteer services to the Moorpark Police Department and the City of Moorpark. The estimated California monetary value placed on volunteer time is \$26.34 an hour, which equates to a savings of over \$1,190,873 dollars to the Police Department and City of Moorpark.

Even if you've never volunteered before, the Moorpark Volunteer Program is within your reach. There are many ways to contribute, and every volunteer hour makes a difference in improving the quality of life for our community. We encourage everyone to get involved in volunteering and to bring along your family, friends, and neighbors. Together, we can strengthen America ' one hour and one day at a time.

*For more information about volunteering with **The Moorpark Volunteers in Policing**, contact **Jane Mineo (805)532-2707** and visit our site at: <http://www.moorparkvip.org/about.php>*

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Beat Coordinator Robert Berger

Media Release Date: April 14, 2015 At 12:00PM

Media Follow-Up Contact: VIP Coordinator Jane Mineo (805)532-2707

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

###

Ojai Police Station Designated "Monarch Waystation #10146"

4/14/2015 1:46:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Environmental Conservation Efforts by the Ojai Police Department

Report Number: N/A

Location: Ojai Police Station 402 South Ventura Street, Ojai CA 93023

Date & Time: 04/14/2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department Community Outreach

Narrative:

The Ojai Police Department in partnership with Monarch Arc & Monarch Watch, Monarch Butterfly Conservation Groups, recently planted drought resistant plants and specific types of milkweed at the Ojai Police Station to help sustain local Monarch Butterfly populations creating a sustainable and environmentally friendly ecosystem. As a result of these volunteer efforts, the Ojai Police Station has been designated as a 'Monarch Waystation #10146' by MonarchWatch.org.

The Ojai Police Department has recently made changes to the landscaping that exists around the station property. In an effort to be a better partner to the environment staff members assigned to the station began planting drought resistance plants a few months ago. This was done so that the station would reduce its dependency on water irrigation during this terrible drought. At about the time we were planting, a local citizen representing Monarch Arc approached the Sheriff's Office with a conservation idea that would benefit the community and the environment. Monarch Arc is a local educational and conservation group dedicated to preserving Monarch Butterfly populations.

Monarch butterflies (*Danaus plexippus*) of North America are renowned for their long-distance seasonal migration and spectacular winter gatherings in Mexico and California. The monarch butterfly population has recently declined to dangerously low levels. In the 1990s, estimates of up to one billion monarchs made the epic flight each fall from the northern plains of the U.S. and Canada to sites in the oyamel fir forests north of Mexico City, and more than one million monarchs overwintered in forested groves on the California Coast. Now, researchers and citizen scientists estimate that only about 56.5 million monarchs remain, representing a decline of more than 80% from the 21 year average across North America. This is an alarming statistic.

Habitats typically consisting of various types of milkweed have been destroyed on a massive scale, and now patterns of climate and weather are shifting unpredictably in response to pollution of the atmosphere but the disappearance of these beautiful creatures is more serious than just a loss of color in the countryside. Monarch Butterflies are indicators of a healthy environment and healthy ecosystems. Areas rich in butterflies are rich in other invertebrates. These collectively

provide a wide range of environmental benefits, including pollination and natural pest control.

The Ojai Police Station in partnership with Monarch Arc planted about ten different types of milkweed in various planter beds surrounding the station. Within a week the first monarch caterpillars appeared. Due to the successful efforts of Monarch Arc, the Ojai Police Station recently received official certification as a "Monarch Way-station #10146"! This project was done through local donations and there were no expenses paid from tax payer funds. We hope that this way-station serves a conservation model for other local citizens to follow and to learn more about sustainable landscaping that benefits the environment. We would like to thank the volunteers at Monarch Arc for their hard work and partnership throughout this project.

Prepared by: Sgt. Kevin Donoghue

News Release Date: 4/14/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Rick Harwood (805) 947-8084
Rick.harwood@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Dave Kenney

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###

Thousand Oaks Police Conduct Outstanding DUI Warrant Sweep

4/14/2015 3:52:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI Warrant Service
Report Number: 15-8355
Location: Thousand Oaks
Date & Time: April 13, 2015, 3:05 pm
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police ' Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Brad Harper	Simi Valley	60

Narrative:

Suspect with Outstanding DUI Warrant

Caught in Thousand Oaks Police Department Sweep

Thousand Oaks, CA ' Some think if they just don't show up for a court hearing, the police won't have the manpower to come find them. If your violation is a DUI, don't count on it. Thousand Oaks Police Department Officers with dozens of outstanding arrest warrants fanned out into neighborhoods in search of high risk DUI offenders yesterday. Officers served warrants and arrested one offender who violated terms of their probation in an outstanding DUI case.

"The best bet for anyone with a suspended driver's license, is not to drive until their license is reinstated and to go to court when requested." said Thousand Oaks Police Sergeant Brad Clifton. "If you don't, that warrant isn't going away. We're going to come find you and take you to jail."

Those caught often face additional jail time for failing to appear in court or for violating probation. When family, friends, and co-workers find out, violators can also face personal embarrassment as they are lead away in handcuffs, as well as missing work while sitting in jail.

Special DUI Warrant Service Operations along with regularly scheduled 'High Visibility' DUI enforcement has a deterrent effect on those who disregard driving safety and abuse alcohol and drugs. Thousand Oaks PD places a high priority on lowering deaths and injury with the goal of removing impaired drivers and heightening awareness of the dangers of driving under the

influence of drugs and alcohol.

Funding for the operation is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers; Call 9-1-1!

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Prepared by: Sergeant Brad Clifton

Media Release Date: April 14, 2015

**Media Follow-Up
Contact:** Sergeant Brad Clifton
brad.clifton@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

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###

Warning of IRS Phone Scam in Ventura County

4/14/2015 7:52:00 PM

Nature of Incident: IRS Phone Scam

Report Number:

Location: Ventura County

Date & Time: 4-14-2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office

Narrative:

With tax season upon us a new scam in Ventura County involving the Internal Revenue Service is here.

Community members throughout the county are receiving fraudulent calls from 877-807-6988. The callers are identifying themselves as IRS members and threatening to block bank accounts and default assets unless the owed debt is paid using Green Dot pre-paid money cards. If the victim refuses to cooperate, they are then threatened with arrest, deportation or suspension of a business or driver's license. In many cases, the caller becomes hostile and insulting. THIS IS A SCAM.

According to the IRS they will never: Call to demand immediate payment, nor will the agency call about taxes owed without first having mailed you a bill; demand that you pay taxes without giving you the opportunity to question or appeal the amount they say you owe; require you to use a specific payment method for your taxes, such as a prepaid debit card; ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone; or threaten to bring in local police or other law-enforcement groups to have you arrested for not paying.


What to do if you receive a suspicious call from the IRS:

1. Record the employee's name, badge number, call back number and caller ID if available.
2. Call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040. The IRS employees at that line can help you with a payment issue, if there really is such an issue.
3. If you know you don't owe taxes or have no reason to think that you owe any taxes (for example, you've never received a bill or the caller made some bogus threats as described above), then call and report the incident to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 1-800-366-4484.
4. You can file a complaint using the FTC Complaint Assistant; choose 'Other' and then 'Imposter Scams.' If the complaint involves someone impersonating the IRS, include the words 'IRS Telephone Scam' in the notes.

5. Go to www.irs.gov or <http://www.fbi.gov/scams-safety/fraud> for further information on scams.

Remember, most scams have three things in common: They will ask you to pay with a Green Dot or money card, they will ask you to wire them the money, or they will ask you to send cash. If someone is emailing, texting, or calling you asking you to pay money in one of these ways it is most likely a SCAM. Always verify with any agency calling you for money by independently looking up a separate phone number for that agency and then call them directly.

Prepared by: Detective Julie Novak
News Release Date: 4-14-2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Julie Novak 805-388-5115
Approved by: Captain C. Rubright



April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month

4/15/2015 6:34:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Distracted Driving Awareness Month
Report Number: N/A
Location: City of Moorpark
Date & Time: April 15, 2015
Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department, Traffic Unit

Narrative:

The Moorpark Police Department would like to remind the public April is distracted driving awareness month. The Moorpark Police Department is enforcing cell phone laws with a zero tolerance for distracted driving. The Moorpark Police Department is asking that motorists please put down their cell phones while driving and pay attention to the very busy roadways. Distracted driving continues to be a lead cause in traffic collisions causing serious injury and death. Nationwide during 2014, cellphone use has shown to be the cause of traffic collisions in one out of every four collisions. Each day in the United States more than 9 people are killed and more than 1,153 people are injured in crashes that are reported to involve a distracted driver.

Distracted driving activities include cell phone usage such as talking, texting, emailing, looking at pictures or browsing Internet on a cell phone. Using in-vehicle technologies such as navigation systems and even stereos take drivers attention from the road. Activities such as shaving and putting on makeup while driving can also be a source of distraction. Something as innocent as eating or manipulating food/drink while driving has shown to cause traffic collisions because of the driver's attention being diverted away from the roadway.

The Moorpark Police Department is asking for your help to keep our streets safer by turning your cell phone off while driving and placing it out of reach. Use 100% of your focus on driving your car and paying attention to the roadway and hazards around you instead of using a cell phone or other device that may distract you.

Through the month of April and the increased enforcement, the Moorpark Police Department hopes to persuade drivers to recognize the danger of distracted driving and reduce the number of people seriously injured or killed on our roadways each and every day.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko #2979
News Release Date: April 15, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Nolan Stoyko, Senior Deputy 805-532-2711
Nolan.Stoyko@ventura.org
Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

###

Ojai Station: Suspect Arrested for Vandalism at Police Station

4/15/2015 6:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Vandalism to vehicles at the Ojai Police Station
Report Number: 15-8482
Location: Ojai Police Station 402 South Ventura Street Ojai CA 93023
Date & Time: April 15, 2015 01:08 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department Detective Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Diaz, Daniel	Ojai	24

Narrative:

After being cited for minor traffic violations, Daniel Diaz went to the Ojai Police Station and used large rocks to damage personal and department vehicles parked in the parking lot of the Ojai Police Station.

On April 15, 2015, at about 00:30 hours, Daniel Diaz was stopped by a Sheriff Deputy for several minor traffic violations. Diaz was issued a traffic citation for failing to stop at a stop sign, not having a driver license in possession, not having the vehicle registration, and not having proof of insurance.

About thirty five minutes after the car stop, Sheriff's Dispatch received a 911 call from a citizen who was observing a male subject throw large rocks at the police station. The subject was reported to be associated with a dark Nissan sedan. The subject and the vehicle that was described by the reporting party matched that of Diaz from the traffic stop earlier. When the first Sheriff's Deputy arrived at the police station to investigate, he found Diaz's vehicle stopped on South Ventura Road with the engine running and the keys locked inside the car. The responding deputies also discovered two vehicles in the police station parking lot with significant damage. A short while later Diaz was located in front of Westridge Midtown Market by a deputy searching the surrounding neighborhood for him. Diaz fled on foot from the scene. He was later located. Diaz caused about \$4000 in damage to both Sheriff's vehicles and personally owned vehicles parked at the Ojai Police Station. After being interviewed by detectives, Diaz was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail for 594(a)(b)(1) PC Vandalism over \$400, a felony offense. Diaz is being held in lieu of \$10,000 bail.

Prepared by: Sergeant Kevin Donoghue #2735

News Release Date:

April 15, 2015

Media Follow-Up

Contact:

Det. Will Hollowell (805) 646-1414

william.hollowell@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain David Kenney

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###

Camarillo Station: Burglary Suspects Arrested Fleeing Residence

4/16/2015 12:43:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary Suspects Arrested in Camarillo
Report Number: 15-8503
Location: 5000 Block of Mulberry Dr., Camarillo
Date & Time: April 15, 2015 at 10:30 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol and Camarillo Detective Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
Celio, Ricardo	Los Angeles
Celio, Junior	Los Angeles
DeLeon, Juan	Los Angeles

Narrative:

On April 15, 2015 at 10:45 AM, Camarillo deputies arrested three suspects for residential burglary.

On Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 10:30 AM, Camarillo deputies were dispatched to a residential burglary in-progress call in the 5000 block of Mulberry Drive, in the city of Camarillo. Upon arrival, deputies noticed a vehicle parked down the street from the residence, with its engine running and a subject seated in the drivers' seat.

While deputies made contact with the driver, they saw two suspects fleeing out of the back of the residence. The suspects jumped over the backyard fence and ran south towards Santa Rosa Road. Deputies chased the subjects into the Leisure Village complex where they temporarily lost sight of them. Deputies established a perimeter and were able to contain the subjects to a specific area of the complex. A Sheriff's helicopter also responded to the location to assist with the search. Shortly after establishing the perimeter, deputies located one of the suspects and took him into custody without incident.

Leisure Village security was contacted by a resident about a subject hiding underneath a car, and deputies were able to locate him and placed him in custody. All three suspects are from the Los Angeles area. They were booked at the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility for first degree residential burglary.

Prepared by:

Sergeant Pete O'Sullivan

News Release Date:

April 15, 2015

Media Follow-Up

Detective Julie Novak @ (805) 388-5115

Contact:

Approved by:

Captain Cory Rubright

Thousand Oaks Police: National Volunteer Week

4/17/2015 1:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: National Volunteer Week

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: April 17, 2015

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Volunteers In Policing Program

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is proud of our volunteer programs every day, especially during National Volunteer Week. Each day, including weekends and holidays, members of our community donate their time and expertise to the police department. Our volunteers work hand in hand with our patrol officers, detectives, and administrative personnel making the City of Thousand Oaks one of the safest cities in California.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department has numerous volunteer programs. Over 200 volunteers participate in the Volunteers in Policing (VIP) Program, Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART), Explorer Program, and Auxiliary Communication Service (ACS). Each program fulfills a different role within the police department and provides service to the City of Thousand Oaks.

Each year, Thousand Oaks Police volunteers work thousands of hours. These hours translate into a cost savings of hundreds of thousands of dollars each year to the City of Thousand Oaks. They also provide extra eyes and ears patrolling the streets, the extra set of hands we need during emergencies, and the support we need to complete various tasks.

If you are interested in volunteering, The Thousand Oaks Police Department has a position for you. Our volunteers bring a vast amount of experience and knowledge to the police department. There are numerous assignments where volunteers can see tangible results and receive immediate gratification that they are making a difference.

For more information on volunteering, contact Senior Deputy Ed Beauvais at 805-371-8362. Information can also be obtained at the Thousand Oaks Police Station, Thousand Oaks City Hall Police Resource Center, or the Oaks Mall Police Resource Center.

Prepared by: Sergeant Brian Slominski

Media Release Date: April 17, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Ed Beauvais
805-371-8362

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

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Moorpark Station: Carjacking Suspect Arrested

4/20/2015 2:52:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Carjacking Suspect Arrested
Report Number: RB#15-6433
Location: Los Angeles Avenue & Moorpark Avenue, Moorpark CA. 93021
Date & Time: 03/21/2015 @ 11:30 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department, Sheriff's East County Major Crimes

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Jose Hilario Nunez	Moorpark	25

Narrative:

On March 21st 2015, at approximately 11:30 PM, Deputies from the Moorpark Police Department responded to the Alliance Gas Station at Los Angeles Avenue and Moorpark Avenue in reference to a report of a stolen vehicle. When deputies arrived they contacted the victim and learned a carjacking had occurred.

During the subsequent investigation, detectives were able to identify the suspect as local Moorpark resident, (S) Jose Nunez. Detectives were also able to recover evidence linking him to the crime.

On April 18th 2015, members of Moorpark's Special Enforcement Unit and deputies assigned to the Moorpark Station located Nunez in the area of Millard and Second Street in the City of Moorpark. Deputies conducted a high risk traffic stop and took Nunez into custody without incident. Nunez was booked for Carjacking at the East Valley Jail. His bail was set at \$100,000.00. Nunez will be arraigned on April 21st 2015 at 1:30 PM.

Prepared by: Detective James Sullivan
News Release Date: 04/19/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Sergeant Alan Hartkop (805-494-8218)
Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Nyeland Acres Serial Burglar Arrested

4/20/2015 4:02:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Burglaries Arrest

Report Number: 15-8791

Location: City of Port Hueneme

Date & Time: 04/18/2015 @ 0900 Hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Gang Unit, Headquarters Detectives, Ventura Police Street Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Ivan Ruiz Reyes	Port Hueneme	20

Narrative:

Over the last several months, members of the Sheriff's Gang Unit and Sheriff's Headquarters Detectives began investigating a series of residential burglaries which occurred in the unincorporated community of Oxnard known as Nyeland Acres. Since the beginning of the year, there have been at least twelve reported residential burglaries which are believed to be linked to the same suspect(s). During one of these burglaries, the victim confronted the suspect as he attempted to leave. A struggle ensued until the suspect retrieved a knife, pointed it toward the victim, and threatened to get a gun and kill the victim. Fearing for his safety, the victim let the suspect leave.

Recently, with the assistance of the Ventura Police Street Crimes Unit, the Sheriff's Gang Unit was able to identify a suspect, (S) Ivan Ruiz Reyes. Ivan Ruiz Reyes is a criminal street gang member who has a violent criminal history.

On 04/18/2015, the Sheriff's Gang Unit contacted and arrested Ivan Ruiz Reyes. During the arrest, Ivan Ruiz Reyes was observed driving his white four-door Honda Civic which has been linked to several of the residential burglaries. Property believed to be stolen was located inside his vehicle, at his residence in Port Hueneme, and at his family's residence in Oak View. Ivan Ruiz Reyes also was found to be under the influence of a controlled substance and in possession of drug paraphernalia. He was arrested for drug offenses and transported to the Headquarters Station for further investigation.

Based on the evidence obtained during the lengthy investigation, the Sheriff's Gang Unit developed probable cause to arrest Ivan Ruiz Reyes for multiple counts of felony residential burglary, multiple counts of receiving stolen property, one count of assault with a deadly weapon, and one count of criminal threats. He was booked at the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility with a bail set at \$250,000.00.

During the investigation, Detectives also obtained information leading us to believe there are

additional suspects still outstanding and possible other residential burglaries which have occurred in other areas. Detectives are seeking additional witnesses and victims to residential burglaries which have occurred in the last several months. If anyone has information please contact Detective Foote at 805-654-2856.

Prepared by: Detective Jarrod Foote #4423
News Release Date: 04/18/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jarrod Foote #4423 @
Jarrod.Foote@ventura.org
Approved by: Capt. Patti Salas

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###

Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep in Fillmore/ Piru/ Moorpark

4/20/2015 8:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

Report Number: N/A

Location: Areas of Fillmore / Piru / Moorpark

Date & Time: Saturday, April 18th, 2015 8:00 AM ' 1:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

Narrative:

On Saturday, April 18th, 2015, detectives assigned to the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau conducted compliance checks at the residences of registered sex offenders in the areas of Fillmore, Piru, and Moorpark. The compliance checks were part of the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE / ELEAS) Grant.

Thirty (30) of the thirty three (33) registered sex offenders were found to be in compliance with their registration requirement. Three (3) registrants were not contacted because they were not home or had moved. Sheriff's detectives will follow-up to determine if the registrants are out-of-compliance.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office will be conducting similar sweeps on an ongoing basis, to verify registered sex offenders are living at their reported residences and in compliance with any probation or parole terms.

Residents of Ventura County can visit the Megan's Law website (www.meganslaw.ca.gov) to familiarize themselves with the sex registrants in their community.

Prepared by: Sergeant Ryan Clark
Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau / Sexual Assault Unit

News Release Date: April 20th, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Investigator Jim Botting / 805-384-4743
Jim.botting@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Moorpark Station: Attempted Murder Suspect Arrested

4/21/2015 6:16:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempted Murder Suspect Arrested

Report Number: RB#15-8993

Location: 100 Block of First Street, Moorpark, CA 93021

Date & Time: 04/20/15 @ 10:10 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department, East County Major Crimes, Sheriff's Gang Unit and Major Crimes

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Gonzalez, Saul Antonio	Moorpark	20

Narrative:

On April 20, 2015, deputies assigned to the Moorpark Police Department and detectives with the Sheriff's East County Major Crimes Unit were investigating a stabbing that occurred in the 100 Block of First Street. They located and arrested Saul Antonio Gonzalez for attempted murder.

The incident was initially reported to the police on April 20, 2015 at approximately 10:10 PM. Deputies learned that a family disturbance occurred in the 100 Block of First Street and one person was stabbed multiple times. The victim was transported by ambulance to the hospital and received emergency medical care. He is expected to survive. The suspect, Saul Antonio Gonzalez, was known to the victim and fled the area in a vehicle.

Gonzalez was located a few hours later in the City of Moorpark and taken into custody. After Gonzalez was handcuffed, he became assaultive with deputies, resulting in him being arrested for an additional charge of battery on a peace officer.

Gonzalez is currently in custody at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility, Ventura with his bail set at \$655,000.00 pending his arraignment in Superior Court on April 23, 2015.

Prepared by: Sergeant Alan Hartkop

News Release Date: April 21, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective William Hutton (805-947-8113)

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Alcohol Decoy Sting Operation

4/23/2015 2:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Alcohol Decoy Sting Operation

Report Number:

Location: Various Retail Locations in and Around the City of Camarillo

Date & Time: April 21, 2015 / 2-10 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department- Community Resource Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Oscar Ballines	Oxnard	18
(S) Miguel Sanchez	Oxnard	32

Narrative:

On April 21, 2015, the Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit and an agent from the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) conducted an alcohol sting, using underage minor decoys, in an attempt to purchase alcohol from various retail establishments in and around the city of Camarillo. The goal of this operation was to limit minors' access to alcohol and to confirm retail establishments are abiding by the Business and Professions Code and rules set forth by the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control.

Two underage decoys were used in an attempt to purchase alcohol from 17 different locations. Cashiers at 15 locations asked for identification and turned the decoys away without selling any alcoholic beverages. Two cashiers at different locations sold to the underage decoys after looking at identification that verified the decoys were under the age of 21.

The Camarillo Community Resource Unit will continue to conduct periodic sting operations in an effort to prevent minors' access to alcohol.

The Prom is just around the corner and high school graduation is about a month away. The police department would like to remind the public that purchasing alcohol for minors is illegal and that alcohol is a factor in many homicides, suicides, and other unintentional injuries which along with car crashes are the four leading causes of death in 15-20 year olds. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office wants to remind the public to report incidents of underage drinking and illegal purchasing of alcohol.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Franchi

Media Release Date: April 22, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi (805) 947-9363
John.Franchi@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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###

Camarillo Recognizes Volunteers of the Year

4/23/2015 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo recognizes two civilians as their Volunteers of the Year

Report Number:

Location: Camarillo City Council Chambers

Date & Time: 04/23/2015 / 1400

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(P) James 'Jim' Clegg	Camarillo	
(P) Josette Kreeger	Camarillo	

Narrative:

During recent ceremonies, the Pleasant Valley Lion's Club and Camarillo City Council, ceremoniously recognized Camarillo Citizen Patrol (CCP) member Jim Clegg and Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) member Josette Kreeger, for being awarded the 2014 Volunteer of the year, for their respective groups.

On Tuesday, March 24, 2015, the Pleasant Valley Lion's Club hosted a dinner and awards ceremony. Camarillo Police Chief, Commander Monica McGrath and Captain Cory Rubright presented Jim and Josette with certificates of recognition at the dinner and ceremony held in their honor. Jim and Josette have also had their names added to the commemorative plaque that is on display in the lobby of the police station.

Jim was also recognized at the Camarillo City Council meeting, held on Wednesday, April 8. Mayor Bill Little presented Jim with a certificate of recognition from the city of Camarillo and Commander McGrath provided a brief biography of Jim's duties and accomplishments with the CCP, as well as personal achievements.

During the Camarillo City Council meeting on Wednesday, April 22, Josette was awarded a certificate of recognition from Mayor Bill Little and Commander McGrath. Commander McGrath shared with the City Council and staff Josette's endeavors with DART, as well as several personal and professional achievements.

The Camarillo Citizen Patrol Program is a viable, community based crime prevention program exercising pro-active law enforcement principles. Participants in the program may be utilized to enhance crime prevention services and community awareness of crime prevention techniques available through the Camarillo Police Department. Citizen Patrol members frequently assist uniformed patrol deputies with daily patrols within the city of Camarillo and traffic control during

community-based activities, vehicle collisions, child and adult ID card distribution, and vacation house checks.

The city of Camarillo and local leaders recognized the importance of having a citizen's response group that could be activated to assist emergency service workers in the event of disaster or large-scale emergency. In March of 1990, by City Council resolution, the Camarillo Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) was formed. The purpose of DART is to respond in support of the city of Camarillo and the County of Ventura, under the direction of local law enforcement, in times of general need, emergency, and declared disaster.

Both volunteer groups are actively seeking new applicants. Potential members must be an adult 21 years of age or more, and a resident of the city of Camarillo or its outlying unincorporated areas. Potential members must be in good health, sound character, and possess a valid California Driver's License. Members are expected to abide by the law enforcement code of ethics, whereby one of the fundamentals is to serve the community and help safeguard lives and property. Potential members must be able to read, write, and speak English fluently enough to communicate clearly with members of the public and with law enforcement officers through the use of portable radios as utilized in the program.

If you are interested in volunteering with either the Citizen Patrol or Disaster Assistance Response Team, you may contact the Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Officer, SST II Todd Eskridge at (805) 388-5129, for further details and an application.

Prepared by: SST II Todd Eskridge
News Release Date: 04/23/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: SST II Todd Eskridge, (805)388-5129 or todd.eskridge@ventura.org
Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Fillmore Gang Member Arrested for Firearms Charges

4/24/2015 12:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Gang Member Arrested for Firearms Charges

Report Number: 150009248

Location: 600 Block of Ventura St., Fillmore, CA

Date & Time: 4/23/15 @ 7:15 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Herrera, Jose Martin	Fillmore	26

Narrative:

On April, 23, 2015, deputies with the Fillmore Police Department were working a gang suppression detail under a CalGRIP (California Gang Reduction Intervention Program) grant. At approximately 7:15 PM, they contacted two men in the 600 block of Ventura St. in Fillmore. During the contact, the deputies found Fillmore resident Jose Martin Herrera in possession of a loaded handgun. Herrera was quickly and safely taken into custody and no one was injured during the arrest. The handgun had been reported stolen during a residential burglary in Piru in April 2014. Herrera, a documented gang member, was booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility on the following charges:

- 25850(a) PC ' Carrying a loaded firearm in public (Felony)
- 25400(a)(2) PC ' Carrying a concealed firearm (Felony)
- 29800(a)(1) PC ' Convicted felon in possession of a firearm (Felony)
- 30305(a)(1) PC ' Convicted felon in possession of ammunition (Felony)
- 27545 PC PC ' Illegal transfer of a firearm (Felony)
- 186.22(b)(1) PC ' Participation in a criminal street gang (Felony)

Prepared by: Sergeant Kevin Vaden

News Release Date: 4/24/15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Mario Aguilar (805-524-2233)
mario.aguilar@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Mark Franke

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Attempted Murder Arrest

4/27/2015 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempted Murder Arrest

Report Number: 15-9408

Location: Foster Park, 438 Casitas Vista Road, Ventura

Date & Time: March 25, 2015 at 9:10 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Station Patrol, Sheriff's Gang Unit and Sheriff's Major Crimes

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S)Edward Quintero Becerra	Oxnard / Ojai	26

Narrative:

On March 25, 2015, around 9:10 p.m. a couple was driving north on State Route 33 near Casitas Vista Road and Foster Park. As the couple was driving, they saw a possibly injured female near the edge of the roadway. The couple turned around to help the female and phoned 911 because they thought a car had hit the female. The couple learned the female had been stabbed.

Deputies from the Ojai station were on scene quickly along with Ventura County Fire personnel and American Medical Response ambulance personnel. The female was treated and transported to the Ventura County Medical Center for serious stab wounds to her face, neck and body.

Deputies quickly learned the female had been stabbed repeatedly by Edward Becerra, the female's former boyfriend. Deputies learned Becerra fled in the female's truck with their two-year-old child. Patrol Deputies, Sheriff's Major Crimes Detectives and the Sheriff's Gang Unit began a coordinated effort to locate the child and investigate the attempted murder and possible kidnapping.

An Amber Alert was issued and the Sheriff's Gang Unit was able to track and locate Becerra at his home in the unincorporated area of Oxnard, near El Rio. Becerra was arrested without incident and the child was located in Becerra's home unharmed. Becerra was arrested for attempted murder and booked into Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Becerra's bail was set at \$1,000,000 dollars. The victim remains in the hospital in stable condition. Becerra's motive for the attack is still under investigation.

Prepared by: Sergeant Ian Laughlin

News Release Date: 4-26-2015

Media Follow-Up Captain John Reilly

Contact:

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Swatting Incident at Moorpark High School

4/27/2015 3:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Swatting Incident at Moorpark High School
Report Number: 15-9482
Location: Moorpark High School 4500 Tierra Rejada Ave. Moorpark, CA
Date & Time: April 27, 2015 / 8:09 A.M.
Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department / Ventura County Sheriff's Office

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Unknown		

Narrative:

On April 27, 2015, in the early morning hours a threat was left on the Moorpark Unified School District's main phone line. The caller used a voice alteration device to disguise their identity. The caller threatened to harm students and faculty at Moorpark High School. The district contacted Moorpark High School who immediately put the school into lockdown and notified the Moorpark Police Department. In addition to the Moorpark Police Department, several Sheriff Special Investigative Units responded.

Additional information was obtained that led school officials to lockdown other schools in the immediate area. All lockdown's were lifted at 11:30 A.M. when officials determined there was no longer a threat to public safety.

The investigation is being handled as a potential 'Swatting' incident. Swatting is easily defined as the use of modern technology to trick law enforcement and other first responders. The process involves a fictitious communication which is intended to illicit a large emergency response.

During the investigation, approximately fifty deputies responded to various locations in the City of Moorpark which caused a drain on localized resources. The Sheriff's Office will aggressively pursue suspects in these cases as they clearly put the public and law enforcement officers at risk. In recent years, the Sheriff's Office has made arrests as far away as New Jersey and Maryland in unrelated Swatting cases. If you can provide any information on this case, please contact Detective Bill Hutton at (805) 947-8113.

Prepared by: Captain John Reilly
News Release Date: April 27, 2015
Media Follow-Up Captain John Reilly (805) 947-6782

Contact:

Approved by:

Captain Todd Inglis

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Search and Rescue Mutual Aid

4/28/2015 10:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Search and Rescue Mutual Aid

Location: Riverside County / San Jacinto Mountains

Date & Time: April 28, 2015

Units Responsible: East Valley Search and Rescue, Upper Ojai Search and Rescue

Victim:
Alphonso Nguyen

City of Residence
Unknown

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is sending a contingent of search and rescue (SAR) volunteers to assist the Riverside Sheriff's Department in the continued search for Alphonso Nguyen.

On Saturday, April 25, 2015, Nguyen was hiking with friends when he became separated. Nguyen contacted local authorities and stated he was lost, and that his cell phone was low on battery power. It is unknown if Nguyen was prepared for any type of extended stay in the wilderness.

Volunteers from the East Valley and Upper Ojai Search and Rescue Teams, will be leaving Ventura County in the early hours to assist the Riverside County Sheriff's Department in locating Nguyen. Current weather conditions in the search area are mid 70's in the daytime and low 30's in the night.

Search and rescue teams in the State of California are comprised of volunteers under the direction of their local Sheriff's Department. Their skills and knowledge of the outdoors, including technical rope rescue, make them valuable assists to the counties they serve.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office reminds all of its residents to be prepared when visiting the back country; this includes filing a hiking plan. A hiking plan and a list of all essential items suggested to take hiking area available at www.vcsar3.org

Prepared by: Deputy Chris Dyer

Media Release Date: April 28, 2015

Follow-Up Contact:

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Approved by:

Captain Chris Lathrop

SUV Third Row Seat Thefts on the Rise

4/28/2015 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: SUV Third Row Seat Thefts on the Rise

Location: City of Moorpark and Surrounding Unincorporated areas

Date & Time: Monday, April 28, 2015 at 7:32am

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department Beat Coordinator Unit

Narrative:

Thieves throughout Ventura County including Moorpark are targeting SUVs parked in driveways, streets, and parking lots. They are stealing the 'third row' seating from victims to sell them on various internet auctions and sales sites. Thieves can make over a \$1,000 per third row seat depending on the make and model of the vehicle and overall condition of the seat.

Now that many of us are becoming more security conscious about our vehicles by locking our cars and assuring that our valuables are out of sight or removed all together, we now have to take additional steps to protect our vehicle investment.

Keep in mind most car alarms do not cover the back window hatch of the vehicle and this is where most of the thefts are occurring. The thieves are capable of making entry into the back window, undetected, and stealing the third row seat in less than 40 seconds.

Even when Police recover the stolen seats, we have no way of knowing who the owner was. Because of this, the Moorpark Police Department and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office are encouraging vehicle owners to engrave their SUV's vehicle identification number in an inconspicuous location on the bottom of the seats. Make sure the engraving is on a permanent portion of attached metal, like the frame. We are also recommending if possible, to cable lock and secure your seat to the vehicle. To make it even more difficult to make entry into your SUV, park it in your driveway with the rear tailgate door as close as possible to your garage door.

Using these Crime Prevention techniques may not prevent the theft, but it will slow the thief down and possibly provide that additional time needed for someone to notice and call the police. It will also help the police identify stolen property during the recovery process. Remember if you see something suspicious, Call Law Enforcement.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Beat Coordinator Bob Berger

News Release Date: Monday, April 28, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Bob Berger (805) 299-1504

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

Cinco de Mayo Enforcement Patrols

5/1/2015 3:45:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Cinco de Mayo Enforcement Patrols

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: May 5, 2015,

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent **City of Residence** **Age**

Narrative:

Cinco de Mayo: Fiesta Time or Jail Time'
Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving

Thousand Oaks, CA. ' In the United States, Cinco de Mayo ' like St. Patrick's Day ' is for many people just an occasion for having a good time with alcohol. Do you plan to join the fiesta on May 5th' The Thousand Oaks Police Department has planned a DUI Saturation Patrol and will deploy officers looking to identify and stop suspected drunk drivers. Additionally, every traffic and patrol officer assigned to duty will be on heightened alert to prevent a senseless tragedy due to alcohol or drugs.

The unfortunate truth is this: many people might be making party plans for Cinco de Mayo, but they aren't planning ahead for getting home. Only 64 percent of the drivers in fatal crashes on Cinco de Mayo weekend in 2013 had no alcohol in their systems. What about the other 36 percent' They were driving after drinking. Too many people are lying to themselves about the dangers of drinking and driving. Some fiesta-goers think that they can play it by ear, and wait until after they drink to decide whether they're 'okay to drive.' By then, it's too late.

Recent statistics reveal that 30 percent of drivers in fatal crashes had one or more drugs in their systems. A study of active drivers showed more tested positive for drugs that may impair driving (14 percent) than did for alcohol (7.3 percent). Of the drugs, marijuana was most prevalent, at 7.4 percent, slightly more than alcohol. Mixing medication or drugs - legal or illegal - is a dangerous cocktail. Specially trained drug recognition experts will be checking for drug impairment whenever suspected.

If you don't designate a sober driver ahead of time or have a solid plan for how you'll get home safely, you are setting yourself up for disaster. *Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving*, and when you

drive drunk, you run the risk of killing yourself or someone else. Even if you don't harm anyone, the average DUI costs about \$10,000. Wouldn't you rather pay for a taxi'

'Our main goal is to save lives,' said Assistant Chief Jim Fryhoff of the Thousand Oaks Police Department. 'Around the county, we want to debunk the myth that you can drink until you feel it and then get behind the wheel. You can't. Remember that *Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving.*' Cinco de Mayo can be a fun and festive time for those who choose to celebrate the right way: with a plan for a sober ride. If you make your plans when you're sober, you won't make a bad decision when you're drunk.

As you make your Cinco de Mayo plans, the California Office of Traffic Safety is offering a free mobile app ' DDVIP ' aimed at thanking the sober designated driver with perks and free offers at area bars and restaurants. And for those without a DD - make a sober ride home your priority; the new SaferRide app from NHTSA makes it easier than ever.

A final statistic to remember: drunk-driving deaths are 100 percent preventable.

Funding for this is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration who reminds every motorist to Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 911! Remember, *Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving.* Don't do it.

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: April 30, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

5/1/2015 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: May 1, 2015,

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
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Narrative:

LAW ENFORCEMENT REMIND MOTORCYCLISTS TO 'SURVIVE THE RIDE'

'Share the Road' Campaign Aims to Increase Motorcycle Safety Awareness for All Road Users

As motorcycle fatalities and injuries have increased in California, law enforcement and the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) have stepped up their efforts to promote safety and education, highlighted by Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in May.

Nationwide, motorcyclists made up 14 percent of all vehicle-related fatalities in 2013, up from about 9 percent in 2004. This was despite motorcycle registrations representing only 3 percent of all vehicles in the United States in 2013, according to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) data. The fatality rate per miles traveled for motorcyclists is 16 times that of car or truck occupants.

In 2013, California's motorcycle collisions resulted in 475 fatalities and 13,143 injured victims. In 2012, 467 people were killed and 12,617 were injured.

'Motorcyclists are out in force as Californian's enjoy perfect weather conditions this time of year, which is why May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month,' said Assistant Chief Jim Fryhoff of the Thousand Oaks Police Department. 'Fatal crashes with motorcycles are on the rise. We all need to be more aware of motorcyclists in order to save lives.'

During Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month ' and throughout the year ' all road users are reminded to safely "share the road" with motorcyclists, and to be extra alert to help keep motorcyclists safe. That message is most important in California, which is home to more than 830,000 registered motorcycles ' the most of any state ' and more than 1.4 million motorcycle

riders.

'Californians increasingly get around by means other than cars and trucks. More are bicycling, walking, taking mass transit and motorcycling,' said OTS Director Rhonda Craft. 'That also means that everyone needs to be extra cautious and looking out for everyone else, no matter what their means of transportation is.'

The California Motorcyclist Safety Program (CMSP) trains approximately 65,000 motorcyclists every year. As of July 2014, nearly 945,000 motorcycle riders have received training at one of the authorized CMSP training sites since the program began in 1987. For more information or to find a training site near you, go to www.californiamotorcyclist.com.

Thousand Oaks PD offers tips to drivers on how to prevent a fatal crash with a motorcycle:

Driver's safety reminders:

- Though a motorcycle is a small vehicle, its operator still has all the rights of the road as any other motorist
- Always signal when changing lanes or merging with traffic
- If you see a motorcycle with a signal on, be careful: motorcycle signals are often non-canceling and could have been forgotten
- Always ensure that the motorcycle is turning before proceeding
- Check all mirrors and blind spots for motorcycles before changing lanes or merging with traffic, especially at intersections
- Lane Sharing is not illegal in California
- Always allow more follow distance ' three to four seconds ' when behind a motorcycle. This gives them more time to maneuver or stop in an emergency.
- Never drive distracted or impaired

Motorcyclists can increase their safety by following these steps:

- Wear the proper safety gear at all times, including a DOT-compliant helmet
- Obey all traffic laws and be properly licensed
- Excessive speed is the most common rider-related factor in motorcycle related crashes
- Follow at a safe distance ' three to four seconds
- Ride within your own limits ' don't be a victim of peer pressure
- Use turn signals at every lane change or turn.
- Wear brightly colored clothes and reflective tape to increase visibility.
- Never ride distracted or impaired
- Ride defensively - assume other drivers don't see you

'By following basic safety rules, we can all help prevent crashes,' concluded Assistant Chief Jim Fryhoff. 'Our message is for all drivers and riders: Share the responsibility of keeping our roads safe'always share the road.'

For more information on motorcycle safety, visit www.nhtsa.gov/Safety/Motorcycles.

Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: May 1, 2015

**Media Follow-Up
Contact:** Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

United States Treasury Department Scam

5/2/2015 8:15:00 AM

Nature of Incident: United States Treasury Department Scam

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: 5/01/2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
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Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit is advising the public about a city wide telephone scam using the identity of the United States Treasury Department.

On May 1, 2015, the Camarillo Police Department was contacted by **72** residents who reported a male caller with a foreign accent had contacted them by telephone and informed them they were behind in their taxes and needed to send money to avoid being arrested by the police. In some instances, the caller told residents that he worked for a collection agency and in other calls stated he was an agent for the United States Treasury Department. The caller used several different names, but the names Alex Ferguson and Robin Matthews were used most often. The majority of the calls came from the 818 area code. Additional incoming calls came from the following area codes: 323, 713, 804, and 209.

The Camarillo Police Department wants to remind residents that requests for payment of delinquent income taxes absent appropriate documentation is most likely a scam. If you are solicited by someone representing themselves as being associated with the United States Treasury Department and suspect potential fraud, please report this activity to the Camarillo Police Department by notifying the Sheriff's Communications Center at 654-9511.

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi

News Release Date: 05/01/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: John.Franchi@ventura.org / (805) 947-9363

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Sword Wielding Man Attacks Couple

5/4/2015 12:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sword Wielding Man Attacks Couple**Report Number:** 15-10026**Location:** Charter Oaks Park, Camarillo, CA**Date & Time:** 05/04/2015 @ 0142 hours**Unit(s) Responsible:** Camarillo Investigations Unit**(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent**

Michael Patrick Benson

City of Residence

Camarillo, CA

Age

51

Narrative:

On 5/4/2015, at 0145 hours, Camarillo deputies arrested a subject for attempted murder.

In the early morning hours of 5/4/2015, Michael Benson was armed with a sword and approached a couple seated in a parked vehicle near the Charter Oak Park in the city of Camarillo. Benson hit the victim's vehicle repeatedly with the sword in an attempt to stab the victims. He also used the sword to shatter both windows where the victims were seated. Responding Sheriff's deputies contacted and arrested Benson who by now had thrown the sword on the ground. Benson acted alone and appeared to have chosen the couple at random.

Benson was transported to an area hospital for a medical evaluation. He was ultimately booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility. His booking charges consisted of two counts of attempted murder and felony vandalism. Benson is currently being held on \$1,000,000.00 bail and is awaiting arraignment.

Prepared by: Detective H. Macias #3633**News Release Date:** 05/04/2015**Media Follow-Up Contact:** Detective H. Macias @ 805-388-5116
Captain John Reilly @ 805-947-6782**Approved by:** Captain C. Rubright

Alcohol Decoy Sting Operation

5/5/2015 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Alcohol Decoy Sting Operation

Report Number: 15- 10163

Location: Various retail locations in the Ojai Valley

Date & Time: May 5th, 2015, 2 pm until 10 pm

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent

(A) April Niglio

City of Residence

Ojai

Age

29

Narrative:

On May 5th, 2015, the Ojai Police Department conducted an alcohol sting, using underage minor decoys, in an attempt to purchase alcohol from various retail establishments in the Ojai Valley. The goal of this operation was to limit minors' access to alcohol and to confirm retail establishments are abiding by the Business and Professions Code and rules set forth by the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control.

Two underage decoys were used in an attempt to purchase alcohol from 15 different locations. Cashiers at 14 locations asked for identification and turned the decoys away without selling any alcoholic beverages. One cashier failed to ask for identification and sold beer to both underage decoys. The cashier was cited and released for furnishing alcohol to a minor.

The Ojai Police Department will continue to conduct periodic sting operations in an effort to prevent minors' access to alcohol.

High school graduation is about a month away. The police department would like to remind the public that purchasing alcohol for minors is illegal and that alcohol is a factor in many homicides, suicides, and other unintentional injuries which along with car crashes are the four leading causes of death in 15-20 year olds. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office wants to remind the public to report incidents of underage drinking and illegal purchasing of alcohol.

Prepared by: Sgt. R. Harwood

News Release Date: May 5th 2015

Media Follow-Up

Detective Will Hollowell (805) 947-8083

Contact:

Approved by:

Captain Romano Bassi

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Burglary Arrest

5/6/2015 7:45:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Burglary / Narcotics Arrest**Report Number:** 15- 10113**Location:** Oak Grove School / 200 W. Lomita Ave. Meiners Oaks Ca. 93023**Date & Time:** March 5th 2015 @ 7:34 am**Unit(s) Responsible:** Ojai Police Department**(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent**

(A) James Hanna

City of Residence

Transient / Ojai

Age

20

Narrative:

Early this morning deputies from the Ojai Station were dispatched to Oak Grove School for a call of an in progress burglary. A teacher at the private school interrupted the burglary when he opened up his classroom for the day. The startled suspect jumped out of the same window he used to break into the classroom and ran southbound away from the school. The suspect was last seen running into the Besant Meadows. The reporting party provided sheriff's dispatch with a description of the suspect and his clothing.

While deputies were searching the area another citizen called sheriff's dispatch and reported a suspicious subject 'pretending' to be asleep under a tree on the south side of Besant Meadows. The description of this subject matched the description of the burglary suspect. Based on the information from the second caller, deputies hiked up a hill in the meadow and located James Hanna under a tree.

During the initial detention Hanna was suspected of being under the influence of a controlled substance. Hanna became combative and physically resisted when the deputy attempted to arrest him and place him in handcuffs. After a brief struggle Hanna was arrested for being under the influence and resisting arrest.

The investigation continued and deputies confirmed that Hanna was the burglary suspect from the call at Oak Grove School. Hanna was transported to the Ojai Station for further investigation. At the station deputies learned that Hanna had two outstanding felony warrants from Ventura County. The arrest warrants were for grand theft and possession of controlled substance for sale.

During a search of Hanna's backpack deputies discovered that Hanna was currently in possession of several ounces of marijuana for sale, concentrated cannabis, methamphetamine

and prescription medication packaged for sale.

Hanna was ultimately arrested and booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for burglary, under the influence of a controlled substance, resisting arrest, possession of concentrated cannabis, transportation of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana for sales and the two felony warrants.

Prepared by: Sgt. R. Harwood

News Release Date: March 5th 2015

Media Follow-Up Detective Will Hollowell (805) 947-8083

Contact:

Approved by:

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Click It Or Ticket

5/6/2015 1:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: 'Click It Or Ticket'
Report Number: N/A
Location: City of Moorpark
Date & Time: May 18, 2015-June 1, 2015
Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department, Traffic Unit

Narrative:

The Moorpark Police Department along with the State of California Office of Traffic Safety, would like to remind the public of the 'Click It Or Ticket' seatbelt campaign taking place throughout California from May 18, 2015 to June 1, 2015. The campaign is aimed at keeping motorists safe by using seatbelts and proper child seat restraints while operating vehicles on our busy roadways and highways. As a reminder, 'proper for drivers' means using the lap/shoulder belt as it has been designed to be used, across the shoulder and not under the arm.

It only takes two seconds to buckle-up a seatbelt and that two seconds can literally save your life in the event of a traffic collision. The minimum seatbelt cost of an adult seatbelt violation in California is \$161, and a minimum \$445 for not properly restraining a child under 16.

The Moorpark Police Department has a zero tolerance for motorists not wearing seatbelts and for those drivers who fail to properly secure children in vehicles. The Moorpark Police Department will be stepping up enforcement of seatbelt violations during the 'Click It Or Ticket' time period.

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration statistics for 2013 showed nearly half of the 21,132 passenger vehicle occupants killed in crashes for that year were unrestrained. Statistics for California alone during 2013 showed that 500 unrestrained occupants died in car crashes.

So please remind yourself next time you load up the family for a road trip, a drive across town, or just driving to or from school or work to buckle-up. Please do so safely every time you get in the car, obey traffic laws, and respect other motorists. Don't risk your life, or the lives of your family or friends. Please buckle up.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko
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News Release Date: May 6, 2015.

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Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain.

Residential Burglary In Progress - Suspect Apprehended

5/6/2015 1:35:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Burglary In Progress ' Suspect Apprehended

Report Number: 15-10134

Location: 800 Block of Santa Clara Avenue, Fillmore, CA.

Date & Time: 05/05/2015 ' 11:09 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department; Sheriff's Civil Unit; School Resource Officer

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Juvenile Male Suspect

City of Residence

Fillmore

Narrative:

On May 5, 2015 at approximately 11:09 AM, multiple reporting parties called the Sheriff's Communication Center (SCC) reporting a burglary in progress to a residence on the 800 block of Santa Clara Avenue, in the city of Fillmore. The reporting parties reported a young Hispanic male removed the screen to the victim's residence and entered via the open window. Shortly after, the victim's arrived to the residence while the burglary suspect was still inside. The suspect fled the scene upon the victim's arrival.

Two Sheriff's Sergeants, Fillmore High School's School Resource Officer (SRO), and a Deputy from the Sheriff's Civil Unit who was in the area all responded to the burglary in progress. With the assistance of the community who called in and supplied the SCC with an excellent description of the suspect, the 17 year old suspect was located down the street in possession of the stolen property. The juvenile suspect was positively identified by a witness and was arrested for burglary, then lodged into the Ventura County Juvenile Detention Center.

This was a great example of the community working together with the Police in an effort to keep our community safe. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Fillmore Police Department would like to remind residents to make sure your residence is secured when leaving it, even for a short time. If you see suspicious activity in your neighborhood, report it to the Police Department immediately by calling 911.

Prepared by:

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Thousand Oaks Police Seeks Public's Assistance

5/7/2015 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Police Seeks Public's Assistance
Report Number: 15-10025
Location: 400 Block of N. Ventu Park Road & W. Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks
Date & Time: 05/04/2015 @ 12:30 AM
Unit Responsible: East Valley Investigations / Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S-1) White Female	Unknown	Unknown
(S-2) White Male		
(S-3) White Male		

Narrative:

On May 4th 2015, at approximately 12:30 AM, Thousand Oaks police officers responded to the 400 Block of N. Ventu Park Road and W. Hillcrest Road in reference to a disturbance. When officers arrived, they contacted the victim and learned an altercation had occurred, which resulted in an assault with a deadly weapon. The victim was treated for non-life threatening injuries.

During the investigation, deputies learned the suspects involved in the assault were described as the following:

Suspect 1 was described as a Caucasian female, 20-25 years, approximately 5'11" and long blond hair.

Suspect 2 was described as a Caucasian male, 20- 25 years, 5'6" to 5'7", brownish red hair, and oval shaped face.

Suspect 3 was described as a Caucasian male, 20-25 years, 5'6" to 5'7", with a narrow freckled face and a goatee.

The suspects fled the area in a dark colored 4-door compact sedan, driven by one of the male suspects.

During the course of the investigation, detectives learned of potential witnesses who have not been interviewed. Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact Detective James Sullivan at (805) 494-8222.

Prepared by: Detective James Sullivan

Media Release Date: 05/07/2015

Media Follow-Up Detective James Sullivan / 805-494-8222

Contact:

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Camarillo Station Arrests Identity/Mail Theft Suspect

5/8/2015 4:11:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Identity Theft / Mail Theft Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 15-9851

Location: Arneill Road at Pickwick Drive, Camarillo

Date & Time: 05/01/15 @ 12:25 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

William Hacker

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

35

Narrative:

On 05/01/15, members of the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail were conducting enforcement patrol in the City of Camarillo. They conducted an enforcement stop on a vehicle driven by William Hacker because the vehicle had false registration tabs on the license plate. Upon contact, the detectives discovered Hacker was on probation for burglary. They conducted a probation search on Hacker and on his vehicle and found a significant amount of property that belonged to other people.

The detectives discovered hundreds of pieces of mail, which included personal and business checks, bank account information, credit card information, passports, driver's licenses and other identification cards. The mail and checks belonged to people from nearly every city in Ventura County, from more than twenty other cities throughout southern California and from other states.

Detectives also discovered a printer and check paper in Hacker's car, and they located fraudulent checks that were made using checking account information from some of the mail and financial account information found in the car. Detectives found blank keys, twenty lock pick tools and several other sets of keys in Hacker's car. Detectives also found three iPads and an iPhone they believed were stolen. Finally, detectives located methamphetamine in Hacker's car they believed Hacker possessed with the intent to sell.

A subsequent probation search at Hacker's home, located in the City of Camarillo, revealed additional mail, checks, identification cards, methamphetamine and other items believed to be stolen.

Thus far in the investigation, detectives located mail, checks and identification cards in Hacker's possession from over one hundred twenty different people. Detectives will be attempting to contact victims and will also be contacting outside law enforcement agencies for assistance in locating victims.

Detectives arrested Hacker and prepared a case for filing with the District Attorney's Office. As a result of the initial investigation, the District Attorney's Office filed several charges, including identity theft, several counts of grand theft, possession for sale of a controlled substance, possession of burglary tools and possession of drug paraphernalia.

The Camarillo Police Department continues to offer the following tips so that you won't become a victim of identity theft: Stop your mail if you are going on vacation or will be gone for several days; Do not put your outgoing mail in your mailbox and lift up the flag, this will only alert thieves that there is outgoing mail in the box; Don't let your mail sit in the mailbox and pile up; If you need to mail something, take your mail to the post office or place your mail in a secure mailbox.

Prepared by: Sergeant Eric Tennessen

News Release Date: 05/08/2015

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Approved by: Commander Monica McGrath

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VC Alert Aids in Locating Missing Elderly Man

5/11/2015 6:36:00 PM

Nature of Incident: VC Alert Emergency Notification System Aids in Locating a Missing Camarillo Resident

Date & Time: 5/10/15- 10:20 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services

Narrative:

On the above date, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office responded to a Camarillo Convalescent Home to aid in the search for a missing elderly man. Upon arriving on scene, deputies learned that the 83 year old man that suffered from dementia had mistakenly walked away from the care center. Due to the victim's age and medical condition, numerous Sheriff's resources were deployed in an effort to bring the individual home safely.

In addition to sheriff's deputies in patrol cars and a helicopter searching the area, the VC Alert mass emergency notification system was activated and over 10,000 phone calls, emails and text messages were sent to Camarillo residents. Within a matter of minutes of activating the system, the Sheriff's Communications Center received several phone calls from Camarillo residents with information regarding the man's location. Thanks to the diligence and watchful eye of Camarillo citizens, deputies were able to locate the individual and return him to the care facility without incident.

The VC Alert mass notification system was implemented by the Sheriff's Office in 2011 and continues to serve a vital role in alerting residents during an emergency. The system is offered to the public free of charge and all ten Ventura County cities participate. The system is comprised of all listed and unlisted landline telephone numbers services by AT&T, Verizon & Time Warner. Residents can register to receive alerts on their cell phones by visiting www.vcalert.org.

Prepared by: Gil Zavlodaver, Program Administrator

News Release Date: 05/11/15

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Approved by: Captain Ross Bonfiglio

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Newbury Park Financial Planner Arrested Second Time for Embezzlement

5/12/2015 9:58:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Former Financial Planner arrested again for Embezzling from the Elderly.

Report Number: RB# 15-6928

Location: Calle Loma Vista, Newbury Park

Date & Time: May 11, 2015 @ 0730 hours.

Unit(s) Responsible: Special Services / Major Crimes

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Hormell, Rod Scott

City of Residence

Newbury Park

Age

59

Narrative:

A Newbury Park man who is currently on felony probation for Financial Elder Abuse was arrested following a search and arrest warrant at his residence.

In January 2015, the victim's family member contacted the Ventura County Sheriff's Office after reading a press release from the Ventura County District Attorney's Office reference Rod Hormell's arrest and conviction in 2013. The family member alleged Hormell had embezzled \$100,000.00 dollars while employed as the victim's financial planner. Detectives from the Major Crimes Bureau and the Department of Business Oversight conducted an investigation and developed sufficient probable cause to arrest Hormell for Financial Elder Abuse and Offering or Selling Securities.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is committed to protecting the elderly citizens within our community. We encourage anyone who believes they were victimized by Hormell to contact the Ventura County Sheriff's Office / Major Crimes Bureau.

Prepared by: Sergeant William Therrien

News Release Date: May 11, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant William Therrien
805-384-4724

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Two Arrested for Fillmore Robbery

5/12/2015 3:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Robbery Suspects

Report Number: 15-10474

Location: 600 Block of Clay Street, Fillmore, Ca

Date & Time: May 11, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department, Sheriff's Gang Unit, Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Male Victim	Fillmore	37
Fernando Vasquez	Madera, Ca	35
Tiffany Limon	Fillmore	34

Narrative:

On May 9, 2015, the Fillmore Police Department was dispatched to Santa Paula Hospital for an assault victim. During the investigation, it was determined the victim was assaulted and robbed of his prescription medication and money. The victim knew both suspects who robbed him. The victim sustained an eye injury and needed five stitches.

As a result of the investigation, Tiffany Limon was arrested several hours later at her residence. There was also probable cause to arrest Fernando Vasquez for the robbery and violating his conditions of parole.

On May 11, 2015, investigators from the Sheriff's Gang Unit and Major Crimes Bureau received information Vasquez was traveling on an Amtrak train back to Madera, California. With the assistance of the Amtrak Police Department, Vasquez was arrested at the Amtrak Hanford train station by the Hanford Police Department. Investigators from the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau responded to Hanford and arrested Vasquez. Vasquez was transported back to Ventura County and booked into the Ventura County Jail.

Limon was charged with 211 PC (Robbery), and 11550 (a) H&S (Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance) and Vasquez was charged with 211 PC (Robbery), 245(a)(1) PC (Assault with a Deadly Weapon), and 182(a)(1) PC (Conspiracy to Commit a Crime). Vasquez had an additional charge of 3056 PC (Parole Violation). Limon's bail was set at \$55,000 and Vasquez has a no bail hold.

Prepared by: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre

News Release Date: May 12, 2015

Media Follow-Up
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Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Thousand Oaks Investigators Arrest Barn Burglary Suspect

5/13/2015 5:24:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary / Stolen Vehicle / Vandalism Investigation & Arrest

Report Number: 14-21032

Location: 1200 Block of Tierra Rejada Road Simi Valley, Ca.

Date & Time: 09/14/2014 @ 06:45 AM

Unit Responsible: City of Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Gomez, Alfonso

City of Residence

Arleta

Age

27

Narrative:

On September 14, 2014, at approximately 6:45 AM, the victim saw a male subject standing on her property near a barn. After yelling at the suspect, the victim opened her front door and saw another victim's burgundy 2004 Ford F350 truck driving toward and crashing into her automatic gates. The truck continued driving past the gate, struck a cinder block wall, and left the area traveling east on Tierra Rejada Road toward Simi Valley. Deputies responded to the scene and took a burglary, stolen vehicle, and vandalism report. The stolen vehicle was entered into the statewide stolen vehicle database.

Approximately four hours after the crime, the Los Angeles Police Department located the stolen vehicle in the area of Mercer Street @ Lev Avenue. A few of the items stolen from inside the barn were located inside the truck. The stolen vehicle was released to its owner.

The City of Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit investigated the case and ultimately identified Alfonso Gomez as the suspect. On May 12, 2015, the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit and the Moorpark Police Special Enforcement Detail observed Alfonso Gomez walking on Laurel Canyon Blvd. near Van Nuys Blvd. in the City of Arleta. The Special Enforcement Unit contacted and arrested Alfonso Gomez for 459 PC ' Burglary, 10851(a) VC ' Unlawful taking of a vehicle, and 594(a)(b)(1) PC ' Vandalism.

On May 13, 2015, the Special Enforcement Unit, Sheriff's Gang Unit, Thousand Oaks Police Directed Enforcement Unit, and the Thousand Oaks Police Investigative Bureau concluded its investigation with the service of a Search Warrant at Alfonso Gomez's residence in the 10000 block of Lev Ave. in the City of Arleta.

Alfonso Gomez was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility and is being held on \$200,000 bail. Gomez is scheduled to appear in the Ventura County Superior Court on May 14, 2015 at 1:30 PM.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: May 13, 2015

**Media Follow-Up
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Thousand Oaks Investigators Arrest Optometry Burglary Suspect

5/13/2015 6:25:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary Investigation / Arrest

Report Number: 15-735

Location: 3100 Block of Old Conejo Road Newbury Park, Ca.

Date & Time: 01/11/2015 @ 02:27 AM

Unit Responsible: City of Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit and Investigative Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Hirano Optometry	Newbury Park	---
(S) Wladyka, Dennis	Los Angeles	57

Narrative:

On January 11, 2015, at approximately 2:27 AM, patrol officers in the City of Thousand Oaks responded to a glass break alarm in the 3100 block of Old Conejo Road in Newbury Park. When the officers arrived, they located two broken windows on the north side of the building. Due to an additional wall on the other side of the glass, the suspect(s) were not able to completely gain access into the business. However, evidence was left at the scene indicating the suspect(s) were attempting to reach for items inside the business.

The case was investigated by the City of Thousand Oaks Police Investigative Bureau. Through investigative leads, detectives were able to link Dennis Wladyka to the burglary.

On May 11, 2015, the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit located Wladyka at the Los Angeles Department of Social Services building and questioned him about the burglary. Wladyka was subsequently arrested for 459 PC ' Burglary and two outstanding warrants.

Wladyka was transported back to the City of Thousand Oaks and booked into the East County Jail. Wladyka currently has a bail of \$100,000 and is also pending extradition to Los Angeles Court for his warrants.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: May 13, 2015

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Approved by:

Captain Mike Hartmann

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Thousand Oaks Doctor and Husband Arrested After Death of a Patient

5/14/2015 12:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Doctor and Husband Arrested After Death of a Patient

Report Number: 15-8705

Location: Thousand Oaks, Camarillo, and Bakersfield, CA

Date & Time: May 13, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit
Health Quality Investigation Unit- California Division of Investigation

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Polly Duntley	Camarillo	88
(S) Dr. Ellen Crowe	Thousand Oaks	54
(S) Paul McQuillan	Thousand Oaks	61

Narrative:

On May 13, 2015, Investigators from the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit and the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation (formerly the California Medical Board) arrested Dr. Ellen Crowe and Paul McQuillan for multiple felonies relating to the death of an elderly patient.

Dr. Ellen Crowe and Paul McQuillan own and operate a business known as House Call Doctor Thousand Oaks (HCDTO). Polly Duntley was a patient of HCDTO. On July 31, 2014, McQuillan, who has no official medical training, responded to the home of Duntley in Camarillo. This was a follow-up visit from the day prior where a HCDTO doctor other than Ellen Crowe attended to Duntley. McQuillan injected Duntley with morphine, provided by Dr. Crowe, and ordered by the other doctor. This injection was done just prior to a planned x-ray and ultrasound that was to take place at the residence. Duntley fell into a deep sleep within minutes after the injection was given. McQuillan then left the residence to treat another patient in the neighborhood. In his absence, a technician from another company arrived at the residence and performed the ultrasound on Duntley. McQuillan returned to the residence while the ultrasound was being conducted. During the ultrasound, McQuillan realized Duntley no longer had a pulse and called 911. He then attempted to provide first aid. Emergency responders resuscitated Duntley, but she never regained consciousness. Duntley died in the hospital on August 2, 2014.

McQuillan was arrested at his home in the 100 block of Los Padres, Thousand Oaks. A search warrant was also served at his residence where evidence relating to the crime was located.

Dr. Crowe was located in Bakersfield and arrested.

McQuillan was booked into the Ventura County Jail for practicing medicine without a license and furnishing morphine.

Dr. Crowe was booked into the Ventura County Jail for conspiracy to practice medicine without a license and conspiracy to furnish morphine.

Additional charges and enhancements of elder abuse, great bodily injury or death occurring in the commission of a felony, and weapons violations are also possible.

An additional arrest is expected in this case.

Both Dr. Crowe and McQuillan secured bail and are scheduled to be arraigned in Ventura County Superior Court on May 27, 2015.

Anyone with information similar to this type of activity is encouraged to call the task force at (805) 383-8700.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force comprised of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, and the California Highway Patrol. The primary mission of the task force is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use. Anyone with information regarding these topics, or this case in particular, is encouraged to contact the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit at (805) 383-8700 or via e-mail at pharm.tip@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: May 14, 2015

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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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Click It or Ticket Mobilization

5/15/2015 12:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Click It or Ticket Mobilization

Report Number:

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: May 15, 2015

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent **City of Residence** **Age**

Narrative:

***Click It or Ticket Campaign Starts May 18th
The Thousand Oaks Police Department Will Show Zero Tolerance***

Thousand Oaks, CA ' Once again, the Thousand Oaks Police Department is reminding motorists to *Click It or Ticket*. As part of the national seat belt enforcement campaign, law enforcement agencies around the country will be stepping up enforcement May 18-31, including one of the busiest travel weekends of the year that kicks off the summer season.

'Every day, unbuckled motorists are losing their lives in motor vehicle crashes,' said Assistant Chief Jim Fryhoff of the Thousand Oaks Police Department. 'As we approach Memorial Day weekend and the summer vacation season, we want to make sure people are doing the one best thing that can save them in a crash, buckling up.'

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, nearly half of the 21,132 passenger vehicle occupants killed in crashes in 2013 were unrestrained. At night from 6 p.m. to 5:59 a.m., that number soared to 59 percent of those killed. That's why one focus of the *Click It or Ticket* campaign is nighttime enforcement. Participating law enforcement agencies will be taking a no-excuses approach to seat belt law enforcement, writing citations day and night. In California, the minimum penalty for a seat belt violation is \$161.00.

California statistics reveal that 500 unrestrained vehicle occupants died in 2013. Almost twice as many males were killed in crashes as compared to females, with lower belt use rates too. Of the males killed in crashes in 2013, more than half (54%) were unrestrained. For females killed in crashes, 41 percent were not buckled up.

'If you ask the family members of those unrestrained people who were killed in crashes,

they'll tell you'they wish their loved ones had buckled up,' added Assistant Chief Jim Fryhoff. 'The bottom line is that seat belts save lives. If these enforcement crackdowns get people's attention and get them to buckle up, then we've done our job.'

For more information on the *Click It or Ticket* mobilization, please visit www.nhtsa.gov/ciot.

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Release Date: May 15, 2015
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Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

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Deputies Honored by Kiwanis Clubs of Ventura County

5/15/2015 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Deputies Honored by Kiwanis Clubs of Ventura County as Recipients of 'Officer of the Year' Awards
Location: Four Points by Sheraton in Ventura
Date & Time: 05/15/15 @ 6:00 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Patrol & Detention Services

Recipients and Assignment

Deputy John Burt ' Camarillo Station
Deputy Thomas Brown ' Fillmore Station
Deputy Lee Chapman ' Thousand Oaks Station
Deputy Brian Dent ' Ojai Station
Deputy Miguel Gonzalez ' Moorpark Station
Deputy Jeff Jacobs 'Headquarters Station-Ventura
Deputy Monica Smith ' Detention Services

Narrative:

On May 15, 2015, Kiwanis Club of Ventura honored several Ventura County Sheriff's deputies by presenting them with the service club's 'Officer of the Year' awards. These deputies were recognized for their outstanding performance and service to the communities they serve while on patrol and inside the custody environment at a dinner banquet hosted by the Kiwanis Clubs of Ventura County.

A recipient from each of the Sheriff's area patrol stations and custody division was selected to receive the award. The recipients are to be commended for their exemplary work and professionalism. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office joins in congratulating this year's 'Officer of the Year' recipients.

Prepared by: Sergeant Denise Sliva
News Release Date: May 16, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Denise Sliva (805) 947-9258
Approved by: Captain John Reilly

Vehicle Arson

5/15/2015 4:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Vehicle Arson

Report Number: 15-10895

Location: 3000 block of Los Feliz Drive in Thousand Oaks

Date: May 15, 2015 @ 0433

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Arson Unit, Ventura County Fire Department Arson Unit and Thousand Oaks Police

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Acura of Thousand Oaks		

Narrative:

On May 15, 2015, at 0433 hours, the Ventura County Fire Department received a report of a fire in the 3000 block of Los Feliz Drive in Thousand Oaks. Fire Department personnel were able to quickly respond and arrived only minutes later at 0439 hours. Once on scene, they determined the fire involved several vehicles parked in a vehicle storage lot for Acura of Thousand Oaks. As the fire was being extinguished and due to the suspicious nature of the fire, Fire Department personnel requested the assistance of deputies with the Thousand Oaks Police Department and arson investigators. Shortly after, deputies arrived and assisted in securing the scene as the fire was extinguished.

Arson investigators with both the Ventura County Fire Department and Sheriff's Office responded to the location and conducted an initial investigation. Based on the evidence at the scene, arson was determined to be the cause of the fire. A total of eight cars were damaged, with three being a complete loss. The total damage caused by the fire is estimated to be about \$200,000.

The motive is not known and investigators are asking the public for their assistance. Anyone with information regarding this fire is encouraged to contact Detective Michael Rompal at (805) 383-8743 or Ventura County Fire Department Investigator Christine Saqui at (805) 384-4774. Anyone who wishes to remain anonymous can contact Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-TIPS (8477).

Prepared by: Detective Michael Rompal #3293

News Release Date: May 15th, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Denise Sliva at (805) 947-9258

Approved by: Captain Garo Kuredjian #3051

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Residential Burglary Suspects Arrested

5/18/2015 9:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Burglary Suspects Arrested

Report Number: 15-7785

Location: 1300 Block Grand Avenue, Fillmore, CA

Date & Time: 05/18/2015 @ 9:15 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Patrol / Investigations Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Duran, Anthony Louis	Fillmore	18
Wright, Raheem Lewis	Simi Valley	19
Juvenile	Fillmore	17

Narrative:

On 05/18/2015, detectives from the Fillmore Station completed an investigation into a residential burglary that occurred in the 1300 block of Grand Ave., in the unincorporated area of Fillmore. The burglary occurred during the second week of April, 2015. The suspects forced entry into the residence and stole high-end jewelry and other luxury items.

During the course of the investigation, it was discovered that some of the stolen property was pawned in the city of Simi Valley. Investigators followed up with the subject that pawned the property, Anthony Duran, and ultimately arrested him. Information obtained during the arrest also led to the arrests of Duran's co-conspirators, Raheem Wright, and a male juvenile from the city of Fillmore.

All three subjects were arrested and booked for committing a first degree residential burglary and conspiracy to commit a crime.

Prepared by: Detective Javier Chavez #3279

Media Release Date: May 20, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Detective Javier Chavez, Fillmore Investigations Unit
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Approved by:

Captain Garo Kuredjian #3051

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Sheriff's Detectives Apprehend Attempt Murder Suspect

5/18/2015 6:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sheriff's Detectives Apprehend Attempt Murder Suspect

Report Number: 15-11048

Location: 2800 block of Waterman Ave., San Bernardino, CA

Date & Time: May 18, 2015 @ 6:45 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Gang Unit and Major Crimes Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Daniel Torres

City of Residence

Fillmore

Age

25

Narrative:

On the evening of May 16, 2015, Sheriff's deputies responded to the 500 block of Santa Clara St. in Fillmore, where it was reported that a male suspect had attacked and stabbed a man with a knife. The wounded victim fled to a nearby residence, where he was given first aid and transported to Ventura County Medical Center with serious wounds to his upper & lower body. During the initial investigation, detectives were able to identify the suspect as Daniel Torres and determined that the attack was gang related.

On May 18, 2015, detectives from the Sheriff's Gang Unit and Major Crimes Bureau located (S) Torres as he left a residence in the City of San Bernardino. Torres was immediately taken into custody and transported to the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility, where he was booked on charges of Attempt Murder and Committing a Crime for the Benefit of a Criminal Street Gang.

Prepared by: Sergeant Cary Peterson

News Release Date: May 19, 2015

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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Threat Call at Monte Vista Middle School

5/18/2015 7:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Threat Call Monte Vista Middle School

Report Number: 15-11125

Location: 888 Lantana Street, Camarillo

Date & Time: 5-18-15, 0700

Unit(s) Responsible: Investigations and Patrol

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
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Narrative:

During the early hours of the morning, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office received information that a potential threat was made against Monte Vista Middle School. Sheriff's Investigators immediately began to follow up on the possible threat.

School Administration requested that law enforcement conduct a search of the school while students were contained in a safe area outside. Monte Vista Middle School staff made parent notifications and they were informed their children were safe but they had the option to pick-up their student. After the search was completed, and the school was deemed safe, students returned to class.

During this investigation police confirmed a threat was made, however, no physical evidence was located. Throughout the entire process both school staff and law enforcement officials made sure students and faculty were safe. All persons involved in this incident have been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

Camarillo Police would like to remind everyone that all threats are taken very seriously and the Sheriff's Office will aggressively pursue any false reports of any emergency.

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Prepared by: Detective Julie Novak

News Release Date: 5-18-15

Media Follow-Up
Contact:
Approved by:

Detective Julie Novak, 805-947-8312

Commander Monica McGrath

Alcohol Minor Decoy Sting Operation

5/20/2015 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Alcohol 'Minor Decoy' Sting Operation

Report Number: N/A

Location: Various locations ' City of Fillmore and Community of Piru

Date & Time: May 19, 2015 / 2-10 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department, Ventura County Sheriff's Office, California Department of Alcohol Beverage Control

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Two adult males and one adult female		

Narrative:

On May 19, 2015, members of the Fillmore Police Department, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, and the California Department of Alcohol Beverage Control conducted an alcohol sting, using underage minor decoys, in an attempt to purchase alcohol from various on-sale and off-sale establishments in the city of Fillmore and the community of Piru. 'On-sale' generally means merchants are authorized to sell alcohol for consumption on the premises where sold, while 'off-sale' generally means merchants are authorized to sell alcohol that must be consumed elsewhere. The goal of this operation was to limit minors' access to alcohol and confirm establishments are abiding by the Business and Professions Code and rules set forth by the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

Three underage decoys were used in an attempt to purchase alcohol from 16 locations throughout Fillmore and Piru. Employees at 13 locations asked for identification and turned the decoys away without selling any alcoholic beverages; they are applauded for their diligence. Employees at 3 locations sold alcohol to the underage decoys and either failed to ask for identification or looked at the identification and provided it anyway. These employees were arrested for 25658(a) BP ' Furnishing alcohol to a minor and were released on misdemeanor citations to appear in court.

The Fillmore Police Department, Ventura County Sheriff's Office, and California Alcohol Beverage Control will continue to conduct periodic sting operations in an effort to prevent minors' access to alcohol and remind the public that selling alcohol to, or purchasing alcohol for, minors is illegal. Alcohol is a factor in many homicides, suicides, and unintentional injuries which, along with car crashes, are the four leading causes of death of 15-20 year olds. The public is asked to report incidents of underage drinking and illegal purchasing of alcohol to law enforcement.

Prepared by: Sergeant Kevin Vaden #2241

News Release Date: May 20, 2015

**Media Follow-Up
Contact:** Detective Javier Chavez / 805-524-2233
javier.chavez@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Garo Kuredjian #3051

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Nature of Incident: Inmate Death

Report Number: 15-11455

Location: Pre-Trial Detention Facility, Ventura / Community Memorial Hospital, Ventura

Date & Time: 5/22/15 / 1:00 am

Unit(s) Responsible: Major Crimes Unit and Detention Services Legal Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Richard Chester Crawford

City of Residence

Ventura

Age

68

Narrative:

Major Crimes detectives and Jail personnel are investigating an inmate death that occurred at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility in Ventura. There was no indication of violence or suspicious circumstances.

On May 21, 2015, at approximately 9:15 p.m., Crawford suffered a medical emergency at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Deputies and jail medical staff responded immediately and rendered aid. Crawford was transported to Community Memorial Hospital by ambulance. He was pronounced dead on 5/22/15 at about 1:00 a.m. by hospital staff.

The cause of death is under investigation by the Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit, pending an autopsy by the Medical Examiner. As a matter of policy and procedure, all inmate deaths are investigated by the Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dave Lareva

News Release Date: 5/22/15

Media Follow-Up Sergeant Tony Aguirre (805) 384-4730

Contact:

Approved by: Commander Rick Barrios

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***person(s) responsible for this crime. The caller may remain anonymous.
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Single Vehicle Fatal Traffic Collision

5/23/2015 1:58:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Single Vehicle Fatal Traffic Collision

Report Number: 2015-11555

Location: 200 E. Telegraph Road, Fillmore, CA

Date & Time: 05/23/2015, at 0158 hrs

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(D) Cesar Garcia Mendez	Fillmore	27

Narrative:

On May 23, 2015, at approximately 0155 hours, Cesar Mendez was driving his vehicle eastbound on E. Telegraph Road (SR-126). After passing through the Santa Clara Ave intersection, for unknown reasons, he drove off the roadway in the 200 block of E. Telegraph Road and collided into a utility pole. The vehicle continued eastbound out of control and collided into a block wall coming to rest in the backyard at the residence at 250 E. Telegraph Road #17, El Dorado Mobil Home Park. Cesar Mendez died at the scene. Alcohol appears to be a factor in this traffic collision. The traffic collision is still under investigation.

Prepared by: Sr. Deputy John Popp

News Release Date: 05/23/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Fillmore Police Department, 524-2234
Follow-up Investigator Sr. Deputy John Popp,
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Approved by: Captain Mark Franke

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Alcohol "Minor Decoy" Sting Operation

5/27/2015 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Alcohol 'Minor Decoy' Sting Operation
Location: Various Locations - City of Moorpark
Date & Time: May 26, 2015 / 2-10 p.m.
Unit Responsible: Moorpark Police Department's Special Enforcement Detail and the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Directed Enforcement Team

Narrative:

On 5-26-15, the Moorpark Police Department's Special Enforcement Detail, Thousand Oaks Police Department's Directed Enforcement Team and the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) conducted an alcohol sting, using underage minor decoys, in an attempt to purchase alcohol from various off-sale establishments in the City of Moorpark. Off-sale generally means merchants are authorized to sell alcohol for consumption off the premises where sold. The goal of this operation was to limit minors' access to alcohol and confirm establishments are abiding by the Business and Professions Code and rules set forth by the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

One underage decoy was used in an attempt to purchase alcohol from 18 locations throughout the City of Moorpark. Employees at all 18 locations confirmed the decoy was under 21 years old and turned the decoy away without selling any alcoholic beverages. The Moorpark Police Department wants to thank all 18 subjects who refused to sell alcohol to a minor.

The Moorpark Police Department's Special Enforcement Detail will continue to conduct periodic sting operations in an effort to prevent minors' access to alcohol.

The Moorpark Police Department would like to remind the public that selling alcohol to, or purchasing alcohol for, minors is illegal and that alcohol is a factor in many homicides, suicides, and other unintentional injuries which along with car crashes are the four leading causes of death in 15-20 year olds. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office wants to remind the public to report incidents of underage drinking and illegal purchasing of alcohol.

Deputy Preparing Media Release: Sergeant John Wright
Media Release Date: May 26, 2015
Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Wright 805-797-7128
Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

Ventura County Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 reward for information, which leads to the arrest and criminal complaint against the person(s)

responsible for this crime. The caller may remain anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

Pre-Trial Detention Facility - Inmate Death

5/27/2015 9:50:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Inmate Death

Report Number: 15-11704

Location: Pre-Trial Detention Facility, Ventura

Date & Time: 5/25/15 @ 4:30 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Major Crimes Unit and Detention Services Legal Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(D) Solorzano, Edgar	Oxnard	31

Narrative:

Major Crime detectives and Detention Services jail personnel are investigating an inmate death that occurred at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility in Ventura. There was no indication of violence.

On May 25, 2015, at about 4:30 a.m., deputies discovered that Solorzano hung himself in his cell. Solorzano was not breathing. Jail and medical staff provided rescue CPR in attempts to revive him. Ventura City Fire Department responded and also treated Solorzano. Solorzano was pronounced deceased at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility.

The cause of death is under investigation by the Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit. The results from an autopsy by the Medical Examiner are pending. As a matter of policy and procedure, all inmate deaths are investigated by the Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dave Lareva

News Release Date: 5/26/15

Media Follow-Up Sergeant Cary Peterson (805) 384-4744

Contact:

Approved by: Commander Rick Barrios

Ventura County Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 reward for information, which leads to the arrest and criminal complaint against the person(s) responsible for this crime. The caller may remain anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

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Thousand Oaks Man Charged in Death of Niece

5/27/2015 12:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Man Charged in Death of Niece
Report Number: 14-24671
Location: 4500 block of South Moorpark Ave, Moorpark
Date & Time: October 28, 2014
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit
Moorpark Police Department Investigations Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Paul Giannotta	Thousand Oaks	64
(V) Christina Blankenship	Moorpark	33

Narrative:

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is announcing the conclusion of their investigation into the October 2014 death of Moorpark resident Christina Blankenship. On March 25, 2015, the Ventura County District Attorney's Office formally charged Paul Giannotta with multiple felonies related to the death of his niece. An investigation revealed Giannotta supplied his niece with Methadone which resulted in her death.

On October 28, 2014, Moorpark Patrol Deputies responded to a residence in the 4500 block of South Moorpark Ave, Moorpark, for a person not breathing call. They discovered Christina Blankenship was deceased inside of her residence. Information gathered at the scene quickly identified Blankenship's uncle, Paul Giannotta, as the probable source of supply of methadone. Investigators from the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit, East County Narcotics Street Team, and Moorpark Police Department Investigations Unit served search warrants at both Giannotta's home, in the 1600 block of Sweet Briar Place, Thousand Oaks, and Blankenship's home on Moorpark Avenue. They discovered evidence confirming Giannotta as the source of supply of methadone for Blankenship. An autopsy conducted by the Ventura County Medical Examiner's Office also determined methadone was a significant contributing factor in Blankenship's death. Giannotta was charged with involuntary manslaughter and furnishing methadone with a special enhancement of causing great bodily injury during the commission of a felony.

Giannotta will be arraigned in Ventura County Superior Court on June 25, 2015.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force comprised of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, the California Highway Patrol, and the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation. The primary mission of the task force

is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use. Anyone with information regarding these topics is encouraged to contact the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit at (805) 383-8700 or via e-mail at pharm.tip@ventura.org.

The task force investigates drug related overdose deaths in the County of Ventura and will continue to aggressively pursue all individuals involved in the furnishing of drugs resulting in another person's death. Arrests will be made and cases will be presented to the District Attorney's Office in investigations where investigators believe charges can and should be filed.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: May 27, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Victor Fazio
(805) 383-8700

Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

###

Lewd Acts Upon Children

5/28/2015 11:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Lewd Acts Upon Children

Report Number: 15-8752

Location: Shiells Drive and Second Street / Fillmore

Date & Time: Friday, April 17, 2015 between 8:10 PM and 8:15 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Female Juvenile	Fillmore	6
(V) Female Juvenile	Fillmore	8
(V) Female Juvenile	Fillmore	8

Narrative:

Three minor children were inappropriately touched in the parking lot located at Shiells Drive and Second Street in the City of Fillmore. The suspect was described as a Hispanic male, 15-18 years of age, 5'-10' to 6'-0' tall, with a slender build, and short spiked dark hair. The suspect was wearing a dark t-shirt and shorts. The suspect may have been playing basketball near the location prior to the crime.

The Fillmore Police Department is seeking the public's assistance in locating the suspect. If anyone saw any suspicious persons and/or activities at the location, please call Detective John Fox at the Fillmore Police Department.

Prepared by: Detective John Fox

News Release Date: May 22, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective John Fox / john.fox@ventura.org (805) 524-2233

Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

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###

Virtual Ride-Along Presented by the Camarillo Police Department

5/28/2015 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Virtual Ride-Along Presented by the Camarillo Police Department

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: June 5, 2015 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department, Community Policing Unit

Narrative:

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Please join our deputies on patrol by following the Camarillo Police Department's Twitter account for a virtual six-hour patrol shift Friday June 5, 2015.

- Have you ever wanted to go on a ride-along in a police car, with a deputy patrolling the streets of Camarillo?
- Are you interested in what type of crime or police activity may be occurring in your neighborhood?
- Have you been interested in pursuing a career in law enforcement and would like a sneak peek into the duties of a deputy sheriff on patrol?

On June 5, 2015, followers of the Camarillo Police Department's Twitter account @camarillovcso will be able to participate in a 'Virtual Ride-Along' with the men and women who proudly serve and protect the citizens of Camarillo.

On Friday June 5th, from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., the Camarillo Police Department will be 'tweeting' on its Twitter account calls for service, police activity, and photographs in what is being called a Virtual Ride-Along. This will be a unique inside view as to the activities of the Police Department and the types of calls deputies respond to. In addition to providing information on the type of calls, twitter followers will be provided with information, tips, and facts about how they can prevent becoming victims of crime and assist deputies and dispatchers by reporting crimes and suspicious activity.

The goal is to provide awareness and education to community members and increase followers on our social media sites. The Camarillo Police Department's Twitter currently has over 700 followers. Please follow us for the Virtual Ride-Along and more at <https://twitter.com/camarillovcso>.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has a Facebook and Instagram account that will also be providing information from the Camarillo Police Department's Twitter account during the Virtual Ride Along with other important information and events throughout the Ventura County Sheriff's

Office. Follow on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/VenturaCountySheriff> and Instagram at <https://instagram.com/vcsheriff/>.

Prepared by: Captain Don Aguilar

News Release Date: May 28, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Don Aguilar
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Approved by: Commander Monica McGrath

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Narcotics Arrest

5/29/2015 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest

Report Number: 15-12047

Location: 800 Block of Ponomo Street, Port Hueneme

Date & Time: 5/29/2015, 1210 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Narcotics Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Flores, Paul	Port Hueneme	33

Narrative:

On 5/29/2015, detectives with the Sheriff's Narcotics Unit concluded an investigation of a Port Hueneme resident who was selling cocaine and concentrated cannabis to residents in Ventura County.

Detectives arrested Paul Flores as he left his residence located on the 800 block of Ponomo Street in Port Hueneme. Detectives then served search warrants at Flores' residence and his locally owned business. Flores' business is a smoke shop operating under the name of 'Vapor Forrest.' It is located on the 800 block of Wagon Wheel Road in the city of Oxnard.

Inside Flores' residence, Detectives located approximately one ounce of cocaine, several ounces of concentrated cannabis, over two pounds of marijuana, and a loaded handgun. Additionally, several thousand dollars were seized that were deemed to be proceeds from illegal drug sales. No additional evidence was located at the business.

Flores was arrested for possession for sale of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana for sale, possession of a controlled substance with a firearm, possession of a firearm by a felon, and illegal possession of ammunition. Flores was booked at the Ventura County Jail pending his release on bail or arraignment hearing scheduled for 6/2/2015, at 1:30pm. Bail was set at \$500,000

Prepared by: Sergeant Jose Rivera

News Release Date: 5/29/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Jose Rivera, jose.rivera@ventura.org, 805-797-6341

Approved by:

Captain Curt Rothschiller.

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###

Theft of Bicycles

5/29/2015 10:30:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Theft of Bicycles

Location: Ventura County

Unit(s) Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is experiencing a rise in the number of bicycle thefts in Sheriff's Office jurisdictions. There have been 77 bike thefts reported in the past five months. It is unknown how many actual crimes have occurred, as this type of theft is generally underreported. Many of the thefts are from residences, both in the front yard and behind back yard gates. The majority of these stolen bicycles are unlocked.

With warm weather finally here, residents of Ventura County will traditionally spend time engaged in outdoors activities such as bike riding. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to remind people to be diligent in protecting their valuables. Engrave an identifying number, such as a Driver's License Number, on the bicycle. Take a photograph of the bike. Register your bike with your local police agency. Do not leave your bike unsecured outside. Report suspicious behavior to the police.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, Crime Prevention Bureau

Media Release May 29, 2015

Date:

Follow-Up Contact: Ed Beauvais (805) 371-8362 / edward.beauvais@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

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###

Indecent Exposure Arrest

6/2/2015 2:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Indecent Exposure Arrest
Report Number: 15-12338
Location: Ventura Street / E Street, Fillmore
Date & Time: June 2, 2015 @ 08:00 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Patrol / Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Poncedeleon, Melecio	Wasco	29

Narrative:

On 06/02/2015, a woman driving her car eastbound on highway 126 towards the city of Fillmore reported to the Fillmore Police Department that a male subject, later identified as Melecio Poncedeleon, was masturbating as he intentionally drove a white Dodge Charger next to her car.

On two previous occasions within the month of May, two additional victims reported seeing a white vehicle, matching the description of the Charger, where a Hispanic male subject was masturbating as the victims walked past the vehicle. Both incidents also occurred within the city of Fillmore.

The Charger was located by responding deputies in the McDonald's parking lot in the city of Fillmore and Poncedeleon was contacted. During the contact with Poncedeleon, a second female victim, drove by McDonald's and recognized the vehicle and Poncedeleon. The victim stopped and reported to police that she had been the victim of his indecent act by Poncedeleon on two previous occasions while driving in the area of Wells Road and Vineyard Avenue, in the Saticoy area.

Poncedeleon was arrested for 314.1 PC ' Indecent Exposure. He confessed to the five reported crimes and more. Poncedeleon was transported to the Main Jail in Ventura and was booked.

If anyone has further information or if you have been victimized, you are encouraged to contact Detectives John Fox or Detective Javier Chavez at the Fillmore Police Station.

Prepared by: Detective Javier Chavez

Media Release Date: June 2 ,2015

Follow-Up Contact: Detective Javier Chavez, 805-524-2233;
Javier.chavez@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham, Chief of Police ' City of Fillmore

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###

Vehicle Burglaries (Third Row Seat Thefts)

6/3/2015 10:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Vehicle Burglaries (Third-Row Seat Thefts)
Report Number: 15-12272
Location: Ventura County & Los Angeles County
Date & Time: 06/01/15 @ 4:00 AM
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Patrol / East County Investigations Bureau / Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Hunter, Robert	Los Angeles, CA	24
(S) Brownridge, Kenneth	Los Angeles, CA	22
(S) Triplett, Courtney	Palmdale, CA	18

Narrative:

Over the past three years, Ventura County and Los Angeles County residents who own 'General Motors' vehicles like the Chevrolet Suburban and Tahoe, Cadillac Escalade and GMC Yukon are being targeted for their vehicle's third-row seats. Suspects are popping vehicle hatches and stealing the vehicle's third-row seats within a minute's time.

During the early morning hours on 06-01-2015, Thousand Oaks deputies stopped a vehicle occupied by Kenneth Brownridge, Robert Hunter, and Courtney Triplett. In plain view inside the vehicle, deputies observed six sets of unattached third-row seats, and burglary tools used to remove these seats from GM sport-utility vehicles. The third-row seats were suspected to have been stolen from Thousand Oaks residents. Third-row seat replacement at a dealership could cost up to \$4,000.00. According to investigators, suspects are selling third-row seats on websites like Craigslist.com or in salvage yards.

All three suspects were documented Los Angeles based gang members and arrested for 459PC (vehicle burglary), 664/459PC (attempted vehicle burglary), 182(a)(1)PC (conspiracy to commit a crime), 466PC (possession of burglary tools), and 186.22(a)PC (participation in a criminal street gang). Search warrants were served following the arrest of the three suspects and additional third-row seats were located during the investigation.

All three suspects are in custody at the Ventura County Jail, with their bail set at \$300,000.00. Their arraignments are scheduled for 06-03-2015.

Prepared by: Detective Billy Hutton #3438

Media Release Date: June 2, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Kelly Roark #3380, 805-947-8261;
kelly.roark@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

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###

Social Host Ordinance

6/4/2015 4:30:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Social Host Ordinance

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: June 4, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit

Narrative:

Within the next couple of weeks, high schools will be holding graduation ceremonies and that means summer is right around the corner. The Camarillo Police Department would like to remind graduates, parents, and residents to celebrate responsibly. The Camarillo Police Department actively enforces all alcohol related laws in an effort to prevent underage drinking of alcoholic beverages as well as loud and unruly gatherings. The Camarillo Police Department would like to take this opportunity to remind residents about the Social Host Ordinance in Camarillo.

Camarillo Municipal Code section 10.32 makes it unlawful for any responsible person to conduct, aid, allow, permit, or condone a loud or unruly gathering at a residence or other private property involving minors and the unlawful consumption of alcohol.

Penalties for a violation of the ordinance are as follows:

- First violation is punishable by a \$500.00 dollar fine
- A second violation at the same residence or other private property, or by the same responsible person, within a 12 month period is punishable by a \$1000.00 dollar fine.
- A third or subsequent violation of this section at the same residence or other private property, or by the same responsible person, within a 12 month period is punishable by a fine of \$2500.00 dollars.

Since 2006, The Camarillo Police Department has issued 77 Social Host violation citations. If juveniles are cited the ordinance does not allow for community service as an option to pay the fine.

In addition, the unincorporated areas of Ventura County have a similar Social Host ordinance, Ventura County Code 6113-4, which makes it a civil violation for any responsible person to conduct or allow a loud or unruly gathering at a residence or other private property at which service to, or consumption of alcohol or alcoholic beverages by underage persons occurs. A violation of this code is one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

The Camarillo Police Department would like to congratulate all the graduates and their families and wish them a safe and happy summer.

For questions regarding the Social Host ordinance, please contact the Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit at (805) 388-5155

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger

News Release Date: June 4, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger
Camarillo Police Dept. - Community Resource Unit
(805) 388-5131

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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East County Sheriff's Station/Oak Park - Indecent Exposure Arrest

6/9/2015 5:08:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Indecent Exposure
Report Number: 15-12798
Location: Medea Creek Park ' Oak Park
Date & Time: 06/06/15 @ 7:00 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: East County Sexual Assault Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Howard Ammerman	Oak Park	64

Narrative:

On 06/07/15, (S) Howard Ammerman exposed his genitalia to three juvenile victims who were riding their bikes at Medea Creek Park. One of the victims also identified Ammerman as the suspect who pulled his pants down, exposing his bare buttocks at the same location on 06/06/15.

Ammerman was arrested and booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility in Ventura on two counts of PC 314(1) / Indecent Exposure. Ammerman is currently out of custody after posting \$5,000 bail.

If anyone has further information, you are encouraged to contact Detective Tim Lanquist with the East County Sexual Assault Unit.

Prepared by: Detective Tim Lanquist
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News Release Date: 06/09/15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman

805-947-8255

Approved by:

Captain Mike Hartmann

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Multi-County Home Invasion Robbery/ Burglary Crew Arrests

6/9/2015 11:01:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Home Invasion Robbery / Burglary Crew Arrests

Location: Multiple Counties in California / Henderson, Nevada

Date & Time: January 2015 to May 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Ventura County District Attorney's Office, Los Angeles County Sheriff Major Crimes Burglary/Robbery Task Force, Los Angeles Police Department, Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Rodrick Brumfield	Los Angeles	29
(S) Michael Bishop	Los Angeles	24
(S) Oussama Mimouni	Los Angeles	28
(S) Joy Williams	Los Angeles	27

Narrative:

Investigators have arrested four members of a violent assaultive home invasion robbery / burglary crew that committed multiple crimes in California and Nevada.

On March 31st, 2015, at about 10:30 a.m., Ventura County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a home invasion robbery in the 1000 block of Modesto Avenue, Camarillo. An initial investigation found two males forced their way into the residence and assaulted both homeowners who were in their 80's. Both suspects fled the residence without taking any property. The suspects were driven away by a third subject who was described as a female. Investigators believe the two suspects broke into the residence to steal property and were part of a burglary ring.

Over the next month, Ventura County Sheriff's investigators and crime analysts worked with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD), Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), Ventura County

District Attorney's Office and the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department. Investigators were not only able to identify the three suspects in the home invasion robbery, but also tied the three into a burglary crew that was responsible for more than two dozen residential burglaries / robberies in California and Nevada. Investigators also identified a fourth suspect who was part of the burglary crew but was not present during the home invasion robbery in Camarillo.

Investigators believe that Rodrick Brumfield, Michael Bishop and Joy Williams were responsible for the home invasion robbery as well as numerous other residential burglaries. Mimouni was linked to the burglary crew and is responsible for committing numerous residential burglaries in Los Angeles County.

On April 23rd, Mimouni was arrested by LAPD for residential burglary and is currently in custody in the Los Angeles County Jail.

On May 6th, investigators from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Major Crimes Robbery / Burglary task force and investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office arrested Joy Williams and Michael Bishop. Williams was arrested for using a stolen access card that was taken during a Santa Barbara County residential burglary. Bishop was arrested for the home invasion robbery and eventually transported to the Ventura County jail.

On May 15, investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office learned that Brumfield was staying at a girlfriend's residence in the 43000 block of Park Avenue in Lancaster. During the service of a search warrant at the Park Avenue residence, Brumfield barricaded himself in the attic with two handguns. LASD SWAT responded and forced Brumfield out of the attic with chemical agents. He was taken into custody without further incident and later transferred to the Ventura County jail. The two handguns were recovered and found to have been stolen in a recent residential burglary in Henderson, Nevada.

On May 28th, Michael Bishop was housed at the Ventura County Main Jail and sharing a cell with another inmate. Deputies responded to a disturbance in his cell. An investigation found that Bishop had been using fear to take his cellmates commissary over the past week. The disturbance was caused when Bishop attempted to force the cellmate to orally copulate him. Sheriff's Major Crimes investigators arrested Brumfield for robbery and attempted forcible oral copulation.

Bishop was on Post Release Community Supervision at the time of the robberies. He has an extensive arrest history that includes burglary and weapons charges. He is currently in custody for residential burglary, attempted robbery, street terrorism, first degree residential robbery, criminal threats and

attempted forcible oral copulation. His bail has been set at \$1,540,000.

Rodrick Brumfield was on parole at the time of the burglaries. He has an extensive arrest history which includes a 12-year prison sentence for assault with a deadly weapon. He is currently in custody for attempted residential burglary, street terrorism, and multiple counts of residential burglary. His bail has been set at \$1,000,000.

Joy Williams is currently in custody in Santa Barbara County. She has a \$1 million Ventura County warrant for her arrest. Her charges include multiple counts of residential burglary. When her case is concluded in Santa Barbara County, she will be transported to the Ventura County jail.

Oussama Mimouni is currently in custody in Los Angeles. He has a \$1 million Ventura County warrant for his arrest. His charges include multiple counts of residential burglary. When his case is concluded in Los Angeles County, he will be transported to the Ventura County jail.

Prepared by: Sgt. Bill Schierman
News Release Date: June 9, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Don Aguilar (805) 797-7349
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Approved by: Commander Bill Ayub

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###

Thousand Oaks Traffic - Vehicle vs. Motorcycle Collision

6/9/2015 4:27:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Traffic Collision ' Vehicle vs. Motorcycle

Report Number: RB#15-12889

Location: Via Las Brisas and Via Rio, Dos Vientos, Newbury Park

Date & Time: June 8, 2015, 5:55 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Matthew Ryan Taylor	Newbury Park	30
Mark Alan Zinderman	Thousand Oaks	63

Narrative:

On Monday, June 8, 2015, at approximately 5:55PM, a motorcyclist was traveling westbound on Via Las Brisas at Via Rio in the Dos Vientos area. An Infiniti was traveling eastbound on Via Las Brisas approaching the intersection at Via Rio, negotiating a left turn onto Via Rio. While passing through the intersection, the motorcycle struck the rear passenger side of the Infiniti.

The motorcyclist, Matthew Ryan Taylor, sustained life threatening injuries and was transported to Los Robles Hospital for treatment, where he remains in critical condition. The driver of the Infiniti, Mark Alan Zinderman, was not injured.

The cause of the collision is currently under investigation. Any witnesses to the collision are asked to call the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Traffic Bureau sat (805) 494-8271.

As summer approaches there are many new drivers on the road. The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind drivers to obey all rules of the road, drive carefully and arrive home safely.

Prepared by: Sgt. B. Payton

Media Release Date: June 8, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Mike Berg 805-494-8271

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

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Moorpark Police/Unincorporated Area of Simi Valley - Suspect Arrested After Barricaded Incident

6/10/2015 11:28:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Disturbance - Barricaded Subject ' Explosive Device Located

Report Number: RB# 15-13016

Location: 800 Block of Katherine Road, Simi Valley

Date & Time: June 10, 2015 @ 5:55 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Moorpark Police Department, East County Investigations Major Crimes Unit, Ventura County Sheriff's Special Services Bomb/Arson Unit, Ventura County Sheriffs Field Evidence Technicians, Ventura County Fire Department, CHP and AMR

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) James Carlton

City of Residence

Simi Valley

Age

28

Narrative:

James Carlton's neighbor reported loud banging on a common wall at about 5:55 a.m. and later confronted him about the noise. When the neighbor confronted Carlton, he pointed a firearm at the neighbor and went back into his residence. The neighbor retreated back to their residence and called and reported the incident to Sheriff's Dispatch.

Deputies responded and, after several attempts to make contact with Carlton inside the residence, he refused to comply. Eventually, Carlton exited the residence displaying the firearm. He eventually submitted to deputies and was taken safely into custody without further incident at approximately 8:00 am. The firearm was recovered and determined to be an airsoft type gun. During the investigation, it was discovered that Carlton's parents were inside with him during the incident.

Later in the day, detectives and deputies executed a search warrant at the residence, searching for additional evidence and weapons. During that search, deputies located a suspicious device having the potential to be an improvised explosive device (IED). Deputies evacuated the immediate residential area surrounding the home. The Ventura County Sheriff's Bomb/Arson Unit and Ventura County Fire Department responded to the scene.

After further investigation, the Bomb/Arson Unit located several suspicious items inside the residence.

One of the devices was confirmed to be an IED and Bomb/Arson personnel secured the device and rendered it safe on location.

Carlton was arrested for making threats, brandishing a weapon, false imprisonment and possession of an explosive device. He was booked at the Ventura County Sheriff's Pre-Trial Detention Facility in Ventura.

Prepared by: Detective Michelle Kristol

News Release Date: June 10, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Michelle Kristol 805-494-8211

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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###

Fillmore Station - Four Arrested in Stolen Vehicle Following Pursuit

6/11/2015 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Four Suspects Arrested For Auto Theft

Report Number: 15-13087

Location: Fillmore / Santa Paula

Date & Time: June 11, 2015 / 4:00 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Patrol Deputies / Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Murillo, Angelique	Fillmore	18
(S) Covarrubias, Ashley	Fillmore	18
(S) Vargas, Guillermo	Fillmore	21
(S) Mora, Rudy	Santa Paula	22

Narrative:

Fillmore patrol deputies have arrested four suspects for auto theft and related charges in the Fillmore / Santa Paula area.

On the evening of June 10, 2015, a Fillmore resident reported her 1997 Saturn stolen from her residence. At approximately 4:00 a.m., on June 11, 2015, an alert Fillmore deputy spotted the stolen Saturn driving in the area of Highway 126 and Old Telegraph Road.

The deputy attempted to stop the stolen vehicle, however the driver sped away and led deputies on a high speed pursuit throughout the unincorporated and incorporated areas of Santa Paula. The Saturn eventually collided with a curb putting an end to the approximately 15 minute pursuit.

All four occupants were taken into custody and charged with crimes including auto theft, felony evading, driving under the influence, participation in a criminal street gang, and being under the influence of controlled substances. No arrestee's or deputies were injured as a result.

Prepared by: Detective John Fox

News Release Date: June 11, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective John Fox, (805) 524-2233,
john.fox@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham, Chief of Police ' City of Fillmore

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Arrest of Stabbing Suspect For Assault With A Deadly Weapon & Criminal Threats

6/12/2015 8:35:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Stabbing Suspect For Assault With A Deadly Weapon & Criminal Threats

Report Number: 15-13022

Location: 1200 Block of Avenida De Los Arboles

Date & Time: June 10, 2015 @ 5:30AM

Unit Responsible: East County Major Crimes / Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Detail / Directed Enforcement Team

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Garcia, Anthony

City of Residence
Thousand Oaks, CA.

Age
41

Narrative:

On June 10, 2015, at about 7:25 a.m., Thousand Oaks deputies responded to Los Robles Hospital Emergency Room regarding a stabbing victim. The victim reported at around 5:30 a.m. he was asleep in the backyard of his residence. The suspect, Anthony Garcia, confronted him regarding the theft of his cell phone. The victim denied the theft and Garcia threatened to kill him. Following the threat, Garcia stabbed the victim multiple times and fled the scene. The victim sustained non-life-threatening injuries and was ultimately discharged from the hospital.

On June 11, 2015, Garcia was arrested in Thousand Oaks on charges of assault with a deadly weapon and criminal threats. He was booked at the Ventura County Sheriff's Pre-Trial Detention Facility and his bail was set at \$60,000.00 dollars. The suspect is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on Monday, June 15, 2015, for his arraignment.

Prepared by: Detective Billy Hutton #3438

Media Release Date: June 11, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Billy Hutton #3438, (805) 947-8113,

william.hutton@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain Jim Fryhoff

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###

Thousand Oaks Police "Coffee with the Chief" June 12th 8:30-10am

6/5/2015 4:02:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Police Department 'Coffee with the Chief' Community Outreach Program
Location: The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf 487 N Moorpark Rd. Thousand Oaks, Ca 91360
Date & Time: June 12th 2015. 8:30 AM ' 10:00 AM
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is pleased to announce a 'Coffee with the Chief' event on Friday June 12th. Thousand Oaks Police Chief Tim Hagel will be at The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf, located at 487 N Moorpark Rd. Thousand Oaks. Chief Hagel believes these events are an excellent opportunity to continue building on existing partnerships with the community. He would like to hear any questions or concerns from the public. The chief will be available from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department views open lines of communication as an integral part of developing proactive partnerships with the community and working together on identifying, prioritizing and solving problems, including safety, crime, and quality of life issues.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, Crime Prevention Bureau

Media Release Date: June 5, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Ed Beauvais (805) 371-8362 / edward.beauvais@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

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Narcotic Related Arrests

6/19/2015 8:15:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Narcotic Related Arrests

Report Number: 15-13022

Location: 1200 Block of Avenida De Los Arboles

Date & Time: June 18, 2015 @ 10:00AM

Unit Responsible: East County Major Crimes / Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit / Moorpark Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Ricardo Hernandez	Thousand Oaks, CA.	41
(S) Ramon Teran	Thousand Oaks, CA.	41
(S) Elizabeth Velasco	Thousand Oaks, CA.	36
(S) Brandon Sanders	Thousand Oaks, CA.	25
(S) Katlyn Brodie	Thousand Oaks, CA.	25

Narrative:

On June 10, 2015, Detectives assigned to the Thousand Oaks Station began investigating a stabbing that occurred in the 1200 block of Avenida De Los Arboles. As a result of their initial investigation, detectives arrested Anthony Garcia for assault with a deadly weapon and criminal threats. The victim sustained non-life-threatening injuries. During the investigation, detectives also received information related to the sales of narcotics.

On June 18, 2015, Thousand Oaks Major Crimes Detectives along with detectives assigned to the Thousand Oaks and Moorpark Special Enforcement Units served a search warrant at Hernandez' residence in the 100 block of Maegan Place. During the service of the search warrant, detectives recovered narcotics packaged for sale, surveillance equipment, various drug paraphernalia, and located several hidden compartments within the residence.

As a result of the search warrant, Teran, Velasco, Sanders, and Brodie were arrested for being under the influence of narcotics. Hernandez was arrested for narcotic related charges including possession of a controlled substance for sale and committing crimes while released on bail. He was booked at the

Ventura County Sheriff's Pre-Trial Detention Facility and his bail was set at \$500,000.00 dollars. The suspects are scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on Monday, June 22, 2015, for their arraignment.

Prepared by: Detective James Sullivan #3858

Media Release Date: June 18, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective James Sullivan, (805) 947-8109,
James.sullivan@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Search Warrant Served at Simi Valley Doctor's Office

6/19/2015 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Search Warrant Served at Simi Valley Doctor's Office
Report Number: 15-9601
Location: 143 Parrot Lane, Simi Valley
Date & Time: May 28, 2015
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Dr, William Matzner

City of Residence

Simi Valley

Age

57

Narrative:

On May 28, 2015, the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit (PCU) continued their investigation into a Simi Valley physician regarding claims of overprescribing opiate and other controlled substance medication.

A search warrant was served at Dr. Matzner's Simi Valley office. Numerous medical files and other items of evidentiary value were seized during the service of the warrant. The search was related to a several month investigation centered on the amount of prescription drugs coming from Dr. Matzner's office. The investigation revealed Dr. Matzner's office had become a source of supply for drug seeking and drug dealing patients. During the service of the warrant, Dr. Matzner resigned his DEA registration eliminating the possibility of him legally writing prescriptions for controlled substances.

A death related to his practice of medicine is also being investigated.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office East County Narcotic's Street Team assisted in the investigation.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information regarding Dr. Matzner may call the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit at (805) 383-8700 or email pharm.tip@ventura.org.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force comprised of members from

the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, the California Highway Patrol, and the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation. The primary mission of the task force is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: June 19, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Victor Fazio
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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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Former Inmate Arrested for Fraudulent Claim

6/22/2015 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Former Inmate Arrested for Fraudulent Claim

Report Number: 15-10122

Location: Pre-Trial Detention Facility

Date & Time: 06/19/15 @ 2:40 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Special Services / Detention Services

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) West, Ryan William

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

23

(V) County of Ventura

(V) Ventura County Sheriff's Office

Narrative:

Ryan West was arrested on 06/19/15 after the completion of a criminal investigation surrounding a fraudulent claim he submitted to the County of Ventura requesting \$900,000.00 dollars in damages.

In April of 2015, West submitted a claim for damages to the Ventura County Clerk alleging he was unlawfully 'tased' while serving jail time in 2014. Through his attorney who filed the claim, West submitted an alleged jail document describing the incident and identifying a Sheriff's employee as the individual who 'tased' West.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Major Crimes Bureau, initiated a criminal investigation surrounding the reported illegal use of force and quickly determined the incident never took place. The investigation revealed the jail document submitted by West was fictitious and created in an attempt to obtain money from the County of Ventura. The facts reported by West in his claim were also confirmed to have been fictitious.

The case was presented to the Ventura County District Attorney's Office who elected to file five felony counts against West. Those charges included 72 PC (Presentation of a Fraudulent Claim, 118(a) PC (Perjury), 470(d) PC (Forgery), 529 PC (False Personation), and 530.5 PC (Identity Theft). The false personation and identity theft charges stemmed from West using the Sheriff employee's personal information to generate the false claim.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is committed to protecting the relationship of trust with the community and citizens we serve. Allegations of excessive force will be thoroughly investigated and the appropriate course of action will be taken at the conclusion of all investigations.

Prepared by: Detective Russell King

News Release Date: 06/22/15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant William Therrien (805) 384-4724
William.Therrien@Ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Public's help needed to identify theft from an elder suspect

6/22/2015 12:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Public's help needed to identify theft from an elder suspect

Report Number: 15-13076

Location: 395 Hampshire Road, Thousand Oaks, Ca

Date & Time: 6/10/15 7:30 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Investigations Unit

(S)uspects,

Unknown

City of Residence

Unknown

Age

30-40

Narrative:

Thousand Oaks Police Investigators are asking for the public's help identifying a suspect who appears to have used his family to assist in distracting an elderly disabled female before stealing her wallet with money, credit cards and jewelry. The crime was captured on video and shows clear view of the crime, the suspect and his vehicle.

On June 10, 2015, an elderly female victim was getting gas at a local station in the City of Thousand Oaks. The suspect appeared to also be getting gas and was with an adult female and one or more children. The suspect told the victim he could fix scratches and other minor damage on her car and the video shows the suspect walking around the car for an extended period of time.

At one point, the suspect told the victim to give her telephone number to his wife, who was sitting in the suspect's car. When the victim went to do this, the video shows the suspect reaching into the victim's car and stealing her wallet. The video then shows the suspect crouching down beside the driver's side door before concealing the victim's wallet inside his pants. The suspect then quickly got in his own car and left the area with the female and children.

The attached videos show the crime occurring and clear footage of the suspect inside the store making a

purchase before committing the crime.

The suspect is described by witnesses at the scene as a middle-eastern man between 35-45 years old, heavy set and driving a black Kia Soul.

Thousand Oaks Police Investigators are asking for the public's help identifying the suspect in the video and are asked to call Sergeant Jason Robarts at (805) 947-8108 if they have any information about the identity of the suspect.

Prepared by: Sgt. Jason Robarts #2948

Media Release Date: June 22, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Jason Robarts #2948 (805) 947-8108

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Arrest of Child Molest Suspect

6/25/2015 7:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Child Molest Suspect
Report Number: 15-10761
Location: Oak View, California
Date & Time: 06/23/2015 / 0635 Hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau
Ojai Police Department Investigations Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Steven Wayne Bower	Oak View	45
Juvenile Female		9
Juvenile Female		6
Juvenile Female		8

Narrative:

On June 23, 2015, Investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office arrested Steven Wayne Bower for child molestation. Bower is suspected of molesting three juvenile female victims, each on separate occasions, while in his care. The juvenile victims were ages 6, 8 and 9 during the incidents. Bower is currently in custody at the Ventura County Pre-Trail Detention Facility on \$500,000.00 bail.

Due to the seriousness of these crimes, anyone with information that may help in identifying witnesses or other potential victims is asked to contact the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, Detective Randy Skaggs at 805-384-4725.

Prepared by: Detective Randy Skaggs / Major Crimes Bureau
(805) 384-4725

News Release Date: 06/25/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Denise Sliva / Sheriff's Office PIO

(805) 947-9258

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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith / Major Crimes Bureau.

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Drive By Shooting - Murder

6/25/2015 7:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Drive By Shooting - Murder
Report Number: 15-14085
Location: 400 Block of Lemar Ave, Unincorporated Area of El Rio
Date & Time: June 23, 2015 / 9:30 P.M.
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau and Gang Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Mark Perez (DECEASED)	Oxnard	18
(V) Male Victim #2	Oxnard	18

Narrative:

On June 23, 2015, Ventura County Sheriff's Office patrol units were dispatched to St. John's Regional Medical Center for two gunshot victims who arrived at the hospital by a private vehicle. Based on the victim's injuries, they were both transported by ambulance to the Ventura County Medical Center for treatment.

The preliminary investigation revealed the victims were outside of a residence and were involved in a verbal argument before the shooting occurred. Victim Perez passed away from his injuries. Victim #2 remains hospitalized in stable condition.

The investigation is on-going. Detectives are seeking possible witnesses to the crime or anyone with knowledge of the crime. If anyone has information please contact Detective Marco at 805-384-4739.

If you wish to remain anonymous you can call the GANG TIP HOTLINE 1-888-58GANGS or email your information to gangunit@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre

News Release Date: June 25, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre

805-384-4730 / anthony.aguirre@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Public's help leads to the arrest of suspect who stole elderly disabled female's wallet

6/25/2015 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Public's help leads to the arrest of suspect who stole elderly disabled female's wallet

Report Number: 15-13076

Location: Thousand Oaks / Oxnard

Date & Time: 6/24/15 1430

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations

(S)uspects.

Steve Michael Stevens

City of Residence

Transient ' Ventura County

Age

30

Narrative:

On June, 22, 2015, video surveillance was released to the public showing a male subject with his family stealing a disabled elderly lady's wallet. The crime took place at a gas station after the male subject distracted the elderly female and took the wallet out of her purse. The crime was captured on video surveillance.

As a result of the release of the video surveillance, Thousand Oaks Investigators received over 25 phone calls from callers identifying the same male in the video as having stolen or attempted to steal from them. The callers were from both Los Angeles and Ventura Counties and the crimes occurred over the past 8 months.

Some callers had very detailed information about the suspect who was identified as Steve Michael Stevens (age 30). This information helped lead to the whereabouts of Stevens and he was subsequently arrested on June, 24, 2015, at about 2:30 pm in the city of Oxnard.

Stevens' alleged scam involved telling victims he would do body work on their cars to fix minor damage or scratches. Stevens would then appear to do work on the damage and then cover it with a wax type substance. The victims were then told to wipe it off in 24 hours and the damage would be fixed. The victims would pay Stevens and would later learn the damage was not fixed and was oftentimes worse.

Stevens seemed to target females and elderly individuals. Stevens was also involved in other scams that involved arrangements to fix damage and ask for money up front. He would say he was leaving to get replacement parts or supplies and not return. Some victims lost over \$1000.00 in the theft scams.

Stevens was booked into Ventura County Jail for Grand Theft and Financial Elder abuse charges. His bail was set at \$55,000.

Prepared by: Sergeant Jason Robarts #2948

Media Release Date: 6/26/15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Jason Robarts #2948 (805) 947-8108

Approved by: Ross Bonfiglio, Captain

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Structure Fire / Narcotics Arrests

6/25/2015 3:15:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Structure Fire/ Narcotics Arrests

Report Number: 15-14076

Location: 800 Block of Mitchell Road, Newbury Park

Date & Time: 6/23/2015, 1839 hours

Unit Responsible: Sheriff's Narcotics Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Sullada, Jared

City of Residence

Moorpark

Age

[25]

Mulhall, Jason

Westlake

[33]

Narrative:

On 6/23/2015, at 1839 hours, Ventura County Sheriff's Deputies with the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to assist the Ventura County Fire Department with a structure fire in a commercial building in the 800 block of Mitchell Road in Newbury Park. Firefighters battling the blaze discovered an indoor marijuana grow and the implements of a Butane Honey Oil (BHO) lab inside the burning structure.

Based on the circumstances, deputies requested additional resources to respond to assist with the investigation. Arson investigators with the Ventura County Fire and Sheriff's Departments, and detectives with the Sheriff's Narcotics Unit responded. They evaluated the scene and determined it was the site of a BHO lab. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office Lab Response Team was called out to process the scene.

During the initial investigation, detectives were able to quickly identify a possible suspect based on information obtained by patrol deputies and evidence detectives located at the scene.

Jared Sullada, a Moorpark resident, was identified as a possible suspect. Detectives later located Sullada as he arrived at his Moorpark residence with two other subjects. They quickly left the location and were stopped by a patrol deputy on Highway 23 at Janss Road. Detectives questioned Sullada and an additional passenger, Jason Mulhall, regarding the fire on Mitchell Road. Detectives determined Sullada and Mulhall were involved and arrested them.

Detectives conducted a search of Sullada's residence in Moorpark and Mulhall's residence in Westlake. Evidence was recovered linking them to the Mitchell Road fire. Sullada and Mulhall were both arrested for Cultivation of Marijuana and Manufacturing Concentrated Cannabis. Additional charges are pending as more information and evidence is evaluated regarding the fire.

Sullada and Mulhall posted bail and they are scheduled to appear in court on 7/8/2015, at 8:15AM.

Prepared by: Sgt. Jose Rivera

Media Release Date: 6/24/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Jose Rivera, jose.rivera@ventura.org, 805-797-6341

Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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###

Arrest of Child Molest Suspect

6/29/2015 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Child Molest Suspect**Report Number:** 15-11735**Location:** Fillmore, California**Date & Time:** 06/27/2015 / 1550 Hours**Unit(s) Responsible:** Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau**(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent****City of Residence****Age**

(S) Brandon Russell Seward

Fillmore

31

(V) Juvenile Female

15

Narrative:

On June 27, 2015, Investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau arrested Brandon Russell Seward for child molestation. In December of 2014, Seward befriended a 15 year old female victim. Between March and May of 2015, Seward engaged in sexual acts with the 15 year old female victim. Seward is currently in custody at the Ventura County Pre-Trail Detention Facility on \$300,000.00 bail. Seward will be arraigned in Ventura County Superior Court on June 30, 2015.

Due to the seriousness of the crime, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to know if Seward may have assaulted any other victims. Anyone with information that may help in identifying witnesses or other potential victims is asked to contact the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, Detective Randy Skaggs at 805-384-4725.

Prepared by: Detective Randy Skaggs / Major Crimes Bureau**News Release Date:** 02/26/2015**Media Follow-Up Contact:** Sergeant Ryan Clark / Major Crimes Bureau

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Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith / Major Crimes Bureau.

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###

Arrest Made in Fatal Overdose Case

6/30/2015 4:30:00 PM

**VENTURA COUNTY INTERAGENCY PHARMACEUTICAL
CRIMES UNIT
News Story Release**

Nature of Incident: Arrest Made in Fatal Overdose Case

Report Number: 15-14408

Location: Silver Strand Beach, Ventura County

Date & Time: June 27, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes
Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit
Ventura County Sheriff's Office West County Narcotics Street Team

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Michelle Filkins	Port Hueneme	52
(V) Armando Serna	Oxnard	41

Narrative:

On June 27, 2015, at about 6:00 p.m., Ventura County Sheriff's deputies from the Headquarters station responded to a report of a person not breathing. The victim was located in the La Janelle parking lot, at Ocean Drive and Sawtelle Ave, in the unincorporated area of Oxnard known as Silver Strand Beach. Responding deputies quickly learned the victim most likely suffered a fatal overdose from a heroin injection.

Investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crime Unit, the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit, and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office West County Narcotics Street Team responded to the scene.

The investigation revealed Michelle Filkins prepared and supplied heroin to Armando Serna. Serna immediately experienced an adverse reaction to the heroin. Filkins, who told investigators she was a

nurse, attempted to treat Serna but ultimately summoned medical assistance after he stopped breathing.

Filkins was arrested for supplying heroin to Serna and booked into custody at the Ventura County Main Jail. On 6-30-15, the Ventura County District Attorney's Office filed one count of furnishing heroin and a special allegation of causing great bodily injury during the commission of a felony. Pending the result of Serna's autopsy, a charge of manslaughter is possible in the near future. Filkins is currently in custody with bail set at \$150,000.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: June 30, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Bill Therrien
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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschilder

###

Arrests for Theft and Possession of Illegal and Dangerous Fireworks

7/1/2015 7:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrests for Theft and Possession of Illegal and Dangerous Fireworks
Report Number: 15-14195 and 15-14209
Location: Princeton Avenue / Campus Park Drive, Moorpark, CA. 93021
Date & Time: July 1, 2015 / 14:00 A.M.
Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department Patrol, Special Enforcement Detail, and Special Enforcement Detail Sheriff's Bomb Squad

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
David Rhodes	Woodland Hills	58

Narrative:

On June 25, 2015, at approximately 9:00 A.M., a theft occurred at the Shell Gas Station located at 6599 Collins Drive in Moorpark. The suspect left prior to patrol deputies arriving, but the victim was able to provide a detailed description of the suspect and the vehicle the suspect left in.

A Moorpark patrol deputy observed a possible suspect vehicle driving in the area of Princeton Avenue and Campus Park Drive in Moorpark at around 11:50 A.M. this same day. The deputy stopped the vehicle and determined it was the vehicle involved in the earlier theft. David Rhodes was a passenger in the vehicle and was identified as the person who committed the theft from the Shell Gas Station.

During the subsequent investigation, a significant amount of illegal fireworks were discovered inside the vehicle. Deputies working patrol and the Special Enforcement Detail were able to determine that the fireworks belonged to Rhodes and he planned to try and sell them in the City of Moorpark. A member of the Sheriff's Bomb Squad responded and inspected the fireworks and safely removed them from the vehicle.

Rhodes was arrested for felony and misdemeanor possession of dangerous fireworks, theft and suspicion of being under the influence of a controlled substance and booked into the Sheriff's Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Rhodes was released after he posted \$25,000 bail and has a scheduled court date of July 9, 2015.

As a reminder, first and foremost is the safety of our residents. The City of Moorpark, Moorpark Police Department, and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office asks the cooperation of all citizens in preventing injury and property damage by using fireworks.

Prepared by: Sgt. John Wright

News Release Date: July 1, 2015

Media Follow-Up Sgt. John Wright, (805) 797-7128

Contact:

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Camarillo - Two Arrested for Heroin Sales at Local Barber Shop

7/4/2015 11:35:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrests

Report Number: 15-14826

Location: Gabe's Boulevard Barber Shop ' 2600 Block E. Ventura Boulevard, Camarillo

Date & Time: 07/02/2015 @ 10:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Special Enforcement Detail, Ventura County Sheriff's Narcotics Bureau - West County Street Team, Oxnard Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Ralph Reyes	Camarillo	54
(S) Gabriel Robles	Camarillo	54

Narrative:

Information on heroin sales led to the arrests of Ralph Reyes and Gabriel Flores for conspiracy, possession for sale of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana for sale and for maintaining a place for selling or furnishing controlled substances.

During this investigation, detectives received information that Ralph Reyes was selling heroin from Gabe's Boulevard Barbershop in Camarillo. Detectives obtained a search warrant for Reyes, his residence and for Gabe's Boulevard Barbershop.

On July 2nd, 2015, while executing the search warrant, detectives contacted Reyes outside of Gabe's Boulevard Barbershop. Detectives searched Reyes and found him to be in possession of heroin packaged for sale and a significant amount of cash. They searched Gabe's Boulevard Barbershop and located marijuana, additional cash and a firearm.

Reyes was arrested for conspiracy and possession for sale of a controlled substance and he was booked at the Ventura County Jail. His bail was set at \$60,000. Robles was arrested for conspiracy, possession of marijuana for sale, maintaining a place for selling or furnishing controlled substances and he was booked at the Ventura County Jail. His bail was set at \$20,000.

Prepared by: Sergeant Eric Tennessen

News Release Date: 07/03/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Eric Tennesen / 805-388-5140
eric.tennesen@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Embezzlement Arrest

7/6/2015 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Embezzlement Arrest
Report Number: 15-14625
Location: Ojai, California
Date & Time: July 2, 2015 / 8:30 am
Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Ojai Unified School District		
(A) Ladonna Fulcher	Ojai, Ca.	47

Narrative:

On June 30th, 2015, employees with the Ojai Unified School District discovered that the district had been the victim of embezzlement. The Superintendent's office immediately notified the Ojai Police Department and an investigation was started. The information provided by school district employees revealed that during the past two years approximately \$60,000.00 had been embezzled from the school district by (A) Ladonna Fulcher.

On July 2nd, 2015, Detectives from the Ojai Station arrested Fulcher for violating section 487(a) of the Penal Code / Grand Theft by Embezzlement. Fulcher was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility and her bail was set at \$10,000.00.

Prepared by: Sgt. R. Harwood
News Release Date: July 6, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Joe Mulrooney (805) 947-8075
Approved by: Captain D. Kenney

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###

Robbery Suspects Arrested

7/6/2015 2:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Robbery Suspects Arrested

Report Number: 15-11074, 15-13012, 15-13814

Location: 300 Block of Rolling Oaks Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: 07/02/2015 @ 11:15 PM

Unit Responsible: East County Major Crimes, Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit, Sheriff's Special Services Major Crimes/Special Crimes Unit/Narcotics, Sheriff's Crime Analysis, Los Angeles Police Department, Ventura Police Department, Simi Valley Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Lenny Vanhorenbeeck	Thousand Oaks	20
(S) Ernesto Magana	Thousand Oaks	26

Narrative:

On 07-02-15, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office arrested two suspects regarding a series of gas station and liquor store robberies that occurred throughout Ventura County and the Canoga Park area of Los Angeles County.

Beginning on May 16, 2015 Investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office began connecting a series of armed robberies that spanned over five cities in Ventura and Los Angeles Counties. Detectives within various specialized units of the Sheriff's Office and Investigators with Simi Valley Police Department, Ventura Police Department and the Los Angeles Police Department began collaborating in an effort to solve this crime spree.

The Crime Analysis Unit of the Ventura County Sheriff's Office generated a lead, which identified Lenny Vanhorenbeeck and Ernesto Magana as possible suspects.

On 07-02-15 at approximately 11:15 AM, Lenny Vanhorenbeeck and Ernesto Magana were arrested as they exited their residence. Search warrants were served at several locations and evidence related to the crimes was recovered. Investigators believe the suspects are responsible for as many as seven (7) armed robberies in Ventura and Los Angeles counties, and the investigation is continuing.

Vanhorenbeeck and Magana were booked into custody at the Ventura County Main Jail for 2nd degree robbery. Vanhorenbeeck's bail is currently set at 2.5 million dollars and Magana's is set at 1 million dollars. Both subjects are scheduled to be arraigned in Superior Court on July 07, 2015.

Prepared by: Sergeant Alan Hartkop

Media Release Date: July 06, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy William Hutton
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

7/9/2015 8:05:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: July 11, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint Planned

Thousand Oaks, CA ' The Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit will be conducting a Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint on July 11, at an undisclosed location within the city limits.

The deterrent effect of Driver's License/DUI checkpoints is a proven resource in reducing the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug involved crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an unlicensed or impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized Driver's License/DUI checkpoints and proactive DUI patrols are conducted routinely.

In California, this deadly crime led to 802 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2012 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Nationally, the latest data shows nearly 10,000 were killed by an impaired driver. 'Over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 6 lives and resulted in 93 injury crashes harming 131 of our friends and neighbors,' said Sergeant Barbara Payton.

Officers will be looking for signs of alcohol and/or drug impairment with officers checking drivers for proper licensing delaying motorists only momentarily. When possible, specially trained officers will be available to evaluate those suspected of drug-impaired driving, which now accounts for a growing number of impaired driving crashes. Drugs which may impair driving not only include illegal narcotics, but many prescription drugs, marijuana, and even some over-the-counter medications.

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

News Story Date: July 8, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Mike Hartmann, Captain



Moorpark Police Conduct Tobacco Sales Compliance Checks

7/9/2015 8:54:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Tobacco Decoy Sting Operation

Location: Various Retail Locations ' City of Moorpark

Date & Time: June 30, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department Special Enforcement Detail

Narrative:

During April and May 2015, Ventura County Public Health Department's Tobacco Policy Program worked with local law enforcement agencies, and the Law Enforcement Explorer Scouts in the cities of Camarillo, Simi Valley, and Moorpark to conduct assessments of tobacco sales to youth under the age of 18.

After assisting Public Health and observing the businesses that were in fact willing to sell tobacco products to minors under the age of 18, the Moorpark Police Department initiated another compliance check of the same businesses with the intent of enforcement. During the study by Public Health, nine (9) of twenty-one (21) businesses were apparently willing to sell tobacco products to minors.

On June 12, 2015, members of the Moorpark Police Department Special Enforcement Detail conducted a tobacco compliance check, using minor decoys, in an attempt to purchase tobacco products from businesses in the City of Moorpark. The goal of these types of operations is to limit minors' access to tobacco products.

The minor decoys attempted to make purchases of tobacco products at eighteen (18) locations throughout the City of Moorpark, including the nine (9) who were willing to sell tobacco to the decoys during the prior compliance check by Public Health. Cashiers at all of the establishments turned the minor decoys away without selling any tobacco products.

The Moorpark Special Enforcement Detail (SED) has a history of conducting compliance checks and will continue to conduct periodic compliance checks / sting operations dealing with tobacco, alcohol, and spray paint to confirm retailers in the area are doing their part to prevent minors' access to these products in the community.

The Moorpark Police Department sees it as a success that none of the businesses sold tobacco products to the minor decoys during this most recent compliance check. The success of this operation is due largely in part to the strong partnership between the Sheriff's Office, the Moorpark Police Department and Ventura County Public Health and their commitment to limiting our youth's access to tobacco products.

Prepared by: John Wright, Sergeant

News Release Date: July 8, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: John Wright, Sergeant 805-797-7128

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau Plan Driver's License/ DUI Checkpoint for July 11th

7/9/2015 8:56:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: July 11, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

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Approved by: Mike Hartmann, Captain

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7/9/2015 8:00:00 AM

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Prepared by: John Wright, Sergeant

News Release Date: July 8, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: John Wright, Sergeant 805-797-7128

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

7/12/2015 8:40:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Report Number: 15-15603, 15-15602

Location: City of Thousand Oaks
Westlake Boulevard north of Meadow Gate Street
Avenida de Las Arboles west of Stonecutter Street

Date & Time: July 11, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Usiel, Urizar David	Thousand Oaks	22
(S) Crosby, Neil	Thousand Oaks	61

Narrative:

Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint Nets Two (2) Arrests

Thousand Oaks, CA ' The Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a Driver's License/DUI checkpoint on July 11, 2015, on Westlake Boulevard north of Meadow Gate Street and then on Avenida de Las Arboles west of Stonecutter Street, between the hours of 9:00 pm and 3:00 am. (S) Usiel was arrested for driving under the influence of marijuana and possession of a controlled substance. (S) Crosby was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Checkpoints are placed in locations that have the greatest opportunity for achieving unlicensed and drunk driving deterrence and provide the greatest safety for officers and the public. Driver's License/DUI checkpoints have been shown to lower DUI deaths and injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive drunk or drugged impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging everyone to use sober designated drivers.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), checkpoints have provided the

most effective documented results of any of the DUI enforcement strategies, while also yielding considerable cost savings of \$6 for every \$1 spent. Ninety Percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

- 492 Vehicles Screened
- 1 DUI-Alcohol, suspect arrested
- 1 DUI-Drug, suspect arrested
- 5 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 8 Citations issued

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting another Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint on August 22, 2015 in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and injuries upon our streets and highways.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 9-1-1!

Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: July 12, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Mike Hartmann, Captain

Public's Help Needed to Identify Oaks Mall Child Annoying Suspect
7/13/2015 7:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Public's Help Needed to Identify Oaks Mall Child Annoying Suspect
Report Number: 15-14643
Location: The Oaks Mall, 266 West, Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA, 91360
Date & Time: June 30, 2015 @ 1:00 PM
Unit Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office East County Sexual Assault Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Juvenile Female	Thousand Oaks	10

Narrative:

East County Sex Crimes Investigators are asking for the public's help identifying a suspect who appears to have used his cell phone to take an up-skirt video of a juvenile female.

On June 30, 2015, around 1:00 P.M., a witness saw a male suspect enter Claire's Fashion Jewelry and Accessories at the Oaks Mall in Thousand Oaks. The witness saw the suspect turn on the video recorder on his cellular telephone. The suspect then squatted down behind the female juvenile victim and placed the cellular phone just below her jean skirt. The female victim was unaware the suspect was recording her. The suspect realized he was being watched by the witness and quickly left the store. The suspect was last seen entering JC Penney before leaving the mall.

The attached photograph shows the suspect shortly after leaving Claire's.

The suspect is described as a white male, approximately 40 to 50 years old, about 6' 00' tall, between 180 to 200 pounds, with short 'salt and pepper' hair. He was wearing a black and white plaid shirt, black jeans and black dress shoes.

Anyone with information as to the identity of the suspect is asked to contact Detective Tim Lanquist of the East County Sexual Assault Unit, Office: 805-494-8229 or E-mail: Timothy.Lanquist@ventura.org.

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Media Release Date: July 13, 2015

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Approved by:

Stephen Wade, Captain

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Man Arrested for Practicing Medicine Without a License

7/16/2015 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Man Arrested for Practicing Medicine Without a License

Report Number: 15-13077

Location: Richmond, CA

Date & Time: July 9, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit
Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Vincent Gammill

City of Residence

El Cerrito, CA

Age

69

(V) Female Adult

Thousand Oaks, CA

49

Narrative:

On July 9, 2015, the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit (PCU) with the assistance of the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office concluded an investigation into the unlawful practice of medicine by a Northern California man with the service of search warrants and an arrest.

During the month of June 2015, an adult female with late stage cancer reported to deputies at the Thousand Oaks East County Sheriff's Station she had been harmed and scammed out of thousands of dollars from a man purporting to be able to treat her cancer. The victim had seen Gammill's website on the internet in 2009 and planned on seeking treatment from him as a last resort if all traditional medical efforts to cure her cancer had failed.

In June 2015, the victim traveled to Gammill's office located at 3065 Richmond Parkway Suite 101, in Richmond, California. While at the office, Gammill examined the victim and gave her an in-depth explanation of how he was going to treat her cancer. He also advised her to alter the dosing of the medication her primary physician had prescribed her. Gammill demanded payment of \$2,000.00 for his services (16 hours of consultation and treatment), which she paid to him. Gammill then provided the victim with multiple plastic "ziploc" baggies containing different powders, empty capsules, vials of liquids, commercially produced medications with expired shelf life dates (including medications labeled in

Russian) and a baggie of dirt. Gammill provided her with instructions on how to prepare the items for consumption. At one point in the visit Gammill brought out a large frying pan and commented that one of the compounds could burn a hole through the table. Gammill proceeded to instruct the victim how to mix the compound over the frying pan and she followed his instructions. The mixture was placed into a capsule and the victim ingested the substance. She began to get a burning sensation in her stomach and Gammill told the victim it was good her stomach was burning because that meant the ingredients were still active.

Based on the victim's statement, the PCU began an investigation into Gammill's practices. Investigators found Gammill's website at <http://natural-oncology.org/> and learned he offered, 'alternative and complementary care for those with cancer, to communicate this knowledge to individuals and practitioners and to provide practical assistance and support to those with cancer.' Investigators did not locate a record of Gammill having any medical training.

On July 9, 2015, Investigators from the PCU and the Detectives from the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office arrested Gammill at his business for practicing medicine without a license, dependent adult abuse, and furnishing dangerous drugs without a license. Investigators served search warrants at his office and his home located in the 2600 block of Tamalpais Avenue, in El Cerrito, California. Upon entering the business, Detectives found laboratory equipment and bottles labeled corrosive and poison. The Contra Costa County Hazardous Materials team was called out to inspect the scene and render it safe. Detectives located over 25,000 prescription pills including Morphine, Ambien, Steroids, and Mexican and Russian drugs at both locations. Gammill told Detectives he offered alternative options to the traditional treatment of cancer. He also initially stated he had no formal education beyond high school, but then 'remembered' he had obtained a doctor of science degree sometime in the 1990's.

Gammill was booked into custody at the Contra Costa County Jail and is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on August 31, 2015.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit and the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office are seeking any additional victims in this case. Southern California residents may contact the PCU at (805) 383-8700 or email at pharm.tip@ventura.org. Northern California residents may contact the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office Detective Bureau at (925) 313- 2600.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force comprised of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, the California Highway Patrol, and the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation. The primary mission of the task force is combating the transfer of legal

prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: July 16, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Robert Davidson

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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschilder Ventura County Sheriff's Office

Lt. Kristi Butterfield Contra Costa County Sheriff's
Department

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Gunshot Victim Determined to be Self-Inflicted

7/17/2015 5:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Gunshot Victim Determined to be Self-Inflicted

Report Number: 152002006

Location: 400 block Alost Drive, Camarillo, CA

Date & Time: 07/16/15 @ 1:03 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol Station, Major Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(D) Male	Santa Paula	29
(P) Female	Santa Paula	23

Narrative:

On July 16, 2015, at about 1:03 p.m., a neighbor in the area of the 400 block of Alost Drive called 9-1-1 to report hearing a physical and verbal disturbance coming from inside a residence nearby. A short time later, the same neighbor reported hearing what they believed to be a gunshot. Camarillo deputies assigned to the unincorporated area arrived on scene and found the male subject inside the residence suffering from a gunshot wound to the head.

The male subject was transported to Los Robles Hospital in serious condition and later died of his injuries. The female party was transported to Pleasant Valley Hospital with non-life threatening injuries and later released. The Major Crimes Unit investigated the incident and determined the man's death was the result of a self-inflicted gunshot wound following a domestic argument.

Prepared by: Sergeant Denise Sliva

News Release Date: July 17, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Denise Sliva (805) 947-9258

Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith

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Marijuana Cultivation / Arrests

7/17/2015 7:35:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Marijuana Cultivation/ Arrests

Report Number: 152001504

Location: Saddlebow Road/ Hackamore Lane, Bell Canyon, Ca
4000 block of Canoga Drive, Woodland Hills, Ca

Date & Time: 7/15/2015, 1715 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Office Narcotics Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Eastman, Michael	Moorpark	29
(S) Morales, Anthony	Sylmar	29
(S) Ghobrial, Jonathan	West Hills	22

Narrative:

Detectives with the Sheriff's Narcotics Unit concluded a month long investigation of a Moorpark resident, Michael Eastman, who was cultivating marijuana inside a residence in the exclusive gated community of Bell Canyon.

The investigation was initiated a month ago by a Sheriff's patrol deputy who responded to the residence for a call for service. While at the residence, the deputy noticed indicators the residence was possibly being used to cultivate marijuana. Narcotics detectives conducted an investigation and as a result, they were able to obtain a search warrant to search the residence.

On 7/15/2015, Detectives observed Eastman leaving a residence located on Hackamore Lane in Bell Canyon. Eastman left the location in a vehicle along with Anthony Morales and Jonathan Ghobrial. Deputies with the Thousand Oaks Directed Enforcement Team stopped Eastman's vehicle and detained all three subjects while detectives executed the search warrant on the Saddlebow Road residence.

Detectives located an active marijuana cultivation operation inside the house. The cultivation consisted of

a sophisticated growing system that included over 200 marijuana plants in various stages of growth. Detectives also located various locations inside the residence that were being used to dry the harvested marijuana.

Based on the investigation, detectives went to the residence on Hackamore Lane where they observed all three subjects leaving prior to being detained. They entered the residence and secured it pending the service of a search warrant. Once a search warrant was obtained, detectives located another active marijuana cultivation inside this residence. Over 250 marijuana plants in various stages of growth were seized from this location.

Eastman, Morales and Ghobrial were arrested for conspiracy and cultivation of marijuana. They were transported to the East Valley Sheriff's Station where they were booked into jail. Eastman and Morales posted \$20,000 bail and are scheduled for arraignment on 7/30/2015. Ghobrial is scheduled to appear in court on 7/17/2015. His bail is set at \$20,000.

Detectives continued their investigation and based on information gathered at the Saddlebow Road and Hackamore Lane residences, detectives were able to identify a third residence being used to cultivate marijuana.

On 7/16/2015, Sheriff's Narcotics Detectives and deputies with the Directed Enforcement Team served a search warrant at a residence located on the 4000 block of Canoga Drive in the city of Woodland Hills. Just like the other locations, there was an active grow operation with over 200 marijuana plants in various stages of growth.

All three residences had minimal living quarters and little to no appliances. Bedrooms and garages had been converted to growing or drying rooms. These locations were mainly being utilized for the growing and harvesting of marijuana.

At this time, additional charges are being considered for all three subjects.

Prepared by: Sergeant Jose Rivera

News Release Date: 7/17/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact:

Sergeant Jose Rivera, jose.rivera@ventura.org 805-797-6341

Approved by:

Captain C. Rothschiller

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Narcotics Arrests

7/18/2015 8:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrests

Report Number: 15-2002694 (Ventura County Sheriff's Office)

Location: 2000 Blk E. Pleasant Valley Road Oxnard, CA
900 Blk Saratoga St. Oxnard, CA

Date & Time: July 17, 2015 1400 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Narcotics Bureau, West County Street Team, Oxnard Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Jessie Casarez	Oxnard	44
Vanessa Carriedo	Oxnard	24

Narrative:

Information on methamphetamine sales led to the arrest of Jessie Casarez for being in possession of a controlled substance for sale. During this investigation, detectives determined Casarez was on parole and was out on bail for an arrest made in November 2014 for possession for sale and sales of methamphetamine.

During this investigation, detectives received information that Casarez was selling methamphetamine in the city of Oxnard. Detectives obtained a search warrant for Casarez, his vehicle and his residence.

On July 17, 2015, narcotics detectives executed the search warrant on Casarez as he left a convenience store in the city of Oxnard. Detectives located methamphetamine, narcotics packaging, a scale and currency. Vanessa Carriedo was in Casarez' vehicle at the time the search warrant was executed. Detectives evaluated Carriedo for being under the influence of a controlled substance. Carriedo was later arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance. Carriedo was booked into the Ventura County Jail on \$5,000.00 bail. Casarez was arrested for possession for sales of methamphetamine, a

parole violation, and booked into the Ventura County Jail on \$250,000.00 bail.

The West County Street Team is made up of Sheriff's Office, Santa Paula Police Department, and the Oxnard Police Department narcotics detectives working cooperatively in the investigation of narcotics offenses occurring in the western portion of Ventura County.

Prepared by: Sergeant J. Hendren

Media Release Date: July 18, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Detective Scott Reeder
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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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Animal Cruelty

7/19/2015 3:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Animal Cruelty

Report Number: RB# 152003600

Location: 3000 Block East Telegraph Road Fillmore Ca.

Date & Time: 7-18-2015 @ 0700 hours.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Office, Ventura Animal Services.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Navarro, Fermin	Sylmar Ca.	32
(S) Vasquez-Sanchez, Lucio	Ojai Ca.	34
(S) Suarez-Guzman, Rodrigo	Ojai Ca.	28
(S) Figueroa, Abraham	Piru Ca.	54

Narrative:

Sheriff's deputies from the Fillmore station received an anonymous tip of a possible

Cockfighting event in the fields near the 3000 block of East Telegraph Road in Fillmore. Deputies located the operation on the property bordering the Santa Clara River bottom south of East Telegraph Road (SR126). When deputies arrived, multiple subjects fled the scene, running into the dense brush of the river bottom. The four subjects above were detained and ultimately arrested for being involved in the event. Approximately 39 roosters were located in small cages and confiscated. The event was stopped in the early stages and as a result, no birds were injured. Evidence was found relating to the event, including small sharp knives typically attached to the birds' legs for use during the fighting. Once attached to the legs, the knives cause severe damage to the opponent, including death. Over \$1,000, which was being used for illegal wagering, was also seized as evidence. Ventura Animal Services responded and took possession of the birds.

The Ventura Sheriff's Office would like to thank the public for being aware of the operation and notifying deputies. The tip led to a quick response and the birds were ultimately confiscated before any fighting occurred.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dave Sparks

News Release Date: 7-18-2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Det. Greg Cadman, Sheriff's Agriculture/ Major Crimes
Unit. greg.cadman@ventura.org

Approved by: Capt. Dave Wareham

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**County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Meeting July 25th 10:00am
Camarillo Station**

7/20/2015 4:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Meeting

Report Number: N/A

Location: Camarillo Police Department Training Room
3701 East Las Posas Road, Camarillo, CA

Date & Time: Saturday, July 25, 2015 10:00 am ' 12:00 Noon

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

N/A

Narrative:

Sheriff's OES is hosting a 'Town Hall Meeting' to present, and receive comments about the 2015 Update to the County's Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Detailed Information:

The Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services is hosting a Town Hall Meeting on Saturday, July 25; at the Camarillo Police Department, 3701 East Las Posas Road from 10:00 am to Noon.

This meeting will be an opportunity for the Public to view, comment and ask questions about the 2015 Update of the County's Multi-hazard Mitigation Plan. Representatives from Sheriff's OES, Watershed Protection District, and the Contractor will be available to answer questions about the hazard mitigation process and plan. Detailed Hazard Maps will be available for viewing.

When adopted by the Board of Supervisors, the Hazard Mitigation Plan provides a template for ensuring the future safety of developments, and actions that can be taken to prepare for, or prevent disastrous

impacts to communities in Ventura County.

In addition to safeguarding our communities, the Hazard Mitigation Planning process provides an added benefit by allowing financial incentives in the form of flood insurance policy discounts for communities that exceed the minimum floodplain protection. The Community Rating System (CRS) was established as a benefit for those communities that provide public information on reducing flood damage to properties and encourage a comprehensive approach to floodplain management. Additional information is available at <http://www.vcfloodinfo.com/>.

Prepared by: Program Administrator Dale Carnathan

News Release Date: July 20, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Dale Carnathan, 805-654-5152

Approved by: Kevin McGowan, 805-654-2552

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Investigators Complete Sex Registrant Compliance "Sweep"

7/20/2015 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Investigators Complete Sex Registrant Compliance 'Sweep'

Report Number: N/A

Location: City and County areas of Ojai Valley

Date & Time: 7/18/2015 - Between 0800 and 1400 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau
Ojai Police Department Investigations Unit

Narrative:

On Saturday, 7-18-15, between 8:00 AM and 2:00 PM, investigators drove to the residences of 43 registered sex offenders in the Ojai Valley area, to confirm each registrant was in compliance with reporting requirements, per section 290 of the California Penal Code. During the operation, investigators met with 29 of the registrants and confirmed they were in compliance. Of the remaining 14 registrants, 6 were away from home, 1 had moved to another jurisdiction and was in the process of registering, and 7 were not located or were no longer living at their registered address. Investigators will be following up on locating the remaining, outstanding individuals for possible criminal prosecution.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office will be conducting similar sweeps on an ongoing basis, to verify registered sex offenders are living at their reported residences and in compliance with any probation or parole terms. The compliance checks are funded by the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE / ELEAS) Grant.

Residents of Ventura County can visit the Megan's Law website (www.meganslaw.ca.gov) to familiarize themselves with the sex registrants in their community.

Prepared by: Sergeant Ryan Clark
Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau / Sexual Assault Unit

News Release Date: 7-20-2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Ryan Clark
(805) 384-4721

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith
Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

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DUI Court Operation

7/21/2015 12:25:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI Court Operation
Report Number: 15-2004159
Location: Hall of Justice, Ventura
Date & Time: July 20, 2015, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) David Russell Foshee	Camarillo	58

Narrative:

Thousand Oaks Police Department Announce Results of DUI Court Operation

On July 20, 2015, between the hours of 9:00 am and 1:00 pm, officers from the Thousand Oaks Police Department conducted an undercover Court Operation at the Ventura Hall of Justice targeting suspected DUI drivers whose licenses where suspended/revoked or who were unlicensed drivers.

Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and/or who had been told of their license suspension. Offenders were followed by officers from courtrooms to their vehicles to ensure that they were not driving. While some offenders complied with the law and had alternate means of transportation, one individual in court for DUI proceeded to get behind the wheel and drove away from the court house.

Since he chose to drive away, he was stopped by waiting officers and cited back to court.

Contacts made resulted in:

- } Suspended/Revoked citations: 1
- } Never Licensed citations: 0
- } Number of vehicles towed: 1
- } Other crimes committed: 0

Those arrested could face additional jail time, long driver license suspensions, along with other financial hits including attorney fees, court costs, lost time at work, and the potential loss of job or job prospects. When family, friends and co-workers find out, violators can also face tremendous personal embarrassment and humiliation.

DUI Court operations, along with regularly scheduled high visibility DUI enforcement, serve as a proven deterrent with the goal of keeping impaired drivers from the road and heightening awareness among the public of the dangers of driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol.

This special DUI operation was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Please help the Thousand Oaks Police Department every day of the week: Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 911.

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Prepared by: Sergeant Brad Clifton

News Release Date: July 21, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Brad Clifton

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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Fatal Traffic Collision (Motorcycle vs Passenger Vehicle)

7/21/2015 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fatal Traffic Collision (Motorcycle vs Passenger Vehicle)

Report Number: 152002072

Location: Santa Rosa Road & Upland Road

Date & Time: 07/16/15 @ 1514 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Traffic Units

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(P)-Refugio Gomez Jr.

City of Residence

Ventura

Age

19

(P)-Jonathan Ong

Camarillo

20

Narrative:

A Motorcycle ridden by Refugio Gomez was southbound on Santa Rosa Road approaching the Upland Road intersection. A Toyota Camry driven by Jonathan Ong was northbound on Santa Rosa Road and stopped in the Upland Road intersection waiting to make a left turn onto Upland Road. Southbound traffic on Santa Rosa Road slowed for the signal light. As the Toyota started making a left turn, the motorcycle entered the intersection and collided with the Toyota. Gomez was ejected off of his motorcycle, sustaining major injuries, and was transported to Los Robles Medical Center where he died on Friday, 7/17/15. Ong and his passenger did not receive any injuries. Alcohol and/or drugs do not appear to be a factor at this time.

The Camarillo Police Department is asking that anyone who may have seen this collision or assisted the victims afterwards to please call Senior Deputy John Popp at (805) 388-5146.

Prepared by: Sr. Deputy John Popp, Camarillo Traffic Bureau

News Release Date: 7/21/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: For follow-up contact: Sr. Deputy John Popp, Camarillo Traffic Bureau, 805.388.5146

john.popp@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain Cory Rubright

Ventura County Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 reward for information, which leads to the arrest and criminal complaint against the person(s) responsible for this crime. The caller may remain anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

Marijuana Sales to a Juvenile / Marijuana Cultivation Arrests

7/24/2015 6:55:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Marijuana Sales to a Juvenile / Marijuana Cultivation Arrests

Report Number: 15-8114

Location: 1600 Block of Dewayne Avenue, Camarillo

Date & Time: 07/22/2015 @ 11:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Special Enforcement Detail, Ventura County Sheriff's Narcotics Bureau - West County Street Team, Oxnard Police Department

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Brandt Locey

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

24

Stephen Gaiser

Camarillo

33

Narrative:

Information on marijuana sales to juveniles led to the arrests of Brandt Locey and Stephen Gaiser of Camarillo for possession of marijuana for sale, furnishing marijuana to a minor, manufacturing concentrated cannabis, transportation of marijuana, cultivating marijuana and for possession of a billy club.

During this investigation, detectives received information that Brandt Locey was selling marijuana to minors in Camarillo. Detectives obtained a search warrant for Locey and his residence, located on Dewayne Avenue in Camarillo.

On July 22nd, 2015, detectives with the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail, Sheriff's Narcotics Bureau, West County Street Team and the Oxnard Police Department conducted a surveillance of Locey. They followed Locey and watched as he sold marijuana to a juvenile. After the sale, detectives contacted the juvenile and seized a small amount of marijuana. They also conducted a traffic stop on Locey and arrested him for the sale of marijuana to a juvenile. Upon searching Locey's vehicle, detectives seized

five ounces of marijuana, packaging material, a scale and cash.

Detectives followed up with a search warrant at Locey's residence and while there, they located an active marijuana cultivation operation inside a detached storage shed on the property. The cultivation consisted of a sophisticated growing system that included forty marijuana plants in various stages of growth. Detectives also found over five pounds of marijuana, paraphernalia used in the manufacture of concentrated cannabis and a significant amount of cash inside the home.

Locey was arrested and booked at the Main Jail for furnishing marijuana to a minor, possession of marijuana for sale, transportation of marijuana, cultivating marijuana and manufacturing concentrated cannabis. His bail was set at \$150,000. Gaiser was arrested and booked at the Main Jail for cultivating marijuana and for possession of a billy club. His bail was set at \$10,000.

Prepared by: Sergeant Eric Tennesen
News Release Date: 07/23/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Eric Tennesen / 805-388-5140
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Armed Robbery Suspect Arrested

7/29/2015 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Armed Robbery Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 15-1721

Location: 950 N. Ventu Park Road, Newbury Park, CA 91320

Date & Time: January 23, 2015 @ 12:15 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Major Crimes, Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit (SEU), and Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS)

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Bynum, Deangelo Antwan

City of Residence

Port Hueneme

Age

29

Narrative:

On January 23, 2015, six juveniles were gathered in the Conejo open space, near the Rancho Conejo Playfields. The juveniles were approached by a male suspect who brandished a firearm at them and demanded their personal property. The suspect took an undisclosed amount of cash, along with electronic items from the victims and fled the scene.

Thousand Oaks Police Major Crimes detectives developed a lead in the investigation which led them to the suspect Deangelo Bynum. While not a service member, it was learned Bynum was associated with Naval Base Ventura County. Investigators worked in collaboration with Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) and on July 29, 2015, the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit (SEU) located and arrested Deangelo Bynum for 211 PC (2nd Degree Armed Robbery). Deputies located a weapon in Bynum's possession, which is believed to have been the one used in the armed robbery.

Prepared by: Detective Billy Hutton #3438

Media Release Date: July 29, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Todd Welty #3075; (805) 947-8288;
todd.welty@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain Mike Hartmann

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Sexual Assault Suspect Arrested

7/29/2015 5:35:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sexual Assault Suspect Arrested
Report Number: 152008968
Location: Janss Market Place 275 N Moorpark Road Thousand Oaks, Ca
Date & Time: July 29, 2015 / 2:10 A.M.
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Patrol Services / Sexual Assault Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Female	Thousand Oaks	25
(S) Erik Ancelmo Lopez Ramos	Thousand Oaks	25

Narrative:

On July 29, 2015, at approximately 2:10 a.m., an adult female was walking through the Janss Market Place when she was assaulted by a male suspect.

(S) Erik Ramos knocked the victim to the ground and sexually assaulted her. The victim was able to fight off Ramos and scream for help. Thousand Oaks Police officers were on an unrelated call when they heard the victim's screams. Officers located the victim and Ramos. Ramos fled on foot, but was located a short distance away and arrested. The victim suffered non-life threatening injuries.

Ramos was booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for a variety of sexual assault charges, including attempt rape. Ramos is being held on \$100,000.00 bail.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department encourages citizens to take extra precautions when walking alone, especially during the hours of darkness.

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: July 29, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Timothy Lohman (805) 947 8255 /
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

7/30/2015 8:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: August 1, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint Planned

Thousand Oaks, CA ' The Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit will be conducting a Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint on August 1, 2015 at an undisclosed location within the city limits.

The deterrent effect of Driver's License/DUI checkpoints is a proven resource in reducing the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug involved crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an unlicensed or impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized Driver's License/DUI checkpoints and proactive DUI patrols are conducted routinely.

In California, this deadly crime led to 802 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2012 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Nationally, the latest data shows nearly 10,000 were killed by an impaired driver. 'Over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 6 lives and resulted in 93 injury crashes harming 131 of our friends and neighbors,' said Sergeant Barbara Payton.

Officers will be looking for signs of alcohol and/or drug impairment with officers checking drivers for proper licensing delaying motorists only momentarily. When possible, specially trained officers will be available to evaluate those suspected of drug-impaired driving, which now accounts for a growing number of impaired driving crashes. Drugs which may impair driving not only include illegal narcotics, but many prescription drugs, marijuana, and even some over-the-counter medications.

Driver's License/DUI Checkpoints are placed in locations based on collision statistics and frequency of DUI arrests affording the greatest opportunity for achieving unlicensed and drunk/drugged driving deterrence. Locations are chosen with safety considerations for the officers and the public.

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, other expenses that can exceed \$10,000 not to mention the embarrassment when friends and family find out.

Funding for this checkpoint is provided to Thousand Oaks Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, reminding everyone to 'Report Drunk Driver ' Call 9-1-1'.

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Prepared by: B. Payton 1941 Sergeant

News Story Date: July 30, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: B. Payton 1941, Sergeant
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

Burglary / Grand Theft / Theft from Vehicles Investigation & Arrest
7/31/2015 6:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary / Grand Theft / Theft from Vehicles Investigation & Arrest

Report Number: 152009772

Location: Newbury Park, California.

Date & Time: 07/30/2015 between the hours of 1:00 AM & 6:30 AM

Unit Responsible: City of Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Wagemann, Nicholas	Oxnard	36
(S) Walker, Eric	Camarillo	29
(S) May, Taylor	Oxnard	23
(S) Hammer, Nichole	Camarillo	29

Narrative:

On July 30, 2015, at approximately 11:00 AM, the City of Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit received information that Nicholas Wagemann was on active probation with the Ventura County Probation Department. The information received was that Wagemann was currently staying at a local motel in Newbury Park and that Wagemann was possibly a suspect in multiple thefts and/or burglaries in the Newbury Park area the previous morning.

Detectives from the Special Enforcement Unit located Wagemann at the local hotel and conducted a probation search of the motel room he was staying in. Walker, May, and Hammer were also contacted inside the motel room. Detectives located numerous credit cards and personal checks that did not belong to any of the subjects in the room. Through their investigation, detectives discovered the credit cards, checks, and a multitude of other items had been stolen the previous morning in the Newbury Park area. Detectives also searched a vehicle that belonged to Walker. Detectives also located stolen property from recent thefts inside the vehicle.

Wagemann and Walker were arrested for 459 PC ' Burglary, 487(a) PC ' Grand Theft, 484(a) PC ' Theft, 466 PC ' Possession of Burglary Tools, and 11550 (a) H&S ' Under the Influence of a controlled substance. Wagemann is also being held on a probation violation. May and Hammer were arrested for 11550(a) H&S Under the Influence of a controlled substance.

All four subjects were booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility. May and Hammer were ultimately released with a court appearance date in October. Wagemann and Walker are being held on \$80,000 and \$60,000 bails respectively. Both Wagemann and Walker are scheduled to appear in the Ventura County Superior Court on August 3, 2015, at 1:30 PM.

Thefts from vehicles and open garages continue to be one of the highest reported crimes in the city. The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind the community to lock their cars and to avoid leaving items of value in their cars.

The Special Enforcement Unit is still attempting to identify the owners of the numerous recovered items. If you believe you were a victim of a burglary or theft from your open garage or vehicle during the early morning hours of July 30, 2015, please contact Detective William Meixner at 805-371-8331 or email William.meixner@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: July 31, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective William Meixner
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint Results

8/2/2015 3:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Report Number: 15-2011215, 15-2011246

Location: Newbury Park
Lynn Road west of Wendy Drive
Borchard Road west of Theresa Drive

Date & Time: August 1, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Norton, Cathleen

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

46

Narrative:

Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint Nets Two (2) Arrests

Thousand Oaks, CA ' The Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a Driver's License/DUI checkpoint on August 1, 2015, westbound on Lynn Road west of Wendy Drive and then westbound on Borchard Road west of Theresa Drive, between the hours of 9:00 pm and 3:00 am. (S)Norton was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Checkpoints are placed in locations that have the greatest opportunity for achieving unlicensed and drunk driving deterrence and provide the greatest safety for officers and the public. Driver's License/DUI checkpoints have been shown to lower DUI deaths and injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive drunk or drugged impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging everyone to use sober designated drivers.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), checkpoints have provided the most effective documented results of any of the DUI enforcement strategies, while also yielding considerable cost savings of \$6 for every \$1 spent. Ninety Percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

- 275 Vehicles Screened
- 1 DUI-Alcohol, suspect arrested
- 4 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 1 Citation for a driver in possession of Marijuana
(confiscation of approximately 4 lbs.7oz.)

- 7 Total citations issued

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting another Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint on August 22, 2015, in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and injuries upon our streets and highways.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 9-1-1!

Prepared by: B. Payton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: August 1, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: B. Payton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

8/3/2015 12:35:00 PM

Nature of Incident: County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Location: On Line!

Date & Time: August 3-31, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services

Narrative:

Sheriff's OES is posting the 2015 Update to the County's Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan on-line and at various public facilities for public review and comment.

Detailed Information:

The Sheriff's OES, in cooperation with the Ventura County Watershed Protection District, and various cities and special districts within Ventura County, launched a countywide Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan update in January to re-assess risks posed by natural and human-caused disasters and to identify ways to reduce those risks.

An updated version of the plan is required under the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 in order to be eligible to receive certain forms of Federal disaster assistance. When adopted by the Board of Supervisors, the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan provides a template for ensuring the future safety of developments and actions that can be taken to prepare for, or prevent disastrous impacts to communities in Ventura County.

Maintaining the Plan also adds 'points' to the County's Community Rating System score; which in turn reduces flood insurance premiums for policy holders.

The Sheriff's OES is seeking public comment for the 2015 Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan update. The

public is invited to review, and provide comments before the project concludes on August 31st.

The plan is available for review at the following internet sites:

<http://www.venturacountymhmp.com>

<http://www.readyventuracounty.org>

<http://www.vcfloodinfo.com>

Comments or questions about the Hazard Mitigation Plan may be addressed to:

<http://www.venturacountymhmp.com/participation>

Printed copies of the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan are available at Ventura County public libraries. Each of the Cities & Special Districts participating in the update will also have copies of the plan, and the jurisdiction-specific appendices available for review. Please contact those specific organizations for information pertaining to the location of printed copies.

Prepared by: Program Administrator Dale Carnathan

News Release Date: July 31, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Dale Carnathan, 805-654-5152

Approved by: Kevin McGowan, 805-654-2552

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Sheriff's Office Offers Free Public Safety Alerts Through NIXLE & Twitter Accounts

8/3/2015 10:10:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Sheriff's Office Offers Free Public Safety Alerts Through NIXLE & Twitter Accounts.

Location: Sheriff Headquarters Station

Date & Time: August 3, 2015 at 0800

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff Headquarters Station

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Headquarters Station continues sharing valuable, timely information directly with residents using the latest communication services, Nixle and Twitter.

Nixle allows the Sheriff Headquarters Station to create and publish messages to subscribed users instantly via cell phone. Residents can choose which local agencies to follow and the manner in which alerts are received, whether by email, text message, or over the web. Messages may include emergency alerts, area advisories and important community messages. Nixle is free, secure, reliable and easy to use.

Using a smartphone, persons can send a text message to '888777', adding the zip code of the area they wish to follow in the conversation line. Once the message is sent, Nixle responds with a confirmation. Vital information developing in that zip code area will now be sent to the smartphone. Several area zip codes can be added, however only one zip code message should be sent at a time.

Nixle builds on the foundations of other public-to-public communication services, such as Twitter and Facebook, but adds a key component: security. When people receive information from the Sheriff's Office via Nixle, they know it can be trusted.

Residents of Sheriff contract cities in Fillmore, Ojai, Camarillo, Thousand Oaks, Moorpark and surrounding unincorporated areas, can immediately begin receiving pertinent information via text message, email, and

web by registering at 'www.nixle.com/Ventura-County-Sheriff's-Office---Ventura-Station/'.

The Sheriff's Office continues to use 'Twitter' to communicate important information and breaking news stories to those in Ventura County and many others outside the area with an interest in Ventura County. We encourage you to register with 'Twitter' at www.twitter.com. You can follow all Sheriff Station Twitter accounts at:

} @vcsoventura (Headquarters Station)

} @venturasheriff (Main Office)

} @toaksvcso

} @venturaoes

} @vcsodispatch

} @camarillovcso

} @fillmoresheriff

} @ojaipolicedept

} @vcsolockwood

} @vcairunit

} @moorparksheriff

Prepared by: Sergeant Brian Richmond

News Release Date: August 3, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Brian Richmond, (805) 654-2110 or brian.richmond@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Patti Salas

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Possession and Manufacture of Assault Weapons

8/6/2015 9:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Possession and Manufacture of Assault Weapons

Report Number: 15-2009751

Location: Oxnard, California

Date & Time: 8/3/2015 0900 Hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Gang Unit, Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms(ATF), Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit, and Camarillo Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Nester 'Swivel' Tovar	Oxnard	36

Narrative:

Detectives with the Ventura County Sheriff's Gang Unit, Thousand Oaks SED, Camarillo SED and Agents with the ATF conducted a search warrant and seized several assault weapons, short barreled rifles, assault weapon and silencer manufacturing components, and thousands of rounds of ammunition.

During the months of June and July 2015, the ATF and the Ventura County Sheriff's Gang Unit initiated an investigation into Nester Tovar. The investigation involved the possession and manufacture of assault weapons and fully automatic weapons. During a search warrant at Tovar's residence, detectives located thousands of live rounds of ammunition, body armor, high capacity ammunition magazines, and components used to manufacture assault weapons and firearm silencers. Ventura County Bomb Team operators were also called to the residence to investigate a suspicious device.

Detectives received information Tovar had stored a safe containing several assault weapons at a friend's residence in the city of Oxnard. Detectives recovered the safe and located 10 assault rifles, 3 short barreled rifles, and 2 bolt action rifles inside.

Tovar was booked into custody at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for violations of California Penal Code sections 30600(a) ' Manufacturing assault weapons, 30605(a) ' Possession of assault weapons, 33215 ' Possession of a short barreled rifle, 33410 ' Possession of a silencer, 32310(a) ' Importation of high

capacity magazines, and 273.6(a) ' Violation of a domestic relations court order.

Any individuals with additional information pertaining to this case or other criminal matters involving illegal firearm activity are encouraged to contact the Ventura County Sheriff's Office or your local law enforcement agency.

Prepared by: Detective Jacob Holt

News Release Date: August 6, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jacob Holt

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Approved by: Captain Patti Salas

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Residential Burglary / Street Terrorism Arrests

8/6/2015 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Burglary / Street Terrorism Arrests

Report Number: 15-2013662

Location: 500 Block of Corte Corrida

Date & Time: 08-06-15 / 1100 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Sheriff's Intelligence Unit, Camarillo Police Special Enforcement Detail, Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit and Camarillo Detective Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Jeremiah Mitchell	Victorville	25
Jasmine Lawrence	Carson	21
Tavon Moore	Inglewood	24
Desjon Smith	Oceanside	19

Narrative:

Information on a south Los Angeles gang burglary crew led to the arrests of four subjects for residential burglary.

On 8-06-15, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Major Crimes Bureau / Metro Detail / Burglary/ Robbery Task Force was conducting surveillance on a south Los Angeles gang burglary crew. During the mid-morning, the burglary crew drove into the city of Camarillo, and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department notified investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Intelligence Unit, Camarillo

Police Special Enforcement Detail and Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit.

Members of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department alerted the Ventura County Sheriff's Office to a possible residential burglary in progress in Spanish Hills. They coordinated with the various units of the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and four subjects were arrested after a traffic stop on Highway 101 near Arneill Road. All lanes of the southbound 101 were closed for several minutes while the arrests occurred.

Jeremiah Mitchell, Jasmine Lawrence, Tavon Moore and Desjon Smith were all arrested for residential burglary and street terrorism and booked at the Ventura County Sheriff's Main Jail.

Prepared by: Sergeant Eric Tennesen
News Release Date: 08/06/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Eric Tennesen / 805-388-5140
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Approved by: Commander Monica McGrath

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Narcotics / Explosives Arrests

8/12/2015 8:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics / Explosives Arrests

Report Number: 15-2013181 (Ventura County Sheriff's Office)
15-84971 (Oxnard Police Department)

Location: 1400 Block of Beverly Drive, City of Oxnard

Date & Time: August 8, 2015 3:30 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Narcotics Task Force, West County Street Team, Oxnard Police Department, Santa Paula Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Jonathan Barbarine	Oxnard	22
Luis Adame	Oxnard	35

Narrative:

Information on marijuana sales led to the arrest of Jonathan Barbarine for sales of marijuana and being in possession of marijuana for sale. During the service of the search warrant, homemade explosives were located inside the residence. Luis Adame was arrested for possession of explosive devices.

On August 5, 2015, narcotics detectives executed a search warrant on Barbarine as he left his residence in the city of Oxnard. Barbarine was arrested for marijuana sales and possession of marijuana for sale. During the service of the search warrant, detectives located over 5 pounds of marijuana inside the residence along with indicia of sales. Also located were 5 homemade explosive devices inside a closet. Detectives determined the explosive devices belonged to Adame. The Ventura County Sheriff's Bomb Unit responded to the residence and removed the explosive devices. Adame was arrested for possession of the explosive devices. Barbarine and Adame were booked into the Ventura County Jail the both cases were filed with the Ventura County District Attorney's Office. Barbarine and Adame both posted bail and are awaiting arraignment.

The West County Street Team is made up of Sheriff's Office, Santa Paula Police Department, and the Oxnard Police Department narcotics detectives working cooperatively in the investigation of narcotics offenses occurring in the western portion of Ventura County.

Prepared by: Sergeant J. Hendren

Media Release Date: August 12, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Detective James Langford
805-383-8700

Approved by: Captain Rothschiller

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Identity Theft

8/13/2015 10:30:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Identity Theft
Report Number: RB #152008066
Location: Ojai Farmer's Market
Date & Time: 07/26/2015
Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Patrol and Ojai Detectives

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent

(S) Unknown

City of Residence

Unknown

Age

35-40

Narrative:

On 07/26/2015, an unknown suspect stole a 'fanny pack' from the victim's unlocked vehicle while it was parked in the lot at the Ojai Farmer's Market. Contained in the fanny pack were credit cards and the victim's deceased father's NYPD flat badge. Detectives learned that the stolen credit cards were used at several places throughout Ventura and Oxnard on 07/26/2015. Surveillance video shows a Hispanic male purchasing merchandise with the stolen credit card. Ojai Detectives are requesting assistance in possibly identifying the suspect from the listed surveillance photographs.

If you have any information on this crime or have similar events, please contact Detective Will Hollowell at (805) 947-8083.

Prepared by: Detective Will Hollowell
News Release Date: 08/12/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Will Hollowell 805-947-8083
Approved by: Captain Dave Kenney

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Commercial Burglary Suspect Caught in the Act

8/14/2015 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Commercial Burglary Suspect Caught in the Act

Report Number: 152017935

Location: T-Mobile, 400 block of Ventura Blvd., Camarillo

Date & Time: August 14, 2015 at 2:00 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol, Oxnard PD K-9 and Camarillo Investigations

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Florentino, Victor Hugo

City of Residence

Oxnard

Age

30

Narrative:

On August 14, 2015 at 2:00 AM, Camarillo deputies arrested a burglary suspect inside of the T-Mobile store on Ventura Boulevard, in the city of Camarillo.

On August 14, 2015, at approximately 1:00 in the morning, Sheriff's dispatch received an alarm call from the T-Mobile store. The alarm company told the dispatcher they were monitoring the store's surveillance video and could see one suspect inside of the store.

Deputies from the Camarillo Police station were dispatched to the scene and immediately set-up a perimeter around the building and requested the assistance of a K-9 unit. Once a K-9 unit from the Oxnard Police Department arrived on scene, deputies made several announcements for the suspect to come out of the store. Victor Florentino ultimately came out of the store and surrendered to the deputies.

Deputies searched the store with the assistance of the Oxnard PD K-9 unit. Deputies found that Florentino entered the store from the roof. They also located a bag containing cellular telephones and cellular telephone accessories. Florentino admitted he entered the store to steal cellular telephones. There were no other suspects located and investigators believe Florentino acted alone. Florentino's car was also located in the area of the crime.

Florentino was booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for one count of commercial burglary and possession of burglary tools. His bail has not been determined at this time.

Prepared by: Sergeant Pete O'Sullivan

News Release Date: August 14, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Brent Miller @ (805) 388-5116

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Operation Take Back the Pumps

8/14/2015 3:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Operation Take Back the Pumps

Report Number: None

Location: Ventura County Wide

Date & Time: August 13, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Headquarters Station, Moorpark Police Department, Thousand Oaks Police Department, Simi Valley Police Department, Camarillo Police Department, Oxnard Police Department, Fillmore Police Department, Santa Paula Police Department, Ventura Police Department, Port Hueneme Police Department, Ojai Police Department, U.S. Secret Service, Ventura County Weights and Measures, U.S. Postal Inspection Service, Phillips 66, Santa Barbara Weights and Measures, Ventura County District Attorney's Office, Ventura County Sheriff's Crime Analysis Unit, Ventura County Credit Union

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
None		

Narrative:

Operation Take Back the Pumps is a collaborative effort by Ventura County law enforcement agencies, businesses, and Federal agencies to combat credit/debit card fraud and identity theft facilitated through the illegal use of credit card skimming devices placed on gasoline/fuel pumps.

Identity theft is a national problem that is significantly affecting citizens in Ventura County. One way thieves are obtaining victim's credit and debit card information is through the use of illegal card skimming devices being surreptitiously placed in fuel pumps. When an unsuspecting customer swipes their debit or credit card into the pay station on the fuel pump, these illegal devices capture the card and pin information. The thieves then use this stolen information to commit identity theft and other fraud related crimes. Losses from a single illegal skimming device on a fuel pump usually averages between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

Operation Take Back the Pumps consists of multiple phases designed to combat identity theft perpetuated by the use of illegal card skimming devices on fuel pumps. The phases consists of training law enforcement and gasoline station personnel on prevention methods and the identification/detection of illegal skimming devices; Programs that promote regular inspections of the pumps for tampering and/or illegal card skimming devices, if the agency should decide; And finally, education of the public on practices that will help keep them from becoming victims of identity theft.

Operation Take Back the Pumps was coordinated by the Moorpark Police Department and launched on

August 13, 2015, beginning with a joint effort by all of the involved agencies/businesses coming together in an attempt to inspect all fuel pumps in Ventura County. This proved to be successful as 1,512 fuel pumps were inspected and three (3) illegal skimming devices were discovered and removed. These devices will be used as evidence in an attempt to identify and prosecute the suspect(s) responsible for these crimes.

The following is a breakdown by city of pumps inspected and the number of illegal card skimming devices found:

- City of Camarillo - 155 pumps inspected and no devices found
- City of Fillmore - 76 pumps inspected and no devices found
- City of Moorpark - 72 pumps inspected and no devices found
- City of Ojai - 44 pumps inspected and no devices found
- City of Oxnard - 335 pumps inspected and no devices found
- City of Port Hueneme - 8 pumps inspected and no devices found
- City of Santa Paula - 42 pumps inspected and no devices found
- City of Simi Valley - 173 pumps inspected and no devices found
- City of Thousand Oaks - 272 pumps inspected and three (3) devices found
- City of Ventura - 335 pumps inspected and no devices found

Law enforcement and participants in this operation encourage the public to consider the following steps when purchasing fuel. Following these steps will significantly reduce the risk of being victimized by identity thieves.

- } Pay with cash whenever possible.
- } If paying with a credit/debit card, go inside the gas station instead of paying at the pump.
- } Look for security seals/stickers on fuel pumps. If the seals/stickers are broken, cut or read 'VOID,' do not use that pump and immediately report your observations to gas station personnel (See attached photographs).

Prepared by: Sergeant John Wright

News Release Date: August 13, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Wright, (805) 797-7128

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Grand Theft Suspects Arrested

8/15/2015 10:25:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Grand Theft Suspects Arrested

Report Number: 152018144

Location: 800 Block South Westlake Blvd., Thousand Oaks CA 91362

Date & Time: 08/14/2015 @ 8:00 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations, Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Beverly Faye Hudson	San Jose	57
(S) Tony Raymon Cobb	Salinas	52
(S) Chanelle Patrice Walker	Salinas	19

Narrative:

On August 14, 2015, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office arrested three suspects regarding a sweepstakes scam that defrauded the victim out of a large amount of money.

On August 14, 2015, a local bank in Thousand Oaks reported having a female victim inside their branch requesting to withdraw a large sum of money. It was learned this same person had visited several local banks on August 13, 2015 and August 14, 2015 and made multiple cash withdrawals.

The victim made the withdrawals after being contacted by a person identifying himself as a representative for cash sweepstakes. She was told she won \$800,000 dollars, but could not collect the prize money until she paid the appropriate amount of taxes. The alleged spokesperson directed the victim to make withdrawals from her bank until she had enough money to pay the taxes in full.

On August 13, 2015, the victim was instructed to meet an employee of the cash sweepstakes at a business in Thousand Oaks. The victim did as instructed and gave this person all the money she had withdrawn from her account. On August 14, 2015, the victim was again contacted by the representative for the alleged cash sweepstakes and told she needed to pay additional taxes before she could collect her cash prize. The victim was in the process of withdrawing more money when she realized she was the victim of a scam.

Detectives with the Thousand Oaks Police Department immediately started investigating the matter and developed leads in the case. Three suspects were identified and arrested for grand theft and conspiracy to commit a crime. Nearly all the stolen money was recovered.

The three suspects were booked into Ventura County Jail with their bail sought at \$250,000 dollars. They will be arraigned in Superior Court on August 18, 2015.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind all of its residents to be cautious of calls or notifications telling them they have won a grand prize but requiring them to pay money before they can collect it. The Police Department encourages residents to report all suspicious calls to determine the legitimacy of these organizations. Additionally, if you believe you have been targeted by a prize scam, report it to the Federal Trade Commission at www.ftc.gov

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Media Release Date: August 14, 2015

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Approved by:

Captain Mike Hartmann

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Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

8/18/2015 1:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: August 22, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

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deterrence. Locations are chosen with safety considerations for the officers and the public.

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

News Story Date: August 19, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Mike Hartmann, Captain

First Day of School in the City of Moorpark

8/18/2015 8:25:00 PM

Nature of Incident: First Day of School in the City of Moorpark

Location: City of Moorpark, California

Date & Time: August 18, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department. 610 Spring Rd. Moorpark, Ca. 93021, Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

Back to school is right around the corner. Moorpark Unified School District's first day of school will be Wednesday, August 19, 2015. Traffic in our school zones typically get backed up for a short time during pick and drop off times.

The Moorpark Police Department would like to remind parents to allow plenty of time to arrive safely, to be patient while operating a motor vehicle in and around school zones, and to be mindful of the children's safety as they are being dropped off or picked up in these areas. It is every driver's responsibility to obey all traffic laws and drive with courtesy and care in and around school zones.

The Moorpark Police Department will have a visible presence around our schools throughout the year. In the next few weeks you can expect heightened enforcement of all traffic laws in our school zones to help ensure the safety of the students. The Moorpark Police Department would like to remind our community that all violations especially speeding, failure to stop for school bus displaying red lights, seatbelt violations, provisional license violations, and distracted driving will be strictly enforced in these school zones.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko #2979

News Release Date: August 18,2015

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Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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####

Hospice Nurse Arrested for Narcotics Violations

8/18/2015 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Hospice Nurse Arrested for Narcotics Violations

Report Number: 15-2018006

Location: 500 Block of Roosevelt, Oxnard

Date & Time: August 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit
Ventura Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Sandra Rothweiler	Oxnard	48
(V) Della Gleeson	Ventura	61

Narrative:

On July 31, 2015, the Ventura Police Department responded to an apartment in the 6700 block of Telephone Road, in the City of Ventura. They discovered Della Gleeson was deceased and suspected she died from a possible prescription drug overdose. Officers from the Ventura Police Department and personnel from the Medical Examiner's Office determined a possible source of supply of prescription medication to Gleeson was Sandra Rothweiler. The investigation revealed Rothweiler had previously taken care of Gleeson's mother in 2014 when she was on hospice and she and Gleeson became friends from that interaction. Rothweiler and Gleeson remained in contact after Gleeson's mother's death in the middle of 2014.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit (PCU) assumed the investigation when it was learned Rothweiler lived in Oxnard and worked for a hospice located in Thousand Oaks.

Investigators from the PCU gathered additional evidence relating Rothweiler to illegal activity regarding prescription medication and her employment. Specifically, investigators learned Rothweiler was hoarding medication that she acquired when a patient under her care died.

On August 14, 2015, a search warrant was served at Rothweiler's residence in the 500 block of

Roosevelt, Oxnard. A significant amount of medication was found in Rothweiler's residence. The medication included OxyContin, Alprazolam (Xanax), Morphine, and Methylphenidate (Ritalin). Evidence was obtained that also implicated Rothweiler in supplying Gleeson with prescription opiate medication.

Rothweiler was only arrested for possession for sale of the prescription medication found in her residence. She is currently in custody at the Ventura County Jail and is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on August 18, 2015.

The investigation is continuing related to Rothweiler's possible role in Gleeson's death. A decision will be made as to potential separate charges such as manslaughter or drug dealing resulting in death once the autopsy is finalized.

The public may contact investigators from the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit at (805) 383-8700 or pharm.tip@ventura.org with additional information about this case, other cases involving hospice, or any other information related to narcotics.

The public may dispose of unwanted prescription medication by taking it to the Simi Valley Police Department, Port Hueneme Police Department, or any Ventura County Sheriff's Office station.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office East County Narcotics Street Team assisted in the investigation.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force comprised of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, Thousand Oaks Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, the California Highway Patrol, and the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation. The primary mission of the task force is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use.

Prepared by:

Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: August 17, 2015

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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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School Bus Safety, Loading and Unloading Children

8/18/2015 8:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: School Bus Safety, Loading and Unloading Children.

Location: City of Moorpark, California

Date & Time: August 18, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department, 610 Spring Rd. Moorpark, Ca. 93021.,
Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

Back to school is upon us again and the Moorpark Police Department would like to remind drivers of the importance of paying attention to school buses that are stopped for the purpose of loading and unloading children.

Per California Vehicle Code section 22454(a), motorists are required by law to stop for school buses that are stopped and operating flashing red lights, with or without a stop sign displayed. This includes motorists that are approaching the stopped bus from behind and/or approaching the bus from the front.

With that being said, motorists are not required to stop for a school bus on a divided highway and or multiple-lane highway when the school bus is on the other side of the roadway. In Moorpark, two examples of divided highways would be Tierra Rejada Rd. from the 23 freeway to L.A. Ave. based on a raised center median and Spring Rd. from L.A. Ave. to Flynn Rd. based on multiple-lane divided by double yellow lines delineating a center median.

Assembly Bill 1297, known as the 'Thomas Edward Lanni School Bus Safety Act,' was enacted in January 1998 and makes it mandatory for school bus driver's to operate the flashing red lights and stop sign, if so equipped, when the bus is stopped for the purpose of loading or unloading children, even if the children will not be crossing the street. The Bill was put into place for the purpose of making it safer for school children in and around school buses that are loading or unloading.

It is every driver's responsibility to obey all traffic laws and to drive with courtesy and care in and around school buses and the locations they stop. Please help us start this school year right by keeping the safety of Moorpark's children in the forefront of our minds as they return to school. We encourage citizens with questions or concerns to contact Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko at the Moorpark Police Service Center.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko #2979

News Release Date: August 18,2015

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Approved by:

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Theft from US Postal Service Mailboxes

8/18/2015 7:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Theft from US Postal Service Mailboxes

Location: City of Moorpark, California

Date & Time: August 18, 2015, 4:00PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department, Investigations Unit & Beat Coordinator's Unit

Narrative:

The City of Moorpark is experiencing an increase in thefts from the blue United States Post Office mailboxes located outside of United States Post Office buildings.

Please remember that Postal Inspectors across the country work hard to protect your mail. But with deliveries to more than 100 million addresses, the Postal Inspection Service can't do the job alone.

Here's what you can do to protect your mail from thieves

Use the letter slots inside your Post Office for your mail, or hand it to a letter carrier.

Pick up your mail promptly after delivery. Don't leave it in your mailbox overnight. If you're expecting checks, credit cards, or other negotiable items, ask a trusted friend or neighbor to pick up your mail.

If you don't receive a check or other valuable mail you're expecting, contact the issuing agency immediately.

If you change your address, immediately notify your Post Office and anyone with whom you do business via the mail.

Don't send cash in the mail.

Tell your Post Office when you'll be out of town, so they can hold your mail until you return.

Report all suspected mail theft to a Postal Inspector.

Consider starting a neighborhood watch program. By exchanging work and vacation schedules with trusted friends and neighbors, you can watch each other's mailboxes (as well as homes).

Consult with your local Postmaster for the most up-to-date regulations on mailboxes, including the availability of locked centralized or curbside mailboxes.

If you see or suspect a mail thief at work, or if you believe your mail was stolen, call police

immediately 9-1-1, then call Postal Inspectors at 877-876-2455 and (press 3).

(Source for this information is from the US Postal Inspector):

<https://postalinspectors.uspis.gov/investigations/mailfraud/fraudschemes/mailtheft/tipthieves.aspx>

Prepared by: Sr. Dep. Beat Coordinator Robert Berger

Media Release Date: August 18, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Ken Truitt (805) 947-8222

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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8/19/2015 1:35:00 PM

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Report Number:

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: August 22, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

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Approved by: Mike Hartmann, Captain

High Visibility DUI / DUID Enforcement

8/19/2015 1:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: High Visibility DUI /DUID Enforcement

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: August 21, 2015 to September 7, 2015

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department Will Be Out In Full Force To Catch Drunk Drivers

As summer winds down, the Thousand Oaks Police Department is ramping up its enforcement efforts as part of a national crackdown on drunk driving. The 18-day, high-visibility campaign, *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over*, is a partnership with the California Office of Traffic Safety to curb impaired driving and save lives. August 21-September 7 (Labor Day), law enforcement partners in Ventura County, across the state and nationwide will show zero tolerance for drunk driving. Increased state and national messaging about the dangers of driving drunk, coupled with checkpoints and increased officers on the road, aim to drastically reduce the toll of drunk driving.

And what a toll it is. In 2013, there were 10,076 people killed in drunk-driving crashes, almost a third of all traffic fatalities according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). In California, 867 died in drunk driving collisions according to NHTSA. Thirty-eight percent of crash fatalities on Labor Day weekend that year involved drunk drivers with a Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) of .08 percent or higher. And we're not just talking about a little bit of alcohol, either. More than a quarter (27 percent) of the crash fatalities that occurred on Labor Day weekend involved drivers with BACs of .15 or higher ' almost twice the illegal limit.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department kicks off Saturday night by deploying two (2) DUI/Drivers License checkpoint(s) during the first weekend along with special DUI Saturation Patrols the following Friday and Saturday nights. DUI enforcement will continue through Monday, September 7th with another DUI/Drivers License checkpoint on September 5, and more special DUI Saturation Patrols on September 4th and 6th.

NHTSA data shows that repeat offenders are an especially dangerous facet of the drunk-driving problem. In the month of August from 2009-2013, of the drunk drivers involved in fatal crashes, almost 1 out of 10 (8 percent) of them had already been convicted of at least one drunk-driving offense.

Law Enforcement emphasizes the preventable nature of drunk driving reminding everyone that all it takes is a little planning ahead. Designate a sober driver or call a cab. But whatever you do, don't drink and drive. The California Office of Traffic Safety DDVIP (Designated Driver VIP) mobile app is now available for free download on iOS and Android devices. Launched last year, the new DDVIP app offers enhanced features, allowing users to 'Map a Spot' with their current location to find DDVIP partnering establishments in their area or a 'List of Spots' to search all participating bars and restaurants throughout California. Users will be offered free incentives at each bar to celebrate their life saving role. They can stay up-to-date with the latest from DDVIP and see what other users are saying via its social tab. Also through the app, for those who want to imbibe but also make it a point to plan ahead, users can easily order a sober ride from Uber, Lyft or Curb ' all from one screen.

Recent statistics reveal that 30 percent of drivers in fatal crashes had one or more drugs in their systems. A study of active drivers showed more tested positive for drugs that may impair driving (14 percent) than did for alcohol (7.3 percent). Of the drugs, marijuana was most prevalent, at 7.4 percent, slightly more than alcohol. Everyone should be mindful that if you're taking medication ' whether prescription or over-the-counter ' drinking even small amounts of alcohol can greatly intensify the impairment affects.

So this August and year-round, remember that there's no excuse for drunk or impaired driving. If you choose to break the law, police sheriff and CHP officials will see you before you see them. *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.*

Funding for this special campaign is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration who reminds everyone; Report Drunk Drivers! ' Call 9-1-1.

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Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Mike Hartmann, Captain

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Identity Theft Suspects Arrested

8/19/2015 2:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Identity Theft Suspects Arrested

Report Number: 152019249

Location: 1500 Block Rancho Conejo Blvd, Newbury Park, CA 91320

Date & Time: 08/18/15 @ 10:30 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations, Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Dominique Joachim	Los Angeles	40
(S) James Haynes III	San Diego	37

Narrative:

On August 18th, 2015, The Ventura County Sheriff's Office arrested two suspects involved in identity thefts occurring in Ventura County.

On August 16th, 2015, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office received information from a recent victim of Identity Theft that the victim's personal information was currently being fraudulently used at a local business. Investigators from the Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau immediately initiated an investigation and began developing additional suspect information and worked in cooperation with the local business to prevent any further fraudulent use of the victim's personal information.

On August 18, 2015, two suspects were detained in regards to this investigation. During a search of their vehicle, numerous items indicating these subjects were involved in a large scale identity theft operation were recovered, including over 35 fraudulent California Drivers licenses all bearing different names and identifying information. These fraudulent identifications were being actively used to commit crimes in Ventura County and other surrounding counties. The two suspects were arrested for conspiracy to commit a crime, commercial burglary and identity theft. They were booked into the Ventura County Jail

with a set bail of \$250,000.

Thousand Oaks Police investigators will be conducting follow-up investigations in an attempt to identify other possible victims of identity thefts perpetrated by these suspects. The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind all of its residents to be alert for and report any suspicious activity regarding their personal information.

Prepared by: Sergeant Pete Frank
Media Release Date: August 19th, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Tim Lohman
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Back to School Safety Camarillo

8/20/2015 8:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Back to School Safety

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: August 20, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department is reminding motorists to take extra precaution when travelling in school zones. When schools are in session, children will be walking or riding their bicycles to and from school ' many of them during the busiest times of the day for motorists.

Reminders for Motorists:

- ‡ Slow down. Observe the speed limit in school zones at all times. Camarillo Police Officers will be assigned to these areas to observe for traffic violations.
- ‡ Be especially careful when driving on neighborhood streets and around school zones. Always expect the unexpected. Observe all traffic laws.
- ‡ Be alert for children walking and biking as you back out of your driveway or leave your garage.
- ‡ Watch for children on bicycles, especially at intersections.
- ‡ Stop your car when you see lights flashing on a school bus. Flashing red lights indicate that the bus is stopped and students are getting on or off. Vehicles in every lane need to stop. Don't start driving until the red lights stop flashing. Be aware that a child may dash across the street.

Lastly children will be cited for helmet violations. Any child under 18 years of age needs to properly wear a helmet when riding a bicycle. Fines for citations range over \$ 100.00.

Prepared by: Deputy Mario Molina

News Release Date: August 20, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Mario Molina
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Camarillo Parent Project

8/20/2015 8:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: The Parent Project 

Report Number:


Location: Camarillo Police Department

Date & Time: Beginning September 24, 2015 from 6:00-9:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department/ Community Resource Unit- Youth Services

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department has a great interest in ensuring children reach their scholastic and personal growth potential. In today's society, children face many obstacles, bad influences, and distractions, which create added difficulties for the parent(s) trying to raise them. Some children engage in harmful behaviors fueled by negative social influences including alcohol, drugs, gangs, and peer pressure.

In furtherance of our commitment to the community, the Camarillo Police Department is offering The Parent Project  Thursday evenings for ten weeks starting on September 24, 2015. Parents with difficult, defiant, or problematic children are encouraged to attend; however, all parents of middle and high school students will also benefit from this course. Our goal is to give parents guidance to help them develop more successful children. We are excited to offer these sessions and truly wish to support parents by offering strategies to deal with difficult children.

The course content consists of methods to address drugs, sex, gangs, poor grades, runaways, and violence. Additional content includes guidance in gaining children's compliance of house rules, how to never argue with your child again, and how to use other parents for support. Additional information can be reviewed at www.parentproject.com. This course is free however; there is a \$20 fee for the course workbook. Interested parents can call Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger at (805) 388-5155 for further information. To register for the class, parents are asked to contact the Community Resource Unit at (805) 388-5155.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger

News Release Date: August 20, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Narcotic Arrests / Butane Honey Oil Laboratory

8/20/2015 9:10:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Narcotic Arrests/ Butane Honey Oil Laboratory

Report Number: 152017843

Location: 100 block of Moorpark Avenue, Moorpark

Date & Time: 8/13/2015, 2340 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Narcotics Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Homoki, Ryan

City of Residence

Moorpark

Age

26

Bauer, Joshua

Moorpark

33

Narrative:

On 8/13/2015, Sheriff's Office Narcotics Detectives received information of a possible Butane Honey Oil (BHO) laboratory being operated in an apartment complex located on the 100 block of Moorpark Avenue in the city of Moorpark. Detectives identified the two suspects involved as Joshua Bauer and Ryan Homoki who lived in the apartment complex.

Homoki was detained as he left the apartment and Bauer was not home at the time. Detectives served a search warrant at the location and found a small indoor marijuana grow and a sophisticated marijuana extraction system set up in a bedroom. This extraction process is extremely dangerous due to the high probability of explosion which can cause significant property damage, injuries and deaths.

Detectives dismantled the operation and seized about 2-1/2 pounds of marijuana, individually packaged marijuana (THC) extract, several grams of psilocybin mushrooms, and over two thousand dollars in currency. Also seized were a loaded shotgun and handgun as well as four rifles, one of which was an assault style rifle with numerous loaded high capacity magazines.

Homoki was arrested for violations of possession of marijuana for sale and manufacturing concentrated cannabis. He bailed out of jail and is scheduled to appear in court on 8/27/2015 at 1:30pm.

Bauer turned himself in on 8/19/2015 and he was arrested for possession of marijuana for sale and manufacturing concentrated cannabis. His bail is set at \$50,000 and is scheduled to appear in court on 8/21/2015 at 1:30pm.

Prepared by: Sergeant Jose Rivera

News Release Date: 8/20/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Jose Rivera, jose.rivera@ventura.org, 805-797-6341

Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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###

Saticoy Shooting Suspect Arrested

8/30/2015 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Saticoy Shooting Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 15-2026956

Location: 11000 Block of Azahar Street, Saticoy

Date & Time: August 30, 2015 / 1000 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Headquarters Patrol Station / Sheriff's Gang Unit / Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Victim #1 Male	Saticoy	30
Victim #2 Female	Saticoy	24
Suspect Male Juvenile	Saticoy	16

Narrative:

On August 30, 2015, patrol deputies from the Headquarters Patrol Station responded to the 11000 block of Azahar Street reference a shooting that had just occurred. A description of the suspect was broadcasted to the responding patrol units. Deputies quickly spotted a suspect on a bicycle matching the description of the shooting suspect. After a quick foot pursuit the suspect was taken into custody on Aster Street. A handgun was recovered next to the male juvenile who is also a documented gang member.

Ventura County Sheriff's Gang Unit and Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau also responded to the scene to investigate. The crime scene was processed which contained evidence of a shooting.

The male juvenile was lodged into the Juvenile Justice Facility for the following charges: 664/187 PC Attempted Murder, 246 PC Shooting at inhabited dwelling, 29815 PC Possession of Firearm, 29820 PC Ward of the court commit specific offense with firearm, ad 30305(a)(1) PC Possession of ammunition by prohibited person.

The investigation is ongoing, any individuals with additional information pertaining to this case are encouraged to contact the Ventura County Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau. Please call Sgt. Anthony Aguirre 805-384-4730 or Crime Stoppers 800-222-TIPS (8477).

Prepared by: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre

News Release Date: August 30, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre 805-384-4730
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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments "Coffee with the Chiefs"

8/21/2015 4:45:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments 'Coffee with the Chiefs' Community Outreach Program

Location: Brent's Deli 2799 Townsgate Rd. Thousand Oaks, Ca

Date & Time: August 25th, 2015. 8:30 AM ' 10:00 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments are pleased to announce a 'Coffee with the Chiefs' event on Tuesday, August 25th, 2015. Thousand Oaks Police Chief Tim Hagel and Thousand Oaks Fire Chief Ted Smith will be at Brent's Deli, located at 2799 Townsgate Rd. in Westlake Village. Chiefs Hagel and Smith believe these events are an excellent opportunity to continue building on existing partnerships with the community. They would like to hear any questions or concerns from the public. The chiefs will be available from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM.

The Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments view open lines of communication as an integral part of developing proactive partnerships with the community and working together on identifying, prioritizing and solving problems. Chiefs Hagel and Smith believe these topics include safety, crime, and quality of life issues.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, Crime Prevention Bureau

Media Release Date: August 21, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Ed Beauvais (805) 371-8362 / edward.beauvais@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

###

DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

8/23/2015 10:40:00 AM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

Report Number: 15-2022882, 15-2022921

Location: City of Thousand Oaks
Hillcrest Drive at Kallinda Place

Date & Time: August 22, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Martinez, David	Oxnard	27
(S) Conley, Lawrence Matthew	Thousand Oaks	46

Narrative:

DUI Checkpoint Nets 2 Arrests

Thousand Oaks, CA ' Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on August 22, 2015, on Hillcrest Drive at Kallinda Place between the hours of 9:00 pm and 3:00 am. Checkpoints are placed in locations that have the greatest opportunity for achieving drunk and drugged driving deterrence and provide the greatest safety for officers and the public.

DUI/Driver's License checkpoints have been shown to lower DUI deaths and injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive drunk or drugged impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging everyone to use sober designated drivers.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), checkpoints have provided the most effective documented results of any of the DUI enforcement strategies, while also yielding considerable cost savings of \$6 for every \$1 spent. Ninety percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

- 404 Vehicles screened
- 1 DUI-Drugs suspects arrested
- 1 Warrant arrest for failing to appear in court for a past DUI arrest
- 18 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 29 Citations issued

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting another DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint DUI on September 5, 2015, in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and injuries upon our streets and highways.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 9-1-1!

Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: August 22, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved By: Mike Hartmann, Captain

Fatal Collision / Vehicle vs Pedestrian

8/25/2015 8:10:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Fatal Collision / Vehicle vs. Pedestrian
Report Number: 15-2023494
Location: Avenida de Los Arboles at La Paloma Circle
Date & Time: August 24, 2015 9:05am
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(D) Male Adult	Thousand Oaks	61
(P) Female Adult	Thousand Oaks	40

Narrative:

At approximately 9:05 am this morning, a pedestrian was crossing the street from La Paloma Circle to the northbound sidewalk of Avenida de Los Arboles. As the pedestrian was walking across the eastbound lane of Avenida de Los Arboles, he was struck by a vehicle traveling eastbound on Avenida de Los Arboles. The pedestrian was immediately provided first aid at the scene, but succumbed to his injuries. The driver of the vehicle and her juvenile passenger were not injured.

The cause of the collision is currently under investigation by the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Traffic Bureau. Anyone who may have pertinent information regarding the incident is asked to call the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Traffic Bureau at (805) 494-8271.

As a reminder, Thousand Oaks public schools begin on Wednesday, August 26, 2015. Drivers, please be aware of heavy pedestrian traffic around school zones. And pedestrians, please be mindful of vehicles on the roadway.

Prepared by: Sergeant B. Payton 1941

Media Release Date: August 24, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Mike Berg
(805) 494-8271

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Fatal Hit and Run Traffic Collision Involving a Pedestrian

8/25/2015 8:15:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Fatal Hit and Run Traffic Collision involving a Pedestrian

Report Number: 15-2023294

Location: Ponderosa Drive at Mobil Ave

Date & Time: 08/23/2015 @ 7:47 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

S-Joesph Cantrell

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

28 yrs

D-Male Adult, Name withheld

Camarillo

54 yrs

Narrative:

Decedent was walking southbound on Mobil Ave and stopped at the northwest corner of the Ponderosa Drive intersection waiting for the pedestrian signal to turn to a white walking sign. Cantrell was driving westbound on Ponderosa Drive approaching the Mobil Ave intersection. The signal light for Ponderosa traffic turned red and the Mobil Ave signal turned green. Decedent started to enter the roadway to cross the street in the crosswalk and Cantrell drove into the intersection against a red-light and collided into the Decedent. The Decedent was thrown approximately 60 feet. Cantrell continued driving westbound, was unable to negotiate a turn and collided into a parked car. Cantrell exited his vehicle, ran through a residential neighborhood and was tackled by several residents. The residents detained him pending the arrival of police.

Cantrell was arrested for Felony Manslaughter, Felony DUI, and Felony Hit and Run.

The male pedestrian died at the scene from his injuries. The Decedent's name is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

Prepared by: Sr. Deputy John Popp

News Release Date: 8/24/15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sr. Deputy John Popp /805.388.5146

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Approved by:

Captain Cory Rubright

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###

El Rio Shooting Suspect Arrested

8/26/2015 8:15:00 AM

Nature of Incident: El Rio Shooting Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 15-2021737 and 15-2023113

Location: 400 block of Salem Avenue, Unincorporated Area El Rio.

Date & Time: 8/23/2015 / 11:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Headquarters Patrol Station / Sheriff's Gang Unit / Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau.

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Robert Grand

City of Residence

Oxnard

Age

19

Narrative:

On 8/20/2015, patrol deputies from the Headquarters Patrol Station responded to the 400 block of Salem Avenue reference a shots fired call. Patrol deputies found a vehicle parked at a residence with two bullet holes. No one was injured. The crime scene was processed for evidence.

On 08/23/2015, patrol deputies from the Headquarters Patrol Station responded to the 400 block of Salem Avenue reference another shots fired call for service at the same residence on 8/20/2015. Members of the Sheriff's Gang Unit and members of the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau also responded to the scene. Detectives located and identified a crime scene that contained evidence of a shooting and were also able to quickly identify a suspect in the shooting. The suspect was identified as 19 year old Robert Grand of Oxnard.

On 08/24/2015, members of the Sheriff's Gang Unit along with members of the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau located Grand in Goleta, California. Grand was arrested without incident. Grand was found to be in possession of two firearms and evidence linking him to the shooting that occurred in the 400 block of Salem Avenue. One of the firearms was a reported stolen gun from a burglary in Kern County. The second weapon was an AR15 Assault Rifle with an illegal 30 round magazine.

Grand was booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility for the following charges: 664/187 PC Attempted Murder, 245(a)(2) PC Assault with a Firearm, 246 PC Shooting at inhabited dwelling, 487(d)(2) PC Grand Theft of Firearm, 30605(a) PC Possession of Assault Rifle. Grand's bail was set at

\$700,000 and he will be arraigned on Wednesday.

Prepared by: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre

News Release Date: 8/25/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Anthony Aguirre 805-384-4730

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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Bicycle Safety Enforcement Operation

8/27/2015 12:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Bicycle Safety Enforcement Operation

Report Number:

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: August 30, 2015, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

Traffic Enforcement Operations Planned for Thousand Oaks

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will step up bicycle safety enforcement operations on Sunday, August 30, 2015, with focused enforcement on collision-causing factors involving motorists and bike riders. Special overtime patrols will be deployed to crackdown on drivers and bicyclists who violate basic traffic laws.

The department has mapped out locations over the past three years where bicycle involved collisions have occurred along with the violations that led to those crashes. Officers will be looking for violations made by drivers and bike riders alike that can lead to life changing injuries.

Bicycle fatalities are rising in California as more people use bicycling for commuting, exercise and recreation. Locally, the Thousand Oaks Police Department has investigated 112 fatal and injury collisions involving bike riders during the past three years. In 2012, California witnessed 124 bicyclist deaths that year while nationally 726 riders were killed.

Nationally, fatal bike crash patterns have changed markedly. The percentage involving adults age 20 and older increased from 21 percent in 1975 to 84 percent in 2012. The percentage involving males

increased from 82 percent to 88 percent during this period. Adult males comprised 74 percent of all bicyclist deaths in 2012. The percentage of deaths occurring in urban areas climbed from 50 percent in 1975 to 69 percent in 2012. The following safety tips can save lives and stop this tragedy witnessed far too often in Thousand Oaks:

Drivers:

- 'Share the road' with bicyclists
- Be courteous; California law now mandates at least three feet of clearance when passing a bike riders
- Look for cyclists before opening a car door or pulling out from a parking space
- Yield to cyclists at intersections and as directed by signs and signals
- Be especially watchful for riders when making turns, either left or right

Bicyclists:

- Wear properly fitted bicycle helmets every time they ride. If under 18 years of age, it's the law
- A helmet is the single most effective way to prevent head injury resulting from a bicycle crash
- Riders are considered vehicle operators; they are required to obey the same rules of the road as other vehicle operators, including obeying traffic signs, signals, and lane markings.
- When cycling in the street, cyclists must ride in the same direction as traffic.
- Bicyclists should increase their visibility to drivers by wearing fluorescent or brightly colored clothing during the day, and at dawn and dusk
- To be noticed when riding at night, the law requires a front light and a red reflector to the rear
- For additional safety, use a flashing rear light, and use retro-reflective tape or markings on equipment or clothing

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

News Story Date: August 27, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Mike Hartmann, Captain

Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation

8/27/2015 12:25:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation

Report Number:

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: August 29, 2015, 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

Improving Motorcycle Safety Aim of Thousand Oaks Police Department Operation

Careless motorists as well as riders get special scrutiny

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting a specialized Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation on August 29, 2015, in an effort to lower deaths and injuries. Extra officers will be on duty patrolling areas frequented by motorcyclists and where motorcycle crashes occur. Officers will be looking for violations made by drivers and riders alike that can lead to motorcycle crashes. They will be cracking down on operators of both regular vehicles and motorcycles who are under the influence of drugs or alcohol, speeding, making illegal turns, or any other dangerous violation.

Motorcycle fatalities saw a phenomenal drop of 37 percent from 2008 to 2010, but then rose 23 percent by 2012. Operations like this are aimed at curbing any more rises in motorcycle deaths and sending the numbers back downward. Over the course of the past three years, motorcycle involved collisions have resulted in seven fatal and injury crashes.

California collision data reveals that primary causes of motorcycle-involved crashes include speeding,

unsafe turning and impairment due to alcohol and other drugs by both riders and drivers alike.

Safety tips for riders ' See and Be Seen:

- } Ride with lights on during daylight hours
- } Use your lane position to increase visibility; change lanes only when there is ample room
- } Match your speed to surrounding traffic
- } Always wear a DOT compliant helmet and brightly colored, protective clothing

Safety tips for drivers ' Share the Road:

- } Look twice for motorcyclists, especially when entering the roadway, turning or changing lanes
- } Motorcyclist are allowed in HOV lanes unless prohibited by signage

Riders are urged to get training through the California Motorcyclist Safety Program. Information and training locations are available at <http://www.californiamotorcyclist.com/> or 1-877-RIDE 411 (1-877-743-3411).

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The message to all drivers and motorcyclists is: share in the responsibility and do your part by safely 'sharing the road.'

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

News Story Date: August 27, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

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Approved by:

Mike Hartmann, Captain



Reported Stabbing (Moorpark)

8/27/2015 2:55:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Reported Stabbing

Report Number: 152024366

Location: 13950 Peach Hill Road / Moorpark, California

Date & Time: 08/25/2015 @ 8:17 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department Patrol Services, Moorpark Police Department Investigations, East County Major Crimes

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Juvenile Female	Moorpark	16

Narrative:

On August 25, 2015, deputies assigned to the Moorpark Police Department responded to the Moorpark Presbyterian Church regarding a report of a juvenile that had been stabbed. The juvenile was treated at the scene for a non-life threatening injury and was transported to Los Robles Hospital for additional medical treatment.

Sheriff's Office investigators determined this incident was medical in nature. There is no crime, no outstanding suspects connected to this investigation, and no threats to public safety.

Prepared by: Detective Billy Hutton

News Release Date: 08/27/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Billy Hutton; william.hutton@ventura.org ; (805) 947-8113

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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###

Gang Related Battery and Brandishing of Firearm

8/28/2015 3:25:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Gang Related Battery and Brandishing of Firearm

Report Number: 152023788

Location: 800 Block of Warwick Ave, Thousand Oaks, Ca.

Date & Time: 08/22/2015 @ 12:25 PM

Unit Responsible: City of Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Simental, Omar	Newbury Park	24
(S) Corrales, Cesar	Thousand Oaks	20
(S) Navarro, Luis	Thousand Oaks	18
(S) Male, Juvenile	Thousand Oaks	15

Narrative:

On August 22, 2015, at about 12:25 PM, a 24 year-old male named Omar Simental and a male juvenile companion were standing outside of a multi-family apartment complex in the 800 block of Warwick Avenue in Thousand Oaks. They were confronted by a group of male suspects. A fight ensued and both victims were battered. Omar Simental and a male juvenile associate were injured but did not need medical treatment. Simental, and the suspects involved in the incident are gang members.

During the confrontation, a suspect, later identified as Cesar Corrales displayed a handgun in a threatening manner.

On August 24, 2015, at about 8:00 PM, members of the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit arrested Cesar Corrales and a male juvenile for their involvement in the battery and brandishing of the firearm.

On August 28, 2015, at approximately 10:00 AM, detectives with the Special Enforcement Unit arrested Luis Navarro for his involvement in the battery and brandishing investigation.

Suspect Corrales was arrested for 245(a)(1) PC. ' Assault with a Deadly Weapon, 415(1) PC ' Disturbing the Peace by Fighting, 417(a)(2) PC ' Drawing or Exhibiting a Firearm, and 186.22(a) PC ' Gang Step Act (Street Terrorism). Corrales was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility with a \$100,000 bail; he is scheduled to appear in Superior Court on August 28, 2015.

Navarro was arrested for 245(a)(1) PC. ' Assault with a Deadly Weapon, 415(1) PC ' Disturbing the Peace by Fighting, and 186.22(a) PC ' Gang Step Act (Street Terrorism). Navarro was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility with a \$100,000 bail; he is scheduled to appear in Superior Court on September 1, 2015.

The male juvenile was arrested for 245(a)(1) PC. ' Assault with a Deadly Weapon, 415(1) PC ' Disturbing the Peace by Fighting, 242 PC ' Battery, and 186.22(a) PC ' Gang Step Act (Street Terrorism). The juvenile was lodged into the Juvenile Justice Facility and is pending trial.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: August 28, 2015

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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Stabbing Altercation

8/31/2015 6:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stabbing Altercation

Report Number: 15-2027506

Location: 1505 Flynn Road, Camarillo, CA 93012

Date & Time: 08/31/2015 @ 1:17 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department
Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent **City of Residence** **Age**

(V) Juvenile

(S) Unknown

Narrative:

On August 31, 2015, at approximately 1:17 P.M., Deputies responded to Taco Bell on Flynn Road reference a disturbance call. Two groups of people were involved in a yelling match and the altercation turned physical. Deputies determined a stabbing had occurred at the location and the victim was driven to a local hospital.

The case is currently under investigation and no arrests have been made at this time. The victim is listed as being in serious condition. See attached dropbox link for PIO video interview and b-roll footage of the location for use in a media release.

Prepared by: Captain John Reilly

News Release Date: 08/31/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact:

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Sgt. Ian Laughlin (805) 797-7127 ian.laughlin@ventura.org

DropBox Link: <http://tinyurl.com/paf9cxa>

Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith

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DUI Court Operation

9/1/2015 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI Court Operation
Report Number: None
Location: Hall of Justice, Ventura
Date & Time: August 31, 2015, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent **City of Residence** **Age**

Narrative:

Thousand Oaks Police Department Announce Results of DUI Court Operation

On August 31, 2015, between the hours of 9:00 am and 1:00 pm, officers from the Thousand Oaks Police Department conducted an undercover 'Court operation' at the Ventura Hall of Justice, targeting suspected DUI drivers whose licenses where suspended/revoked or who were unlicensed drivers.

Police officers observed offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and/or who had been told of their license suspension. Seven offenders were followed by officers from courtrooms to their vehicles to ensure that they were not driving. All seven either had family members that drove them or used public transportation to leave the area.

These individuals made the right choice not to drive after their driver's licenses had been either

revoked or suspended by judge minutes earlier.

Those that make the wrong choice and do drive away could face additional jail time, long driver license suspensions, as well as other financial burdens including: attorney fees, court costs, lost time at work, and the potential loss of job or job prospects.

DUI Court Sting stakeout operations, along with regularly scheduled high visibility DUI enforcement, serve as a proven deterrent with the goal of keeping impaired drivers from the road and heightening public awareness regarding the dangers of driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol.

This special DUI operation was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Please help the Thousand Oaks P.D. everyday of the week: Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 9-1-1!

Prepared by: Sergeant Brad Clifton

News Release Date: September 1, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Brad Clifton
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Follow up to Camarillo Stabbing News Story

9/1/2015 10:45:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Follow up to Camarillo Stabbing News Story

Report Number: 15-2027506

Location: 1505 Flynn Road, Camarillo, CA 93012

Date & Time: 09/01/2015 @ 01:00 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department
Ventura County Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Tyler James Ostertag	Camarillo	20
(V) Juvenile	Camarillo	16

Narrative:

On September 1, 2015, the juvenile stabbing victim died at the Ventura County Medical Center as a result of the injuries he received during the altercation at the Taco Bell on Flynn Road. Major Crimes Detectives working with the Camarillo Special Enforcement Unit and the Special Crimes Unit continued working the case throughout the night. Several leads were followed up on and witnesses were interviewed.

During the investigation, Tyler James Ostertag was identified as the suspect in this case. Detectives were able to locate Ostertag at a motel in Riverside. Ostertag was arrested and booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for murder. His bail has been set at \$1,000,000.00. Detectives are still actively reviewing evidence and speaking with witnesses to determine the motive for the altercation. At this time, there is no indication this was a gang related incident.

Prepared by: Captain John Reilly

News Release Date: 09/01/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Jason Stephens (805) 415-5814
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Approved by: Captain Randy Downard

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###

Arrest Made in 1991 Murder

9/2/2015 2:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest Made in 1991 Murder

Report Number: RB # 91-82664

Location: 3800 block of Sturgis Road, Oxnard Plains

Date & Time: October 5, 1991 10:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes & Ventura County District Attorney Investigators

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Angela Fisher	Oxnard	22
(S) Silverio Ambriz	Oxnard	50

Narrative:

On October 5, 1991, Sheriff's patrol deputies responded to a call of a dead body that was reported at 10:30 AM in the 3800 block of Sturgis Road in the unincorporated area between Oxnard and Camarillo. Angela Fisher, 22 years, was found murdered lying next to her burned, smoldering car. It was determined that Fisher had been sexually assaulted and beaten to death with a piece of concrete. The Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau investigated the murder; and after an exhaustive investigation, the investigation eventually went cold.

In 2002, DNA that was collected from the body of Fisher was submitted to the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS). Silverio Ambriz was identified as the person associated with this DNA. At that time, Ambriz was incarcerated in state prison, where he was serving a 47 year to life sentence for rape and sexual assaults that occurred in 1996 in the County of Ventura.

This information rekindled the murder investigation. Sheriff's detectives interviewed witnesses and submitted pieces of evidence that were re-examined using newer technology. District Attorney investigators joined in the investigation. The investigation eventually developed evidence that showed Ambriz was responsible for the death of Angela Fisher.

Sheriff's detectives submitted evidence to the Ventura County District Attorney's Office for review. On March 19, 2015, Ambriz was brought back to Ventura County and was arrested and charged with the murder of Angela Fisher. Ambriz appeared in court and pled not guilty. He is currently awaiting trial.

The Angela Fisher case is another excellent example of the collaboration between the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Ventura County District Attorney's Office. This investigative partnership continues to work together to bring closure to the families of homicide victims.

Prepared by: Investigator Joe Evans

News Release Date: September 1, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Cary Peterson
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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Six Month 2015 Uniform Crime Report Statistics

9/2/2015 8:20:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Six Month 2015 Uniform Crime Report Statistics

Report Number: None

Location: Sheriff's Office Jurisdiction

Date & Time: 09/02/2015 @ 09:00 AM

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has released its six-month 2015 Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) statistics for Part I Crimes in all Sheriff's jurisdictions. Overall, Part I Crimes are up 8%, specifically Violent Crime is up 30% and Property Crime is up 6%. Violent crime was up in all categories in the contract cities of Camarillo, Fillmore, Ojai and the unincorporated area, while the city of Moorpark had no increase and Thousand Oaks had a decline.

The cities of Camarillo, Fillmore, and Moorpark saw significant increases in burglaries, both residential and commercial type. Additionally, all jurisdictions saw an increase in stolen vehicles, with the exception of Ojai. The city of Ojai had significant declines in all property crimes with the exception of residential burglaries. Although the city of Thousand Oaks showed a decline in overall violent crimes, property crimes increased in the areas of grand/petty thefts and stolen vehicles. The unincorporated areas experienced increases in all violent and property crimes categories with the exception of Grand Thefts.

The Sheriff's jurisdictions are experiencing gang 'crew' members from outside Ventura County coming in and committing residential burglaries and other thefts. Several of these crews committed 'knock knock' burglaries and were apprehended after extensive investigations by investigators. Additionally, one person was arrested for approx. 8 robberies in Camarillo, Thousand Oaks and Los Angeles. Much of the increase in Aggravated Assaults was due to these robberies and Domestic Violence.

As a reminder, in January of 2014, the definition for Rape changed and the UCR Program started collecting uniform information from law enforcement agencies with the new definition which broadened the scope of the previously narrow definition. For more information about this change, visit <http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr/new-rape-fact-sheet>.

This new definition redistributed currently captured crime information from the category Part II 'Sex

Offenses' to the category Part I 'Rape.' As predicted, this category in Part 1 showed a significant increase.

Although the Sheriff's Office has recorded an increase in Part 1 crimes for the first six months, Ventura County is still a very safe area to live in. From 2010 to 2014, total Part 1 crimes for Sheriff's jurisdictions have dropped almost 4%, a total of 1,291 less crimes. During the same time period, the crime rate per 1000 population went from 16.61 to 12.56. Listed below are the crime rates per 1000 for each of the Sheriff's jurisdictions for the past five years:

City	Violent Crimes		Property Crimes		Part 1 Crime Total		Rate per 1000		*%
	2010	2014	2010	2014	2010	2014	2010	2014	
Camarillo	54	73	985	979	1,039	1,052	15.94	15.76	-1.18
Fillmore	38	46	281	126	319	172	21.41	11.21	-10.2
Moorpark	48	39	393	278	441	317	12.82	9.01	-3.81
Ojai	19	10	164	120	183	130	24.53	17.12	-7.41
Thousand Oaks	139	128	2,045	1,604	2,184	1,732	17.24	13.42	-3.82
Unincorporated	192	119	1,343	888	1,535	1,007	16.23	10.35	-5.88

*Adjusted for population

As to Proposition 47's consequences, both intended and unintended, they are only beginning to be evaluated. Early indications show that it has not reduced jail populations and has put offenders back out on the streets sooner without the requirement of being on probation or attending substance abuse classes. Sheriff Dean is coordinating on a statewide level through the California State Sheriff's Association on the identification, retention and collection of Proposition 47 related data and the results will be distributed.

Much of our success as a law enforcement agency is due to our partnerships with the communities we serve. We encourage people to actively report suspicious and/or criminal activity immediately by calling 9-1-1. Non-emergency reports can be made through our Sheriff's Communication Center by calling (805) 654-9511.

For questions on specific patrol area crime statistics please contact:

Camarillo Police Department

Commander Monica McGrath: 388-5102

Fillmore Police Department

Captain Dave Wareham: 524-2233

Moorpark Police Department

Captain Steve Wade: 532-2705

Ojai Police Department

Captain Dave Kenney: 646-1418

Thousand Oaks Police Department

Commander Tim Hagel: 494-8265

Headquarters Station (including El Rio, Saticoy, Silver Strand and the Rincon)

Captain Patti Salas: 654-2881

Prepared by: Captain John Reilly
News Release Date: 09/02/2015 @ 09:00 AM
Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain John Reilly (805) 947-6782
Approved by: Assistant Sheriff Steve De Cesari

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Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

9/3/2015 1:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: September 5, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint Planned

Thousand Oaks, CA ' The Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit will be conducting a Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint on September 5, 2015, at an undisclosed location within the city limits.

The deterrent effect of Driver's License/DUI checkpoints is a proven resource in reducing the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug involved crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an unlicensed or impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized Driver's License/DUI checkpoints and proactive DUI patrols are conducted routinely.

In California, this deadly crime led to 802 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2012 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Nationally, the latest data shows nearly 10,000 were killed by an impaired driver. 'Over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 3 lives and resulted in 102 injury traffic collisions harming 141 members of our community,' said Sergeant Barbara Payton.

Officers will be looking for signs of alcohol and/or drug impairment with officers checking drivers for proper licensing delaying motorists only momentarily. When possible, specially trained officers will be available to evaluate those suspected of drug-impaired driving, which now accounts for a growing number of impaired driving crashes. Drugs which may impair driving not only include illegal narcotics, but many prescription drugs, marijuana, and even some over-the-counter medications.

Driver's License/DUI Checkpoints are placed in locations based on collision statistics and frequency of DUI arrests affording the greatest opportunity for achieving unlicensed and drunk/drugged driving

deterrence. Locations are chosen with safety considerations for the officers and the public.

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, other expenses that can exceed \$10,000 not to mention the embarrassment when friends and family find out.

Funding for this checkpoint is provided to Thousand Oaks Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, reminding everyone to 'Report Drunk Driver ' Call 9-1-1'.

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

News Story Date: September 3, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved by: Mike Hartmann, Captain

Los Angeles Man Arrested for Ventura County Prescription Forgery

9/3/2015 1:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Los Angeles Man Arrested for Ventura County Prescription Forgery

Report Number: 152013774

Location: Newbury Park, CA

Date & Time: August 27, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Michael Shapiro

City of Residence

Los Angeles

Age

37

Narrative:

On August 27, 2015, the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit concluded a forged prescription investigation with the arrest of Michael Shapiro.

During the second week of August 2015, Investigators from the PCU were notified of possible criminal activity at a Newbury Park pharmacy. Investigators learned Michael Shapiro was attempting to fill a forged prescription for controlled substances.

Detectives followed up on the information and learned Michael Shapiro had passed 160 forged prescriptions in the past year for Norco (hydrocodone), Xanax (alprazolam), Ritalin. (methylphenidate), and Ambien (Zolpidem Tartrate).

Search warrants were written and served at two locations in Los Angeles County where Michael Shapiro was living. Hundreds of blank and pre-filled out fraudulent prescriptions, as well as illegally obtained prescription drugs, were seized. Evidence was also recovered indicating Shapiro was manufacturing the prescription forms from his home.

The investigation revealed Shapiro had extensive knowledge regarding prescription drugs as he had

graduated from Yale medical school, but never obtained licensure as a physician.

Shapiro was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Jail for forging prescriptions and commercial burglary. He is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on September 10, 2015.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force comprised of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, Thousand Oaks Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, the California Highway Patrol, and the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation. The primary mission of the task force is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: September 4, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Robert Davidson
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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith



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Camarillo Heroin Overdose Leads to Five Arrests

9/4/2015 4:35:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo Heroin Overdose Leads to Five Arrests

Report Number: 152029123

Location: Camarillo, CA

Date & Time: September 3, 2015 @ 10:31 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Patrol Division
East County Sheriff's Narcotics Street Team

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Shawn Grant	Camarillo	18
(S) Edward Michaud	Camarillo	22
(S) Bronson Boyett	Camarillo	21
(S) Hunter Wise	Camarillo	23
(S) Louis Merriken	Camarillo	31
(S) Hayden Clark	Camarillo	20

Narrative:

On September 3, 2015, at about 10:31 a.m., Camarillo patrol deputies responded with the Ventura County Fire Department and American Medical Response Paramedics to an address in the 1200 block of Mission Verde Drive, Camarillo for a report of a possible narcotics overdose.

Once on scene, deputies learned Shawn Grant had overdosed on heroin. Paramedics performed lifesaving treatment on Grant and resuscitated him. Grant was taken by ambulance to a local emergency room. Edward Michaud, who initially called 911, was also present at the residence. He admitted to attempting to conceal evidence by hiding in the trash can the syringe Grant used to inject the heroin. Michaud was also experiencing an adverse event due to heroin ingestion and he was transported to a local emergency room as well.

Narcotics detectives from the East County Sheriff's Street Team responded to the emergency room and began an investigation. They determined the source of supply for the heroin was Bronson Boyett.

Later in the day, detectives from the narcotics street team located Boyett in the city of Camarillo. He was a passenger in a vehicle with Hunter Wise, Hayden Clark, and Louis Merriken. Boyett was arrested for sales of heroin resulting in great bodily injury. Wise, Clark, and Merriken were all initially arrested for being under the influence of heroin. Merriken was subsequently arrested for possession for sale of heroin, methamphetamine, and Xanax (alprazolam) after it was discovered he had secreted over a hundred doses of the drugs on his person.

A search warrant was served at Boyett's residence in the 5200 block of Creekside Road, in Camarillo. Evidence related to the sales of narcotics was located at his house.

Bronson Boyett is currently in custody with a bail of \$500,000.

Louis Merriken is currently in custody with a bail of \$250,000.

Court dates for all of the arrested subjects are pending.

Deputies from the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail as well as members of the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit assisted on the investigation.

Camarillo Specific Statistics:

In 2014, there were 12 unintentional fatal drug overdoses in the city of Camarillo. Seven of those overdoses involved opiate medication or heroin. In 2015, of the possible four unintentional fatal drug overdoses in Camarillo, opiate medication or heroin is potentially involved in three of them. During 2012, 2013, and 2014, 45 individuals received Narcan from paramedics in the city of Camarillo. Narcan is administered as a lifesaving drug when there is evidence of opiate use and pronounced respiratory depression.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: September 4, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Steve Egnatchik
(805) 947-8688

Approved by: Commander Monica McGrath

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DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

9/6/2015 8:05:00 AM

Nature of Incident: DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint

Report Numbers: 15-2030660, 15-2030657, 15-2030716, 15-2030726, 15-2030673

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: September 5, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Matkovich, Clint	Thousand Oaks	34
(S) Villanheva, Amilcar	Thousand Oaks	55
(S) Medivel, Yvonne Louise	Grover Beach	52
(S) Estrada, Mario Alberto	Thousand Oaks	22
(S) Kagen, Robert Joseph	Thousand Oaks	19

Narrative:

DUI Checkpoint Nets 5 Arrests

Thousand Oaks, CA ' Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on September 5, 2015, on Moorpark Road south of Janss Road between the hours of 9:00 pm and 12:00 am, and Lynn Road west of McCloud Avenue between 12:00 am and 3:00 am. Checkpoints are placed in locations that have the greatest opportunity for achieving drunk and drugged driving deterrence and provide the greatest safety for officers and the public.

DUI/Driver's License checkpoints have been shown to lower DUI deaths and injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive drunk or drugged impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging everyone to use sober designated drivers.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), checkpoints have provided the most effective documented results of any of the DUI enforcement strategies, while also yielding considerable cost savings of \$6 for every \$1 spent. Ninety Percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

- 537 Vehicles Screened
- 2 DUI-Alcohol suspects arrested
- 1 Warrant arrest for violation of probation
- 1 Warrant arrest for failing to appear in court for a past driving on a suspended license
- 1 Driver arrested for failing to provide a driver's license and delaying an officer
- 10 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 12 Citations issued

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting another DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint DUI on December 19, 2015, in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and injuries upon our streets and highways.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 9-1-1!

Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: September 6, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
brad.clifton@ventura.org

Approved By: Mike Hartmann, Captain

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Thousand Oaks and Moorpark Police Departments are Accepting Old Flags for Destruction

9/8/2015 6:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks and Moorpark Police Departments are Accepting Old Flags for Destruction

Report Number:

Location:

Date & Time: September 8, 2015

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks and Moorpark Police Departments

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks and Moorpark Police Departments are pleased to announce that they will be accepting used, worn and frayed American Flags for collection. The flags will be respectfully transported to The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #11395, located at 158 Conejo School Road in Thousand Oaks, for proper destruction in accordance with United States Flag Code and VFW Policies.

The flags will be accepted at the following locations during business hours:

Thousand Oaks Police Station, 2101 E Olsen Rd., Thousand Oaks

Civic Arts Plaza Resource Center, 2100 E Thousand Oaks Blvd. Thousand Oaks

Oaks Mall Resource Center, 350 W Hillcrest Dr. Thousand Oaks

The Moorpark Police Station, 610 Spring St. Moorpark.

The Thousand Oaks VFW estimates they respectfully destroy 600 flags every year in a ceremony at City Hall.

The disposal boxes were hand-crafted by the Conejo Valley Woodworkers Association, who donated their time and expertise to this project.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, Crime Prevention Officer

Media Release Date: September 8th, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, 805-947-8111

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Thousand Oaks Parent Project Program

9/8/2015 1:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Parent Project Program

Location: Conejo Valley Unified School District ' Board Meeting Room
1400 E Janss Road, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: October 1, 2015 ' December 3, 2015 ' Thursday's 6:00 PM ' 9:00 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

The City of Thousand Oaks and the Thousand Oaks Police Department have a mutual interest with the community in ensuring that children reach their scholastic and personal growth potential. In today's society, children have several obstacles, bad influences, and distractions. Raising children is not easy. Children sometimes engage in harmful behaviors fueled by negative influences including alcohol, gangs, and peer pressure.

In furtherance of our commitment to the community, the Thousand Oaks Police Department will be offering a parenting class for ten weeks starting on October 1, 2015. Parents with difficult, defiant, or problematic children are encouraged to attend; however, all parents of middle and high school students will also benefit from this course. Our goal is to give parents guidance and to develop more successful children. We are excited to offer these sessions and truly wish to support parents and offer strategies to deal with difficult children.

The course content consists of ways to address drugs, sex, gangs, poor grades, runaways and violence. Additional content includes guidance in gaining children's compliance of house rules, how to never argue with your child again, and how to use other parents for support. Additional information can be reviewed at www.parentproject.com. Interested parents are asked to call (805) 371-8351. Please reserve your spot early due to limited seating.

Deputy Preparing Media Release:

Senior Deputy Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date:

September 8, 2015

Follow-Up Contact:

Deputy Greg Webb (805) 371-8351

Thousand Oaks.sro@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain Ross Bonfiglio

Home Invasion Robbery

9/9/2015 8:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Home Invasion Robbery

Report Number: 15-2032284

Location: 400 Block of West Loop Drive, Camarillo, CA.

Date & Time: 09/09/2015 @ 08:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations, Sheriff's Intelligence Unit and Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
S-1: Hispanic Male	Unknown	
S-2: White Male	Unknown	40+
S-3: White Male	Unknown	
V-1: Female	Camarillo	84
V-2: Female	Camarillo	62

Narrative:

On September 9th, 2015, at approximately 08:30am, three suspects described as White or Hispanic males committed a day time burglary in the 400 block of West Loop Drive, Camarillo. Posing as a construction contractor, one suspect contacted an elderly female victim in the yard of her residence in an attempt to distract her. Two additional suspects then gained entry into the residence. While inside the residence, the suspects began searching for valuables and were confronted by the victim's adult daughter. While fleeing the residence, the two suspects physically pushed the adult daughter. She did not sustain injuries.

The suspects fled from the residence and entered an awaiting vehicle which was backed into the driveway. The suspects' vehicle was described as a white Dodge Ram 1500 Quad Cab pickup. The vehicle was last seen driving southbound on West Loop Drive.

The public is reminded to remain vigilant and report any suspicious people, vehicles, or circumstances in your neighborhood. We would also remind you to secure your doors and windows.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact Sergeant Cary Peterson at (805) 384-4744.

Prepared by: Detective Greg Cadman

News Release Date: September 9th, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Cary Peterson, Major Crimes Bureau
(805) 384-4744 or cary.peterson@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Coffee with the Chiefs

9/15/2015 5:55:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments 'Coffee with the Chiefs' Community Outreach Program

Location: The Oaks Mall, 350 W Hillcrest Drive. Thousand Oaks, Ca

Date & Time: September 24th, 2015. 2:00 PM ' 4:00 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments are pleased to announce a 'Coffee with the Chiefs' event on Thursday, September 24th, 2015. Thousand Oaks Police Chief Tim Hagel and Thousand Oaks Fire Chief Ted Smith will be at The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf inside The Oaks Mall in Thousand Oaks. Chiefs Hagel and Smith believe these events are an excellent opportunity to continue building on existing partnerships with the community. They would like to hear any questions or concerns from the public. The chiefs will be available from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

The Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments view open lines of communication as an integral part of developing proactive partnerships with the community and working together on identifying, prioritizing and solving problems. Chiefs Hagel and Smith believe these topics include safety, crime, and quality of life issues.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, Crime Prevention Bureau

Media Release Date: September 15th, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Ed Beauvais (805) 371-8362 / edward.beauvais@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Ross Bonfiglio

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Deputies Arrest Suspect Wanted for Burglaries Across Ventura County

9/15/2015 12:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Deputies Arrest Suspect Wanted for Burglaries Across Ventura County

Report Number: 15-2032561

Location: 2600 Block of Balboa Street, El Rio

Date & Time: 09/11/2015 @ 1100 Hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Gang Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent

(S) Saul Arceo

City of Residence

El Rio

Age

27

Narrative:

On 09/11/2015, the Sheriff's Gang Unit served a warrant at Saul Arceo's residence located in the 2600 block of Balboa Street in El Rio. During the warrant service, Saul Arceo was found to be in possession of over a half of an ounce of methamphetamine for the purpose of sales. Saul Arceo was arrested for Health and Safety Code Section 11378 ' Possession of Controlled Substance for Sale.

In addition to the drugs, stolen property was located at the premises. Detectives from Camarillo Police Department and Sheriff's Headquarters Station responded to assist with the investigation. The stolen property was linked to over a dozen burglaries committed in the cities of Camarillo, Oxnard, and Ventura, and the unincorporated areas of Ventura County. The recovered stolen property was valued over \$10,000.00.

Saul Arceo is a documented member of a criminal street gang and at the time of the search warrant was currently out on bail due to a prior arrest for exhibiting a deadly weapon, assault with a deadly weapon and criminal threats. On 09/09/2015, (S) Saul Arceo failed to appear in court which resulted in a \$20,000 felony arrest warrant being issued.

The stolen property investigation is on-going. Detectives wish to speak with persons who may have knowledge of the burglaries or information on other stolen property. Anyone with information may contact

Detective Francisco Jauregui at 805-677-8734.

Prepared by: Detective Jarrod Foote #4423

News Release Date: 09/14/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Francisco Jauregui #4427 @ 805-677-8734 or Francisco.Jauregui@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Patti Salas

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National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

9/15/2015 1:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

Report Number: N/A

Location: Sheriff's Headquarters and all Sheriff's Office substations

Date & Time: Saturday, September 26, 2015 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office / Drug Enforcement Administration

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

N/A

City of Residence

N/A

Age

N/A

Narrative:

In support of the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) 10th annual National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day, the Sheriff's Office will be opening our patrol stations on Saturday, September 26, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., to collect expired and unused medication.

Starting with a pilot program at our Thousand Oaks Police Station nine years ago, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office has been providing the community a convenient and safe way to dispose of medications. Additionally, we are one of the first agencies in the state to actively collect controlled substances. Since that time, the Sheriff's Office has collected 24,992 pounds of medications.

The goal is to keep these products out of the hands of children. Many household pharmaceuticals are sold and traded among teenagers, who often help themselves to medications in the home. With your participation, we can stop the trends of abuse among the younger population and greatly impact the number of overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use.

Medications should not be flushed down the toilet because the dissolved chemicals get into the water supply. Throwing them away puts the chemicals in the landfill.

The following items can be accepted: prescription medications, over-the-counter medications, medication samples, medications for pets, vitamins, medicated ointments/lotions, inhalers, or liquid medication in leak-proof containers. Dry medications should be placed in Ziploc bags, and liquid medications should be

in sealed containers.

The following items cannot be accepted: needles (sharps), illicit drugs, medical waste, or IV bags.

The locations are:

Ojai Police Department: 402 S. Ventura St. Ojai, Ca.

Fillmore Police Department: 524 Sespe Ave. Fillmore, Ca.

Headquarters Station: 800 S. Victoria Ave. Ventura, Ca.

Camarillo Police Department: 3701 Las Posas Rd. Camarillo, Ca.

Thousand Oaks Police Department: 2101 E. Olsen Rd. Thousand Oaks, Ca.

Moorpark Police Department: 610 Spring Rd. Moorpark, Ca.

In addition to Saturday's event, residents can dispose of their medications throughout the year during business hours at any of the stations in the county because every day is drug take back day.

For more information on prescription drug take-back and the Ventura County Rx and Heroin Workgroup, visit <http://venturacountylimits.org/en/prevention/prescription-otc>.

Prepared by: Sgt. Denise Sliva
News Release Date: September 15, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Denise Sliva (805) 947-9258
Approved by: Capt. John Reilly

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9/15/2015 12:42:00 PM

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Prepared by: Detective Jarrod Foote #4423

News Release Date: 09/14/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Francisco Jauregui #4427 @ 805-677-8734 or Francisco.Jauregui@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Patti Salas

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Convenience Store Robberies

9/16/2015 8:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Convenience Store Robberies

Report Number(s): 152034301 & 152036418

Location: Mobil Gas (445 N. Ventu Park Road)
7-11 Gas (609 Rancho Conejo Boulevard)

Date & Time: Mobil Gas 09/11/2015 @ 9:20 PM
7-11 Gas 09/15/2015 @ 9:31 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department / East County Major Crimes

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S): African American

City of Residence

Unknown

Age

40-55

Narrative:

On September 11th 2015, police officers assigned to the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to Mobil Gas, located at 445 N. Ventu Park Road, regarding a robbery that had just occurred in the convenient mart of the gas station.

The suspect entered the store, approached the front counter with his hands in his front sweatshirt pocket, and told the clerk he had a gun. The suspect demanded money from the clerk and was handed an undisclosed amount of cash. The suspect fled the location on foot.

On September 15, 2015, Thousand Oaks officers responded to 711 Gas, located at 609 Rancho Conejo Boulevard, regarding an additional robbery involving the same suspect from Mobil Gas four days prior. The suspect approached the front counter of the convenient store and demanded money from both cash registers. No weapon was used during the robbery, however, the store clerk noticed a bulge in the suspect's waistband and believed he was armed with a handgun. As the clerk was handing the suspect money from one of the registers, a customer exited the store's restroom, which frightened the suspect. The suspect left the location on foot with an undisclosed amount of cash.

The suspect was described as an African American male, 40-55 years old, approximately 5'10" and 220 lbs. He had a mustache and goatee, black hair and was wearing jeans and a dark blue sweatshirt with the hood over his head. The suspect wore the same blue-hooded sweatshirt during both reported robberies.

The store clerks were not injured during the robberies and the suspect is still outstanding. The Thousand Oaks Police Department requests that no member of the public approach this suspect if he is located and to immediately call 9-1-1 for the assistance of law enforcement. Anyone with information about these robberies or the identification of this suspect is encouraged to contact Detective Hutton immediately at (805) 947-8113.

Prepared by: Detective William Hutton

News Release Date: 09/15/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective William Hutton
william.hutton@ventura.org
805-947-8113

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

Ventura County Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 reward for information, which leads to the arrest and criminal complaint against the person(s) responsible for this crime. The caller may remain anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

IRS Phone Scam Involving Law Enforcement

9/16/2015 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: IRS Phone Scam involving Law Enforcement

Location: City of Moorpark

Date & Time: September 16, 2015 @ 3:00PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Beat Coordinator Unit

Narrative:

Email is not the only way criminals try to attack and steal your identity.

Moorpark is experiencing an IRS phone scam involving people claiming to be Moorpark Police staff. They even adjust their caller-ID information to make it appear that they are legitimately calling from the Moorpark Police Department (805-532-2700). The scammers say that, you have an arrest warrant for unpaid tax bills owed to the treasury department. They state that you must repay this debt by using their specific instructions or they will be at your house in 20 minutes.

Beating this scam involves knowing what the IRS will and will not do. The IRS does not use telephone calls unless you have first received a bill for unpaid taxes, and the Agency will never force you to use specific payment methods -- especially those that happen to be untraceable. This would include the purchase of 'Green Dot' money cards and making payments through the cards, or send money via Western Union. Moreover, threatening tactics like bringing in law enforcement are not part of the IRS' arsenal of debt-collection capabilities.

In May of 2014, the Moorpark Police Department created a Phone Scam Hotline. This hotline was developed to provide Moorpark citizens with the latest information on various scams affecting residents of Moorpark. The hotline provides information in Spanish or English, and if residents wish to speak to an investigator, they can leave a message and their call will be returned promptly. The information on the hotline will be updated as changes occur in the types of scams occurring in Moorpark.

The Moorpark Police Department's Phone Scam Hotline can be reached by dialing **805-299-1566** and pressing 1 for Spanish or staying on the line for English. As a reminder, residents should call 911 for any emergencies, and for non-emergencies call 805-654-9511. To reach the Moorpark Police Department general number at 610 Spring Road, Moorpark CA. please call 805-532-2700.

Prepared by: Sr. Dep. Beat Coordinator Robert Berger

Media Release Date: September 16, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sr. Dep. Robert Berger 805-620-8771

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Suspect Arrested on Domestic Violence Related Charges

9/16/2015 7:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Suspect Arrested on Domestic Violence Related Charges

Report Number: 15-2036220

Location: 13000 Blk., Deering Ln. Moorpark, CA. 93021

Date & Time: September 15, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department, Ventura County Sheriff's East County Major Crimes, Sheriff's Crime Scene Investigations Unit, Ventura County Fire Department, American Medical Response (AMR)

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Tarter, Brian	Moorpark	36
(V) Female	Moorpark	37

Narrative:

On September 15, 2015, at approximately 2:00 PM, a citizen notified deputies at the Moorpark Police station that a domestic violence incident occurred between (S) Tarter and his girlfriend. The witness last saw the couple driving in the area of Los Angeles Ave. and Spring Rd. in the City of Moorpark. The subsequent extensive search and investigation lead deputies to the 13000 block of Deering Lane where they were able to speak with the victim and establish that various crimes had occurred. (S) Tarter was located inside the residence and was arrested without incident. (S) Tarter was arrested on charges of kidnapping, making criminal threats, and domestic violence. He was booked into the East County Jail Facility with a bail of \$250,000.

Prepared by: Detective Darin Yanover

News Release Date: September 16, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective William Hutton @ 805-494-8223

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Tragic Death of Off-Duty Sheriff's Sergeant

9/16/2015 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Tragic Death of Off-Duty Sheriff's Sergeant

Report Number: N/A

Location: Zion National Park, Utah

Date & Time: 09/16/2015 @ 4:30 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Administration

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(D) Robert 'Steve' Arthur

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

58

Narrative:

On behalf of the family of Steve and Linda Arthur, Sheriff Geoff Dean is saddened to announce the death of Ventura County Sheriff's Sergeant Steve Arthur. On Monday, September 14, 2015, Steve Arthur and his wife Linda were hiking in Zion National Park in Utah when a series of flash floods hit the area. On September 16, 2015, Steve was positively identified as one of the victims. Linda Arthur is still missing and a recovery effort is on-going.

Steve Arthur was a 21-year veteran of the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and was assigned to the Camarillo Police Department as the Traffic Supervisor. Steve was known for his tireless efforts working with local youth both on and off duty and possessed a huge compassion for humanity. Steve is survived by his three adult children and seven grandchildren. Please keep the Arthur family in your thoughts and prayers.

For details of the events in Utah please contact the United States National Park Service at (435) 703-3836

Prepared by: Captain John Reilly

News Release Date: September 16, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain John Reilly (805) 947-6782

Sergeant Denise Sliva (805) 947-9258

Approved by:

Undersheriff Gary Pentis

###

Tsunami Advisory Issued for Ventura County Coastline

9/16/2015 9:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Tsunami Advisory issued for Ventura County Coastline

Location: Ventura County Coastline

Date & Time: 9/16/15 / 9:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office
Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services

Narrative:

On Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 6:43 PM, the National Weather Service issued a Tsunami Advisory for the Ventura County coastline in response to the magnitude 8.3 Earthquake in Chile. Ventura County residents that reside near the coastline or within the tsunami inundation zone are not being requested to evacuate at this time.

The National Weather Service is forecasting a minimal increase in wave heights beginning Thursday, September 17, 2015 from 5:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The increased wave heights are not anticipated to pose a threat or cause damage to the coastline. However, due to the potential for changing conditions, Ventura County residents near the coast should use extra caution in and around beaches. Mariners in the Channel Islands Harbor and Ventura Harbor should tune to weather radio for the latest information on impacts for our area. For updated information on this incident please visit the National Weather Service online at <http://nws.noaa.gov>.

Prepared by: Captain John Reilly

News Release Date: 9/16/15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain John Reilly, 805-947-6782

Approved by: Captain Romano Bassi

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Burglary Suspect Arrested

9/17/2015 11:35:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Burglary Suspect Arrested

Report Number: RB# 152036251

Location: 2000 block of Hillcrest Drive, Newbury Park

Date & Time: 09/15/2015 @ 4:00 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau / Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Ronald Mueller	Newbury Park	51

Narrative:

On September 15, 2015, The Ventura County Sheriff's Office arrested a suspect involved in burglaries occurring in Newbury Park.

On September 15, 2015, investigators from the Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau obtained information that a possible burglary suspect was currently in possession of stolen property. Investigators positively identified this suspect as Ronald Mueller, a resident of the Newbury Park area. Investigators with the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit assisted with the investigation and were able to identify other residences and locations associated with Mueller. Investigators eventually detained Mueller at a storage facility in Newbury Park. During a search of Mueller's storage locker, stolen property was recovered from two recent burglaries. A search of Mueller's residence resulted in the recovery of additional stolen property, methamphetamine and suspected cocaine. As a result of this investigation, Mueller was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Jail for two counts of 459 PC / Burglary. Other drug related charges are pending.

During the course of this investigation, Sheriff's Investigators worked in a collaborative effort with local businesses which assisted in positively identifying the suspect. There was additional suspected stolen property recovered during these searches and investigators are attempting to locate additional burglary victims. The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind its citizens to ensure they secure their residences, vehicles, and storage lockers in an effort to prevent burglaries and thefts.

Prepared by: Sergeant Peter Frank

Media Release Date: 09/17/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Michelle Kristol
805-494-8211

Approved by: Captain Ross Bonfiglio

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Burglary Suspect Arrested in Thousand Oaks

9/18/2015 9:30:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Burglary Suspect Arrested in Thousand Oaks

Report Number: RB# 152037756

Location: 1000 block of La Grange Ave, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: 09/18/2015 @ 12:40 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau / Thousand Oaks Police Patrol Services

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Brandon Stein

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

25

Narrative:

On September 18th, 2015, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office arrested a suspect involved in burglaries and thefts occurring in the City of Thousand Oaks.

On September 18th, 2015, Thousand Oaks Police patrol officers responded to a residence in the City of Thousand Oaks reference a residential burglary that occurred the night before. During their initial on-scene investigation, patrol officers were able to positively identify a suspect in this burglary. Patrol deputies contacted investigators with the Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau and provided this information to detectives. Within a short amount of time, patrol deputies located and detained the suspect, identified as Brandon Stein. Investigators were also aware Stein was a suspect in a recent forgery and theft that occurred in August of 2015. During a search of Stein, stolen property was located on his person. Investigators subsequently searched Stein's residence and located additional stolen property that linked him to other burglaries and thefts occurring within the City of Thousand Oaks. In addition, an amount of methamphetamine was located on Stein during his arrest. As a result of this investigation, Stein was arrested and booked into Ventura County Jail for 459 PC / Burglary, 470 PC / Forgery, 487(a) PC / Grand Theft , and 113377 (A) HS / Possession of methamphetamine

There was additional stolen property located during this investigation and investigators will continue to attempt to locate additional burglary and theft victims. This investigation will continue in an effort to return the stolen property to the victims and identify any other suspect (s) involved in criminal activity in Thousand Oaks.

Prepared by: Sergeant Peter Frank

Media Release Date: 09/18/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Laura Natoli
805-494-8226

Approved by: Captain Ross Bonfiglio

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Robbery Suspect Arrested

9/20/2015 10:40:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Robbery Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 152034301, 152036418, 152037627

Location(s): 1800 block Los Feliz Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: 09/19/2015 @ 11:30 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Thousand Oaks Major Crimes, Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit, Sheriff's Special Services Major Crimes/Special Crimes Unit, Camarillo Police Department/Special Enforcement Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Ronald Ashley Jr.

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

34

Narrative:

On September 19, 2015, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office arrested Ronald Ashley Jr. for a series of gas station robberies that occurred in the cities of Thousand Oaks and Camarillo.

Beginning on September 11, 2015, Investigators with the Thousand Oaks Police Department began connecting a series of robberies that occurred in Thousand Oaks and Camarillo. There were a total of three crimes that were connected. Information and evidence generated during the investigation identified Ronald Ashley Jr. as the prime suspect.

On September 19, 2015, at approximately 11:30 PM, Ronald Ashley Jr. was arrested in the area of the 1800 block of Los Feliz Drive in Thousand Oaks. Evidence related to the crimes was also recovered at the time of the arrest. Investigators believe Ashley is responsible for three recent gas station robberies in Ventura County, and are not ruling out the possibility there might be more.

Ashely Jr. was booked into custody at the Ventura County Main Jail for three counts of 2nd degree robbery. Ashley Jr.'s bail is currently set at 500,000 dollars. He is scheduled to be arraigned in Superior Court on September 22, 2015.

Prepared by: Sergeant Alan Hartkop

Media Release Date: September 20, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy William Hutton
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

290 Compliance Checks

9/21/2015 6:35:00 PM

Nature of Incident: 290 PC Compliance Checks

Location: Thousand Oaks and East County Unincorporated Areas

Date & Time: September 19, 2015

Unit Responsible: East and West County Major Crimes Sexual Assault Units

Narrative:

On September 19, 2015, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office conducted 49 compliance checks of registered sex offenders as part of the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE) grant. Section 290 of the California Penal Code requires persons convicted of specified sexual assault crimes to register with the agency where they reside.

37 of the 49 registered sex offenders were in compliance with their registration requirement. 12 of the registrants were not home and detectives will follow-up to determine if the registrants have moved or are out-of-compliance.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office will be conducting similar sweeps randomly throughout the county to verify registered sex offenders are living at their reported residence along with conducting probation and/or parole searches of registered sex offenders who are on probation and/or parole.

Residents of Ventura County can visit the Megan's Law website (www.meganslaw.ca.gov) to familiarize themselves with the sex registrants in their neighborhood. It is also important to speak with your children regarding strangers and possible encounters with known/unknown sex offenders.

Prepared by: Sergeant Robert Fleming

Media Release Date: September 21, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Ryan Clark (805) 384-4721

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith / Sheriffs Major Crimes Bureau

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Human Remains Found in Santa Clara River Bottom

9/21/2015 4:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Human Remains Found in Santa Clara River Bottom

Report Number: 15-2037987

Location: Santa Clara River bottom, South of US101

Date & Time: September 18, 2015 4:30pm

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent

(V) Unknown

City of Residence

Unknown

Age

Unknown

Narrative:

On the afternoon of Friday, September 18th, detectives with the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau received information of a dead body in the Santa Clara Riverbed west of Oxnard. Detectives responded and searched the area. Due to poor lighting conditions, investigators had to secure the area and return the next morning. On Saturday, investigators located and recovered a set of human remains. As of the writing of this release, the body remains unidentified.

Prepared by: Sergeant Cary Peterson

News Release Date: September 21, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Cary Peterson

(805) 384-4744

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Deputies Make Arrest During In-progress Vehicle Burglary

9/24/2015 5:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Deputies Make Arrest During In-progress Vehicle Burglary

Report Number: 152040475

Location: 1200 Block of Ocean Drive, Oxnard

Date & Time: 9/23/2015 @ 0625 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Headquarters Patrol

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent

(S) Ledbetter, Thomas

City of Residence

Ventura

Age

22

Narrative:

On September 23, 2015 Headquarters patrol deputies responded to a vehicle burglary in progress on Ocean Drive in Oxnard. The deputies arrived and found the victim of the vehicle burglary detaining a suspect. The suspect was identified as Ventura resident Thomas Ledbetter.

The victim was preparing for work, saw suspect Ledbetter in his vehicle and confronted him. A physical altercation ensued and the victim detained the suspect until deputies arrived on scene. The victim and suspect received injuries and were treated and released.

Ledbetter was found to be in possession of the victim's property. Additional stolen property was recovered that belonged to additional victims. Sheriff Detectives are completing a follow-up investigation to locate possible victims.

Thomas Ledbetter was booked for vehicle burglary, possession of stolen property and felony battery at the Ventura County Main Jail. His bail was set at \$40,000.00. Ledbetter will be arraigned on September 25, 2015 at 1:30 PM.

Prepared by:

Brian Richmond, Sergeant

News Release Date: 9/24/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jon Smith, (805) 662-6770

Approved by: Chris Dunn, Commander

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###

Theft from Vehicle Suspect arrested in Thousand Oaks

9/24/2015 5:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Theft from Vehicle Suspect arrested in Thousand Oaks

Report Number: RB # 152040441

Location: 3000 block of West Sierra Drive, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: 09/23/15 @ 1:40 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Patrol / Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau / Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit.

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Kenneth Koffi

City of Residence

Simi Valley

Age

19

Narrative:

On September 23rd 2015, The Ventura County Sheriff's Office arrested a suspect involved in several vehicle thefts occurring in the City of Thousand Oaks.

On September 23rd 2015, at about 1:40 AM, a Thousand Oaks citizen observed an unknown subject rummaging through a vehicle. This alert citizen immediately called the Thousand Oaks Police Department. Thousand Oaks Police officers quickly arrived on scene and located the suspect. The suspect fled the area, but was quickly caught and detained.

During the initial in-field investigation, property was located on the suspect, identified as Kenneth Koffi, which was identified as being stolen from several other unlocked vehicles in the area. Koffi was subsequently arrested and booked into the Ventura Jail for a variety of charges including theft from vehicles, possession of stolen property and resisting arrest.

Detectives with the Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau conducted a follow-up investigation and were able to secure a search warrant for Koffi's residence. During the search of Koffi's residence, detectives located additional property believed to be stolen, and evidence that Koffi was involved in the sales of illegal drugs.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind residents of the importance of locking car doors and not storing valuables inside vehicles. Most thefts from vehicles are crimes of opportunity and

can be prevented by taking a few easy precautions. Additionally, please report any suspicious persons or activities to the police. The willingness of the witness to notify police was instrumental in the successful apprehension of this suspect.

Prepared by: Sergeant Pete Frank

Media Release Date: 09/24/15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jerin Widofsky
805-494-8211

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Parental Abduction

9/28/2015 4:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Parental Abduction

Report Number: 15-2043000

Location: El Rio area of Oxnard, CA

Date & Time: 9/27/2015 at 3:30 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Headquarters Patrol and Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Rey, Summer	Oxnard	19
Rodriguez, Daniel	Oxnard	24

Narrative:

On September 27, 2015, Headquarters patrol deputies responded to a child custody call for service in El Rio. Deputies quickly determined that during monitored visitation, Summer Rey and her boyfriend, Daniel Rodriguez, took Rey's nine month old child in violation of a court order.

Patrol deputies and Major Crimes Detectives searched several locations in the El Rio and Oxnard area and discovered information that Rey and Rodriguez were headed to Mexico with the child. The Department of Homeland Security was alerted and several hours later, Rey and Rodriguez were detained and arrested at the San Ysidro Border Station. Rey and Rodriguez were returned to Ventura County without incident and they were booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility. The child was unharmed and was returned to his father.

Prepared by: Sergeant Ian Laughlin

News Release Date: 9-28-2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Steve Jenkins (805) 384-4745

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Stabbing Suspect Arrested

9/30/2015 5:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stabbing Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 152043130

Location(s): 100 Block of Rolling Oaks Drive , Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: 09/28/2015 @ 01:15 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Major Crimes, Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Jimmy Alberto Flores-Chay

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

27

Narrative:

On September 28th 2015, at approximately 01:15 A.M., deputies assigned to the Thousand Oaks Police Station responded to the 100 block of Rolling Oaks Drive in Thousand Oaks to investigate a stabbing. Upon their arrival, deputies located a victim with a large laceration to his hand. The victim was transported to Los Robles Medical Center, where he was treated for non-life threatening injuries.

During the investigation, Thousand Oaks Police Major Crimes Detectives began gathering information and collecting evidence, which identified Jimmy Flores-Chay as the prime suspect.

On September 28th 2015, at approximately 08:30 PM, members of the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit arrested Flores-Chay in the area of the 400 block of Moorpark Road in Thousand Oaks. Evidence related to the crime was also recovered at the time of the arrest.

Flores-Chay was booked into custody at the East County Jail for assault with a deadly weapon. Flores-Chay's bail is currently set at \$100,000 dollars. He is scheduled to be arraigned in Superior Court on September 30th 2015.

Prepared by: Detective James Sullivan
Media Release Date: September 30th 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective James Sullivan
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Arson of a Structure

10/1/2015 2:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arson of a Structure

Report Number: 152044742

Location: Planned Parenthood 1200 W. Hillcrest Drive in Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: Wednesday, September 30th at approximately 11:30 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Arson Unit, Major Crimes Unit and Ventura County Fire Department Arson Investigation Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Unknown		

Narrative:

On 9/30/15, at about 11:30 PM, Ventura County Fire Department personnel were dispatched to a commercial fire alarm at the Planned Parenthood building, which is located at 1200 W. Hillcrest Drive in Thousand Oaks. Upon their arrival, Fire Department personnel found the building's fire sprinkler system activated. Thousand Oaks Patrol personnel were also dispatched to the location and arrived seconds later. During the initial inspection of the scene by patrol deputies and firefighters it was believed the fire was suspicious. At that time, arson investigators for both the Sheriff's Office and Ventura County Fire Department were summoned to the scene.

After a thorough inspection of the fire scene, investigators determined an unknown suspect wearing clothing to protect his identity crudely threw a large piece of masonry through a window on the south side of the building. The suspect then introduced a flammable liquid into the broken window and used an open flame to ignite the flammable liquid. Within a minute, the building's fire sprinkler system was activated and extinguished the fire. The fire was contained to a small area of one office, but there was a large amount of water damage to the floor area of the first floor. Based on the evidence at the scene, investigators have been able to establish the cause of the fire as arson.

The suspect's motive is unknown and investigators are asking the public for their assistance. Anyone with information regarding this fire is encouraged to contact Detective Michael Rompal at (805) 383-8743 or Michael.rompal@ventura.org. Anyone who wishes to remain anonymous can contact Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-TIPS (8477).

Prepared by: Detective Michael Rompal

News Release Date: October 1st, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Tim Lohman (805) 947-8255 or
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Captain John Reilly (805) 947-6782 or
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Approved by: Captain Todd Inglis

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Gas Station Robbery

10/1/2015 2:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Gas Station Robbery

Report Number: 15-2041022

Location: Chevron, 522 Las Posas Road in Camarillo

Date & Time: September 24, 2015 @ 01:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

(S1) Unknown

(S2) Unknown

Narrative:

On September 24, 2015, at approximately 0130 hours, the Chevron gas station, 522 North Las Posas Road in Camarillo, was robbed.

Two suspects confronted the store clerk and demanded money. No weapons were produced and no one was injured during the robbery. An undisclosed amount of cash was taken.

The first suspect was described as a Hispanic male, in his 20's, approximately 6' tall, between 160-170 pounds, with short black hair and a mustache. He was wearing a dark colored baseball hat, dark t-shirt with a gray shirt around his neck and dark jeans.

The second suspect was described as a Hispanic male, in his 20's, approximately 5'6" tall, between 220-230 pounds, with short black hair. He was wearing a black baseball hat, faded black t-shirt with a white shirt around his neck and dark jeans. The second suspect also had a tattoo of a star and letter "H" on his left hand resembling the logo for the Houston Astros baseball team.

The suspects were driving a dark colored four door sedan with major rear end damage to the trunk area.

The Camarillo Police Department is seeking the public's assistance in identifying the above listed suspects. Any information can be directed to Detective Patrick Hawthorne at 805-388-5119 or Ventura County Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS / www.venturacountycrimestoppers.org.

Prepared by: Detective Patrick Hawthorne #3384

News Release Date: September 29, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Patrick Hawthorne
805-388-5119

Approved by: Captain Rubright

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###

Fraudulently Obtained Vehicles

10/2/2015 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fraudulently Obtained Vehicles

Report Number: 15-2045020

Location: 300 Block of Rolling Oaks Drive, Thousand Oaks, Ca.

Date & Time: 10/1/2015 @ 1:30 PM

Unit Responsible: City of Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit, City of Thousand Oaks Patrol

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Lewis, Kenneth

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

42

Narrative:

On September 29, 2015, City of Thousand Oaks Patrol deputies were patrolling the area of Rolling Oaks Drive just west of Los Padres Drive when they located two stolen vehicles parked next to each other. Deputies located a 2012 Dodge Charger that was stolen out of San Bernadino County and a 2008 Maserati that was stolen out of Florida. Through the patrol deputies investigation they were able to link the two vehicles to Kenneth Lewis.

On October 1, 2015, a detective with the City of Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit (SEU) discovered Kenneth Lewis has multiple aliases and was currently on parole in the State of California for carrying a concealed weapon, and wanted in the state of Texas for a violation of parole.

At approximately 1:30 PM, SEU detectives went to Kenneth Lewis' residence to conduct a parole search and arrest Lewis for the parole violation in Texas. Lewis was contacted and arrested inside his residence. During a search of the residence, detectives located over \$65,000 in cash, a semi-automatic handgun, keys to multiple high end vehicles, and paperwork linking Lewis to a stolen Mercedes, stolen Jaguar, and a stolen Chevrolet Silverado. These additional three stolen vehicles and the Dodge Charger, mentioned above, were fraudulently obtained in cities throughout California. The Dodge Charger, Maserati, and Chevrolet Silverado were all recovered in the City of Thousand Oaks. The Mercedes and Jaguar were recovered at Los Angeles International Airport. Detectives with the San Bernadino County Sheriff's Office and the California Highway Patrol responded and assisted with the

investigation.

Kenneth Lewis was arrested for five counts of 10851(a) VC ' Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, 29800(a)(1) PC ' Felon in possession of a firearm, 11377(a) H&S ' Possession of a controlled substance, and 3056 PC ' Parole Hold. Lewis was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility with a \$1,000,000 bail; he is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on October 5, 2015, at 1:30 PM

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: October 2, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Dillan Alvarez
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(805) 797-7142

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Academy Graduation

10/6/2015 2:55:00 PM

Nature of Incident:

Report Number:

Location:

Date & Time:

Unit(s) Responsible:

Narrative:

Sheriff Geoff Dean is pleased to announce the graduation of the Ventura County Criminal Justice Training Center's Academy Class #2015-1. The graduation ceremony will be held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, October 9, 2015, at the Oxnard Performing Arts and Convention Center, 800 Hobson Way, Oxnard, California. The guest speaker for the graduation ceremony will be State Assembly member Jacqui Irwin, who represents California's 44th Assembly District.

The recruits have completed 24 weeks of instruction provided through the combined efforts of local law enforcement agencies and other criminal justice entities. The intense training and education prepares these recruits for the responsibilities of serving their communities as peace officers.

Please see below for the names of the graduating recruits and their respective agencies.

ACADEMY ROSTER

Basic Academy Class #2015-1

Graduating Recruits

CALIFORNIA CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jackson Tran

OXNARD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Fernando Espinosa

Anthony Golia

Victor Gonzalez

Evan Howard

Timothy Roberts

Alex Smith

SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Kristin Kim

Hakeem Moradeyo

Gareth Neumann

Brittney Rohrs

Anthony Tornello

SIMI VALLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Matthew Gage

VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Aric Almaguer

Alina Davis

James Dillard

Miguel Espinoza

Edward Kasper

Michael Rodriguez

VENTURA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Danny Brutz

Abraham Bueno

Nathan Carpenter

Justin Doering

Maxwell Ellis

Daniel Esters

Julian Fergerson

Amanda Foster

Steven McIntire

Conrad Meadows

Katherine Mindrup

Miguel Munguia

Spencer Nagy

Cody Pietro

Terry Ruppel Jr.

Brett Suliga

Prepared by:

Sergeant Cecil Valenti

Media Release Date:

October 6, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact:

Captain Dave Murray (805) 383-4744

Approved by:

Captain Dave Murray

###

Armed Robbery Suspect Arrested in Camarillo

10/6/2015 7:55:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Armed Robbery Suspect Arrested in Camarillo

Report Number: 15-2046924

Location: Pizza Hut at 210 Arneill Rd, Camarillo

Date & Time: October 5, 2015 at 9:45 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol, Camarillo Investigations Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Hurdle, Rashawn Laron

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

31

Narrative:

On October 5, 2015, Camarillo deputies arrested (S) Rashawn Hurdle for one count of armed robbery.

On October 5, 2015, at 9:45 AM, an employee of the Pizza Hut, located at 210 Arneill Road, in Camarillo was robbed at gunpoint in the rear parking lot of the business. The employee was leaving the store to deposit monies from the store's weekend sales and was confronted by Hurdle after entering his vehicle. Hurdle knocked on the employee's car door window and demanded he hand over the money. The employee refused and Hurdle lifted his shirt and displayed a gun in his waistband. The employee refused again and began to back out of his parking stall. Hurdle broke the employee's driver's window, reached into the vehicle and took the bank deposit bag containing an undisclosed amount of money. Hurdle was last seen fleeing northbound on Arneill Road.

The employee immediately called 911 and provided a description of the robbery suspect. Deputies responding to the call observed a possible suspect in a dark colored vehicle, driving westbound on Ponderosa Drive. A few minutes later, a Camarillo detective responding to the call observed a subject, similar to the suspect description, standing in the intersection of Valle Lindo and Ponderosa Drive. The detective saw that the subject appeared to be looking around frantically. The detective turned his vehicle around to make contact with the subject and the subject began to run away. The detective was able to stop and detain the subject. The officer who saw the possible suspect leaving the area identified the subject the detective had detained as the same person. The robbery victim also identified the subject being detained as the robbery suspect.

Detectives checked the area for the suspect vehicle and located the car a short distance away. The vehicle, which was registered to Hurdle, was found to contain evidence from the robbery.

No one was injured during the robbery.

Hurdle was booked at the Pre Trial Detection Facility for first degree armed robbery. His bail was set at \$100,000.00.

Prepared by: Sergeant Pete O'Sullivan

News Release Date: October 5, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Scott Norris @ (805) 947-8314

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright



Negligent Discharge of a Firearm, Suspect Arrested

10/6/2015 4:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Negligent Discharge of a Firearm, Suspect Arrested

Report Number: RB#152045942

Location: 400 Block Bard Street, Moorpark, CA, 93021

Date & Time: 10/03/15 @ 02:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department, Ventura County Sheriff's East County Major Crimes, Ventura County Sheriff's Crime Scene Investigations Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Pasos, Kelley

City of Residence

Moorpark

Age

25

Narrative:

On October 03, 2015, a City of Moorpark resident Kelley Pasos was arrested for negligently discharging a firearm in a residential neighborhood and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

On Saturday morning at approximately 2:30 AM, officers with the Moorpark Police Department responded to a suspicious circumstances call where gunshots were fired in the 400 block of Bard Street. Officers arrived on scene and verified that a shooting had occurred, but the circumstances regarding the incident were not clear. Officers determined no one was injured and an investigation was followed.

Detectives with the Moorpark Police Department and the Ventura County Sheriff's East County Major Crimes investigated the matter and determined the gunshots were fired in the air by Kelley Pasos, a convicted felon residing in the City of Moorpark. A search warrant was served and evidence related to the crime was located and recovered. Kelley Pasos was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Jail. Pasos' bail was set at \$50,000.00 dollars pending his arraignment in Superior Court.

Prepared by: Sergeant Alan Hartkop

News Release Date: October 06, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective William Hutton

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william.hutton@ventura.org

Approved by:

Stephen Wade, Captain

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###

Start Smart Program

10/8/2015 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Start Smart Program

Location: Camarillo Police Station Community Room

Date & Time: Thursday, October 22nd , 2015, 5:30 p.m. ' 8:30 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Traffic Unit

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department will be hosting a program to educate newly licensed and future drivers.

The 'Start Smart' Program is a cooperative effort between the California Highway Patrol, Camarillo Police Department, teenage drivers, and their parents/guardians.

In an attempt to remain proactive and not reactive, Start Smart is designed to help young drivers and their parents/guardians understand the responsibilities associated with driving a motor vehicle. Start Smart will show how a poor choice behind the wheel can change the lives of everyone involved. Our goal is to raise awareness and reduce the number of teen-related injuries and deaths due to traffic collisions.

For reservations, please call the Camarillo Police Department Community Resource Unit at **(805)388-5155**. Space is limited to 20 students and their parents/guardians. Parent / guardian attendance is required for student to receive a certificate. There is no charge to attend the program.

Prepared by: Deputy Dan Turock

Media Release Date: Thursday, October 8th , 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Dan Turock (805) 388-5121

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Arrest of Burglary / Theft from Vehicles Suspect

10/9/2015 6:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Burglary / Theft from Vehicles Suspect

Report Number: 152048120 / 152038063

Location: City of Thousand Oaks, City of Camarillo, City of Oxnard

Date & Time: 9/18/15 to 10/8/15

Unit Responsible: City of Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit and City of Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau.

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Rodriguez, Michael

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks / Ventura

Age

45

Narrative:

On October 9, 2015, Michael Rodriguez was arrested after a three week long investigation for committing numerous vehicle burglaries and thefts from vehicles in the cities of Thousand Oaks, Camarillo, and Oxnard.

Detectives with the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit (SEU) and Investigations Bureau conducted an investigation into Michael Rodriguez after video evidence linked him to a vehicle burglary that occurred in the 300 block of Moorpark Road in the city of Thousand Oaks. Through their investigation, detectives were able to link Michael Rodriguez to additional burglaries and thefts from vehicles in the cities of Thousand Oaks, Camarillo, and Oxnard.

Michael Rodriguez is a habitual offender in Ventura County. In addition to the charges he was arrested for today, he currently has three open cases in Ventura County Superior Court. In November 2013, Rodriguez was arrested for 11377(a) H&S ' Possession of a Controlled Substance and 11364.1(a) H&S ' Possession of drug paraphernalia. In February of 2014, Rodriguez was arrested for 2 counts of 459 PC ' Burglary, 466 PC ' Possession of burglary tools, 32 PC ' Accessory to a crime, 11377(a) H&S ' Possession of a controlled substance, and 11364.1(a) H&S ' Possession of drug paraphernalia. In September 2014, Rodriguez was arrested for 466 PC ' Possession of burglary tools, and 148(a)(1) PC ' Resisting or delaying an officer. Rodriguez was currently out on bail for all three of the above mentioned cases.

Michael Rodriguez was arrested for 459 PC ' Burglary, 487(a) PC ' Grand Theft, 496 PC ' Possession of stolen property, and 484(a) PC ' Theft. Rodriguez was booked into the Sheriff's Office Pre-Trial Detention Facility and is being held on \$200,000 bail. Rodriguez is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on October 13, 2015.

Thefts from vehicles, open garages, and front porches (package deliveries) continue to be one of the highest reported crimes in the city. The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind the community to lock their cars, avoid leaving items of value in their cars, and to collect their delivered packages as soon as possible.

Thousand Oaks Police SEU and the Investigative Bureau are still attempting to identify the owners of several recovered items. If you believe you were the victim of a burglary or theft from your open garage or vehicle during the early morning hours of September 18, 2015 through October 8, 2015, please contact Detective Kelly Roark at 805-494-8219 or email kelly.roark@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: October 9, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Kelly Roark
kelly.roark@ventura.org
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Stabbing Suspect Arrested

10/13/2015 4:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stabbing Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 15-2050983

Location: 900 Block Westcreek Lane, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: October 12, 2015 @ 9:15 pm

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department, Thousand Oaks Police Major Crimes, Sheriff's Special Services Major Crimes, Ventura County Sheriff's Crime Scene Investigations Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Jalon Berrios

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

31

Narrative:

On October 12, 2015, a city of Thousand Oaks resident, Jalon Berrios, was arrested for stabbing a known acquaintance during an argument.

Officers from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to the Westcreek Apartments regarding a call of an assault with a deadly weapon that had just occurred. Officers arrived on scene and contacted the victim who had injuries consistent with being stabbed. The victim was transported to the Los Robles Hospital Emergency Room for treatment. His injuries were not life threatening.

The victim told responding officers that a known suspect, Jalon Berrios, had committed the stabbing. Patrol officers later located and arrested Berrios for attempted murder. Berrios was booked into the Ventura County Jail. Berrios' bail was set at \$500,000.00 dollars pending his arraignment in Superior Court.

Prepared by: Deputy Jeff Oswald

Media Release Date: October 13, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective William Hutton
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William.hutton@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Death in Ojai Valley Leads to Drug Arrest

10/14/2015 2:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Death in Ojai Valley Leads to Drug Arrest

Report Number: 15-2040620, 15-2051445

Location: Ojai, CA; Oak View, CA

Date & Time: September 23, 2015; October 13, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit
Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau
Ojai Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(P) Dallas Wilson	Oak View	37
(S) Dayn Manson	Oak View	32

Narrative:

On September 23, 2015, deputies from the Ojai Police Station responded to a possible overdose death in the 10000 block of Oak Knoll Drive, Ojai. Deputies learned the decedent's name was Dallas Wilson. Evidence recovered at the scene indicated Wilson possibly died from a heroin overdose. Investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau and the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit responded to the scene. Investigators identified a probable source of Wilson's heroin as Dayn Manson.

On October 13, 2015, Manson was stopped driving his vehicle near his home in Oak View. He had his two young children with him. Manson was found to be under the influence of heroin and in possession of heroin. Manson was arrested for possession of heroin for sale, under the influence of heroin, and child endangerment. Investigators interviewed Manson and gained additional information connecting him to Wilson.

Manson was booked into the Ventura County Main Jail on the charges stemming from the traffic stop. His bail is currently set at \$55,000 and his court date for those charges is October 15, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.

Separate charges such as manslaughter and drug dealing resulting in great bodily injury are pending toxicology results from Wilson's autopsy.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force made up of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, Thousand Oaks Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, the California Highway Patrol, and the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation. The primary mission of the task force is combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use. Information regarding criminal activity may be emailed to pharm.tip@ventura.org or called in to (805) 383-8700.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: October 14, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Rob Davidson
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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

###

Prescription / Rx Collection @ Leisure Village

10/14/2015 8:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Prescription / Rx Collection @ Leisure Village

Report Number:

Location: 200 Leisure Village Drive, Camarillo, Ca

Date & Time: October 17, 2015 / 10:00AM ' 3:00PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

On Saturday October 17, 2015, the Camarillo Police Department is partnering with Leisure Village Security for a fifth time, to collect unused / expired prescription medication from residents of the village. The Camarillo Police Department started its first prescription Rx collection at Leisure Village, in December of 2012. Knowing how difficult it is for some elderly residents to bring the unused / expired prescriptions to the drop off bin at the Police Station, the Camarillo Police Department has been bringing the collection to the residents. During the first four events, a total of 424 pounds of unused / expired prescription medication was collected. Based on the prior success, the Camarillo Police Department and Leisure Village Security are conducting additional collection events at least twice a year. The Camarillo Police Department would like to remind citizens that unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, and can lead to accidental overdose or abuse. Unused drugs that are flushed contaminate the water supply.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to thank the residents of Leisure Village and Leisure Village Security for their help in making our community a safer one. As a reminder, if you want to drop off unused / expired medications at the Camarillo Police Department or any other Sheriff sub-station, we have Pharmaceutical drop-off bins in all of our lobbies. The lobbies at each sub-station are open Monday-Friday from 8:00AM-5:00PM.

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi #2549

News Release Date: October 16, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John M. Franchi @ 805-388-5135

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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###

Theft Suspects Arrested

10/16/2015 4:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Theft Suspects Arrested

Report Number: 15-2052881

Location: 1700 block of Country Oaks Lane, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: October 16, 2015 @ 04:00 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Patrol Services / Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Christopher Mullins	Transient	25
(S) Anthony Engle	Simi Valley	19

Narrative:

On October 16, 2015, the Thousand Oaks Police Department arrested two suspects for thefts from vehicles occurring within the City of Thousand Oaks.

On October 16, 2015, at about 4:00 AM, an alert Thousand Oaks citizen noticed two suspicious male subjects walking around a local neighborhood. The citizen reported the suspicious activity to the Thousand Oaks Police Department who responded and contacted the two male subjects, later identified as Anthony Engle and Christopher Mullins. Both subjects were in possession of stolen property and were connected to a series of thefts from vehicles that had occurred in the area.

Mullins and Engle were subsequently arrested for numerous charges, including theft from a vehicle, prowling, possession of burglary tools, conspiracy to commit a crime, and vandalism. They were both booked into the Ventura County Jail. Each suspect's bail was set at \$20,000.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind its citizens to ensure their vehicles are locked and secure when parked in an effort to prevent thefts. Additionally, the Thousand Oaks Police Department urges its citizens to report any suspicious activity to police.

Prepared by: Sergeant Peter Frank

Media Release Date: October 16, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Michael Crone
805-494-8225

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Prescription / Rx Collection Results @ Leisure Village

10/17/2015 8:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Prescription / Rx Collection Results @ Leisure Village

Report Number:

Location: 200 Leisure Village Drive, Camarillo, Ca

Date & Time: October 17, 2015 / 5:00PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

On Saturday October 17, 2015, between 10:00 AM and 3:00 PM, the Camarillo Police Department partnered with Leisure Village Security a fifth time, to collect unused / expired prescription medication from residents of the village.

In five hours' time, 137.35 pounds of unused / expired medication was collected. This marked the largest one day collection at Leisure Village since the Camarillo Police Department started its first prescription Rx collection in December of 2012.

During the first four collections, a total of 424 pounds of unused / expired prescription medication was collected bringing the new overall total to 561.35 pounds.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to thank the residents of Leisure Village and Leisure Village Security for their help in making our community a safer one.

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi #2549

News Release Date: October 17, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John M. Franchi @ 805-388-5135

Approved by:

Captain Randy Downard

###

Sheriff's Deputies Participating in Tip-A-Cop Event For Special Olympics

10/19/2015 2:45:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Sheriff's Deputies Participating in Tip-A-Cop Event For Special Olympics

Location: Red Robin Restaurant ' 170 W. Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: Thursday, October 22, 2015 ' 5:00 p.m. ' 9:00 p.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

Ventura County Sheriff's deputies will take their oath to 'serve' and protect to a new level. They'll trade in their handcuffs and badges for menus and serving trays to assist servers at Red Robin Restaurant in Thousand Oaks on Thursday, October 22, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sheriff's professional staff and volunteers will also be on hand to assist deputies in support of the event. The public is invited to enjoy a great meal and then 'tip-a-cop.' Donations in the form of tips will benefit Ventura County Special Olympics. All tips are tax-deductible.

Ventura County Special Olympics offers training and competition opportunities in 10 different year-round sports to people with intellectual disabilities at over 20 different training sites throughout Ventura County. This program not only provides physical fitness from participating in athletic competitions, but also encourages social interaction and community involvement. Special Olympics athletes will be working with deputies as they serve customers at Tip-A-Cop.

Tip-A-Cop events are one of the main fundraisers for the Law Enforcement Torch Run. The Torch Run is part of a year-round, grassroots fundraising campaign by law enforcement agencies to benefit their local Special Olympics programs. The Torch Run makes its debut annually in the month of June when members of the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and Special Olympic Athletes carry the torch as it makes its way through Ventura County and continues to Long Beach for the start of the summer games.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Timothy Lohman

Media Release October 19, 2015

Date:

Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Timothy Lohman ' (805) 947-8255

Approved by: Captain John Reilly

###

Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Enhanced Enforcement Patrols

10/30/2015 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Enhanced Enforcement Patrols.

Report Number: N/A

Location: City of Moorpark.

Date & Time: October 31, 2015 from 8:00 PM to 3:00 AM.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department / Traffic Unit.

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

N/A

Narrative:

DUI Enforcement Operations Planned this Weekend

Moorpark, CA - Officers from the Moorpark Police Department's DUI Enforcement Team will be deploying this weekend to stop and arrest alcohol and drug-impaired drivers in the Department's ongoing traffic safety campaign. DUI Saturation Patrols will deploy on October 31, 2015 between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m. in areas with high frequencies of DUI collisions and/or arrests.

In California, this deadly crime led to 867 deaths and over 23,000 serious injuries in 2013 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Nationally, the latest data shows over 10,000 were killed by an impaired driver. Over the course of the past three years Moorpark officers have investigated forty-eight DUI collisions which have claimed no lives but resulted in nineteen (19) injuries.

Officers will be looking for signs of alcohol and/or drug impairment with officers checking drivers for proper licensing delaying motorists only momentarily. When possible, specially trained officers will be available to evaluate those suspected of drug-impaired driving, which now accounts for a growing number of impaired driving crashes.

Recent statistics reveal that 30 percent of drivers in fatal crashes had one or more drugs in their systems. A study of active drivers showed more tested positive for drugs that may impair driving (14 percent) than did for alcohol (7.3 percent). Of the drugs, marijuana was most prevalent, at 7.4 percent, slightly more than alcohol. Everyone should be mindful that if you're taking medication ' whether prescription or over-the-counter ' drinking even small amounts of alcohol can greatly intensify the impairment affects.

Law Enforcement emphasizes the preventable nature of drunk driving reminding everyone that all it takes is a little planning ahead. Designate a sober driver or call a cab. But whatever you do, don't drink and drive. The California Office of Traffic Safety DDVIP (Designated Driver VIP) mobile app is now available for free download on iOS and Android devices. Launched last year, the new DDVIP app offers enhanced features, allowing users to 'Map a Spot' with their current location to find DDVIP partnering establishments in their

area or a 'List of Spots' to search all participating bars and restaurants throughout California. Users will be offered free incentives at each bar to celebrate their life saving role. They can stay up-to-date with the latest from DDVIP and see what other users are saying via its social tab. Also through the app, for those who want to imbibe but also make it a point to plan ahead, users can easily order a sober ride from Uber, Lyft or Curb ' all from one screen.

The cost of a ride home is cheap, nothing compared to a \$10,000 DUI conviction and the 'inconvenience' of not driving your own car home is nothing compared to the inconvenience of spending time behind bars.

Funding for this DUI operation is provided to Moorpark Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, reminding everyone to 'Report Drunk Driver ' Call 9-1-1.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stokyo #2979

News Release Date: October 30, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko. (805)532-2711.
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Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Four Suspects Arrested for Theft of Mail

10/20/2015 8:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Four Suspects Arrested for Theft of Mail

Report Number: 152054889

Location: Katherine Road and Alta Vista Ridge Way, Simi Valley

Date & Time: October 20, 2015 / 3:00 A.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Moorpark Station Patrol & Detective Bureau and the United States Postal Inspection Service

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Melkonyan, Petros	Tarzana	26
Sakata, Derek	Winnetka	25
Holdgrafer, Alexis	Chatsworth	21
Female Juvenile	Chatsworth	17

Narrative:

Over the last few months the unincorporated area of the County located at the East end of Simi Valley has seen an increase in mail thefts where the suspect(s) were targeting residential mailboxes. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has been working with residents in the area to combat this problem, which led to a possible suspect vehicle being identified.

On October 20, 2015, at approximately 3:00 A.M., a Ventura County Deputy Sheriff working unformed patrol in the area of Santa Susana Park observed a vehicle matching the description of the possible suspect vehicle. The deputy stopped the vehicle and saw mail strewn throughout the interior of the car. There were four occupants inside the vehicle who were detained while an investigation was conducted. A search of the vehicle revealed approximately one hundred and fifty pieces of suspected stolen mail that included credit cards, checks and other personal information not belonging to any of the suspects. The majority of this mail had addresses in Simi Valley, Chatsworth, and Encino. The United States Postal Inspection Service was contacted and assisted with the investigation.

Based on the facts in the investigation, Petros Melkonyan was arrested for conspiracy to commit a crime, forgery, possession of stolen property, being under the influence of a controlled substance and is going to be charged in the Federal Court System for mail theft. Derek Sakata was arrested for conspiracy, possession of stolen property, being under the influence of a controlled substance and providing false information to a peace officer. Alexis Holdgrafer was arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance. The female juvenile was arrested for conspiracy, mail theft, possession of stolen property and

being under the influence of a controlled substance.

Melkonyan, Sakata and Holdgrafer were booked into the Ventura County Jail and the female juvenile was lodged at Juvenile Hall.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Wright

News Release Date: October 20, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Wright, (805) 797-7128

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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###

Robbery 'Suspect Arrested

10/20/2015 8:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Robbery Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 152045083

Location(s): Pizza Hut, 400 block of Reino Road, Newbury Park, CA

Date & Time: October 20, 2015 @ 10:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department, Thousand Oaks Police Major Crimes

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Pablo Acosta Reyes

City of Residence

Ventura

Age

25

Narrative:

On October 1st 2015, officers from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to the Pizza Hut located in the 400 block of Reino Road, Thousand Oaks in reference to a reported robbery. During the subsequent investigation, Thousand Oaks Police Major Crimes Detectives were able to identify Pablo Acosta Reyes as the suspect in the robbery.

On October 11th 2015, at approximately 5:30 PM, Officers assigned to the Oxnard Police Department located and arrested Reyes in the City of Oxnard. Reyes was arrested for an unrelated offense and booked into custody at the Ventura County Mail Jail. Evidence related to the robbery was recovered at the time of the arrest.

On October 20th 2015, detectives from the Thousand Oaks Police Department arrested and booked Reyes for additional charges including two counts of second degree robbery. Reyes' bail is currently set at 200,000 dollars. He is scheduled to be arraigned in Superior Court on October 22, 2015.

Prepared by: Detective James Sullivan
Media Release Date: October 13th 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective James Sullivan
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Church Burglaries / Public's Assistance Requested

10/23/2015 8:10:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Church Burglaries / Public's Assistance Requested

Report Number: 152050582 / 152054455 / 152054456

Location: 1200 block of La Venta Drive / 900 block of Rancho Conejo Boulevard /
1200 block of Las Posas Road

Date & Time: 10-11-15 @ 11:00PM / 10-18-15 / 10-19-15 @ 4:40 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) White male, blond/light brown hair,

City of Residence

Unknown

Age

25-30

5'8'-6'0', 180-200lbs, med-stocky build

Narrative:

Recently the Thousand Oaks Police Department has seen an increase in burglaries occurring at religious centers and churches. The unknown suspect shown in the attached photograph is connected to at least three of these burglaries occurring within Ventura County. These burglaries have resulted in the loss of property and several hundred dollars worth of damage to the structures. The suspect is believed to be a white male, mid to late twenties, 5'8'- 6'0', blond or light brown hair and a medium to stocky build. The suspect is also believed to be associated with a full size pickup truck similar to a Chevy Silverado.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is seeking the public's assistance in identifying the pictured suspect. Any information can be directed to Detective Michelle Kristol at (805)494-8211 or Detective Andja Marco at (805)494-8227.

Prepared by: Detective Michelle Kristol #3285

Media Release Date: October 23, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Michelle Kristol (805) 947-8281
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Juvenile Arrested for Child Pornography and Graffiti Vandalism

10/23/2015 9:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Juvenile Arrested for Child Pornography and Graffiti Vandalism

Report Number: 152056321 and 152049228

Location: Moorpark, CA 93021

Date & Time: October 22, 2015 / 9:00 A.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department Investigations Unit and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office East County Sex Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Male Juvenile	Moorpark, CA	15
(V) Male Juvenile	Moorpark, CA	15
(V) Female Juvenile	Moorpark, CA	16
(V) Female Juvenile	Simi Valley, CA	16

Narrative:

During the first week of October 2015, investigators with the Moorpark Police Department became aware of a video that had been placed on the internet depicting a juvenile male and juvenile female engaged in a sex act. The subsequent investigation revealed that a known juvenile suspect had taken two videos depicting other juveniles engaged in sex acts and placed one of them on the social media website 'Snapchat.' Detectives also discovered evidence connecting the suspect to multiple counts of graffiti vandalism that had been done throughout the city of Moorpark.

On October 22, 2015, a search warrant was served at the suspect's residence and the suspect was arrested for two counts of possession of child pornography, one count of invading a person's privacy and multiple counts of graffiti vandalism. The suspect was lodged into the Ventura County Juvenile Hall.

The Moorpark Police Department would like to remind parents it is imperative that they monitor their children's social interactions, their use of computers, cell phones, and similar electronic devices as well as their children's use of social media and other internet sites. Parents should also talk with their children about the dangers involved with the use of these electronic devices and internet sites and immediately

report any suspicious activity to law enforcement.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Wright

News Release Date: October 22, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Wright / (805) 797-7128

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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###

Mail Theft and Identity Theft Suspects Arrested

10/23/2015 12:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Mail theft and Identity Theft suspects arrested.

Report Number: 152056247

Location: 2000 Block of Willow Tree Court, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: October 22, 2015 @ 11:45 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Marissa Pryor

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

26

(S) Timothy Bunker

San Pedro

33

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau arrested two suspects for possession of stolen property and identity theft.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department has recently seen an increase in the amount of thefts from vehicles occurring in the city. On October 22, 2015, in an effort to address this recent increase in thefts, the Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau conducted probation searches at locations throughout the city. During a probation search at a residence in the 2000 block of Willow Tree Court, detectives located a large amount of suspected stolen mail with listed addresses in both Ventura and Los Angeles Counties. In addition, numerous blank checks and suspected stolen California identification cards were located. The two suspects located inside the residence, identified as Marissa Pryor and Timothy Bunker, were arrested for possession of stolen property and identity theft.

A subsequent investigation identified over fifty suspected mail theft victims in Ventura and Los Angeles Counties. The United States Postal Inspection Service was contacted and assisted with the investigation. Pryor and Bunker were booked into the Ventura County Jail. Each suspect's bail was set at \$50,000.

Thousand Oaks Police investigators will be conducting follow-up investigations in an attempt to identify other possible victims of mail theft and identity thefts perpetrated by these suspects. The Thousand Oaks

Police Department would like to remind all of its residents to be alert for and report any suspicious activity in the community or regarding their personal information.

Prepared by: Sergeant Pete Frank

Media Release Date: October 23, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Andja Marco
805-8227

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Virtual Ride-Along Presented by Headquarters Patrol Station

10/23/2015 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Virtual Ride-Along Presented by Headquarters Patrol Station

Location: Unincorporated Areas ' Ventura Area

Date & Time: October 27, 2015 3:00 p.m. ' 9:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Headquarters Station ' Unincorporated Areas Near Ventura

Narrative:

Please join our deputies on patrol by following the Headquarters Patrol Station Twitter account for a virtual six-hour patrol shift Tuesday, October 27, 2015.

- Have you ever wanted to go on a ride-along in a police car, with a deputy patrolling the unincorporated areas near Ventura'
- Are you interested in what type of crime or police activity may be occurring in your neighborhood'
- Have you been interested in pursuing a career in law enforcement and would like a sneak peek into the duties of a deputy sheriff on patrol'

These and many other interesting topics will be covered during the Virtual Ride-Along.

On October 27, 2015, followers of the Headquarters Station's Twitter account @vcsoventura will be able to participate in a 'Virtual Ride-Along' with the men and women who proudly serve and protect the citizens of our unincorporated areas of Saticoy, Nyeland Acres, El Rio, the Rincon, La Conchita, Silverstrand Beach, and Hollywood Beach.

From 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., the Headquarters Station will be 'tweeting' on its Twitter account calls for service, police activity, and photographs in what is known as a Virtual Ride-Along. This will be a unique inside view as to the activities of the patrol station and the types of calls deputies respond to. In addition to providing information on the type of calls, twitter followers will be provided with information, tips, and facts about how they can prevent becoming victims of crime and assist deputies and dispatchers by reporting crimes and suspicious activity.

An interactive feature will allow citizens to ask questions or comment during the Virtual Ride-Along by using a hashtag phrase. Twitter followers can use hashtag phrase #hqridealong to see Virtual Ride-Along posts, photos, videos, questions, comments, and more. Any citizens who follow on Twitter who ask questions or post comments during the Virtual Ride-Along are encouraged to add #hqridealong to their posts.

The goal is to provide awareness and education to community members and increase followers on our social media sites. The Headquarters Station Twitter currently has over 1,400 followers and is growing. Please follow us for the Virtual Ride-Along and more at <https://twitter.com/vcsoventura>

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has a Facebook and Instagram account that will also be providing information during the Headquarters Station Twitter account during the Virtual Ride Along with other important information and events throughout the Ventura County Sheriff's Office. Follow on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/VenturaCountySheriff> and Instagram at <https://instagram.com/vcsheriff/>.

Prepared by: Captain Don Aguilar

News Release Date: October 23, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Don Aguilar
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Approved by: Captain Patti Salas

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Cultivation of Marijuana / Arrest

10/27/2015 9:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Cultivation of Marijuana / Arrest

Report Number: 152056889

Location: 1200 Block of Gantlin Avenue, Simi Valley, Ca

Date & Time: 10/23/2015, 1250 Hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff Narcotic Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Kohler, Bruce

City of Residence

Simi Valley

Age

61

Narrative:

On 10/23/2015, The Sheriff's Narcotic's Unit concluded a month long investigation into Bruce Kohler, a Simi Valley resident, who was selling marijuana from his residence. Kohler was stopped after leaving his Simi Valley residence and arrested for the sales of marijuana. A search warrant was served at Kohler's residence where detectives discovered Kohler had numerous marijuana plants in various stages of growth on the property. Numerous rooms of the residence were converted into processing rooms.

Detectives seized about 200 lbs of processed and unprocessed marijuana from the property. A majority of the marijuana was packaged for sales. Detectives seized several thousand dollars that was deemed to be proceeds from the marijuana sales. Additional money was later seized from Kohler's bank account.

Detectives also discovered evidence Kohler was processing 'Honey Oil' on the property which is a very dangerous method of extracting the Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) from the marijuana. This process involves the use of solvents such as compressed butane gas which can result in explosions causing significant property damage, serious injuries or death.

Kohler was arrested and booked into the County Jail for violations of Cultivating Marijuana, Possession of Marijuana for Sale, and Manufacturing Concentrated Cannabis. His bail was set at \$50,000. His next scheduled court appearance is on 11/4/2015.

Prepared by: Sgt. Jose Rivera

News Release Date: 10/27/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Jose Rivera, jose.rivera@ventura.org, 805-797-6341

Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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New Traffic Grant Awarded

10/27/2015 7:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: New Traffic Grant Awarded

Report Number:

Location: Ventura County

Date & Time: October 2015 to September 2016

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent **City of Residence** **Age**

Narrative:

THE VENTURA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE RECEIVES GRANT FOR SPECIAL TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT AND TRAFFIC ACCIDENT PREVENTION

In December 2014, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office on behalf of its five contract cities, applied for a traffic enforcement grant and has been awarded a \$375,000.00 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS). The grant provides funding for a year-long program of special enforcements and public awareness efforts to prevent traffic related deaths and injuries. After careful consideration and analysis, OTS awarded funds to the cities of Thousand Oaks, Camarillo and Moorpark. These three cities will use the funding as part of their ongoing commitment to keep our roadways safe and improve the quality of life through both enforcement and education.

Thousand Oaks Assistant Police Chief Jim Fryhoff said, 'We are looking forward to another successful grant period of operations, and are proud to now be working with the cities of Camarillo and Moorpark in our continued effort to make our public streets as safe as possible.'

After falling dramatically between 2006 and 2010, the number of persons killed and injured in traffic collisions has been slowly rising. Particularly alarming are recent increases in pedestrian and bicycle fatalities, the growing dangers of distracting technologies, and the emergence of drug-impaired driving as a major problem. This grant funding will provide opportunities to combat these and other devastating problems such as drunk driving, speeding and crashes at intersections.

'Overall, California's roadways are among the safest in the nation,' said OTS Director Rhonda Craft. 'But to meet future mobility, safety, and accessible transportation objectives, we have to reverse this recent trend

in order to reach our common goal ' zero deaths on our roadways. The Office of Traffic Safety and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office want to work with everyone to create a culture of traffic safety across Ventura County and the state.'

Activities that the grant will fund include:

- } Educational presentations
- } DUI checkpoints
- } DUI saturation patrols
- } Motorcycle safety enforcement
- } Distracted driving enforcement
- } Seat belt and child safety seat enforcement
- } Bicycle and pedestrian safety enforcement
- } Warrant service operations targeting multiple DUI offenders
- } Compilation of DUI 'Hot Sheets,' identifying worst-of-the-worst DUI offenders
- } Specialized DUI and drugged driving training such as Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), and Drug Recognition Evaluator (DRE)
- } Court 'sting' operations to cite individuals driving from DUI court after ignoring their license suspension or revocation
- } Stakeout operations to observe the 'worst-of-the-worst' repeat DUI offender probationers with suspended or revoked driver licenses

Funding for this program is from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: October 27, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved By: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

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Halloween Safety

10/28/2015 6:30:00 PM

<u>Nature of Incident:</u>	Halloween Safety
<u>Location:</u>	Citywide
<u>Date & Time:</u>	October 31, 2015 / 5:00 PM
<u>Unit Responsible:</u>	Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

This Saturday, October 31, 2015, is Halloween. Most children will be out wearing their favorite costume and visiting homes in your neighborhood. We need to remind ourselves there are issues when you mix the darkness with children, costumes and vehicles.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to offer the following safety tips to keep your children safe:

For Parents and Children:

- } Children under 12 should trick-or-treat and cross streets with an adult.
- } Children should never enter homes to get candy or go near a vehicle offering candy.
- } Stay in a well-lit and well populated area.
- } Set a time for your children to be home and have them check in frequently.
- } Always walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible.
- } Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks. Parents should remind children to watch for cars that are turning or backing up.
- } Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross. Walk; don't run, across the street.

For Drivers:

- } Slow down and be especially alert in residential neighborhoods. Children are excited on Halloween and may move in unpredictable ways.

- } Anticipate heavy pedestrian traffic and turn your headlights on earlier in the day so you can spot children from greater distances.
- } Remember that costumes can limit children's visibility and they may not be able to see your vehicle.
- } Reduce any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings.

Costumes and Treats

- } Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and choose light colored costumes to improve visibility.
- } Choose face paint and make-up instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision. Look for non-toxic designations when choosing Halloween makeup.
- } Avoid carrying sticks, swords, or other sharp objects.
- } Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights in order to see better, as well as to be seen by drivers.
- } Check treats for signs of tampering before children are allowed to eat them. Candy should be thrown away if the wrapper is faded or torn, or if the candy is unwrapped.

On average, twice as many kids are killed or injured while walking on Halloween as compared to any other day of the year. This year let's not make your child one of them.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: October 28, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Timothy Lohman
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Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

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CIT Officer of the Year
10/29/2015 9:35:00 PM

News Story

Nature of Incident: CIT Officer of the Year

Location: Ventura City Hall Council Chambers

Date & Time: October 21, 2015 / 1400

Unit Responsible: Crisis Intervention Team

Narrative:

The Ventura County Law Enforcement Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) is pleased to announce the 2015 'CIT Officer of the Year' recipient.

The 2015 CIT Officer of the year award was presented to Deputy Chris Love, of the Ventura County Sheriff's Office. Chris attended the CIT Academy in 2004, is a current CIT Instructor, and is a 21 year veteran of Law Enforcement. Chris has a calm and compassionate demeanor when working with people in crisis. His skills learned through Crisis Intervention Team training and his many years of experience help to make contacts with individuals in crisis safer for all involved. Chris currently is assigned as a patrol deputy, at the Moorpark Police Department.

Chris was selected by a panel that included a Behavioral Health member (VCBH), a member from the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), and a member of the California Highway Patrol (CHP).

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training provides law enforcement techniques in active listening, de-escalating a crisis, and providing appropriate community resources as needed. CIT training is used in domestic situations and contacts with troubled youth, elderly citizens, and the general public. CIT skills are used to de-escalate crisis situations, not diagnose mental illness in the consumer law enforcement comes in contact with. The successful implementation of the CIT Program in Ventura County has resulted in the reduction of risks and injuries to citizens and officers alike, resulting in increased public support and confidence in law enforcement. The original goal in 2001 was to train 20% of law enforcement. Currently 72% of Ventura County Law Enforcement is CIT trained, and 1,313 law enforcement personnel have completed the 40 hour CIT Academy since 2001.

The names of other nominees for this year's award are as follows: Officer Misty Henderson (Ventura PD), Officer Martin Perez (Oxnard PD), Senior Officer Larry Johnson (Santa Paula PD), Officer Matt Harbin (Port Hueneme PD), Officer Don Anderson (Simi Valley PD), Deputy Probation Officer Brenda Ramirez (Ventura County Probation Agency), Deputy Greg Lindsay (VCSO-Ojai PD), Deputy Chandra Pugh (VCSO-Camarillo PD), and Deputy Jennifer Bowie (VCSO-Thousand Oaks PD).

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi

Media Release Date: October 29, 2015

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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Identity Theft Arrest

10/29/2015 9:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Identity Theft Arrest

Report Number: 15-3861

Location: 4400 Block of Naval Air Road, Oxnard

Date & Time: 10-27-15 / 1500

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Special Enforcement Detail

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Monique Boyett	Oxnard	41

Narrative:

An investigation into the possession of stolen mail in the unincorporated area of Camarillo led to the arrest of Monique Boyett for eight counts of identity theft, seven counts of grand theft, two counts of possession of stolen property, one count each of petty theft and possession of stolen mail and several enhancements.

In February, 2015, members of the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail began conducting an investigation into the possession of stolen mail in the unincorporated area of Camarillo. Detectives learned a female subject who was arrested by the California Highway Patrol was in possession of a large amount of mail belonging to residents and businesses in Oxnard and Camarillo. Detectives located and interviewed several of the mail theft victims and discovered Monique Boyett attempted to cash checks stolen from the victims.

In March, a search warrant was conducted at Boyett's home in Oxnard. Detectives located additional stolen and forged checks. Their investigation also revealed that Boyett used bank account information from stolen checks to pay for purchases on her credit card. During a nine-month period, detectives discovered Boyett stole over \$270,000 from several different victims' bank accounts to pay for her credit card purchases.

Detectives obtained a warrant for Boyett's arrest for identity theft, grand theft, possession of stolen mail,

petty theft and excessive taking enhancements. On 10-27-15, she was arrested and booked into the Main Jail and her bail was set at \$120,000.

Detectives encourage residents to avoid using their mailbox for outgoing mail. It is common for thieves to drive around and look for an upright flag on a mailbox. This signals to thieves the possibility of outgoing checks in the mailbox. Additionally, residents are encouraged to remove mail from their mailbox as soon as possible. If residents plan to leave their homes for an extended period of time, they should contact their carrier to put a temporary stop on mail delivery.

Last, residents should be aware of anyone suspicious in their neighborhoods and contact police immediately if they see someone exhibiting suspicious behavior.

Prepared by: Sergeant Eric Tennesen
News Release Date: 10/29/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Larry Orree / 805-388-55113
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Residential Burglary of Firearms / Public's Help Needed

10/20/2015 8:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Burglary of Firearms

Report Number: 15-2054280

Location: 17000 Block of South Mountain Road

Date & Time: October 18, 2015 6:45 P.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Investigations

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Unincorporated Santa Paula

Narrative:

On October 18, 2015, a homeowner discovered their home was burglarized in the 17000 block of South Mountain Road in unincorporated area of Santa Paula. Burglars broke into the home and stole the victim's collection of antique firearms. Many of the 20 plus firearms stolen are rare collectables dating back to the mid 1800's.

Sheriff's Detectives are seeking the public's assistance with the investigation. Please contact the Sheriff's Office Fillmore Station with any information regarding the crime or anyone attempting to sell antique firearms.

Prepared by: Detective John Fox

News Release Date: October 19, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective John Fox (805) 524-2233 john.fox@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

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Search Warrant Served At Oxnard Physician's Office

11/1/2015 1:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Search Warrant Served at Oxnard Physician's Office

Report Number: 15-2000705

Location: 532 N. Ventura Road, Oxnard

Date & Time: October 27, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Dr, Adam Sherman

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

44

Narrative:

On October 27, 2015, the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit (PCU) continued their investigation into an Oxnard physician regarding claims of overprescribing opiate, and other controlled substance medication, without a medical necessity.

A search warrant was served at Dr. Sherman's Oxnard office. Numerous medical files and other items of evidentiary value were seized during the service of the warrant. The search was related to a several month investigation related to the amount of prescription drugs coming from Dr. Sherman's office. The investigation revealed Dr. Sherman's office had become a source of supply for drug seeking and drug dealing patients.

The California Department of Health Care Services as well as other teams from the Ventura County Narcotics Task Force assisted in the investigation.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information regarding Dr. Sherman may call the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit at (805) 383-8700 or email pharm.tip@ventura.org.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force made up of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department, Thousand Oaks Police Department, the District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation, the California Highway Patrol, and the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation. The primary mission of the task force is

combating the transfer of legal prescription medication to the illegal market. In addition, the task force works to identify and stop new trends of abuse among the younger population and investigates overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use. Information regarding criminal activity may be emailed to pharm.tip@ventura.org or called in to (805) 383-8700.

Prepared by: Sergeant Victor Fazio

News Release Date: November 2, 2015

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Approved by: Captain Curt Rothschiller

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Increase In Thefts From Vehicles

11/3/2015 2:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Increase In Thefts From Vehicles

Location: Citywide

Date & Time: Ongoing

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

There has been an increase in thefts from vehicles in recent weeks and with the busiest shopping season of the year quickly approaching, many people feel rushed and stressed to get much accomplished. Do not become complacent giving thieves an open invitation to make your home or vehicle a big gift box this holiday season. Remember the phrase 'Lock it, hide it, keep it.' This simple phrase may keep you from becoming a victim this holiday season.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to offer the following crime prevention tips:

- Lock your vehicle.
- Do not leave valuables such as purses or wallets, cell phones, computers, or purchased items in your vehicle or in plain view.
- Plan your shopping so that you do not load your trunk until you are ready to leave.
- If you think you are being followed go to a safe area and call 911.

Make this a happy shopping season not a tragic one. If you see something suspicious contact the Thousand Oaks Police Department immediately at (805) 654-9511 or 911.

Prepared by: Deputy Tony Tutino

Media Release Date: October 27, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman / tim.lohman@ventura.org (805) 947-8255

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

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###

Robbery Suspect Arrested

11/3/2015 2:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Robbery Suspect Arrested

Report Number: RB# 152062448

Location: Sierra Avenue/Lassen Avenue, Moorpark, CA 93021

Date & Time: November 02, 2015 @ 9:45 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department, Moorpark Investigations, East County Major Crimes

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Raul Cruz

City of Residence

Oxnard

Age

19

Narrative:

On November 2, 2015, Investigators with the Moorpark Police Department and Ventura County Sheriff's East County Major Crimes arrested a suspect for a strong arm robbery that occurred earlier in the morning in a residential area.

At approximately 9:45 AM, the female victim was walking in the street when Raul Cruz approached her. As Cruz got closer to the victim, he increased his speed and grabbed a purse that was around the victim's shoulder. Cruz aggressively pulled the purse from the victim and then ran to a car that was stopped on the side of the road. Cruz got into the vehicle and it drove away southbound out of the neighborhood. The victim complained of pain to her left arm, but fortunately she was not seriously injured.

Investigators developed leads in the case which led them searching for the suspect in the City of Oxnard. At approximately 6:00 PM, Cruz was located and arrested for second degree robbery. Stolen property taken from the victim was recovered. Cruz was booked into custody at the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility for one count of second degree robbery. His bail is currently set at \$50,000 dollars with his arraignment scheduled to be heard in Superior Court on November 04, 2015.

Prepared by: Sergeant Alan Hartkop

News Release Date: November 03, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective William Hutton

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Approved by:

Stephen Wade, Captain

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Freeway Sign Dedication Ceremony

11/4/2015 2:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Freeway Sign Dedication Ceremony

Report Number: N/A

Location: Camarillo Police / Sheriff Station 3701 E. Los Posas Rd., Camarillo

Date & Time: November 6, 2015 @ 10:00 A.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office / Camarillo Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
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Narrative:

On October 28, 2014, Deputy Yevhen 'Eugene' Kostiuhenko, an 11-year veteran of the Sheriff's Office, was struck and killed while on a traffic stop on the shoulder of the 101 Freeway in the City of Camarillo. Deputy Kostiuhenko had just completed a traffic stop and was walking back to his patrol vehicle when he was struck and killed by an intoxicated driver.

In order to honor Deputy Kostiuhenko's ultimate sacrifice, a freeway sign will be erected in his name. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to invite the public to attend the Freeway Sign Dedication Ceremony on November 6, 2015 at the Camarillo Police / Sheriff Station located at 3701 E. Los Posas Rd. in the City of Camarillo. The ceremony will begin at 10:00 A.M. and should conclude by 11:00 A.M. If you are unable to attend the event, you can view the ceremony on line using this link

<https://www.youtube.com/user/venturasheriff/live>

Prepared by: Captain John Reilly

News Release Date: November 4, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain John Reilly (805) 947-6782

Approved by: Sheriff Geoff Dean

Homicide

11/4/2015 4:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Homicide
Report Number: 15-2062756
Location: 300 Block of B St., Fillmore, California
Date & Time: 11/02/2015 / 2106 Hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(V) Torres, Edgar

(S) Unknown

City of Residence

Fillmore

Age

24

Narrative:

On November 02, 2015, Deputies along with Investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau responded to a call of a stabbing at the intersection of Third and B St., in the City of Fillmore. Upon arriving, it was discovered the victim had been involved in an altercation with the suspect and the victim sustained a stab wound to the chest. The victim was transported to VCMC where he later succumbed to his injuries. The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information about the incident is encouraged to contact the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau.

Prepared by: Detective Jennifer Bowie / Major Crimes Bureau

News Release Date: 11/04/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Mark Gillette / Major Crimes Bureau
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Senior Deputy Steve Michalec / Major Crimes Bureau

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Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith / Major Crimes Bureau.

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###

Ventura County Sheriff's Office Receives Grant for Drug Recognition

11/5/2015 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident:

Expert (DRE) Training Program

Ventura County Sheriff's Office Receives Grant for Drug Recognition

Location:

Throughout Ventura County

Date & Time:

November 5, 2015 3:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible:

Ventura County Sheriff's Office ' Support Services Division

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has been awarded a \$243,000 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) for a year-long program of training, special enforcements, and public awareness efforts to prevent traffic related deaths and injuries. The Sheriff's Office will use the funding as part of the County's ongoing commitment to keep our roadways safe and improve the quality of life through both enforcement and training through the Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Training Program.

Commander Rick Barrios, Sheriff's DRE Committee Director, said, 'Drug impaired driving and the use of illegal drugs continues to be a problem everywhere. Putting more DRE's on the street in Ventura County will help the Sheriff's Office to keep our communities safe.'

After falling dramatically between 2006 and 2010, the number of persons killed and injured in traffic collisions has been slowly rising. Particularly alarming are recent increases in pedestrian and bicycle fatalities, the growing dangers of distracting technologies, and the emergence of drug-impaired driving as a major problem. This grant funding will provide opportunities to combat

these and other devastating problems such as drunk driving, speeding and crashes at intersections.

'Overall, California's roadways are among the safest in the nation,' said OTS Director Rhonda Craft. 'But to meet future mobility, safety, and accessible transportation objectives, we have to reverse this recent trend in order to reach our common goal ' zero deaths on our roadways. The Office of Traffic Safety and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office want to work with everyone to create a culture of traffic safety across Ventura County and the state.'

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Activities that the grant will fund include:

' DRE staffing at DUI checkpoints

' DRE staffing for DUI saturation patrols

' Specialized DUI and drugged driving training such as Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), and DRE School Funding for this program is from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Prepared by:

Captain Don Aguilar

News Release Date:

November 5, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact:

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Captain Don Aguilar (805) 797-7349

Approved by:

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Commander Rick Barrios

Arson Arrests

11/6/2015 7:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arson Arrests

Report Number: 152060661

Location: Multiple Locations, Camarillo

Date & Time: October and November, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Special Enforcement Detail, Ventura County Sheriff's Arson Unit, Ventura County Fire Department, Camarillo Detective Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Juan Elvington

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

21

Christian Byrd

Camarillo

18

Narrative:

A month-long investigation into several suspicious fires that occurred in the Calleguas Creek river bottom near Mission Oaks Boulevard and the surrounding industrial areas led to the arrests of Juan Elvington and Christian Byrd for arson.

During the month of October, 2015, members of the Ventura County Fire Department and Ventura County Sheriff's Arson Unit responded to several suspicious fires in the Calleguas Creek river bottom near Mission Oaks Boulevard, and in the adjacent industrial area in Camarillo. As a result of their combined investigation, arson investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and Ventura County Fire Department determined the fires were the result of an arsonist.

Members of the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail and Camarillo Detective Bureau began assisting in the investigation. Christian Byrd and Juan Elvington were identified as possible suspects in the arsons. On 11-05-15, the detectives and arson investigators served search warrants at Elvington's and Byrd's homes in the city of Camarillo. Additional evidence was discovered that led investigators to arrest both

Elvington and Byrd for several arsons that occurred in October.

Investigators suspect additional fires were lit in the industrial areas adjacent to Calleguas Creek between Adolfo Road and Mission Oaks Boulevard during the same time period, but went unreported. Investigators are seeking the public's assistance in identifying additional unreported arsons. Any information can be directed to Detective Gregg Delarosa at 805-383-8743 or the Ventura County Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS / www.venturacountycrimestoppers.org.

Prepared by: Sergeant Eric Tennessen
News Release Date: 07/03/2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Gregg Delarosa 805-383-8743
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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###

Thousand Oaks Police Department Citizen Academy Begins January

11/9/2015 4:19:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Police Department Citizen Academy

Location: Thousand Oaks Police Department - Community Room

Date & Time: January through March 2016

Unit Responsible: Crime Prevention

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be offering a Citizen Academy class at the Thousand Oaks Police Station on Olsen Road. This 12 week course is designed to foster relationships between the residents of the Conejo Valley and local law enforcement. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about your local law enforcement agency, how they operate and what they do for our community.

The course is free of charge and is held every Wednesday from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM for 12 weeks. The courses will begin on January 13th and conclude on March 30th. The courses are primarily conducted in a classroom setting at the station with experienced department staff ready to answer your questions. Field trips to the Pre-Trial Detention Facility in Ventura and the Sheriff's Academy are also part of this wonderful program.

If you are interested in taking advantage of this course, please contact us soon. Classes fill up very quickly. Due to the commitment of resources we need to have at least 25 individuals sign up for the class. For an application please go to www.toaks.org website. The downloadable application will be found in the police department section, under Citizen Academy. You must be 18 or older to apply.

Preparing Media Release: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais

Media Release Date: 11/6/2015

Follow-Up Contact: Teresa Cruz, VIP Coordinator (805) 371-8398

Approved by:

Captain James Fryhoff

Holiday Safety Tips

11/10/2015 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Holiday Safety Tips

Location: City of Moorpark

Date & Time: November 10, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department Beat Coordinator

Narrative:

The busiest shopping days of the year are upon us. Malls, other retailers, and grocery stores will be more crowded than usual with busy shoppers. Whether you are about to celebrate a holiday in the coming weeks or not, please keep the following in mind when going out to shop:

Remember to lock your vehicles. Whether you are at the shopping mall or parked in your own driveway, lock your vehicle and hide or remove your valuables from your car.

Tell a security guard or store employee if you see an unattended bag or package. The same applies when taking mass transit: report any unattended packages to security or staff.

Be sure not to buy more than you can carry. If your packages are blocking your view and/or restricting freedom of motion, ask a store employee to help you carry your packages to your car.

Be extra cautious if you carry a wallet or purse. Do not leave your purse unattended in a shopping cart, or turn away from it while shopping.

Be aware of strangers approaching you for any reason. At this time of year, "con-artists" may try various methods of distracting you with the intention of taking your money or belongings.

Remember that the bad-guys may be watching you place your packages in your car and then go to another store. That's when they break into your car to steal what you just stowed away so you could continue to shop.

If you go shopping with children over the next several weeks, keep the following advice in mind for everyone's safety:

1. Ensure that any children with you know your cell phone number. Give cards with contact information to any who don't.
2. Make a plan with children in case you get separated. Have a central meeting place, and review with your children who they can turn to for help if they find themselves alone.
3. Go over the dangers of strangers with them so that they know who not to talk to or follow.

By following this advice, you can reduce the stress of shopping during the particularly busy season. As always, keep your personal safety in mind, be aware of your surroundings, and be on the lookout for fraud and identity theft. Please report any suspicious activity to the Moorpark

Police Department (805) 532-2700 or in the case of an emergency dial 911.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Becky Purnell

News Release Date: November 10, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Becky Purnell
(805)299-1504

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Moorpark Police Department Addresses Distracted Driving Dangers

11/10/2015 6:01:00 PM

<u>Nature of Incident:</u>	Moorpark Police Department to Step Up Enforcement for Distracted Drivers
<u>Report Number:</u>	N/A
<u>Location:</u>	City of Moorpark, California
<u>Date & Time:</u>	November 13, 2015 from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
<u>Unit(s) Responsible:</u>	Moorpark Police Department / Traffic Unit.

Narrative:

In an effort to make our roads safer, the Moorpark Police Department is deploying extra traffic enforcement officers on November 13, 2015 to stop distracted driving. Moorpark PD is spreading the message that distracted drivers are not only a danger to themselves, but everyone else on the roadway.

Using an electronic device while driving is a serious safety problem. Most drivers know that texting while driving is a dangerous behavior, but many still use their cell phones and other mobile devices when they are behind the wheel, putting themselves and others at risk. Many drivers see distracted driving as risky when other drivers do it, but do not recognize how their own driving deteriorates.

In 2012, 3,328 people were killed and 421,000 were injured nationwide in crashes involving a distracted driver. That same year, eleven percent of fatal crashes were reported as distraction-affected crashes.

While anything that takes your eyes off the road, hands off the wheel, or mind off the task of driving is a hazard, there is heightened concern about the risks of texting while driving because it combines all three types of distraction ' visual, manual, and cognitive. In addition, most drivers aren't aware that just talking on a cell phone, hand held or hands free, can lead to 'inattention blindness' as critical brain functions needed for driving are used for cell phone talking.

At any given daylight moment across America, there are about 660,000 drivers using cell phones or manipulating electronic devices while driving. The Moorpark Police Department is focusing on ways to change the behavior of drivers through enforcement, public awareness, and education ' the same activities that have curbed drunk driving and increased seat belt use.

In a national survey, almost half (48%) of drivers say they answer their cell phones while driving at least some of the time, and more than half of those (58%) continue to drive after answering the call. Your Police Department recommends the following safety measures:

You can:

- } turn off electronic devices and put them out of reach before starting to drive
- } speak up when you are a passenger and your driver uses an electronic device while driving. Offer to make the call for the driver, so his or her full attention stays on the driving

task

Parents can:

- } be good role models for young drivers and set a good example. Talk with your teens about responsible driving
- } If you know your teen is on the road ' don't call or text them until you know they have reached their destination

Employers can:

- } Adopt, publicize, and enforce company policies that prohibit employees from texting or talking on hand-held cell phones while in a company vehicle, or in a personal vehicle while using a company issued cell phone.

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. For more information about distracted driving, please visit www.distraction.gov.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko #2979

News Release Date: November 10, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko. (805)532-2711.
nolan.stoyko@ventura.org.

Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Moorpark Police Offers Holiday Safety Tips

11/10/2015 5:58:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Holiday Safety Tips

Location: City of Moorpark

Date & Time: November 10, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department Beat Coordinator

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Prepared by: Senior Deputy Becky Purnell

News Release Date: November 10, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Becky Purnell
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Approved by: Stephen Wade, Captain

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Thousand Oaks Narcotics Seizure and Arrest

11/10/2015 4:41:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics seizure and arrest

Report Number: 15-2064922

Location: Thousand Oaks Boulevard and Skyline Drive, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: 11/6/2015, 1:30 PM

Unit Responsible: Sheriff's Narcotics Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Thaisamran, Brandon

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

32

Narrative:

On 11/6/2015, narcotic detectives with the Sheriff's Office conducted an investigation of a Thousand Oaks resident, Brandon Thaisamran, who was selling illegal drugs to residents in Ventura and Los Angeles Counties.

Detectives were able to locate Thaisamran and followed him to a public parking lot in Los Angeles County. Detectives observed Thaisamran conduct a meeting with a subject who detectives believed was there to purchase drugs from Thaisamran. After the meet, detectives followed Thaisamran into Ventura County where deputies with the Thousand Oaks Police Directed Enforcement Team conducted a traffic stop on his vehicle.

Thaisamran was found to be on probation and under the influence of a controlled substance. He was arrested and his vehicle was searched. Deputies located over 46 grams of methamphetamine, numerous prescription medications and evidence he was actively involved in the sales of those drugs.

Thaisamran was transported to the East County Jail where he was booked for possession for sales of a controlled substance, sales of a controlled substance, possession for sale of a designated drug, possession of drug paraphernalia, and under the influence of a controlled substance.

Thaisamran posted \$50,000.00 bail and is scheduled to appear in court on 11/23/2015, at 1:30PM.

Prepared by: Sgt. Jose Rivera

Media Release Date: 11/6/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Jose Rivera, jose.rivera@ventura.org, 805-797-6341

Approved by: Captain C. Rothschiller

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###

Commercial Burglary Suspect Arrested

11/13/2015 11:20:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Commercial Burglary Suspect Arrested

Report Number: RB # 152057295

Location: 1300 block of Calle Durazno, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: 11/12/15 @ 9:30 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau / Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Chad Heisley	Thousand Oaks	37

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau arrested a suspect in a recent commercial burglary.

During the early morning hours of October 24th 2015, a business in the 300 block of Avenida de Los Arboles was burglarized. This burglary resulted in several hundred dollars in damage to the business and loss of property. Evidence obtained during the initial investigation was provided to investigators from the Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau. During the course of this investigation, detectives positively identified Chad Heisley as the suspect in the burglary.

On Thursday, November 12th 2015, detectives arrested Heisley for 459 PC/ Burglary. Investigators from the Thousand Oaks Investigations Bureau subsequently served a search warrant at Heisley's residence located in the 1300 block of Calle Durazno in Thousand Oaks. During the search detectives located additional incriminating evidence implicating Heisley's involvement in the burglary. Heisley was booked into the Ventura County jail with a set bail of \$50,000.

Prepared by: Sergeant Pete Frank

Media Release Date: 11/13/15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Laura Natoli
805-494-8226

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Narcotics Seizure / Arrest

11/13/2015 1:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Seizure / Arrest
Report Number: 152066861
Location: 400 block of E Street, Oxnard
Date & Time: 11/10/2015, 05:35 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura Sheriff's Office Narcotics Unit

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Gonzalez, Mariano

City of Residence

Oxnard

Age

56

Narrative:

On 11/10/2015, Sheriff Narcotics Detectives concluded an investigation of an Oxnard resident, Mariano Gonzalez, who was suspected of selling cocaine to customers in Ventura County. At 5:30 AM, Sheriff and Oxnard Police detectives located Gonzalez as he was leaving his Oxnard residence. They followed Gonzalez until a Sheriff's patrol car conducted a traffic stop and detained Gonzalez.

Detectives conducted a search of Gonzalez's residence where they located over 4-lbs of cocaine and a large sum of money. The money was determined to be proceeds from the sales of cocaine and was seized along with the cocaine. Detectives also searched a ranch in the city of Moorpark where Gonzalez works and seized several more ounces of cocaine at the location.

Gonzalez was arrested for possession for sale of a controlled substance and was booked at the Ventura County Jail pending a court appearance or the posting of bail. Gonzalez is scheduled to appear in court on 11/13/2015, at 1:30 PM. His bail is set at \$150,000.00

Prepared by: Sergeant Jose Rivera

News Release Date: 11/13/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Jose Rivera, jose.rivera@ventura.org, 805-797-6341

Approved by:

Captain C. Rothschiller.

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Narcotics / Weapons-related Arrests

11/15/2015 4:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics / Weapons-related Arrests
Report Number: 15-2066901
Location: 250 East Telegraph Road #336, Fillmore
Date & Time: November 10th, 2015 at 8:15 am
Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department and VCSO Narcotics Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Dale Debrunner	Fillmore	51
(S) Bryce Debrunner	Fillmore	25
(S) Brian Copeland	Fillmore	47

Narrative:

On 11/10/2015, deputies with the Fillmore Police Department received a call for service regarding a suspicious vehicle in front of 250 East Telegraph Road #336, Fillmore (El Dorado Estates Mobile Home Park). From prior contacts at the residence, deputies knew Dale Debrunner and his son, Bryce Debrunner, lived at the location. Bryce was on parole and probation with search terms for controlled substances and weapons. Deputies recognized the suspicious vehicle as belonging to Brian Copeland, who was on probation with search terms for controlled substances.

Deputies contacted the three men at the residence and discovered numerous narcotics and weapons violations during their investigation. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Unit assisted in the investigation and a search warrant was subsequently served at the location.

Dale was arrested and booked for cultivation of marijuana, possession of composite knuckles, obstructing a peace officer, and possession of a controlled substance; bail was set at \$20,000.00. Bryce was arrested and booked for a parole hold, possession of a prohibited weapon, and being under the influence of a controlled substance with no bail set. Brian was arrested and booked for possession of a prohibited weapon, possession of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia, with bail set at \$30,000.00. All three are scheduled to appear in court 11/13/2015 at 1:30 pm.

Prepared by: Deputy Oren Ryerson

News Release Date: November 13th, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Oren Ryerson

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Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

Todd Road Jail to Assist in Building Sandbags for El Niño

11/16/2015 7:25:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Todd Road Jail to Assist in Building Sandbags for El Niño

Location: 600 Todd Road Lane, Santa Paula, CA

Date & Time: November 16, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services

Narrative:

Upon learning about the developing El Niño condition in the Pacific Ocean, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services along with numerous other Federal, State, County and City agencies initiated a rigorous planning and preparedness campaign geared towards evaluating local response and recovery capabilities. One area that was unanimously identified as being difficult and time consuming was the filling and transportation of sandbags during flood conditions.

In an effort to alleviate the drain on first-responder labor and resources and more effectively build sandbags for flood fighting, the Office of Emergency Services has partnered with the Todd Road Jail staff to purchase a sandbag filling machine capable of filling bags at a rate of 1,000 bags per hour. Bulk materials including sand, sandbags and pallets have been pre-staged at the jail facility in Santa Paula and will be available for emergency use countywide. Several inmates at the facility have been trained on the safe operation of the machine and the production of sandbags. These inmates will serve as the primary workforce behind the mass production effort. The Ventura County Fire Department will be prepositioning the sandbags throughout the county for emergency flood fighting purposes by fire personnel only.

For more information on where residents can obtain sandbags please visit www.readyventuracounty.org/elniño

Prepared by: Patrick Maynard, Emergency Manager

News Release Date: November 16, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Patrick Maynard, 805-654-3843

Approved by: Kevin McGowan, 805-654-2552

###

Bomb Threat Suspect Identified and Charged

11/18/2015 11:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Bomb Threat Suspect Identified and Charged

Report Number: 15-2040264

Location: Monte Vista Middle School, 888 Lantana Street, Camarillo

Date & Time: 09/21/2015 6:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit and Camarillo Detective Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Juvenile		

Narrative:

On September 22, 2015, at approximately 7:00 PM, the Camarillo Police Department was dispatched to a bomb threat made over social media against the campus of Monte Vista Middle School in Camarillo. Deputies responded to the scene and were assisted in the investigation by the Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit and Detective Bureau. After a thorough investigation and extensive search of the campus by deputies and personnel from the Pleasant Valley School District, it was determined the bomb threat was a hoax.

The Camarillo Police Department and the Pleasant Valley School District take bomb threats very seriously. These crimes are investigated using resources from federal, state, and local agencies. Information was obtained which led to the identity of the juvenile suspect. The juvenile ultimately admitted to the crime and confessed they were upset with school staff. The case was submitted to the Ventura County District Attorney's Office for review.

On November 17, 2015, the Ventura County District Attorney's Office filed a felony charge of false report of a bomb, a violation of 148.1(a) PC, against the juvenile suspect. The juvenile no longer attends school in the Ventura County area.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to encourage parents to monitor their children's use of both the internet and cellular phones.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger

News Release Date: November 18, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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###

Start Smart Program

11/17/2015 2:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Start Smart Program

Location: Thousand Oaks Police Station ' East County Community Room
2101 E. Olsen Road
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Date & Time: Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 6 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be hosting a program to educate newly licensed and future licensed drivers.

Start Smart is a cooperative effort between the California Highway Patrol, Thousand Oaks Police Department, teenage drivers and their parents.

In an attempt to remain proactive and not reactive, the Start Smart Program is designed to help young drivers and their parents/guardians understand the responsibilities associated with driving a motor vehicle. Start Smart will show how a poor choice behind the wheel can change the lives of everyone involved. Our goal is to raise awareness and reduce the number of teen-related injuries and deaths due to collisions.

Interested parents are asked to call the Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau at 805-494-8271 for more information and to make a reservation. Space is limited to 20 students and their parents. There is no charge to attend the program.

Prepared by: Deputy Marcos Moreno

Follow-Up Contact: Deputies Marcos Moreno or Deputy Marco Hinahon ' Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau (805) 494-8271

Approved by:

Captain James Fryhoff



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###

Shop with a Cop

11/18/2015 11:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Shop with a Cop
Location: Camarillo Target
Date & Time: December 5, 2015 at 9:00am
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office

Narrative:

On Saturday, December 5th, 2015, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office is partnering with the Ventura County Sheriff's Foundation to provide 'Shop with a Cop' to selected children residing in the areas patrolled by the Ventura County Sheriff's Office. On the day of the event 65 children nominated by deputies and local community programs will join Sheriff's deputies for this shopping experience. Each child will be provided with a \$ 100.00 Target gift card and partnered with a sheriff deputy to share this shopping experience. This is the fourth year the Ventura County Sheriff's Office has held 'Shop with a Cop.' This program allows children who may not otherwise have an opportunity to celebrate Christmas an opportunity to have a Merry Christmas, while also developing a positive relationship with law enforcement. This program is supported by contributions from the Ventura County Sheriff's Foundation.

Members of the media and public are encouraged to attend. Participants will meet outside of the Camarillo Target at 9:00 am on Saturday, December 5th. Sheriff's deputies will be arriving shortly after by motorcade to partner with the selected children. All officers participating in this event are volunteering their personal time.

Prepared by: Deputy Mario Molina
News Release Date: November 18, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Camarillo Community Resource Unit (805) 388-5155

Approved by:

Captain Cory Rubright

###

Sheriff's Office to Kick Off 30th Annual 'Share-iffs' Toy Drive

11/19/2015 9:20:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Sheriff's Office to Kick Off 30th Annual 'Share-iffs' Toy Drive

Location: Countywide

Date & Time: Nov. 23, 2015 through Dec. 18, 2015

Unit(s) Responsible: All Sheriff's Facilities

Narrative:

The Share-iff's Toy Drive has been a tradition in Ventura County for 30 years. Many families do not have the resources to provide their children with a traditional Christmas celebration. Each year, thousands of children experience a Christmas morning with no gifts to open.

Members of the Sheriff's Office respond to calls throughout the county and encounter families without the means to exchange gifts during the holiday season. Fortunately, some of these families will be the recipients of gifts this holiday season, thanks to volunteers who participate in the Share-iff's Toy Drive.

The Sheriff's Office will be collecting new, unwrapped toys for children ages 13 and younger. All of the toys will be distributed to children within the cities of Camarillo, Thousand Oaks, Moorpark, Fillmore, Ojai, and the unincorporated areas served by the Ventura County Sheriff's Office.

All of our patrol stations will have boxes where staff members and the public can leave their unwrapped toys Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm between November 23th and December 18th.

On December 19th, members of the Sheriff's Office will open Santa's workshop and provide some Christmas magic to those who need it most.

Toy drop off locations:

Camarillo Police Department 3701 Las Posas Road, Camarillo (805) 388-5100

Thousand Oaks Police Department 2101 E. Olsen Road, Thousand Oaks (805) 494-8200

Moorpark Police Department - 610 Spring Road, Moorpark (805) 532-2700

Fillmore Police Department - 524 Sespe Avenue, Fillmore (805) 524-2233

Ojai Police Department - 402 S. Ventura Street, Ojai (805) 646-1414

Sheriff's Headquarters - 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura (805) 654-2304

For more information about how you can help, please contact:

Corina Lozano at corina.lozano@ventura.org,
Victor Flores at victor.flores@ventura.org,
Tim Lohman at tim.lohman@ventura.org
Jennifer Sezzi at jennifer.sezzi@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: Nov. 19, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Timothy Lohman (805) 947-8255
Tim.lohman@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

###

Oak Park High School Burglary

11/20/2015 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Oak Park High School Burglary

Report Number: 15-2071141

Location: 899 Kanan Road, Oak Park

Date & Time: November 18, 2015 / 1:45 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: East County Investigations Unit

(S)uspects,

	Age
(1) Hispanic male, 5'7'-6'0', 180 lbs., mustache	20-30
(2) Black male, 5'7'-6'0', 180 lbs., beard	20-30
(3) Black male, 5'9'-6'2', 190lbs., beard/mustache	20-30
(4) No distinguishing information	Unk
(5) No distinguishing information	Unk

Narrative:

East County detectives are seeking the public's help in identifying burglary suspects captured on video.

On November 18th, 2015, deputies with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office responded to Oak Park High School in reference to a burglary. During the initial investigation, it was discovered five suspects broke a window and gained access to the computer lab and stole 17 computers.

During the early morning hours of November 18th, 2015, the five suspects were captured on Oak Park High School's video surveillance system entering the property on foot. All five suspects appeared to be wearing dark colored clothing and wore either hooded sweatshirts or beanie hats in an attempt to hide their identities. This video surveillance system showed the suspects enter the computer lab and later exit holding several computers. The suspects then left school property.

School officials confirmed 17 Apple iMac computers with 21.5 inch monitors were stolen from the computer lab. Numerous Oak Park High School students stored assignments, graphic designs, and portfolio information were on these stolen computers. The academic information stored on these computers is not retrievable and represented an enormous amount of work by the students.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is requesting the public's assistance in identifying the suspects responsible for this burglary and recovering these stolen computers. Anyone with information regarding this crime or information on persons attempting to sell Apple iMac computers, please contact East County Investigations Unit Detective Marta Bugarin at 805-371-8342.

Prepared by: Detective Christopher Zapata
News Release Date: November 20, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Timothy Lohman 805-947-8255
Tim.lohman@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Ross Bonfiglio

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###

Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

11/23/2015 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

Report Number: N/A

Location: Areas of Thousand Oaks / Camarillo / Moorpark / Newbury Park / Oak Park / Ventura / Santa Paula / Oxnard / Ojai / Oak View

Date & Time: Saturday, November 21, 2015 8:00 AM ' 3:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau
Thousand Oaks Police Department Investigations Bureau

Narrative:

On Saturday, November 21, 2015, Sheriff's detectives conducted compliance checks at the residences of sixty two (62) registered sex offenders throughout the county. The compliance checks were part of the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE / ELEAS) Grant.

Thirty six (36) of the offenders were found to be in compliance with their registration requirement. Twenty five (25) registrants were not contacted because they were not home or had moved. One (1) registrant, Paul Warnock (Age 63) of Fillmore was arrested for being out of compliance with registration requirements. He was booked at the Ventura County Jail. Sheriff's detectives will follow-up to determine if the remaining registrants not contacted are out-of-compliance.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office will be conducting similar sweeps on an ongoing basis, to verify registered sex offenders are living at their reported residences and in compliance with any probation or parole terms.

Residents of Ventura County can visit the Megan's Law website (www.meganslaw.ca.gov) to familiarize themselves with the sex registrants in their community.

Prepared by:

Sergeant Ryan Clark

Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau / Sexual Assault Unit

News Release Date:

November 23, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact:

Sergeant Ryan Clark / 805-384-4721

ryan.clark@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Theft of Advertisement Signs

11/23/2015 4:25:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Theft of Advertisement Signs
Report Number: 152055788
Location: Pleasant Valley Fields, 152 Westpark Ct., Camarillo, CA
Date & Time: October and November, 2015
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Withheld	Camarillo	
(S) Unknown		

Narrative:

During the month of October and early November, 2015, seven vinyl advertisement banners were stolen from Pleasant Valley Fields, in Camarillo.

With the permission of Pleasant Valley Parks & Recreation, the victim placed the banners advertising a personal business in various locations at the park. Within days of hanging the vinyl banners, each one was stolen. Each vinyl banner is valued at approximately \$100.

Since the initial report, the Camarillo Investigations Unit has been looking into the thefts. During the course of the investigation, the suspect's image was captured on surveillance video. The Camarillo Police Department is requesting the public's assistance in identifying the suspect in this series of thefts.

Anyone with information is requested to contact Detective John Burt with the Camarillo Police Department Investigations Unit at (805) 388-5149.

Prepared by: Detective John Burt

News Release Date: 11/18/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective John Burt
(805) 388-5149
John.Burt@Ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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###

Fatal Traffic Collision

11/25/2015 5:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fatal Traffic Collision.

Report Number: #152074777.

Location: Moorpark Avenue at the north entrance to the Moorpark Town Center shopping Center, Moorpark, CA. 93021

Date & Time: November 24, 2015 5:30 PM.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department / Traffic Unit, Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit, Ventura County Sheriff's Office Crime Scene & Evidence Unit, Ventura County Fire Department, American Medical Response.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(P)Jon Johnson	Moorpark	51
(D)Manuel Jimenez	Moorpark	52

Narrative:

On November 24, 2015 at about 5:30 PM, units from the Moorpark Police Department responded to a vehicle vs. pedestrian injury traffic collision at the above location. The decedent, Manuel Jimenez was walking northbound on the west side of the Moorpark Ave. in an unmarked crosswalk at the driveway for the Moorpark Town Center. The driver of the vehicle, Jon Johnson was driving a pick-up truck northbound on Moorpark Ave. making a left turning movement into the driveway approach of the center. The pick-up truck collided with Jimenez. Jimenez was knocked backwards to the ground, sustaining life threatening injuries.

Johnson immediately stopped his truck, exited his vehicle, and called for police/medical assistance. Moorpark deputies, Ventura County Fire personnel, and American Medical Response paramedics responded and assisted. Jimenez was transported by ambulance to Los Robles Hospital where he later succumbed to injuries due to the traffic collision.

Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs does not appear to be a factor in this traffic collision at this time. The cause of the traffic collision is still under investigation. Anyone who may have been in the area and/or witnessed this traffic collision is asked to contact Deputy William Schneekloth (805) 299-1507 at the Moorpark Police Station, 610 Spring Road, Moorpark CA. 93021.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko #2979.

News Release Date: November 25, 2015.

Media Follow-Up Contact:

Deputy William Schneekloth Office (805)299-1507,
Cell (805)947-8218 William.schneekloth@ventura.org.

Approved by:

Captain Stephen Wade, Chief of Police.

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###

Serious Injury Traffic Collision

11/29/2015 8:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Serious Injury Traffic Collision

Report Number: RB# 152077057

Location: North Ventura Avenue south of Villanova Road

Date & Time: November 29, 2015 @ 3:10 pm

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department and Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(P) Ana Bertha Flores	Ojai	23
(P) Christine Rose Melone	Ojai	79

Narrative:

At approximately 3:10 pm this afternoon deputies from the Ojai Police Department responded to a report of a head on traffic collision on North Ventura Avenue south of Villanova Road. Personnel from the Ventura County Fire Department as well as Lifeline Ambulance also responded to the collision scene.

Upon arrival the deputies realized that this was a significant traffic collision with serious injuries suffered by the involved parties. Fire personnel had to use the 'jaws of life' to get (P) Melone out of the wreckage.

Ventura Avenue was closed for several hours between Loma Vista Road and Villanova Road to allow emergency personnel time to work safely in providing care to the victims and to investigate the accident.

Due to the circumstances, investigators from the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Traffic Bureau were requested to assist with the investigation. The initial investigation indicated that (P) Flores was driving her silver Ford Fusion southbound on north Ventura Avenue and that (P) Melone was driving her green Jeep Cherokee northbound on North Ventura Avenue. For unknown reasons Flores' car drifted into the northbound lane and continued traveling southbound until it collided head on with Melone's car. Melone and Flores were transported to local hospitals via ambulance for treatment of their injuries.

The Ojai police Department is asking for the public's help with this investigation. If you witnessed the accident or have any other pertinent information you believe investigators should know about please call Detective Joe Mulrooney at (805) 947-8075.

Prepared by: Sgt. R. Harwood

News Release Date: November 29th, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Joe Mulrooney (805) 947-8075

Approved by: Capt. R. Downard

###

Fillmore Bicycle and Skateboard Safety Rodeo

11/30/2015 4:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fillmore Bicycle and Skateboard Safety Rodeo

Report Number:

Location: Two Rivers Park, River St. at D St., Fillmore

Date & Time: 12/12/15, 9:00 AM ' 12:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department

Narrative:

According to the Centers for Disease Control, 'Millions of Americans ride bicycles, but less than half wear bicycle helmets. For example, a national survey conducted in 2001-2003 found that only 48% of children ages 5-14 years wore bicycle helmets when riding. Further, older children were less likely to wear helmets than younger children. In 2010 in the U.S., 800 bicyclists were killed and an estimated 515,000 sustained bicycle-related injuries that required emergency department care. Roughly half of these cyclists were children and adolescents under the age of 20. Annually, 26,000 of these bicycle-related injuries to children and adolescents are traumatic brain injuries treated in emergency departments.'

(<http://www.cdc.gov/healthcommunication/toolstemplates/entertainmented/tips/headinjuries.html>)

California state law (21212 VC) requires all bicycle riders and skateboarders, under the age of 18, to wear helmets. To promote safe riding and the wearing of safety equipment, the Fillmore Police Department will be holding a Bicycle and Skateboard Safety Rodeo on Saturday, December 12th, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The event, which is free to the public, will be held at Two Rivers Park (River St. at D St., Fillmore) and will feature safety instruction, an obstacle course, bicycle and skateboard safety inspections, and proper helmet fitment. The park also features a BMX track and a skate park for all to enjoy.

Thanks to the generous help of the Fillmore Fire Foundation, Fillmore Police Department's Citizens Patrol, First 5 Ventura County ' Fillmore, Fillmore Lions Club, Fillmore Rotary Club, Fillmore Women's Club, Ventura County Deputy Sheriff's Association, Ragatz Performance Bicycles of Santa Paula, and SkateLab of Simi Valley, there will be free helmets for children who do not have them and raffles for new bicycles and skateboards.

The City of Fillmore Municipal Code (14.60.020 FMC) also requires that all bicycles be properly licensed. Doing so aids law enforcement in identifying owners of lost or stolen bicycles and, to aid Fillmore residents in complying with this ordinance, free bicycle registration will be available (with proof of residency), as well.

Prepared by: Sergeant Kevin Vaden

News Release Date: 11-30-15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Kevin Vaden
805-524-2233 / kevin.vaden@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

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###

Holiday Mail and Package Thefts

11/30/2015 7:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Holiday Mail and Package Thefts

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: November 30, 2015 1:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit

Narrative:

Each year during the holiday season law enforcement sees a substantial increase in burglaries. Over the last few years this trend has evolved into mail and package thefts. During the month of December the US Postal Service and entities such as UPS deliver millions of packages to mailboxes and porches. Now, with the convenience of online shopping more people expose themselves to opportunistic criminals driving through neighborhoods looking for unattended packages and full mailboxes. We have received information about solicitors knocking on doors, possibly casing residents, while at the same time grabbing Christmas cards, checks and gifts cards from mailboxes. We also receive calls for suspicious vehicles following delivery services and stealing packages after porch delivery.

Here are a few tips to protect your deliveries during the holiday season:

Assure someone is at the residence if a delivery is expected. If this is not possible have the delivery sent to a place of employment or request the package is held at the Post Office for pickup.

Tracking numbers, most agencies will send you a tracking number to allow you to see where your package is and when it will be delivered.

Promptly retrieve packages and mail from your residence.

Drop off outgoing mail at the Post Office or hand the mail to the Postal Service delivery person.

Encourage your Neighborhood Watch group to call the police for any unusual activity in your area. People in your neighborhood usually know who resides and visits your residence. Neighbors should be calling law enforcement if unknown people are seen going through your mailbox or loitering around your residence.

Most importantly be aware of your surroundings, protect yourself and your property by locking doors and windows and making it harder for criminals to steal your valuables.

Have a wonderful holiday and call the police department for crimes or suspicious activity in your neighborhoods.

Prepared by: Deputy Mario Molina

News Release Date: November 30, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Mario Molina (805) 388-5155

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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###

Camarillo Police Department's Citizen Academy

12/1/2015 12:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo Police Department's Citizen Academy

Location: Camarillo Police Department 3701 E. Las Posas Road, Camarillo

Date & Time: February 2, 2016 at 6 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit

Narrative:

On Tuesday, February 2, 2016, the Camarillo Police Department will begin its 32nd Citizen's Academy program. The Citizen Academy is a twelve-week course designed to give citizens an overview of the police department's function and operational procedures.

There will be presentations by a Superior Court Judge, K-9 Officer, Special Weapons and Tactics team members, Bomb Squad, Narcotic Officers, and many others. Participants will have the opportunity to meet the Camarillo Police Department's Chief of Police and get a comprehensive tour of the police station. There will be field trips to the Pre-Trial Detention Facility, Juvenile Hall, Sheriff's dispatch, the Sheriff's Training Academy, and the Heliport.

Anyone interested in attending the Citizen's Academy can obtain an application at the Camarillo Police Station or contact the Community Resource Unit at (805) 388-5155. Potential candidates must be at least 18 years of age, have no felony convictions and have no misdemeanor convictions within one year of applying.

Classes will meet on Tuesday's beginning February 2, 2016, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM for twelve weeks, and will be held in the community room at the Camarillo Police Station.

Prepared by: Deputy Mario Molina

News Release Date: November 24, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Mario Molina 805.388-5155

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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###

Hot Prowl / Residential Burglary

12/1/2015 3:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Hot Prowl / Residential Burglary

Report Number: 152076920

Location: 3600 Block of Ocean Drive, Oxnard (Hollywood Beach), CA, 93035

Date & Time: November 29, 2015, Midnight to 12:30 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff Headquarters Investigations

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent

(S) Male adult

City of Residence

Unk.

Age

20's - 30's

Narrative:

On November 29, 2015, the victims were asleep in their residence. The pictured suspect entered the residence through a locked rear sliding glass door. Once inside the residence the suspect's actions were captured on a home surveillance system. The suspect appears to be a male adult, 20 ' 30 years old, 5'-10' 6'-0' tall, weighing 165 to 175 lbs., with short dark hair, mustache and beard. Several items owned by the victim were taken by the suspect. If you have any information about the pictured suspect, please contact Detective Jon R. Smith at Headquarters Station Investigations (805) 662-6770, email jon.smith@ventura.org

As always, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office wants to remind the public to remain vigilant of your property, neighborhoods, and vehicles. Please lock your car and keep valuable items out of plain sight, always lock your home and use alarms if your car and property is so equipped. Please take note of unfamiliar persons or vehicles around you and contact Sheriff's Dispatch (805-654-9511) or your local law enforcement agency with the information.

Prepared by: Det. Jon R Smith

News Release Date: December 1, 2015

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Approved by: Capt. Patti Salas

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###

Improving Motorcycle Safety Aim of Moorpark Police Department Operations

12/1/2015 5:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Improving Motorcycle Safety Aim of Moorpark Police Department Operation

Report Number: N/A

Location: City of Moorpark

Date & Time: December 6, 2015 from 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department / Traffic Unit.

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

N/A

Narrative:

Careless motorists as well as riders get special scrutiny

The Moorpark Police Department will be conducting a specialized Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation on December 6, 2015 in an effort to lower deaths and injuries. Extra deputies will be on duty patrolling areas frequented by motorcyclists and where motorcycle crashes occur. Deputies will be looking for violations made by drivers and riders alike that can lead to motorcycle crashes. They will be cracking down on both those operating regular vehicles and motorcycles who are violating traffic safety laws.

Motorcycle fatalities jumped dramatically in California by over 28 percent from a decade low of 352 in 2010. In 2013, 453 motorcyclists lost their lives, which is at a 5 year high. California collision data reveals that primary causes of motorcycle-involved crashes include speeding, unsafe turning, and impairment due to alcohol and other drugs by both riders and drivers alike.

Operations like this are aimed at curbing increases in motorcycle deaths and sending the numbers back downward. Over the course of the past three years, motorcycle involved collisions have resulted in twelve injury crashes in the city of Moorpark.

On September 12, 2015, the Moorpark Police Department assisted CHP with a double fatality traffic collision on Moorpark Rd. south of Tierra Rejada Rd. just outside the Moorpark city limits. This traffic collision involved a passenger car colliding with a bicyclist in the bike lane then in turn colliding with a motorcyclist on the roadway. Both the bicyclist and motorcyclist were killed in this tragic traffic collision.

Safety tips for riders:

} See and Be Seen

} Use your lane position to increase visibility; change lanes only when there is ample room

} Match your speed to surrounding traffic

} Always wear a DOT compliant helmet and brightly colored, protective clothing

} Ride with lights on during daylight hours

Safety tips for drivers:

} Share the Road

} Look twice for motorcyclists, especially when entering the roadway, turning, or changing lanes

} Motorcyclist are allowed in HOV lanes unless prohibited by signage

Riders are urged to get training through the California Motorcyclist Safety Program. Information and training locations are available at <http://www.californiamotorcyclist.com/> or 1-877 RIDE 411 (1-877-743-3411).

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The message to all drivers and motorcyclists is: share in the responsibility and do your part by safely 'sharing the road.'

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko #2979

News Release Date: December 4th, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko. (805)532-2711.

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Approved by: Captain Stephen Wade, Chief of Police.

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LiveScan Now Offered at Thousand Oaks Police Department

12/1/2015 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: LiveScan Now Offered at Thousand Oaks Police Department

Report Number:

Location: 2101 E Olsen Rd. Thousand Oaks, Ca 91360

Date & Time: By Appointment Only

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Records Bureau

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is pleased to offer LiveScan Fingerprint Services at the Thousand Oaks Police Station. LiveScan fingerprinting is used for residents needing a background completed for employment reasons. The Police Station is located at 2101 E Olsen Rd. Thousand Oaks, Ca 91360. The services are offered Monday through Friday 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM and are by appointment only. Prices vary by level of services. Please call Fingerprint Specialist Katherine Mountain at 805-494-8209 for an appointment.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, Crime Prevention Bureau

Media Release Date: December 1st, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Fingerprint Specialist Katherine Mountain 805-494-8209
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Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

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crime. The caller may remain anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

###

Thousand Oaks Robbery Suspects Arrested

12/4/2015 7:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Robbery Suspects Arrested

Report Number: 15-2069818

Location: 800 Block of Warwick Ave, Thousand Oaks, Ca.

Date & Time: November 15, 2015 @ 10:00 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit (SEU) and East County Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Martin, Reyshawn	Thousand Oaks	21
(S) Coleman, Dennis	Santa Paula	19

Narrative:

Two suspects who committed a gang-related robbery in Thousand Oaks in mid-November were arrested today (12-4-15).

On November 15, 2015, a male adult and male juvenile were walking in their apartment complex when they were approached by Reyshawn Martin and Dennis Coleman. Martin and Coleman accused the victims of being gang members and identified themselves as gang members from Ventura, possibly in an attempt to further intimidate the victims.

During the crime, the adult victim was pushed against a wall while the suspects searched for valuable property in his possession. Two cell phones were stolen from the victim.

Through the use of video surveillance cameras and other investigative techniques, detectives with the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit and East County Major Crimes Bureau were able to identify Martin and Coleman as the suspects in this crime. Detectives acted as quickly as possible to get the suspects in custody.

On November 25, 2015, a search warrant was served at Martin's residence. Evidence linking him to the crime was located.

On the morning of December 4, 2015, Detectives with the Special Enforcement Unit arrested Martin in the City of Thousand Oaks. Later the same afternoon, SEU arrested Coleman in the City of Santa Paula.

Martin and Coleman were both arrested for Robbery and Street Terrorism Step Act (Gang Crimes). Martin and Coleman were booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility and are being held on \$100,000 bail. Martin and Coleman are scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on December 8, 2015, at 1:30 PM.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: December 4, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Richard LaSecla; (805) 797-7135;
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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###

Attempted Murder Arrest

12/6/2015 9:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempted Murder Arrest

Report Number: 152080110

Location: 100 Block of Calle La Sombre, Camarillo

Date & Time: 12/05/2015 @ 7:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol, Camarillo Police Special Enforcement Detail, Sheriff's Gang Unit, Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Dustin Michael Beverford	Oxnard	34

Narrative:

On December 5th, 2015, Dustin Beverford was arrested for attempted murder and other charges related to an incident that occurred in Camarillo on December 4th, 2015.

On December 4th, at approximately 10:00 PM, deputies assigned to the Camarillo station responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of West Calle La Sombra in Camarillo. Deputies on scene quickly determined that a male victim from Camarillo was struck in the head with a hatchet, causing a severe laceration on the top of his head. The initial investigation revealed the suspect was Dustin Beverford from Oxnard. The victim was transported to the Ventura County Medical Center where he was treated for the injury.

Beverford initially fled the scene on foot and despite a lengthy search, he was not apprehended. On December 5th, 2015, at approximately 7:00 PM, Beverford was located in Ventura, where he was arrested for attempted murder. During his arrest, Beverford resisted arrest and made threats to the arresting deputies. He was found to be in possession of prescription medication that was not prescribed to him, and he was in possession of tear gas.

Additionally, during the course of the attempted murder investigation, deputies discovered Beverford made

criminal threats to a witness in the original attempted murder investigation. Beverford was also arrested for the criminal threats.

Beverford was booked into the Ventura County Main Jail on charges of attempted murder, threats to a peace officer, possession of prescription medication without a prescription, possession of tear gas by an addict and criminal threats. His bail was set at \$2 million.

Prepared by: Sergeant Eric Tennesen

News Release Date: 12/06/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Eric Tennesen / 805-388-5140
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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###

The National "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" Enforcement Campaign

12/8/2015 6:35:00 PM

Nature of Incident: The National '*Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over*' Enforcement Campaign

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: December 18, 2015 to January 3, 2016

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Traffic Bureau

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

Drunk Driving Ruins the Holidays

Police Aim to Save Lives with 'Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over' Crackdown

Thousand Oaks CA - If you're enjoying the holidays with a drink, the Thousand Oaks Police Department has a message for you: *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over*. Due to the increase in impaired-driving related fatalities around the holidays each year, law enforcement agencies across America will be actively searching for and arresting impaired-drivers from December 18 to January 3.

As part of the national *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* enforcement campaign period; police, sheriff, and the CHP will be deploying DUI Checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols during the upcoming 17 day DUI Enforcement Campaign throughout the region. The Thousand Oaks Police Department is conducting special DUI enforcement every weekend during this campaign starting off with a DUI Checkpoint December 19, 2015.

There are over 10,000 reasons to crackdown: in 2013, 10,076 people were killed in crashes involving a drunk driver. In December 2013 alone there were 733 people killed in crashes involving at least one driver or motorcycle operator with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher. Twenty-three of those deaths occurred on Christmas Day. California was witnessed to 98 deaths and another 1,852 injured in alcohol involved collisions in December 2013.

'It's time for all drivers to get the message,' said Assistant Chief Jim Fryhoff, of the Thousand Oaks Police

Department. 'Impaired-driving is a choice you make, and when you make that choice, people get hurt or die. That's why we're joining law enforcement nationwide to share the message: *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.*' 'The safest way to get home,' Assistant Chief Fryhoff said, 'is to drive sober or catch a ride with a sober designated driver.'

Recent statistics reveal that 30 percent of drivers in fatal crashes had one or more drugs in their systems. A study of active drivers showed more tested positive for drugs that may impair driving (14 percent) than did for alcohol (7.3 percent). Of the drugs, marijuana was most prevalent, at 7.4 percent, slightly more than alcohol. Everyone should be mindful that if you're taking medication ' whether prescription or over-the-counter ' drinking even small amounts of alcohol can greatly intensify the impairment affects.

Law Enforcement emphasizes the preventable nature of impaired-driving reminding everyone that all it takes is a little planning by designating a sober driver or calling a cab. Whatever you do, don't drink and drive. The California Office of Traffic Safety DDVIP (Designated Driver VIP) mobile app is now available for free download on iOS and Android devices. Launched last year, the new DDVIP app offers enhanced features, allowing users to 'Map a Spot' with their current location to find DDVIP partnering establishments in their area or a 'List of Spots' to search all participating bars and restaurants throughout California. Users will be offered free incentives at each bar to celebrate their life saving role. They can stay up-to-date with the latest from DDVIP and see what other users are saying via its social tab. Also through the app, for those who want to imbibe but also make it a point to plan ahead, users can easily order a sober ride from Uber, Lyft, or Curb ' all from one screen.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department reminds everyone to follow these simple tips to stay safe:

- } Plan a safe way to get home ***before*** you attend the party. Alcohol and drugs impair judgment, as well as reaction time. If you're impaired you're more likely to choose to drive impaired.
- } Designate a sober driver; take public transportation, a car service, or a call a sober friend or family member to get home.
- } Walking while impaired can be just as dangerous as impaired-driving. Designate a sober friend to walk you home.
- } If you see someone you think is about to drive while impaired, take their keys and help them get home safely.

If you're caught impaired- driving you could face jail time, fines, loss of driver's license, towing fees, and other DUI expenses, totaling \$10,000 on average. That's not a small price, and that doesn't even count the heftier price you could pay: the price of your life or someone else's.

In addition to reminding all drivers to drive sober, Assistant Chief Fryhoff is calling on everyone to be alert and 'Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 911! If you see a dangerous driver call immediately! If someone you know is about to drive after drinking, take their keys and help them get home safely. 'We've got to work together to make our roads safer this December and year-round,' Fryhoff said.

Remember, driving after drinking should never be an option. *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.*

Funding for this holiday campaign is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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Prepared by: Sergeant Brad Clifton

Media Release Date: December 9, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Brad Clifton
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Approved by: Assistant Chief Jim Fryhoff

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###

Holiday Package Theft Advisory

12/9/2015 12:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Holiday Package Theft Advisory

Report Number:

Location: City of Fillmore & the Santa Clara Valley Communities

Date & Time: 12/08/2015

Unit(s) Responsible:

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

City of Residence

Age

Narrative:

Traditionally, thefts of packages from doorsteps and mailboxes tend to increase during the holiday season. Criminals are well aware of the increase in package deliveries and drive through neighborhoods looking for unattended packages and full mailboxes. The Fillmore Police Department and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office have received information about solicitors knocking on doors, possibly casing residences, while at the same time grabbing Christmas cards, checks and gifts cards from mailboxes. A recent incident occurred in the 400 block of Fillmore Street. A male suspect, wearing a dark-colored baseball cap, dark blue jeans, and a dark-colored sleeveless 'muscle' shirt was seen removing a UPS delivered package from a victim's front porch and leaving in a red 4-door sedan. There were also packages stolen from homes on Grand Avenue. There is no suspect information on those thefts.

Here are a few tips to protect your deliveries during the holiday season:

- { Ensure someone is at the residence if a delivery is expected. If this is not possible, have the delivery sent to a place of employment or request that the package be held at the Post Office for pickup.
- { Tracking numbers ' Most agencies will send you a tracking number to allow you to monitor where your package is and when it will be delivered.
- { Promptly retrieve packages and mail from your residence.
- { Drop off outgoing mail at the Post Office or hand the mail to the Postal Service delivery person.
- { Encourage your neighbors to call the police to report any unusual activity in your area.

People in your neighborhood usually know who resides at and visits your residence. Neighbors should call law enforcement if unknown people are seen going through your mailbox or loitering around your residence.

} Most importantly, be aware of your surroundings; protect yourself and your property by locking doors and windows and making it harder for criminals to steal your valuables.

The Fillmore Police Department and the Ventura County Sheriff's would like to wish everyone a safe and wonderful Holiday Season.

Prepared by: Sgt. Mario Aguilar

News Release Date: 12/08/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Mario Aguilar (805) 524-2233

Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

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###

Threat Suspect Identified and Arrested

12/9/2015 9:10:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Threat Suspect Identified and Arrested

Report Number: 15-2081665

Location: Adolfo Camarillo High School, 4660 Mission Oaks Blvd, Camarillo

Date & Time: 12/8/2015 / 8:00 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit, Camarillo Detective Bureau, and Camarillo Patrol

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Juvenile, Port Hueneme		

Narrative:

On December 8, 2015, at approximately 8:00 AM, the Camarillo Police Department was dispatched to a shooting threat made over social media against the campus of Adolfo Camarillo High School, in Camarillo. Patrol deputies responded to the scene and were assisted in the investigation by the Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit and Detective Bureau. Detectives were able to quickly identify and determine the location of the juvenile suspect and an arrest was made in Port Hueneme. The juvenile, who was not a student of Adolfo Camarillo High School, admitted to sending a threat via social media and stated that it was not a credible threat but only a joke. The juvenile suspect was booked into the Juvenile Justice Center for making criminal threats.

The Camarillo Police Department and the Oxnard Union High School District take these types of threats very seriously. These crimes are investigated using resources from federal, state, and local agencies.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to encourage parents to monitor their children's use of both the internet and cellular phones.

Prepared by: Sergeant John M. Franchi

News Release Date: December 8, 2015

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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Pedestrian Safety Enforcement Operation Planned for Moorpark

12/10/2015 7:05:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Pedestrian Safety Enforcement Operation Planned for Moorpark.

Report Number: N/A

Location: City of Moorpark.

Date & Time: December 11, 2015. 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department & Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Units

Narrative:

The Moorpark Police Department will step up pedestrian safety enforcement operation on December 11, 2015 with focused enforcement on collision causing factors involving motorists and pedestrians within the City of Moorpark. Routine traffic patrols will focus efforts in trouble spots while special targeted patrols will also be deployed to crackdown on drivers and pedestrians who violate traffic laws meant to protect all roadway users.

The Department has mapped out locations over the past three years where pedestrian involved collisions have occurred along with the violations that led to those crashes. Officers will be looking for traffic offenses made by drivers and pedestrians alike that can lead to life changing injuries. Special attention will be directed toward drivers speeding, making illegal turns, failing to stop for signs and signals, failing to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks or any other dangerous violation. Additionally, enforcement will be taken for observed violations when pedestrians are running in the street and bike lanes, crossing the street illegally or failing to yield to drivers who have the right of way. Pedestrians should cross the street only in marked crosswalks or intersections.

Pedestrian fatalities are rising in California as more people use non-motorized means of transportation. Locally, the Moorpark Police Department has investigated one fatal and fourteen injury collisions involving pedestrians during the past three (3) years. The Moorpark Police Department Traffic Unit is currently investigating a vehicle vs pedestrian fatal traffic collision that occurred in Moorpark on November 24, 2015. In 2013, California witnessed 701 pedestrian deaths accounting for over 23 percent of all roadway fatalities, much higher than the national average of 15 percent.

A national study reveals that pedestrians and drivers do not obey laws and signals consistently and many often use cell phones, text and listen to music while walking, running, and driving. Only 60 percent of pedestrians said they expected drivers to stop when they were in crosswalks, even though they have the right-of-way.

The following safety tips can save lives and stop this tragedy witnessed far too often in Moorpark:

Drivers can:

- Look out for pedestrians, especially in hard-to-see conditions such as at night or in bad weather.
- Slow down and be prepared to stop when turning or entering a crosswalk where pedestrians are likely to be.
- Stop at the crosswalk stop line to give drivers in other lanes an opportunity to see and yield to the pedestrians too.
- Be cautious when backing up. Pedestrians, especially young children, can move across your path.

Pedestrians can:

- Be predictable. Follow the rules of the road, cross at crosswalks or intersections, and obey signs and signals.
- Walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible if there is no sidewalk.
- Pay attention to the traffic moving around you. This is not the time to be texting or talking on a cell phone.
- Make eye contact with drivers as they approach. Never assume a driver sees you.
- Wear bright clothing during the day and reflective materials (or use a flashlight) at night.
- Look left-right-left before crossing a street.

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko #2979

News Release Date: December 10, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko. (805)532-2711.
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Approved by: Captain Stephen Wade, Chief of Police.

Injury Hit and Run Traffic Collision

12/11/2015 6:35:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Injury Hit and Run Traffic Collision
Report Number: 15-2081869
Location: Arroyo Drive, East of Collins Drive, Moorpark, CA. 93021
Date & Time: December 8, 2015 at 12:29 P.M.
Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Department Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

On December 8, 2015 at approximately 1229 hours, Deputies from the Moorpark Police Department responded to an injury traffic collision involving a motorcycle and a blue Volkswagen Beetle Convertible. The collision occurred on Arroyo Drive east of Collins Drive in the City of Moorpark.

During the investigation, deputies learned the motorcyclist was riding westbound on Arroyo Drive when the eastbound blue Volkswagen made a U-turn in front of the motorcyclist, causing both vehicles to collide. During the collision the motorcyclist was ejected from the motorcycle and sustained injuries. The motorcyclist was transported to a local hospital for non-life threatening injuries. The driver of the blue Volkswagen did not stop at the scene as required by law and fled westbound on Arroyo Drive towards Collins Drive prior to law enforcement and EMS arriving on scene.

Anyone that may have witnessed the collision or might have information regarding the driver of the blue Volkswagen Beetle is urged to call the Moorpark Police Department's Traffic Investigator, Deputy David Anaya at 805-532-2700x505.

Prepared by: Deputy David Anaya
News Release Date: December 11, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy David Anaya
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Approved by: Captain Stephen Wade, Chief of Police

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Narcotics Seizure / Arrest

12/12/2015 12:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Seizure / Arrest
Report Number: 152082653
Location: 840 block of E. Los Angeles Ave., Moorpark
Date & Time: 12/09/2015, 07:30 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura Sheriff's Office Narcotics Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Jose Melgoza	Simi Valley	34
Agustin Melgoza	Simi Valley	25
Kristy Parks	Simi Valley	24
Vanessa Martinez	Thousand Oaks	36
Mathew Baake	Thousand Oaks	22

Narrative:

On 12/09/2015, Sheriff Narcotics Detectives concluded an investigation of a Simi Valley resident, Jose Melgoza, who was suspected of selling methamphetamine and heroin to customers in Ventura County. At 7:30 PM, detectives located Melgoza as he was leaving a business in the city of Moorpark. Melgoza was arrested for an outstanding felony warrant for possession of a controlled substance related to an arrest in the city of Moorpark. He was also found in possession of numerous grams of heroin ready for sale. Detectives searched Melgoza's vehicle and found a loaded semi-automatic handgun, 2 boxes of ammunition and numerous prescription drugs.

Jose Melgoza's brother, Agustin Melgoza, arrived in the parking lot and was contacted by detectives. Agustin was subsequently arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance.

Detectives conducted a search of Melgoza's residence located in the 1400 block of Tierra Rejada in Simi Valley where they located about one pound of marijuana. While detectives were around Melgoza's residence, Parks, Martinez and Baake arrived. They were contacted and after a brief investigation they

were arrested. Kristy Parks was arrested for an outstanding felony warrant for possession for sales of a controlled substance case related to an arrest by the Simi Valley Police Department, and Vanessa Martinez and Mathew Baake were arrested for possession of a controlled substance.

On 12-11-15, Melgoza was arraigned in Ventura County Superior Court for the following charges: Possession for sales of a controlled substance, person armed with a firearm during the commission of a felony, felon in possession of a firearm and a felon in possession of ammunition. Melgoza is currently in custody in the Ventura County Jail with bail set at \$135,000. His next court appearance is set for 12/15/2015.

The street value for the drugs found in Melgoza's possession was valued at about \$3,000.

Parks' has a no bail hold and is scheduled to appear in court on 12/17/2015. Martinez are both out of custody with pending court dates.

Prepared by: Shift Lead Deputy Jason Fuller

News Release Date: 12/09/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: jose.rivera@ventura.org, 805-797-6341

Approved by: Captain C. Rothschiller.

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Possession of Narcotics for Sale / Arrest

12/12/2015 12:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Possession of Narcotics for Sale / Arrest
Report Number: 15-2083200
Location: East Janns Road @ Highway 23
Date & Time: December 10, 2015 / 1953 Hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department's Directed Enforcement Team

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Bennett, Melinda

City of Residence

Pasadena, Ca

Age

26

Narrative:

On 12-10-15, members of the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Directed Enforcement Team conducted a traffic stop on a Chevrolet Tahoe for multiple violations of the Vehicle Code.

The driver and sole occupant of the vehicle was identified as Melinda Bennett. During the traffic stop it was discovered that there was a large number of prescription medications, over 2,000 dollars in US currency, and over half a pound of cocaine packaged for sales inside the vehicle. None of the prescription medication was prescribed to Bennett, who is employed as a Pharmacy Technician in West Hollywood, California.

Bennett was arrested for violations of Possession for Sale of a Controlled Substance and Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance. She was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail where she posted bail that was set at \$50,000. Bennett is scheduled to appear in court on 12/28/2015 at 0815 hours.

Prepared by: Sr. Deputy Jason Louis #3631

Media Release Date: December 11, 2015

Follow-Up Contact: Sr. Deputy Jason Louis 805-796-5251

Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

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Attempt Murder Suspect Arrested After Stabbing Victim in Moving Vehicle

12/15/2015 6:06:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt Murder Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 15-2084727

Location: Las Posas Road and Daily Drive, Camarillo

Date & Time: December 14, 2015 / 12:57 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Special Enforcement Unit / Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau.

Suspect:
Bobby Arellano

City of Residence
Santa Maria

Narrative:

On December 14, 2015, Ventura County Sheriff's deputies from the Camarillo Patrol Station responded to the intersection of Las Posas Road and Daily Drive in reference to a stabbing victim. At the location, patrol deputies found a male victim with multiple stab wounds to the back and neck region. The male victim was transported to an area hospital and treated for his injuries.

Based on the severity of those injuries, Sheriff's Major Crimes and Camarillo Special Enforcement Unit detectives responded to the scene to assist in the investigation. Detectives located and identified a crime scene that contained evidence of the assault and were also able to quickly identify a suspect in the stabbing. The suspect was identified as 32 year old Bobby Arellano of Santa Maria, California.

Later that evening, detectives located a residence in Lompoc, California, where Arellano was staying. A search warrant was served and Arellano was located and arrested without incident. A search of the residence revealed evidence linking Arellano to the stabbing in Camarillo.

Based on the investigation, neither Arellano nor the victim had any ties to Camarillo or Ventura County. The crime occurred in a vehicle on northbound US 101 and the victim was dropped off in Camarillo.

Arellano was booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility for the following charge: 664/187

PC Attempted Murder. Arellano's bail was set at \$550,000 and he will be arraigned on Wednesday.

Prepared by: Detective Michael Marco

News Release Date: December 15, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Sergeant Dean Worthy (805) 384-4730
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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

Camarillo Traffic Bureau DUI Saturation Patrols During Holidays

12/15/2015 6:08:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI Enforcement

Report Number: N/A

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: December 21st, 2015 through January 10th, 2016

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department ' Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

Deputies from the Camarillo Police Department will be deploying during the holidays to stop and arrest alcohol and drug-impaired drivers in the Department's ongoing traffic safety campaign. DUI Saturation Patrols will deploy in areas with high frequencies of DUI collisions and/or arrests.

In California, this deadly crime led to 867 deaths and over 23,000 serious injuries in 2013 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Nationally, the latest data shows over 10,000 were killed by an impaired driver. Over the course of the past three years deputies from the Camarillo Police Department have investigated 158 DUI collisions which have claimed 1 life and resulted in another 72 injuries.

Deputies will be looking for signs of alcohol and/or drug impairment with deputies checking drivers for proper licensing delaying motorists only momentarily. When possible, specially trained officers will be available to evaluate those suspected of drug-impaired driving, which now accounts for a growing number of impaired driving crashes.

Recent statistics reveal that 30 percent of drivers in fatal crashes had one or more drugs in their systems. A study of active drivers showed more tested positive for drugs that may impair driving (14 percent) than did for alcohol (7.3 percent). Of the drugs, marijuana was most prevalent, at 7.4 percent, slightly more than alcohol. Everyone should be mindful that if you're taking medication ' whether prescription or over-the-counter ' drinking even small amounts of alcohol can greatly intensify the impairment affects.

Law Enforcement emphasizes the preventable nature of drunk driving reminding everyone that all it takes is a little planning ahead. Designate a sober driver or call a cab. But whatever you do, don't drink and drive. The California Office of Traffic Safety DDVIP (Designated Driver VIP) mobile app is now available

for free download on iOS and Android devices. Launched last year, the new DDVIP app offers enhanced features, allowing users to 'Map a Spot' with their current location to find DDVIP partnering establishments in their area or a 'List of Spots' to search all participating bars and restaurants throughout California. Users will be offered free incentives at each bar to celebrate their life saving role. They can stay up-to-date with the latest from DDVIP and see what other users are saying via its social tab. Also through the app, for those who want to imbibe but also make it a point to plan ahead, users can easily order a sober ride from Uber, Lyft or Curb ' all from one screen.

The cost of a ride home is cheap, nothing compared to a \$10,000 DUI conviction and the 'inconvenience' of not driving your own car home is nothing compared to the inconvenience of spending time behind bars.

Funding for this DUI operation is provided to the Camarillo Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, reminding everyone to 'Report Drunk Driver ' Call 9-1-1'.

Prepared by: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572
News Release Date: 12/15/15
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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###

Threat Against Los Angeles Area Schools

12/15/2015 8:41:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Threat Against Los Angeles Area Schools

Date & Time: 12/15/15 @ 8:00 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

N/A

City of Residence

N/A

Age

N/A

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has been in contact with the appropriate authorities in Los Angeles following reports of an electronic threat against several Los Angeles Unified School District schools.

Whatever threats that were received were specific to the Los Angeles area. There are no known threats against any Ventura County schools or anywhere in Ventura County.

Prepared by: Sgt. Denise Sliva

News Release Date: December 15, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Denise Sliva (805) 947-9258

Approved by: Sheriff Geoff Dean

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Camarillo - Officer Involved Shooting

12/16/2015 9:04:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Officer Involved Shooting

Report Number: 15-2085997

Location: Carmen Drive at Daily Drive, Camarillo

Date & Time: 12/16/2015 @ 1150 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol/ Camarillo Detectives/ Major Crimes

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Deceased Male

City of Residence

Unknown

Age

23

Narrative:

Male subject attacks deputy with a knife and deputy fires in self-defense. Male dies at the hospital from his injuries.

On December 16, 2015, at approximately 1150 hours, a male subject contacted Sheriff's Dispatch and requested police to respond to the area of Carmen Drive and Daily Drive for a crime that was about to occur. The male also told Dispatch he wanted to kill himself. Deputies were dispatched to the area of Carmen Drive and Daily Drive in Camarillo. Immediately upon the arrival of the first unit, the male approached the deputy while holding a knife in his hand in a threatening manner. In fear for his life, the deputy pointed his firearm at the male and ordered the male to drop the knife several times. The male refused to comply with the deputy's request and charged at the deputy. The deputy discharged his firearm several times at the male.

Medical personnel transported the male subject to an area hospital, where he was pronounced dead. The deputy sustained minor injuries during the incident. Sheriff's Major Crimes are investigating the incident. The investigation is still on-going.

Prepared by: Deputy Miguel Gonzalez

News Release Date: December 16, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact:

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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Identification Made in Officer Involved Shooting

12/17/2015 4:53:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Identification Made in Officer Involved Shooting

Report Number: 15-2085997

Location: Carmen Drive at Daily Drive, Camarillo

Date & Time: 12/16/2015 @ 11:50 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Duncan, Bryant Neil

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

23

Narrative:

Sheriff's Major Crimes investigators have identified the suspect that attacked a uniformed patrol deputy with a knife yesterday in Camarillo as Bryant Neil Duncan. At 11:50 a.m., Duncan called 911 requesting deputies come to his location because he wanted to kill himself. Shortly after the first deputy arrived on scene, Duncan charged at him with a knife. Fearing for his life, the deputy discharged his firearm at Duncan several times until Duncan no longer posed a threat. Duncan was transported to an area hospital where he died from his injuries.

Though Duncan does not have a permanent residence, investigators learned he is from the Camarillo area. Sheriff's Major Crimes Detectives are continuing with the investigation and trying to learn as much as possible about Duncan and what caused him to attack a deputy sheriff.

Prepared by: Sgt. Denise Sliva

News Release Date: 12/17/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Denise Sliva (805) 947-9258
Deputy Miguel Gonzalez (Spanish Media)
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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Motorcyclist Involved in Fatal Traffic Collision After Failing to Yield
12/17/2015 8:31:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fatal Traffic Collision
Report Number: 152086612
Location: 600 Block of West Los Angeles Avenue, Simi Valley
Date & Time: December 17, 2015 / 1:40 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office and Simi Valley Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Male Adult	Unknown	Unk

Narrative:

On December 17, 2015, at about 1:40 PM, a Moorpark Traffic Officer attempted to stop a motorcyclist for a traffic violation at Arroyo Drive and Via Fuente in the city of Moorpark. The motorcyclist failed to yield to the traffic officer and continued east toward Simi Valley. The motorcyclist left the roadway and was involved in a solo traffic collision. The driver succumbed to his injuries.

Investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Simi Valley Police Department are investigating the incident.

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman
News Release Date: December 17, 2015
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Timothy Lohman (805) 947-8255
Approved by: Commander Eric Dowd

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###

**Thousand Oaks Police Plan DUI /Drivers License Checkpoint
December 19th**

12/17/2015 8:04:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: December 19, 2015

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
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Narrative:

DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint Planned this Weekend

Thousand Oaks, CA ' The Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit will be conducting a DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint on December 19, 2015, at an undisclosed location within the city limits between the hours of 9:00 pm and 3:00 am.

The deterrent effect of DUI checkpoints is a proven resource in reducing the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug involved crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized DUI checkpoints and proactive DUI patrols are conducted routinely. DUI Checkpoints are placed in locations based on collision statistics and frequency of DUI arrests, affording the greatest opportunity for achieving drunk and drugged driving deterrence. Locations are chosen with safety considerations for the officers and the public.

In California, this deadly crime led to 867 deaths and over 23,000 serious injuries in 2013 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Nationally, the latest data shows over 10,000 were killed by an impaired driver. Over the course of the past three years officers have investigated 104 DUI collisions which have claimed 4 lives and resulted in another 143 injuries.

Officers will be looking for signs of alcohol and/or drug impairment with officers checking drivers for proper licensing delaying motorists only momentarily. Specially trained officers will be available to evaluate those suspected of drug-impaired driving, which now accounts for a growing number of impaired driving crashes.

Recent statistics reveal that 30 percent of drivers in fatal crashes had one or more drugs in their systems. A study of active drivers showed more tested positive for drugs that may impair driving (14 percent) than did for alcohol (7.3 percent). Of the drugs, marijuana was most prevalent, at 7.4 percent, slightly more than alcohol. Everyone should be mindful that if you're taking medication ' whether prescription or over-the-counter ' drinking even small amounts of alcohol can greatly intensify the impairment affects.

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Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, other expenses that can exceed \$10,000 not to mention the embarrassment when friends and family find out.

Funding for this checkpoint is provided to the Thousand Oaks Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, reminding everyone to 'Report Drunk Driver ' Call 9-1-1'.

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Prepared by: Sergeant Brad Clifton

Media Release Date: December 17, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Brad Clifton
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Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

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Arrest Made in Fillmore Homicide

12/18/2015 4:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest Made In Fillmore Homicide

Report Number: 15-2062756

Location: 300 Block of B St., Fillmore, CA

Date & Time: 11/02/2015 @ 9:06 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, Sheriff's Gang Unit, Fillmore Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Izarraraz, Jorge	Fillmore	22
(V) Torres, Edgar	Fillmore	24

Narrative:

On November 2, 2015, at about 9:05 p.m., deputies responded to a stabbing that occurred in the area of Third and B Street in the city of Fillmore. Once on scene, deputies located a stabbing victim who they identified as Edgar Torres. Torres had sustained one stab wound to the chest area, following an argument with an unknown suspect. Torres was transported to the hospital where he died as a result of his injuries.

Due to the seriousness of the crime, Sheriff's Major Crimes and Sheriff's Gang Unit investigators, responded to the scene and began a tenacious investigation over the next several days. With the community's support and cooperation, investigators were able to identify, locate and arrest Jorge Izarraraz for unrelated charges on November 6, 2015.

Earlier today and after a lengthy investigation into the homicide, the Major Crimes Bureau arrested Izarraraz for one count of Penal Code Section 187 / Murder. Izarraraz remains in custody on \$725,000 bail.

Prepared by: Sgt. Denise Sliva

News Release Date: 12/18/15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Denise Sliva (805) 947-9258

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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###

Domestic Violence Arrest

12/18/2015 7:40:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Domestic Violence Arrest

Report Number: 152087068

Location: Second Street and Central Avenue, Fillmore

Date & Time: 12/18/15 @ 11:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department, Ventura County Sheriff's Office Air Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Brandon Lloyd	Fillmore	20
(V) Juvenile female	Piru	17

Narrative:

At approximately 11:30 AM, on December 15, 2015, deputies with the Fillmore Police Department investigated a report of domestic violence involving (S) Brandon Lloyd and a seventeen-year-old female who had minor injuries. The incident took place in front of the Fillmore Library at Second St. and Central Ave. Lloyd fled before the deputies arrived.

During the investigation, deputies learned Lloyd was at a fruit stand in the 1700 block of E. Telegraph Rd. Lloyd had reportedly taken an overdose of medication in a possible suicide attempt before abandoning his vehicle and walking into a nearby orchard. Numerous law enforcement resources, including patrol, detectives, K9, and the air unit, began a search of the orchards east of the city of Fillmore while Ventura County Fire and American Medical Response personnel stood by in case aid was needed.

Information led deputies to Lloyd in the community of Piru, where he was taken into custody, examined by medical personnel, and booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for the misdemeanor violation of 243(e)(1) PC ' Domestic battery.

Prepared by: Sergeant Kevin Vaden

News Release Date: 12-18-15

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective John Fox ' (805)524-2233
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Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

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Missing Person

12/18/2015 1:04:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Missing Person

Report Number: 152084622

Location: 1300 Block of East Thousand Oaks Boulevard, Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: 12-10-2015 @ 5:00PM

Unit Responsible: East County Investigations

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(P) Marco Cordon

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

39

Narrative:

On December 10, 2015, just prior to 5:00PM, Marco Cordon walked away from his Thousand Oaks residence and has not returned home to his family. Marco is believed to be 'on foot' and is not associated with a vehicle. Marco has made no effort to inform anyone of his whereabouts and left home wearing a light green hooded sweatshirt and blue jeans. Marco is an avid hiker and is known to frequent local hiking trails in the City of Thousand Oaks.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is requesting the public's assistance in locating Marco. Marco is a Hispanic male, 5'10', approximately 150 pounds, with black hair and hazel colored eyes. Anyone having information about Marco or his whereabouts is encouraged to immediately contact Detective Kelly Roark at: (805) 947-8261.

Prepared by: Detective William Hutton #3438

Media Release Date: 12-18-2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective William Hutton #3438; (805) 947-8113 ;
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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

12/20/2015 1:05:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint

Report Numbers:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: December 19, 2015, 9:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Rosenkranz, Jason	Westlake Village	36
(S) Reigh, Tyla	Thousand Oaks	53
(S) Souza, John	Newbury Park	36

Narrative:

DUI Checkpoint Nets 3 Arrests

Thousand Oaks, CA ' The Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on December 19, 2015, on Westlake Boulevard north of Cascade Avenue between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m., and Hillcrest Drive east of Lynn Road between the hours of 12:00 am to 3:00 am. Checkpoints are placed in locations that have the greatest opportunity for achieving drunk and drugged driving deterrence and provide the greatest safety for officers and the public.

DUI/Driver's License checkpoints have been shown to lower DUI deaths and injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive drunk or drugged impaired,

bringing about more awareness and encouraging everyone to use sober designated drivers.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), checkpoints have provided the most effective documented results of any of the DUI enforcement strategies, while also yielding considerable cost savings of \$6 for every \$1 spent. Ninety percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.



- 576 Vehicles Screened
- 1 DUI-Alcohol suspects arrested
- 0 DUI-Drug impaired suspects arrested
- 1 Suspects arrested for illegal drugs (possession/transportation/sales)
- 1 Arrested on other Criminal Charges
- 4 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 16 Citations issued

As a result of this checkpoint; Rosenkranz was arrested for possession of marijuana while driving. Reigh was arrested for driving a vehicle without an ignition interlock device when her vehicle is required to have one, and Souza was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

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Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, other expenses that can exceed \$10,000, not to mention the embarrassment when friends and family find out.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting another DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint on Saturday February 13, 2016 in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and injuries upon our streets

and highways.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, reminding everyone to 'Report Drunk Driver ' Call 9-1-1'.

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Prepared by: Brad Clifton, Sergeant

Media Release Date: December 20, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Brad Clifton, Sergeant
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Approved By: Jim Fryhoff, Captain

Armed Robbery at Shell Gas Station

12/23/2015 8:06:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Armed Robbery at Shell Gas Station

Report Number: 15-2089438

Location: Shell Gas Station 107 W. Ventura Road

Date & Time: December 23, 2015 at 4:24 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Suspect #1

City of Residence

Unknown

Age

20-30 yrs

Suspect #2

Unknown

20-30 yrs

Narrative:

On December 23, 2015, at 4:24 AM, two male suspects entered the Shell Gas Station, located on 100 block of W. Ventura Road in Camarillo.

The masked suspects approached the clerk, brandished a knife and demanded money. The clerk complied with the robbers' demands. After the suspects obtained the money, they fled on foot towards the Target shopping center. The clerk called 911 and deputies responded. Several units checked the area and were not able to locate the suspects.

Camarillo Police Detectives are requesting help with identifying the two suspects.

(Please see attached video clips of the robbery)

Prepared by: Detective Brent Miller #4007

News Release Date: December 23, 2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Brent Miller @ 805-388-5116

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright



Technical Search & Rescue at La Jolla Canyon

12/26/2015 9:12:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Technical Search & Rescue at La Jolla Canyon

Report Number: 152090568

Location: Ray Miller Trailhead, La Jolla Canyon, Point Mugu CA

Date & Time: 12/25/2015 @ 4:15 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Aviation / Search & Rescue East Valley
Ventura County Fire Department / Urban Search & Rescue
California State Parks

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Rangel, Victor	Oxnard	34
Lopez, Patricia	Oxnard	28
Juvenile	Oxnard	10
Juvenile	Oxnard	4

Narrative:

Ventura County Sheriff's Deputies, the Sheriff's Aviation Unit, and the Ventura County Fire Department responded to a call from California State Parks that a group of people were trapped on a mountainside in La Jolla Canyon near Point Mugu.

On December 25, 2015 at about 4:15 PM, California State Parks responded to the La Jolla Canyon area after receiving a report of lost hikers on the Ray Miller Trailhead. State Parks Rangers located the vehicle associated with the missing subjects and later determined they were trapped near the La Jolla waterfall. This area and trail is currently closed with many warning signs posted to advise hikers to stay away due to the unstable conditions. State Parks Rangers summoned the Ventura County Sheriff's Aviation Unit for assistance. Once on scene, the pilot and crew chief of the helicopter determined a hoist rescue from the helicopter was not safe due to high winds.

At approximately 1900 hours, the Ventura County Sheriff's Search & Rescue along with the Ventura County Fire Urban Search & Rescue were called out to assist. Working together, the Ventura County Fire USAR team and the Ventura County Sheriff's East Valley SAR Teams conducted a technical high angle rescue to safely evacuate the two adults and two children from the trailhead. None of the victims sustained any injuries from this incident.

At the conclusion of the rescue the two adults were interviewed and admitted to seeing the warning signs that were posted with the intention to keep people away from the hazardous area. They also admitted that they were not properly prepared for the conditions, they lacked water, proper clothing, and a flashlight. The California State Parks Rangers issued a citation to the hikers for unsafe recreational activity within a State Park.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to remind day hikers of some simple steps to be better prepared when the unexpected happens. Carry extra water, food, matches, flashlight, and proper clothing. You may intend to only be out for a day hike, but if circumstances beyond your control take over you may find yourself out on the trail much later than planned. Always adhere to posted warning signs of potential dangers and closed areas.

Prepared by: Sgt. Kevin Donoghue

News Release Date: 12/26/2015

Media Follow-Up Contact: Dep. Chris Dyer (805) 535-0270 chris.dyer@ventura.org

Approved by: Capt. Garo Kuredjian

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###

Gross Negligent Discharge of a Firearm

12/28/2015 9:56:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Gross Negligent Discharge of a Firearm

Report Number: 15-2091274

Location: In the area of Heatherton Drive and North Greentree Drive, Somis

Date & Time: 12/27/2015 @ 1349 hours.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(V) Male Adult

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

57

Narrative:

On December 27, 2015, the victim was working in an orchard near his residence. While working in the orchard, the victim was struck one time by a bullet fired from an unknown suspect(s). The victim was flown to Los Robles Hospital by the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Aviation Unit with a non-life threatening injury.

Sheriff's Detectives from the Major Crimes Unit are seeking the public's assistance with this investigation. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact Detective Sergeant Chips at (805) 384-4737 or Detective Lopez at (805) 384-4723

Prepared by: _____ Detective Matthew Curtin

News Release Date: 12-27-2015

Sergeant Ron Chips (805) 384-4737

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jose Lopez (Spanish Media)
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Approved by:

Captain Curt Rothschiller

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Injury Traffic Collision

12/30/2015 10:14:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Injury Traffic Collision

Report Number: 152092600

Location: 200 block of East Telegraph Rd. (SR 126), Fillmore

Date & Time: 12/30/15 @ 12:10 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(P) Iris Martin	Fillmore	87
(P) Michael Sparkuhl	Santa Paula	70
(P) Deborah Sparkuhl	Santa Paula	65

Narrative:

Traffic collisions, especially around the holidays, are traumatic events that can often be avoided. In the past four days, the California Highway Patrol has investigated two fatal traffic collisions just outside the City of Fillmore, and at about 12:10 PM today, the Fillmore Police Department, the Fillmore Fire Department, the Ventura County Fire Department, and American Medical Response personnel responded to a two-vehicle, injury traffic collision in the 200 block of East Telegraph Rd. (SR 126), Fillmore.

They found that (P) Iris Martin, a resident of the nearby El Dorado Estates, had failed to yield to on-coming traffic as she attempted to turn left onto East Telegraph Rd. from the mobile home park. Her vehicle collided with a vehicle, driven by (P) Michael Sparkuhl, that was traveling eastbound on East Telegraph Rd. Martin's vehicle came to rest in the eastbound traffic lanes, while Sparkuhl's vehicle crossed westbound traffic lanes and came to rest against a guardrail along the north side of the highway. Martin, Sparkuhl, and Sparkuhl's wife, Deborah, were treated at the scene by EMS personnel and transported to a local hospital with minor injuries.

The Fillmore Police Department encourages all motorists to drive safely and defensively this holiday

season.

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Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

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Suspect Arrested from Armed Robbery at Shell Gas Station

12/30/2015 12:58:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Suspect Arrested from Armed Robbery at Shell Gas Station

Report Number: 15-2089438

Location: Shell Gas Station, 100 block of W. Ventura Road, Camarillo

Date & Time: December 23, 2015 at 4:24 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

Male Juvenile

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

16

Narrative:

On December 23, 2015, at 4:24 AM, two male suspects entered the Shell Gas Station, located in the 100 block of W. Ventura Road in Camarillo.

The masked suspects approached the clerk, brandished a knife and demanded money. The clerk complied with the robbers' demands and handed over the money. After the suspects obtained the money, they fled on foot toward the Target shopping center. The clerk called 911 and deputies responded. The clerk was not injured during this crime. Several marked police units checked the area and were not able to locate the suspects.

Camarillo detectives obtained video footage of the robbery and released it to the public. Detectives received several tips over the next few days, identifying the possible suspects.

On December 29, 2015 detectives served search warrants in the 1000 block of Temple Avenue and the 100 block of Camino Valverde in Camarillo. Detectives located evidence implicating a male juvenile's involvement in the robbery. The juvenile was arrested and lodged into Juvenile Hall for armed robbery. Detectives are still gathering evidence regarding the second suspect.

The information from the public was instrumental in making this arrest and solving a robbery that may have gone unsolved. When the public gets involved to work with law enforcement, it makes the community a safer place for all of us to live.

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant Pete O'Sullivan

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Approved by: Commander Monica McGrath

Traffic Collision / DUI Arrest

12/30/2015 10:14:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Traffic Collision / DUI arrest

Report Number: 152092399

Location: Ventura St. and D St., Fillmore

Date & Time: 12/30/15 @ 12:25 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department

(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent

(S) Francis Casillas

City of Residence

Oxnard

Age

21

Narrative:

Traffic collisions, especially around the holidays, are traumatic events that can often be avoided. In the past four days, the California Highway Patrol has investigated two fatal traffic collisions just outside the city of Fillmore, and at about 12:25 AM today, the Fillmore Police Department responded to a single-vehicle collision in the area of Ventura St. and D St., Fillmore. They found that (P) Francis Casillas had been driving at a high rate of speed, westbound on Ventura St., when she lost control of her vehicle and collided with a power pole. They determined she had been driving under the influence of alcohol, arrested her for 23152(a) VC ' DUI, and booked her into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Southern California Edison responded to replace the power pole, which was sheared off in the collision, and the immediate area suffered a power outage for several hours.

The Fillmore Police Department encourages all motorists to avoid driving while under the influence of alcohol this holiday season.

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Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

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Three Teens Arrested for Burglary and Possession of Stolen Property

12/31/2015 1:08:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Three Teens Arrested for Burglary and Possession of Stolen Property

Report Number: 15-2092385

Location: 600 Block of Ventura Blvd., Camarillo, CA

Date & Time: December 29, 2015 at 9:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail, Sheriff's Special Crimes Unit, Sheriff's Narcotics Unit and the Sheriff's Gang Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Loudwing Boris Trujillo	Oxnard	19
Kevin Galbino Sanchez	Oxnard	18
Hassan Allan Valenzuela	Oxnard	18

Narrative:

On December 29, 2015 at approximately 9:00 PM, a kiosk selling 'Hover Gliders' (aka Hover Boards), located in the Camarillo Premium Outlets, was broken into and a large quantity of Hover Gliders were stolen.

Deputies advised the victim of the crime to check various online classified advertisement websites for his stolen items and report any findings to detectives. The victim checked Craigslist and located several of his Hover Gliders listed for sale.

On December 30, 2015, detectives from the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail, Sheriff's Special Crimes Unit, Sheriff's Narcotics Unit and the Sheriff's Gang Unit began investigating the Craigslist seller. Detectives located and arrested the seller, who was still in possession of several of the stolen Hover

Gliders. Detectives also learned there were two other suspects involved in the original burglary, and were able to locate and arrest them.

Detectives served search warrants in the 1300 block of Ventura Boulevard in Oxnard and in the 1300 block of Seaport Drive in Oxnard, where they located more stolen Hover Gliders. Detectives recovered a total of eight stolen Hover Gliders.

Loudwing Boris Trujillo, Kevin Galbino Sanchez and Hassan Allan Valenzuela all from Oxnard, were arrested for Commercial Burglary and Possession of Stolen Property. All three were booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Trujillo's and Sanchez' bail was set at \$10,000.00. Valenzuela's bail was set at \$20,000.00 due to him being on felony probation.

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