

Oxnard Gang Member Arrested For Assault Rifle

1/5/2017 9:46:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Assault Rifle / High Capacity Magazine Arrest

Report Number: 17-1581 (Ventura County Sheriff's Office)
17-1116 (Oxnard Police Department)

Location: 300 block of Gibraltar Street, City of Oxnard

Date & Time: January 4, 2017 7:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Oxnard Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Juan Davalos	Oxnard	18

Narrative:

On January 4, 2017, Investigators received information about a criminal street gang associate possessing an assault rifle in the City of Oxnard. The investigation led to the seizure of a loaded assault rifle, a high capacity magazine and the arrest of Juan Davalos.

On January 4, 2017 Investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Special Crimes Unit and the Oxnard Police Department learned Juan Davalos, who is an Oxnard criminal street gang associate, was in possession of an assault rifle. Investigators began an investigation and obtained a search warrant to search Davalos' residence in the 300 block of Gibraltar Street in the City of Oxnard. The Oxnard Police Department Special Enforcement Unit along with the Violent Crimes Unit executed the search warrant at the residence. A search of the residence revealed an assault rifle with a loaded high capacity magazine. Davalos was taken into custody without incident and booked into the Ventura County Jail for a warrant on an unrelated case. Investigators arrested Davalos for the weapons charges, but released him pending further forensic analysis.

Prepared by: Sergeant J. Hendren

Media Release Date: January 5, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jeremy Bramlette 805-384-4771

Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

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City of Camarillo Gets New Chief of Police

1/6/2017 4:27:00 PM

Nature of Incident: New Chief of Police for City of Camarillo

Location: Camarillo, CA

Date & Time: 1-6-17 / 9:00 am

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Administration

Narrative:

Sheriff Geoff Dean, working with Camarillo City Manager Dave Norman is announcing that Commander Dave Murray will be replacing Commander Chris Dunn on January 15, 2017, as the Camarillo Chief of Police.

Commander Dunn's commitment to public service extends beyond his work with the Sheriff's Office; he has been a Navy reservist for over two decades. Commander Dunn is a Lieutenant Commander with the Navy and currently assigned as the Commanding Officer of Naval Security Forces, Reserve Unit, Naval Base San Diego. Shortly after Commander Dunn was selected as the Camarillo Chief of Police late last year, he received orders from the Navy that he was being deployed to the Middle East. His deployment is scheduled to begin in June and last for a year.

In an effort to maintain the highest level of consistent service to the residents of Camarillo, Sheriff Dean and City Manager Norman selected Commander Murray to replace Commander Dunn. Commander Dunn will be re-assigned as a Sheriff's Commander to our Support Services Division where he will over-see, Professional Standards/Internal Affairs, Audits & Inspections, Academy, In-Service Training, Range Operations, and the Peer Support Program until he leaves for his deployment.

Commander Murray has been a deputy with the Sheriff's Office since 1990. He has an extensive and diverse background throughout the agency. Commander Murray has worked in Detention Services, Patrol Services, and as a Recruit Training Officer at the Academy. He also worked in Professional Standards and served as the Adjutant to the Undersheriff. As a manager, Commander Murray has been the Director of the Sheriff's Training Center, worked as a patrol Watch Commander, managed the Court Services Bureau, as well as the SWAT team and K-9 unit. Commander Murray is currently assigned to the Support Services Division where he has oversight of Professional Standards/Internal Affairs, Audits & Inspections, Academy, In-Service Training, Range Operations, and the Peer Support Program.

Prepared by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

News Release Date: January 6, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Garo Kuredjian / 805-797-6322

Approved by: Sheriff Geoff Dean

Former Hospice Nurse Arrested for Manslaughter

1/6/2017 4:01:00 PM

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

Nature of Incident: Former Hospice Nurse Arrested for Manslaughter and Drug Dealing

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

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

(S) Sandra Rothweiler

City of Residence

Oxnard

Age

49

(V) Della Gleeson

Ventura

61

Narrative:

THIS IS AN UPDATE TO A NEWS STORY FROM AUGUST 2015.

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 at the time for possession for sale of the prescription medication found in her residence.

Since August 2015, Detectives continued their investigation into Rothweiler's possible role in Gleeson's death. On January 6, 2017, the Ventura County District Attorney filed a criminal complaint against Rothweiler alleging drug dealing and manslaughter. A warrant was issued for her and she was arrested. Rothweiler is currently in custody at the Ventura County Main Jail with a bail of \$100,000. Her court date is pending.

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 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 California Highway Patrol, the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation, and the California Department of Health Care Services. The primary mission of the task force is combatting 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: January 6, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Robert Davidson
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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

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Start Smart / Thousand Oaks

1/10/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Start Smart

Location: Thousand Oaks Police Station ' East County Community Room

Date & Time: Thursday, February 9th , 2017 from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau

Start Smart is a cooperative effort between the California Highway Patrol, Thousand Oaks Police Department, teenage drivers, and their parents.

Nationwide, 43 percent of first-year drivers and 37 percent of second-year drivers are involved in car crashes. The risk of motor vehicle crashes is higher among 16-19-year-olds than among any other age group. In fact, per mile driven, teen drivers ages 16 to 19 are nearly three times more likely than drivers aged 20 and older to be in a fatal crash. The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be hosting a program to educate newly licensed and future licensed drivers.

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. We still have room available for this Thursday. There is no charge to attend the program.

Prepared by: Deputy Marcos Moreno

Media Release Date: 01/10/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Marcos Moreno

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

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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).

Inmate Battery / PC 242 and 186.22(d)

1/12/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Inmate Battery / PC242 and 186.22(d)

Report Number: 16-30749

Location: Pre-Trial Detention Facility ' Ventura, California

Date & Time: February 28, 2016 at 1030 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Pre-Trial Detention Facility

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

(S) Jordan David Mustain

City of Residence

Simi Valley

Age

24

(V) Raymond Davenport

Ventura

21

Narrative:

Jordan Mustain is an inmate at the Ventura County Pre-Trail Detention Facility. On February 28, 2016, Inmate Mustain battered inmate Raymond Davenport inside the Main Jail. After the altercation, while being escorted by staff, Mustain made statements indicating the battery was committed on behalf of a prison gang.

Sheriff's Deputies assigned to the Pre-Trail Detention Facility and the Pre-Trail Detention Facility Classification Unit investigated the incident. Based on the facts surrounding the incident, Mustain was arrested for PC242 ' Battery, as well as, PC186.22(d) ' Participation in a Criminal Street Gang. The case was submitted to the Ventura County District Attorney's Office. On January 12, 2017, Mustain was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 36 months probation for the above offenses.

Due to recent legislation changes at the state level and prison realignment, the Ventura County Jails are experiencing a large increase in the amount of violence and the number of crimes that occur in the jails. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office works diligently to ensure the safety and security of the jails and the safety of inmates. In incidents where crimes do occur in the county jails, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office will exhaust all resources to hold those responsible for victimizing other inmates accountable.

Prepared by: Deputy Thaddeus Herber / Classification Unit

News Release Date: January 12, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Thaddeus Herber
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Approved by: Captain Mark Franke / Pre-Trial Detention Facility

El Rio - Attempt Homicide Suspect Arrested Following Stabbing

1/16/2017 2:02:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stabbing investigation leads to attempted murder arrest

Report Number: RB#17-6618

Location: 1000 Block of Walnut Drive, Oxnard (El Rio)

Date & Time: 01/15/17 @ 12:16 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Headquarters Patrol; Headquarters Detectives; Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Jose Gamino	Oxnard	22
(S) Felipe Villegas	Oxnard	22

Narrative:

The stabbing of a man leads to the arrest of 22-year-old El Rio probationer Felipe Villegas for attempted murder.

On 1-15-17, shortly after midnight, sheriff's dispatch received a call of a physical altercation in the 1000 block of Walnut Dr. While the call was being dispatched, a headquarters patrol deputy happened to be less than a block away and heard screaming coming from the house in question. Oxnard resident Felipe Villegas was immediately contacted outside the residence by the deputy. Shortly thereafter, deputies contacted Jose Gamino inside the residence and discovered he had sustained multiple stab wounds. Gamino was immediately transported to Ventura County Medical Center (VCMC) for his sustained injuries. Deputies obtained evidence linking Villegas to the stabbing of Gamino. Headquarters Station Detectives and Sheriff's Major Crimes Investigators responded and initiated an investigation into the stabbing.

Villegas was found to be on active probation for 21310 P.C. (Carrying a dirk or dagger concealed). Following the investigation, Villegas was arrested for 664/187 P.C. (Attempted Murder) and booked into

the Ventura County Main Jail, where his bail is currently \$1,010,000.00.

The crime committed appears an isolated incident and at this time bears no indication of being gang-related. Gamino is listed in serious but stable condition at VCMC.

Anyone with information regarding this investigation is encouraged to contact Detective M. Marco at the Ventura County Sheriff's Office-Major Crimes Bureau.

Prepared by: Deputy R. Shoden

News Release Date: January 16th, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau;
Detective M. Marco (805) 384-4739

Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

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Pharmaceutical Collection Totals for 2016

1/17/2017 2:07:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Pharmaceutical Collections for the year 2016

Report Number:

Location: All Sheriff's Sub-Stations

Date & Time: 01/17/2017 - 0900

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

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

City of Residence

Narrative:

The non-medical use of prescription drugs ranks second only to marijuana as the most common form of drug abuse in America. Prescription and over-the counter medications can be just as dangerous as illegal drugs. Additionally, the majority of teenagers abusing prescription drugs get them from family, friends and the home medicine cabinet. You can't predict the effect a drug can have on you. Everybody's brain and body chemistry are different. If you would like more information on drugs and teenage drug abuse please click on the following link: <http://teens.drugabuse.gov/drug-facts/prescription-drugs>

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is very pleased to announce that we have collected 5,604.01 pounds of unused / expired medication for the year 2016 through our pharmaceutical drop-off bins.

A breakdown of the 2016 collection totals is as follows: Ojai PD ' 305 pounds, Fillmore PD ' 89 pounds, Camarillo PD ' 2,547.81 pounds, Moorpark PD ' 570.1 pounds, West County Headquarters Patrol Station ' 470.1 pounds and Thousand Oaks PD , 1,622 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.

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: 01/17/2017

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

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Lock it, Hide it, Keep it

1/18/2017 6:04:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Lock it, Hide it, Keep it

Location: Citywide

Date & Time: Ongoing

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind the community to be vigilant in securing their personal property. This includes removing valuables from your vehicle or putting it a location that is out of sight. Remember the phrase 'Lock it, hide it, keep it.' This simple phrase may keep you from becoming a victim.

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.
- Consider concealing valuables in your trunk prior to arriving at a destination, such as a hiking trail or shopping center.
- Be aware of your surroundings as thieves may be watching you.

If you see something suspicious, say something by contacting the Thousand Oaks Police Department immediately at (805) 654-9511 or 911.

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: January 18, 2017

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

Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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Camarillo Detectives Seek to Identify Burglary Suspect

1/19/2017 9:46:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Burglary

Report Number: 17-1956

Location: 1700 block of Summerfield Street, Camarillo CA

Date & Time: 01/05/2017 @ 0920 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Detective Bureau

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

City of Residence

Age

Suspect #1

Unknown

20-30

Narrative:

On January 5, 2017 at approximately 0920 hours, a female suspect was captured on video entering a residential courtyard. The suspect gained access to the residence through a rear sliding door. The suspect was carrying a camouflaged or brown/green backpack with white straps. The suspect stole items from the residence and exited through a side gate of the residence.

The suspect was a female, 20-30 years old, 5'8', 150-175 lbs. in weight, light skinned, brown braided hair, oval face. She was wearing a gray long sleeve shirt with white writing over her chest, black yoga pants, and cream colored 'Uggs' style boots.

Camarillo Detectives are requesting the public's assistance identifying the suspects. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact Camarillo Detective Nora Soler @ 805-388-5115.

Prepared by: Detective Nora Soler

News Release Date: 01/19/2017

Media Follow-Up Detective Nora Soler 805-388-5115

Contact:

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Thousand Oaks - Coffee with the Chiefs

1/19/2017 12:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments 'Coffee with the Chiefs' Community Outreach Program
Location: P and L Burger, 2000-A Avenida de los Arboles, Thousand Oaks, Ca
Date & Time: Thursday January 26th, 2017 8:30 AM ' 10:30 AM
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police and Fire Departments

Narrative:

In 2016, the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to nearly 21,000 calls for service while the Fire Protection District had approximately 12,000 responses. Your law enforcement officers work specific neighborhoods or patrol areas, day in and day out. These patrol areas are called beats. This system of community policing allows officers to really learn and interact with the community and citizens they serve. Your Fire Protection District has numerous stations throughout your community to enhance their availability to each region. This structure is only part of the issue; however, it takes more than that. It takes even greater partnerships between public safety and the community.

One example of those types of partnerships is the monthly Coffee with the Chiefs. On Thursday January 26th from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM your Thousand Oaks Police Chief Tim Hagel and Fire Chief Ted Smith will be at P and L Burger, 2000-A Avenida de los Arboles in Thousand Oaks.

What's on your mind? The chiefs want to sit down and have a cup of coffee or tea with you. Over the last four years these casual, spontaneous discussions between community members and the chiefs has led to numerous resolutions of community issues that would otherwise have not surfaced.

Come share your concerns of your neighborhood, openly, over a free cup of coffee. Be a part of the reason that this is such a safe and desirable community. Contribute your ideas and thoughts.

Chief Hagel and Chief Smith will be present from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, Crime Prevention Bureau

Media Release Date: January 11th 2017

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

Approved by: Captain Ross Bonfiglio

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Prescription / Rx Collection @ Leisure Village

1/20/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Prescription / Rx Collection @ Leisure Village

Report Number:

Location: 200 Leisure Village Drive, Camarillo, Ca

Date & Time: January 21, 2017 / 10:00AM ' 3:00PM

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

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

On Saturday January 21, 2017, the Camarillo Police Department is partnering with Leisure Village Security 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 six previous collections, a total of 797.35 pounds of unused / expired prescription medication was collected. Based on the success of those collections, the Camarillo Police Department and Leisure Village Security are conducting additional collections 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 and 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: January 20, 2017

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

Contact:

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Police Seek Public's Help with Identifying Camarillo Gas Station Armed Robbery Suspect
1/22/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Police Seek Public's Help With Identifying Camarillo Gas Station Armed Robbery Suspect

Report Number: 17-10070

Location: 4735 Pleasant Valley Road, Camarillo. (Mobil Gas Station)

Date & Time: 01/22/17 @ 01:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Major Crimes / Camarillo Police Department

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

S1- Hispanic, Male, Adult

City of Residence

**Age
18 ' 25
yrs.**

Narrative:

On January 22, 2017 at approximately 1:30 a.m. Camarillo Police Department responded to the Mobil Gas Station located on Pleasant Valley Road by the US 101 freeway for an armed robbery that had just occurred.

During the investigation, unknown Hispanic male subject entered the Mobil Gas Station located at 4735 Pleasant Valley Road in the City of Camarillo. The suspect, armed with a rifle, committed an armed robbery. The suspect took an undisclosed amount of money from the cash register and fled the scene on foot.

No persons were injured as a result of the robbery. The suspect is still outstanding. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is requesting anyone who has information on the suspect or crime please contact Detective Sergeant William Therrien at (805) 947-8119 or call crime stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant William Therrien

News Release Date: January 22, 2017

Media Follow-Up
Contact:

Detective Sergeant William Therrien
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Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith

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Public Help Leads to Arrest in Camarillo Robbery

1/23/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Public Help Leads to Arrest of Robbery Suspect

Report Number: 17-10070

Location: 4735 Pleasant Valley Road, Camarillo. (Mobil Gas Station)

Date & Time: 01/22/17 @ 01:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Major Crimes

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

A1- Male Juvenile

City of Residence

Oxnard

Age

16

Narrative:

On January 22, 2017 at approximately 1:30 a.m. Camarillo Police Department responded to the Mobil Gas Station located on Pleasant Valley Road by the US 101 freeway for an armed robbery that had just occurred.

During the investigation, an unknown Hispanic male subject entered the Mobil Gas Station located at 4735 Pleasant Valley Road in the City of Camarillo. The suspect, armed with a rifle, committed an armed robbery. The suspect took an undisclosed amount of money from the cash register and fled the scene on foot.

Surveillance photographs were attached and sent out through social media. Immediately, the Sheriff's Office received information reference the suspect who was involved in the robbery. With the information received, detectives from the Major Crimes Bureau, were able to identify and arrest the male juvenile for the robbery.

The Sheriff's Office would like to thank the members of our community for providing the critical information we needed to identify and further our investigation along more quickly. Ultimately, that information assisted the investigators in making an arrest for this violent crime.

This investigation is still ongoing at this time.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is requesting anyone who has information on the suspect or crime please contact Detective Sergeant William Therrien at (805) 947-8119 or call crime stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

Prepared by:

Detective Sergeant William Therrien

News Release Date: January 23, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Sergeant William Therrien
805-947-8119
William.therrien@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Moorpark Police - Elderly Targeted in Phone Scam

1/26/2017 3:37:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Phone Scam Targets Elderly Residents

Location: City of Moorpark and surrounding areas

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Investigations

Narrative:

Recently, criminals have been targeting victims in Moorpark and surrounding cities with phone scams. The most recent scam targets elderly victims where the caller claims to be a grandchild needing bail money.

In the Bail Scam, the caller is proficient at manipulating the victim into inadvertently giving the caller personal information such as their grandchild's name. The caller then confirms, 'Yes, it's me Johnny,' (or whatever name the victim provided.) The caller proceeds to tell the victim they are in jail and need bail money. In most cases, someone else claiming to be an attorney takes over the phone call and provides the victim with instructions on how to post the bail. The 'attorney' tells the victim to purchase gift cards for a specified amount at local retailers. A few hours later, the 'attorney' calls the victim back and instructs the victim to read them the gift card and pin numbers. Once the 'attorney' obtains the specified bail amount, the 'attorney' will often instruct the victim to purchase additional gift cards in order to pay for attorney fees, transportation for the grandchild, and various other incidental charges. In some of the cases, the 'attorney' coached the victim to tell the store clerk the gift card was for a wedding gift, if the clerk happened to question the victim regarding the unusually high dollar amount.

If you are contacted by someone claiming to be your grandchild (or other relative), or by someone claiming to be their attorney or a jail representative, obtain their phone number and tell them you will call them back. Then, call your loved one on a number you know to be theirs to determine if they are actually in jail. If you are unable to reach them, contact your local law enforcement agency for assistance. If you are able to reach them and determine they are not in jail, then someone is attempting to scam you. Call your local law enforcement agency immediately.

Jail facilities DO NOT accept gift cards as bail payment, and they DO NOT accept money wired to an account as bail payment.

To hear about the most up to date scams reported by Moorpark residents, please call the Moorpark Police Fraud Hotline at (805) 299-1566. Please contact the Moorpark Police Department at (805) 532-2700 or dispatch at (805) 654-9511 if you have any doubt about the validity of a transaction or phone call.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Becky Purnell

News Release Date: 1/26/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Investigator Amy Garcia / (805) 532-2650

Approved by: Captain John Reilly

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Multiple Arrests in Ventura County Based Narcotics Trafficking

1/26/2017 6:02:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Investigation into a Ventura County based Narcotics Trafficking Organization

Report Number: 17-6510, 17-8263, 17-8645

Location: Ventura County, Los Angeles County, San Bernardino County

Date & Time: July 2016 through January 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Narcotics Task Force
Ventura County Combined Agency Team
Drug Enforcement Administration- Ventura Resident Office

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Toribio Aros-Osorio	Oxnard	34
(S) Socorro Leyva-Jimenez	Fontana	44
(S) Yesenia Ramirez	Anaheim	28
(S) Juan Valle Lopez	Riverside	23
(S) Jose Manuel Ruiz	Reseda	42

Narrative:

In July, 2016, Detectives with the Ventura County Combined Agency Team and Special Agents with the Drug Enforcement Administration began investigating a Drug Trafficking Organization operating in the City of Oxnard. Investigators identified Toribio Aros-Osorio as being involved in the trafficking of narcotics into Ventura County from other counties. During the subsequent investigation into Aros-Osorio's narcotics trafficking, detectives were able to determine large quantities of narcotics were being smuggled into the United States from Mexico, which were ultimately being transported into Ventura County. Investigators were able to identify several individuals who were supplying Aros-Osorio with narcotics.

As a result of this investigation, approximately 19 kilograms of cocaine were seized from Socorro Jimenez-Leyva, who was suspected to be supplying Aros-Osorio with cocaine. Approximately 20 kilograms of cocaine were seized from Yesenia Ramirez, who was suspected of being a narcotics courier working on behalf of Juan Valle Lopez. Those 20 kilograms of cocaine were seized in Oxnard and were suspected to be sent to Aros-Osorio by Valle Lopez. Additionally, approximately two kilograms of heroin were seized from two suspects who had just received a package from Jose Ruiz, who was suspected of supplying Aros-Osorio with cocaine.

At the conclusion of the investigation, a search warrant was served at an address in the 18000 block of Hart Street in Los Angeles, which was suspected to be used by Jose Ruiz as a 'stash

house' for narcotics. During the service of the search warrant, approximately 47 pounds of methamphetamine, 1 kilogram of heroin and 1 kilogram of cocaine were seized.

A search warrant was also served at an address in the 1100 block of North G Street in Oxnard, which was suspected to be associated with Aros-Osorio. During the service of the search warrant, approximately 10 pounds of methamphetamine were seized.

As a result of this investigation, criminal charges have been filed against seven people suspected of being involved in trafficking narcotics into Ventura County. Approximately 39 kilograms of cocaine, 57 pounds of meth and three kilograms of heroin were seized. The street value of the seized narcotics is estimated to be approximately \$6,787,800.

The Ventura County Combined Agency Team is comprised of investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Oxnard Police Department and the Ventura County District Attorney's Office.

This investigation is ongoing.

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant Carlos Macias

News Release Date: January 26, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Greg Gibson
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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

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###

Human Remains Found Near Camp Comfort, Ojai Valley

1/26/2017 4:09:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Death Investigation

Report Number: 2017-10942

Location: Rural encampment near Camp Comfort, Ojai Valley

Date & Time: 01-25-17/1145 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes

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

(D) Unidentified

City of Residence

Unknown

Age

Unk.

Narrative:

On 1-25-17, detectives with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office followed up on information of a possible deceased person located in a rural encampment near Camp Comfort. Detectives located the camp and, upon further investigation, confirmed human remains were present. The remains were collected by the Ventura County Coroner's Office. At this time, the identity of the deceased is unknown and an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death is ongoing.

Anyone with information is encouraged to call Det. Jose Lopez at (805) 384-4723 or Det. Ron Chips at (805) 384-4737.

Prepared by: Detective Jose Lopez

News Release Date: 1-26-2017

Media Follow-Up Detective Jose Lopez (805) 384-4723

Contact:

Approved by: Capt. Melissa Smith

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).

Camarillo's Citizen's Academy Will Begin March 2, 2017

1/30/2017 4:49:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo Police Department's Citizen's Academy

Location: Camarillo Police Department
3701 E. Las Posas Road
Camarillo, CA 93010

Date & Time: March 2, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit / Crime Prevention

Narrative:

On March 2, 2017, the Camarillo Police Department will begin its 33rd Citizen's Academy program. The Citizen's Academy is a twelve-week course designed to give citizens an overview of the Camarillo Police Department and Sheriff's Office functions and operational procedures.

There will be presentations by a superior court judge, a K-9 officer, a S.W.A.T. member, a bomb squad technician, a narcotics officer, 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 Communications Center, Ventura County Crime Lab, Ventura County Criminal Justice Training Center, and the Sheriff's Air Unit.

Anyone interested in attending the Citizen's Academy can get 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.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Virginia Tinoco

News Release Date: January 30, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Virginia Tinoco 805-388-5130

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Camarillo Detectives Seek Public's Help to Identify Burglary Suspects

2/4/2017 12:42:00 AM

Nature of Incident: The Camarillo Police Department is asking for the public's help in identifying two residential burglary suspects.

Report Number: 17-16400

Location: Camarillo

Date & Time: February 3, 2017, between 11:30 AM to 3 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Detective Bureau, Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail, Camarillo Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S1) Unknown male	Unknown	Unknown
(S2) Unknown female		

Narrative:

On February 3, 2017, a Camarillo residence was burglarized and the incident was possibly interrupted when the victim returned home. Shortly after the burglary, the suspects used credit cards stolen from the victim's residence at locations in the Oxnard area. The associated photos were obtained from surveillance video at two of the businesses where the credit cards were used. No one was injured during the burglary and the suspects are still outstanding.

The Camarillo Police Department is requesting the public's assistance in identifying the suspects in this case. Anyone with any information regarding the suspect's identity is asked to call Detective Patrick Hawthorne at (805) 388-5119 or call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Hawthorne #3384

News Release Date: February 3, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Patrick Hawthorne
805-388-5119

Patrick.hawthorne@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain Laughlin

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).

###

East Valley Search & Rescue Provide Mutual Aid

2/5/2017 10:03:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Mutual Aid / Ice Rescue

Report Number: 17-16855

Location: Angeles Crest Highway

Date & Time: 02/04/2017 @ 10:30 am

Unit(s) Responsible: East Valley Search and Rescue, Sheriff's Communication Center, LASD
Montrose Search and Rescue, LASD Air Rescue 5, Los Angeles County
Fire Air Operations

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

City of Residence

Male

Los Angeles

Male

Los Angeles

Male

Los Angeles

Female

Los Angeles

Male (deceased)

Los Angeles

Narrative:

On February 4, 2017, members of the East Valley Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team were conducting annual snow and ice training approximately thirty-five miles north of La Canada Flintridge on the Angeles Crest Highway. At about 10:30 am, they were contacted by a good samaritan who informed them five hikers had fallen down an ice chute approximately two miles north of their current location. The team quickly responded to the intersection of Highway 2 and Highway 39 to begin rescue efforts.

The team contacted the Sheriff's Communication Center in Ventura, via satellite phone and informed them of the injured hikers. The Sheriff's Communication Center then contacted the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and requested additional resources including Air Rescue 5 and the Montrose Search and Rescue Team. The East Valley Search and Rescue team quickly deployed fifteen rescuers on foot to locate the injured hikers.

The injured hikers were located approximately three hundred feet down an icy slope, approximately one mile north of the starting point. The elevation was approximately 7000 feet with a 70 degree incline.

Rescue rope systems were implemented and rescuers made contact with injured hikers. One hiker had minor injuries and two were seriously hurt, all were suffering from shock and hypothermia.

The three injured hikers were treated by search and rescue team members from the East Valley Search and Rescue team and members of the Montrose Search and Rescue team who had also responded. The victims were stabilized and a helicopter hoist operation ensued. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Air Rescue 5 and the Los Angeles County Fire Department hoisted the three victims off the icy slope. They were transported by the air ships to local hospitals. A fourth victim was located but had succumbed to his injuries prior to rescuers arriving. The fifth victim, was able to walk out with search and rescue members with only minor injuries.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to remind all outdoor enthusiasts to be careful when traversing the beautiful Southern California wilderness; especially the snow. Areas of snow can quickly form to ice in the sun and can become slippery and dangerous. Improper equipment, unfamiliarity with the area, and hiking beyond your skill set, can quickly lead to dangerous conditions. In addition, remember to file a hiking plan or let someone, not in your party, know where you are going and when you plan on returning.

Prepared by: Deputy Chris Dyer (805) 535-0270

News Release Date: 02/04/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Chris Dyer (805) 535-0270
East Valley Search and Rescue Team Liaison

Approved by: Captain Romano Bassi

###

Camarillo's Parent Project to Begin March 6, 2017

2/6/2017 1:33:00 PM

- Nature of Incident:** The Parent Project 
- Location:** Camarillo Police Department
- Date & Time:** Beginning March 6, 2017 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  Monday evenings for ten weeks starting on March 6, 2017. 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 \$30 fee for the course workbook. Interested parents wishing to register are asked to contact the Community Resource Unit at (805) 388-5155 with any questions. Class size is limited so don't delay and register at parentproject.com or call today.

- Prepared by:** Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger
- News Release Date:** February 2, 2017
- Media Follow-Up Contact:** Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger
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Approved by:

Captain Cory Rubright

Thousand Oaks Police Planned Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

2/7/2017 4:02:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint
Location: Thousand Oaks, CA
Date & Time: February 11, 2017 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 February 11, 2017 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 867 deaths and nearly 23,000 serious injuries in 2013 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Nationally, the latest data shows nearly 10,000 were killed by an impaired driver. Locally, over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 6 lives and resulted in 85 injury crashes harming 112 of our friends and neighbors.

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, Sergeant

News Story Date: February 11, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: B. Payton 1941, Sergeant
barbara.payton@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

Camarillo Police Start Smart Program Starts March 16th

2/8/2017 7:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Start Smart Program

Location: Camarillo Police Station Community Room

Date & Time: Thursday, March 16th, 2017, 5:30 p.m. ' 8:30 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department will be hosting a program to educate newly licensed and future drivers. This program will take place on Thursday, March 16th, 2017 from 5:30PM until 8:30PM at the Camarillo Police Station Community Room. 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, call the Camarillo Police Department Community Resource Unit at (805) 388-5155. Space is limited to 20 students and their parents/guardians. There is no charge to attend the program. Interested parents are asked to contact Deputy Ben Lopez at (805) 388-5122 for more information.

Prepared by: Deputy Ben Lopez

News Release Date: Wednesday, February 8th, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Sean Britt (805) 388-5132

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Thousand Oaks Police Department to Present Citizen Academy

2/13/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Police Department to Present Citizen Academy

Location:

Thousand Oaks Police Station - Community Room

Date & Time:

April through June 2017

Unit Responsible:

Crime Prevention Bureau

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be offering the Citizen Academy course at the Thousand Oaks Police Station beginning in April, 2017. This 12-week course is designed to inform residents of the Conejo Valley about the many facets of your law enforcement team. Applications are now being accepted.

There is no cost to attend the program. Citizens enrolled in the program can expect sessions to be scheduled every Wednesday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The sessions begin April 5th and conclude June 21st. The sessions are presented by experienced Department staff from the various disciplines of policing. Field trips to the Jail, Communications Center and the Training Academy are scheduled as part of this interesting and informative program.

If you are interested in participating in this unique and rewarding opportunity, please complete and submit an application soon, as the course fills quickly. You must be age 18 or older to apply. For more information and to download an application online, please visit: www.toaks.org/departments/police/programs/citizen-academy.

Preparing Media Release:

Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais

Media Release Date:

February 13, 2017

Follow-Up Contact:

Teresa Cruz, VIP Coordinator
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topdvp@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain Don Aguilar

Oak Park Hate Crimes - Suspects Sought

2/15/2017 7:35:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Assistance Requested to Identify Hate Crime Suspects

Report Number: 17-20654

Location: Oak Park, California

Date & Time: February 11, 2017 @ 8:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: East County Investigations Bureau

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

City of Residence

Age
15-20 yrs

Unknown

Narrative:

On February 11, 2017, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office responded to several calls for service in response to notes containing handwritten anti-Semitic symbols, including swastikas and derogatory messages left at the homes of residents in Oak Park, which is located in the unincorporated area of Ventura County.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is aggressively investigating this case and has developed a task force, and is collaborating with Federal Law Enforcement Agencies to identify the suspects involved.

During the investigation, investigators learned unknown suspects placed the 4x6 notes on seven homes and the Chabad of Oak Park. The four suspects were captured on video surveillance attaching the notes to the front door of a home and a vehicle. With the exception of the Chabad of Oak Park, it appears the notes were randomly placed and did not specifically target Jewish residents.

Some of the suspects' actions were caught on video surveillance. Based on the surveillance, investigators believe at least four male suspects are involved. It appears the suspects are in their teens, and investigators suspect they are from the local area.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is seeking the public's assistance in identifying the suspects in the attached video. If you have any information on this crime or can identify the suspects, please contact Detective Marta Bugarin at (805) 371-8342 or at Marta.Bugarin@ventura.org.

A photo of one of the hate notes and a video of the suspects can be viewed by visiting the following link:
goo.gl/EVUX2S

Prepared by: Detective Tim Lohman (805) 947-8255

News Release Date: February 15, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman (805) 947-8255

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).

###

Homeless Camps Located and Cleared in Arroyo Conejo Open Space

2/17/2017 2:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Homeless Camps Located and Cleared in Arroyo Conejo Open Space

Report Number: N/A

Location: Arroyo Conejo Open Space, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: 02/15/2017 8:30 a.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Directed Enforcement Unit / Vulnerable Population Officer

Narrative:

On 2-15-2017, members of the Thousand Oaks Police Department Directed Enforcement Unit, and the Conejo Open Space Conservation Agency (COSCA) Rangers, conducted a homeless encampment inspection in the Arroyo Conejo Open Space, also known as the 'Barranca.' During the inspection, several camps were discovered and cleared due to environmental concerns.

This area is located next to Rancho Conejo playfields, which is near the intersection of Hillcrest Drive and Ventu Park Road. These combined efforts in removing the homeless encampments are essential to keep the hiking trails and open space scenery safe and free from litter and unlawful camping.

While in the barranca, six abandoned campsites were located in various locations near the trail. These camps were littered with discarded debris and clothing. The COSCA employees removed the debris from those campsites and the surrounding area.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department wants to remind the public to stay in the designated hiking areas during the hours of operation, which is sunrise to sunset (unless otherwise posted). It is unlawful to be in non-designated areas, camp, light fires, or be in the barranca area after hours. Please refer to COSCA's website, www.conejo-openspace.org, to determine the dates and times the parks are open for use.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department continues to serve the needs of our vulnerable population. We have a partnership with Lutheran Social Services (LSS), Ventura County Behavioral Health, and COSCA. Those who might be in need of social services are continually provided information and assistance if they so desire. If you have any questions regarding services available for our homeless please contact the Vulnerable Population Officer, Sr. Deputy Juan Cordova (805) 796-5251.

Prepared by: Sr. Deputy Juan Cordova

Media Release Date: February 17, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sr. Deputy Juan Cordova (805) 796-5251
juan.cordova@ventura.org

Approved by: Sgt. Glenn Axelrod

###

Thousand Oaks Swift Water Rescue Operation; One Person Remains Missing

2/17/2017 9:21:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Person Swept Away by Swift Water / Three Rescued

Report Number: 17-23461

Location: West of the 1200 block of Camino Dos Rios, Newbury Park

Date & Time: February 17, 2017 @ 2:26 P.M.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Patrol, Ventura County Sheriff's Aviation / Search & Rescue, Ventura County Fire Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Arturo Guerrero	Thousand Oaks	31
(V) Gustavo Guerrero	Thousand Oaks	38
(V) Elder Cereas	Thousand Oaks	28
(V) Male Adult	Thousand Oaks	20's

Narrative:

One person was swept away by swift water and three people were rescued Friday afternoon when heavy rains quickly flooded the barranca area west of the 1200 block of Camino Dos Rios in Thousand Oaks.

Officers with the Thousand Oaks Police Department, the Sheriff's Aviation Unit, Sheriff's Search and Rescue and the Ventura County Fire Department responded to the location after receiving a report of three people stranded on high ground within the barranca

A swift water rescue team comprised of Ventura County Sheriff and Ventura County Fire Department personnel successfully rescued the three people. The victims told rescue personnel that a fourth person was swept away by the strong currents before rescuers arrived. A search for the individual was immediately initiated by air and ground teams. The search is ongoing.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to remind the public of the extreme dangers of being near

fast moving water in washes, river bottoms and low lying areas during torrential rain storms.

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: February 17, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Timothy Lohman (805) 947-8255

Approved by: Captain Ross Bonfiglio

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).

###

Uniformed Crime Reports (UCR) Crime Statistics

2/17/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Uniformed Crime Reports (UCR) Crime Statistics

Location: Countywide

Date & Time: 02/17/2017 @ 10:00 AM

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

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has released its 2016 Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) crime statistics for Part 1 Crimes (Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Theft and Arson).

The data represents the information collected from the five contract cities where the Sheriff's Office provides police services and the unincorporated areas of the county. Those cities are Thousand Oaks, Camarillo, Moorpark, Fillmore and Ojai.

Overall, reported crime is down 1% when combining all of the Sheriff's jurisdictions. However, overall Part 1 Violent Crime increased by 1% or 6 total crimes. The increases in violent crime were reported in Rapes and Robberies. Only the city of Fillmore showed a decrease in violent crime (-49%). All the contracted cities and the unincorporated area showed decreases in Part 1 Property Crimes, with the exception of the city of Thousand Oaks (+7%).

Although there was a very small decrease in reported Part 1 crimes in 2016, since 2014 the overall crime total has increased by 5%. This equates to over 200 additional victims in our county. The most dramatic increase has been in the violent crime category, which has increased by over 30%, equating to an additional 130 victims. It's too early to determine if this crime trend increase after the passage of AB 109 (Prison Reduction) and Prop 47 is leveling out, but we will continue to examine the data we obtain.

Proposition 47, which reclassified a number of felonies to misdemeanors in 2014, was expected to reduce the prison and jail population statewide. While some county jurisdictions have seen modest reductions in their jail population, Ventura County has not. Our inmate population remains at pre-Prop 47 levels. Our justice system has reoriented itself to address an increase in misdemeanor court cases and a reduction in felony cases. This is the second full year of post Prop 47 releases of offenders and the reduction of certain felonies to misdemeanors. Sheriff's Office statistics show that 42% (1,840) of convicted offenders have reoffended since their release from custody since Prop 47 was enacted. That is a 10% increase over 2015's reoffender list. We continue to evaluate crime and arrest data in an attempt to definitively measure the local effects of Proposition 47, it certainly appears that a review of the logical progression of a

downward trend in crimes since 2007 and now a marked increase in 2015 and a similar amount of crimes in 2016 would make us believe there is a direct connection. Additionally, these crime statistics do not take into consideration any impacts from the recently passed Proposition 57, wherein current prison inmates convicted of non-violent crimes would be considered for early parole, as there is no statistical information available locally or from the state.

We also continue to 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 Dave Murray: 388-5102

Fillmore Police Department

Captain Dave Wareham: 524-2233

Moorpark Police Department

Captain John Reilly: 532-2705

Ojai Police Department

Captain James Fryhoff: 646-1418

Thousand Oaks Police Department

Commander Tim Hagel: 494-8265

Prepared by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

News Release Date: 02/17/2016

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Garo Kuredjian (805) 947-6782
Sgt. Denise Sliva (805) 947-9258

Approved by: Assistant Sheriff Steve Decesari

Update: Swift Water Rescue; Male Adult Located Deceased

2/18/2017 12:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: UPDATE: Rescuers Locate Deceased Body in Arroyo

Report Number: 17-23461

Location: Arroyo Conejo

Date & Time: February 18, 2017 @ 8:45 A.M.

Unit Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff Search & Rescue, Thousand Oaks Police Department

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

(D) Male Adult

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

20's

Narrative:

Early Saturday morning, the Ventura County Sheriff Office Search And Rescue crews continued efforts to locate the person swept away by swift water on Friday, February 17, 2017.

At 8:45 a.m., a Sheriff's rescue helicopter and swift water rescuers located a deceased adult male in a remote area of the Arroyo Conejo Creek in Thousand Oaks. The recovery efforts will take several hours. The identity of the subject is unknown and additional information will be provided when available.

Residents are reminded the Conejo Valley trails and creeks are closed due to flood conditions. 'Remember turn around don't drown.'

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: February 18, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Timothy Lohman (805) 947-8255

Approved by:

Commander Tim Hagel

Pre-Trial Detention Facility: Inmate Death

2/20/2017 4:09:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Inmate Death

Report Number: 17-23780

Location: Detention Services, Pre-Trial Detention Facility (PTDF)

Date & Time: February 18, 2017 at 0800 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Special Services, Major Crimes Bureau

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

(D) Russell Howard Fries

City of Residence
Transient, Simi Valley

Age
55

Narrative:

On Saturday morning, February 18, 2017, an inmate was found deceased at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility (PTDF).

On February 18, 2017, at approximately 2:00 a.m., Mr. Russell Fries was arrested by the Simi Valley Police Department for Public Intoxication and Obstructing or Intimidating the Business of a Public Agency. Mr. Fries was seen at a local hospital for a pre-existing medical condition and was evaluated by hospital medical staff prior to being transported to the jail in Ventura.

At approximately 3:30 a.m., Mr. Fries was evaluated by medical staff and was accepted for booking. Due to his intoxication, Mr. Fries was placed into a sobering cell by himself and monitored by jail staff frequently and consistently throughout the morning. At approximately 7:30 a.m., Mr. Fries was found unresponsive in the sobering cell by deputies and medical staff. Emergency aid was immediately rendered and Ventura City Fire personnel and AMR paramedics were summoned to provide more advanced life-saving efforts. After life-saving efforts proved unsuccessful, Mr. Fries was pronounced deceased at the jail.

Consistent with Sheriff's Office policy regarding inmate deaths, the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau is currently investigating the incident. Mr. Fries has been booked multiple times in the recent past for Public Intoxication. There is no indication of violence or foul play; however, the cause of death is unknown, pending an autopsy by the Medical Examiner.

Prepared by: Detective Jose Lopez

News Release Date: February 20, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jose Lopez (805) 384-4723

Approved by: Captain Mark Franke

Four suspects arrested for armed robbery of 7-Eleven store

2/22/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Four suspects arrested for armed robbery of 7-Eleven store.

Report Number: RB# 16-192262

Location: 7-Eleven @ 3309 Kimber Dr, Newbury Park

Date & Time: December 27, 2016 at 8:15PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department / East County Major Crimes

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
S1 ' Carlos Ramirez	North Hollywood	25
S2 ' Male Juvenile	North Hollywood	16
S3 ' Male Juvenile	North Hollywood	16
S4 ' Male Juvenile	North Hollywood	16

Narrative:

Four suspects were arrested for committing an armed robbery of the 7-Eleven convenience store in Newbury Park.

On December 27, 2016, at about 8:15PM, four suspects entered the 7-Eleven convenience store located at 3309 Kimber Dr. in Newbury Park. One suspect pointed a handgun at the clerk, while the other three suspects stole merchandise and cash from the register. All suspects fled the location in a dark colored sedan.

In January 2017, Burbank Police Detectives arrested one adult and two juvenile suspects in connection with an armed robbery of Little Caesars Pizza in Burbank. Burbank Detectives served a search warrant at one of the suspect's residence in North Hollywood and located additional evidence including a handgun believed to have been used in the Little Caesars robbery. As Burbank Detectives continued their investigation, additional evidence was discovered which possibly linked the suspects to the robbery of the 7-Eleven in Newbury Park.

Thousand Oaks Police Department major crimes detectives collaborated with Burbank Police detectives and through an extensive investigation were able to connect all three suspects to the 7-Eleven robbery in Newbury Park. The fourth suspect was also identified and arrested.

The adult male suspect, Carlos Ramirez, was arrested for robbery and booked in the Ventura County Main Jail. The three juvenile suspects were arrested for robbery and booked into Juvenile Hall.

Prepared by: Sergeant Mike McConville

Media Release Date: February 22, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Mike Hartmann

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CIT Officer of the Year

3/2/2017 8:19:00 AM

Nature of Incident: CIT Officer of the Year

Location: Ventura County Behavior Health Williams Building

Date & Time: March 1, 2017 / 1200

Unit Responsible: Crisis Intervention Team

Narrative:

The Ventura County Law Enforcement Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) is pleased to announce the 2016 'CIT Officer of the Year' recipient.

The 2016 CIT Officer of the year award was presented to Deputy Chandra Pugh, of the Ventura County Sheriff's Office. Chandra attended the CIT Academy in 2013, is a Field Training Officer, and is a 23 year veteran of Law Enforcement. Chandra is calm and compassionate as she speaks with people in crisis. Chandra's excellent intervention skills make it safer for the individual in crisis. Chandra currently works as a patrol deputy, assigned to the Camarillo Police Department.

Chandra 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 CIT Office.

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 to diagnose mental illness symptoms of the party law enforcement comes in contact with. The successful implementation of the CIT Program in Ventura County has reduced risk of 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 1509 law enforcement employees have completed Ventura County Law Enforcement's 40 hour CIT Academy since 2001.

The names of the nominees for this year's award were: Deputy Chandra Pugh (VCSO-Camarillo PD), Officer Jeff Wojnarowski (Ventura PD), Officer Angelica Duran (Oxnard PD), Officer Dan McCarthy (Santa Paula PD), Officer Ronald Davis (Port Hueneme PD), Officer Don Anderson (Simi Valley PD), Deputy Gabriel Viesca (VCSO-Fillmore PD), and Senior Deputy Michael Schultz (VCSO-Thousand Oaks PD).

An additional award recognized the Port Hueneme Police Department for having 100% of their officers CIT trained.

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Media Release Date: March 1, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: March 4th, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Planned this Weekend

The Camarillo Police Department's Traffic Bureau will be conducting a DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint on March 4th, at an undisclosed location within the city limits between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m.

The deterrent effect of High Visibility Enforcement using both DUI checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols has proven to lower the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug impaired crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized proactive DUI operations are conducted routinely.

DUI Checkpoints like this one 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, alcohol involved collisions led to 1,155 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2014 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Over the course of the past three years, the Camarillo Police Department has investigated 166 DUI collisions, which have claimed 1 life and resulted in another 57 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.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and 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 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

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Pedestrian Safety Enforcement

3/3/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Pedestrian Safety Enforcement

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: March 6, 2017, 8:00 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 Monday 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, and failing to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks 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 84 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% 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.

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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News Story Date: March 3, 2017

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DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

3/7/2017 8:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: March 4th, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

DUI Checkpoint Nets 1 Arrest

The Camarillo Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI / Driver's License checkpoint on 3/4/17 at Pleasant Valley Road and Village Park Drive between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m. 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.

High Visibility Enforcements, which include 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 alcohol or drug impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging everyone to use sober designated drivers. Below are some statistics from the recent checkpoint:

- 322 Vehicles screened
- 0 DUI-Alcohol suspects arrested
- 0 DUI-Drug impaired suspects arrested
- 0 Suspects arrested for illegal drugs (possession/transportation/sales)
- 1 Arrested on other criminal charges
- 11 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 4 Citations issued for other various vehicle code violations

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

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

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'.

Prepared by: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572

News Release Date: March 7th, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Heroin Overdose Resulting in Death Leads to Arrests

3/7/2017 8:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Heroin Overdose Resulting In Death Leads To Arrests

Report Number: 16-192870 / 17-30646

Location: Meiners Oaks

Date & Time: December 28th, 2016, at 05:42 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau
Sheriff's Narcotics Task Force
Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit
Ojai Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(D) Male subject	Meiners Oaks	23
(S) Clinton Zachary Erickson	Santa Paula	23
(S) Gregory Scott Ledbetter	Ventura	26

Narrative:

On December 29th, 2016, at about 5:42 a.m., deputies from the Ojai Police Department responded to a residence in Meiners Oaks, for a report of a heroin overdose. Detectives from the Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau, Sheriff's Narcotics Task Force and the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit responded to the scene and learned a 23 year old male had passed away as a result of a heroin use. Detectives from the Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau and the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit began an investigation into the victim's death. In a coordinated effort, numerous interviews were conducted and arrests were made of individuals who were associated with the victim and / or involved in selling him drugs.

Through these arrests, interviews and investigative leads, detectives determined the victim had obtained heroin with the aid of Clinton Erickson from Gregory Ledbetter. Detectives wrote and served multiple search warrants. After serving the search warrants, obtaining evidence and conducting additional interviews, Gregory Ledbetter was arrested for furnishing heroin to Clinton Erickson and involuntary manslaughter on March 3rd, 2017. On March 7, 2017, Clinton Erickson was additionally arrested for furnishing heroin to the victim and involuntary manslaughter.

This investigation is ongoing and all individuals have future court dates pending.

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Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station Seeks Off-Highway Vehicle Grant

3/10/2017 8:48:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Off-Highway Vehicle Grant

Location: Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station

Date & Time: March 10, 2017

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

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station, is applying for a grant from the California State Park Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division. The 2017 State Parks grant budget is anticipated to be about \$5,200,000 designated for distribution to law enforcement agencies within the state. The Sheriff's Office is seeking approximately \$78,070 of the designated funds.

The Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station jurisdictional area is approximately 610 square miles in the northern backcountry of Ventura County. This includes areas of the Los Padres National Forest and Hungry Valley State Vehicular Recreation Area. These areas include 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 collisions and search and rescue calls for service.

The funds being sought will enable deputies to establish off-highway patrols in an effort to provide information and education, as well as 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 7, 2017 through April 3, 2017.

Prepared by: Deputy Scott Baugher / Lockwood Valley Station

News Release Date: March 10, 2017

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Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

Thousand Oaks Police Department and Fire Department "Coffee with the Chiefs"

Community Outreach Program

3/13/2017 3:00:00 PM

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

Location: Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf, The Oaks Mall
350 W. Hillcrest Drive

Date & Time: Thursday March 23rd, 2017 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department and Fire Department

Narrative:

On Thursday March 23rd, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., stop by and meet your Thousand Oaks Police Chief Tim Hagel and Fire Chief Ted Smith at The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf at the Oaks Mall.

What's on your mind? The chiefs want to sit down and have a cup of coffee or tea with you. Over the last four years these casual, spontaneous discussions between community members and the chiefs has led to numerous resolutions of community issues that would otherwise have not surfaced.

In 2016, the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to nearly 21,000 calls for service while the Fire Protection District had approximately 12,000 responses. Your law enforcement officers work specific neighborhoods or patrol areas, day in and day out. These patrol areas are called beats. This system of community policing allows officers to really learn and interact with the community and citizens they serve. Your Fire Protection District has numerous stations throughout your community to enhance their availability to each region. This structure is only part of the issue. However, it takes more than that. It takes even greater partnerships between public safety and the community.

Come share your concerns of your neighborhood, openly, over a free cup of coffee. Be a part of

the reason that this is such a safe and desirable community. We encourage you to share your ideas and thoughts.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Edward Beauvais, Crime Prevention Bureau

Media Release Date: March 13th, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

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St. Patrick's Day Weekend Enforcement

3/16/2017 2:57:00 PM

Nature of Incident: St Patrick's Day Weekend

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo and Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: March 16th, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department and Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureaus

Narrative:

This St. Patrick's Day, Plan Before You Party!
Remember: Impaired Driving, Drugs and Alcohol can Kill

St. Patrick's Day has become one of the nation's favorite holidays to celebrate and party. Unfortunately, too many people are taking to the roads after drinking, making the holiday one of our most dangerous. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 252 people lost their lives in drunk driving-related crashes during the St. Patrick's Day holiday period from 2011-2015. More than a fourth of them were killed in drunk driving crashes that occurred in the early morning, post-party hours (midnight to 5:59 a.m.).

That's why the **Camarillo and Thousand Oaks** Police Departments and the California Office of Traffic Safety are teaming up to reach all drivers with an important life-saving message and warning: Don't Drive Impaired by Drugs or Alcohol.

The Camarillo and Thousand Oaks Police Departments will deploy additional officers on special DUI Saturation Patrols from March 17th through March 19th. Additionally, the Thousand Oaks Police Department will conduct a DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint on Saturday March 18th from 9:00pm to 3:00am at an undisclosed location in Thousand Oaks specifically to stop and arrest drivers showing signs of alcohol or drug impairment. In addition to this St Patrick's Day enforcement effort, all police, sheriff and the CHP will be on heightened alert ready to stop and arrest any impaired driver throughout the long weekend.

'These needless deaths can be prevented,' said Commander Dave Murray, Chief of Police for the Camarillo Police Department. 'Planning a sober ride home before the party begins is the first step in staying safe on St. Patrick's Day. Don't wait until you've already been drinking to make your transportation decision. Designate your sober driver in advance, and never get behind the wheel if you've been drinking.'

If you plan to celebrate this St. Patrick's Day, follow these tips to stay safe:

' Before celebrating St. Patrick's Day this year, decide whether you'll drink or you'll drive. You can't

do both. *'Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving'*

- ' If you're planning on driving, commit to staying sober. If you've been out drinking and then get behind the wheel, you run the risk of causing a crash or getting arrested for a DUI.
- ' Drugs such as many prescription medications, marijuana or illicit drugs can also lead to impairment and unsafe driving, leading to a DUI. When mixed with even a small amount of alcohol the affects can be compounded.
- ' If you have been drinking, call a taxi or sober friend or family member or use public transportation. You can download the Designated Driver VIP free mobile app, 'DDVIP,' for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.
- ' Help those around you be responsible, too. Walking while impaired can also be deadly, as lack of attention could put you at risk of getting hit by a vehicle. If someone you know is impaired by alcohol or drugs, do not let them get behind the wheel and help them find a sober ride home.

This enforcement effort is funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration who reminds everyone to be alert and 'Report Drunk Drivers ' Call 911' if you see a dangerous driver, call immediately!

Prepared by: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572

News Release Date: March 16th, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Thousand Oaks - March 18th DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint

3/16/2017 4:17:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: March 18th, 2017 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 March 18th, 2017, 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 867 deaths and nearly 23,000 serious injuries in 2013 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Nationally, the latest data shows nearly 10,000 were killed by an impaired driver. Locally, over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 6 lives and resulted in 85 injury crashes harming 112 of our friends and neighbors.

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: C.Patterson #2898, Sergeant

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

East County Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

3/20/2017 11:13:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

Report Number: N/A

Location: City And County Areas of Thousand Oaks and Moorpark

Date & Time: Saturday, March 18, 2017. 8:00 AM ' 2:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau
Thousand Oaks Police Department Investigations Bureau
Moorpark Police Department Special Enforcement Unit

Narrative:

On Saturday, March 18, 2017, Sheriff's detectives conducted compliance checks at the residences of sixty (60) registered sex offenders throughout the city and county areas of Thousand Oaks and Moorpark. The compliance checks were part of the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE / ELEAS) Grant.

Forty-six (46) of the offenders were found to be in compliance with their registration requirement. Fourteen (14) registrants were not contacted because they were not home or had moved. Sheriff's detectives will follow-up to determine if the remaining registrants not contacted are out of compliance. The Sheriff's office aggressively pursues for prosecution those offenders found to be 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.

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News Release Date: March 20, 2017

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Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith

DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

3/21/2017 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: March 18, 2017 from 8:00 pm to 3:00 am

Unit Responsible: Thousand oaks Police-Traffic Bureau

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

(S) Duffy, Thomas

City of Residence

Oak Park

Narrative:

March DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

On March 18, 2017, the Thousand Oaks Police Department-Traffic Bureau conducted a DUI / Driver's License checkpoint at two locations in the City of Thousand Oaks. The first location was west bound Lynn Road at Knollwood Drive from 9:30 pm to 11:22 pm. The second location was east bound Avenida De Los Arboles at Calle Haya from 11:58 p.m. to March 19 at 3:00 a.m. 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 related injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive alcohol and/ or drug impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging alcohol or drugged impaired drivers 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 yielding considerable cost savings of \$6.00 for every \$1.00 spent. Ninety percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

During the listed Checkpoint Operation the following occurred:

- 301 vehicles were screened
- One DUI (adult) arrest-alcohol suspected
- No DUI drug impaired arrests
- 5 drivers were cited/arrested for operating a vehicle while unlicensed or suspended/revoked
- A total of 5 citations were issued for other vehicle code violations

Law Enforcement emphasizes the preventable nature of DUI, reminding everyone that all it takes is a little preplanning. Designate a sober driver, call a friend or family member for a ride or call a cab. Whatever you do, don't drink and drive or drive while drug impaired.

The California Office of Traffic Safety DDVIP (Designated Driver VIP) mobile app is now available for free to 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. For more information about DDVIP, visit <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>

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

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting another DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on April 8, 2017 (Saturday) in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and related injuries on 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. Remember to report Drunk Drivers by calling 9-1-1.

Prepared by: Dan Ambarian, Senior Deputy

Media Release Date: March 21, 2017

Media Follow-Up Carl Patterson, Sergeant (805) 373-2322

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Thousand Oaks - Scam Hotline Launched

3/22/2017 5:28:00 PM

Nature of Incident:

Police Department Launches Scam Hotline to Educate Community

Location:

City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time:

Ongoing

Unit Responsible:

Thousand Oaks Police Department Investigations ' Forgery/Fraud Unit

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is launching a scam hotline for its citizens. The hotline telephone number (805) 371-8327 will provide information on various current types of scams (telephone, mail, email, text message, etc.) and provide callers the opportunity to leave information on scams they may have been exposed to. The phone line is a recorded informational message available 24 hours a day.

Scams are climbing at an alarming rate, not only in our community, but communities nationwide. The Thousand Oaks Police Department is dedicated to educating the community on current scams and ways to avoid falling victim to them. We have found by educating the community and providing essential information about current scams, the monetary loss from victims of scams is avoided.

The scam hotline is not for reporting crimes. If you are a victim of a scam that has resulted in a financial loss, please call Ventura County Sheriff's Office dispatch at (805) 654-9511 to have an officer take a report.

Every year, thousands of people lose money to scams from a few hundred dollars to their <https://www.bbb.org/>. To file an internet crime complaint with www.ic3.gov

whole life savings. In 2016, the Better Business Bureau reported that approximately 40,000

scams were reported, this does not account for the numerous scams not being reported or the

monetary losses, which are in the billions of dollars.

For additional information on current scams contact the Federal Trade Commission at FTC.gov

or the Better Business Bureau at

the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) at

Prepared by:

Detective Timothy Lohman

Release Date:

March 22, 2017

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Approved by:

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Captain Don Aguilar

Camarillo - Illegal Possession of Firearm Arrest

3/24/2017 12:32:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Illegal Possession of Firearm Arrest
Report Number: 17-38961
Location: Brendan's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 1755 E. Daily Dr., Camarillo
Date & Time: 03/17/2017 @ 0120 Hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(A) Barion Smith	Camarillo

Narrative:

On March 17, 2017 at about 1:20 AM, Camarillo patrol deputies responded to a call of a subject possibly in possession of a firearm at Brendan's Irish Pub and Restaurant. When they arrived, deputies made contact with a subject identified by witnesses as being in possession of the firearm. The subject was later identified as 27 year old Barion Smith. During the course of their investigation, deputies determined that Smith possessed a .22 caliber, Uzi pistol. At the time the firearm was located, there was a loaded magazine seated in the pistol and a round in the chamber and the safety switch was in the 'fire' position.

Smith was arrested for 25850(a) PC, possession of a loaded handgun and booked at the Main Jail.

Prepared by: Sergeant Julie Novak
News Release Date: 3-24-17
Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi, 947-9363
Approved by: Captain C. Rubright

2017 Public Safety Dispatcher of the Year

3/27/2017 5:03:00 PM

Nature of Incident:	911 Dispatcher to Receive Award
Report Number:	
Location:	Ventura County Sheriff's Office Communications Center, 800 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, California
Date & Time:	April 9, 2017, 5:00 p.m.
Unit(s) Responsible:	Sheriff's Communications Center
Narrative:	
<p>Ventura County Sheriff's Technical Communications Specialist Nicole Tucker has been selected as the 2017 Public Safety Dispatcher of the Year. She will be honored at the annual Dispatcher Awards Banquet at California State University, Channel Islands on April 9, 2017. Nicole 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.</p> <p>Nicole has been a dispatcher with the Sheriff's Office since February of 2011. During his time with the Sheriff's Office, Nicole has become a consummate team player and is one of the many dispatchers who work tirelessly to ensure that each emergency is responded to effectively and every caller receives the assistance they need. In addition to her challenging primary assignment, she trains newly hired dispatchers and we are lucky to have someone such as Nicole passing along her empathetic attributes to her trainees.</p> <p>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. Nicole's peers can attest that she executes all of the above attributes while answering 9-1-1 and business calls or dispatching deputies on the radio.</p> <p>Congratulations to Nicole Tucker for being selected as the Ventura County Sheriff's Office's 2017 Dispatcher of the Year.</p>	

Arrests of Retail Burglary Crew

3/29/2017 8:24:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of organized retail burglary suspects
Report Number: RB# 17-44380
Location: 300 block of West Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA
Date & Time: 03/28/17 at 10:30 AM
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Hooker, Damon	Union City	22
Grayson, Kyrie	San Francisco	24
Vanderbilt, Shakia	San Francisco	24
Pittman, Precious	San Francisco	23

Narrative:

On March 28th, 2017, investigators assigned to Thousand Oaks Police Department arrested four suspects involved in a series of commercial burglaries occurring in the City of Thousand Oaks, the City of Camarillo and several other locations throughout Southern California.

On March 1st, 2017, deputies responded to a theft call at a business located in the 300 block of West Hillcrest Drive in the City of Thousand Oaks. Responding deputies learned that four subjects entered the business and stole about \$2,000 worth of merchandise. Thousand Oaks Police Investigators later learned the group committed five other burglaries that day extending from the City of Glendale to the City of Camarillo. In all, the suspects were responsible for stealing over \$10,000 dollars in merchandise.

Thousand Oaks Police Investigators, working closely with private businesses and other law enforcement agencies, were able to identify one of the suspects as San Francisco resident Kyrie Grayson. Investigators believed Grayson and the other three suspects were part of a larger organized retail theft group called the 'Rainbow Crew.' The Rainbow Crew is believed to regularly travel up and down the coast committing numerous burglaries and strong-armed robberies at various retail stores. Investigators estimate the Rainbow Crew has been responsible for stealing over \$100,000 from Los Angeles and Ventura County retail stores and upwards of a million dollars throughout California.

On March 28th, 2017, at about 1030 hours, Thousand Oaks Police Investigators received information the subjects returned to a retail store in the 300 block of West Hillcrest Drive. Deputies located the suspects as they left in a vehicle. When deputies attempted to stop

the vehicle, the driver fled and a pursuit was initiated. Deputies pursued the vehicle north on US 101 to the Rincon area where the pursuit was turned over to the California Highway Patrol. CHP officers deployed spike strips and were able to stop the car on US 101 in Gaviota.

CHP officers detained four subjects and turned them over to responding Thousand Oaks Police Investigators. The suspects were identified as, Kyrie Grayson, Damon Hooker, Shakia Vanderbilt and Precious Pittman. Thousand Oaks Police Investigators located \$15,000 in stolen property inside the vehicle and determined it had been taken from a Los Angeles County burglary earlier in the day. Investigators also positively identified Grayson and Pittman as being involved in the March 1st burglaries.

All four subjects were arrested for 182(a)(1) PC / Conspiracy to commit a crime, multiple counts of 459 PC / Burglary, and 466 PC/ possession of burglary tools. Grayson was arrested on the additional charge of 2800.2(a) PC / felony evading.

All four subjects were booked into the Ventura County jail where they remain on \$250,000 bail pending trial.

Criminal activity commonly crosses jurisdictional boundaries. The suspects in this case traveled hundreds of miles to commit their crimes. During the course of the investigation, Thousand Oaks Police Investigators worked with the San Francisco Police Department and several private businesses. The cooperative effort was a key factor in identifying and arresting the four suspects.

Prepared by: Sergeant Peter Frank

Media Release Date: March 29, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jason Louis
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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Suspect Identification Sought in CVS Pharmacy Robberies

3/29/2017 1:02:00 PM

Nature of Incident: CVS Pharmacy Robberies
Report Number: 17-38242, 17-44663
Location: 700 block Arneill Rd & 5200 block Mission Oaks Blvd, Camarillo
Date & Time: 03/16/2017, 2040 hours & 03/28/2017, 2020 hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol, Sheriff Major Crimes

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

(S) Unidentified male

City of Residence

Unknown

Narrative:

On 03/16/2017, a robbery occurred at the CVS store located in the 700 block of Arneill Road in Camarillo. At about 2040 hours, an unidentified male suspect entered the CVS store, jumped the pharmacy counter, and took an undisclosed number of prescription medication bottles. The suspect fled the store through an emergency exit. No one was injured during the incident.

On 03/28/2017, a robbery occurred at the CVS located in the 5200 block of Mission Oaks Blvd in Camarillo. At about 2020 hours, an unidentified male suspect entered the CVS store, jumped the pharmacy counter, and took an undisclosed number of prescription medication bottles. The suspect fled the store through an emergency exit. No one was injured during the incident.

In both incidents, the suspect was caught on store video surveillance. The suspect from both robberies is believed to be the same person. The suspect is further described as a Hispanic or Caucasian male in his 20's, about 5'7' tall, and weighing between 150 to 175 pounds.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is seeking the public's assistance in identifying the suspect. If you have any information on this crime or can identify the suspect, please contact Detective Jarrod Foote at 805-797-6402 or at jarrod.foote@ventura.org.

Prepared by: Detective Jarrod Foote #4423

News Release Date: 03/29/2017

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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith



Todd Road Jail - Narcotics & Weapons Seizure/Arrests

3/29/2017 3:18:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics and Weapons Seizure / Arrest

Report Number: 17-14158

Location: Todd Road Jail, 600 S. Todd Road in the City of Santa Paula

Date & Time: January 2017 through March 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Todd Road Jail Classification Unit, Pre-Trial Detention Facility Mail Room, Ventura County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Jamie Hughlett	Santa Clarita, CA
(S) Jeffrey VanBeveren	Simi Valley, CA
(S) Nicholas Olson	Moorpark, CA
(S) Zachariah Jones	Santa Clarita, CA

Narrative:

Information of a conspiracy to send narcotics into the Todd Road Jail through the United States mail led to the arrest of Jaime Hughlett and Nicholas Olson for narcotic and conspiracy related charges. A warrant has been issued for Jeffrey VanBeveren.

During this investigation, deputies assigned to the Todd Road Jail Classification Unit received information that Jeffrey VanBeveren was receiving mail from an unknown suspect that contained the prescription drug Suboxone. Suboxone is a controlled substance with a high potential for abuse. The Classification Unit initiated an investigation which led to the interception and seizure of many letters addressed to Jeffrey VanBeveren and Nicholas Olson which contained Suboxone strips. A further investigation revealed that Vanbeveren and Olson conspired with Hughlett to send uninvolved inmates Suboxone into the jail by way of U.S. mail. That mail was intercepted by diligent mail room staff.

On 3/10/17, Hughlett was arrested near her residence in Santa Clarita, CA. An amount of Suboxone, methamphetamine, and heroin were located on her person and in her belongings. Ventura County Sheriff's Narcotics detectives served a search warrant at her residence and located additional evidence of

packaging, scales, and narcotics paraphernalia. The Office of the District Attorney has filed one count of PC 4573-Bringing drugs into a jail, one count of HS 11377(a)-Possession of a controlled substance, and one count of HS 11350(a)-Possession of a controlled substance.

Narcotics detectives also located an AR-15 style rifle, belonging to Zachariah Jones, with no serial number and a number of features that made it non-compliant with California law. The rifle was seized and is pending examination by the Ventura County Sheriff's Office prior to the filing of criminal charges.

On 3/10/17, Olson was still in custody at the Todd Road Jail. He received a supplemental booking and the Office of the District Attorney filed one count of PC 182(a)(1)-Conspiracy to commit a crime against him.

VanBeveren is currently in the custody of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. The Todd Road Jail Classification Unit obtained a warrant for his arrest for PC 4573-Bringing drugs into a jail and PC 182(a)(1)-Conspiracy to commit a crime. He will be extradited at a later date.

The safety and security of inmates and staff at the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Jails are a priority. The introduction of narcotics into the jail directly affects the safety of all inmates and staff members, and it will be investigated to the fullest.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Adam Garnier

News Release Date: 3/29/2017

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Approved by: Captain Randy Downard

Ojai - Suspect Arrested for Vehicle Theft

3/30/2017 7:25:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Ojai Transient Arrested for Vehicle Theft and Receiving Stolen Property

Report Number: 17-36769

Location: El Conejo Drive, Meiners Oaks

Date & Time: 3/15/2017 at 9:00 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department, Ojai Investigations Unit

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

City of Residence

(S) Wyatt Revard

Ojai

Narrative:

On 3/15/2017, at approximately 9:00 AM, patrol deputies were dispatched to a call of a suspicious vehicle parked in the area of El Roblar Drive and Maricopa Highway.

When deputies arrived on scene, the unoccupied vehicle was in the St. Thomas Aquinas Church parking lot. Deputies confirmed the vehicle was reported stolen on 3/14/2017 from the Meiners Oaks area. Deputies observed known Ojai transient, Wyatt Revard, enter the vehicle and drive away from the location. Deputies conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle on El Conejo Drive in Meiners Oaks.

Revard was arrested for VC 10851, unlawful taking of a vehicle.

During a search of the vehicle, deputies found a silver laptop. After further investigation, it was determined the laptop was stolen from a vehicle in Ojai on 2/23/2017.

Revard was charged with PC 496 (A), receiving stolen property.

Revard was booked into the Ventura County Jail and is currently in custody on the felony and

misdemeanor charges. Revard's bail was set at \$30,000.

The stolen vehicle and laptop were returned to their owners.

Revard was arrested because a concerned citizen observed a suspicious vehicle in the neighborhood and called law enforcement. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office encourages citizens to report all suspicious activity seen by calling 9-1-1.

Prepared by: Deputy Havelka

News Release Date: 3/17/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Hollowell (605) 646-1414

Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

Nature of Incident: National Distracted Driving Awareness Month

Report Number:

Location: Camarillo

Date & Time: April 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

WORKING TOGETHER TO STOP DISTRACTED DRIVING

April is recognized as National Distracted Driving Awareness Month. In California, the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), the Camarillo Police Department, CHP, local law enforcement, and community partners throughout the state are working together to make the roads safer by highlighting the dangers of being distracted while driving, especially by cell phones.

'Law enforcement would rather see everyone off their cell phones than hand out a lot of tickets,' said Rhonda Craft, director of the Office of Traffic Safety. 'Take care of calling, texting, setting your GPS and everything else before you hit the street.'

Lawmakers agree that distracted driving continues to be a growing problem among California's motorists. Assembly Bill 1785 went into effect on January 1, requiring all drivers in California to keep their cell phone out of their hands while operating a motor vehicle. Under the new law, a driver may activate or deactivate a feature or function of the cell phone or wireless communication device by swiping or tapping its screen only if it is properly mounted or not being held in a driver's hand. Specific information on the new law can be found at www.ots.ca.gov.

The Office of Traffic Safety will begin a new public awareness campaign throughout the state in April emphasizing how the new law makes virtually all hand-held cell phone activity illegal ' talking, texting, and using apps The campaign aims to end distracted driving through education and raise awareness about the associated dangers. The goal is to change motorist behaviors and save lives, not just in the month of April but year-round.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) reports that 3,477 people were killed and an estimated 391,000 injured in motor vehicle collisions involving distracted drivers in 2015. That is a 9 percent increase in fatalities as compared to the previous year.

The Camarillo Police Department will join other law enforcement agencies throughout the state to

provide educational experiences as well as zero tolerance enforcement efforts to discourage distracted driving. Officers will have a special emphasis this month on enforcing all cell phone and distracted driving laws. The goal is to gain voluntary compliance by drivers, but sometimes citations are necessary for motorists to better understand the importance of driving distraction free.

The Camarillo Police Department is deploying extra traffic officers with grant-funded resources on various days from April 3rd, 2017 to April 14th, 2017 in city locations with higher numbers of traffic collisions. Violators will be stopped and cited with fines set at \$162 for first time offenders. This campaign is funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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News Release Date: 3/29/2017

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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Ojai - Suspect Arrested on Weapons Charges on Two Separate Occasions

3/31/2017 7:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Suspicious Suspect Arrested on Firearm and Drug Charges on Two Occasions
Report Number: 17-21567 / 17-35561
Location: Oak View and Ojai
Date & Time: 2/24/2017 at 1:30 a.m. and 3/12/2017 at 5:00 a.m.
Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department

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

City of Residence

(S) Stephen Kuklenski

Ventura

Narrative:

On 2/24/2017, at approximately 1:30 AM, while patrolling the Oak View area, a patrol deputy observed a male subject walking on North Ventura Avenue near Santa Ana Road. Due to the time of night and darkness of the road, the deputy contacted the subject to check his well-being.

The male subject identified himself as Stephen Kuklenski, a transient from Ventura. While speaking with the 36 year old, the deputy discovered Kuklenski was armed with a Glock 9mm pistol, as well as displaying symptoms of recent drug use. The deputy performed a drug evaluation on Kuklenski and arrested him for multiple charges including, HS 11550 (e), Under the influence of a controlled substance while in possession of a firearm and PC 25400(a)(2), Carrying a concealed firearm.

During a search of Kuklenski's backpack incident to arrest, the deputy found multiple gun magazines and ammunition totaling 68 rounds, a modified 12 gauge shotgun with 3 shells, and parts to build an AR15 assault rifle.

The deputy also found honey oil (concentrated form of marijuana), Xanax pills, 3 grams of suspected methamphetamine, and 119 grams of marijuana. There were also multiple bags and containers commonly associated with drug sales.

Kuklenski was booked into the jail on 6 felony and misdemeanor charges.

On 3/12/2017, patrol deputies were dispatched to the area of Alviria Drive and Moreno Drive reference reports of a suspicious subject, dressed in dark clothing loitering in the area.

Deputies contacted Kuklenski walking on Alviria Drive. Due to Kuklenski's recent arrest for concealed weapons, the deputies conducted a pat-down search and located a semi-automatic handgun and a fixed blade knife concealed on his person. Deputies also located two handcuff keys and a bag of methamphetamine. Kuklenski was arrested for multiple charges including PC 21310, Carrying a concealed dirk or dagger and PC 25400(a)(2), Carrying a concealed firearm in a public place.

During a search of Kuklenski's backpack incident to arrest, deputies found marijuana, 80 rounds of ammunition, and multiple items associated with drug sales.

A drug evaluation was performed on Kuklenski and he was found to be under the influence of a controlled substance while carrying a firearm in a public place.

Kuklenski was booked into the Ventura County Main Jail on 4 felony and misdemeanor charges and is still in custody where his bail is currently set at \$50,000.

Kuklenski was arrested because concerned citizens observed a suspicious subject in the neighborhood and called 911. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office encourages citizens to report all suspicious activity seen by calling 9-1-1.

Prepared by: Deputy Havelka

News Release Date: 3/17/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Mulrooney (605) 646-1414

Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

Thousand Oaks - Fatal Traffic Collision

3/31/2017 4:22:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fatality Traffic Collision
Report Number: 17-45807
Location: Intersection of Rancho Road and East Hillcrest Drive
Date & Time: 03/30/2017 @ 5:50 p.m.
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau

<u>(P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(D) Araujo, Arturo	Thousand Oaks	24
(D) Lopez, Gustavo	Thousand Oaks	37
(P) Female Adult	Thousand Oaks	38
(P) Male Juvenile	Thousand Oaks	17

Narrative:

On March 30, 2017, at about 5:50 p.m., the Sheriff's Communication Center received a 911 call of a traffic collision at the intersection of Rancho Road and East Hillcrest Drive. Deputies from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to the area and quickly determined two of the involved parties were deceased. Two other involved parties, suffered minor to moderate injuries and were transported to a local hospital for care. The two vehicles involved were a dark blue four door sedan and a white sport utility vehicle.

A preliminary investigation of the traffic collision showed the sedan was traveling westbound on East Hillcrest Drive. For an unknown reason, the sedan lost control and veered into oncoming traffic. At the same time, the white sport utility vehicle was traveling eastbound on East Hillcrest Drive. The white sport utility vehicle collided with the sedan. As a result, driver Arturo Araujo and passenger Gustavo Lopez in the dark blue sedan perished in the traffic collision.

The area of Rancho Road and East Hillcrest Drive was closed to traffic for approximately six hours while investigators from the Traffic Bureau conducted their investigation. Anyone who may have witnessed this traffic collision is asked to contact the Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau at (805) 494-

8271.

Prepared by: Deputy Chris Dyer

Media Release Date: 03/31/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Mike Berg
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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Academy Class 2016-2 Graduation

4/4/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Academy Class 2016-2 Graduation

Report Number:

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

Date & Time: Thursday, April 6, 2017 / 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 #2016-2. The graduation ceremony will be held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, April 6, 2017, at the Oxnard Performing Arts and Convention Center, 800 Hobson Way, Oxnard, California.

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 #2016-2

Graduating Recruits

AZUSA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Zachary Chadwick

Jordyn McMath

OXNARD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Corbin Hames

Aaron Heldreth

Marisol Olguin

Oscar Toraya

SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Blair Darr

Guillermo Gutierrez

Raymond Layco

Rocio Lopez

Robert Parmelee

Collin Powell

Hana Princip

Dennys Reyes

Bradley Scheffler

Dan Wade

SANTA BARBARA SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Oswaldo Lopez

SIMI VALLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ryan Babcock

Shelby McGarry

Michael Whitelaw

VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT POLICE DEPARTMENT

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John O'Weger
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Joseph Ramirez Jr.
Nolan Richmond
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Approved by:

Captain Patricia Salas

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Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

4/4/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: April 8, 2017 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 April 8, 2017, at an undisclosed location within the city limits.

The deterrent effect of High Visibility Enforcement using both DUI checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols has proven to lower the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug impaired crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized proactive DUI operations are conducted routinely.

DUI Checkpoints like this one 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, alcohol involved collisions led to 1,155 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2014 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Over the course of the past three years. Locally, over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 6 lives and resulted in 85 injury crashes harming 112 of our friends and neighbors.

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.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

The California Office of Traffic Safety DDVIP (Designated Driver VIP) mobile app is now available for free to 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. For more information about DDVIP, visit <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and 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'.

Prepared by: Sergeant Carl Patterson #2898

News Story Date: April 4, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

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Camarillo - Firearm/Narcotics Arrest

4/6/2017 6:08:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Firearm/Narcotics Arrest
Report Number: 17-48908
Location: 2100 Block of Pickwick Drive, Camarillo
Date & Time: 04/05/2017 @ 01:20 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Special Crimes Unit/Intelligence and Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Ernesto Salvador Flores	Oxnard

Narrative:

On April 5, 2017, investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Special Crimes Unit/Intelligence conducted an investigation into Ernesto Salvador Flores, a known gang member from the City of Oxnard. The Special Crimes Unit is comprised of investigators from the Sheriff's Office and includes an investigator from the Oxnard Police Department.

During the investigation, investigators learned Flores had an outstanding felony warrant for violation of Penal Code section 246-Discharging a firearm into a vehicle. The warrant was obtained by Oxnard Police Department investigators stemming from an incident that occurred on March 29, 2017 in the city of Oxnard. Investigators also learned there was probable cause to arrest Flores for violation of Penal Code sections 422-Criminal Threats and 273.5-Domestic violence from an incident being investigated by the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office.

On April 5, 2017, investigators with the Special Crimes Unit obtained information about the whereabouts of Flores. With the assistance of investigators from the Major Crimes Bureau, investigators located Flores inside a bar in the 2100 Block of Pickwick Drive in the city of Camarillo. Flores was contacted and arrested for the outstanding felony warrant.

During a search of Flores' person, investigators located an unregistered and loaded firearm in his waistband. During a search of a vehicle associated with Flores, investigators located more ammunition and approximately 118 grams of methamphetamine.

Flores has past felony convictions that prohibit him from owning and or possessing any firearms or ammunition. Flores subsequently booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for Penal Code sections 29800 (a)(1)-Possession of firearm by prohibited person, 30305 (a)(1)-Possession of ammunition by prohibited person, 25400 (a)(2)-Carry a concealed firearm upon a person and Health and Safety Code section 11378-Possession for sale of a controlled substance. Flores' bail was approved and set at \$300,000.

Prepared by: Detective Eduardo Malagon

News Release Date: April 6, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jose Velazquez-Oxnard Police Department
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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Oxnard Narcotics Arrest

4/6/2017 6:02:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest

Report Number: Sheriff 17-49421 ' Oxnard P.D. 17-25063

Location: 2200 block of Mono Street, Oxnard

Date & Time: 04/05/2017 @ 1830 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit
Oxnard Police Department's Neighborhood Policing Team
Oxnard Police Department's Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Rene Cervantez	Oxnard	35

Narrative:

On 04/05/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Narcotic's Team along with the Oxnard Police Department's Neighborhood Policing Team concluded a two month narcotic investigation into Oxnard resident, Rene Cervantez, who was involved in the sales of illegal narcotics to residents of Ventura County.

Detectives detained and arrested Cervantez at a location in El Rio. At the same time, officers from the Oxnard Police Department's Special Weapons and Tactics Unit and Ventura County Sheriff's Narcotic Unit executed a signed search warrant at his residence in the 2200 block of Mono Street, Oxnard.

During the search of Cervantez' residence, Detectives located over 2 ounces of heroin, 3 ounces of methamphetamine, and narcotics paraphernalia indicative of narcotics sales. A sum of U.S. currency from illegal narcotic sales was also seized from the residence.

Cervantez was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail for numerous narcotic violations. His bail is set at \$500,000. He is currently in custody pending bail or arraignment, which is scheduled for 04/07/17 at 1330.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 04/06/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Robert Valenzuela,
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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

National Telecommunications Week

4/10/2017 8:09:00 AM

Nature of Incident: National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week
Non-applicable

Report Number: Ventura County Sheriff's Communications Center

Location: April 9 ' April 15, 2017

Date & Time: Sheriff's Communications Center

Unit(s) Responsible:

Narrative:

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week is April 9 ' 15, 2017, 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 355,000 telephone calls, including 102,000 9-1-1 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. Their normal workday is nothing but abnormal in so many ways.

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, approximately 50% of the dispatchers hired are not able to successfully complete the training program due to the unique demands and stress 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 our deputies.

Prepared by: Erin M. Brockus, Assistant
Communications Manager

News Release Date: April 10, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Erin M. Brockus, Assistant

Approved by:

Communications Manager
(805) 654-5158
Captain Luis Obregon, Communications
Manager

Oxnard Resident Arrested for Narcotics & Firearms Charges

4/10/2017 11:57:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics / Firearms Arrest

Report Number: 17-49309

Location: 1700 block Brookside Avenue, Oxnard

Date & Time: 04/06/2017 @ 1645 Hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit
Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
Jason Holmbom	Oxnard

Narrative:

On 04/06/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit assisted by the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit concluded a one month narcotic investigation into Oxnard resident, Jason Holmbom, who was involved in the sales of methamphetamine to residents of Ventura County.

Detectives detained Holmbom in Oxnard, before executing a signed search warrant at his residence. A search of Holmbom's person and residence by Detectives led to the seizure of approximately 3 ounces of methamphetamine, a sum of U.S. currency deemed to be proceeds of narcotic sales, and paraphernalia indicative of illegal narcotic sales. In addition, 3 loaded firearms were seized from his residence including a sawed off shotgun. Holmbom is a convicted felon and is prohibited from owning or possessing any type of firearm.

Holmbom was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on numerous narcotic and weapon violations. His bail was set at \$250,000. He is currently in custody pending bail or arraignment which is scheduled for 04/10/2017 at 1:30 PM.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 04/10/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Cameron Henderson,
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Approved by:

Captain Robert Thomas

Thousand Oaks - DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint Results

4/10/2017 2:51:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

Report Numbers: N/A

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: April 8, 2017, 8:00 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:

April DUI Checkpoint

Thousand Oaks, CA ' On April 8, 2017, the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on Avenida de Los Arboles just east of Kensington Avenue. Checkpoints are placed at locations that have the greatest opportunity for achieving drunk and drugged driving deterrence and provide the greatest safety for officers and the public.

DUI/Drivers 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.

DUI Checkpoint Results

- 554 Vehicles Screened
- No DUI alcohol impaired arrests
- No DUI drug impaired arrests
- 4 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 6 Citations issued
- One person arrested for an out of county traffic warrant

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. To find out more information regarding the DDVIP mobile application, visit <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>

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, May 6, 2017, 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'.

Prepared by: Dan Ambarian, Senior Deputy

Media Release Date: April 10, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Carl Patterson, Sergeant
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Approved By: Captain Bill Schierman

Arrest of Attempted Robbery Suspects

4/14/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Attempted Robbery Suspects
Report Number: 17-51332
Location: 400 Block of Carmen Drive, Camarillo
Date & Time: 04/10/17 @ 10:30 PM and 04/11/17 @ 12:00 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(A)Sabrina Lee	Santa Paula	21
(A) Alyssa Gutierrez	Camarillo	22

Narrative:

Camarillo Deputies have arrested the above two subjects for their involvement in an attempted robbery that occurred on Monday, 04/10/17. The crime occurred outside the Wells Fargo Bank located at 487 Carmen Drive, Camarillo.

At about 11:40 A.M., the victim (adult female) was inside Wells Fargo conducting business. She left the bank and went to her bicycle, which was secured outside. The victim placed her purse in a basket on the front of the bicycle. (A) Lee approached the victim and asked her for a cigarette. (A) Lee then grabbed the victim's purse and attempted to take it. The victim grabbed the purse and a struggle ensued. As the victim and (A) Lee struggled over the victim's purse, they both fell to the ground. (A) Lee gave up her attempt to take the victim's purse and ran to an awaiting car in which (A) Gutierrez was the driver.

Patrol deputies responded to the scene and along with detectives, they were able to gather information and evidence that identified (A) Lee. On 04/10/17, at about 10:00 P.M., Camarillo deputies were at an unrelated disturbance call on Calle Argolla when they saw (A) Lee in a nearby car. They recognized her from the information detectives had provided. (A) Lee was taken into

custody without incident.

Detectives continued to gather information and on 04/11/17, they contacted (A) Gutierrez and arrested her without incident.

(A) Lee was arrested for PC 664/211 Attempted Robbery

(A) Gutierrez was arrested for PC 32 Accessory ' Harbor, Conceal, Aid a Felon

The Camarillo Police Department would like to remind the public to always be aware of your surroundings. In this case, the victim did a terrific job of being aware and was able to provide detailed information of the suspect's actions before and after the attempted robbery.

<u>Prepared by:</u>	Detective Frank Valdez
<u>News Release Date:</u>	04/14/17
<u>Media Follow-Up Contact:</u>	Sgt. John Franchi (805) 947-9363
<u>Approved by:</u>	Captain Cory Rubright

Neighborhood Watch Program

4/14/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Neighborhood Watch Program

Location: City Of Camarillo

Date: 04/14/2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Crime Prevention Unit

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Narrative:

Due to the recent increase in property crimes occurring within the city of Camarillo, the Camarillo Police Department is encouraging residents to participate in the Neighborhood Watch program.

Neighborhood Watch is one of the oldest and most effective crime prevention programs in the country, bringing citizens together with law enforcement to deter crime and make communities safer. Neighborhood Watch programs fight the isolation and separation that crime creates and feeds upon. They build bonds among area residents, businesses and law enforcement, which helps reduce thefts, burglaries and robberies.

The program calls upon residents to step forward and assist the police in organizing the community into a cohesive unit working toward the goal of building safer, crime-free neighborhoods. Neighborhood Watch groups discuss neighborhood crime problems with the objective of developing solutions to local problems. The Camarillo Police Department supplies crime information to neighborhood watch organizations and instructs these groups in various crime prevention techniques.

Camarillo residents interested in participating in the Neighborhood Watch program or starting one in your area can call our Camarillo Police Department Crime Prevention Officer, Senior Deputy Virginia Tinoco at 805-388-5130.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Virginia Tinoco

News Release Date: 04/14/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Virginia Tinoco
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Request for Public Assistance in Vehicle Burglary Suspect Identification

4/14/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Request for Public Assistance in Vehicle Burglary Suspect Identification

Report Number: 17-50848

Location: 3600 Block of Campus Drive, City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: April 9th, 2017 at 06:21 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Detective Bureau

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

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is requesting the public's assistance in identifying a suspect believed responsible for a series of vehicle burglaries occurring near Cal Lutheran University.

On April 9, 2017, Deputies were investigating a series of vehicle burglaries that occurred sometime during the early morning hours. Deputies located surveillance video that showed a single male breaking into two separate vehicles by shattering the window and removing property. The suspect is seen leaving in a white Nissan Maxima. The same suspect is a person of interest in another series of vehicle burglaries occurring in the City of Camarillo on 3-17-2017.

If anyone has any information on the pictured suspect or vehicle, please contact Detective Christopher Zapata at (805) 494-8221 or call *Crime Stoppers* at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind residents to lock your car and remove any valuable any time you leave your vehicle unattended. Join the fight on crime by following us on Twitter@VENTURASHERIFF, Facebook, Nextdoor, Instagram @ VCSHERIFF and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories.

Prepared by: Detective Chris Zapata (805) 494-8221

Media Release Date: April 14th, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman (805) 494-8232

Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Poisoning / Narcotic Arrest

4/15/2017 10:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Poisoning ' Narcotic Arrest

Report Number: 17-35842

Location: 400 block of N. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: 04/12/2017 @ 1040 hours

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

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

(S) Che, Duong

City of Residence

Rosemead

Age

36

(V) Adult Female

Thousand Oaks

20

Narrative:

On March 12, 2017, the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to a call of a possible poisoning. After meeting with the victim, the responding deputy learned the victim was working at a restaurant on the 400 block of Moorpark Road in the city of Thousand Oaks. During the course of her shift, she was offered a portion of a chocolate bar by a co-worker, identified as Duong Che. Unknown to the victim, the chocolate bar was a cannabis edible with a dosage of THC. After ingesting the edible, the victim began to experience shortness of breath, confusion, disorientation and unable to continue working because of the effects. The victim had to be transported by a family member from the location and later to a medical facility for treatment.

Detectives with the Sheriff's East County Narcotics Street Team were contacted regarding this investigation. Based on the circumstances, it was determined that Che knowingly provided the victim an edible without the victim's knowledge that it contained the THC, in violation of California Penal Code 347(a)(1)/ Poisoning.

Detectives conducted an investigation and obtained a search warrant for Che, his vehicle and residence.

On April 12, 2017, narcotic detectives contacted Che as he arrived to work at the restaurant in Thousand

Oaks. During the search of Che's vehicle, a cannabis chocolate bar edible was located. This type of cannabis edible was the same type of chocolate bar given to the victim. In addition to the cannabis edible, Che was in possession of a (70) ecstasy pills and over \$600.00 in currency. Based on the amount of ecstasy and currency in his possession, Che was arrested for possession for sales of a controlled substance.

Detectives, with the assistance of the Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit, executed a search warrant at Che's residence located in the city of Rosemead, CA. Over \$4300.00 in currency was located inside the residence, deemed to be proceeds from illegal drug sales.

Che was booked at the Ventura County Sheriff's Office East County Jail for 347(a)(1) PC and 11378 H&S. His bail is set at \$70,000. Che posted bail and is scheduled to appear in court on 04/27/2017, at 8:15 AM.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Ehren Nehira

News Release Date: 04/15/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Jaimie Gomez, Jaimie.Gomez@ventura.org, 805-797-6333

Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Camarillo - Firearm/Narcotics Arrest

4/6/2017 6:08:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Firearm/Narcotics Arrest
Report Number: 17-48908
Location: 2100 Block of Pickwick Drive, Camarillo
Date & Time: 04/05/2017 @ 01:20 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Special Crimes Unit/Intelligence and Major Crimes Bureau

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

City of Residence

(S) Ernesto Salvador Flores

Oxnard

Narrative:

On April 5, 2017, investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Special Crimes Unit/Intelligence conducted an investigation into Ernesto Salvador Flores, a known gang member from the City of Oxnard. The Special Crimes Unit is comprised of investigators from the Sheriff's Office and includes an investigator from the Oxnard Police Department.

During the investigation, investigators learned Flores had an outstanding felony warrant for violation of Penal Code section 246-Discharging a firearm into a vehicle. The warrant was obtained by Oxnard Police Department investigators stemming from an incident that occurred on March 29, 2017 in the city of Oxnard. Investigators also learned there was probable cause to arrest Flores for violation of Penal Code sections 422-Criminal Threats and 273.5-Domestic violence from an incident being investigated by the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office.

On April 5, 2017, investigators with the Special Crimes Unit obtained information about the whereabouts of Flores. With the assistance of investigators from the Major Crimes Bureau, investigators located Flores inside a bar in the 2100 Block of Pickwick Drive in the city of Camarillo. Flores was contacted and arrested for the outstanding felony warrant.

During a search of Flores' person, investigators located an unregistered and loaded firearm in his waistband. During a search of a vehicle associated with Flores, investigators located more ammunition and approximately 118 grams of methamphetamine.

Flores has past felony convictions that prohibit him from owning and or possessing any firearms or ammunition. Flores subsequently booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for Penal Code sections 29800 (a)(1)-Possession of firearm by prohibited person, 30305 (a)(1)-Possession of ammunition by prohibited person, 25400 (a)(2)-Carry a concealed firearm upon a person and Health and Safety Code section 11378-Possession for sale of a controlled substance. Flores' bail was approved and set at \$300,000.

Prepared by: Detective Eduardo Malagon

News Release Date: April 6, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jose Velazquez-Oxnard Police Department
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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Residential Burglary Arrests

4/17/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Burglary Arrests

Report Number: 17-43818

Location: 4000 Blk Cresthaven, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: March 27, 2017

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police, Ventura County Sheriff Crime Analysis Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Jerome Larkins	Gardenia	27
Male Juvenile	Hawthorne	16
Male Juvenile	Hawthorne	15

Narrative:

On 3-27-2017, a Thousand Oaks resident called 911 reporting that two men had broken the front house window and were attempting to force their way into the home. Thousand Oaks Police units immediately responded to the emergency.

After making sure the victim was safe, patrol officers set up a perimeter and conducted an extensive search for both the suspects and evidence of the crime. The search efforts included the Sheriff's helicopter, a reverse 911 call to area residents, a K-9 and 15 Thousand Oaks police officers and detectives. Although the suspects were not found, the response by citizens to the reverse 911 call provided enough information for investigators to identify the suspects' vehicle.

Thousand Oaks Police detectives spent the next week investigating the crime and identified Jerome Larkins and two additional male juvenile suspects. Investigators linked the group to several other residential burglaries in the Southern California region which also included a Thousand Oaks residential burglary that occurred on March 21, 2017 on Appalachian Court.

On 4-5-2017, Thousand Oaks Police investigators and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputies (LASO)

worked together in an effort to locate the three suspects. With the help of Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputies from the City of Walnut and the LASO Burglary Robbery Task Force, our Thousand Oaks investigators were able to locate Larkins and one of the juveniles in the City of Walnut. During a traffic stop of the two suspects, deputies discovered that they had just burglarized a nearby home. Both suspects were arrested and Larkins was turned over to Thousand Oaks investigators. Larkins was booked into the Ventura County Jail for one count of residential burglary and one count of attempted residential burglary.

Over the next week, investigators located the third male juvenile in the City of Hawthorne and arrested him for residential burglary. Both juveniles were released to their parents. Larkins remains in custody on \$500,000 bail awaiting trial.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to thank members of the public for their on-going support and due diligence in providing information to assist in solving crimes. We are better at what we do because of our community partnerships.

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Prepared by: Sgt Peter Frank

Media Release Date: April 17th, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman 805-947-8255

Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Update to Investigation of Santa Paula OIS

4/18/2017 6:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Update to Investigation of Santa Paula Police OIS

Report Number: 17-50845

Location: 100 Block E. Ventura Street Santa Paula, CA

Date & Time: 04/09/17 @ 06:37 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Major Crimes Bureau

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

(S) Rendon, Jose Gonzalez

City of Residence

Santa Paula

Narrative:

On 04-09-17, at about 6:21 a.m., the Santa Paula Police Department received a 911 call from an anonymous reporting party of a suspicious subject in the 100 block of E. Ventura Street in the city of Santa Paula. The female reporting party stated that a Hispanic male armed with a knife had charged at her vehicle as she drove on E. Ventura Street. The reporting party provided a description of the male and requested officers respond because she was concerned about the safety of other residents of the densely-populated apartment complex located in the area.

At about 6:36 a.m., Senior Officer Matt Alonzo, Officer John Coffelt, and Officer Frank Huerta arrived in the area of the 100 Block of E. Ventura Street and began to look for the male. Less than a minute later, Sr. Officer Alonzo observed a male matching the description of the suspicious subject standing near the end of a long driveway armed with a large kitchen-style knife. At about 6:37 a.m., an officer-involved shooting occurred and the male was struck several times. The male was declared deceased by responding EMS personnel. The male has been identified as Jose Gonzalez Rendon, a 36-year old Santa Paula resident. Rendon was believed to have been living in the apartment complex at the time of this incident.

The Santa Paula Police Department requested that the Ventura County Sheriff's Office take over the investigation of this officer-involved shooting. The Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau is currently handling the investigation into this incident.

Results of the preliminary investigation have revealed that about 20 minutes prior to the 911 call, Rendon was involved in an altercation with roommates in his apartment for unknown reasons. Rendon armed himself with two kitchen knives and left the apartment. Additional witnesses reported seeing Rendon walking around the apartment complex and along nearby streets while holding at least one knife. One witness also reported seeing Rendon involved in a physical altercation with an unidentified male subject within the apartment complex.

Upon observing Rendon, Sr. Officer Alonzo stopped his patrol unit in the middle of E. Ventura Street and exited. Sr.

Officer Alonzo took up a position standing near the rear of his patrol car. Simultaneously, Rendon began to sprint toward the officer with the knife held up in a threatening manner. Despite multiple commands to drop the knife made by Sr. Officer Alonzo, Rendon continued to advance toward the officer at a running pace. As Rendon came to within close proximity of Sr. Officer Alonzo, Alonzo fired six shots from his duty firearm. Five of the six shots struck Rendon causing him to fall to the ground in the middle of E. Ventura Street within several feet of Sr. Officer Alonzo. Rendon died as a result of his injuries. A second knife was located in the area where Rendon was initially observed by Sr. Officer Alonzo.

As of yet, Major Crimes detectives have been unable to identify the male subject that was reported to have been involved in the altercation with Rendon. Detectives are asking that anyone with information about this person or anyone who may have witnessed Rendon's actions prior to the officer-involved shooting contact Detective Sergeant Ron Chips of the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau.

Prepared by: Sgt. Ron Chips

News Release Date: 04/18/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Ron Chips
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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Initiative Event

4/19/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: National Prescription Drug Take-Back Initiative Event

Report Number: N/A

Location: Sheriff's Headquarters and Sheriff's Office substations

Date & Time: Saturday, April 29, 2017 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office / Drug Enforcement Administration

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

Narrative:

In support of the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) 13th National Prescription Drug Take-Back Initiative event, the Sheriff's Office will be opening our patrol stations on Saturday, April 29, 2017, 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 over a decade 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 38,097 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 this trend of abuse among the younger population and greatly impact the number of overdose deaths due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use.

The following items are accepted: prescription medications, over-the-counter medications, medication samples, pet medications, vitamins, medicated ointments/lotions, inhalers, and liquid medication in leak-proof containers.

The following items cannot be accepted: needles (sharps), illicit drugs, medical waste, or IV bags.

Sheriff's locations participating in the National Prescription Drug Take-Back Initiative event are:

Fillmore Police Department: 524 Sespe Ave., Fillmore, Ca.

Headquarters Station: 800 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, Ca.

Ojai Police Department: 402 S Ventura St., Ojai, 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 regular 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/resources/article/BEE326/rx-and-heroin-abuse-ventura-county-responds>.

Prepared by: Sgt. Denise Sliva

News Release Date: April 19, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Denise Sliva (805) 654-2385

Approved by: Capt. Garo Kuredjian

Rumors of Attempted Child Abductions

4/19/2017 2:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Rumors of Attempted Child Abductions

Location: Countywide

Date & Time: April 18, 2017 / 10:00 am

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

Narrative:

Recently concerned citizen groups have contacted the Ventura County Sheriff's Office regarding reports of attempted child abductions. These groups became concerned after finding rumors circulated via several different social media outlets. Many of the rumors have the same general theme: while the 'victim' was shopping at a nationwide retail store, suspicious men followed the 'victim' and her children in an attempt to kidnap them and sell them into the sex trade. These stories have been circulating on social media sites throughout the country for the past few years, and variations of the stories continue to resurface every few months.

Recently, Ventura County Sheriff's Detectives were alerted by a concerned citizen who saw a post on social media which alleged an attempt kidnapping of an adult. Detectives interviewed several of the people who had posted the story, and discovered they had re-posted it from other social media sites. Detectives were able to locate and interview the individual who the post was written about. The individual said she did not write the post, and the story posted was inaccurate.

Year to date, we have had NO reported child abductions or attempted child abduction incidents in any of the jurisdictions patrolled by the Ventura County Sheriff's Office. We encourage you to contact your local law enforcement agency to verify an allegation before you post it on social media.

Moorpark Police Department

Senior Deputy Becky Purnell: 805-299-1504

Fillmore Police Department

Sergeant Kevin Vaden: 805-477-7010

Camarillo Police Department

Sergeant John Franchi: 805-388-5135

Ojai Police Department

Sergeant Shane Matthews: 805-646-1414

Thousand Oaks Police Department

Sergeant Scott Duffner: 805-494-8256

Headquarters Station

Sergeant Mike Harris: 805-654-2110

Although there have been no incidents in our patrol areas, we ask for the public's continued vigilance in reporting of suspicious incidents. If you see something suspicious, contact the Sheriff's Communication Center at 805-654-9511, or 911. 'If you see something. Say something.'

<u>Prepared by:</u>	Captain Garo Kuredjian
<u>News Release Date:</u>	02/17/2016
<u>Media Follow-Up Contact:</u>	Captain Garo Kuredjian, 805-797-6322
<u>Approved by:</u>	Assistant Sheriff Eric Dowd

Defend, Delete, and Disconnect: Ways to Protect Yourself from Scammers

4/20/2017 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Defend, Delete, and Disconnect: Ways to Protect Yourself From Scammers

Location: City of Moorpark

Date & Time: April 19, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Beat Coordinator, Moorpark Investigations Unit

Narrative:

DEFEND your bank account and personal information. **DELETE** suspicious texts and e-mails. **DISCONNECT** scammer phone calls.

Moorpark Police are urging the public to remember the three D's when contacted by would be scammers who are 'Phishing' for your information.

Phishing is the attempt to obtain sensitive information such as usernames, passwords, and credit card details (and, indirectly, money), often for malicious reasons, by disguising as a trustworthy entity in an electronic communication.

How to recognize phishing email messages, links, or phone calls

Recently, Moorpark residents have reported phishing scams directed towards gathering the victim's personal information, which is then used by scammers to access HELOC and other Lines of Credit. Residents should monitor their lines of credit on a regular basis and report suspicious activity to their bank and the police. **DEFEND** your accounts by checking them regularly.

Numerous fraudulent e-mail messages had been received by residents indicating they have an issue with their FedEx delivery. The e-mail requires you to click on a link in order to update your account information. This is a phishing scam aimed at getting you to fill out a form with personal information which will be used to defraud you at a later date. Contact FedEx by phone if you are expecting a package and do not click on the link as it could download a virus into your computer.

A variety of text message scams have been received by residents. Text message spam is a triple threat: It often uses the promise of free gifts or product offers to get you to reveal personal information; it can lead to unwanted charges on your cell phone bill; and it can slow cell phone performance. **DELETE** all suspicious texts and emails.

Scammers are becoming more creative in their efforts to scam you over the phone. If you receive an unexpected, threatening, or suspicious call from the IRS, a utility company, or an entity requiring immediate payment, **DISCONNECT** the call. Utility companies will send paper or electronic statements and should be contacted prior to paying a bill you don't feel you owe. **Never**

purchase a prepaid gift card / i-tunes / store gift for any debt a caller claims you owe. Also, scare tactics should never be used by companies collecting payments.

The IRS has recently changed their collections procedures, and has partnered with specific collections agencies to contact taxpayers via the mail and telephone. For more information, go to IRS.gov and click on the tabs for 'Is the IRS calling' and 'Scams.'

If you feel you have been a victim of a scam and suffered a financial loss, please contact the Moorpark Police Department at (805) 532-2700.

If you would like to hear about current scams in the city of Moorpark or report a new scam, contact the Fraud Hotline at (805) 299-1566.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Becky Purnell/ Investigator Amy Garcia

News Release Date: April 19, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Becky Purnell (805) 299-1504/
Investigator Amy Garcia (805) 532-2650

Approved by: Captain John Reilly

Detectives Seek Help Identifying CLU Vehicle Burglar

4/20/2017 2:26:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Request for Public Assistance in Vehicle Burglary Suspect Identification

Report Number: 17-50848

Location: 3600 Block of Campus Drive, City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: April 9th, 2017 at 06:21 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Detective Bureau

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

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is requesting the public's assistance in identifying a suspect believed responsible for a series of vehicle burglaries occurring near Cal Lutheran University.

On April 9, 2017, Deputies were investigating a series of vehicle burglaries that occurred sometime during the early morning hours. Deputies located surveillance video that showed a single male breaking into two separate vehicles by shattering the window and removing property. The suspect is seen leaving in a white Nissan Maxima. The same suspect is a person of interest in another series of vehicle burglaries occurring in the City of Camarillo on 3-17-2017. Photographs of the suspect and his vehicle can be viewed on our Facebook and Twitter accounts.

If anyone has any information on the pictured suspect or vehicle, please contact Detective Christopher Zapata at (805) 494-8221 or call *Crime Stoppers* at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind residents to lock your car and remove any valuables any time you leave your vehicle unattended. Join the fight on crime by following us on Twitter@VENTURASHERIFF, Facebook, Nextdoor, Instagram @ VCSHERIFF and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories.

Prepared by: Detective Chris Zapata (805) 494-8221

Media Release Date: April 20th, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman (805) 494-8232

Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Tory Burch Store Robbery

4/21/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Tory Burch Store Robbery

Report Number: 17-53210

Location: Camarillo Outlet Mall, Camarillo

Date & Time: 04/13/2017 at 1958 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol, Camarillo Detectives, Camarillo SED, Sheriff Major Crimes, and Sheriff's Gang Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Alexis Burboa	Oxnard	23
(S) Alfredo Acevedo	Oxnard	24

Narrative:

On 04/13/2017, a robbery occurred at the Tory Burch Store located in the Camarillo Outlet Mall in Camarillo. At about 2040 hours, a male and female entered the Tory Burch Store together. The male, later identified as (S) Alfred Acevedo, took merchandise and fled the store while the female, later identified as (S) Alexis Burboa, acted as a look out. As employees attempted to retrieve the merchandise, Alfred Acevedo made a threatening gesture and ordered the employee to get back, which made the employee fearful of being assaulted. Ultimately, Alfred Acevedo escaped capture with the merchandise; however, Alexis Burboa was apprehended by responding patrol deputies as she fled the store. Approximately \$1,300 worth of merchandise was taken during the robbery.

On 04/14/2017, Alexis Burboa was booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for PC 182(a)(1) ' [Conspiracy to Commit a Crime], PC 487(a) ' [Grand Theft], and PC 243(b) ' [Battery on a Peace Officer]. Later that morning, Alexis Burboa posted bail and was released from custody.

On 04/21/2017, members of the Camarillo Detective Unit, Sheriff's Gang Unit, Camarillo SED, the FBI, and Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit conducted a search warrant at Burboa's residence in Oxnard. During the service of the warrant, Alfred Acevedo was contacted inside the residence, found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia, and arrested. Acevedo had an outstanding felony warrant for his arrest.

During the warrant service, evidence linking Burboa and Acevedo to the robbery and grand theft was

located. Acevedo was additionally arrested and booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for PC 211 ' [Robbery], PC 182(a)(1) ' [Conspiracy], PC 487 ' [Grand Theft], and HS 11364.1 ' [Possession of Drug Paraphernalia]. He is currently in custody for a no bail felony warrant and pending court for the new charges with a \$70,000 bail.

Prepared by: Detective Jarrod Foote #4423

News Release Date: 03/29/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jarrod Foote
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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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).

Ventura County Peace Officers' Memorial Ceremony

4/21/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Ventura County Peace Officers' Memorial Ceremony

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

Date & Time: May 11, 2017, 10:00 am

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Administration

Narrative:

The Peace Officers Association of Ventura County (POAVC) will be presenting the 2017 Peace Officer's Memorial event at the Ventura County Government Center. The public is invited to attend. The event will start at 10:00 a.m. at the Peace Officer's monument located near the west government center entrance on Victoria Avenue.

Family members of Ventura County fallen peace officers will be in attendance, as well as representatives from all county area law enforcement agencies.

The event will honor all Ventura County law enforcement officers who have given their lives in the line of duty. A ceremonial procession will begin the event. The event will also include the reading of the names of each fallen peace officer, a 21-gun salute by the Sheriff's Honor Guard, the symbolic riderless horse, and a helicopter formation fly-over.

A video message on this year's event by Sheriff Dean can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/J28cUcHFew4>. For more information on the POAVC, visit www.poavc.org.

Prepared by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

News Release Date: April 21, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Garo Kuredjian, 805-797-6322

Approved by: Assistant Sheriff Eric Dowd

Significant Methamphetamine Seizure

4/22/2017 8:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Significant Methamphetamine Seizure
Report Number: 17-57760
Location: Rose Ave at Ives Ave, Oxnard
Date & Time: April 22, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Patrol Services

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Daniel Sanchez	Poway	53

Narrative:

On April 22, 2017, at about 6:30 p.m. a Ventura County Sheriff's Office Deputy stopped the driver of a BMW in the area of Rose Ave and Ives Ave, in the City of Oxnard. The Deputy stopped the vehicle for a traffic violation. The Deputy was assisted by an Oxnard Police Department Officer. The Deputy contacted the driver of the vehicle, Daniel Sanchez. Sanchez had an expired license. A search of the vehicle resulted in the discovery of 40 pounds of methamphetamine and over \$25,000 in cash. Sanchez was booked into the Ventura County Jail for possession for sale of methamphetamine.

The potential street value of the seized methamphetamine was \$1,816,000. The seized methamphetamine would have yielded over 150,000 individual doses.

Prepared by: Sergeant Gus Macias

News Release Date: April 26, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Gus Macias
(805) 388-5100

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Home Invasion Robbery

4/26/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Home Invasion Robbery

Report Number: 17-59895

Location: 1100 block of Woodridge Avenue

Date & Time: April 26, 2017 @ 1:14 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department, East County Major Crimes, Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit, Thousand Oaks Investigation Bureau, Ventura County Sheriff's Gang Unit, Sheriff's Communication Center Artic Unit.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Daniel Rubio	Salinas, Ca.	21
(S) Ricardo Rubio	Salinas, Ca.	18
(S) Justyn Gutierrez	Thousand Oaks	21

Narrative:

On Wednesday, April 26, deputies from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to the 100 block of Woodridge avenue for a call of a home invasion robbery. Multiple deputies responded to the location and made contact with a male victim. It was quickly determined the victim had been assaulted inside his home and property had been taken. The victim was only able to provide limited information about his assailants. The victim was treated by paramedics and transported to Los Robles ER where he was treated and released.

The investigation was then continued by detectives from the, City of Thousand Oaks Police Department, East County Major Crimes Unit, Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit, and the Ventura County Sheriff's Gang Unit. Information obtained through interviews and the Sheriff's Advanced Real Time Information Center (ARTIC), narrowed the search to an apartment in the area of Avenida de Los Arbloes and Westlake Boulevard. While conducting surveillance on the probable location, investigators saw two suspects leave an apartment and get into a nearby vehicle. Investigators stopped the vehicle and detained (S) Daniel Rubio and (S) Ricardo Rubio. A search of the vehicle located property from the victim's home and both suspects were arrested.

As a result of evidence found inside the vehicle, a search warrant was obtained for the apartment Daniel

and Ricardo had exited. During the service of the search warrant, a third suspect, Justyn Gutierrez, was located and arrested. A search of the apartment yielded additional evidence linking all three suspects to the home invasion robbery.

All three suspects were booked into Ventura County Jail for PC 211, Home Invasion Robbery. Their bail was set at \$250,000 dollars each.

Anyone with information on this crime is asked to contact Detective Widofsky from the East Valley Major Crimes Unit at (805) 494-8224.

Prepared By: Deputy Chris Dyer

Media Release Date: April 26, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jerin Widofsky
East County Major Crimes Unit
(805) 494-8224

Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

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Narcotics Arrest / Firearm Seizure

4/26/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest / Firearm Seizure
Report Number: 17-63660
Location: 100 Block of N. 4th Street, Santa Paula
Date & Time: 05/03/2017 @ 1200 Hrs.
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit

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

City of Residence

Daniel Wright

Santa Paula

Narrative:

On 05/03/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit concluded a month long narcotic investigation into Daniel Wright by executing a search warrant at his residence in the 100 block of North 4th Street in the City of Santa Paula.

Detectives detained Wright at a location away from his residence before executing the search warrant. A search of Wright's residence by detectives led to the seizure of approximately 3 ounces of heroin, smaller amounts of cocaine, methamphetamine, and Xanax pills packaged for sale. A large amount of currency deemed to be proceeds of narcotic sales as well as paraphernalia indicative of illegal narcotic sales were also seized. In addition, a 22 caliber rifle was seized from the residence. Wright is a convicted felon and is prohibited from owning or possessing any type of firearm.

Wright was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on narcotics and weapons violations. His bail was set at \$120,000. He is currently in custody pending bail or arraignment which is scheduled for 05/05/2017 at 1:30 PM.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 04/26/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Larry Orree, Lawrence.orree@ventura.org 805-383-8723

Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Narcotics Arrest / Firearms Seizure

4/26/2017 7:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest / Firearms Seizure
Report Number: 17-59323
Location: 1500 Block of Daphne Avenue, Ventura
Date & Time: 04/025/2017 @ 2020 Hrs.
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit
Ventura County Sheriff Narcotic Interdiction Team

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Chuck Daft	Ventura	45

Narrative:

On 04/25/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit, assisted by the Ventura County Sheriff Narcotic Interdiction Team, executed a search warrant in the 1500 block of Daphne Avenue in the City of Ventura after seizing a quarter pound of cocaine from an individual who was surveilled away from that residence.

Detectives detained the home owner, Chuck Daft, at the residence while executing the search warrant. A search of Daft's residence by Detectives led to the seizure of an additional quantity of cocaine, evidence of cocaine sales, and a sum of U.S. Currency believed to be proceeds of cocaine sales. Additionally, an extremely large quantity of firearms and ammunition was seized from the residence. Approximately 61 handguns and 14 rifles, shotguns and assault type weapons of various calibers were removed from the house and booked as evidence. Additional evidence indicated Daft is a licensed firearms dealer.

Daft was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on narcotic violations. He posted bail of \$50,000 and is currently awaiting arraignment on his current charges.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 04/26/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Craig Hennes, Craig.hennes@ventura.org, 805-383-8735

Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

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Stalking Suspect Arrested

4/26/2017 8:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stalking Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 17-55358

Location: Camarillo, Ventura, and Port Hueneme

Date & Time: 4/21/2017 @ 11:00 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Investigations Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Anthony Ramirez	Oxnard	54
(V) Adult Female	Ventura County	52

Narrative:

On 4/21/2017, Detectives from the Camarillo Police Department Investigations Unit arrested Anthony Ramirez, an Oxnard resident, for stalking his ex-wife.

On 4/13/2017, Camarillo Detectives received a report of a violation of a domestic violence restraining order listing Ramirez as the suspect. During the investigation, Detectives learned that Ramirez was suspected of violating the same restraining order about six times over a six week period. He was also accused of threatening the victim (violation of California Penal Code 422/ Criminal Threats). The violations had occurred in the cities of Ventura, Port Hueneme, and Camarillo. Camarillo Detectives, working with detectives from these agencies, reviewed all of the reports and determined that Ramirez was committing the crime of stalking (violation of California Penal Code 646.9(a) P.C.). Detectives presented the case to the Ventura County District Attorney's Office and obtained a warrant for Ramirez' arrest.

On 4/21/2017, Detectives contacted Ramirez at his home in Oxnard and arrested him without incident. Ramirez was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail, and his bail was set at \$250,000.

Domestic violence is a serious crime. On average, nearly 20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner in the United States. During one year, this equates to more than 10 million women and men. If you, or someone you know is the victim of domestic violence, report it to your local law enforcement agency. The victim in this case reported the incidents to police who were able to apprehend

the suspect before it escalated into a violent situation.

Prepared by: Detective David Boynton

News Release Date: 4/26/2017

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Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi (805)-388-5135
John.Franchi@ventura.org,

Approved by: _____ Captain Cory Rubright

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Start Smart Teen Driver Education Class Offered by Thousand Oaks Police

Department

4/26/2017 8:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Start Smart Teen Driver Education Class Offered by Thousand Oaks Police Department

Location: Thousand Oaks Police Station, 2101 E. Olsen Rd.
East County Community Room

Date & Time: Thursday, May 11th , 2017 from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

Start Smart is a cooperative effort between the California Highway Patrol, Thousand Oaks Police Department, teenage drivers, and their parents.

Nationwide, 43 percent of first-year drivers and 37 percent of second-year drivers are involved in car crashes. The risk of motor vehicle crashes is higher among 16-19 year-olds than among any other age group. In fact, per mile driven, teen drivers ages 16-19 are nearly three times more likely than drivers aged 20 and older to be in a fatal crash. The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be hosting a program to educate newly licensed and future licensed drivers.

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 for the May 11th class. Space is limited to 20 students and their parents. There is no charge to attend the program.

Prepared by: Deputy Marcos Moreno

Media Release Date: 4/26/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Marcos Moreno (805) 371-8325
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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Work at Home Scams Don't Pay

4/26/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Work at Home Scams Don't Pay

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: April 13, 2017 / 9:00 a.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department - Financial Crimes Unit

Narrative:

Are you looking for an easy way to make money at home? Did you post a resume or solicit interest for a particular job on websites like 'Craigslist,' 'Monster' or 'Indeed'? Did you get an email or text message from someone offering you a job without a face to face interview or paperwork to sign? If this sounds familiar you may have fallen victim to the work at home scam.

The common work at home scams are envelope stuffing, mystery shopper, home shippers, nanny, dog walker, and personal assistant to name a few. These jobs are part of an elaborate plan to have you assist the criminal enterprise with laundering stolen money or shipping stolen goods. These jobs may place you in a position where you can be held criminally liable.

An example of how this process works is the work at home shipper. This job promises substantial amounts of money to receive, repackage, and mail merchandise to another state or foreign address. The work at home shipper doesn't know the merchandise was paid for with stolen credit cards. The shipper becomes part of a fencing operation by receiving and mailing stolen goods. The shipper is never compensated for the work performed and usually pays out of pocket for postage.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department offers the following tips to prevent you from being a victim:

- Do not give out your personal information to someone you do not know
- Be suspicious about accepting a job offer from an overseas company
- Be wary if you receive a check as advance payment for a job and they require you to deposit it into your account and wire a portion of the money
- Do not pay up front fees
- Research the company through the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), State Attorney General, or Better Business Bureau

Remember, there is no easy way to make money working from home. Most home based business or jobs require long hours and hard work. For information on common scams, contact the Thousand Oaks Police Department Fraud Hotline at (805) 371-8327.

If you have been victimized by a work at home scam and suffered a financial loss, you can

report the incident to the Thousand Oaks Police Department by calling (805) 654-9511.

In addition, a citizen can file a complaint with the following agencies:

Federal Trade Commission - <https://www.ftc.gov/>

Better Business Bureau - <https://www.bbb.org/>

California Attorney General - <https://oag.ca.gov/>

FBI - <https://www.ic3.gov/>

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: April 26, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Timothy Lohman (805) 947-8255
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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

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Arrest of Sex Assault Suspect / Sex Registrant

4/27/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Sex Assault Suspect / Sex Registrant

Report Number: RB #17-59568

Location: 200 Block of Wendy Drive, Newbury Park, Ca.

Date & Time: April 27, 2017, 11:00 a.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department ' Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(A) Gomez, Adrian	Newbury Park	32
(V) Adult Female	Newbury Park	20

Narrative:

On April 25, 2017, at about 7:00 p.m., deputies assigned to the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to a call for service where an adult female was reporting she was sexually assaulted by an acquaintance after taking a prescribed medication.

Investigators from the Thousand Oaks Investigative Bureau responded and assisted with the initial call for service. During the investigation it was learned the suspect, Adrian Gomez, was a registered sex offender who was also currently on California State parole for a child molest that occurred in 2010.

On April 27, 2017, at approximately 11:00 a.m., detectives located and talked with Gomez at a relative's residence in Newbury Park. At the conclusion of their interview, detectives arrested Gomez for 261(a)(4)(A) P.C. ' Rape Of An Unconscious Person and 3056 P.C. ' Parole Hold.

Gomez was booked into the East County Jail facility. He is currently being held on \$120,000.00 for the 261(a)(4)(A) PC charge; the 3056 PC charge has no bail. Gomez is scheduled to appear in Ventura

County Superior Court on May 1, 2017 @ 1:30 p.m.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: April 27, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Darin Yanover, (805) 947-6532
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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

**Thousand Oaks Police Department Celebrates Volunteers During National
Volunteer Week**

4/27/2017 8:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Thousand Oaks Police Department Celebrates Volunteers During National Volunteer Week

Location: Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: April 23-29, 2017

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is celebrating the work of our volunteers during National Volunteer Week, April 23-29. Police Department Volunteers include Volunteers in Policing (V.I.P.), Disaster Assistance Response Teams (D.A.R.T.), Search and Rescue (S.A.R.) and Law Enforcement Explorers.

These highly skilled teams offer over 150 members in volunteer services and they contributed over 31,500 volunteer hours in 2016. They are utilized for daily in support duties and are consistently used on significant events/incidents. Whether it be taking a police report, performing a complex rescue, coordinating a search, or providing additional support to operations, they are a vital resource for us to serve our community when we need it most.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department sends its gratitude to all our volunteers who help accomplish our mission. Volunteerism is a critical service to our citizens and we thank all citizens in the community as well who dedicate time to volunteer in so many ways. If you are interested in becoming a member of our volunteer teams or want to find out more, visit www.vcsd.org and click on the 'Careers & Volunteers' tab on the homepage.

Please visit www.goo.gl/9yGpg3 to view pictures and a video of our volunteers in action.

Prepared by: Captain Don Aguilar

Media Release Date: April 27, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Don Aguilar (805) 797-7349
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Approved by: Commander Tim Hagel

Ventura County Jail Inmates Released to Immigration and Customs Enforcement

4/28/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Ventura County Jail Inmates Released to Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Location: Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility
Date & Time: April 27, 2017, 4:00 pm
Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Administration

Nature of Incident: Ventura County Jail Inmates Released to Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Location: Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility
Date & Time: April 27, 2017, 4:00 pm
Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Administration

Narrative:

As a follow-up to our concerns over Senate Bill 54, we would like to provide more factual information regarding the types of individuals that would be released into our community if immigration authorities are not allowed in our jail as would be mandated by this bill. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) has continued to review inmates in the jail who might have possibly been in the country illegally. In the last 30 days ICE detained 50 inmates that were released from our jails. The number of inmates detained is below the five year historical average of inmates detained by ICE (1343 inmates per year). All but one of the 50 inmates ICE detained had a prior arrest history, current felony charges, or prior deportation orders. Included here is a sample of the charges of those detained by ICE.

Inmate 1

Current Arrest ' felony domestic violence;

Prior Arrests ' drunk driving; stealing a vehicle; hit and run; drunk in public; under the influence of a controlled substance; possession of drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia

Inmate 2

Current Arrest ' felony domestic violence; dissuading a victim from testifying; obstructing the use of a communication devices to prevent summoning assistance;

Prior Arrests ' felony domestic violence (twice); assault with a deadly weapon; child endangerment; illegal entry; previously deported

Inmate 3

Current Arrest ' felony domestic violence; false imprisonment; resisting arrest; kidnapping;
Prior Arrests ' sexual battery; burglary; robbery; false information to a peace officer; brandishing a weapon; false imprisonment; kidnapping; stealing a vehicle; illegal entry; previously deported

Inmate 4

Current Arrest ' possession of a controlled substance for sale; transportation of a controlled substance (twice); driving on a suspended license;
Prior Arrests ' battery (twice); drunk in public; vandalism; transportation, sales, or distribution of a dangerous drug; transportation of a controlled substance; drunk driving (twice)

Inmate 5

Current Arrest ' felony drunk driving; driving without an ignition interlock device; driving on a suspended license;
Prior Arrests ' lewd acts with a child under 14; driving on a suspended drivers' license (five times); drunk driving (twice); unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor

Inmate 6

Current Arrest ' assault with a deadly weapon; attempted kidnapping;
Prior Arrests ' possession of drugs (twice); possession of drug paraphernalia (three times); prowling; theft (twice); false information to a peace officer (twice); drunk in public; robbery (three times); felony domestic violence; assault with a deadly weapon (three times); kidnapping (twice)

Inmate 7

Current Arrest ' domestic violence;
Prior Arrests ' felony criminal threats (twice); domestic violence (twice); child endangerment; driving without a license; driving with a suspended license; possession of drugs; theft (twice); possession of stolen property; false information to a peace officer; stealing a vehicle; illegal entry

Inmate 8

Current Arrest ' kidnapping; false imprisonment; lewd acts with a child under 14;
Prior Arrests ' resisting arrest; under the influence of drugs (twice); kidnapping; lewd acts with a child under 14, drunk in public

Inmate 9

Current Arrest ' warrant for resisting arrest, false information to a peace officer, domestic violence, violation of a domestic violence court order;
Prior Arrests ' brandishing a weapon; felony domestic violence; felony criminal threats; drunk in public (twice); violation of a domestic violence court order (three times); vandalism; domestic violence (twice); resisting arrest (twice); false information to a peace officer

Inmate 10

Current Arrest ' felony domestic violence;
Prior Arrests ' felony domestic violence; previously deported

Inmate 11

Current Arrest ' possession of a short barreled shotgun;

Prior Arrests ' assault with a deadly weapon, possession of a short barreled shotgun (twice), assault, carrying a concealed firearm, illegal entry

Inmate 12

Current Arrest ' under the influence of drugs;

Prior Arrests ' felony domestic violence, burglary, inflicting injury to a child, under the influence of drugs, resisting arrest, unlicensed driver, drunk driving, possession of drug paraphernalia, false information to a peace officer

Inmate 13

Current Arrest ' possession of drugs for sale;

Prior Arrests ' possession of drugs for sale (twice); previously deported

Inmate 14

Current Arrest ' under the influence of drugs;

Prior Arrest ' member of a street gang, assault with a deadly weapon, conspiracy, possession of drugs, drunk driving, trespassing

Inmate 15

Current Arrest ' felony domestic violence;

Prior Arrests ' felony domestic violence; child endangerment; false imprisonment; domestic battery; drunk driving; hit and run

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office is committed to keeping the residents of Ventura County safe. Senate Bill 54 has passed the State Senate and is currently in the State Assembly. Please contact your State Assembly representative to fix this bill.

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Prepared by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

News Release Date: April 21, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Garo Kuredjian, 805-797-6322

Approved by: Assistant Sheriff Eric Dowd

Illegal Possession of Firearm Arrest

4/30/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Illegal Possession of Firearm Arrest

Report Number: RB # 17-62196

Location: 3500 block of North Ventura Avenue, Ventura

Date & Time: 04/30/17 @ 2:35 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Patrol

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

City of Residence

(S) Chris Gallegos Silva

Ventura

Narrative:

On April 30, 2017, at approximately 1435 hours, Ojai patrol conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 3500 block of North Ventura Avenue for a vehicle code violation. During the contact the deputy discovered passenger Gallegos had a loaded 10 mm semi-automatic handgun with a high capacity magazine, concealed on his person. Gallegos was also determined to be under the influence of a controlled substance and in possession of drug paraphernalia.

Gallegos was arrested and booked at the Main Jail for 25850(a) PC, possession of a loaded handgun, 25400(a)(1) PC, Carry a concealed firearm, 32310(a) PC- Large capacity magazine, 11550(e) H&S- Under the influence with a firearm, 11377(a) H&S- Possession of a controlled substance, and 11364 H&S- Possession of drug paraphernalia.

Prepared by: Sgt. Victor Medina

News Release Date: April 30, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Shane Matthews, 947-8200

Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

M. Franchi

Media Release Date: March 1, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: John.Franchi@ventura.org / 805-947-9363

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint - Thousand Oaks

5/2/2017 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: May 6, 2017 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.

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 May 6, 2017 at an undisclosed location(s) within the city limits.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Thousand Oaks Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

The deterrent effect of High Visibility Enforcement using both DUI checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols has proven to lower the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug impaired crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized proactive DUI operations are conducted routinely.

DUI Checkpoints like this one 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, alcohol involved collisions led to 1,155 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2014 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Locally, over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 6 lives and resulted in 85 injury crashes harming 112 of our friends and neighbors.

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.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

For more information about DDVIP, visit: <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and 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 Drivers ' Call 9-1-1.

Prepared by: Sgt. Carl Patterson

News Story Date: May 2, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Carl Patterson
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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Motorcycle Safety Enforcement

5/2/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Motorcycle Safety Enforcement

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: The Month of May

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police - Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

Traffic Enforcement Operations Planned for Thousand Oaks

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is joining law enforcement statewide and across the United States in the National Motorcycle safety awareness month special enforcement operations. In addition, the California Motorcyclist Safety Program is offering special, low cost rider training classes during the month of May.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting a specialized Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation on Saturday May 20th and Sunday May 28th in an effort to lower deaths and injuries. Extra officers will be 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 who are under the influence of drugs or alcohol, speeding, making illegal turns, or any other dangerous violation.

The California Motorcyclist Safety Program (CMSP) training program is offering a 'Total Control Refresher Training' course during the month of May. This four-hour riding class is for experienced riders with a current motorcycle license. Riders will use their own street-legal motorcycle during the class taught by CMSP-certified Instructors at a cost of only \$95. Log onto the CMSP website <http://cmsp.msi5.com> to register at a location near you.

California motorcycle fatalities saw a phenomenal drop of 37 percent from 2008 to 2010, but then rose 31 percent by 2015. Efforts like these are aimed at curbing any more rises in motorcycle deaths and sending the

numbers back downward. Over the course of the past 4 years in Thousand Oaks, motorcycle involved collisions have resulted in 4 fatal and 95 injury crashes.

New Riders are urged to get basic 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).

Prepared by: Sergeant Carl Patterson

News Story Date: May 2, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Carl Patterson 805 373-2322
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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Ojai - Probation Searches

5/2/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Probation Searches**Location:** Ojai Valley**Date & Time:** April 30th 2017,**Unit(s) Responsible:** West County Patrol, Ojai Station

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Jose Lopez	Mira Monte	40
Juan Lopez	Mira Monte	35
Michael Higgins	Mira Monte	54
George Hallmark	Oak View	58
David Ross	Oak View	57
Michelle Fearing	Oak View	48
William Blake	Meiners Oaks	40
Shane Young	Meiners Oaks	46
Dylan Merry	Meiners Oaks	37
Brian Krufft	Meiners Oaks	23
Olivia Tsui	Meiners Oaks	28
Robert Burnett	Meiners Oaks	52

Narrative:

On Saturday April 30, 2017, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Ojai Valley Station deployed 4 deputies into the field for the purpose of conducting probation / parole sweeps in the unincorporated area of the Ojai Valley. Patrol deputies assigned to the Ojai Valley Station wanted to take a proactive approach and focus the searches primarily on drug users and thieves. This operation was funded by a California State grant for supervising post-release and serious habitual offenders, due to state prison realignment.

The objective of the operation was to take a zero-tolerance approach to enforcing the individuals probation / parole terms as outlined by the court. At approximately 8 AM, Sheriff's Deputies began knocking on doors of the 4 targeted residences. The residential searches included the areas of Mira Monte, Oak View and Meiners Oaks.

The operation netted 12 arrests, for charges that included the following: Under the influence of controlled substances, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of narcotics (heroin), and warrants.

Subjects were either given a citation and released, booked into the Ventura County Jail, or had warrant declarations submitted for their offenses.

<u>Prepared by:</u>	Captain James Fryhoff
<u>News Release Date:</u>	May 2 nd , 2017
<u>Media Follow-Up Contact:</u>	Sergeant Shane Matthews 805-947-8200
<u>Approved by:</u>	Captain James Fryhoff

Pharmaceutical Crimes Narcotics/Firearms Arrest

5/3/2017 5:49:00 PM

Nature of Incident:	Narcotics / Firearms Arrest	
Report Number:	17-56698	
Locations:	9900 block of Jordan Avenue, Chatsworth 2200 Block of Lull Street, Canoga Park	
Date & Time:	04/20/2017 @ 1635	
Unit(s) Responsible:	Ventura County Sheriff's Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit Ventura County Sheriff's East County Street Narcotics Unit Ventura County Sheriff's Interdiction Unit	
(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent	City of Residence	Age
Martin Arago	Canoga Park / Chatsworth	38
Narrative:		
<p>On 04/20/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit assisted by the Ventura County Sheriff's East County Street Narcotics Unit and the Sheriff's Interdiction Team concluded a one month narcotic investigation into Martin Arago, who was involved in the sales of Cocaine to residents of Ventura and Los Angeles Counties.</p> <p>Detectives detained Arago in Simi Valley, before executing a signed search warrant at his two residences. A search of Arago's person and residences by detectives led to the seizure of approximately 2 ounces of cocaine, a large sum of U.S. currency deemed to be proceeds of narcotic sales, and paraphernalia indicative of illegal narcotic sales. In addition, 2 loaded firearms and ammunition were seized from Arago's residences. Arago is a convicted felon and is prohibited from owning or possessing any type of firearm.</p> <p>Arago was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on numerous narcotics and weapons violations. His bail was set at \$200,000. Arago is currently in custody with an Early Disposition Conference hearing scheduled for 05/03/17.</p>		
Prepared by:	Detective DeBlauw 805-384-4762	
News Release Date:	05/03/2017	

Narcotics Unit - Narcotics Arrest / Firearm Seizure

5/4/2017 5:11:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest / Firearm Seizure
Report Number: 17-63660
Location: 100 Block of N. 4th Street, Santa Paula
Date & Time: 05/03/2017 @ 1200 Hrs.
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit

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

City of Residence

Daniel Wright

Santa Paula

Narrative:

On 05/03/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit concluded a month long narcotic investigation into Daniel Wright by executing a search warrant at his residence in the 100 block of North 4th Street in the City of Santa Paula.

Detectives detained Wright at a location away from his residence before executing the search warrant. A search of Wright's residence by detectives led to the seizure of approximately 3 ounces of heroin, smaller amounts of cocaine, methamphetamine, and Xanax pills packaged for sale. A large amount of currency deemed to be proceeds of narcotic sales as well as paraphernalia indicative of illegal narcotic sales were also seized. In addition, a 22 caliber rifle was seized from the residence. Wright is a convicted felon and is prohibited from owning or possessing any type of firearm.

Wright was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on narcotics and weapons violations. His bail was set at \$120,000. He is currently in custody pending bail or arraignment which is scheduled for 05/05/2017 at 1:30 PM.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 04/26/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Larry Orree, Lawrence.orree@ventura.org 805-383-8723

Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Ojai - Probation Searches and Arrests

5/4/2017 2:52:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Probation Searches

Location: Ojai Valley

Date & Time: April 30th 2017,

Unit(s) Responsible: West County Patrol, Ojai Station

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

City of Residence

Jose Lopez

Mira Monte

Juan Lopez

Mira Monte

Michael Higgins

Mira Monte

George Hallmark

Oak View

David Ross

Oak View

Michelle Fearing

Oak View

William Blake

Meiners Oaks

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<u>Prepared by:</u>	Captain James Fryhoff
<u>News Release Date:</u>	May 2 nd , 2017
<u>Media Follow-Up Contact:</u>	Sergeant Shane Matthews 805-947-8200
<u>Approved by:</u>	Captain James Fryhoff

Fillmore Station - Stolen Vehicle Pursuit

5/5/2017 7:25:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stolen Vehicle Pursuit

Report Number: 17-64898

Location: SR-126 at Timber Canyon Road, Ventura County, CA

Date & Time: May 5, 2017 11:03 A.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Kern County Sheriff's Office, California Highway Patrol, Santa Paula Police Department, Ventura County Sheriff's Office

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Joshua Johnston	Frazier Park	41
Sara Eskildsen	Frazier Park	24

Narrative:

On May 5th, 2017 at about 1015 in the morning, Deputies from the Kern County Sheriff's Office went in pursuit of a stolen vehicle in the area of Frazier Park traveling eastbound on Highway 138. The pursuit was discontinued due to the high speeds and erratic driving of the suspect. Officers from California Highway Patrol located the stolen vehicle on San Francisquito Rd and went in pursuit of the stolen vehicle. Officers from the CHP pursued the vehicle into Santa Clarita where they lost sight of it in the area of westbound SR-126 at Wolcott. A deputy from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Fillmore Station was monitoring the pursuit on the radio and located the stolen vehicle on Timber Canyon Road at the S/R 126 intersection. Witnesses observed the suspects flee the vehicle into a nearby orchard. Officers from the Santa Paula Police Department arrived and assisted with the search for the outstanding suspects. During the search suspect Johnston located an unoccupied vehicle and stole it. He was chased briefly through the orchard and taken into custody by Ventura County Sheriff's Deputies and Santa Paula Police Officers. Eskildsen was found hiding in the orchard by Sheriff's Deputies shortly after.

Both suspects booked at the Ventura County Jail on charges related to the theft of the vehicle.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Stubblefield

News Release Date: May 5, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Bill Meixner
805-524-2233

Approved by: Captain Luis Obregon

Thousand Oaks - Vehicle Tampering Arrest

5/6/2017 1:19:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Vehicle Tampering Arrest

Report Number: #17-64722

Location: 615 Hampshire Road, City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: May 5th, 2017 at 02:15 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Patrol

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

(A) Sherman, Kanan

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

42

Narrative:

During the early morning hours of 05/05/17, an observant resident noticed a male walking through the parking lot of an apartment complex. As the resident continued to watch, he saw the subject look through the windows of several vehicles. Knowing that something wasn't right, the resident contacted police to report the suspicious behavior.

Thousand Oaks patrol deputies quickly responded and located the subject. He was identified 42 year old Kanan Sherman. Sherman was in possession of stolen property that was taken from one of the vehicles in the parking lot. He was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Jail.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind you that if you see something that looks suspicious, please report it to law enforcement. The actions of this citizen, helped law enforcement arrest Sherman in a timely manner and prevented further thefts.

The City of Thousand Oaks has experienced an increase in the amount of thefts from vehicles and vehicle burglaries in the past few months. The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind the citizens of Thousand Oaks and the surrounding communities to remove any valuable property from their vehicles when left unattended, and to ensure their vehicles are locked and secured when parked. These precautions can go a long way in the effort to prevent thefts.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to thank the citizens of Thousand Oaks for their ongoing support and diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes. Join us in the fight on crime following us on Twitter@VENTURASHERIFF, Facebook, Nextdoor, Instagram @

VCSHERIFF and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories.

Prepared by: Detective Greg Webb (805) 494-8225

Media Release Date: May 5th, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman (805) 494-8232

Approved by: Capt. Bill Schierman

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).

Tobacco Decoy Sting Operation

5/10/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Tobacco Decoy Sting Operation

Report Number: N/A

Locations: Various Retail Locations - City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: May 4, 2017

Units Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department's Directed Enforcement Unit and Ventura County Public Health

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(11) Adults	Various	19-56

Narrative:

On May 4, 2017, members of the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Directed Enforcement Unit and Ventura County Public Health conducted tobacco stings, using young adults (18 years of age) as decoys. The decoys attempted to purchase tobacco products at retail establishments in the City of Thousand Oaks. The goal of these operations is to limit underage access to tobacco products and confirm that the local businesses are operating within the law.

Beginning June 9, 2016, a new law signed by Governor Jerry Brown, went into effect. It raised the minimum age for the purchaser of tobacco products from 18 to 21, except for active duty military personnel in the U.S. Armed Forces. Electronic smoking devices are included in the definition of tobacco products.

The 18 year old decoys attempted to make purchases of tobacco products at 40 locations throughout the City of Thousand Oaks. Cashiers at 11 locations sold tobacco products to underage decoys.

In an ongoing effort to prevent access to tobacco products by those under the age of 21, members of the Directed Enforcement Unit and Ventura County Public Health will continue to conduct periodic sting operations dealing with tobacco to confirm retailers in the area are doing their part to prevent underage access to tobacco products.

All of the suspects that sold tobacco products to the underage decoys were arrested for PC 308(a)(1). The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to thank the other 29 establishments that did not sell tobacco products to the decoys.

Prepared by: Sergeant Glenn Axelrod

Media Release Date:

May 4, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact:

Sergeant Glenn Axelrod

805-371-8338

Approved by:

Captain Jeff Miller

Fatal Traffic Collision

5/13/2017 12:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fatal Traffic Collision.
Report Number: #17-69058.
Location: Tierra Rejada Road east of Walnut Creek Road.
Date & Time: May 12, 2017 8:56 PM.
Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police / Traffic Unit.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(D) Female	Simi Valley	78
(P) Male	Simi Valley	80

Narrative:

On May 12, 2017 at about 8:56 PM, deputies from the Moorpark Police Department responded to a traffic collision on Tierra Rejada Road just east of Walnut Creek Road. At the location, deputies found that a vehicle accident had occurred when a vehicle left the roadway for an unknown reason and struck a tree in the raised center median. The vehicle was being driven by a female driver, eastbound on Tierra Rejada Road east of Walnut Creek Road.

Both occupants, a female driver and her male passenger, were wearing their seatbelts at the time of the collision. Both occupants were injured as a result of the collision and transported by ambulance to Los Robles Regional Medical Center. At the hospital, the driver succumbed to her injuries and the passenger was admitted and has undergone surgery for his injuries.

Alcohol / drugs do not appear to be a factor in the collision at this time. This traffic accident is currently under investigation by the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Moorpark and Thousand Oaks Traffic Units. Anyone who may have any information about this traffic accident are encouraged to contact the traffic unit at the Moorpark Police Department. Tierra Rejada Road was closed in both directions for about three and a half hours during the course of the investigation.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Nolan Stoyko #2979.

News Release Date: May 13, 2017.

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy William Schneekloth #4218. (805)532-2700.
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Approved by: Captain John Reilly, Chief of Police.

Bicycle Safety Month

5/15/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Bicycle Safety Month**Report Number:****Location:** Camarillo, CA**Date & Time:** May 2017**Unit(s) Responsible:** Camarillo Police Department ' Traffic Bureau**Narrative:**

The Camarillo Police Department and the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) today call upon bicycle riders and motorists alike to be cautious during May's National Bicycle Safety Month, and every other month during the year.

For riders and drivers, "Roll Model" means actively decreasing the risks of traffic crashes, preventable injuries and deaths. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) reports that 818 bicyclists died and over 45,000 were injured in crashes in 2015, with deaths rising over 12% from 2014 numbers. Over the 10-year period from 2006 to 2015, the average age of cyclists killed in motor vehicle crashes increased from 41 to 45. Alcohol involvement ' either for the motor vehicle operator or for the cyclist ' was reported in 37% of all fatal cyclist crashes in 2015.

The Camarillo Police Department will be conducting specialized Bicycle Safety Enforcement Operations through the month of May in an effort to lower deaths and injuries. Extra officers will be patrolling areas frequented by bicyclists and where bicycle crashes most often occur.

California has the Move Over Law to share the road requiring motorist to pass bike riders with at least a 3 foot cushion. Support community efforts in your community, be involved in bicycle safety, whether while riding a bike, or driving a vehicle. Officers will focus on violations observed by both motorist and cyclist.

The Camarillo Police Department reminds everyone ' Be A Roll Model:

Ride and Drive Focused - Never ride or drive distracted.

Ride and Drive Prepared - Always expect the unexpected.

Safety First - Always wear a bicycle helmet when on a bicycle and a seat belt when in a vehicle.

Know the Rules of the Road - A bicyclist is considered a vehicle on the road with all the rights and responsibilities of motorized traffic.

Share the Road - Both motorist and bicyclist should look out for each other and show mutual respect.

For more information on Bicycle Safety Month, please visit www.NHTSA.gov/bicycle-safety

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: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572

News Release Date: May 12th, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572 ' 805-797-6439 '
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Burglary from a Business / Attempt to Identify

5/15/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary from a Business/ Attempt to Identify

Report Number: RB# 17-45091

Location: 11000 block of North Ventura Avenue Ojai, CA

Date & Time: On 03/29/2017 at 12:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Patrol and Ojai Station Detectives

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

City of Residence

(S) Unknown

Narrative:

On 03/29/2017, at 12:30 AM, an unknown suspect cut the locks of a business storage container and entered the business' property in the 11000 block of North Ventura Avenue, in the unincorporated area of Ojai. The suspect did not appear to have taken anything, but he damaged the victim's property. The attached video is a portion of the surveillance video capturing the burglary.

The Ojai Police Department is asking for the public's assistance in identifying the suspect and/or providing information to assist in resolving this crime.

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Prepared by: Detective A. Regan

Media Release Date: 05/04/2017

Follow-Up Contact: Detective A. Regan 805-477-7038

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

Motorcycle Safety Enforcement

5/15/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Motorcycle Safety Enforcement

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: May, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department ' Traffic Bureau

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Narrative:

Improving Motorcycle Safety Aim of Camarillo Police Department Operation

Careless motorists as well as riders get special scrutiny

The Camarillo Police Department will be conducting specialized Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operations in May in an effort to reduce deaths and injuries. Extra officers will be on duty patrolling areas frequented by motorcyclists and where motorcycle crashes most often 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 violating traffic safety laws.

Motorcycle fatalities have 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 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 additional increases in motorcycle deaths and sending the numbers back downward. Since October 2014, motorcycle involved collisions have resulted in 2 fatal crashes and 31 injury crashes in the city of Camarillo.

In November 2016, there was a solo fatal traffic collision involving in a motorcyclist in Camarillo. The

primary collision factor in this collision was unsafe speed by the motorcyclist.

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).

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Prepared by: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572

News Release Date: May 15th, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Multiple Commercial Burglaries - Arrests

5/15/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Multiple Commercial Burglaries - Arrests

Report Number: 2017-69726

Location: Shell Gas Station/Subway 6599 Collins, Moorpark
Raspado House 14711 Princeton Ave., Moorpark
La Fiesta Mexican Grill 14711 Princeton Ave., Moorpark
Mayflower Market 105 E. High St., Moorpark

Date & Time: 5/14/2017 4:00 A.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Station Patrol Bureau / Moorpark Station Investigation Bureau
Thousand Oaks PD Career Criminal Investigations Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
Male Juvenile	Moorpark
Male Juvenile	Moorpark
Male Juvenile	Moorpark
Thomas, Dominic P.	Moorpark

Narrative:

On the early morning hours of 5/14/2017, patrol deputies responded to three separate commercial burglaries and attempted commercial burglary in the City of Moorpark. Each of the burglaries appeared to have been committed within a few minutes of each other. Evidence located at the scene of one of the burglaries included surveillance video, which indicated several suspects driving a light colored Jeep Patriot SUV were responsible for the burglaries. A few minutes later, deputies saw a vehicle matching the description of the vehicle depicted on the surveillance video driving on Angeles Ave. Deputies conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle and contacted the three occupants. During their contact with the occupants, deputies located a significant amount of physical evidence linking them to the burglaries. During the investigation, detectives identified a fourth suspect outstanding who also participated in the burglaries and had stolen property from the burglaries at his residence.

The City of Thousand Oaks has been recently experiencing similar burglaries so they sent detectives to assist with the investigation. Detectives later observed the outstanding suspect leaving his home and they arrested him. A search warrant was later served, and detectives served a search warrant at the residence of the outstanding suspect and located additional evidence.

linking all of the suspects to the burglaries. The three juveniles were lodged at Juvenile Hall and Dominic Thorpe was booked at the East Valley Jail in lieu of a \$50,000 bail. The investigation is still ongoing to determine if the same suspects were involved in the recent Thousand Oaks burglaries.

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch

News Release Date: May 15th, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch
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Approved by: Captain John Reilly

Oak Park Residential Burglary

5/16/2017 2:36:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Burglary

Report Number: RB # 17-70196

Location: Basswood Avenue, Oak Park

Date & Time: May 15, 2017 @ 2:00 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Patrol Division and East Valley Detective Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(V) Male ' Homeowner	Oak Park
(V) Female ' Homeowner	Oak Park
(S) Female	Unknown

Narrative:

On May 15, 2017, deputies from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office responded to a call of a residential burglary on Basswood Avenue in the community of Oak Park. Deputies made contact with the homeowners and determined an unknown suspect(s) had burglarized their home while they slept and removed several items of property.

Detectives with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office immediately began investigating the crime. Investigators learned a short time after the burglary; an unknown female used the victim's bank access cards at nearby businesses. Video surveillance shows a white female, 25 to 35 years in age, long brown hair, with a tattoo on the web of her left hand making the fraudulent transaction. The female is also seen getting into a grey four-door sedan which may have a minor dent on the front passenger quarter panel. Anyone with information on the identity of the female in the video is asked to contact Detective Purnell at (805) 947-8113.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to remind all residents of the Conejo Valley to be diligent with the security of their homes and vehicles. Ensure all doors and gates are secured, do not leave valuables visible inside your vehicle, and do not allow newspapers and mail to pile up. Most importantly, do not hesitate to call the Ventura County Sheriff's Office if you suspect any suspicious activity. The non-emergency phone line is (805) 654-9511, or 911 for all emergencies.

Prepared by: Deputy Chris Dyer

News Release Date: May 16, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Mike Purnell
East Valley Detective Bureau
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Approved by: Captain Schierman

Ojai - Detectives Seek Help Identifying Burglary Suspect

5/16/2017 2:33:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary of Structures
Report Number: RB #17-35617
Location: *700 block of Matilija Canyon Road*
Ventura County/Ojai area

Date & Time: March 11, 2017 @ 1600 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Detectives

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Unknown	Unknown	18-20 yrs

Narrative:

On March 11, 2017, at approximately 1600 hours, an unknown suspect(s) broke several windows from separate structures located in the rural 700 block of Matilija Canyon Road. This property is located next to the Matilija Dam in upper Ojai, off Highway 33. The suspect(s) entered these buildings and stole various items from inside. Surveillance cameras caught four parties in and around the area at the time of the crime. In addition, one of the three parties captured on the surveillance camera is seen in the attached photograph holding a green handled knife. This knife was visually identified by the victim as being consistent with the same one stolen from inside the structure.

At this time, Ojai Detectives are requesting assistance in possibly identifying any of these four parties. You can view the suspect photographs on our Facebook page and Twitter account.

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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).

Prepared by: Detective Hollowell

News Release Date: 05/16/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Hollowell 805-477-7042

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

Thousand Oaks DUI Checkpoint Results

5/16/2017 7:05:00 AM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: May 6, 2017 from 9:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.

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>
Whitman, Haylee	Thousand Oaks	21

Narrative:

May DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

On May 6, 2017, the Thousand Oaks Police Department-Traffic Bureau conducted a DUI / Driver's License checkpoint at one location in the City of Thousand Oaks. The location was west bound Hillcrest Drive east of N. Conejo School Road from 9:20 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. 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 related injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive alcohol and/ or drug impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging alcohol or drugged impaired drivers 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 yielding considerable cost savings of \$6.00 for every \$1.00 spent. Ninety percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

During the listed Checkpoint Operation the following occurred:

- 171 vehicles were screened
- One (1) DUI alcohol impaired arrest
- No DUI drug impaired arrests
- One (1) driver was cited/arrested for operating a vehicle while unlicensed or suspended/revoked
- A total of three (3) citations were issued

Law Enforcement emphasizes the preventable nature of DUI, reminding everyone that all it takes is a little preplanning. Designate a sober driver, call a friend or family member for a ride, or call a cab. Whatever you do, don't drink and drive or drive while drug impaired. The California Office of Traffic Safety DDVIP (Designated Driver VIP) mobile app is now available for free to 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. For more information about DDVIP, visit <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>.

Driver's caught driving under the influence can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes and other expenses that can exceed \$10,000. That does not include embarrassment when family and friends find out.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting another DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on June 10, 2017 (Saturday) in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and related injuries on 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. Remember to report Drunk Drivers by calling 9-1-1.

Prepared by:

Senior Deputy Dan Ambarian

Media Release Date: May 16, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Thousand Oaks Gas Station Burglary - Help to Identify

5/16/2017 2:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Commercial Burglary / Requesting Public's Assistance in Identifying Suspect

Report Number: RB# 17-66866

Location: 100 block of N. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: 05/09/17 at 12:51 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Unknown white male		Early 20's

Narrative:

On May 9th 2017, at about 12:50 AM, a Chevron gas station was burglarized in the 100 block of N. Moorpark Road, City of Thousand Oaks. An unknown suspect smashed open the front glass door of the business to gain entry and stole property before fleeing.

Detectives from the Thousand Oaks Investigations Bureau obtained surveillance video which showed a male subject committing the crime. The subject is described as a white male, 5'08' to 6'00' in height, about 160 -180 lbs. with shoulder length brown hair.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is asking for the public's assistance in identifying the suspect. If anyone recognizes the suspect or has any other information about the crime, please contact Detective Andja Marco at 805-494-8227.

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Prepared by: Detective A. Marco

Media Release Date: 5/16/2017

Media Follow-Up Detective A. Marco 805-494-8227

Contact:

Approved by: Captain Schierman

Camarillo - Attempt to Identify Robbery Suspect

5/17/2017 12:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Attempt to Identify Robbery Suspect
Report Number: RB# 17-70060
Location: 200-block of North Glenn Drive, Camarillo, CA
Date & Time: 05/14/2017 at 9:51 P.M.
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol and Sheriff Major Crimes

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Unknown Hispanic male		20's

Narrative:

On May 14, 2017, at about 2151 hours, a robbery occurred at a convenience store in the 200-block of North Glenn Drive in the City of Camarillo.

An unknown suspect entered the convenience store and pointed a knife at the cashier while demanding money from the cash register. The suspect demanded and obtained the cashier's wallet. The suspect assaulted a bystander and forcibly took the bystander's property. The suspect took an undisclosed amount of money and fled the scene on foot.

The bystander sustained moderate injuries during the assault and was transported to a local hospital where his injuries were treated.

Camarillo Patrol deputies and detectives from the Sheriff Major Crimes responded to the location. Detectives obtained video surveillance of the robbery, which showed a suspect committing the crime. The subject is described as a Hispanic male, 5'5' to 5'8' in height, about 170-190 pounds, and medium to heavy build.

Sheriff Major Crimes Detectives are requesting the public look closely at the attached surveillance photographs. Detectives are asking for the public's assistance in identifying the suspect. If anyone recognizes the suspect or has any other information about the crime, please contact Detective Francisco

Jauregui at (805)796-9761 or at Francisco.Jauregui@Ventura.Org.

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Prepared by: Detective F. Jauregui
News Release Date: 05/17/2017
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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

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Narcotics Trafficking Organization / Arrests

5/17/2017 5:11:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Trafficking Organization / Arrests

Report Number: 17-61104

Location: Santa Paula Auto Center, 1055 E. Main Street, Santa Paula
400 Blk Trent Lane, Santa Paula
6600 Blk Bristol Road, Ventura
12900 Blk Glenoaks Boulevard, Sylmar
15200 Blk Rex Street, Sylmar

Date & Time: May 12, 2017 12:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Oxnard Police Department, California Highway Patrol, Drug Enforcement Agency, and National Guard ' Counter Drug Task Force

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Eric Curtis	Ventura	32
Manuel Arana	Santa Paula	48
Ricardo Gonzalez	Sylmar	38
Domingo Nunez	Sylmar	35

Narrative:

Over the past several months, the Sheriff's Office Special Crimes Unit has been investigating a drug trafficking organization working in Ventura County. The investigation led to the seizure of methamphetamine, cocaine, a firearm, US currency, and the arrests of Curtis, Arana, Gonzalez, and Nunez.

In early 2017, detectives received information narcotics were being sold from the Santa Paula Auto Center at 1055 E. Main Street in Santa Paula. An investigation began and it was determined the owner of the

business, Eric Curtis, and his close business associate, Manuel Arana, were organizing shipments of methamphetamine and cocaine to the business. The narcotics were then sold in smaller quantities to street level narcotics dealers. The legitimate side of the auto repair business concealed the illicit narcotic trafficking that was occurring.

On May 12, 2017 Investigators executed search warrants at five different locations resulting in the seizure of narcotics, a handgun, ammunition, and a large sum of U.S. currency. During the course of the investigation, investigators seized 2.7 pounds of cocaine and 1.6 pounds of methamphetamine. The amount of cocaine seized would provide over 12,600 doses of cocaine to a user with a street value in excess of \$126,000.00. The amount of methamphetamine seized would provide over 7,650 doses of methamphetamine to a user with a street value in excess of \$76,600.00.

Curtis was arrested for possessing narcotics for sale, sales of a controlled substance, and conspiracy. Curtis is currently in custody with bail set at \$500,000.00. Arana was arrested for possessing narcotics for sale, sales of a controlled substance, possession of a firearm, and conspiracy. Arana is currently in custody with bail set at \$500,000.00. Gonzalez was arrested for possessing narcotics for sale, sales of a controlled substance, and conspiracy. Gonzalez is currently in custody with bail set at \$500,000.00. Nunez was arrested for possessing narcotics for sale, sales of a controlled substance, and conspiracy. Nunez is currently in custody with bail set at \$500,000.00.

Prepared by: Detective J. Velazquez - Oxnard Police
Media Release Date: May 15, 2017
Follow-Up Contact: Detective Eduardo Malagon 805-383-8777
Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

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Santa Paula/Oxnard Narcotics Trafficking Organization / Arrest

5/19/2017 5:09:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Trafficking Organization / Arrests

Report Number: 17-72074

Location: 300 Block of West Vineyard Avenue Oxnard

Date & Time: May 18, 2017 10:00 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Oxnard Police Department, National Guard ' Counter Drug Task Force

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

City of Residence

Centeno, Ulysses

Oxnard

Narrative:

Over the past several months, the Sheriff's Office Special Crimes Unit has been investigating a drug trafficking organization working in Ventura County. The investigation led to the seizure of methamphetamine, a firearm, US currency and the arrest of Centeno.

In early 2017, detectives received information narcotics were being sold from the Santa Paula Auto Center at 1055 E. Main Street in Santa Paula. An investigation began and it was determined the owner of the business and his close business associate were organizing shipments of methamphetamine and cocaine to the business. The investigation revealed Centeno was supplying methamphetamine to the business that was later sold in smaller quantities to street level narcotics dealers.

On May 18, 2017 Investigators executed a search warrant at a residence in the 300 Block of West Vineyard Avenue in the city of Oxnard. During the search of the residence 2 pounds of methamphetamine, U.S. currency, a loaded firearm, scale and packaging were located. Centeno was arrested in the 1300 Block of East Gonzalez Boulevard in the city of Oxnard. The amount of methamphetamine seized would provide over 9,000 doses of methamphetamine to a user with a street value in excess of \$90,000.00.

Centeno was arrested for possessing narcotics for sale and conspiracy. Centeno is currently in custody

with bail set at \$500,000.00.

Prepared by: Detective J. Velazquez - Oxnard Police

Media Release Date: May 19, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: Detective Eduardo Malagon 805-383-8752

Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Camarillo - Credit Card Skimmer Alert

5/22/2017 11:36:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Crime Prevention / Credit Card Skimmers

Report Number:

Location: 3701 East Las Posas Road

Date & Time: 5/22/2107 - 0900

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department would like to reach out to the community and remind everyone to be careful whenever using their credit or debit cards for gas or to withdraw money from ATM devices. Recently, Camarillo P.D. has received several reports where victims suspected their credit or debit cards were compromised. Detectives are investigating these cases and are working with the financial institutions involved.

Whenever you use a remote pay device or an ATM, always check the device for signs of tampering. If something looks odd about the device, don't use it. Assume someone is watching you when you are entering your PIN and cover the keypad with your free hand when entering the numbers.

If you use a debit or credit card you should always closely monitor your accounts for unauthorized use. Always report unauthorized transactions to your financial institution. Obtain all the information about the illegal uses and report them to the police.

The Camarillo Police Department would like the community to know that we have an anti 'skimmer' program in place and regularly check credit card devices throughout the city. If you notice something strange about a device you are using, contact us immediately at 654-9511.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Franchi

News Release Date: 5/22/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: John.Franchi@ventura.org / 805-388-5135

Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

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Ojai - Residential Burglary Arrest

5/23/2017 4:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Burglary Arrest

Report Number: RB #17-71118

Location: 300 Block of Camino Cielo
Unincorporated area of Ventura County/ Ojai, Ca 93023

Date & Time: 05/16/2017 5:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Station Detectives & Ojai Patrol

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Lisa Marie Brokaw	Ventura

Narrative:

On 5/16/17, at approximately 5:00 pm, an Ojai Valley resident called the Sheriff's Office to report he had been the victim of a residential burglary the same day. Ojai patrol deputies responded to the crime scene and evidence related to the crime was collected. It was determined that an answering machine had been stolen, along with a newly purchased 1.40 carat diamond ring with a price of \$5,397.00.

During the initial investigation, the victim's ex-wife Lisa Brokaw appeared to be a possible suspect. Ojai Detectives conducted an extensive follow-up investigation and surveillance on Brokaw who was subsequently contacted. Brokaw confessed to the burglary crime and she ultimately led Ojai Detectives to a hiding place where the stolen diamond ring and answering machine were both recovered.

On 05/19/2017, Ojai Detectives arrested Lisa Brokaw at her residence located in the 1900 block of Poli Street in the city of Ventura. Brokaw was arrested for residential burglary and she was booked into the Ventura County Main Jail where she remains in jail with a bail set at \$50,000.00.

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Prepared by:

Detective Hollowell

News Release Date:

05/19/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact:

Detective Hollowell 805-477-7042

Approved by:

Captain James Fryhoff

Arrests Made in CVS Pharmacy Robberies

5/24/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrests Made in CVS Pharmacy Robberies Investigation

Report Number: 17-38242, 17-44663

Location: Robberies: 700 blk Arneill Rd & 5200 blk Mission Oaks Blvd, Camarillo
Arrests: 2600 blk Balboa Street, Oxnard (El Rio)

Date & Time: 05-23-17 / 11:00 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Major Crimes Bureau; Federal Bureau of Investigation; Headquarters Patrol

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

City of Residence

(S) Loudwing Trujillo

El Rio

(S) Leslie Rodriguez

Oxnard

Narrative:

On 05-23-17, detectives with the Ventura County Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, working in conjunction with agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, arrested Loudwing Trujillo and Leslie Rodriguez in reference to two CVS pharmacy robberies that occurred in the city of Camarillo on 03-16-17 and 03-28-17. Trujillo and Rodriguez were contacted and arrested during a probation search conducted in the 2600 block of Balboa Street in El Rio.

On 03-29-17, Major Crimes investigators released a news story in reference to the robberies and asked for the public's help in identifying the suspect who was believed to have committed both robberies. Investigators released photos of the suspect taken from surveillance video from both of the CVS stores. During both robberies, the suspect appeared to target bottles of the medication Promethazine with Codeine. Promethazine with Codeine is a prescription-strength cough medication that has received recent notoriety due to its increased popularity as an abused drug.

Shortly after the release of the news story, Major Crimes investigators received a phone call from an anonymous citizen who identified Trujillo as the possible suspect. Based on the information received from the anonymous caller, investigators were able to develop evidence linking Trujillo and Rodriguez to both robberies.

On 05-23-17, investigators went to a residence in the 2600 block of Balboa Street where they located Trujillo and Rodriguez. Trujillo and Rodriguez are both currently on active adult probation for unrelated theft cases and investigators conducted a search of the residence pursuant to the terms of their probation. Investigators found multiple bottles of Promethazine with Codeine and related evidence tending to show that Trujillo was involved in sales of the drug. Additional evidence linking Trujillo and Rodriguez to the robberies was also found during the search.

Trujillo was arrested on charges of robbery, conspiracy to commit robbery, and possession of a controlled substance for sale. Rodriguez was arrested on charges of robbery and conspiracy to commit robbery. Both were booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Trujillo's bail was set at \$110,000 and Rodriguez' was set at \$55,000. They are both scheduled to appear for arraignment in Ventura County Superior Court on 05-25-17.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the public and media for their assistance in this investigation. We often rely on the active participation and support from the communities we serve and this case was an example of how your information can be the lead we need to solve a case and bring suspects to justice.

The Sheriff's Office encourages those individuals who have information about other crimes to contact investigators and pass the information along. Callers may remain anonymous. Additionally, individuals can utilize Crime Stoppers to pass along information. Crime Stoppers can be contacted at (800) 222-TIPS (8477)

Prepared by: Sgt. Ron Chips ' Major Crimes Bureau

News Release Date: 05-23-17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Ron Chips
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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

Ojai - Attempt to Identify Burglary Suspect

5/30/2017 4:35:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary from a Vehicle ' Identity Theft / Attempt to Identify

Report Number: RB# 17-58435

Location: Casitas Vista Road / Highway 33 Overpass, Ventura CA

Date & Time: On 04/23/17 3:30-5:30 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Patrol and Ojai Station Detectives

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

City of Residence

(S) Unknown

Narrative:

On 04/23/2017, between 3:30 and 5:30 PM, an unknown suspect smashed the window of the victim's vehicle, and stole several personal belongings. Among the items taken were the victim's credit cards and bank check book. The attached video is a portion of the surveillance video, capturing a suspect that used the victim's bank cards and checks at local Target & Walmart stores. There have been addition vehicle burglaries and victims recently at the same location.

Ojai Police is asking for the public's assistance in identifying the suspect and/or providing information to assist in resolving this crime.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank members of the public for their on-going support and due diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes. We are better at what we do because of our community partnerships. Join us in the fight on crime by following us on Twitter @VENTURASHERIFF, on Facebook with our Official Page, VCSHERIFF on Instagram, and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories.

Prepared by: Detective A. Regan

Media Release Date: 05/23/2017

Follow-Up Contact: Detective A. Regan 805-477-7038

Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

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).***

Narcotics Trafficking Organization / Arrest

5/31/2017 10:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Trafficking Organization / Arrest

Report Number: 17-76805

Location: 100 Block of East Ramona Street Ventura

Date & Time: May 26, 2017 1:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Oxnard Police Department, National Guard ' Counter Drug Task Force

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Gomez, Hugo Martinez	Ventura	31

Narrative:

Over the past several months, the Sheriff's Office Special Crimes Unit has been investigating a drug trafficking organization working in Ventura County. The investigation has led to numerous arrests as well as narcotic and firearm seizures. On May 26, 2017, the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotic Street Team concluded an investigation with the arrest of Hugo Martinez Gomez who was identified as cocaine source for this drug trafficking organization.

In early 2017, detectives received information narcotics were being sold from the Santa Paula Auto Center at 1055 E. Main Street in Santa Paula. An investigation began and it was determined the owner of the business and his close business associates were organizing shipments of methamphetamine and cocaine to the business. The investigation revealed Gomez was a cocaine supplier and was solicited by the business owner to supply cocaine.

On May 26, 2017, Investigators executed a search warrant at a residence in the 100 Block of East Ramona Street, in the city of Ventura. During the search of the residence approximately 2 ounces of cocaine and methamphetamine, as well as U.S. currency, scales and packaging were located. Gomez was arrested a short time later in the 100 Block of Ojai Drive, in the city of Oak View.

Gomez was arrested for possessing narcotics for sale and offering to sell narcotics. Gomez is currently in custody with bail set at \$50,000.00.

Prepared by: Det. Sergeant Guy Moody - Ventura County Sheriff's Office

Media Release Date: May 31, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: Detective Eduardo Malagon 805-383-8752

Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

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Ojai - Identify Persons of Interest in Purse Theft

5/31/2017 1:27:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Persons of Interest
Report Number: RB#17-58435
Location: Target Store ' Oxnard, Ca.
Date & Time: Between 04/24/17 and 05/10/17
Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Patrol and Ojai Station Detectives

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

City of Residence

Unknown

Narrative:

On 04/23/2017, between 3:30 and 5:30 PM, an unknown suspect smashed the window of the victim's vehicle, and stole several personal belongings. Among the items taken were the victim's credit cards and bank check book. The victim's credit card was used to purchase Target gift cards, which were subsequently used by the unknown subjects shown in the attached pictures and videos. Ojai Police is asking for the public's assistance in identifying the persons of interest shown and/or providing information to assist in resolving this crime.

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Prepared by: Detective Andrea Regan

Media Release Date: 05/31/17

Follow-Up Contact: Detective Regan 805-477-7038

Approved by: Captain J. Fryhoff

DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

6/1/2017 11:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: June 3rd , 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

DUI/Driver License Checkpoint Planned this Weekend

The Camarillo Police Department's Traffic Unit will be conducting a DUI/Driver License Checkpoint on 6/3/2017, at an undisclosed location within the city limits between the hours of 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Camarillo Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

The deterrent effect of High Visibility Enforcement using both DUI checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols has proven to lower the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug impaired crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized proactive DUI operations are conducted routinely.

DUI Checkpoints like this one 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, alcohol involved collisions led to 1,155 deaths and nearly 24,000 injuries in 2014 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Over the course of the past three years, the Camarillo Police Department has investigated 166 DUI collisions, which have claimed 1 life and resulted in another 57 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.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and 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 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: Deputy Clemens #3926

News Release Date: 06-01-2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572 ' 805-388-5132,
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Approved by: Captain Cory Rubright

Donation to the Ventura County Sheriff's Foundation

6/2/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Donation to the Ventura County Sheriff's Foundation

Location: Countywide

Date & Time: June 1, 2017

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

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Foundation has received a generous financial donation from the Dr. Richard Grossman Community Foundation to establish a scholarship fund for the children of Ventura County Sheriff's Office employees. Sheriff Geoff Dean, Sheriff's Foundation president Doug Platts and other board members accepted the \$750,000 donation from Elizabeth Rice Grossman, the widow of the late Dr. Richard Grossman, on behalf of the foundation.

'We are extremely grateful for the generosity and community spirit of Mrs. Grossman and the foundation.' Sheriff Dean said. 'These scholarships will have a great impact on the future lives of the children of our Sheriff's Office employees.'

Dr. Richard Grossman was an internationally recognized plastic surgeon who pioneered the comprehensive treatment of burn victims. Dr. Grossman's greatest passion was his focus on restoring the lives of burn survivors. Dr. Grossman's was also an active volunteer with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office for many years.

Elizabeth Rice Grossman has continued his commitment to work with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office through the Dr. Richard Grossman Community Foundation by establishing this scholarship fund.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Foundation is a non-profit organization that was established to promote civic spirit in support of law enforcement and enhance the ability of Sheriff's Office employees to work even more safely and effectively. For additional information about the Foundation click on the following link - <https://vcsheriffsfoundation.org/>.

Prepared by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

News Release Date: June 2, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Garo Kuredjian (805) 797-6322

Approved by: Sheriff Geoff Dean

Arrest Made After a Road Rage Incident

6/3/2017 12:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest Made After a Road Rage Incident
Report Number: RB# 17-80829
Location: Westbound Highway 126 at Fillmore city limits
Date & Time: 06/02/2017 at 9:14 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Patrol, ARTIC, and Major Crimes Bureau

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

(S) Hurtado, Selena

(V) Adult Female

City of Residence

Santa Paula

Ventura

Narrative:

On June 2, 2017, Fillmore patrol deputies responded to a call of a shooting of an occupied vehicle traveling on Highway 126. Deputies made contact with the victim who reported her vehicle was shot at while she was driving into the city of Fillmore. The victim was able to provide a license plate number as well as a description of the suspect vehicle.

Through the investigation and the assistance of Advanced Real Time Information Center (ARTIC), the suspect, Selena Hurtado, was later located at her residence. It was discovered Hurtado was the sole passenger of the vehicle and in possession of a BB gun. Hurtado was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon and brandishing a replica gun.

Hurtado was booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility in Ventura for PC 245(a) and PC 417.4. Hurtado posted bail and is scheduled to appear in court on 06/19/2017 at 8:15 AM.

Prepared by: Detective I. Andrade
News Release Date: 06/03/2017
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective I. Andrade 805-384-4728
Approved by: Captain M. Smith

Plane Crash Kills Two Near Moorpark

6/5/2017 12:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Plane Crash Kills Two Near Moorpark

Report Number: 17-81725

Location: 2600 block of Marvella Drive, Santa Rosa Valley

Date & Time: June 4, 2017, 3:30 p.m.

Unit Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Ventura County Fire Department, Federal Aviation Administration, National Transportation Safety Board, Southern California Edison

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(D) Harlan, James	Calabasas	57
(D) Harlan, Dylan	Calabasas	15

Narrative:

A 57-year-old man and his 15-year-old son died Sunday afternoon when their single engine airplane crashed near a ranch just south of the city of Moorpark in the Santa Rosa Valley.

James Harlan and his son, Dylan, were pronounced dead at the scene. Witnesses described seeing the plane flying just above treetops in the area before it went down in a horse arena. Nobody on the ground was injured, and the arena was empty at the time of the crash.

The cause of the crash is under investigation by the National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Aviation Administration. There are several high-voltage power lines next to the crash site, and emergency personnel were concerned that the aircraft may have struck the power lines. Crews from Southern California Edison responded to the scene and inspected the lines. They found evidence that the plane had hit one of the lines, but it was still intact. The pair had flown from Camarillo Airport earlier Sunday.

Deputy Preparing Media

Sgt. Eric Buschow

Release:

Media Release Date:

June 5, 2017

Follow-Up Contact:

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Approved by:

Captain Garo Kuredjian

Probation Searches / Ojai Valley

6/5/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Probation Searches

Location: Ojai Valley

Date & Time: May 26th 2017,

Unit(s) Responsible: West County Patrol, Ojai Station

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

City of Residence

John Morgan

Oak View

Aiden Moore

Oak View

Monica Otto

Oak View

Michael Farmer

Oak View

Dylan Merry

Oak View

Jasmine Wolpe

Oak View

Teressa Kennedy

Oak View

Vincent DeAlba

Oak View

Narrative:

On Friday May 26th, 2017, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Ojai Valley Station deployed 4 deputies into the field for the purpose of conducting probation / parole sweeps in the unincorporated area of the Ojai Valley. Patrol deputies assigned to the Ojai Valley Station wanted to take a proactive approach and focus the searches primarily on drug users and thieves. This operation was funded by a California State grant for supervising post-release and serious habitual offenders, due to state prison realignment.

The objective of the operation was to take a zero-tolerance approach to enforcing the individuals probation / parole terms as outlined by the court. At approximately 8 AM, Sheriff's Deputies began knocking on doors of the 3 targeted residences. The residential searches were focused in Oak View.

The operation netted 8 arrests, for charges that included the following: Under the influence of controlled

substances, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of narcotics, and a parole violation.

Subjects were either given a citation and released or booked into the Ventura County Jail.

Prepared by: Captain James Fryhoff

News Release Date: June 1st, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Shane Matthews 805-947-8200

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

6/5/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

Report Number: N/A

Location: County Areas of Ventura and Oxnard

Date & Time: Saturday, June 3, 2017. 8:00 AM ' 2:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau
West County Patrol ' Headquarters Investigations Unit

Narrative:

On Saturday, June 3rd, 2017, Sheriff's detectives conducted compliance checks at the residences of Thirty One (31) registered sex offenders throughout the county areas of Ventura and Oxnard. The compliance checks were part of the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE / ELEAS) Grant.

Twenty (20) of the sex registrants were confirmed to be in compliance with their registration requirement. Eleven (11) registrants were not contacted because they were not home or had moved. Sheriff's detectives will follow-up to determine if the remaining registrants not contacted are out-of-compliance. The Sheriff's Office aggressively pursues for prosecution those registrants found to be 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:

June 5, 2017

Awarded Off-Highway Vehicle Grant

6/6/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Awarded Off-Highway Vehicle Grant

Location: Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station

Date & Time: June 6, 2017

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

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station, applied for and received a grant from the California State Park Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division. State Parks designates grants for distribution to law enforcement agencies within the state. The amount awarded is calculated by the number of law enforcement agencies that apply for the grant and the amount requested.

The Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station jurisdictional area is approximately 610 square miles in the northern backcountry of Ventura County. This includes areas of the Los Padres National Forest and Hungry Valley State Vehicular Recreation Area. These areas include 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 collisions and search and rescue calls for service.

The funds awarded will enable deputies to establish off-highway patrols in an effort to provide information and education, as well as enforcement actions as needed.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to remind anyone enjoying the back country to be prepared. Ensuring your safety using an off-road vehicle means making sure you know how to operate your vehicle, doing some safety inspections before you leave, and wearing the proper safety gear. Remember to bring extra food and water and always tell someone your plans so that they will be able to contact rescue resources in the event you do not return at your planned time. There is a 'Hiking Plan' listed on the Upper Ojai Search and Rescue page, please visit <http://ojaisar.org/>

Before you plan to enjoy the back country. Remember the words of Benjamin Franklin, 'By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail.'

Prepared by: Deputy Scott Baugher / Lockwood Valley Station

News Release Date: June 6, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Scott Baugher (661) 245-3829

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

6/6/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: June 10, 2017 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.

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 June 10, 2017 at an undisclosed location(s) within the city limits.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Thousand Oaks Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

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DUI Checkpoints like this one 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, alcohol involved collisions led to 1,155 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2014 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Locally, over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 6 lives and resulted in 85 injury crashes harming 112 of our friends and neighbors.

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.

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For more information about DDVIP, visit: <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and 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 Drivers ' Call 9-1-1'.

Prepared by: Carl Patterson, Sergeant

News Story Date: June 6, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: Carl Patterson, Sergeant
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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

It's Adoption Time

6/6/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: It's Adoption Time

Location: Detention Services Division -Todd Road Jail Facility
600 South Todd Road, Santa Paula

Date & Time: June 6, 2017

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office Detention Services Division is proud to announce the first graduating class of the R.U.F.F. Road (Rehabilitation Utilizing Furry Friends) interactive inmate obedience-training program for dogs. Our dogs Chance, Buddy, Brando, and Lipit are ready for adoption. Each dog completed 14 weeks of training, which ended with an obedience test certifying them by the American Kennel Club (AKC).

The obedience training program was to ensure our dogs were ready to be wonderful family pets. The dogs were selected from Ventura County Animal Services. The love and care from the inmate handlers and staff has given these dogs a chance to find a permanent home and more importantly, a family.

Don't miss out on an exciting opportunity to adopt one of these amazing dogs! Applications are now being accepted. The real success of this program will come when each of these dogs has found a permanent home and family.

For information on how to adopt Chance, Buddy, Brando, or Lipit please visit www.pivotareo.org and click the 'Ready for Adoption' tab.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Shawn Pewsey

News Release Date: June 2, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Shawn Pewsey (805) 933-6690
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Approved by: Captain Randy Downard

Summer Swimming and Pool Safety Tips

6/6/2017 4:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Summer Swimming and Pool Safety Tips

Report Number:

Location: Ventura County

Date & Time: 6/1/2017

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:

Summer Swimming and Pool Safety Tips from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office

Summer is around the corner and swimming is one of the most popular activities for children and adults. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office urges everyone to consider the following safety tips whenever you are in, on or around water.

Swim in designated areas supervised by lifeguards or provide supervision for children if a lifeguard is not present.

Always swim with a buddy; do not allow anyone to swim alone. Even at a public pool or a lifeguarded beach, use the buddy system.

Ensure that everyone in the family learns to swim well. Enroll in age-appropriate water orientation and Learn-to-Swim courses.

Never leave a young child unattended near water and do not trust a child's life to another child; teach children to always ask permission to go near water.

Have young children or inexperienced swimmers wear U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets around water, but do not rely on life jackets alone.

Avoid alcohol use. Alcohol impairs judgment, balance and coordination; affects swimming and diving skills; and reduces the body's ability to stay warm.

Pool Parties

Arrange for certified, insured lifeguards for parties. One or more certified lifeguards should be on the 'must

have' list of anyone hosting a pool party. According to the International Life Saving Federation, drowning is a leading cause of death worldwide, and more than half of all drowning deaths are children under the age of 15. While the presence of lifeguards isn't a guarantee against accidents or injuries, their training could be a lifesaver. Local recreation departments and businesses with pools employ lifeguards with current certifications including water rescue, first aid and CPR. These places could be a good resource for finding a certified lifeguard.

Prevent Unsupervised Access to the Water

Ensure that pool barriers enclose the entire pool area, are at least 5-feet high with gates that are self-closing, self-latching and open outward, and away from the pool. The latch should be high enough to be out of a small child's reach.

If you have an above-ground or inflatable pool, remove access ladders and secure the safety cover whenever the pool is not in use.

Maintain Constant Supervision

Actively supervise kids whenever around the water'even if lifeguards are present. Do not just drop your kids off at the public pool or leave them at the beach'designate a responsible adult to supervise.

Know 'What to Do in an Emergency.' If a child is missing, check the water first. Seconds count in preventing death or disability.

Know how and when to call 9-1-1.

Enroll in home pool safety, water safety, first aid and CPR/AED courses to learn how to prevent and respond to emergencies.

Swimming is the most popular summer activity. The best thing you can do to help your family stay safe is to enroll your children in age-appropriate swim lessons and swim under the supervision of a certified lifeguard. Have fun and stay safe. Additional water safety tips can be found on the internet.

Prepared by: Deputy Havelka

News Release Date: 6/01/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Garo Kuredjian, 805-797-6322
Sergeant Eric Buschow 805-947-8129

Approved by: Captain Fryhoff

DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

6/7/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint
Report Number: 17-81424
Location: City of Camarillo
Date & Time: June 3rd , 2017, 9:00 pm to June 4th, 2017, 3:00 am
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

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

(S) Carissa Taylor

City of Residence

Camarillo

35

Narrative:

DUI Checkpoint Nets 1 Arrests

The Camarillo Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI / Driver's License checkpoint on June 3rd, at Las Posas Road and Camino La Madera between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m and at Pleasant Valley Road and Village Commons Blvd. between 12:23 a.m and 2:30 a.m. 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.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Camarillo Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

The results of the checkpoint were as follows:

- 431 Vehicles Screened
- 1 DUI-Alcohol suspects arrested
- 0 DUI-Drug impaired suspects arrested

- 0 Suspects arrested for illegal drugs (possession/transportation/sales)
- 0 Arrested on other Criminal Charges
- 4 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 5 total citations issued

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

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

The Camarillo Police Department PD will be conducting another DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint in August 2017 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'.

Prepared by: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572

News Release Date: 06-07-2017

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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Tobacco Decoy Sting Operation

6/8/2017 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Tobacco Decoy Sting Operation

Report Number: N/A

Location: Various Retail Locations - City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: June 8, 2017

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department's Directed Enforcement Unit and Ventura County Public Health

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
None		

Narrative:

On June 8, 2017, members of the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Directed Enforcement Unit and Ventura County Public Health conducted tobacco stings, using young adults 18 years of age as decoys. The decoys attempted to purchase tobacco products at retail establishments in the City of Thousand Oaks. The goal of these operations is to limit underage access to tobacco products and confirm that the local businesses are operating within the law.

Beginning June 9, 2016, a new law signed by Governor Jerry Brown, went into effect raising the minimum age of sale for tobacco products from 18 to 21, except for active duty military personnel in the U.S. Armed Forces. Electronic smoking devices are included in the definition of tobacco products.

The 18 year-old decoys attempted to make purchases of tobacco products at 20 locations throughout the City of Thousand Oaks. None of the cashiers sold a tobacco product to the underage decoy.

In an ongoing effort to prevent access to tobacco products by those under the age of 21, members of the Directed Enforcement Unit and Ventura County Public Health will continue to conduct periodic sting operations dealing with tobacco to confirm retailers in the area are doing their part to prevent underage access to tobacco products.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department and Ventura County Public Health would like to thank all of the establishments for not selling tobacco products to the underage decoys.

Prepared by: Sergeant Glenn Axelrod

Media Release Date: June 8, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Extradition of Sex Assault Suspect

6/13/2017 6:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Extradition of Sex Assault Suspect

Report Number: RB #16-180215

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: December 2016

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department ' Investigations Bureau Sexual Assault Unit, El Paso Texas Police Department ' Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(A) Smith, Harold Eugene	El Paso, Texas	27
(V) Juvenile Female	Thousand Oaks	14

Narrative:

In December of 2016, a deputy assigned to the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to a call for service where the victim's mother had discovered her 14 year old daughter had been communicating with a 27 year old adult male. The victim's mother also discovered the adult male had driven approximately 850 miles from El Paso, Texas, and picked her daughter up from school. The victim's mother discovered her daughter had been communicating with the adult male via social media.

Detectives from the Thousand Oaks Investigative Bureau Sexual Assault Unit began investigating the case and learned the adult male suspect was Harold Eugene Smith who was residing in the City of El Paso, Texas. Throughout the investigation, Detectives wrote multiple search warrants and were able to obtain a felony arrest warrant for Smith for charges that included committing a lewd act upon a child, sending harmful matter to a minor, and luring a child. The Ventura County Superior Court issued a \$1,000,000 warrant for the arrest of Smith. Detective began a joint investigation with the El Paso Police Department.

In January of 2017, Detectives with the Thousand Oaks Sexual Assault Unit traveled to El Paso

Texas. The El Paso Texas Police Department served a search warrant at Smith's residence and arrested him for possession of narcotics and the Ventura County Warrant. Smith served a 5 month sentence in El Paso for the possession of narcotics.

On June 9, 2017, Detectives with the Thousand Oaks Sexual Assault Unit returned to El Paso Texas to extradite Smith back to Ventura County on the outstanding warrant. On June 10, 2017, Smith was booked into the East County Jail facility. He is currently being held on \$1,000,000 bail. Smith appeared in court on June 12, 2017, for his arraignment. Smith pled not guilty to all counts. Smith is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on 6/23/17 at 8:15 a.m. for a preliminary hearing.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to remind parents to be vigilant and monitor their children / teen's social media accounts as well as text, telephone, and online conversations. Children put themselves at great risk by communicating online with individuals they do not know in person. Internet predators intentionally access sites that children visit and can even search for potential victims by location or interest. If a predator is already communicating with a child, he or she can piece together clues from what the child mentions while online, including parents' names, where the child goes to school, and how far away the child lives from a certain landmark, store, or other locations. Online grooming is a process which can take place in a short time or over an extended period of time. Initial conversations online can appear innocent, but often involve some level of deception as the predator (usually an adult) attempts to establish a relationship to gain a child's trust. Additionally, online predators communicate with children via gaming systems that allow text messaging or voice communication.

Some of the more common social media sites include the following: Snapchat, Facebook, Kik, Instagram, Skype, twitter, and ooVoo.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: June 13, 2017

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Approved by:

Captain Bill Schierman

DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results

6/14/2017 6:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: June 10, 2017 from 8:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department - Traffic Bureau

Narrative: June DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

On the listed date and time, the Thousand Oaks Police Department-Traffic Bureau conducted a DUI / Driver's License checkpoint in the City of Thousand Oaks. The location was west bound Lynn Road at Green Meadow Drive from 9:15 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. 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.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Thousand Oaks Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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, (7.4 percent), slightly more than alcohol.

During the listed Checkpoint Operation the following occurred:

- 714 vehicles were screened
- No DUI (adult) arrest-alcohol suspected
- No DUI drug impaired arrests
- 3 Arrested on other Criminal Charges
- 6 drivers were cited/arrested for operating a vehicle while unlicensed or suspended/revoked
- A total of 11 citations were issued

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to

call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

For more information about DDVIP, visit: <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>

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

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'.

Prepared by: Carl Patterson, Sergeant

Media Release Date: June 13, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Carl Patterson, Sergeant
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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Armed Robbery - Attempt to Identify Robbery Suspect

6/15/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Armed Robbery - Attempt to Identify Robbery Suspect

Report Number: RB# 17-86492

Location: 2500 block of North Las Posas Road, Camarillo, CA

Date & Time: 06/13/2017 at 10:33 P.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol; Major Crimes

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

City of Residence

(S) Unknown male

Narrative:

On June 13, 2017, at about 10:33 P.M., a robbery occurred at the Rite-Aid store located along the 2500-block of North Las Posas Road in the City of Camarillo.

At approximately 10:00 P.M. the Rite-Aid store closed for business for the day. However, there were two employees still inside the store. At approximately 10:33 P.M., an unknown suspect approached the Rite-Aid and pounded on the store's glass doors. The suspect attempted to force open the locked glass doors which caused the employees to respond to the door. The suspect then produced a firearm and pointed it at the employees, threatening to shoot them. The suspect ordered the employees to open the door and, fearing for their lives, they complied.

Once inside, the suspect demanded to be taken to the store's safe and, still holding the firearm, forced the employees into a back room where the safe was located. The suspect forced one of the employees to open the store safe and remove money from inside. The employee complied and gave the suspect an undisclosed amount of money. The suspect then ordered the employees to the ground and fled in an unknown direction.

The suspect is described as a male, wearing dark clothing, sunglasses, and a bandana covering his face.

Major Crimes detectives have obtained video surveillance of the robbery, which shows the suspect's entry and exit from the store. Still shots and a portion of the video has been attached to this news

story. Detectives are requesting the public's help in identifying this suspect. If anyone recognizes the suspect or has any other information about the crime, please contact Detective Francisco Jauregui at (805) 384-4738 or at francisco.jauregui@ventura.org.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank members of the public for their on-going support and due diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes. We are better at what we do because of our community partnerships. Join us in the fight on crime by following us on Twitter@VENTURASHERIFF, on Facebook with our Official Page, VCSHERIFF on Instagram, and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories.

<u>Prepared by:</u>	Detective F. Jauregui
<u>News Release Date:</u>	06/15/2017
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<u>Approved by:</u>	Captain Melissa Smith

Arrest for Grand Theft of Avocados

6/15/2017 8:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest for Grand Theft of Avocados
Report Number: 17-78907
Location: Mission Produce, Dufau Road Facility, Unincorporated Ventura County
Date & Time: June 14, 2017
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(V) Mission Produce	Oxnard
(S) Joseph Valenzuela	Santa Paula
(S) Carlos Chavez	Oxnard
(S) Rahim Leblanc	Oxnard

Narrative:

On 06/14/17, Ventura County Sheriff's Detectives from the Camarillo, Thousand Oaks, Ojai, and Headquarters Stations, along with detectives from the Sheriff's Special Services Division, served four search warrants throughout Ventura County. The warrants were served on the suspects' work location (Mission Produce's Dufau Road Facility), as well as at all three suspects' residences. The warrants resulted in the arrests of the three suspects listed above. All three were employees of Mission Produce, and all three worked at a facility on Dufau Road, in the unincorporated area of Ventura County that is patrolled by deputies from the Sheriff's Camarillo station.

Detectives began their investigation in late May (2017). Allegations were made that employees at Mission Produce's Dufau Road ripening facility were conducting unauthorized cash sales of avocados from the facility. During the investigation, detectives obtained evidence that confirmed the allegations. They also learned that the illegal sales had likely been occurring for several months. The victim (Mission Produce) estimated the value of the stolen avocados at over \$300,000.00.

The investigation is ongoing as Sheriff's Detectives are looking into the possibility that the suspects sold the avocados to unknowing customers, who thought they were paying Mission Produce for the fruit. Anyone who purchased avocados from the Mission Produce facility on Dufau Road within the last

few months is encouraged to contact Sheriff's Detective David Boynton at (805) 388-5100.

Prepared by: Detective L. Johnson #3961

News Release Date: 6/15/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Franchi (805) 947-9363

Approved by: Captain J. Paris

Gang Investigation / Multi-location search warrant

6/16/2017 2:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Gang Investigation/ Multi-location search warrant

Report Number: 17-61812

Location: City of Oxnard, City of Ventura, unincorporated areas of Ventura County

Date & Time: 6/15/2017 0700 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura Sheriff's Gang Unit
Ventura Sheriff's Narcotics and Major Crimes Bureau
Ventura Sheriff's Custody Division Investigators
Oxnard Police Department SWAT Team
Oxnard Police Department Violent Crimes Unit
Ventura Police Department SWAT Team
Ventura Police Department Gang Team
California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Jose Aguilera	Oxnard	18
Jose Diaz	Oxnard	46
Rodger Willoughby	Somis	43
Anthony Salas	Oxnard	20
Gerald Silva	El Rio	21
Jeffrey Magdaleno	El Rio	23
Joshua Magdaleno	El Rio	18
Florentino Rodriguez	Ventura	28
Male Juvenile	Oxnard	16
Male Juvenile	El Rio	16

Narrative:

At the conclusion of a month long investigation into a street gang based in the unincorporated area of Ventura County, over 80 law enforcement officers served search warrants at 8 locations early on Thursday June 15, 2017. The criminal street gang that was the target of the investigation has recently been committing robberies, assault with deadly weapons, and illegal weapon & drug possession. Due to the violent nature of the gang, two locations required members of the Oxnard and Ventura SWAT teams to safely make the arrests and search for weapons. At each location that the SWAT teams searched, firearms were located.

The search warrants yielded 10 arrests for various weapons violations and warrants for arrest. A total of 13 firearms were seized, including 2 assault weapons, a Mac-11 assault pistol, and 6 handguns. All of the guns were operable and readily available to members of the gang. The investigation into the origin of the guns is on-going.

The Sheriff's Gang Unit, in partnership with the Oxnard and Ventura Police Departments, is committed to reducing violent crimes plaguing many of our communities. Criminal street gangs are a threat to the safety of the residents of Ventura County. Members of the public can help us stop the violence and are encouraged to report gang activity to law enforcement or Crime Stoppers.

Prepared by: Sergeant Brian Slominski, Sheriff's Gang Unit

News Release Date: 6/16/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective John Lopez, Sheriff's Gang Unit
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Approved by: Captain Todd Inglis

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 violent and gang related crime. The caller may remain anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

Narcotics / Weapons Arrest

6/16/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics / Weapons Arrest

Report Number: 17-79112

Location: 14000 Block of South Butler Avenue, Compton

Date & Time: May 30, 2017 8:30 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Oxnard Police Department, National Guard ' Counter Drug Task Force

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Andaya, Salvador	Compton	22

Narrative:

Over the past several months, the Sheriff's Office Special Crimes Unit has been investigating a drug trafficking organization working in Ventura County. The investigation has led to numerous arrests as well as narcotic and firearm seizures. On May 30, 2017, the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Narcotic Street Team concluded another part of this investigation with the arrest of Salvador Andaya, who was identified as a methamphetamine source in this investigation.

In early 2017, detectives received information narcotics were being sold from the Santa Paula Auto Center at 1055 E. Main Street in Santa Paula. An investigation began and it was determined the owner of the business and his close business associates were organizing shipments of methamphetamine and cocaine to and from the business. The investigation also revealed other area narcotic traffickers which subsequently identified Andaya as a methamphetamine supplier.

On May 30, 2017, Investigators executed a search warrant at a residence in the 14000 Block of South Butler Avenue, in the city of Compton. During the search of the residence, approximately 3 ounces of methamphetamine, a scale, and a firearm were located. A search of one of Andaya's vehicles revealed an elaborate hidden compartment, which contained an additional 11 ounces of methamphetamine, a loaded hand gun, a scale, and written evidence of methamphetamine sales. Andaya was arrested at his residence during the search warrant service.

Andaya was arrested for possessing methamphetamine for sale, offering to sell methamphetamine, and

weapons charges. Andaya is currently in custody at the Ventura County Sheriff Department's Pre-Trial Detention Facility with bail set at \$500,000. His next court date is set for June 27, 2017 in Courtroom Division 12.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody - Ventura County Sheriff's Office

Media Release Date: June 16, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: Detective Eduardo Malagon 805-383-8752

Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

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Narcotics Arrest / Firearms Seizure

6/16/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest / Firearms Seizure
Report Number: 17-36993 - 17-84043
Location: 14200 Block of Berg Street, Sylmar
Date & Time: 06/09/2017 @ 1030 Hrs.
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Team

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
John Silva	Sylmar	49

Narrative:

On 06/09/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Team concluded a four month narcotic investigation into the methamphetamine trafficking activities of John Silva. On 6/09/17 at approximately 1030 hrs, a traffic stop was conducted on Silva's vehicle as he was driving in the city of Fillmore. Silva was arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance and driving on a suspended driver's license. A search of his vehicle revealed approximately two pounds of methamphetamine and a sum of US Currency. Later that day, the West County Street Team assisted by detectives from the Sheriff's Special Crimes Unit, executed a search warrant at Silva's residence in Sylmar. More narcotics, two firearms and evidence of methamphetamine sales were located.

Silva was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on narcotic and weapons violations. He posted bail of \$50,000 and is currently awaiting arraignment on his current charges.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody
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Approved by:

Captain Robert Thomas

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Social Host Ordinance

6/16/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Social Host Ordinance

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: June 16, 2017

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

Narrative:

With school coming to an end, 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 90 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 16, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger
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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

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Weather Advisory from the Ojai Police Department

6/16/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Weather Advisory from the Ojai Police Department

Report Number:

Location: City of Ojai, Ojai Valley

Date & Time: 06/16/2017 - 06/21/2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department

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

An extended period of very hot temperatures is expected across the interior portions of southwest California this weekend through the middle of next week.

The National Weather Service in Los Angeles/Oxnard has issued a HEAT ADVISORY in effect from 11:00 AM on Monday, June 19th to 9:00 PM Wednesday, June 21st. Temperatures are forecasted to climb 12 to 18 degrees above normal in many parts of interior southwest California this weekend through the middle of next week.

Temperatures in Ojai Valley are expected to reach 88-92+ on these days. During nighttime hours, the temperature will only go down to the low 70s.

Remember: Never, ever, leave people or pets in enclosed vehicles, even for a short period of time. Temperatures inside vehicles, even if the windows are partially open, can quickly rise to life-threatening levels.

Very high outdoor temperatures can create dangerous situations in which heat related illnesses are possible. Take extra precautions, such as drinking plenty of water, if you work or spend time outside. When possible, reschedule strenuous activities to early morning or evening after sunset.

Know the signs and symptoms of heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Wear light weight and loose fitting clothing when possible and drink plenty of water.

The high temperature also raises the risk of wildfires in the Ojai Valley. A 2  acre brushfire in the area of Del Oro Drive was quickly contained by the Ventura County Fire Department on 06/16/2017. High temperatures and low humidity levels raises the fire risk in drier vegetated areas. Please refrain from any action that could start a fire.

The Help of Ojai will be conducting hydration stations at 'The Little House' located at 111 W. Santa Ana Street in Ojai. The station will be set up from 1:00 PM ' 6:00 PM on Saturday (06/17/2017) and Sunday (06/18/2017).

You can monitor and receive up to date weather information at www.weather.gov/lox.

Contact Information:

If there is an emergency please call 911!

Ojai Police Department
(805) 646-1414 ' Station Number

The non- emergency dispatch number is (805) 654-9511.

Prepared by: Deputy Havelka

News Release Date: 06/16/2017

Approved by: Captain Fryhoff

Residential Drive-By Shooting / Suspect Arrested

6/21/2017 7:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential Drive-By Shooting / Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 17-89665

Location: 400 Block of Larmier Avenue, Oak View CA

Date & Time: 06/20/2017

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

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

City of Residence

(S) Michael Slivar

Oak View

Narrative:

On 06/19/2017, at approximately 1610 hours, Ojai patrol deputies and Ojai detectives responded to a call of a residential drive-by shooting that occurred in the 400 block of Larmier Avenue. This is the unincorporated area of Ventura County commonly known as Oak View. A resident at the location reported that an unknown suspect fired multiple shots into the victim's house from the street and fled the scene.

Deputies and detectives responded and a thorough investigation began. Evidence substantiating a shooting, including a bullet fragment, were recovered from the victim's home. Ojai detectives canvassed the area for witnesses. A witness reported seeing a red vehicle accelerating on the street during the time of the shooting.

Detectives were able to identify (S) Michael Slivar as a possible suspect. Slivar was formerly in a dating relationship with the victim's teenage daughter and he had a grudge against the victim for ending the relationship.

On 6/20/2017, Slivar was contacted in the Oak View area. Ojai detectives, in coordination with the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, conducted interviews and presented compelling evidence indicating Slivar was a suspect. Slivar ultimately admitted to slashing the victim's vehicle tires with a knife and using a .357 caliber handgun to shoot at the victim's residence on two separate occasions. Slivar blamed the

victim for his relationship ending with the victim's daughter and he relayed how he committed the crimes as revenge.

During the investigation, a loaded .357 handgun was recovered from Slivar's residence. This handgun is believed to be the weapon used in the drive-by shooting by Slivar.

Slivar was subsequently arrested by Ojai detectives for the felony charge of PC 246 ' discharging a firearm at an inhabited dwelling. Slivar was booked into the Main Jail in Ventura, CA. and is still in custody where his bail is currently set at \$500,000.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to remind all residents of the Ojai Valley to be diligent in contacting the law enforcement if you witness any suspicious people and suspect any suspicious activity. The non-emergency phone line is (805) 654-9511, or 911 for emergencies.

Prepared by: Deputy Havelka

News Release Date: 6/21/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Hollowell (805) 477-7042

Approved by: Captain Fryhoff

Celebrating the First Completion of RUFF

6/22/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Celebrating the First Completion of the R.U.F.F. Road Training Program and the Pawsitive Steps Dog Training Program and the Adoption of the Dogs

Location: Detention Services Division -Todd Road Jail Facility
600 South Todd Road, Santa Paula
Ventura County Probation Agency Juvenile Facility
4333 Vineyard Ave, Oxnard

Date & Time: June 20 and 21, 2017

Narrative:

Inmates at Todd Road Jail Facility and the youth at the Juvenile Facilities celebrated their dogs' completion of training through the 16-week obedience program referred to as R.U.F.F. Road (Rehabilitation Utilizing Furry Friends) at Todd Road Jail and Pawsitive Steps at the Juvenile Facilities. The programs commenced in February 2017 and were completed with a graduation ceremony and celebration of adoption on June 20, 2017, at the Juvenile Facilities, and on June 21, 2017, at the Todd Road Jail. Representatives from the Board of Supervisors, Grand Jury, the Honorable Kevin McGee, and inmate and youth families and friends were in attendance. The families who adopted the dogs from the R.U.F.F. Road program were also in attendance at the ceremony. Afterwards, the inmates handed off their dogs to their new owners. The youth at the Juvenile Facilities will be relinquishing their dogs this week to go to their new families. It is a bittersweet moment of joy and sadness as the youth and inmates have grown fond of their companions, but are happy to hand them over to their forever families, who will give them the love and support they deserve.

Both programs were a collaboration between Pivot Animal Assisted Educational Outreach, Ventura County Animal Services, the Sheriff's Office, and the Probation Agency. At the Juvenile Facilities, the program was further enhanced by the collaborative efforts from Ventura County Behavioral Health and the Ventura County Office of Education.

During the ceremony, the youth and inmates had the opportunity to showcase their dogs' new abilities by having them perform basic obedience and impressive tricks. They were also given the opportunity to share their experiences with the program and how it helped them and the dogs. During the ceremony, the youth and the inmates were presented with certificates of completion.

We would like to congratulate the youth, inmates, and everyone involved in making these programs a success! Farewell Chance, Buddy, Lipit, Nino, and Hope! You all will be missed. Enjoy your new families.

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News Release Date: June 21, 2017

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Division Manager Michelle Steinberger

Fraudulent Prescription Conspiracy Investigation Leads to Arrests

6/22/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fraudulent prescription conspiracy investigation leads to 4 arrests

Report Number: 17-68136 & 17-86821

Location: CVS Pharmacy, 2700 block of Agoura Road, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: May 11th, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit
East County Street Team

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Daniel Key	Thousand Oaks
(S) Meldin Merrill	Thousand Oaks
(S) Saliba Tannous	Reseda
(S) Eric Florence	Reseda

Narrative:

During the month of May 2017, a CVS pharmacy in Thousand Oaks determined a prescription that had been passed was fraudulent. A patrol deputy responded to the location and initiated a crime report for 11368 H&S ' Fraudulent or forged prescription used to obtain a controlled medication.

Upon reviewing the crime report, the Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit (PCU) began an investigation. The investigation determined the incident was much larger than one passed forged prescription. The PCU eventually determined four suspects were involved in passing up to 100 forged prescriptions in Ventura and Los Angeles Counties.

On May 27th, 2017 Daniel Key and Meldin Merrill were identified as the two individuals passing forged prescriptions at multiple pharmacies in the city of Thousand Oaks. Key and Merrill were located in the parking lot of a Walgreens Pharmacy in Thousand Oaks. A search warrant was served on the vehicle Key and Merrill were driving and evidence related to the forged prescriptions was located. Key and Merrill were arrested. Once Key and Merrill were arrested and the evidence located inside their vehicle was processed, the PCU learned of two additional suspects involved in this criminal conspiracy.

On June 14th, 2017 a search warrant was served at the residence of Saliba Tannous and Eric Florence in the 19000 block of Arminta Street in Reseda. Tannous and Florence were taken into custody at the location. Numerous items of evidence were located at the residence, including blank and completed forged prescriptions, numerous controlled medications as well as a large sum of US currency. The investigation determined Tannous was the person responsible for creating the forged prescriptions using valid doctor's information without their consent or authority.

All four suspects were booked into the Ventura County Jail on charges of 11368 H&S ' Fraudulent prescription and 182 PC ' conspiracy to commit a felony. The specific number of charges against each arrestee is specific to their involvement in this case.

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, or any other information related to narcotics.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force made up of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Thousand Oaks Police Department, the California Highway Patrol, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation, and the California Department of Health Care Services. The primary mission of the task force is combatting 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 Matthew Young

News Release Date: June 22, 2017

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Approved by:

Captain Robert Thomas

Narcotics Arrest

6/22/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest**Report Number:** 17-90681**Location:** 700 Block of Akron Avenue, Ventura**Date & Time:** 06/21/2017 @ 1325 Hrs.**Unit(s) Responsible:** Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Team**(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent**

(S) Michael Mohammed Sabzevar

City of Residence

Ventura

Age

39

Narrative:

On 06/21/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Team concluded a month long narcotic investigation into Michael Sabzevar by executing a search warrant at his residence in the 700 block of Akron Avenue in the City of Ventura.

Detectives detained Sabzevar at his residence while executing the search warrant. A search of Sabzevar's residence by detectives led to the seizure of approximately 7 ounces of heroin, and 2 ounces methamphetamine, packaged for sale. An amount of currency deemed to be proceeds of narcotic sales as well as paraphernalia indicative of illegal narcotic sales were also seized.

Sabzevar was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on narcotics violations. His bail was set at \$250,000. He is currently in custody pending bail or arraignment which is scheduled for 06/23/2017 at 1:30 PM.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody**News Release Date:** 06/22/2017**Media Follow-Up Contact:** Detective Steve Hanie, steve.hanie@ventura.org 805-383-

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Approved by:

Captain Robert Thomas

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).

Phone Scam Targets Citizens in Ventura County

6/22/2017 1:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Phone Scam Targets Citizens in Ventura County

Location: Countywide

Date & Time: June 22, 2017 @ 9:00 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: East County Financial Crimes Unit

Narrative:

Citizens throughout the County of Ventura have reported that they have received calls from telephone number (805) 258-7065. The phone number is a recorded message advising the receiver of the call that they have reached the Civil Order Processing Unit of the County Sheriff's Department. The message additionally states, they process payments for missed jury duty or traffic fines.

The victim is instructed to leave a message and / or a live person may get on the line. The scammer will state they are associated with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and provide the false name of a high ranking police officer. The victim is told to purchase a MoneyPak card or other re-loadable type gift card and asked to read the numbers off of the back of the card to the scammer.

This phone number is NOT associated with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office will not ask you to purchase a re-loadable gift card or MoneyPak card and read the number off of the back of the card for payment of fines or missed jury duty. If you believe you missed jury duty or have an unpaid traffic fine call the Ventura County Court directly at (805) 289-8900 or visit the website at www.ventura.courts.ca.gov/ .

The Sheriff's Office recommends that you do not call a phone number that is provided by a scammer or a phone number left on a voicemail requesting a call back. Always do your research utilizing the internet or a phone book before providing any personal information or sending money.

If you have been scammed and suffered a financial loss contact Sheriff's Dispatch at (805) 654 9511 to file a report. You can also file a complaint online with the Federal Trade Commission at www.ftc.gov or the Federal Bureau of Investigation at www.ic3.gov.

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman

News Release Date: June 22, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

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Wanted Felon Arrested

6/22/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Wanted Felon- Gang Member arrest

Report Number: 17-91076/ 17-91290

Location: 1600 block of Tapir Circle, City of Ventura

Date & Time: 6/22/2017 @ 0820

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff Warrant Detail
Ventura County Sheriff Headquarters Patrol Station
Sheriff's Gang Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
Stratmann, David (A)	Ventura	26
Valadez, Mercedes (A)	Ventura	22

Narrative:

At about 0820 hours on 6/22/2017, the Sheriff's Warrant Detail was investigating a wanted subject in the 1600 block of Tapir Circle in the City of Ventura. As the deputies drove up the street, they spotted the suspect who immediately fled from them. The Sheriff's Deputies gave chase, but lost sight of the suspect near the rear of his residence. The wanted subject, David Stratmann, is a known gang member, on state parole for felony charges, and was actively wanted for arrest.

The deputies from the warrant detail were immediately assisted by patrol deputies from the Headquarters Patrol Station. A search was conducted. It was determined that David Stratmann most likely made it back to his home and was hiding inside.

Detectives from the Sheriff's Gang Unit responded and authored a search warrant for the suspect's residence. Prior to entry, David Stratmann surrendered from inside the residence and was taken into custody without incident. He was hiding in the residence for nearly 2 hours. The wanted subject's girlfriend, Mercedes Valadez, was inside the residence with him and arrested for harboring a fugitive.

Sheriff's Gang Unit Detectives searched the residence and located a stolen .25 caliber handgun in David

Stratmann's bedroom along with ammunition, other prohibited weapons, and drug paraphernalia.

Both David Stratmann and Mercedes Valadez were booked into Ventura County Jail.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Warrant detail work tirelessly to locate and arrest people who have warrants issued for their arrest and who are fleeing the justice system. Any community member who has information about wanted subjects or gang activity should notify their local law enforcement agency or report the information to Crime Stoppers.

Anyone who believes they have a warrant for their arrest can surrender themselves to any law enforcement agency, report to court and have their case calendared, or contact the assigned attorney for the case. This process can allow wanted subjects the opportunity to safely surrender and avoid family members or friends from being arrested for harboring a fugitive.

Prepared by: Sergeant Brian Slominski, Sheriff's Gang Unit

News Release Date: 6/22/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jeff Jacobs
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Approved by: Captain Todd Inglis

Missing Person Located

6/23/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Missing Person Located

Location: Pentachaeta Trail, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, Westlake Village CA

Date & Time: June 23, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Search & Rescue
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Search & Rescue
Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
National Park Service
Sierra Madre Search & Rescue

Narrative:

On June 22, 2017, a missing person report was made with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office that Clyde Miller, 65 years old, from Thousand Oaks, had not been seen since June 17, 2017. An investigation ensued which led investigators to the trailhead for the Pentachaeta trailhead in the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy located near Triunfo Canyon Road in Westlake Village. Deputies located a vehicle belonging to Mr. Miller near the trailhead. Multiple search and rescue resources were immediately called upon to begin a search of the backcountry for any clues leading investigators to the whereabouts of Mr. Miller.

Today, the cooperative search with multiple agencies coming together continued. This search included the use of trained search and rescue volunteers, helicopter air units, mounted horse units, and unmanned aerial vehicles. Sheriff's investigators also utilized social media to solicit help from the public in locating Mr. Miller.

Late this afternoon a private citizen provided information that led search teams to focus on a particular area. At about 5:30 PM, a Sheriff's helicopter located a male adult fitting the description of Mr. Miller in the focused search area. Paramedics were hoisted down into a ravine where the subject was found to attempt a rescue. At this time the paramedics determined the subject was deceased. Currently, there is no indication of foul play. This investigation is continuing, and positive identification is pending from the Los Angeles County Coroner.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the efforts from the public in providing information and assistance with the search efforts.

Prepared by: Sgt. Kevin Donoghue

News Release Date: June 23, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

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Narcotics Arrests / Butane Honey Oil Lab Seizure

6/24/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrests / Butane Honey Oil (BHO) Lab Seizure

Report Number: 17-91905

Location: 5500 Block of Heatherton Drive, Somis

Date & Time: 06/23/2017 @ 1630 Hrs.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit
Ventura County Combined Agency Team (VCAT)
Los Angeles Interagency Metropolitan Police Apprehension Crime Task Force (LA IMPACT)

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

Keyan Shokraei	Somis
Kooshawn Shokraei	Somis
Brian Sommers	Camarillo

Narrative:

On 06/23/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Team went to a residence in the 5500 Block of Heatherton Drive, Somis to serve a felony arrest warrant for Kooshawn Shokraei who was living at the residence. Upon entering the home, detectives quickly recognized most of the residence had been converted into a very elaborate Butane Honey Oil Lab. The lab was active and in various stages of processing. Detectives arrested Kooshawn for the warrant and detained Keyan Shokraei and Brian Sommers who were also in the residence and working in the BHO Lab. Detectives secured the location and obtained a search warrant to further investigate the BHO Lab.

At about 4:30 PM, The West County Street Team assisted by VCAT and LA IM PACT, entered the residence and began investigating and processing the lab. Because of the elaborate process used in the manufacture, the amount of chemicals and equipment found in the home, and the need to dispose of contaminated chemicals, materials, and equipment, investigators worked through the night and into the next morning to process the lab and render the home safe.

Investigators seized approximately 209 pounds of marijuana, 26 pounds of concentrated cannabis, evidence of concentrated cannabis sales, and a sum of U.S. Currency believed to be proceeds of

concentrated cannabis sales.

Keyan Shokraei and Brian Sommers were booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on charges of conspiracy and manufacturing concentrated cannabis. Both were in the process of posting bail of \$50,000 at the time of this press release and are awaiting arraignment on their current charges. Kooshawn Shokraei also posted bail and is pending a court date in Los Angeles County for a felony theft charge.

A Butane Honey Oil Lab is a process used to extract high levels of THC from marijuana and convert it into concentrated cannabis using highly combustible solvents such as butane, propane and ethanol in a pressurized system. This poses a high risk of explosion if solvent fumes come in contact with an ignition source. The above mentioned solvents were present at the residence in large quantities. Because of the potential risk dangers to the community, the Ventura County Fire Department along with the Ventura County Environmental Health Agency responded to the scene.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 06/24/2017

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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Mortgage Loan Scams

6/27/2017 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Mortgage Loan Scams

Location: City of Moorpark

Date & Time: June 27, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Police Beat Coordinator, Moorpark Investigations Unit

Narrative:

Are you in the process of buying a home or refinancing? Are you aware that scammers are targeting email accounts of realtors and escrow/title companies in order to steal your hard earned money? Homebuyers from across the country are being victimized at an increasing rate. Here is how the scam works:

The scammer hacks into the email account of the real estate agent or of the escrow officer. The scammer monitors the email correspondence between the realtor/escrow officer and the homebuyer, and creates an email nearly identical to the realtor/escrow officer's email, including their writing style, logos, and signatures. Around the time the homebuyer would normally expect to receive instructions on how to wire the closing costs, down payments, fees, etc, the scammer sends an email (which appears to be from the realtor/escrow officer) to the homebuyer. The email instructs the homebuyer to wire the money to a specified account, which actually belongs to the scammer rather than a legitimate company. This goes undetected by the realtor/escrow officer.

This scam also targets people in the refinance process, and any other transaction requiring the wire transfer of money.

Here are some ways to protect yourself from these scammers:

Before you wire money, speak with your realtor/escrow officer in person or by phone to determine that the wiring instructions and account number are legitimate.

Do not email your financial information; it's not secure.

If you plan to transmit your financial information electronically, look for a URL (World Wide Web address) that begins with https (the 's' stands for 'secure'). Instead of clicking a link in an email to go to an organization's site, look up the real URL and type in the web address yourself.

As always, be cautious about opening attachments and downloading files from email, regardless

of who they are from. These files can contain malware.

Ensure your browser and security software are up to date.

If you have become a victim of a scam and have suffered a financial loss, contact the Moorpark Police Department at (805) 654-9511. If you have not suffered a financial loss, but wish to report the incident, call the Moorpark Police Fraud Hotline (805) 299-1566, or the Federal Trade Commission at ftc.gov.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Becky Purnell/ Investigator Amy Garcia

News Release Date: June 27, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Becky Purnell (805) 299-1504/
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Approved by: Captain John Reilly

Arrest of Attempt Murder Suspect

6/28/2017 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Attempt Murder Suspect

Report Number: 17-93141

Location: 200 block of Second Street, Moorpark, CA.

Date & Time: 06/25/2017 @ 12:30 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: East County Major Crimes / Sheriff's Major Crimes / Moorpark Special Enforcement Unit / Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Joseph Miles Green	Moorpark	19
(V) Male	Moorpark	22

Narrative:

In the early morning hours on 06/25/2017, Sheriff's deputies responded to the 200 block of Second Street in the City of Moorpark reference a stabbing that had just occurred. The wounded victim was given first aid by friends and was transported to Los Robles Hospital with serious wounds to his upper body. During the initial investigation, detectives were able to identify the suspect involved in the stabbing as Joseph Miles Green.

On 06/25/2017, detectives from East County and Sheriff's Major Crimes Units, along with detectives from the Moorpark and Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Units located Green at his residence in the City of Moorpark. Green was immediately taken into custody and transported to the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility where he was booked for attempted murder. Green's bail was set at \$510,000 and his arraignment date is scheduled for 06/28/2017 at the Ventura County Superior Court.

Prepared by:

Detective Gabriel Gonzales

News Release Date:

06/28/2017

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Approved
by:

Captain Jeff Miller

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Illegal Fireworks and Weapons Seizure and Arrest

6/28/2017 9:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Illegal Fireworks and Weapons Seizure and Arrest

Report Number: 17-92306

Location: 656 Fourth Street, Fillmore

Date & Time: June 28, 2017 / 7:00 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Detective Unit and Patrol, West County Investigations Bureau, Sheriff's Bomb Unit, Sheriff's Gang Unit, Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

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

(S) Alfredo Avalos

City of Residence

Fillmore

Narrative:

Earlier this month, sheriff's detectives obtained information indicating illegal fireworks were being sold by (S) Alfredo Avalos from his residence at 656 Fourth Street, Fillmore. Detectives conducted an investigation and believed Avalos was in possession of a large quantity of fireworks that are illegal in California.

On June 28th, detectives served a search warrant at the location and seized approximately 600 pounds of illegal fireworks. These fireworks were found throughout the residence, including kitchen, garage, and the bedroom of a minor child, and posed a significant threat of injury and fire, not only to the suspect's family, but to the public, as well. Three firearms were also found, including an AK-47, a stolen .22-caliber rifle, and an unregistered .22-caliber rifle.

(S) Avalos, who was not present at the time of the service of the search warrant, turned himself in to detectives later in the morning. He was arrested for the following charges and booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility with a bail of \$20,000:

- Health and Safety Code Section 12305 ' Felony possession of an explosive
- Health and Safety Code Section 12671 ' Misdemeanor possession of illegal fireworks
- Health and Safety Code Section 12700(b) ' Misdemeanor fireworks and pyrotechnic devices
- Penal Code Section 27545 ' Misdemeanor unlawful transfer of firearm
- Penal Code Section 30605(a) ' Felony possession of assault weapon
- Penal Code Section 496(a) ' Misdemeanor receiving stolen property under \$950 (Prop 47)

'Safe and Sane' fireworks, bearing the seal of the State Fire Marshal, can be legally sold, possessed, and enjoyed in the city of Fillmore between 12:00 PM, June 28th, and 12:00 PM, July 5th. All other fireworks, including altered 'Safe and Sane' fireworks and fireworks that explode and/or launch into the air, are illegal in Fillmore and throughout Ventura County and the state.

Violators may be cited for violating the city municipal code and subject to a \$1,000.00 fine, or they may be arrested for more serious crimes. If you witness any illegal activity, please call the Fillmore Police Department at 805-524-2233 or, if there's an immediate threat to life or property, 9-1-1.

Below are several safety tips to ensure you and your family enjoy a safe Independence Day celebration:

- ⌋ If you witness a crime or fire in progress involving illegal fireworks, call your local authorities by dialing 9-1-1.
- ⌋ Only 'Safe and Sane' fireworks bearing the seal of the State Fire Marshal are legal in the city of Fillmore. All other fireworks, including altered Safe and Sane fireworks and those that explode or leave the ground, are illegal.
- ⌋ Kids should not play with fireworks. Fireworks are intended for use by adults in open spaces with plenty of active supervision for every child present.
- ⌋ Always have a bucket of water on hand to dispose of fireworks and a hose connected to water ready in case of fire.
- ⌋ Do not place fireworks in trash containers.
- ⌋ Fireworks, including sparklers and flares, can cause serious burns as well as blast injuries that can permanently impair vision and hearing. Teach your children what to do if their clothing catches on fire-'stop, drop and roll'-and how to call 9-1-1 in an emergency.

Prepared by: Sergeant Kevin Vaden

News Release Date: June 28, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

Narcotics Arrest

6/30/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest

Report Number: 17-91156

Location: 24800 Block of Walnut Street, Newhall

Date & Time: 06/29/2017 @ 1:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Team
California National Guard ' Counter Drug Task Force
Ventura County Sheriff's Gang Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
Villalta, Edwin	Newhall

Narrative:

On 06/29/17, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Team concluded a month long narcotic investigation into the drug trafficking activities of Edwin Villalta of Newhall, after learning Villalta was supplying methamphetamine to residents of Ventura County.

On 6/29/17, at approximately 1:00 p.m., Detectives from the West County Street Team assisted by members of the Sheriff's Gang Unit and the California National Guard's Counter Drug Task Force, detained Villalta as he was leaving his place of employment. A search warrant was then executed on his person, vehicles and residence in Newhall. Approximately 13 ounces of methamphetamine and 2 ounces of heroin, both packaged for sale in various quantities, along with a large sum of U.S. Currency believed to be the proceeds of narcotic sales were recovered.

Villalta was arrested and booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on narcotic violations along with a Los Angeles County warrant which he had under a different name. His bail was set at \$76,000. He is currently in custody pending bail or arraignment which is scheduled for 07/03/17 at 1:30 p.m..

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 06/30/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Craig Hennes, Craig.hennes@ventura.org,
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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Attempt to Identify Burglary Suspect(s)

7/3/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt to Identify Burglary Suspect(s)
Report Number: 17-68607 & 17-82460
Location: Mira Monte Elementary School '1200 block Loma Drive, Ojai, Ca.
Date & Time: Between 05/11/17 at 1:30 PM and 05/12/17 at 7:00 AM; And, between 06/05/17 at 1:00 AM and 06/06/17 at 6:20 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Patrol and Ojai Station Detectives

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

Narrative:

Between 05/11/17 at 1330 hours and 05/12/17 at 0700 hours, unknown suspects entered the Mira Monte Elementary School through the skylight and stole money.

It is believed that the same suspects returned between 06/05/17 at 0100 hours and 06/06/17 at 0620 hours (unknown method of entry). The suspects again burglarized the Mira Monte Elementary School. The suspects stole cash and other items. A surveillance video captured a photo of one suspect, see attached. The other suspect was wearing a red baseball cap (worn backwards), however, his face was covered with a mask.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank members of the public for their on-going support and due diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes. We are better at what we do because of our community partnerships. Join us in the fight on crime by following us on Twitter @VENTURASHERIFF, on Facebook with our Official Page, VCSHERIFF on Instagram, and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories.

Prepared by: Detective A. Regan

News Release Date: 07/03/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective A. Regan 805-477-7038

Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

Moorpark - Arrest of Attempted Murder Suspect

7/5/2017 10:26:00 PM

GEOFF DEAN Nature of Incident:		Arrest of Attempted Murder Suspect	
Report Number:		17-98966	
Location:		14000 Block of Peach Hill Road, Moorpark, Ca. 93021	
Date & Time:		July 5, 2017 @ 11:30 a.m.	
Unit(s) Responsible:		Moorpark Patrol Bureau, Moorpark Detective Unit, East County Major Crimes Unit and Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit	
(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent	City of Residence	Age	
(S) Abel DeJesus Monroy	Santa Paula	27	
(V) Female adult	Moorpark	59	
Narrative:			
<p>On July 05, 2017, at approximately 11:30 a.m., deputies from the Moorpark Police and Sheriff's Station responded to the 14000 block of Peach Hill Road in the City of Moorpark for an unknown disturbance call. Upon their arrival, deputies met with personnel from the Ventura County Fire Department who were treating a 59-year-old female who was the victim of an apparent assault. Deputies learned the suspect of the assault was still in the area and contacted him a few moments later in front of the victim's home. The suspect, identified as Abel DeJesus Monroy, was taken into custody without incident.</p> <p>Detectives from the Moorpark Station, East County Major Crimes Unit, and the Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit responded to the scene and conducted an investigation. During the course of their investigation, detectives learned the victim hired Monroy as a laborer. Monroy attempted to attack a coworker at the location and killed the victim's dog before he assaulted the victim. Detectives determined the victim was assaulted with a large gardening tool and sustained serious injuries. The victim is being treated at an area hospital and the motive for the assault is still under investigation.</p>			
Monroy was booked into custody on two counts of attempted murder and one count each of animal cruelty and burglary. He is currently in custody on \$1,000,000 bail and due in court on Friday, July 7, 2017.			
Prepared by:		Sergeant Kevin Lynch	
News Release Date:		July 5, 2017	
Media Follow-Up Contact:		Sergeant Mike McConville, East Valley Major Crimes, (805) 947-9024	
Approved by:		Captain Denise Sliva	

Thousand Oaks - Arrest of Robbery Suspect

7/7/2017 8:31:00 PM

GEOFF DEAN		Arrest of Robbery Suspect	
Nature of Incident:			
Report Number:		17-91123	
Location:		Orinda Circle and Moss Circle, Thousand Oaks	
Date & Time:		06/22/2017 @ 11:00 A.M.	
Unit Responsible:		Thousand Oaks Police Department Directed Enforcement Unit (DEU)	
(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent	City of Residence	Age	
(S) Fluty, Daniel	Thousand Oaks	28	

Narrative:

During the month of June, the Oakbrook Townhomes Community had suffered several thefts of personal property and vehicle burglaries. In addition to this, in the early morning hours of June 22

Deputies from the Directed Enforcement Unit concentrated enforcement efforts in this area. The deputies conducted a felony warrant service and probation search on Daniel Fluty, who had been living on Orinda Court. Fluty was eventually arrested for the warrant and a probation search was also conducted. During the search, a replica handgun was found. It matched the description of the handgun described by the victim of the robbery. Through this investigation by DEU deputies, Fluty was positively identified as the person who committed the robbery. Fluty was booked at the Sheriff's Pre-Trial Detention Facility and remains in custody on \$200,000 bail.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department reminds citizens to keep their vehicles locked while unattended, keep all personal items in the vehicle out of sight and beware of your surroundings. If you see something that is unusual or looks suspicious, dial 9-1-1. Please remember that your safety is paramount. Never approach a suspicious situation or confront a suspicious person. Report incidents when it is safe to do so and as soon as possible, regardless of the time of day or night.

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Approved by:	Captain Don Aguilar

nd, a local resident was robbed at gunpoint. A suspect believed to be responsible for the robbery has been arrested.

Moorpark - Drug Overdose Arrest

7/8/2017 2:14:00 PM

Nature of Incident:		Drug Overdose Arrest	
Report Number:		17-85402	
Location:		11000 block of Red Barn Road, Moorpark	
Date & Time:		7/5/2017, 1800 hours	
Unit(s) Responsible:		Ventura County Sheriff Narcotics Unit	
(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent	City of Residence	Age	
Walker, Steven	Moorpark	28	
Victim	Moorpark	27	
Narrative:			
<p>On 6/11/2017, the Ventura County Sheriff's Department responded to the 11000 block of Red Barn Road in the unincorporated area of Moorpark reference a medical emergency. When deputies arrived, they discovered an adult male who was unresponsive. A friend of the victim, Steven Walker, was present when deputies arrived and provided information to deputies that the victim was suffering from a heroin overdose. Personnel from the Ventura County Fire Department and Paramedics arrived at the location and determined the victim was suffering from a heroin overdose. They performed life saving measures to revive the victim for the overdose and transported him to the hospital for further evaluation and treatment. The victim was treated and later released from the hospital.</p> <p>Narcotics detectives with the Sheriff's East County Street Team took over the investigation. They conducted a short investigation that included the service of a search warrant at Walker's residence on Red Barn Road. Detectives were able to determine that Walker had provided the heroin for the victim to use and had possibly injected the victim with the heroin.</p> <p>On 7/5/2017, Walker was contacted by narcotic detectives as he arrived home. Walker was arrested shortly thereafter and booked at the East County Jail in Thousand Oaks for sale of a controlled substance.</p> <p>On 7/6/2017, the case was presented the Ventura County District Attorney's Office for review. At this time, a violation of sale of a controlled substance was filed against Walker. Additional charges may be filed pending a complete review of this investigation by the District Attorney's Office.</p>			
Prepared by:		Sergeant Jose Rivera	
News Release Date:		7/6/2016	
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Approved by:		Captain Robert Thomas	

Thousand Oaks - Soccer Coach Arrested for Lewd Acts With a Child

7/11/2017 4:38:00 PM

GEOFF DEAN Nature of Incident:		Lewd Acts with a Child Arrest	
Report Number:		RB #17-82220	
Location:		City of Thousand Oaks	
Date & Time:		2007 to 2009	
Unit Responsible:		Thousand Oaks Police Department ' Sexual Assault Unit	
(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent	City of Residence	Age	
(S) Thomas, Vincent (V) Adult Female	Thousand Oaks, Ca.	47	
Narrative:			
<p>In June of 2017, the Thousand Oaks Police Department received a report of a possible child crime that occurred several years earlier. The victim reported she had a sexual relationship with her former club soccer coach when she was between the ages of 14 to 16 years old. At the time of the first offense, the soccer coach was 37 years of age.</p> <p>Detectives from the Sexual Assault Unit launched an investigation into the complaint and learned the adult male suspect was Vincent Thomas. Thomas has been a youth soccer coach in the Ventura County area for the past 20 years.</p> <p>After a detailed investigation, detectives served a search warrant at Thomas' residence in the City of Thousand Oaks, on July 10, 2017. Later that day, detectives located Thomas in the City of Camarillo and arrested him for committing lewd acts upon a child. Thomas was booked into custody at the East County Jail and is currently being held on \$100,000 bail. He is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court on July 12, 2017, at 1:30 p.m., for arraignment.</p> <p>Due to Thomas' many years of exposure to female soccer players throughout Ventura County, the Thousand Oaks Police Department is requesting anyone with additional relevant information about Vincent Thomas to call Detective Darin Yanover at (805) 494-8229.</p>			
Prepared by:	Sergeant Dan Hawes		
Media Release Date:	July 11, 2017		
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Approved by:	Captain Bill Schierman		

Camarillo - Two Stolen Vehicles Recovered and Two Suspects Arrested

7/12/2017 8:02:00 PM

Nature of Incident:		Two Stolen Vehicles Recovered and Two Suspects Taken into Custody	
Report Number:		17-102854	
Location:		315 Carmen Drive ' CVS Pharmacy	
Date & Time:		7/12/2017 - 0930	
Unit(s) Responsible:		Patrol, Detectives, Traffic and Community Resources	
(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent	City of Residence	Age	
Suspect ' Demetrio Gutierrez	Oxnard	27	
Suspect ' Edgar Duran	Camarillo	22	
Narrative:			
<p>On 7-12-17, a Camarillo deputy observed a theft in progress at the CVS Pharmacy on Carmen Drive, which lead to the arrest of two men and the recovery of two stolen automobiles.</p> <p>At approximately 9:30 a.m., on 7/12/2017, a Camarillo deputy was working near the CVS Pharmacy on Carmen Drive, when he observed what he believed to be a theft in progress. The deputy observed an adult male carrying a cardboard box and hurrying out the door of the CVS Pharmacy. The deputy followed the subject and was notified by CVS employees that a theft of electronics had just occurred. The subject entered a parked vehicle and, as the deputy approached the vehicle, he spotted a second subject inside the vehicle. When the subjects saw the deputy approaching, they both fled the vehicle on foot in opposite directions. The vehicle the subjects fled from was later determined to have been reported stolen out of Santa Barbara County</p> <p>Additional deputies responded to the scene to assist with a search for the subjects. Deputies were able to catch the driver of the vehicle (Demetrio Gutierrez) near the Camarillo Premium Outlets and take him into custody without incident. The second suspect is still outstanding.</p> <p>As this incident unfolded, deputies obtained information about the location of a second stolen vehicle that was possibly in the Moorpark area. The vehicle in the Moorpark area had reportedly been stolen out of Camarillo earlier that morning. Deputies from the Moorpark Police Department spotted the vehicle and attempted to stop it; however, the driver refused to stop. A short vehicle</p> <p>pursuit (1/2 mile) took place before the vehicle ran out of gasoline. The driver (Edgar Duran) was taken into custody without further incident and the vehicle was recovered.</p>			
Prepared by:		Sergeant John Franchi	
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Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

7/13/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: July 15, 2017 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.

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 July 15, 2017 at an undisclosed location(s) within the city limits.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Thousand Oaks Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

The deterrent effect of High Visibility Enforcement using both DUI checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols has proven to lower the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug impaired crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized proactive DUI operations are conducted routinely.

DUI Checkpoints like this one 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, alcohol involved collisions led to 1,155 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2014 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Locally, over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 8 lives and resulted in 91 injury crashes

harming our friends and neighbors.

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.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

For more information about DDVIP, visit: <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and 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 Drivers ' Call 9-1-1'.

Prepared by: Carl Patterson, Sergeant

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Thousand Oaks - Arrests Made on Multiple Residential Burglaries in Ventura County

7/13/2017 11:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident:

Report Number:

Location:

Date & Time:

Unit(s) Responsible:

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Los Angeles Police Department

Suspects Arrested for Multiple Residential Burglaries Multiple City of Thousand Oaks and Santa Rosa Valley Unincorporated Area April 2017 through June 2017 Ventura County Sheriff's Office

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

(S) Kaylyn Breedlove Los Angeles 22

(S) Marcus Gilmore Los Angeles 20

(S) Jermale Henry Los Angeles 20

(S) Jamel Freeman Los Angeles 19

(S) Ricky Perkins Los Angeles 19

(S) Romeo Jackson Los Angeles 19

(S) Karnell Lawson Los Angeles 19

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has arrested seven suspects as part of an ongoing investigation into Los Angeles based criminal street gangs who commit residential burglaries in the County of Ventura. The seven suspects are charged with multiple counts of residential burglary and are believed to have committed more than 20 burglaries in the Southern California area. Investigators anticipate more arrests as the investigation continues.

In April of 2017, The Ventura County Sheriff's Thousand Oaks and Moorpark patrol stations had a series of residential burglaries that were occurring during late evening hours. The residences were all located adjacent to open areas and there was a strong indication the suspects were conducting surveillance in the victim's backyard prior to committing the crime. In at least two of the burglaries, there was a report of suspicious activity that occurred a few days before. This included turning a backyard security light and wrapping a rope around another backyard light fixture. In two other burglaries, the victims left their residence for only a short period and returned

to find their home burglarized. All of the burglaries involved gaining access to the home via a rear window or glass door. In one of burglaries, a suspect cut himself on a piece of broken glass and left behind several drops of blood. The blood was collected and submitted to the Sheriff's

DNA lab.

In response to the rash of burglaries, the Sheriff's Office increased uniformed patrol in the affected neighborhoods. On May 1, 2017, at about 8:00 p.m., a patrol deputy observed an occupied vehicle parked at Sunny Ln and Arroyo Grande in Santa Rosa Valley. The car was parked just a few blocks from two recent burglaries. The deputy contacted the occupants and they were identified as Los Angeles residents Marcus Gillmore, Kaylyn Breedlove, Jermale Henry and Jamel Freeman. Gillmore gave a false name to the deputy and was arrested for giving false information. When the deputy ran his true name, he found Gillmore had an active residential burglary warrant from the City of Pomona. The other three subjects were released pending further investigation.

Believing the four suspects were involved in the rash of night time burglaries, investigators from the Moorpark Police Department, Thousand Oaks Police Department, Ventura County Sheriff's Special Crimes Unit, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Burglary Robbery Task Force and LAPD, started an investigation into 4 subjects. Investigators learned all four subjects are part of a LA based criminal street gang that has a history of committing residential burglaries. Using physical and electronic surveillance techniques as well as DNA evidence, investigators identified 7 suspects involved in an overall conspiracy to commit multiple residential burglaries in Southern California. In addition to Gillmore, Breedlove, Henry and Freeman, investigators identified Ricky Perkins, and Karnell Lawson. Ventura County Sheriff's DNA scientists identified Romeo Jackson from blood evidence left at the scene.

During the investigation, detectives intercepted a jail phone call between Kaylyn Breedlove and 24-year-old Charles Sanford. Sanford was in custody at a Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department jail for residential burglary. Sanford is also out on bail for a 2015 residential burglary he committed in the City of Camarillo. During the phone conversation, both Sanford and Breedlove spoke about pawning jewelry to get money. Investigators believe Sanford's 2015 residential burglary arrest indicates how long the burglary crew and their associates have been committing residential burglaries in the County of Ventura.

In addition to the 6 residential burglaries that occurred in Ventura County, Investigators have identified 15 additional residential burglaries the suspects have committed in the Southern California area. Investigators are working with other agencies and expect additional charges to be filed against each suspect. Detectives also believe there are additional suspects involved in the burglary crew and are working on identifying them.

Investigators did forensic examinations on several of the suspects' electronic devices. Detectives

learned the suspects were researching the victim residences using the Zillow real-estate website.

Investigators believe the suspects used Zillow to research points of entry, familiarize themselves

with the interior layout of the home, and identify potential rooms that contain jewelry and cash.
Kaylyn Breedlove-In-custody VCJ \$500,000 Bail
Marcus Gilmore-In-custody VCJ \$500,000 Bail

Jermale Henry-In-custody LA County Jail

Jamel Freeman-In-custody VCJ \$300,000 Bail

Ricky Perkins- In-custody LA County Jail

Romeo Jackson-Wanted. Active warrant for his arrest.

Karnell Lawson-Wanted. Active warrant for his arrest

Jail photos and other information provided at the press conference on July 13, 2017, is available at

<https://goo.gl/JYF46b>.

Prepared by:

Detective Andja Marco

News Release Date:

July 13, 2017

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Captain Bill Schierman

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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The Ventura County District Attorney's Office filed multiple residential burglary counts against all seven suspects. The status of each suspects is as follows:

Ventura - Jail Inmate Found Dead in Cell

7/13/2017 10:19:00 PM

Nature of Incident:	Inmate Death	
Report Number:	RB# 17-102905	
Location:	Pre Trial Detention Facility	
Date & Time:	07/12/2017 @ 09:49 AM	
Units Responsible:	Major Crimes Bureau, PTDF Classification Unit and Detention Services Legal Unit	
(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent	City of Residence	Age
Jose Castellanos Magallon	Camarillo, Ca	37
Narrative:		
<p>The Ventura County Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau and Jail Classification Unit are investigating an inmate death that occurred at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility (PTDF) in Ventura.</p> <p>On July 12, 2017, at approximately 9:49 a.m., deputies noticed Mr. Magallon was unresponsive and not breathing in his cell. Emergency aid was rendered by deputies and jail medical staff. Ventura City Fire personnel, along with American Medical Response (AMR) personnel were summoned to provide more advanced life saving efforts. Ultimately, Mr. Magallon was pronounced deceased at the jail shortly thereafter.</p> <p>The cause of death is under investigation by the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau. There was no indication of violence or suspicious circumstances. As a matter of policy and procedures, all inmate deaths are investigated by the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau.</p>		
Prepared by:	Detective Steve Michalec	
News Release Date:	July 13, 2017	
Media Follow-Up Contact:	Sergeant Steve Jenkins, (805) 384-4727	
Approved by:	Captain Robert Thomas	

Thousand Oaks / Robbery

7/14/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Robbery
Report Number: 17-104066
Location: Wildwood Park - 900 block of Avenida De Los Arboles
Date & Time: July 14, 2017, 6:20 am
Unit Responsible: East County Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Female	Thousand Oaks	30's
(S) Male	Unknown	20's

At about 6:20 AM, Thousand Oaks Police Officers responded to a robbery that just occurred at Wildwood Park.

Officers learned a female was jogging in Wildwood Park, on the Mesa, approximately 1 mile West of the Avenida De Los Arboles entrance. The female heard foot steps behind her. The female turned and saw a male with his face covered approaching her from behind. There was a short struggle and in the process the suspect took the victim's cell phone. The victim was not injured.

The suspect ran toward the Avenida De Los Arboles entrance and was last seen running north on Big Sky Drive. The Big Sky neighborhood and surrounding areas were searched by police officers, the Sheriff's Air Unit and a K-9. The suspect was not located.

The suspect is described as tall, wearing all dark clothing. If anyone has information or witnessed this incident, they are

encouraged to contact the Ventura County Sheriff's Office at 805-371-8383.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to encourage runners to run in pairs when traversing on remote trails and to carry a cell phone for emergencies.

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: July 14, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Timothy Lohman (805) 947-8255
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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Arrest of Felon in Self-Inflicted Gunshot Investigation

7/17/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Felon in Self-Inflicted Gunshot Investigation

Report Number: 17-60835

Location: 300 block W. Vineyard Avenue, Oxnard

Date & Time: 07-13-17 / 1900 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Major Crimes Bureau; Ojai Patrol

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

City of Residence

S- Tyler Acosta

Ojai

Narrative:

On 04-28-17, at about 1:19 a.m., deputies from the Sheriff's Ojai patrol station responded to a call of a gunshot victim at the Ojai Valley Hospital emergency room. When they arrived, they located Tyler Acosta suffering from a single gunshot wound to the abdomen. Acosta told deputies that he had been walking in a field in the area of North Ventura Avenue and Crooked Palm Road near the Valley Vista housing tract. Acosta told deputies that he was confronted by an unidentified male transient who accused Acosta of theft. Acosta stated he became involved in a physical fight with the transient during which the transient produced a handgun and fired it once, striking Acosta.

Sheriff's Major Crimes detectives responded and began an investigation into the shooting. Detectives found that initial evidence collected in this case did not corroborate Acosta's statement. Follow-up investigation produced additional evidence to show that Acosta had been in unlawful possession of a handgun and had shot himself.

Detectives also discovered that Acosta had a 2013 conviction for a felony violation of P.C. 29800(a)(1)-Unlawful possession of a firearm. As a result of this conviction, Acosta was prohibited by the court from possessing firearms and ammunition.

On 07-13-17, Acosta was contacted by Sheriff's detectives in an apartment complex in the 300 block of W. Vineyard Avenue. Acosta was arrested on felony charges of unlawful possession of a firearm and negligent discharge of a firearm resulting in injury and a misdemeanor charge of unlawful possession of ammunition. At the time of his arrest, Acosta was discovered to have a fixed blade dagger concealed on his person. He was also found to be in possession of a usable quantity of methamphetamine and prescription medication. Acosta was booked into the Ventura County Jail on these additional charges. His bail was set at \$105,000. Acosta is scheduled to appear for arraignment in Ventura County Superior Court on 07-17-17, at 1:30 p.m..

Prepared by: Sgt. Ron Chips

News Release Date: 07-17-17

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DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results

7/18/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results**Location:** City of Thousand Oaks**Date & Time:** July 15, 2017 from 8:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.**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) Fernandez, Jose	Thousand Oaks	27
(S) Williams, Jenna	Thousand Oaks	52
(S) Culley, Julianne	Thousand Oaks	19
(S) Moise, Alix	Thousand Oaks	24
(S) Lopez, Ryan	Simi Valley	26

Narrative:

July DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

On the listed date and time, the Thousand Oaks Police Department-Traffic Bureau conducted a DUI / Driver's License checkpoint at two locations in the City of Thousand Oaks. The first location was east bound Hampshire Road at Westlake Blvd. The second location was north bound Moorpark Road south of Janss Road. 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.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Thousand Oaks Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving

or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

During the listed Checkpoint Operation the following occurred:

- ' 437 vehicles were screened
- ' 3 DUI (adult) arrest-alcohol suspected
- ' 1 DUI (adult) drug impaired arrests
- ' 1 Arrested on other Criminal Charges
- ' 6 drivers were cited/arrested for operating a vehicle while unlicensed or suspended/revoked
- ' A total of 8 citations were issued

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb. Visit <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>.

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspension and 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 August 12, 2017 (Saturday) in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and related injuries on 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.'

Prepared by: Carl Patterson, Sergeant

Media Release Date: July 18, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Carl Patterson
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Approved by: Capt. Don Aguilar

Missing at Risk / Active Search

7/19/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Missing At Risk / Active Search

Report Number: 17-106770

Location: Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: July 18, 2017 @ 10:00 PM

Unit Responsible: East County Investigations

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

(V) Judith Katherine Sirstins

City of Residence

Thousand Oaks

Age

74

Narrative:

A 74-year-old Thousand Oaks woman is being considered missing after leaving Los Robles Hospital on Tuesday evening at 10:00 PM. Judith Katherine Sirstins was last seen driving a dark grey, 2007 Toyota Camry 4-door, California license plate 5YUW918. Judith suffers from dementia, but is otherwise in good health.

Judith's family reported her missing to the Ventura County Sheriff's Office on Wednesday around 12:50 AM. Judith had taken a family member to seek medical treatment and never returned home. Judith is 5'2" tall, weighs 110 pounds, and has grey hair and blue eyes. She was last seen wearing a long sleeve white tee-shirt and blue jeans.

If you see Judith or believe you may have seen her in the area, please call the Sheriff's Dispatch Center at (805) 654-9511 or dial 9-1-1.

Prepared by: Detective Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: July 19, 2017

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Approved by:

Captain Bill Schierman

Start Smart Young Adult Drivers Class

7/19/2017 7:00:00 PM

- Nature of Incident:** Start Smart Young Adult Drivers Class
- Location:** Thousand Oaks Police Station ' East County Community Room
- Date & Time:** Wednesday, August 16th, 2017 from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- Unit Responsible:** Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau

Start Smart is a cooperative effort between the California Highway Patrol, Thousand Oaks Police Department, teenage drivers, and their parents.

Nationwide, 43 percent of first-year drivers and 37 percent of second-year drivers are involved in car crashes. The risk of motor vehicle crashes is higher among 16 to 19 year-olds than among any other age group. In fact, per mile driven, teen drivers ages 16 to 19 are nearly three times more likely than drivers aged 20 and older to be in a fatal crash. The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be hosting a program to educate newly licensed and future licensed drivers.

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. We still have room available for this Thursday. There is no charge to attend the program.

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- Media Release Date:** 07/19/17
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- Approved by:** Captain Don Aguilar

Camarillo Police Department's Citizen Academy

7/20/2017 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo Police Department's Citizen Academy

Location: Camarillo Police Department
3701 E. Las Posas Road, Camarillo, Ca.

Date & Time: Aug 8, 2017 at 6 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit

Narrative:

On August 8, 2017, the Camarillo Police Department will begin its 34th 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, S.W.A.T. 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 heliport.

There are a few spots available. Anyone interested in attending the Citizen's Academy can get 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 evenings beginning August 8th, 2017, 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: Senior Deputy Virginia Tinoco

News Release Date: 7/20/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Community Resource Unit / 805-388-5155

Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Hit & Run Traffic Collision with Injuries

7/22/2017 10:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Hit & Run Traffic Collision with Injuries

Report Number: 17-108565

Location: Upland Road at Somis Road, Camarillo Ca.

Date & Time: July 21, 2017, 11:26 P.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

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

City of Residence

(V) Ashlee Reeder

Camarillo

Narrative:

On July 21, 2017, at approximately 11:26 P.M., the Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau responded to the intersection of Upland Road and Somis Road reference a hit and run traffic collision.

(V) Ashlee Reeder was riding her bicycle westbound on the north bicycle lane of Upland Road approaching the intersection at Somis Road. While crossing the intersection, an unknown vehicle collided with Reeder's bicycle. Reeder was ejected from her bicycle and sustained moderate injuries from the collision. Reeder was transported to Los Robles Hospital Emergency Room for treatment.

The collision is still under investigation by the Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau. Anyone who might have witnessed the collision is asked to contact Deputy Leo Cobian of the Traffic Bureau at (805)-388-5128.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Sam Dominguez #3386

News Release Date: July 22, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Sam Dominguez #3386

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Approved by:

Captain Jeremy Paris

Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

7/24/2017 10:30:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Sex Registrant Compliance Sweep

Report Number: N/A

Location: City and County Areas of Ojai

Date & Time: Saturday, July 22, 2017. 8:00 AM ' 2:00 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau
Ojai Police Department Investigations Unit

Narrative:

On Saturday, July 22, 2017, Sheriff's detectives conducted compliance checks at the residences of Thirty (30) registered sex offenders throughout the city and county areas of Ojai. The compliance checks were part of the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE / ELEAS) Grant.

Twenty Five (25) of the sex registrants were confirmed to be in compliance with their registration requirement. Five (5) registrants were not contacted because they were not home or had moved. Sheriff's detectives will follow-up to determine if the remaining registrants not contacted are out-of-compliance. The Sheriff's Office aggressively pursues for prosecution those registrants found to be 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: July 24, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

Major Injury Traffic Collision

7/25/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Major Injury Traffic Collision
Report Number: 17-110167
Location: Adolfo Road at Tahquitz Drive
Date & Time: 7/25/17 at 5:59 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department ' Traffic Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
P ' Robert Lang	Camarillo
P ' Blake Dingman	Newbury Park

Narrative:

On 7/25/17, the Camarillo Police Department Traffic Unit responded to an injury traffic collision at the intersection of Adolfo Road and Tahquitz Drive.

A black Chevrolet Silverado, driven by Blake Dingman, was traveling westbound on Adolfo Road approaching Tahquitz Drive. A white Saturn, driven by Robert Lang, was traveling south on Tahquitz Road at the Adolfo Road intersection. The Saturn entered the intersection from a stop sign directly in front of the Chevrolet Silverado. The vehicles collided in the intersection. As a result of the collision, a street light pole was damaged.

Robert Lang sustained major injuries and was transported by ambulance to the hospital where he was admitted. Blake Dingman sustained minor injuries that did not require hospitalization.

The cause of this collision is still under investigation. The Camarillo Traffic Unit is looking for anyone who might have witnessed this collision to assist with their investigation. Anyone with information on this collision can contact Senior Deputy Sam Dominguez at 805-388-5146.

Prepared by: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572

News Release Date: 7/25/17

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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Arrest of a Domestic Violence Suspect for Attempted Murder

7/26/2017 8:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of a Domestic Violence Suspect for Attempted Murder

Report Number: 17-110386

Location: Camarillo

Date & Time: 7/25/2017 @ 2:15 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

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

(S) Winthrope Ware

City of Residence

Camarillo

Age

48

(V) Adult Female

Ventura County

46

Narrative:

On 7/25/2017, Camarillo patrol deputies arrested (S) Ware for attempted murder that stemmed from a domestic violence incident.

At about 2:15 PM, patrol deputies responded to a report of a domestic dispute, which occurred in the City of Camarillo. During the investigation, deputies learned the victim was battered by Winthrope Ware, to whom the victim has been married for 23 years. Ware left the residence prior to the deputies' arrival, but he was located and arrested a short time later.

The victim was transported via ambulance to the hospital, where she was evaluated and treated for her injuries. While at the hospital, the victim was contacted by Camarillo detectives who learned the victim was strangled and threatened by Ware. Detectives determined the incident rose to the level of attempted murder.

Ware was booked into custody at the Ventura County Main Jail, for attempted murder and domestic battery. His bail was set at \$500,000.

Domestic violence is a serious matter. According to Homicide Trends in the United States, 1980-2008.

(Published Nov. 2011), U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Almost one out of five or 16.3% of murder victims in the United States were killed by an intimate partner. Additionally, women in the United States account for two out of three murder victims killed by an intimate partner. For information on local Domestic Violence Shelters you can go to <http://ventura.networkofcare.org> and for information on Domestic Violence issues, Interface Children & Family Services is a great resource. www.icfs.org/

Prepared by: Detective Boynton

News Release Date: 7/26/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi
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Approved by: Captain Paris

Arrest of Bank ATM Vandalism Suspect

7/27/2017 9:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Bank ATM Vandalism Suspect

Report Number: 17-109728

Location: Camarillo

Date & Time: 07-27-2017 @ 2:00 P.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

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

City of Residence

(S) Christopher Lindsey

Camarillo

Narrative:

On 7-26-2017, Camarillo Detectives arrested (S) Christopher Lindsey for vandalizing a local banking institution's ATM machines.

On the morning of 7-24-2017, patrol deputies responded to a call of vandalism at a local bank. During the investigation, deputies determined (S) Lindsey vandalized several ATM machines, causing over \$3,000 in damages. While reviewing the video surveillance, deputies were able to identify Lindsey, a known local transient, as the subject who damaged the ATM's.

Camarillo patrol deputies located and arrested Lindsey for the offense on 07/26/17.

Prepared by: Detective Larrs Johnson #3961

News Release Date: 7-27-2017

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Approved by: Captain Paris

Explorer Academy Graduation 2017

7/27/2017 5:45:00 PM

- Nature of Incident:** Explorer Academy Graduation 2017
- Location:** Rancho Campana High School, Camarillo
- Date & Time:** July 26, 2017
- Unit(s) Responsible:** Ventura County Sheriff's Office

Narrative:

On Wednesday, July 27th, explorers from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Simi Valley Police Department and Santa Paula Police Department graduated from the Ventura County Law Enforcement Explorer Academy during a ceremony held at Rancho Campana High School in Camarillo.

Explorer Cadets from explorer posts at each of Sheriff's Office stations were represented by the graduating class. The cadets completed three weeks of training that introduced them to many aspects of law enforcement. Through lecture, hands-on activities, physical fitness training, and testing, explorers learned about a variety of law enforcement duties, such as the criminal justice system, conduct and ethics, first aid, traffic enforcement, and other public safety functions. Each explorer also had the opportunity to experience training scenarios that were based on situations commonly faced by law enforcement. Pictures of the graduation ceremony can be found at www.tinyurl.com/2017vcexplorergraduation.

The Explorer Program, associated with the Boy Scouts of America, is an excellent way to introduce young men and women to law enforcement. The program is open to those who are 14 years old (must have completed middle school) to 21 years old and have an interest in law enforcement.

If you would like more information about the explorer program, contact your local police or sheriff's station. For the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, go to <http://www.vcsd.org/explorers> or call:

Fillmore Police Department	805-524-2233
Camarillo Police Department	805-388-5100
Headquarters Station	805-654-2890
Ojai Police Department	805-646-1414
Thousand Oaks Police Department	805-494-8200
Moorpark Police Department	805-532-2700

Prepared by:

Cadet Julio Espinoza

News Release Date:

July 27, 2017

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Approved by:

Captain Dave Wareham

Traffic Collision Fatality

7/27/2017 9:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Traffic Collision Fatality**Report Number:** 17-110167**Location:** Adolfo Road at Tahquitz Drive**Date & Time:** 7/25/17 at 5:59 AM**Unit(s) Responsible:** Camarillo Police Department ' Traffic Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
D ' Robert Lang	Camarillo	60
P ' Blake Dingman	Newbury Park	20

Narrative:

On 7/25/17, the Camarillo Police Department Traffic Unit responded to an injury traffic collision at the intersection of Adolfo Road and Tahquitz Drive.

A black Chevrolet Silverado, driven by Blake Dingman, was traveling westbound on Adolfo Road approaching Tahquitz Drive. A white Saturn, driven by Robert Lang, was traveling south on Tahquitz Road at the Adolfo Road intersection. The Saturn entered the intersection from a stop sign directly in front of the Chevrolet Silverado. The vehicles collided in the intersection. As a result of the collision, a street light pole was damaged.

Robert Lang sustained major injuries and was transported by ambulance to the hospital where he was admitted. Blake Dingman sustained minor injuries that did not require hospitalization. During the evening of July, 26th, Lang succumbed to the injuries he sustained in the traffic collision.

The cause of this collision is still under investigation. The Camarillo Traffic Unit is looking for anyone who might have witnessed this collision to assist with their investigation. Anyone with information on this collision can contact Senior Deputy Sam Dominguez at 805-388-5146.

Prepared by:

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News Release Date:

7/27/17

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Approved by:

Captain Jeremy Paris

Arrest of Caretaker for Elder Abuse and Burglary

7/28/2017 6:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Caretaker for Elder Abuse and Burglary
Report Number: 17-93452
Location: Sunrise Senior Living 3101 Townsgate RD. Thousand Oaks, CA
Date & Time: July 27th 2017
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Investigations.

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Orozco, Jose Manuel	Simi Valley	21

Narrative:

On July 27th 2017, detectives assigned to the Thousand Oaks Police Department concluded a three week investigation by arresting Jose Manuel Orozco for residential burglary and elder abuse.

Beginning June 26th 2017, Thousand Oaks deputies took a series of theft reports from elderly residents living at the Sunrise Senior Living home. The victims ranged in age from 78 to 98 and all reported missing jewelry and cash. Thousand Oaks detectives worked with administrators at the Sunrise Senior Living home and identified an employee named Jose Manuel Orozco as a likely suspect. Orozco worked as a caretaker and had unrestricted access to the entire facility.

On July 27th 2017, detectives served a search warrant at Orozco's home and were able to recover some of the stolen property. Orozco was arrested and booked at the Ventura County Jail for four felony counts of residential burglary, three felony counts of elder abuse by caretaker and one misdemeanor count of elder abuse by caretaker.

Prepared by: Detective Mike Purnell #3431
Media Release Date: July 28th 2017
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Approved by:

Captain Bill Schierman

Santa Paula Robbery Suspect Arrested After Traffic Stop

7/28/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Santa Paula Robbery Suspect Arrested After Traffic Stop

Report Number: 17-111625

Location: 200 Block of Rhodes Court, Fillmore

Date & Time: 07/27/2017 3:45 pm

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department /Santa Paula Police Department

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

City of Residence

S-1 Lomeli, Armando

Santa Paula

S-2 Urbano, Erik

Santa Paula

V-1 Baskin Robins employee

Santa Paula

V-2 Boost Mobil employee

Santa Paula

Narrative:

On 07/27/2017, a traffic stop by Fillmore patrol deputies resulted in the arrest of two subjects, including one for a robbery that occurred in Santa Paula.

On 07/27/2017, deputies conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for a vehicle code violation in the 200 block of Rhodes Court in the City of Fillmore. The driver, later identified as Erik Urbano, immediately ran from the vehicle while Armando Lomeli and a third subject stayed inside the vehicle. Deputies pursued Urbano and caught him a short distance away and arrested him. Deputies learned that Urbano had a felony PROS warrant and was in possession of methamphetamine.

During a search of the vehicle, deputies located an imitation firearm that was altered to look like a real firearm. While conducting their investigation, deputies learned there were two armed robberies that occurred earlier in the day in the City of Santa Paula at the Baskin Robbins and Boost Mobile. Personal property and cash were taken during the robberies. With the assistance of Santa Paula Police detectives,

Lomeli was identified as the suspect in one of the robberies. He was subsequently arrested for robbery, altering an imitation firearm, resisting or obstructing a police officer and for disorderly conduct.

Lomeli and Urbano were both booked at the Main Jail.

Prepared by: Detective Danielle Delpit

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Approved by: Captain Eric Tennessen

Fatal Traffic Collision / Camarillo

7/30/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fatal Traffic Collision
Report Number: 17-110167
Location: Hartnell Street at Kelley Avenue
Date & Time: 7/30/17 at 11:36 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Unit

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

(D) - Adult Male

Narrative:

On 7/30/17, at approximately 11:35 AM, a male adult was riding a motorcycle north on Kelley Ave approaching the intersection of Hartnell Street. The motorcyclist was not wearing a helmet. The motorcyclist drove through the intersection and drove up onto a sidewalk on Hartnell Street. The motorcyclist continued driving north across the front yard of a residence on Hartnell Street and the motorcycle collided with a block wall that separates two residences. The motorcyclist was ejected from the motorcycle and collided with the block wall and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The identity of the motorcyclist is being withheld pending a next of kin notification by the Medical Examiner's office.

This collision is still under investigation by the Camarillo Police Department's Traffic Unit. Anyone with information regarding this collision is encouraged to contact Senior Deputy Sam Dominguez at 805-388-5146.

Prepared by: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572
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Approved by:

Captain Eric Tennessen

Sheriff's Office Conducts Search for Overdue Hiker

7/30/2017 9:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Sheriff's Office Conducts Search for Overdue Hiker

Report Number: 17-112829

Location: Mt. Pinos

Date & Time: 7-29-17 / 5:15 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police / Sheriff's Search and Rescue

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

City of Residence

Lisa Mathiason

Bakersfield

Narrative:

On 7-29-17, after receiving a report of an overdue 77-year old hiker, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office began conducting a ground and air search for the hiker in the Mt. Pinos area.

On 7-29-17, at approximately 5:15 PM, the Sheriff's Office received a report that 77-year old Lisa Mathiason was several hours overdue from an expected two-hour hike that began at the Chula Vista parking lot in the Mt. Pinos area. Mathiason left the Chula Vista parking lot at approximately 10:00 AM and was due to return at approximately 12:00 PM.

The Sheriff's Office immediately began a search for Mathiason in the air and on the ground, but Mathiason has yet to be located. There is no foul play suspected in Mathiason's disappearance.

Mathiason is described as a 77-year old white female, 5'4', 140 lbs, with brown hair and blue eyes, wearing a white or blue flowered shirt, white sweater, white or blue cargo pants and carrying a multi-colored backpack.

Anyone who has seen Mathiason is encouraged to call the Sheriff's Communications Center at 805-654-9511.

Due to the limited phone coverage in the Mt. Pinos area, all media updates will come from the Sheriff's

Watch Commander

Prepared by: Captain Eric Tennesen

News Release Date: 7-30-17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sheriff's Watch Commander
805-662-6588

Approved by: Captain Eric Tennesen

Overdue Hiker Found Alive

7/31/2017 2:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Overdue Hiker Found Alive

Location: Mt. Pinos

Date & Time: July 31, 2017, 9:00 am

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office / Kern County Sheriff's Office / San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Office / Orange County Sheriff's Office / Ojai Police / Fillmore Police / Ventura County Sheriff's Search and Rescue

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (Party), (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Lisa Mathiasen	Bakersfield	77

Narrative:

An extensive air and ground search of the Mt. Pinos area for a hiker reported missing on Saturday night concluded this morning at 9:00 am with a Search and Rescue team finding Lisa Mathiasen alive!

A three person Ventura County Sheriff's, Fillmore Mountain Rescue Team navigated steep slopes and cliffs on the north side of Mt. Pinos when they were able to make verbal contact with Ms. Mathiasen. Ms. Mathiasen had fallen down the cliff and taken shelter in a ravine. When the rescuers contacted Ms. Mathiasen they immediately provided first aid and stabilized her on the hillside. Ms. Mathiasen had suffered injuries from her fall and was dehydrated, but coherent. Two members of the search and rescue team stayed with Ms. Mathiasen while the third climbed out the canyon to establish radio contact to summon additional rescuers.

A Ventura County Sheriff's helicopter responded and hoisted both Ms. Mathiasen and the rescuers out of the canyon. Ms. Mathiasen was taken to a local area hospital where she is listed in stable condition.

Prepared by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

News Release Date: 7/31/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Garo Kuredjian, 805-797-6322

Approved by: Commander Tim Hagel

Arrest of Burglary Suspect

8/1/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Burglary Suspect
Report Number: 17-108086
Location: 2100 Block Grandview Circle, Camarillo
Date & Time: 07-28-2017 / 10:00 a.m.
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department & Thousand Oaks Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Erik Von Ricard Haumann	Transient	24

Narrative:

On 07-28-17, Thousand Oaks patrol deputies contacted Erik Haumann. The deputies arrested Haumann for being under the influence of a controlled substance and resisting arrest. They also discovered Haumann was wanted by Camarillo detectives for a recent burglary.

On 07-21-17, Camarillo patrol deputies responded to a burglary where a suspect, who was later identified as Haumann, had entered an occupied recreational vehicle while the occupants were asleep. The victim awoke and confronted Haumann, who fled on foot. The victim followed Haumann and guided responding deputies to the area the suspect was last scene. Deputies saw the suspect and attempted to contact him but he was able to avoid apprehension. Haumann dropped items as he fled. Those items were found to be stolen property belonging to the victim from the RV, as well as other items belonging to a victim of a commercial burglary.

Camarillo detectives began an investigation into the incident. During the investigation, they were able to identify the suspect as Erik Von Richard Haumann. Haumann is a transient with multiple police contacts throughout the tri-counties.

On the morning of 7-28-17, Haumann was contacted by Thousand Oaks patrol deputies in the City of Thousand Oaks. During the contact, Haumann fled from deputies and a short foot pursuit ensued. Haumann was apprehended and arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance and resisting arrest. During the arrest, Haumann was found to be in possession of additional stolen property.

Haumann was subsequently arrested for burglary and possession of stolen property in relation to the crimes committed, in the City of Camarillo.

Prepared by: Detective Jamal Clark

News Release Date: 08-01-2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi
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Approved by: Captain Paris

Camarillo Robbery Suspects Arrested

8/1/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo Robbery Suspects Arrested

Report Number: 17-110608

Location: Camarillo / Oxnard

Date & Time: 07/28/2017 / 4:30 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

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

S-1 Lugo, Joshua

S-2 Juvenile

V-1 Male

V-2 Male

City of Residence

Camarillo

Oxnard

Camarillo

Camarillo

Narrative:

Detectives from the Camarillo Police Department arrested the two suspects listed above for robbing two adult male victims, outside a Ralph's grocery store.

On 07/25/17, at about 10:00 p.m. two victims were attacked and robbed of personal property by the two suspects listed above. The robbery took place just outside the Ralphs Supermarket on Las Posas Road, in Camarillo. The incident began by a suspect asking to use the victim's iPhone. After using the iPhone, the suspect refused to return it to the victim. There were no weapons used during the attack, however, one of the victim's was knocked unconscious while being attacked by the suspects. That victim was transported via ambulance to a local hospital where he was treated and released.

During the investigation, detectives were able to identify the suspects as Camarillo resident Joshua Lugo, and a 16 year old juvenile from Oxnard. Both were located by Camarillo detectives and arrested without incident for P.C. 211 P.C.

The victim's stolen iPhone was recovered during the arrest. Lugo was booked at the Sheriff's Main Jail and the juvenile was lodged at The Ventura County Juvenile Hall.

Prepared by: Detective Cruz

News Release Date: 08/01/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Franchi
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Approved by:

Captain Paris

Hit and Run Collision / Foot Pursuit / Stolen Vehicle

8/1/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Hit and Run Collision/ Foot Pursuit/ Stolen Vehicle

Report Number: 17-11419

Location: Beardsley Road at Calle De Debesa

Date & Time: 8/1/17 at 9:53 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department ' Traffic Unit

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

(S) Stephen Bravo

City of Residence

Oxnard

Narrative:

On 8/1/17, deputies from the Camarillo Traffic Unit and Patrol Division responded to a single vehicle roll over traffic collision at Beardsley Road west of Calle De Debesa. When units arrived on scene, they learned the driver, Stephen Bravo, had fled the scene. A female passenger was located, treated at the scene, and transported to a local hospital for her injuries.

As a perimeter was being set up, it was discovered the vehicle involved in the collision was reported stolen out of the City of Oxnard. Stephen Bravo was seen a short distance away on the Sterling Hills golf course and fled from deputies. Through a coordinated effort with Detectives, Special Enforcement Detail, Patrol, the Community Resource Unit, the Sheriff's Air Unit, and the Traffic Unit, Stephen Bravo was located and arrested. The investigation and identification of the driver was assisted by several witnesses.

The female passenger was treated at the hospital and released. Bravo was arrested for possession of a stolen vehicle, DUI causing injuries, hit and run causing injuries, driving on a suspended driver's license, and resisting arrest.

Prepared by: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572

News Release Date: 8/1/17

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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Stolen Vehicle Arrests

8/1/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stolen Vehicle Arrests
Report Number: 17-114088
Location: 2695 Mowhawk Avenue
Date & Time: August 1, 2017
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Investigations ' Auto Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Juvenile Male	Oxnard	17
(S) Shannon, Sabastian	Ventura	19

Narrative:

On August 1, 2017, detectives assigned to the Thousand Oaks Police Department ' Auto Crimes Unit arrested Sabastian Shannon and a male juvenile following a theft of a vehicle investigation.

In the early morning hours of August 1, 2017, a Ventura County Sheriff's Deputy responded to a mutual aid call to assist Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputies with a possible unreported stolen vehicle that had been located in the Calabasas area. Thousand Oaks detectives responded to the scene and confirmed the vehicle had been stolen several hours prior from the victim's residence. During the investigation, witnesses identified two suspects fleeing from the location where the stolen vehicle was located. A witness in the area recognized one of the suspects (juvenile male) walking nearby and contacted law enforcement. Thousand Oaks detectives with the assistance of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputies contacted and arrested the suspect.

Several hours later, Sabastian Shannon was contacted walking in the area and matching the description of the suspect that had been driving the stolen vehicle. Shannon was in possession of stolen property belonging to the victim and the ignition key to the victim's stolen vehicle.

As a result of the investigation, it was determined that the male juvenile and Shannon conspired to commit vehicle thefts and thefts of property from vehicles in the Thousand Oaks area. Shannon was booked into the Ventura County Jail. The male juvenile was lodged into Juvenile Hall.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind the community to lock their vehicles and do not leave keys or any items of value inside their vehicles. If members of the community observe any suspicious subjects or circumstances, they are encouraged to contact Sheriff's Dispatch by calling 9-1-1 or (805) 654-9511 (non-emergency).

Prepared by: Detective Kevin Kipp #4632

Media Release Date: August 1, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Daniel's Jewelers Robbery Suspect Arrested

8/2/2017 12:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Daniel's Jewelers Robbery Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 17-42548

Location: Camarillo Outlet Mall, City of Camarillo

Date & Time: 03/24/2017 @ 1933 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol, Sheriff Major Crimes, Sheriff's Crime Lab, Ventura Police Department, FBI

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Francisco Hernandez	Ventura

Narrative:

On 03/24/2017, a robbery occurred at the Daniel's Jewelers located in the Camarillo Outlet Mall in Camarillo. At about 1933 hours, a Hispanic male entered Daniel's Jewelers armed with a semi-automatic handgun and threatened employees. The suspect stole over \$100,000 worth of merchandise before fleeing the store. No one was injured during the incident.

Over the next several months, with the assistance of the Sheriff's Crime Lab, Sheriff's Major Crimes detectives identified (S) Francisco Hernandez as the robbery suspect. Hernandez was also identified as a suspect in a Ventura Police Department bank robbery case.

On 07/12/2017, detectives from the Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit and officers from the Ventura Police Department executed a search warrant at Francisco Hernandez' residence in the City of Ventura. Hernandez was taken into custody at the time of the warrant by the Ventura Police Department. During the warrant service, evidence linking Hernandez to both the bank robbery and the Daniel's Jewelers robbery was located.

On 07/31/2017, Sheriff's Major Crimes detectives arrested Hernandez, who was in custody at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility, for the Daniel's Jewelers robbery. Hernandez is scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court for arraignment on 08/02/2017, at 1330 hours. His bail is currently set at \$500,000.

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News Release Date: 08/02/2017

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Captain Melissa Smith

National Night Out / Camarillo

8/2/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: National Night Out

Location: Constitution Park ' 601 Carmen Drive

Date & Time: August 5, 2017 5pm through 7pm

Unit(s) Responsible: Community Resource Unit

Narrative:

National Night Out enhances the relationships between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. It furthermore provides an opportunity to bring police and neighbors together. The official day to observe National Night Out is the first Tuesday of August. In order to accommodate our community, the Camarillo Police Department will observe National Night Out on Saturday, August 5, 2017.

We are inviting the public to come join us for this special National Night Out event at Constitution Park on Aug 5th, from 5:00 PM to 7:00PM. The following resources will be on display:

K-9 Officer, Motor Officer / Cycle, School Resource Officer & Vehicle, Citizen Patrol, DART, Two Command Posts, McGruff the Crime Dog as well as our McGruff motorized vehicle, and Neighborhood Watch / Nextdoor.com Information.

This is the 34th anniversary of National Night Out with over 38 million people across the country expected to participate. This is a great time to see the resources your Police Department has and at the same time enhance community spirit.

Immediately following the National Night Out event at Constitution Park, will be the Neil Diamond Tribute concert, beginning at 7:30 PM.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Franchi

News Release Date: August 2, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi @ (805) 388-5135

Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Non-Fatal Overdose Investigation Leads to an Arrest

8/2/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Non-Fatal overdose investigation leads to an arrest

Report Number: 17-109234

Location: Unincorporated area of Ojai known as Oak View

Date & Time: July 23rd, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit (PCU)
Ventura Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Nancy Mansell	Ventura

Narrative:

On July 23rd 2017, the Ojai patrol station was dispatched to a non-fatal overdose in the unincorporated area of Ojai known as Oak View. The overdose victim in this case was transported to Ojai Hospital for further treatment and evaluation and is expected to survive.

A thorough investigation was initiated by the patrol deputy and the PCU was called to assist. The investigation was able to identify the suspect who provided the heroin to the overdose victim as Nancy Mansell.

On July 26th 2017, Mansell was located and contacted in the city of Ventura by a Ventura Police Department patrol officer. Mansell was arrested for 11352(a) H&S ' sales of a controlled substance. Mansell was interviewed and booked into custody at the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility.

On July 28th 2017, The District Attorney's Office elected to file one count of 11352(a) H&S against Mansell. Mansell was arraigned in Ventura County Superior Court on her current charge and her bail was set at 150,000.00.

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, or any other information related to narcotics.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force made up of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Thousand Oaks Police Department, the California Highway Patrol, the Ventura Police Department, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation, and the California Department of Health Care Services. The primary mission of the task force is combatting 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 overdoses due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use.

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News Release Date: August 2, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Arrest Made in Threatening a Witness

8/3/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrests Made In Threatening A Witness
Report Number: 17-104299
Location: County of Ventura
Date & Time: July 2017
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Penny, Bryan	Oxnard
(S) Penny, Cameron	Oxnard
(S) Gray, Ashley	Oxnard

Narrative:

In June of 2016, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau concluded a robbery investigation that resulted in the arrest of five suspects, including (S) Bryan Penny. As of July of 2017, four of the suspects had pled guilty or were found guilty of the robbery. One of the suspects is still waiting for court proceedings.

In July of 2017, investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau learned that unedited police interviews with witnesses from the robbery investigation had been posted to a publicly accessible internet website. An investigation revealed Bryan Penny, who was in custody for his robbery conviction, coordinated with (S) Ashley Gray and (S) Cameron Penny to post the digital copies of the police interviews on social media. The social media site contained links to the audio files along with content meant to threaten the witnesses. All three suspects were arrested and booked at the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility for PC 140(a) ' [Threatening A Witness]. All three suspects are currently in custody with a bail of \$250,000.

Investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office rely on members of the community to report crimes and to give witness statements. A strong community partnership between law enforcement and members of the community is vital to preserving peace, preventing crime, and apprehending suspects. The willful and malicious actions of intimidating witnesses will not be tolerated.

Prepared by: Deputy R. LaSecla

News Release Date: 08/03/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Cyrus Zedah
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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith

Arrest of Credit Card Fraud Suspect

8/3/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Credit Card Fraud Suspect

Report Number: 17-112202

Location: Camarillo Outlets

Date & Time: 07/28/17 / 3:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

(S)uspects, (V)ictims

(S) Dwight Evans

(V) Adult Male

City of Residence

Burbank

Los Angeles

Narrative:

Deputies arrested the above suspect for identity theft, shoplifting, theft of access cards, and possession of a deceptive government document.

On 7/28/17, Camarillo patrol deputies responded to a subject attempting to commit credit card fraud at the Barney's New York Warehouse store, in the Camarillo Premium Outlets. (S) Dwight Evans had fraudulently used the victim's credit card information to purchase merchandise from one business, and he attempted to use the information to purchase items at another business. The victim's bank called the victim and asked about the purchase. The victim, who was in Los Angeles and in possession of his credit card, called the retail outlet to inquire about who was using his credit card information. The store clerk alerted the Outlet's security staff who assisted responding deputies in locating Evans. The store's video surveillance confirmed Evans was the suspect using the fraudulent credit card information.

Evans was in possession of multiple victims' credit cards, a fictitious out of state driver's license, and multiple credit cards under a fictitious name.

Evans was arrested without incident and booked into custody at the Ventura County Mail Jail. Sheriff's detectives are continuing the investigation and attempting to identify additional victims.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to thank the Camarillo Premium Outlet Security Staff for their assistance in this investigation.

According to Nilson Report, October 2016, global credit card and debit card fraud resulted in losses amounting to \$21.84 billion during 2015. Retailers often make up the first line of defense and can help prevent credit card fraud. Simple measures such as asking for identification,

matching signatures, and being wary of customers attempting to manually enter credit card information can reduce the impact these crimes cause both retailers and victims. If a clerk feels something is not quite right, they should not hesitate to contact law enforcement.

Prepared by: Deputy Allen Herme

News Release Date: 08/03/17

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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Arrest of Assault Rifle Burglary Suspect

8/4/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Assault Rifle Burglary Suspect

Report Number: 17-101378

Location: 1200 Block of Dover Avenue, Thousand Oaks, Ca

Date & Time: 8/3/17 @ 08:00 AM

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>
Rougely, Latasha	Los Angeles	25

Narrative:

On July 9, 2017, a residential burglary occurred in the 1200 block of Dover Avenue in Thousand Oaks. Among the items taken were an AR-15 Assault Rifle, a GoPro Camera and several pieces of jewelry. Surveillance footage of the burglary showed a female suspect knock on the front door of the residence. When the door was not answered, two additional male suspects went to the rear of the residence and entered through the unlocked sliding glass door. The suspects left with the assault rifle and a white pillow case full of property. A witness saw the suspects leaving in a white Buick Lacrosse and recorded the license plate number of the vehicle as it fled at a high rate of speed.

A three week investigation conducted by the Thousand Oaks Police Department led to the arrest of Latasha Rougely. Rougely was not the registered owner of the Buick. A search warrant conducted on the Buick and Rougely's residence revealed the stolen GoPro Camera and the pillow case with the jewelry inside. The assault rifle remains outstanding.

'Knock-knock' burglaries continue to be an on-going nuisance throughout Southern California. The Thousand Oaks Police Department wants to remind residents to lock their houses and secure firearms inside of safes. If someone knocks on your front door while you are home and that person is unknown to you, verbally respond to the person without opening your door so they know someone is home.

Prepared by: Detective Jason Louis

Media Release Date: 8/4/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman, tim.lohman@ventura.org , (805) 947-8255

Approved by:

Captain Bill Schierman

Probation search leads to 7 arrests including owner of known drug house

8/7/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Probation search leads to 7 arrests including owner of a known drug house.

Report Number: 17-117083

Location: 316 El Conejo Drive, Meiners Oaks

Date & Time: 8/06/2017 at 1230 hours

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

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

(S) Duane Crecelius

City of Residence

Meiners Oaks

Narrative:

On 08/06/2017, at approximately 12:30 PM, patrol deputies conducted a probation search at 316 El Conejo Drive in Meiners Oaks. In 2017, this residence had been responsible for 23 calls for service leading to 38 arrests.

During the probation search, patrol deputies contacted home owner Duane Crecelius and 6 other known suspects inside the residence. Deputies found methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia, and syringes inside the location.

Crecelius was arrested on the felony charge of HS 11366, opening or maintaining any place for the purpose of unlawfully selling, giving away, or using any controlled substance. Crecelius was also charged with HS 11550(a), Under the influence of a controlled substance, HS 11364(a), possession of drug paraphernalia, and HS 11377(a), Possession of a controlled substance.

The six additional suspects found in the residence were arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance and/or violation of probation.

Crecelius and the 6 suspects were booked into the Ventura County Main Jail on the felony and misdemeanor charges. Crecelius remains in custody where his bail is currently set at \$15,000.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office continues to be diligent in conducting probation searches throughout the Ojai Valley in areas where drug use and sales are suspected. We encourage citizens to report all suspicious activity seen by calling 9-1-1.

Prepared by: Deputy Havelka

News Release Date: 8/07/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Regan (805) 646-1414

Approved by: Captain Fryhoff

Spanish Parent Project Class Returns to Thousand Oaks in September

8/7/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Spanish Parent Project Class Returns to Thousand Oaks in September
Location: 2101 E. Olsen Road-Thousand Oaks Police Station-Community Room, Olsen Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360.

Date & Time: September 13, 2017- November 15, 2017-- Wednesday's 6:30 P.M. to 9:30 P.M.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department/ City of Thousand Oaks/Ventura County Behavioral Health

Narrative:

The City of Thousand Oaks, the Thousand Oaks Police Department, and Ventura County Behavioral Health 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 City of Thousand Oaks, the Thousand Oaks Police Department, and Ventura County Behavioral Health will be offering a parenting class in Spanish on Wednesday evenings for ten weeks starting on September 13, 2017. 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) 371-8354. Please reserve your spot early for the Spanish Parent Project class due to limited seating.

An English Parent Project class will be offered in the coming months.

Deputy Preparing Media Release: Sheriff's Service Technician Isabel Correa

Media Release Date:

August 7, 2017

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Approved by:

Captain Don Aguilar

Stolen Vehicle / Vandalism Arrest

8/7/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stolen Vehicle/ Vandalism Arrests
Report Number: 17-117445
Location: 600 Block Temple Avenue, Camarillo
Date & Time: 08/07/2017 5:00 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol, Thousand Oaks Patrol, Camarillo Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Juvenile Female	Ventura
(S) Juvenile Female	Ventura
(S) Juvenile Female	Valencia
(S) Juvenile Male	Newport Beach
(S) Juvenile Female	Monterey
(S) Juvenile Male	San Bernardino

Narrative:

On August 7, 2017, deputies from the Camarillo Police Department were investigating a vehicle theft that occurred in the 600 block of Temple Avenue. Camarillo deputies advised Thousand Oaks Police patrol units of the vehicle description and possible destination. Thousand Oaks patrol deputies located the vehicle. Six juvenile occupants were taken into custody.

On August 7, 2017, at approximately 5:00 AM, Camarillo Station deputies responded to a location in the 600 block of Temple Avenue regarding a stolen vehicle. Once on scene, deputies determined six juvenile suspects entered the secured yard of the business and began tampering with and vandalizing several vehicles parked at the location. The suspects then entered a truck parked at the location and were able to start it. They used the truck and intentionally rammed a closed gate and fled the location. Damage to the gate was determined to be in excess of \$3000.00.

Patrol deputies learned the vehicle might be headed south on US101. Thousand Oaks Patrol Units were made aware of the stolen vehicle possibly passing through their area and units began checking the area. At approximately 8:00 AM, deputies from the Thousand Oaks Station located the stolen vehicle traveling on surface streets in the San Fernando Valley near DeSoto Avenue and US101. An enforcement stop was conducted and all six juveniles were taken into custody without incident. All six juveniles were lodged into Ventura County Juvenile Hall and charged with vehicle theft, felony vandalism, vehicle tampering, and trespassing.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to remind the community to lock their vehicles and

do not leave keys or any items of value inside their vehicles. If members of the community observe any suspicious subjects or circumstances, they are encouraged to contact Sheriff's Dispatch by calling 9-1-1 or (805) 654-9511 (non-emergency).

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News Release Date: August 7, 2017

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**Suspects arrested for Identity Theft, Forgery, Possession of Stolen Property,
Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, and Destruction of Evidence**

8/7/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Suspects arrested for Identity Theft, Forgery, Possession of Stolen Property, Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, and Destruction of Evidence

Report Number: 17-76141 / VPD# 17-10195

Location: Ojai / Ventura City

Date: Beginning March of 2017, ending August 3rd, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department

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

(S) Darian Loehner

(S) Cesar Herrera

City of Residence

Ventura

Ventura

Narrative:

On 05/25/17, Ojai Police Department Detectives were made aware of an Ojai area business whose checks were being replicated and cashed, without the business owner's knowledge or consent. The identity theft and forgery began during the month of March 2017, and continued for a few months before being discovered.

Through a lengthy investigation, detectives determined the suspects involved in the identity thefts and forgeries were girlfriend/boyfriend, (S) Darian Loehner and (S) Cesar Herrera.

While at the suspects' residence in the City of Ventura, detectives observed Herrera drive to the residence in a brand new 2017 Dodge Challenger Hellcat, valued at \$90,963. It was discovered at that time, the observed Dodge Challenger was purchased earlier that week in Ventura City using a fraudulently made Bank of America cashier's check for \$62,000.

The West County Investigations Unit immediately served a search warrant on the suspects' residence, and recovered ID cards, Social Security cards, passports, checks, credit cards, and property for 117 separate victims. In addition, the detectives recovered numerous electronic devices, printers and blank check making paper from the residence. Amongst those devices were Thermo Receipt printers, SD cards, and a POS Bank Card Scanner.

Loehner and Herrera were both booked into the Ventura County Main Jail on felony Identity Theft, felony Forgery, and misdemeanor Possession of Stolen Property. In addition, Herrera was booked for felony Possession of a Stolen Vehicle and Loehner was booked for misdemeanor Destruction of Evidence. They are both still in custody where each of their bail is currently set at \$250,000.

It is believed most of the stolen identity theft items were taken from Ventura County citizens' mailboxes. It is recommended that you get locking mailboxes, and put all outgoing mail in blue US Post Office bins, or bring it into your local US Post Office. It is also recommended that citizens consider protecting their property by putting up surveillance cameras around their property, and to include their vehicles and mailboxes. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office encourages citizens to report all suspicious activity seen by calling 9-1-1.

Prepared by: Detective Regan

News Release Date: 08/07/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Regan (605) 646-1414

Approved by: Captain J. Fryhoff

Ventura man arrested for Thousand Oaks home burglary

8/7/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Ventura man arrested for Thousand Oaks home burglary
Report Number: 16-151659
Location: 2900 Block of Cottonwood Court, Thousand Oaks, CA 91320
Date & Time: 10/07/2016 / 7:00 AM
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Policer Department,
Ventura County Sheriff's Office / Forensic Service Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(A) Andrew David Jensen	Ventura	42

Narrative:

A 42-year-old Ventura resident was arrested for residential burglary after DNA evidence linked him to the crime, which occurred in October 2016 in the city of Thousand Oaks.

On July 28, 2017, investigators with the Thousand Oaks Police Department arrested Andrew David Jensen for a residential burglary that occurred in the 2900 block of Cottonwood Court in October 2016.

On October 7, 2016, deputies from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to a residential burglary in the 2900 block of Cottonwood Court and processed the crime scene for evidence. They were able to locate items that potentially contained the suspect's DNA. Forensic scientists assigned to the Ventura County Sheriff's Forensic Services Bureau processed the evidence and obtained a DNA profile. Scientists submitted the results to the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) to locate a potential match with a known suspect.

On July 25, 2017, the California Department of Justice notified Thousand Oaks detectives the DNA profile matched 42-year-old Andrew David Jensen.

Jensen is currently in custody at the Sheriff's Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Jensen's bail is set at \$70,000.

Prepared by: Detective Michael Purnell (805) 371-8383

Media Release Date: August 7th 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman (805) 947-8255

Approved by:

Captain Bill Schierman

Westlake Village man arrested after leaving receipt at burglary scene

8/7/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Westlake Village man arrested after leaving receipt at burglary scene

Report Number: 17-109604

Location: 2900 Block of Bear River Circle, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: 07/22/2017 / 10:00 PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Detective Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(A) Craig Alan Barnikel	Westlake Village	39

Narrative:

A 39-year-old Westlake Village resident was arrested after detectives linked him to a home burglary where he left behind a receipt in the victim's home. That receipt led detectives to the home of Craig Barnikel, where a search warrant led to the discovery of evidence connecting him to the Thousand Oaks burglary.

The burglary occurred in July in the 2900 block of Bear River Circle, where the victims had been on a 10-day vacation and had discovered the crime when they returned home. Deputies examined the scene and found a receipt from CVS Pharmacy that did not belong to the victims.

Thousand Oaks detectives were assigned the case and identified Craig Barnikel as the receipt's original owner. On August 2, 2017, Barnikel was arrested for residential burglary and booked into the Ventura County Jail.

On August 4, 2017, the Ventura County District Attorney's Office charged Barnikel with residential burglary and added a special enhancement for being a habitual offender under the three strikes law. Barnikel remains in custody and his bail is set at \$355,000.

Prepared by: Detective Michael Purnell (805) 371-8383

Media Release Date: August 7th 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman (805) 947-8255

Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Gas Station Skimmer Sweep

8/8/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Gas Station Skimmer Sweep

Location: Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: August 1, 2017 / 10:00 AM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Financial Crimes Unit

Narrative:

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 that are surreptitiously placed in fuel pumps. When an unsuspecting customer swipes their debit or credit card into the fuel pump pay station, the 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.

In an effort to crack down on credit card skimming, Thousand Oaks Police detectives assigned to the Financial Crimes Unit conducted an inspection for skimming devices at gas stations throughout the city of Thousand Oaks. The detectives completed internal and external checks of 272 gas pumps at 29 gas stations, which resulted in no devices being located.

The goal of these random inspections is not only to locate skimmers, but also educate gas station employees on what devices are currently being used and how to best protect their customers. Credit card compromises are responsible for losses in the billions of dollars annually and skimming devices are responsible for a majority of these losses.

Generally, skimmers work in conjunction with a miniature camera which records a person typing in a personal identification number (PIN). Some skimmers may also use a secondary keypad over top of the actual keypad. The secondary keypad captures your PIN number and records it.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department recommends the following safety tips.

- Pay in cash inside the store to ensure credit card information stays safe.
- Check to make sure the gas pump dispenser cabinet is closed and has not been tampered with.
- If the gas station uses security stickers to seal the pump doors, be suspicious if the seal is broken or the word "void" appears. .
- Inspect the card reader and area around the key pad

- Cover you hand when entering your PIN
- Use a gas pump closer to the front of the store.
- Use a credit card instead of a debit card. Credit cards have better fraud protection, and the money is not immediately deducted from your account.
- If using a debit card, choose to run it as a credit card instead of entering a PIN number.
- Monitor bank accounts regularly and place alerts on your credit card to notify you of charges
- Consider using Apple Pay, Samsung Pay or Android Pay
- If a card reader does not look like it matches the machine's color and style, look at other nearby gas pumps to see if they match the one you are using.
- If your card sticks when you insert it or does not feel quite right, cancel the transaction and pay inside.
- Consumers who suspect their credit card number has been compromised should report it immediately to their credit card company and law enforcement.
- Report any suspicious activity immediately.

For more information on skimmers or to see what some skimmers look like check out click on the link <http://krebsonsecurity.com/all-about-skimmers>

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Media Release Date: August 8, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Planned Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

8/8/2017 2:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Planned Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: August 12, 2017 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.

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 Saturday August 12, 2017 at an undisclosed location(s) within the city limits.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Thousand Oaks Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

The deterrent effect of High Visibility Enforcement using both DUI checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols has proven to lower the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug impaired crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized proactive DUI operations are conducted routinely.

DUI Checkpoints like this one 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, alcohol involved collisions led to 1,155 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2014 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Locally, over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 8 lives and resulted in 91 injury crashes harming our friends and neighbors.

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.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

For more information about DDVIP, visit: <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and 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 Drivers ' Call 9-1-1'.

Prepared by: Carl Patterson, Sergeant

News Story Date: August 8, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Stolen Vehicle Arrest

8/8/2017 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stolen Vehicle Arrest
Report Number: 17-117443
Location: 500 Block of Ventu Park Road, Thousand Oaks
Date & Time: 08/07/2017 / 7:00 AM
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Patrol, Thousand Oaks Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(A) Angelie Gamboa	Transient	49

Narrative:

On August 7, 2017, deputies from the Thousand Oaks Police Department conducted a stolen vehicle investigation that resulted in the arrest of 49-year-old Angelie Gamboa.

On August 7, 2017, at about 4:20 am, a Thousand Oaks patrol deputy was driving in the 500 block of Ventu Park Road when the patrol unit's Automatic License Plate Reader (ALPR) alerted on a stolen vehicle. The deputy located the car and notified Thousand Oaks detectives.

Investigators from the Thousand Oaks Auto Crimes Unit responded and set up a surveillance on the vehicle. At about 7:00 am, investigators watched Gamboa get into the driver's seat of the stolen car and drive away. Patrol deputies conducted an enforcement stop and arrested Gamboa for automobile theft. A records check showed Gamboa also had an outstanding warrant for identity theft in Los Angeles County.

Gamboa was transported to Ventura County Jail and booked for automobile theft and the outstanding identity theft warrant. Gamboa remains in custody on \$20,000.

Prepared by: Detective Jason Karol
Media Release Date: August 8th 2017
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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Crime Alert - Thefts from Vehicles on the Rise

8/9/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Crime Alert ' Thefts from Vehicles on the Rise

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: 8/9/2017 / 1600

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 wants to advise the public that we have seen an increase in vehicle related thefts, in 2017.

The Camarillo Police Department has seen a rise in vehicle burglaries and thefts from vehicles. Vehicle burglaries occur when a suspect breaks into a locked / secure vehicle. Thefts from vehicles occur when a suspect enters an unlocked vehicle to steal items.

The Camarillo Police Department is asking the community to help our Deputies fight crime by doing the following:

- 1) Don't leave your car unlocked
- 2) Don't leave valuable personal property inside your vehicle or in plain view
- 3) Don't leave personal identification inside your vehicle
- 4) Park your vehicle in your garage
- 5) Do not leave a spare key near or in your vehicle
- 6) Never leave your windows open
- 7) Park in well-lit, public areas
- 8) Install an audible alarm system

A majority of these thefts could be avoided by just locking your vehicle. Thefts can occur in any city or rural area. Please be aware of your surroundings, don't be complacent and report any suspicious activity to the Camarillo Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Franchi

News Release Date: 8/9/2017

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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Arrest of Burglary Suspect

8/10/2017 5:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Burglary Suspect

Report Number: 17-111578

Location: 800 Block Lemon Drive, Camarillo

Date & Time: 07-27-17/ 2:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Elizabeth Valdez	Camarillo	25

Narrative:

On 08-09-17, Detectives from the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail arrested the above listed suspect for a residential burglary, which occurred in the Camarillo Heights area.

On 07-27-17, Camarillo patrol deputies responded to a burglary where a female suspect entered an open residential garage and stole property. An alert witness observed the suspicious activity and reported it to the homeowner, who confirmed property was stolen from their garage. The witness provided a description as well as a partial license plate to responding patrol deputies.

Camarillo detectives began an investigation into the incident. Thanks to the information provided by the witness, detectives were able to identify the suspect as (S) Elizabeth Valdez.

On 8-9-17, Valdez was located by Camarillo Special Enforcement Detectives. Valdez was arrested without incident and booked into the Ventura County Main Jail.

Residents are encouraged to pay attention to their surroundings. If you see something occurring that you think is suspicious, or someone who is suspicious, you should note it, and contact the Camarillo Police Department. For safety reasons, police never want to encourage witnesses to intervene in the apprehension of criminals. However, we do encourage people to be good witnesses. In this case, the witness contacted the homeowner and when a crime was confirmed, the homeowner was able to provide suspect information to the police.

Studies have shown that it's a small percentage of criminals who commit a large percentage of crimes. Any information that witnesses can provide, can improve the chances of suspects being apprehended.

Prepared by: Detective Jamal Clark

News Release Date: 08-10-2017

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Approved by: Commander Dave Murray

Fatal Traffic Collision

8/10/2017 9:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fatal Traffic Collision

Report Number: RB# 17-119596

Location: Moorpark Road (Norwegian Grade)

Date & Time: August 10, 2017, 5:50 pm

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department, Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau,
Ventura County Fire Department

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

(D) Male
(P) Female

Narrative:

At about 5:50 pm, deputies from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to a fatal traffic collision which occurred on the Norwegian Grade in the city of Thousand Oaks. As a result of the traffic collision, a small brush fire also started and was quickly put out by the Ventura County Fire Department. This resulted in the Norwegian Grade being closed in both directions for several hours.

A sedan traveling north on the Norwegian Grade collided with a motorcyclist who was traveling south. The motorcyclist was fatally injured as a result, and was pronounced dead at Los Robles Medical Center. It is unknown at this time what caused the two vehicles to collide. The driver of the sedan stopped after colliding with the motorcyclist, and has been cooperative with investigators. At this time, alcohol or drugs do not appear to be a factor in this traffic collision.

The investigation is being conducted by the Thousand Oaks Traffic Bureau. Anyone who may have witnessed this traffic collision is asked to call (805) 494-8271.

Prepared by: Deputy Chris Dyer

Media Release Date: August 10, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Mike Berg
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Approved by:

Sgt. Carl Patterson

Gas Station Skimmer Arrests

8/11/2017 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Gas Station Skimmer Arrests

Report Number: 17-119757

Location: Adolfo Gas
4007 Adolfo Road

Date & Time: 08/10/2017 11:50 pm

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol, Camarillo Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(V) Adolfo Gas	Camarillo
(A) Adis Poghosyan	Glendale
(A) Tigran Ghazaryan	Glendale
(A) Adels Torosyan	Tujunga

Narrative:

On August 10, 2017, Camarillo Patrol deputies were dispatched to a suspicious subject call at Adolfo Gas in Camarillo. Deputies arrived and after their investigation, arrested 3 suspects for placing credit card skimmers in gas pumps at the location.

Adolfo Gas was recently purchased by a new owner. After purchasing the business, the owner made several improvements to better serve and protect his customers. One improvement was the installation of a state of the art video surveillance system.

On August 10, 2017, at approximately 11:50 PM, the business owner was watching his surveillance camera feed remotely and observed three male subjects at his business, which was closed. The owner saw the subjects tampering with the fuel pumps. The owner believed the subjects were placing credit card skimmers at the location and immediately contacted Ventura County Sheriff's Dispatch and reported the incident. Deputies from the Camarillo Police Department arrived on scene within approximately two minutes and detained the subjects.

Through their investigation, deputies were able to determine that the gas pumps at the location had been tampered with. Camarillo Police Detectives responded to assist in the investigation. Detectives located and recovered credit card skimming devices that had been placed inside the gas pumps by the subjects. A search of the subjects and their vehicle yielded additional evidence linking them to the placement of credit card skimming devices. Deputies contacted surrounding gas stations in the area and checked for any evidence of tampering. None was located as of this press release.

Adis Poghosyan, Tigran Ghazaryan, Adels Torosyan were all arrested without incident. All three

suspects were booked into the Ventura County Main Jail and charged with 530.5 PC (identity Theft), 182 PC (Conspiracy), 502.6 PC (Use of Scanning Device to commit Fraud), and 136 PC (dissuading a Witness).

The Camarillo Police Department would like to remind the public when using a remote pay device or an ATM, always check the device for signs of tampering. If something looks odd about the device, don't use it. Assume someone is watching you when you are entering your PIN and cover the keypad with your free hand when entering the numbers.

If you use a debit or credit card you should always closely monitor your accounts for unauthorized use. Always report unauthorized transactions to your financial institution. Obtain all the information about the illegal uses and report them to the police.

The Camarillo Police Department would like the community to know that we have an anti 'skimmer' program in place and regularly check credit card devices throughout the city. If you notice something strange about a device you are using, contact us immediately at 654-9511.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger

News Release Date: 8/11/2017

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Non-Fatal overdose investigation leads to three arrests

8/14/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Non-Fatal overdose investigation leads to three arrests

Report Number: 17-105743

Location: Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: July 17th, 2017

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

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Kirsten Otto	Oak View	30
(S) Robert Cortez	Ventura	31
(S) Mitchell Joyce	Ventura	47

Narrative:

On July 17th 2017, deputies from the East County Patrol Station were dispatched to a non-fatal overdose in the city of Thousand Oaks. The overdose victim in this case was transported to Los Robles Hospital for further evaluation and is expected to survive.

A thorough investigation was initiated by the patrol deputy and the PCU was called to assist. The investigation was able to identify the suspect who provided the heroin to the overdose victim as Kirsten Otto. The investigation also revealed Otto was purchasing heroin from at least two other individuals who were identified as Robert Cortez and Mitchell Joyce.

On August 1st, 2017, Otto was located and contacted in the unincorporated area of Ojai known as Oak View by a patrol deputy. Otto was arrested for 11352(a) H&S ' sales of a controlled substance. Otto was interviewed and booked into custody at the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility.

On August 3rd, 2017, the District Attorney's Office elected to file one count of 11352(a) H&S against Otto. Otto was arraigned in Ventura County Superior Court on her current charge and her bail was set at \$50,000.00.

On August 8th, 2017 both Castro and Joyce were determined to be in the Ventura County Jail for unrelated charges. They were both interviewed and arrested for 11352(a) H&S ' sales of a controlled substance.

On August 10th, 2017 the District Attorney's Office elected to file one count of 11352(a) H&S against both Castro and Joyce. They were arraigned in Ventura County Superior Court on their

current charges and their bail was set at \$100,000.00 each.

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, or any other information related to narcotics.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force made up of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Thousand Oaks Police Department, the California Highway Patrol, the Ventura Police Department, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation, and the California Department of Health Care Services. The primary mission of the task force is combatting 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 overdoses due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use.

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DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results

8/16/2017 9:30:00 AM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results

Report Number:

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: August 12, 2017 from 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>
Wise, William	Thousand Oaks	56

Narrative:

August DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

On the listed date and time, the Thousand Oaks Police Department-Traffic Bureau conducted a DUI / Driver's License checkpoint at two locations in the City of Thousand Oaks. The first location was north bound Lindero Cyn Rd. south of Rockfield St. The second location was north bound Westlake Blvd. north of Brunston Ct. 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.

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Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

During the listed Checkpoint Operation the following occurred:

- 669 vehicles were screened
- 1 DUI (adult) arrest-alcohol suspected
- 0 DUI (adult) drug impaired arrests
- 0 Arrested on other Criminal Charges
- 1 driver was cited/arrested for operating a vehicle while unlicensed or suspended/revoked
- A total of 2 citations were issued

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb. Visit <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>.

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspension and 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 September 9, 2017 (Saturday) in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and related injuries on 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'.

Prepared by: Dennis Sliva, Sergeant

Media Release Date: August 16, 2017

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Approved by: Capt. Don Aguilar

Arrest of Three Burglary / Theft Suspects

8/17/2017 4:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of 3 Burglary / Theft Suspects

Report Number: 17-122572

Location: Camarillo

Date & Time: 08/16/17 at 0240 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(A-1) Jose Gonzalez	Transient	18
(A-2) Juvenile	Camarillo	17
(A-3) Juvenile	Camarillo	15

<u>Charges:</u> 459 PC- Burglary	664/459 PC- Attempted Burg.
10852 VC- Vehicle Tampering	647(h) PC- Prowling
182(a)(1) PC- Conspiracy	272(a)(1) PC- Cont. Del. Minor

Narrative:

Camarillo patrol deputies arrested three 'Hot Prowl Burglary' suspects, early Wednesday morning. Thanks to an alert homeowner's quick reaction, deputies were able to respond and apprehend two of the suspects near the location. Detectives located and arrested the third suspect later in the morning.

On 08/16/17, at about 0240 hours, a resident in the 100 block of Encino Avenue noticed two suspects outside her residence. She yelled at the suspects and then called 911. The suspects ran from the location.

A patrol deputy arrived at the location within a minute of receiving the call. The two suspects were immediately apprehended at the scene.

Camarillo detectives responded and while reviewing video surveillance from the residence they determined that there was a third suspect who avoided apprehension. They suspected the third suspect Jose Gonzalez, whom detectives had identified as a possible suspect in similar crimes that occurred in Camarillo a week earlier. Detectives had been unable to locate Gonzalez as he was currently a transient.

At about 0825 hours, detectives located Gonzalez near the intersection of Las Posas Road and Earl Joseph Avenue. They took him into custody without incident. Gonzalez was suffering from

an ankle injury that he received prior to the detectives contacting him. Detectives confirmed he received the injury while fleeing from the Encino Avenue address. He was treated and released by AMR personnel, and eventually booked into the Sheriff's Main Jail without incident. Both juvenile suspects were lodged into Juvenile Hall.

Detectives located and recovered property that had been reported stolen from thefts and burglaries from the prior week. The investigation is ongoing as detectives sort through the evidence in an attempt to identify more victims.

It appears that the suspects targeted victims who left their vehicles unlocked. It is very common for thieves to take the path of least resistance. Residents are asked to please lock their vehicles and remove all valuables to eliminate the opportunity for criminals to victimize them. These criminals are not deterred by long driveways or secluded neighborhoods.

Prepared by: Detective Nora Soler

News Release Date: August 16, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

Narcotics and Weapons Arrest

8/17/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics and Weapons Arrest

Report Number: 17-119149

Location: 1341 Azalea Street, Oxnard, California

Date & Time: 08/10/2017 @ 1330

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit
Oxnard Police Department's Neighborhood Policing Team
California National Guard ' Counter Drug Task Force

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
Pablo Arellano Valdez	Oxnard

Narrative:

On 08/10/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Narcotic's Team concluded a month long narcotic investigation into Oxnard resident, Pablo Valdez, who was involved in the sales of methamphetamine and heroin to residents of Ventura County. The West County Street Team was assisted by the Oxnard Police Department's Neighborhood Policing Team and the California National Guard ' Counter Drug Task Force

Detectives detained and arrested Valdez during a traffic stop in the city of Oxnard, where Valdez was found to be in possession of methamphetamine for sales. A signed search warrant was then executed at Valdez' residence and storage lockers which were also located in the city of Oxnard.

During a search of Valdez' residence and storage lockers, Detectives located approximately 3.5 pounds of methamphetamine, 1 ounce of heroin, narcotics paraphernalia indicative of narcotics sales and a large sum of currency deemed to be proceeds of illegal narcotic sales. In addition a rifle and numerous rounds of ammunition were also seized.

Valdez was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail for numerous narcotic and weapon violations. He posted bail which was set at \$50,000.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 08/17/2017

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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Two Arrested for Drug Related Home Invasion Robbery

8/17/2017 2:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Two Arrested for Drug Related Home Invasion Robbery
Report Number: 17-83427
Location: 400 block of Serento Circle Thousand Oaks, CA
Date & Time: 06/7/2017 @ 11:30 p.m.
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit / East County Major Crimes

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Brandon Jefferson	Thousand Oaks	30
(S) Daniel Rogers	Thousand Oaks	29

Narrative:

On June 7, 2017, deputies from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to the 400 block of Serento Circle for a reported home invasion robbery. Responding deputies learned three suspects forced entry into the victim's home, battered him, and stole approximately twelve-hundred dollars. The victim sustained minor injuries and was treated by paramedics on scene.

The case was assigned to the East County Major Crimes Unit and the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit. During the course of the investigation, detectives discovered both the victim and suspects were involved in the illegal sales of pharmaceutical pills. Both the victim and suspects had been visiting several doctors throughout the Southern California area obtaining prescription medications, in a practice commonly referred to as 'Pill farming.' It was also determined the victim owed the suspects a large sum of money based on their illegal pharmaceutical sales. Detectives believe the motive behind the robbery was to forcibly collect the proceeds from illegal pharmaceutical sales. Investigators ultimately identified two of the robbery suspects as Brandon Jefferson and Daniel Rogers.

On August 8, 2017, detectives located Jefferson in the City of Thousand Oaks and subsequently

arrested him for his involvement in the home invasion robbery. Detectives later located Rogers in the City of Burbank and arrested him for his involvement in the home invasion robbery.

Jefferson and Rogers were booked at the Ventura County Sheriff's East County Jail for a violation of 211 PC ' Home Invasion Robbery and 182(a)(1) PC ' Conspiracy to commit a crime. Their bail was set at \$500,000. Jefferson and Rogers are due in court on August 8, 2017, for arraignment.

Prepared by: Detective Gabriel Gonzales #4368

Media Release Date: 08/17/2017

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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Vehicle Hit and Run / Child Endangerment / Stolen Vehicle Recovered and Foot

Puruit Arrest

8/17/2017 7:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Vehicle Hit and Run/Child Endangerment/ Stolen Vehicle Recovered and Foot Pursuit Arrest

Report Number: RB #17-123033

Location: City of Ojai

Date & Time: 08/16/2017 @ 7:00 pm

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Patrol/Ventura County Sheriff's Gang Unit

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

(A) Jesse Rivera

City of Residence

Santa Paula

Narrative:

Suspect 'nabbed' after foot pursuit. Wednesday evening, Ojai patrol deputies arrested a suspect after being led on a foot pursuit while he was holding a 3 year old toddler.

On 08/16/2017, at approximately 7:00 pm, Ojai Patrol Deputies were investigating a non-injury traffic collision that occurred in the area of North Signal Street and Aliso Street in the city of Ojai. The driver of one of the vehicles involved in the collision was identified as Jesse Rivera. It was determined Rivera was the 'at fault' party when he failed to 'yield to the right of way' to the other vehicle. Rivera's vehicle collided with the rear bumper of the other party's vehicle causing minor damage. Rivera had his girlfriend's 3 year old toddler in the vehicle with him however, the toddler was not injured.

While the deputies were investigating this collision, Rivera quickly grabbed the toddler and he ran away from the scene. A short foot pursuit ensued as Rivera ran away from the police while clutching the toddler. Without regard for the toddler's safety, Rivera threw the toddler over several 6 foot fences. Rivera then climbed over the fences, picked up the toddler as he continued to evade police on foot. A perimeter was set up, and the Ventura Sheriff's Gang Unit responded to assist. It was determined that the 2006 Volkswagen Jetta driven by Rivera had been stolen from the 700 block of Harvard Blvd. in the city of Santa Paula on 08/14/2017 @ 6:45 am.

Rivera flagged down an unsuspecting citizen for a ride out of the area. Rivera and the toddler were able to obtain a ride to the Vons Supermarket on Maricopa Highway in the city of Ojai from this citizen who was unaware of the circumstances and the criminal activity of Rivera. Ojai Deputies immediately learned this information and responded to the Vons Shopping Center where the search continued.

Rivera and the toddler were located in the Von's parking lot where Rivera was taken into custody without incident by Sheriff's Office personnel. The toddler was not injured. The toddler was later released to family members and Child Protective Services was involved. Rivera was arrested and booked at the Ventura County Jail where he remains in custody with a bail set at \$110,000.

Prepared by: Detective Will Hollowell

News Release Date: 08/17/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Will Hollowell 805-477-7042

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

Arrest of Residential Burglary Suspects

8/18/2017 1:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Residential Burglary Suspects
Report Number: 17-101378
Location: 1200 Block of Dover Avenue, Thousand Oaks, CA
Date & Time: 08/17/2017 @ 12:00 PM
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Gordon, Shaquille O'Neal	Los Angeles	23
Kaiser, Jyree	Los Angeles	22

Narrative:

On July 9, 2017, a daytime residential burglary occurred in the 1200 block of Dover Avenue in Thousand Oaks. Jewelry, electronics, and an assault rifle were stolen.

Video surveillance footage of the burglary showed a female suspect knock on the front door. After receiving no answer at the front door, two male suspects entered the side yard and forced entry through a rear door. The male suspects fled from the residence carrying the stolen assault rifle and a white pillow case full of stolen property. A witness observed the suspects leave in a white Buick Lacrosse and recorded the license plate number.

Investigators were able to identify the female suspect as Latasha Rougely. On August 3, 2017, investigators served a search warrant at Rougely's Los Angeles residence and recovered some of the victim's stolen property. Investigators also found photographs of a male that appeared to be one of the male suspects seen in video surveillance. Rougely was home during the search warrant and was arrested for residential burglary.

One of the photographs found at the search warrant was sent to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. Using facial recognition software, they identified the subject in the photograph as 23-year-old Shaquille Gordon. Thousand Oaks Investigators then searched social media sites and identified the second male suspect as 22-year-old Jyree Kaiser.

Gordon is on parole for PC 459 - residential burglary, and was released two months ago.

Kaiser is on parole for PC 246.3(a)(1) PC ' willful discharge of a firearm with gross negligence, and was released last month.

On August 17, 2017, investigators worked with the California Department of Corrections and

arrested both Gordon and Kaiser.

'Knock-knock' burglaries continue to be an ongoing problem throughout Southern California. The Thousand Oaks Police Department wants to remind residents to lock their doors and windows and secure firearms in safes. If someone knocks on your front door while you are home and that person is unknown to you, verbally respond to the person without opening your door so they know someone is at home.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank members of the public for their on-going support and due diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes. We are better at what we do because of our community partnerships. Join us in the fight on crime by following us on Twitter@VENTURASHERIFF, on Facebook with our Official Page, VCSHERIFF on Instagram, and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories.

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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Narcotics Arrest

8/18/2017 5:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest
Report Number: 17-123695
Location: 2825 Ventura Blvd Apt H, Nyeland Acres, (Oxnard) California
Date & Time: 08/17/2017 @ 1930
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit
Ventura Police Street Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Sean Quolas	Oxnard	38
(S) Esmeralda Garcia	Oxnard	41

Narrative:

On 08/17/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Narcotic's Team concluded a month long narcotic investigation into Oxnard resident, Sean Quolas, who was involved in the sales of methamphetamine to residents of Ventura County. The West County Street Team was assisted by the Ventura Police Department's Street Crimes Unit.

At approximately 1915 hours, Detectives executed a search warrant at Quolas' residence located at 2825 Ventura Blvd, Apt H in the unincorporated area of Ventura County known as Nyeland Acres. Quolas was in custody on related charges after being arrested earlier in the day by the Ventura Police Department.

During the search of Quolas' residence Detectives located approximately 12 ounces of methamphetamine and narcotics paraphernalia indicative of narcotics sales. Esmeralda Garcia was contacted at the residence and arrested for possession of heroin and methamphetamine. Garcia was cited and released at the scene.

Quolas remains in custody at the Ventura County Main Jail for numerous narcotic and weapon violations. His bail is currently set at \$210,000. Quolas' arraignment is set for August 21st, in Division 13 at 1330 hours.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 08/18/2017

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Sheriff's Office and Mexican Consulate Team up to Produce Public Service

Announcements on Immigration

8/18/2017 3:00:00 PM

Sheriff's Office and Mexican Consulate Team up to Produce Public Service Announcements on Immigration

VENTURA, Ca. - In order to increase public awareness and trust among the Latino community, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office has collaborated with the Mexican Consulate in Oxnard to produce public service announcements illustrating our priority to provide effective public safety to all of the residents in this county, regardless of their immigration status.

Establishing and maintaining trust with the communities we serve is an ongoing challenge for law enforcement agencies everywhere. With the current political rhetoric surrounding immigration, there is a sense of fear among many immigrant communities about the possibility of deportation. There have been reports in the media suggesting local law enforcement agencies will have a role in mass deportation of illegal immigrants.

To be clear, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office neither targets immigrants nor asks about their immigration status. That is not, nor has it ever been, part of our mission to protect the communities we serve. We are proud to work with the Mexican Consulate to help bring this message to the public we serve.

The videos can be viewed via the following link: <http://tinyurl.com/yamtj9sq>

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Multiple People Arrested for Smuggling Drugs into Jail

8/21/2017 3:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Multiple People Arrested for Smuggling Drugs into Jail

Report Number: 16-175654

Location: Pre-Trial Detention Facility ' Ventura, California

Date & Time: November 22, 2016 at 1945 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Pre-Trial Detention Facility

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Daniel Martinez	Ventura
(S) Ilyanna Hernandez	Ventura
(S) Amber Castillo	Oxnard
(S) Michael Curiale	Thousand Oaks

Narrative:

Many inmates are provided opportunities to work while in custody in Ventura County jails. On November 22, 2016, Daniel Martinez was given that opportunity and was assigned as an inmate worker at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility. Martinez is currently serving a sentence for PC 530.5(a) ' Identity Theft, HS 11378 ' Possession For Sale Of A Controlled Substance, PC 273.5(a) ' Inflict Corporal Injury on Current/Former Spouse, HS 11377(a) ' Possession of a Controlled Substance and multiple probation violations.

During a random contraband search at the jail, Martinez was found to be in possession of drugs. After further investigation, it was discovered that Martinez' wife, Ilyanna Hernandez, had coordinated with her husband to purchase drugs and smuggle them into the jail. The investigation revealed that Martinez had approached a fellow inmate worker, Michael Curiale, and arranged to have Curiale smuggle drugs into the jail via the Ojai Police Station, where Curiale was assigned as an inmate worker. Curiale was serving a sentence for VC 2800.2(a) ' Evading An Officer, Willful Disregard.

Ilyanna Hernandez coordinated with Amber Castillo to buy drugs which were later thrown over a fence at the Ojai Police Station. Curiale retrieved the drugs from the parking lot and smuggled them into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility.

Sheriff's Deputies assigned to the Pre-Trail Detention Facility, including the Classification Unit, investigated the criminal activity. Based on facts associated with the crime, Martinez, Hernandez, Castillo, and Curiale were each arrested for Penal Code 4573 ' Bringing or Assisting in Bringing Drugs into Jail, and Penal Code 182 ' Conspiracy to Commit a Crime. The case was submitted to

the Ventura County District Attorney's Office and after several months of litigation, all suspects pleaded guilty to PC 4573 and were sentenced to various lengths of time in county jail as well as (36) months of formal probation.

Bringing drugs into a custodial facility is an issue that the Pre-Trial Detention Facility combats on a daily basis. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office works diligently to prevent drugs from entering into the jails. Deputies make an effort to arrest individuals for these types of offenses and hold them responsible for their actions.

Prepared by: Deputy Nick Gildroy / Classification Unit

News Release Date: August 21, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Mark Franke

Arrest of Fillmore gang members

8/22/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Fillmore gang members

Report Number: 17-125843

Location: 800 block of Fourth St., Fillmore

Date & Time: 8-21-17 / 3:55 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Detective Unit

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

(S) Eric Martinez

(S) Jonathan Mora

City of Residence

Fillmore

Fillmore

Narrative:

Known gang member found in possession of a loaded firearm while under the influence of a controlled substance.

Shortly before 4 PM Monday, August 21st, Detectives Dani Delpit and Bill Meixner were in the 800 block of Fourth St., Fillmore, when they saw two men in a vehicle. They recognized the men as (S) Jonathan Mora, a local documented gang member who was on probation for drug-related charges, and (S) Eric Martinez, a local documented gang member and parolee who had a felony warrant for his arrest. When they detained the two men, the detectives found both to be under the influence of a controlled substance and Martinez to be in possession of a loaded handgun.

Martinez was arrested and booked for 29800(a)(1) PC ' Felon in possession of a firearm (felony), 30505(a)(1) PC ' Prohibited person possessing ammunition (felony); 11550(e) HS ' Under the influence of a controlled substance while possessing a firearm (felony); 11370.1(a) HS ' Possession of a controlled substance while possessing a firearm (felony); 4060 BP ' Possession of a controlled substance (misdemeanor); 3056 PC ' Custody of a parolee; and an arrest warrant for 518 PC ' Extortion (felony) and 186.22(a) ' Street terrorism (felony). He is currently in custody at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility with a bail of \$70,000.

Mora was arrested and booked for 11550(a) HS ' Under the influence of a controlled substance (misdemeanor). He was later released on a citation.

Prepared by: Sergeant Kevin Vaden

News Release Date: 8-22-17

Media Follow-Up
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Approved by:

Captain Jim Fryhoff

Nature of Incident: Back to School Safety

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: August 22, 2017

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

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

City of Residence

Narrative:

As the new school year begins, the Camarillo Police Department would like to remind the public to be cautious as they travel near schools. As children and parents make their way to and from school, there will be an increase in traffic. To ensure children get to school safely, the Camarillo Police Department has the following suggestions:

Motorists:

- } Slow down and observe the speed limit and traffic laws in school zones at all times. Camarillo Police Officers will be assigned to these areas to enforce traffic laws.
- } Be very careful when driving on neighborhood streets and around school zones. Always expect the unexpected. Stay off of your cell phones or any other devices that may distract you as you travel.
- } Be alert for children walking and biking as you back out of your driveway or leave your garage.
- } If you are dropping your child off at school, do not stop in the street and let them out. Pull to the curb and let them out in a safe area.
- } Watch for children on bicycles, especially at intersections.
- } Follow directions of all crossing guards at crosswalks and near schools. Failure to do so can result in a citation.
- } 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. Do not start driving until the red lights stop flashing.

Bicyclists:

- } Remind your children that bicyclists must follow the same rules of the road as vehicles do. They must stop for stop signs, red lights, and signal when turning.

- } Any child under 18 years of age is required by law to wear an approved helmet when riding a bicycle. Bicyclists not wearing helmets could be cited and the fine is over \$100.00.

Pedestrians:

- } Never walk alone to school. Always walk with a friend or an adult.
- } Only cross the street at a marked crosswalk.
- } Look left, right, and left again before crossing and continue to be aware of your surroundings.
- } Stay alert! Put cell phones, games, and other devices away until you arrive at your destination.
- } Make eye contact with drivers prior to crossing when vehicles are approaching or stopped.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger

News Release Date: August 22, 2017

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Approved by: Commander Dave Murray

Arrest of suspect for multiple counts of ID theft

8/23/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of suspect for multiple counts of ID theft

Report Number: 2017-93835

Location: Moorpark and various cities throughout California

Date & Time: August 18, 2017, 1330 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Investigations Bureau, East Valley Major Crimes / Forgery-Fraud Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
Heywood, Justin Lee	Oxnard

Narrative:

In August 2017, detectives and investigators from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office ' Moorpark Station, initiated an investigation into a theft of a credit card and several unauthorized charges made against that credit card. The victim reported that her new credit card, which was delivered by an Overnight Delivery Service, was stolen from her porch. When the victim did not receive her package, she contacted the credit card company and learned that her stolen card had been activated and several fraudulent purchases were made using her access card.

Detectives obtained surveillance video of the suspect who made the purchases and were able to positively identify the suspect as Justin Heywood. Detectives learned that Heywood had been arrested last year for his involvement in a large scale identity theft ring. The ID theft ring hacked into the computer system of multiple Overnight Delivery Services in order to obtain dates, times, and addresses of credit card deliveries. The ring members stole the credit cards after they were delivered and made multiple purchases using the stolen cards. The prior investigation determined that Heywood and other ring members were responsible for victimizing hundreds of individuals with several hundred thousand dollars in financial loss.

As part of this investigation, Moorpark Detectives served a search warrant on Heywood's home and vehicle. During the service of the warrant, detectives located several delivery service manifests, multiple stolen credit cards as well as other evidence. The credit cards were stolen from victims in Moorpark, Thousand Oaks, and throughout California.

Heywood was arrested and charged with felony Identity Theft and two misdemeanor drug related charges. His bail for this current case is set at \$250,000.00.

With the advent of on-line purchasing and the use of Overnight and Rapid Delivery Services, the opportunity for package theft and identity theft has increased significantly. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office recommends taking additional precautions to ensure the safe delivery of purchases by considering the following measures: have packages delivered directly to the Post Office, to your work, or directly to a friend or family member who can sign for their acceptance. A few minutes of inconvenience can reduce or eliminate the likelihood of future victimization.

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch

News Release Date: August 23, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch
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Approved by: Captain John Reilly

Start Smart Program Offered for Young Adult Drivers

8/23/2017 5:30:00 PM

- Nature of Incident:** Start Smart Program Offered for Young Adult Drivers
- Location:** Thousand Oaks Police Station ' 2101 E. Olsen Rd. (Community Room)
- Date & Time:** Thursday, September 14th , 2017, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Unit Responsible:** Thousand Oaks Police Department - Traffic Bureau

Start Smart is a cooperative effort between the California Highway Patrol, Thousand Oaks Police Department, teenage drivers, and their parents.

Nationwide, 43 percent of first-year drivers and 37 percent of second-year drivers are involved in car crashes. The risk of motor vehicle crashes is higher among 16-19-year-olds than among any other age group. In fact, per mile driven, teen drivers ages 16 to 19 are nearly three times more likely than drivers aged 20 and older to be in a fatal crash. The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be hosting a program to educate newly licensed and future licensed drivers.

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 25 students and their parents. There is no charge to attend the program.

- Prepared by:** Deputy Marcos Moreno
- Media Release Date:** 8/23/17
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- Approved by:** Captain Don Aguilar

Hit and Run Collision / Camarillo

8/24/2017 2:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Hit and run collision
Report Number: 17- 124517
Location: Lewis Road at Dawson Drive
Date & Time: 8/19/17 at 5:17AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
P ' Adult male		56

Narrative:

On 8/19/17, at 5:17 AM, an adult male was riding his bicycle south on Lewis Road approaching the Dawson Drive intersection. According to the bicyclist, a vehicle struck the rear of his bicycle causing him to be ejected from the bicycle. The vehicle did not stop at the scene of the collision and fled the area. The bicyclist sustained major injuries and was admitted to Los Robles Hospital.

The Camarillo Police Department is seeking the public's help and asking anyone who might have witnessed this collision to contact Senior Deputy Sam Dominguez at 805-388-5146.

Prepared by: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572

News Release Date: 8/24/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572

Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

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).

Sheriff's Office Welcomes New Dogs for their R.U.F.F. Road

8/24/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sheriff's Office Welcomes New Dogs For Their R.U.F.F. Road Training Program

Location: Detention Services Division -Todd Road Jail Facility
600 South Todd Road, Santa Paula

Date & Time: August 24, 2017

Narrative:

Inmates at the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Detention Services Division Todd Road Jail Facility began the second dog-training program on August 23, 2017. For this round of training, VIP Dog Teams joined the program. VIP Dog Teams is a non-profit organization whose primary goal is to provide dog-assisted therapy to facilities and individuals in our community.

The dogs were hand-selected from the Ventura County Animal Shelter and will complete 22 weeks of Goal Oriented Therapy (GOT) training. The dogs' names 'Chenko' and 'Whitney' are in memoriam of fallen deputies from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Deputy Eugene Kostiuchenko and Senior Deputy Lisa Whitney, respectively. Chenko is a handsome poodle mix and Whitney is a beautiful poodle/terrier mix. Both dogs received a warm welcome from family members of the fallen deputies. Chenko was welcomed by Deputy Kostiuchenko's wife, Maura and her niece Mackenzie; and Whitney was welcomed by Senior Deputy Whitney's late husband Oxnard's Chief of Police Scott Whitney and mother Jan Bryant.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office, VIP Dog Teams, and Ventura County Animal Services are honored to have these dogs named after our fallen officers out in the community to serve those in need of dog-assisted therapy.

For more information on VIP Dog Teams, please email info@vipdogteams.org.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Shawn Pewsey

News Release Date: August 23, 2017

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Lost cell phone leads to arrest of serial burglar

8/25/2017 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Lost Cell Phone Leads to arrest of Serial Burglar.
Report Number: 17-115622 & 17-116258
Location: 1800 Block of West Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA
Date & Time: August 24, 2017 @ 0700
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Cesar Ramirez	Thousand Oaks	23

Narrative:

On August 4, 2017, Deputies from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to a residential burglary report in the 1800 block of West Hillcrest Drive. The victim reported sometime during the day, an unknown suspect(s) entered his residence and stole several items. While processing the scene, the home owner pointed out a cellular phone that appeared to have been left behind by the suspect(s). Deputies collected the phone as evidence and turned the case over to the Special Enforcement Unit.

Investigators obtained a search warrant for the cellular phone and located texts and photographs that identified the phone's owner as 23-year-old Cesar Ramirez. Investigators examined the photographs and found some of the pictures depicted items that matched the description of items taken during an August 3rd burglary. That burglary also occurred in the 1800 Block of West Hillcrest.

On August 24, 2017, Thousand Oaks investigators served a search warrant at Ramirez' Thousand Oaks residence. Investigators developed additional information and were able to arrest Ramirez for both residential burglaries. Ramirez, who is on parole for Grand Theft Auto and a documented Moorpark gang member, was booked into the Ventura County Jail. He is scheduled to be arraigned on Monday, August 28, 2017.

Investigators believe Ramirez is responsible for several other Thousand Oaks residential burglaries and expect to arrest him on additional burglary counts.

Residential burglaries continue to be an issue throughout Southern California. The Thousand Oaks Police Department wants to remind residents to lock their houses and secure firearms and other valuable items inside of a large safe. Residents are also reminded to stay vigilant and immediately report suspicious activity to law enforcement.

Prepared by: Detective Joseph Horswill

Media Release Date: August 24, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Narcotics arrest / large narcotics seizure

8/25/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrests / Large Narcotics Seizure

Report Number: 17-120140

Location: Erringer Road and 118 Freeway, Simi Valley

Date & Time: 8/24/2017, 1638 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: City of Thousand Oaks - East County Narcotic Unit
Ventura County Combined Agency Team
California Highway Patrol

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

Osborn, Monte Monroe
Moreno, Eddie

City of Residence

Burbank
San Fernando Valley

Narrative:

On August 24, 2017, detectives with the City of Thousand Oaks - East County Narcotic Unit and the Ventura County Combined Agency Team concluded a narcotics investigation with the arrest of Monte Osborn and Eddie Moreno.

Detectives were conducting an investigation reference the flow of methamphetamine being distributed into various communities throughout the Conejo Valley. Detectives identified Osborn and Moreno as being involved in this investigation and followed them as they came into Ventura County. Osborn and Moreno were travelling West on the 118 Freeway toward the cities of Moorpark and Thousand Oaks. Detectives requested the assistance of the California Highway Patrol who initiated a traffic stop on the vehicle.

During the investigation, CHP officers searched Osborn and Moreno's vehicle and located over 17 pounds of methamphetamine. Two sets of nunchakus were also located inside the vehicle. Both Osborn and Moreno were arrested for possession for sales of a controlled substance and transportation of a controlled substance. This quantity of methamphetamine has a potential street value of over \$600,000.

Both suspects were booked at the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility pending their appearance in court. Both are scheduled to appear in court on 8/28/2017, at 1:30PM.

Prepared by: Sergeant Jose Rivera

News Release Date: 8/25/2017

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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Third Suspect Arrested for Drug Related Home Invasion Robbery

8/25/2017 4:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Third Suspect Arrested for Drug Related Home Invasion Robbery

Report Number: 17-83427

Location: 400 block of Serento Circle Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: 08/17/2017 @ 0830

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit / East County Major Crimes

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Suspect (1) Brandon Jefferson	Thousand Oaks	30
Suspect (2) Daniel Rogers	Thousand Oaks	29
Suspect (3) Brandon Dreher	North Hollywood	30

Narrative:

Deputies have arrested a third suspect in a June home invasion robbery that investigators believe was drug related. 30-year-old Brandon Dreher was taken into custody this morning shortly after leaving his North Hollywood apartment.

On June 7th, 2017, deputies from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to the 400 block of Serento Circle for a reported home invasion robbery. Responding deputies learned three suspects forced entry into the victims' home, battered him, and stole approximately twelve-hundred dollars. The victim sustained minor injuries and was treated by paramedics on scene.

The case was assigned to the East Valley Major Crimes Unit and the Thousand Oaks Police Special Enforcement Unit. During the course of the investigation, detectives discovered both the victim and suspects were involved in the illegal sales of pharmaceutical pills. Both the victim and suspects had been visiting several doctors throughout the Southern California area obtaining prescription medications, in a practice commonly referred to as 'Pill farming.' It was also determined the victim owed the suspects a large sum of money based on their illegal pharmaceutical sales. Detectives believe the motive behind the robbery was to forcibly collect

the proceeds from illegal pharmaceutical sales. Investigators ultimately identified two of the robbery suspects as Brandon Jefferson and Daniel Rogers.

On August 8th, 2017, detectives located Jefferson in the City of Thousand Oaks and subsequently arrested him for his involvement in the home invasion robbery. Detectives later located Rogers in the City of Burbank and arrested him for his involvement in the home invasion robbery.

On August 25, 2017, investigators had developed information that a third suspect involved in the robbery was 30 year old Brandon Dreher. Investigators were able to locate Dreher at an apartment complex in North Hollywood and arrested him shortly after he left his residence.

Dreher was booked into the Ventura County Jail for conspiracy to commit robbery. His bail is set at \$500,000. Jefferson and Rogers remain in custody awaiting trial and their bail is set at \$200,000 each.

Prepared by: Detective Gabriel Gonzales #4368

Media Release Date: 08/25/2017

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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Child Annoying

8/28/2017 6:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Child Annoying
Report Number: 17-129747
Location: Arneill / Barry Street
Date & Time: 08-28-17/ 10:45 a.m.
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Hispanic Male	Unknown	20's
(V) Female		Juvenile

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department is asking for the public's help in identifying a Child Annoying suspect.

On 8/28/ 2017, a female juvenile was walking along Arneill Street in Camarillo, when an unknown Hispanic male with a shaved head driving a blue four-door sedan asked her to get in his car. The female juvenile refused to get in and continued walking. The male in the blue vehicle, possibly a Toyota Corolla, pulled alongside the victim as she kept walking and again asked her to enter his vehicle.

The victim told the male suspect she was only 14 years old and she was not getting in the vehicle. The male suspect then attempted to lure the victim into his vehicle again by holding out some money and asking the victim a sexually motivated question. The victim continued walking and was able to contact police as the suspect drove away.

Police were able to capture a photo of the vehicle involved and that photo is being distributed along with this press release. If you have any additional information related to this crime please contact the Ventura County Sheriff's Office @ 654-9511.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to remind parents to discuss with their children what to do if the children are approached by strangers. Please talk to your children and remind them to try to walk in groups and never enter a stranger's vehicle.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Franchi
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Approved by:

Captain Jeremy Paris

Arrest of Residential Burglary Suspect

8/29/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Residential Burglary Suspect

Report Number: 17-130156 & 17-119605

Location: 6200 Block of Calle Bodega, Camarillo

Date & Time: 08-29-2017 / 0330 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

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

Male Juvenile

City of Residence

Camarillo

Narrative:

Camarillo Deputies arrested a 13 year-old suspect for committing residential burglaries.

On 08/29/17, at about 3:30 A.M., a resident in the 6200 block of Calle Bodega was awakened by noises that were initially coming from his garage. When the resident got out of bed to investigate the noises, he discovered they were now coming from his back yard. The resident realized that someone was attempting to open his rear sliding patio door so he yelled at them. Another resident of the location called '911' and deputies were dispatched to the location.

Responding deputies searched the area and found the juvenile suspect hiding in a nearby yard. The 13-year-old suspect was arrested without incident and was found to be in possession of property stolen from the victim's residence.

Detectives responded for the investigation and determined that this juvenile was also responsible for another residential burglary that occurred on 8-7-2017, in the 6000 block of Arabian Place, Camarillo. During this crime, the suspect entered an occupied residence with the intent to commit a theft while the occupants slept. One of the residents awoke and the suspect was able to flee undetected.

The juvenile suspect was lodged into Juvenile Hall.

Prepared by: Detective L. Johnson #3961

News Release Date: August 29, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John M. Franchi / John.Franchi@ventura.org / 805-388-5135

Approved by:

Captain Jeremy Paris

Ojai Citizen's Academy

8/29/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Ojai Citizen's Academy

Report Number: N/A

Location: Ojai Police Station, 402 S. Ventura St., Ojai Ca.

Date & Time: October 11, 2017 to January 10, 2018

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Police Department

Narrative:

On October 11th, 2017, the Ojai Police Department will begin its 2017 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, search and rescue members, 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 shane.matthews@ventura.org or dropped off at the police station.

Classes will meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM for ten weeks with breaks to accommodate the holidays. Classes will be held at the Ojai Police Station.

For additional information call the Ojai Police Station at 805-646-1414 or email Sergeant Shane Matthews at Shane.Matthews@ventura.org. Follow us on Twitter @OjaiPoliceDept.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Joe Mulrooney

News Release Date: August 29, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Joe Mulrooney (805) 947-8075

Approved by: Captain J. Fryhoff

Bear cub relocated into the Los Padres National Forest

8/30/2017 7:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Bear (cub) relocated into the Los Padres National Forest

Location: 100 block of North Lomita Avenue, Meiners Oaks

Date & Time: 08/30/2017 3:30 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Patrol Station / California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Narrative:

Wandering bear (cub) safely relocated to the Los Padres National Forest.

On 08-30-17 at 10:30 AM deputies responded to a bear in the area of the 100 block of North Felix Drive in Meiners Oaks. The cub ran up a tree and was stationary for some time. After a consultation with Department of Fish and Wildlife, the instructions were to leave the cub alone and it would likely come down at dusk and head back for the mountains. Fish and Wildlife officials indicated that based on the size of the cub, it was not likely to have a 'momma bear' with it. However, at 2:00 PM the cub came down from the tree and was walking through yards in the 100 block of North Lomita Avenue. Patrol deputies responded again and contacted Fish and Wildlife again who responded. While deputies were on scene, the cub climbed a tree in the 100 block of North Lomita Avenue. The cub stayed in the area until Fish and Wildlife arrived.

Once on scene, Fish and Wildlife official, Lieutenant JC Healy, in conjunction with deputies from the Ojai station came up with a plan to set up a perimeter and immobilize the cub so it could be safely relocated. The two agencies kept public safety and the cub's safety in mind in every decision. The cub was successfully immobilized and relocated to the Los Padres National Forest.

Prepared by: Captain James Fryhoff

News Release Date: 08-30-2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain James Fryhoff, 805-797-6378

Approved by: Captain James Fryhoff

15 Year old Juvenile Arrested for Hot Prowl Residential Burglary

8/31/2017 11:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: 15 Year Old Juvenile Arrested for Hot Prowl Residential Burglary

Report Number: 17-129350

Location: Rosehedge Lane and Conifer Street (Oak Park area)

Date & Time: August 27, 2017 / 3:00 P.M.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Investigations ' Auto Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Juvenile Male	Oak Park	15

Narrative:

On August 28, 2017, detectives assigned to the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Auto Crimes Unit arrested a 15 year old male juvenile following the investigation of an Oak Park area Hot Prowl residential burglary and theft of a vehicle.

On August 27, 2017, a deputy from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to a report of a residential burglary in the area of Rosehedge Lane and Conifer Street in the Oak Park area. The victim reported sometime during the night, while he and his family were sleeping, a suspect entered their home through an unlocked front door and stole his wallet, car keys and other belongings. The deputy processed the scene and turned the investigation over to detectives.

Later that evening, at about 10:00 PM, the suspect returned to the residence and stole the victim's car. As deputies were responding to take an additional crime report, the suspect returned to the area in the stolen vehicle and fled on foot. Responding deputies set up a perimeter and used a K-9 to search the area. The K-9 tracked the unknown suspect from the abandoned stolen vehicle to a residence about three blocks away. The suspect was not located and the deputies cleared the call.

On August 29, 2017, detectives assigned to the Thousand Oaks Police Department's Auto Crimes Unit canvassed the area where the K-9 tracked the suspect. Investigators identified a possible suspect and located evidence that linked him to the stolen vehicle and the hot prowl residential burglary. Detectives located and arrested the male juvenile suspect for 459 PC ' Residential Burglary and 10851(a) VC ' Vehicle Theft. The suspect was lodged into Juvenile Hall. Investigators also discovered the suspect is wanted for two counts of residential burglary in Los Angeles County.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department would like to remind the community to lock their residences and vehicles. If members of the community observe any suspicious subjects or circumstances, they are encouraged to contact Sheriff's Dispatch by calling 9-1-1 or (805) 654-9511 (non-emergency).

Prepared by: Detective Kevin Kipp #4632

Media Release Date: August 29, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman, tim.lohman@ventura.org,
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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Stolen Vehicle / Narcotics Arrests

8/31/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stolen Vehicle/Narcotics Arrests
Report Number: RB# 17-128821 & 17-127039
Location: Carmen Drive @ Ponderosa Drive
Date & Time: 08/26/2017 @ 1751 hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Special Enforcement Detail & Camarillo Patrol Deputies

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Nathan Scheibelhut	Camarillo
(S) Jazmin Castillo	Camarillo/Newbury Park
(S) Jessie Cortez	Oxnard
(S) Breeana Brooke	Oxnard
(S) Daisy Perez	Oxnard

Narrative:

Investigators with the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail located a stolen commercial truck in the City of Camarillo. A male and a female subject were seen going in and out of the stolen vehicle. The male and female subject then entered a different vehicle that was occupied by three additional subjects' and all five subjects' left the area. Camarillo Patrol Deputies and the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle at Carmen Drive and Ponderosa Drive. A total of five people were arrested for various charges.

On 8/23/17, Camarillo patrol deputies responded to the business located in the 4600 block of Adolfo Road in Camarillo reference a reported stolen vehicle. During the initial investigation, Camarillo Patrol deputies learned a suspect identified as Nathan Scheibelhut, had failed to return the vehicle to the business and it was reported as being stolen.

On 08/26/17, investigators assigned to the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail located the stolen vehicle as it was parked in a residential area of Camarillo. Investigators also observed several people enter and exit the stolen vehicle as it was parked. At one point, several subjects that had been observed near the stolen vehicle drove out of the area in another vehicle. Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail investigators and Camarillo Patrol deputies conducted a traffic stop on that vehicle and discovered it was occupied by five people. One of the occupants was identified as the suspect, Nathan Scheibelhut.

During the investigation following the traffic stop, methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia, and ammunition was located inside the vehicle. It was also confirmed that these people were associated with the stolen vehicle. All five subjects were arrested for various charges and

booked at the Ventura County Main Jail, pending future court dates.

Prepared by: Detective Nicole Brazier #4474

News Release Date: 08-31-2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi
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Approved by: Captain Paris

Armed Bank Robbery

9/1/2017 10:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Armed Bank Robbery
Report Number: 17-131745
Location: Citibank 430 Arneill Road Camarillo
Date & Time: 08/31/17 @ 2:38 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol; Major Crimes

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

Narrative:

On 08-31-17, at about 2:38 p.m., Ventura County Sheriff's dispatch received a call of a armed bank robbery that had just occurred at the Citibank located at 430 Arneill Road in Camarillo. When deputies arrived, they discovered a solo male suspect had entered the bank, displayed a handgun, and demanded money from a bank teller. The bank teller complied and gave the suspect an undisclosed amount of money. The suspect fled from the bank in an unknown direction. There were several other employees and customers in the bank at the time of the robbery.

The suspect has been described as a white or Hispanic male in his 30's or 40's. He is approximately 5'8' to 6'0' tall with a medium build. The suspect was wearing a long sleeve shirt with a reflective, construction-type vest. Witnesses reported the suspect may have also been wearing a fake beard in order to conceal his identity.

Major Crimes detectives are handling the investigation of this robbery. Anyone who may have been in the area at the time and observed the suspect's actions before, during, or after the robbery are asked to contact the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau at (805) 384-4737.

Prepared by: Sgt. Ron Chips
News Release Date: 08-31-17
Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Ron Chips
(805) 765-0617

Approved by:

Captain Melissa Smith

Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

9/1/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: September 9, 2017 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department - 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 September 9, 2017, at an undisclosed location(s) within the city limits.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Thousand Oaks Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

The deterrent effect of High Visibility Enforcement using both DUI checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols has proven to lower the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug impaired crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized proactive DUI operations are conducted routinely.

DUI Checkpoints like this one 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, alcohol involved collisions led to 1,155 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2014 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Locally, over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 8 lives and resulted in 91 injury crashes

harming our friends and neighbors.

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.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

For more information about DDVIP, visit: <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and 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 Drivers ' Call 9-1-1'.

Prepared by: Carl Patterson, Sergeant

News Story Date: September 1, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: Carl Patterson, Sergeant
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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Arrest of stabbing suspect

9/2/2017 9:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of stabbing suspect
Report Number: 17-131953
Location: Santa Clara River Bike Path, Fillmore
Date & Time: 9/1/2017, 0700
Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Gang Unit, Sheriff's Major Crime Bureau, Fillmore Investigations Detectives

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
Hernandez, Albert (S)	Fillmore
Male Juvenile (V)	Fillmore

Narrative:

On Thursday night, August 31, 2017, The Ventura Sheriff's Department Communication Center received a call of a stabbing victim in the area of A Street and River Street in the City of Fillmore. Patrol deputies from the Fillmore Station responded and found a single victim with multiple stab wounds. The victim was transported to a local hospital and the injuries were not life threatening. The evidence at the scene suggested the crime occurred on the bike path adjacent the Santa Clara River.

Detectives from the Sheriff's Gang Unit, Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, and Fillmore Patrol Station responded to the scene and began the investigation. Detectives quickly identified Albert Hernandez as the suspect and began an intensive search. Albert is known as a local gang member in the Fillmore area.

The following morning, September 1, 2017, Investigators located Albert Hernandez on his way to work. He was arrested without incident. Detectives also located what they believe was the weapon used to stab the victim. The weapon was in Hernandez's possession at the time of arrest. Additional evidence of the stabbing was located at Hernandez's residence.

Albert Hernandez was charged with California Penal Code Section 245, assault with a deadly weapon. He is being held at the Ventura County Main Jail on \$150,000 bail.

Detectives from the Sheriff's Gang Unit proactively investigate violent and gang related crimes in partnership with members of our community. Anyone with gang or crime information is encouraged to contact detectives or Ventura County Crime Stoppers.

Prepared by: Sergeant Brian Slominski

News Release Date: 9/2/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Erik Hernandez
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Approved by: Captain Todd Inglis

Attempted residential burglary arrest

9/3/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt Residential Burglary Arrest
Report Number: 2017-133346
Location: 200 Block North La Luna Avenue, Meiners Oaks, Ca.
Date & Time: 09/03/2017 @ 7:15 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Patrol

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Shane Colton Young	Meiners Oaks	47

Narrative:

On Sunday morning 9/3/2017, at approximately 0710 hours, Sheriff Deputies responded to a subject disturbing call at a residence in the 200 Block of La Luna Avenue in the unincorporated area of Ojai known as Meiners Oaks. Deputies found a male suspect inside the victim's home.

Deputies learned that an adult female had been housesitting at a friend's home. The female saw an unknown white male walking around the residence and checking for unlocked exterior doors. She told deputies that the suspect then forced open a wood and glass framed door shattering the door lock assembly. Fearful for her safety, she ran to a neighboring residence and called 9-1-1.

The suspect was identified as Shane Young and found to have had no lawful purpose to be on the property. Although no property was taken, there was property within view of the forced point of entry to the residence. He was also found to be under the influence of a controlled substance.

The suspect was charged with 664 PC / 459 PC 'Attempted Burglary and 11550 (a) HS ' Under the influence of a controlled substance. Young was booked at the Ventura County Pre Trial Detention Facility.

Prepared by: Sergeant B. Koppenjan
News Release Date: 09/03/2017
Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Andrea Regan 805-646-1414
Approved by: Captain Mark Gillette

Attempted murder during a domestic incident

9/5/2017 9:10:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Attempted Murder During A Domestic Incident
Report Number: 17-134051
Location: Camarillo, California
Date & Time: 09/04/2017 at 1716 Hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau / Camarillo Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
S1- Roberta Felix	Camarillo

Narrative:

On September 4, 2017, at approximately 1716 hours, deputies responded to a domestic incident that occurred near the 200 block of West Ponderosa Drive in the City of Camarillo. Upon arrival, deputies discovered a male victim had suffered significant injuries after a vehicle ran him over while he was standing on the sidewalk. The driver of the vehicle was identified as the victim's spouse, Roberta Felix. Statements from the victim and witnesses suggested the suspect purposely ran over the victim during a domestic dispute.

Investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau responded and examined the crime scene. After conducting the investigation, examining the evidence, and interviewing witnesses, investigators determined Roberta Felix intentionally ran over her husband. Roberta Felix was booked at the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility for PC 664/187 ' Attempted Murder and is currently in custody with a \$500,000 bail.

Prepared by: Sergeant Steve Jenkins / Major Crimes Bureau

News Release Date: 09/05/2017

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Approved by: Captain Melissa Smith / Major Crimes Bureau.

Narcotics Arrest

9/6/2017 2:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest

Report Number: 17-111440

Location: 200 block of Trellis Place, Camarillo

Date & Time: 9/1/2017 - 2030 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff Narcotic Unit
Camarillo Police Department ' Special Enforcement Detail

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
Brown, Joseph Leffie	Camarillo

Narrative:

Narcotics detectives with the East County Street Team concluded an investigation of a Camarillo resident who was selling illegal narcotics to residents in Ventura County. On Friday, September 1st, detectives with the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail stopped and arrested Joseph Brown for being under the influence of drugs.

Narcotic Detectives served a search warrant at Brown's residence located on the 200 block of Trellis Place in Camarillo where they seized over 20 grams of suspected methamphetamine. The methamphetamine was packaged for sales. They also located a small amount of counterfeit money.

Brown was booked into the Ventura County Jail for possession for sale of a controlled substance, forgery, possession of a smoking device and being under the influence of a controlled substance. He is scheduled to appear in court on 9/6/2017, at 1:30 pm. His bail is set at \$500,000.

This is the third arrest for Brown in less than one year involving the sales of narcotics. On October 12, 2016, Brown was arrested by narcotics detectives after they conducted an investigation into Brown selling narcotics. Brown was stopped and found in possession of methamphetamine and counterfeit money. During a search of Brown's house, detectives seized over 60 grams of methamphetamine, 16 grams of heroin, over 700 Xanax pills and more counterfeit money. Brown was booked into jail for two counts of possession of a controlled substance for sale, possession for sale of a designated controlled substance, forgery and possession of ammunition by a prohibited person.

A few weeks later, on November 9, 2016, Narcotic Detectives acted on information that Brown was once again selling drugs. Brown was stopped and found in possession of drugs. Detectives served a search warrant at Brown's house. Detectives located 119 grams of methamphetamine, and 32 grams of heroin. Brown was booked into the county jail for two counts of possession for sale of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, destroying or and concealing

evidence.

Both of the prior cases have been filed with the Ventura County District Attorney's Office and are still pending the judicial process.

Prepared by: Sergeant Jose Rivera

News Release Date: 9/6/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Jose Rivera, 805-797-6341,
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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Prescription / Rx Collection @Leisure Village

9/6/2017 2:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Prescription / Rx Collection @ Leisure Village

Report Number:

Location: 200 Leisure Village Drive, Camarillo, Ca

Date & Time: September 9, 2017 / 10:00AM ' 2:00PM

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

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

Narrative:

On Saturday September 9, 2017, the Camarillo Police Department is partnering with Leisure Village Security 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.

Since 2012, a total of over 1,000 pounds of unused / expired prescription medication has been collected. Based on the success of these collections, the Camarillo Police Department and Leisure Village Security are conducting additional collections 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, leading to overdose and 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: September 6, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John M. Franchi @ 805-388-5135 John.Franchi@ventura.org

Approved by:

Captain Jeremy Paris

Sheriff's Deputies Participating in Tip-A-Cop Event for Special Olympics

9/7/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sheriff's Deputies Participating in Tip-A-Cop Event For Special Olympics

Location: California Pizza Kitchen ' 2200 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: Thursday, September 14, 2017 ' 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 California Pizza Kitchen in Thousand Oaks on Thursday, September 14, 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 from dine-in or take-out 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. For more information on Ventura County Special Olympics, visit: www.sosc.org/venturacounty.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: September 7, 2017

Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Timothy Lohman ' (805) 947-8255
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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Felony Vandalism / Attempt to Identify

9/8/2017 11:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Felony Vandalism / Attempt to Identify

Report Number: RB# 17-129309

Location: Oak View Community Center, Oak View, CA

Date & Time: 08/27/17 @ 11:45 AM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Patrol, Ojai Station Detectives

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

(S1) Male

(S2) Male

City of Residence

Unk

Unk

Age

Unk

Unk

Narrative:

On August 27, 2017, between 11:45 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., the Oak View Community Center was vandalized by two male suspects.

On August 27, 2017, deputies were dispatched to the Oak View Community Center for a vandalism that occurred between 11:45 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. that day. There were five different areas throughout the property, where graffiti was painted with some variation of, "THC Cheech x Risky SP."

Video surveillance footage showed two Hispanic males vandalized two different walls, a sidewalk area, a portion of the playground and both sides of the handball court with spray paint. One of the males had short black hair, a black t-shirt, blue jeans and black tennis shoes. The other Hispanic male had medium length black hair, a gray t-shirt, gray shorts, high white socks and black tennis shoes. Additionally, they stole the key to a John Deere X300R lawn mower that was parked at the facility. The damages cost the tax payers \$620 to remove and repair.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank members of the public for their on-going support and due diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes. We are better at what we do because of our community partnerships. Join us in the fight on crime by following us on Twitter @VENTURASHERIFF, on Facebook with our Official Page, VCSHERIFF on Instagram, and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories.

Prepared by: Detective A. Regan

News Release Date: 09/08/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective A. Regan (805) 477-7038

Approved by: Captain Jim Fryhoff

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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Arson Suspect Arrested

9/10/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arson Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 17-137094

Location: San Miguelito Road (Rincon Area)

Date & Time: 09/09/17 @ 1:33 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Fire, Sheriff's Office Air Unit, Ventura County Fire Arson Investigators, Sheriff's Office Bomb/Arson Unit, Sheriff's Office Headquarters Patrol

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
S-1 Fischer, Torry	Transient	39

Narrative:

On 09/09/17, at about 1:33 p.m., Ventura County Fire requested the assists of the Sheriff's Air Unit for a brush fire in the area of San Miguelito Road (Rincon Area). When Air Unit 6 arrived they saw a subject in the area of the brush fire. The subject was detained by Air Unit 6 and transported to Fire Station 25, where he was identified as Torry Fischer.

Fischer was interviewed and admitted to starting the brush fire. Fischer was arrested and booked at the Ventura County Jail for PC 451(c) ' Arson of a structure or forest.

Prepared by: Sgt. Mike Harris #3713

News Release Date: 09/10/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Mike Harris, michael.harris@ventura.org,
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Approved by: Captain Todd Inglis

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).

DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results

9/11/2017 8:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results
Location: City of Thousand Oaks
Date & Time: September 9, 2017 from 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.
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) Schlakat, Lee	Camarillo	53
(S) Grecian, Kevin	Camarillo	45
(S) Chavez, Diana	Thousand Oaks	23

Narrative:

August DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

On the listed date and time, the Thousand Oaks Police Department-Traffic Bureau conducted a DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint at two locations in the City of Thousand Oaks. The first location was northbound Moorpark Road, south of Calle Contento. The second location was west bound W. Hillcrest Drive, east of Kalinda Place. 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.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Thousand Oaks Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

During the listed Checkpoint Operation the following occurred:

- 312 vehicles were screened
- 3 DUI (adult) arrest-alcohol suspected
- 0 DUI (adult) drug impaired arrests
- 0 Arrested on other Criminal Charges
- 5 drivers were cited/arrested for operating a vehicle while unlicensed or suspended/revoked
- 5 other citations were issued

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Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspension and 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 in October 2017 in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and related injuries on 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'.

Prepared by: Dan Ambarian, Sr. Deputy

Media Release Date: September 11, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Carl Patterson, Sergeant

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Approved by:

Capt. Don Aguilar

Prescription / Rx Collection Results @ Leisure Village

9/11/2017 4:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Prescription / Rx Collection Results @ Leisure Village

Report Number:

Location: 200 Leisure Village Drive, Camarillo, Ca

Date & Time: September 9, 2017 / 12:30 PM

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

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

On Saturday September 9, 2017, the Camarillo Police Department partnered with Leisure Village Security to collect unused / expired prescription medication from residents of the village. The collection time was from 10:00 AM ' 2:00 PM and **184.9** pounds of unused / expired medication were collected in just four hours' time. This was the second largest one day collection at Leisure Village, since the Camarillo Police Department started its first prescription Rx collection in December of 2012.

The Camarillo Police Department conducts these bi-annual collections because we know how difficult it may for some in our senior community to discard their unused medications at the Police Department. We are also aware that grandchildren can access medicine cabinets rather easily, so by bringing the collection to Leisure Village, we are trying to make it easier for the residents to discard their old or unused prescription medication.

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: September 11, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John M. Franchi @ 805-388-5135 / John.Franchi@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

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

Arrest of Indecent Exposure suspect

9/12/2017 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Indecent Exposure suspect
Report Number: 2017-135437
Location: Area of East Los Angeles Ave. and Moorpark Ave., Moorpark
Date & Time: September 6th, 2017 05:15 hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Patrol and Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Flores, Kevin Alexander	Moorpark

(V) Female juvenile

Narrative:

On the morning hours of September 9th, 2017, deputies from the Moorpark Station ' Patrol Bureau arrested Suspect Kevin Alexander Flores, 23 years old, of Moorpark, on an outstanding arrest warrant for violations of PC 314(1) Indecent exposure and PC 647.6(A)(1) Child Annoying.

The arrest warrant stemmed from an incident that occurred on September 6th, 2017. On that date, at about 5:15 PM, a 15 year old female juvenile was walking in the area of East Los Angeles Avenue and Moorpark Avenue, when she observed a male suspect in a vehicle that was stopped on a nearby roadway. The female victim noticed that the driver's door to the vehicle was open and the driver had exposed his penis and was masturbating as he watched her.

The victim fled the area and reported the incident to the Moorpark Police Department. Detectives from the Moorpark Investigations Bureau conducted an investigation and positively identified the suspect as Flores. Based on the nature of the offense, detectives sought an arrest warrant, which was granted from the Ventura County Superior Court.

Suspect Flores was located at his residence on Saturday morning and arrested without incident. He was booked at the East Valley Jail on the warrant which had a \$5,000.00 bail amount. Flores was charged with two misdemeanor counts by the Ventura County District Attorney's Office and is awaiting arraignment.

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch

News Release Date: 09/12/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch
(805) 532-2716

Approved by: Captain John Reilly

Sexual Battery on a Juvenile

9/12/2017 6:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sexual Battery on a Juvenile
Report Number: 17-137747
Location: 700 Block of Mobil Avenue
Date & Time: September 10, 2017 / 1:00 P.M.
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

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

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department is asking for the public's help in identifying a sexual battery suspect.

On 9/10/2017, a male juvenile was walking in the 700 block of Mobil Avenue in Camarillo, when a grey haired Hispanic male possibly driving a white pickup truck contacted him. The juvenile willingly got into the suspect's vehicle and they drove away from the location.

While driving, the suspect touched the juvenile inappropriately. The juvenile asked the suspect to stop his vehicle. The suspect complied and the juvenile exited the vehicle. The suspect vehicle was last seen traveling near Mobil Avenue and Ponderosa Avenue. The victim described the suspect vehicle as having a 'Simi Valley' license plate frame and the vehicle license number started with an '8'. The victim believes the suspect vehicle was a white Dodge Dakota.

If you have any information related to this crime please contact the Ventura County Sheriff's Office at 805-654-9511.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to remind parents to discuss with their children what to do if they are approached by a stranger. Please talk to your children and remind them to walk in groups and never enter a stranger's vehicle.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger

News Release Date: September 12, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger
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Approved by:

Captain Jeremy Paris

Attempt to Identify Prolific Burglary Suspect

9/13/2017 5:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt to Identify Prolific Burglary Suspect

Report Number: 17-42633, 17-73622, 17-107109 ' Camarillo
17-83750 ' Thousand Oaks

Location: Camarillo / Thousand Oaks / Ventura County

Date & Time: March ' July, 2017.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department / Thousand Oaks Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
S-1 Male	Unknown	19-25

Narrative:

Between the months of March and July 2017, the unknown male suspect committed multiple burglaries from Target retail stores within the county of Ventura.

To date, the subject is suspected of being responsible for over \$3,500.00 in stolen merchandise. It is believed the subject has committed the same crime at Target stores in Camarillo, Ventura, and Oxnard.

In many of the burglaries, the suspect has been seen stealing high end home appliances, i.e. Dyson and iRobot products. The suspect selects the merchandise and casually exits the store through an emergency exit.

Camarillo Detectives are asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect. Anyone who can identify him, or any of his accomplices, is asked to call Camarillo Detectives at (805) 388-5151.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank members of the public for their on-going support and due diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes. We are better at what we do because of our community partnerships. Join us in the fight on crime by following us on Twitter @VENTURASHERIFF, on Facebook with our Official Page, VCSHERIFF on Instagram, and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777, to receive local law enforcement advisories and public safety alerts.

Prepared by: Detective Gerardo Cruz

News Release Date: 09/13/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi
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Approved by: Captain Paris

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Identity Theft / Forgery Suspect Arrested

9/13/2017 9:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Identity Theft / Forgery Suspect Arrested

Report Number: 17-107072

Location: Ventura and Los Angeles County

Date & Time: February 2017 - July 2017

Unit Responsible: East County Financial Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Cedric Frierson	Malibu	42

Narrative:

A suspect who eluded capture in several states on identity theft and check fraud has been arrested by Ventura County and Los Angeles County Deputies for committing similar offenses locally.

On April 24, 2017, Thousand Oaks patrol deputies responded to DCH Ford in Thousand Oaks reference a report of a forgery and unlawful taking of a vehicle. The dealership reported the suspect provided three separate counterfeit checks in the amount of \$12,000.00 for the down payment. The suspect took possession of a 2014 Toyota 4-Runner with a value of more than \$41,000.00. The reporting deputy learned the suspect had identified himself as Cedric Yearwood.

During a four month investigation, Financial Crimes Detectives at the East County Investigations Bureau discovered the suspects true identity was Cedric Frierson. Detective's learned Frierson had used several other aliases to commit his crimes, including Cedric Yearwood, Thomas Yearwood, Thomas Isaacs, and Robert Graham.

The investigation uncovered additional crime reports from several businesses where Frierson had passed counterfeit cashier's checks in Los Angeles County and Ventura County, including three car dealerships. Detectives determined Frierson had developed a sophisticated con-man persona, along with a fraudulent real estate company, TVD Properties or The Valley Discount Properties, and website as part of his con.

On June 19, 2017, Frierson was arrested by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office for charges related to the initial investigation with DCH Ford and a warrant. Counterfeit cashier's checks were located in Frierson's possession at the time of

arrest. Frierson was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail.

On June 23, 2017, Frierson posted bail with a local bail bond company and was released. The bail bond company determined a counterfeit cashier's check was used to post bail and Frierson was re-arrested. Frierson remains in custody at the Ventura County Mail Jail in lieu of \$1,400,000 bail and a fugitive warrant out of Florida.

If anyone has additional information on Cedric Frierson, please contact Detective Paul Ferruzza (805) 494-8231

With the continued advances in technology, the opportunity and sophistication of criminals to manufacture and counterfeit financial instruments and bank cards has increased significantly. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office recommends taking extra precautions to ensure any forms of payment for goods and services are validated at the time of transaction.

Prepared by: Detective Paul Ferruzza

Media Release Date: September 13, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Timothy Lohman (805) 947-8255
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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Arrest of Suspects for Felony Fraud Pertaining to Sale of Vehicles

9/14/2017 10:15:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Suspects for Felony Fraud Pertaining to Sale of Vehicles

Report Number: 17-106580

Location: Camarillo

Date & Time: September 14, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department / Ventura County District Attorney's Office / Ventura County Auto Theft Task Force (VenCATT) / Department of Motor Vehicles Investigators / Ventura County Sheriff's S.W.A.T. Team

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
S-1 Bridgette Loraine Gallo	Camarillo
S-2 Richard Cory Neal	Camarillo

Narrative:

On 09/14/17, investigators from the Camarillo Police Department, the Ventura County District Attorney's Office, the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), and the Ventura County Auto Theft Task Force (VenCATT), culminated an investigation that led to the arrest of the above listed suspects for fraudulently selling vehicles they did not own. A search warrant was also served at the couple's residence, in the 2800 block of Walker Avenue, in the City of Camarillo.

On 07/25/17, Camarillo Police Department detectives received information that S1-Gallo and S2-Neal were selling vehicles they did not own. They would advertise the vehicles on Craigslist or other internet locations. One tactic the couple used was when the victims would come to look at the vehicles; they would offer to write down a lower purchase price on the Bill of Sale in order to reduce the sales tax owed by the victim.

The suspects would usually offer to forward the title to the victims at a later time, but when the suspects contacted the victims later, they would explain the title was not clear and there was actually a lien holder for the car. The suspects would offer to return the amount on the written receipt to the victim; however, this amount was usually thousands of dollars less than what the victim had actually paid. Some of the victims actually took the suspects to civil court and won judgments against the suspects, but this did not stop the suspects from continuing with their illegal transactions. Camarillo detectives know of at least two separate incidents where the same car was sold to a victim, re-possessed, and then re-sold to a separate victim within days.

So far, investigators have identified six victims who had been sold vehicles under false pretenses and defrauded out of about \$40,000.00. Detectives believe there may be additional victims.

If you believe you have been a victim of this couple, or have information that you believe can assist investigators, please call the **Camarillo Police Department's News Story Hotline**, at 805-388-5151.

Prepared by: Detective Gerardo Cruz

News Release Date: 09/14/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Franchi
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Approved by: Captain Paris

DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

9/14/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: September 16th, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint Planned this Weekend

The Camarillo Police Department's Traffic Unit will be conducting a DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint on 9/16/2017, at an undisclosed location within the city limits between the hours of 9:00 p.m. on 9/16/2017 to 3:00 a.m. on 9/17/2017.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Camarillo Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

The deterrent effect of High Visibility Enforcement using both DUI checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols has proven to lower the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug impaired crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized proactive DUI operations are conducted routinely.

DUI Checkpoints like this one 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, alcohol involved collisions led to 1,155 deaths and nearly 24,000 injuries in 2014 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Over the course of the past three years, the Camarillo Police Department has investigated 166 DUI collisions, which have claimed 1 life and resulted in another 57 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.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and 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 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: 09-14-2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572 ' 805-388-5132, 805-797-6439 william.britt@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Arrest of Burglary Suspects

9/15/2017 10:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Burglary Suspects
Report Number: 17-120825
Location: 2600 Block Corte Amigos, Camarillo
Date & Time: 08-12-17/ 22:00 p.m.
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations Bureau , Ventura County Sheriff's Office
Special Crimes Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Robert Reeves	Ventura
(S) Robert Davis	Ventura

Narrative:

Camarillo Detectives, with the assistance of the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Special Crimes Unit, the Camarillo Special Enforcement Unit and the Ventura County Sheriff's S.W.A.T. team, arrested the above listed suspects for committing a residential burglary, in Camarillo.

On 08-12-17, Camarillo patrol deputies responded to a burglary where two unknown males entered a residence and stole property. An occupant of the residence returned home while the suspects were inside the residence and both suspects fled the residence with property belonging to the occupant. The resident was able to provide deputies with video surveillance of the incident, which led to the identification of (S) Robert Reeves and (S) Robert Davis.

On 09-07-17, detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Special Crimes Unit assisted by the Sheriff's S.W.A.T. Team, Camarillo Detectives and the Camarillo Special Enforcement Unit executed a search warrant at a residence, in the City of Camarillo. During the execution of the search warrant, (S) Reeves was contacted and taken into custody for PC 459- Burglary, PC 182(a)(1)- Conspiracy to Commit a Crime, PC 186.22- Street Terrorism and outstanding felony warrants. Reeves, who was arrested without incident, is in-custody and his bail is set at \$500,000.

On 9-12-17, Camarillo Detectives contacted (S) Davis at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility, where he was in-custody for unrelated charges. Davis was also arrested for PC 459- Burglary, PC 182(a)(1)- Conspiracy to Commit a Crime and PC 186.22- Street Terrorism. Davis remains in-custody and his bail is set at \$125,000.

Prepared by: Detective Jamal Clark

News Release Date: 09-14-2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi
John.Franchi@ventura.org, 805-388-5135

Approved by: Captain Paris

DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results

9/19/2017 1:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint
Report Number: 17-141559 & 17-141434
Location: City of Camarillo
Date & Time: September 16th, 2017, 9:00 pm to September 17th, 2017, 3:00 am
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Savanna Dawson	Simi Valley	37
(S) Clifford Lusk	Moorpark	50

Narrative:

DUI Checkpoint Nets 2 Arrests

The Camarillo Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on September 16th at Santa Rosa Road and Los Pueblos Drive between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m. 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.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Camarillo Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

The results of the checkpoint were as follows:

- 589 Vehicles Screened
- 2 DUI-Alcohol suspects arrested
- 0 DUI-Drug impaired suspects arrested

- 0 Suspects arrested for illegal drugs (possession/transportation/sales)
- 0 Arrested on other Criminal Charges
- 4 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 7 total citations issued

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Prepared by: Senior Deputy Sam Dominguez #3386

News Release Date: 9-19-2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Sean Britt #3572 ' 805-388-5132, 805-797-6439 william.britt@ventura.org

Hit & Run Traffic Collision with Injuries

9/21/2017 12:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Hit & Run Traffic Collision with Injuries
Report Number: 17-143595
Location: 1000 Block of Rowland Avenue
Date & Time: September 20, 2017, 3:04 P.M.
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Male Juvenile	Camarillo	6

Narrative:

On September 20, 2017, at approximately 3:04 P.M., the Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau responded to the 1000 block of Rowland Avenue reference a hit and run traffic collision.

A male child was struck by a vehicle traveling southbound on Rowland Avenue. While entering traffic, the child was struck by an unidentified vehicle described as a gray four door sedan with right front end damage. The child was transported to Los Robles Hospital Emergency Room for non-life threatening injuries.

The collision is still under investigation by the Camarillo Police Department Traffic Bureau. Anyone who might have witnessed the collision is asked to contact Deputy Luke Riordan of the Traffic Bureau at (805)-388-5191.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Sam Dominguez #3386

News Release Date: September 21, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Sam Dominguez #3386
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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

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anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

Attempt Murder Suspect Arrested

9/25/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt Murder Suspect Arrested
Report Number: 17-144182
Location: 2300 Block of Antonio Avenue, Camarillo
Date & Time: 09/21/17 at 2:22PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Detectives, Camarillo SED, Sheriff's Major Crimes

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

Narrative:

Sheriff's Detectives arrested Jason Mathers for attempted murder of his former supervisor.

On 09/21/17, at about 2:20 P.M., Camarillo patrol deputies received a call of a stabbing that occurred outside Pleasant Valley Hospital, in Camarillo. The caller reported that a manager from the construction site at the hospital had been stabbed by a former construction site employee.

The investigation revealed that a former employee of the construction site, Jason Mathers, returned to the location after being fired several weeks prior. Mathers sought out one of his old supervisors and attacked him with a knife. Mathers fled the area after stabbing the victim. The stabbing victim was taken into the Emergency Room by coworkers. The incident occurred about 100 yards from the entrance to the Emergency Room of Pleasant Valley Hospital.

Detectives from the Camarillo Police Department, Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail (SED), and Sheriff's Major Crimes immediately began searching for Mathers. At about 9:30 p.m. he was located at a location in Oxnard and was arrested without incident. Detectives served a search warrant on Mathers' residence after he was arrested.

Mathers was arrested for Penal Code Section 664/187 (Attempted Murder). He was booked into the Ventura County Main Jail with a bail of \$1,000,000.00.

Anyone who might have witnessed this incident or who might have information pertaining to it is asked to call the Camarillo Police Department's News Story Hotline at **(805) 388-5151**.

Prepared by: Detective Brent Miller

News Release Date: 9/25/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger
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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Suspect Arrested for Contacting a Minor to Commit a Sexual Offense

9/25/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Suspect Arrested for Contacting a Minor to Commit a Sexual Offense

Report Number: 17-137747

Location: 700 Block Mobile Ave, Camarillo

Date & Time: 09/20/2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations Bureau

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

(S) Manuel Garcia

(V) Male Juvenile

City of Residence

Camarillo

Oxnard

Narrative:

On 9/20/2017, Camarillo Station Detectives arrested Manuel Garcia for contacting a minor and committing a sexual offense.

On 9/10/2017, a teenage male victim contacted the Camarillo Police Department and reported an incident in which he had been sexually assaulted by a male adult. The teenage victim had told deputies that an unknown male suspect had offered him a ride while the victim was walking on Arneill Drive, in Camarillo. The victim, who continued to walk until he reached Mobil Avenue, accepted the ride and during the ride the victim was sexually assaulted. The suspect also propositioned the victim and the victim rejected the proposition. The victim told the suspect to stop the vehicle and the victim was able to exit the vehicle once it was stopped.

The victim was able to provide police with details about the suspect and his vehicle. After learning about the incident, the Camarillo Police Department put out a press release asking the public for help in identifying the suspect. A few days later, the suspect came to the Camarillo Police Department and asked to speak to Detectives regarding the press release. Detectives conducted an investigation and identified the suspect (S) as Manuel Garcia.

On 9/20/2017, Camarillo Detectives contacted (S) Garcia near his home in Camarillo and arrested him for PC 288.3(a) ' Contacting or communicating with a minor to commit an offense. Garcia was arrested without incident.

The Camarillo Police Department would like to remind parents to discuss with their children what to do if they are approached by a stranger. Please talk to your children and remind them to walk in groups and never enter a stranger's vehicle.

Prepared by: Detective David Boynton

News Release Date: 9/25/2017

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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

7-Eleven Robbery

9/26/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: 7-Eleven Robbery

Report Number: 17-146591

Location: 200 block of Carmen Drive, Camarillo, California

Date & Time: 09/26/2017 at 0315 Hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau / Camarillo Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
S- Unknown	Unknown	20-25

Narrative:

On September 26, 2017, a robbery occurred at a 7-Eleven Convenience Store located in the city of Camarillo. At about 0315 hours, an unknown male entered the store, jumped over the counter, assaulted the clerk with a weapon, forced the clerk to open the cash register, and took cash out of the register. The male's face was covered and his identity is unknown. The male was described as a white male, 20 to 25 years of age, 5'06' to 5'07', and 155 pounds. The suspect took an undisclosed amount of money and left in a dark colored sedan.

Investigators with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Bureau and the Camarillo Police Department responded and obtained video surveillance capturing the crime. Investigators are asking for the public assistance with identifying the suspect.

Prepared by: Sergeant Steve Jenkins / Major Crimes Bureau

News Release Date: 09/26/2017

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Approved by: Captain Jeff Miller / Major Crimes Bureau

Man and Woman Found Murdered Inside Piru Home

9/26/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Man and Woman Found Murdered Inside Piru Home

Report Number: 17-146302

Location: 4000-block of Citrus View Drive, Piru, California

Date & Time: Sept. 25, 2017 @ 2:15 pm

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

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(V) Male Adult	Piru	64
(V) Female Adult	Piru	57

Narrative:

(Piru, Ca.) ' A man and a woman were found dead Monday inside their Piru home after deputies were called to the residence by a concerned family member.

Deputies arrived at the home in the 4000-block of Citrus View Drive at 2:20 pm and found the bodies of the couple who had sustained fatal injuries. Investigators spent hours at the home collecting evidence and interviewing potential witnesses in an attempt to identify potential suspects.

Anyone with information about this case should contact Detective Carlos Macias at 805-384-4761. 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).

Prepared by: Sgt. Eric Buschow

News Release Date: Sept. 26, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

Piru Double Homicide (Updated Information)

9/27/2017 3:50:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Piru Double Homicide (Updated Information)
Report Number: 17-146302
Location: 4000-block of Citrus View Drive, Piru, California
Date & Time: Sept. 25, 2017 @ 2:15 pm
Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) Camarino Vergara	Piru	64
(V) Adela Vergara	Piru	57

Narrative:

(Piru, Ca.) ' The victims of the double homicide that occurred Monday in Piru have been identified as Camarino and Adela Vergara. The married couple's bodies were found inside their home Monday afternoon when deputies responded to a 911 call.

Autopsies of both victims revealed their deaths were the result of homicide. Anyone with information about this case should contact Detective Carlos Macias at 805-384-4761. 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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Police Department Offers "Start Smart" Driving Program for Young Adult Drivers

9/27/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Police Department Offers 'Start Smart' Driving Program for Young Adult Drivers

Location: Thousand Oaks Police Station
East County Community Room
2101 E. Olsen Rd.

Date & Time: October 23rd, 2017, from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be hosting a program to educate newly licensed and future licensed drivers on October 23rd at the Thousand Oaks Police Station Community Room. The 'Start Smart' Driving Program is a cooperative effort between the California Highway Patrol, Thousand Oaks Police Department, teenage drivers, and their parents.

Nationwide, 43 percent of first-year drivers and 37 percent of second-year drivers are involved in car crashes. The risk of motor vehicle crashes is higher among 16 to 19 year-olds than among any other age group. In fact, per mile driven, teen drivers ages 16 to 19 are nearly three times more likely than drivers aged 20 and older to be in a fatal crash.

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.

To make a reservation, interested parents are asked to call the Thousand Oaks Police Department Traffic Bureau at (805) 494-8271. Space is limited to 25 students and their parents. There is no charge to attend the program.

Prepared by: Deputy Marcos Moreno

Media Release Date: 9/27/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Marcos Moreno
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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Arrest of Former Maid Committing Burglaries

9/28/2017 9:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Former Maid Committing Burglaries
Report Number: 17-140111
Location: 7902 Van Nuys Blvd, Panorama City, Ca
Date & Time: 9/25/17 @ 07:40 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>
Sam Pedro, Guadalupe	Chatsworth	31
Melendez, Emanuel	Chatsworth	32

Narrative:

On September 14, 2017, a resident in the 200 block of Siesta Avenue, Thousand Oaks, woke up and found that all of her jewelry was missing from her bedroom dresser drawer. The victim last saw her jewelry the previous morning and believed it had been stolen from her house sometime during the previous day. The victim's husband remembered coming home on September 13, 2017, and finding the front door to their home unlocked. He also discovered their hidden key was missing.

The victim's in this case used a local family owned cleaning service to clean their home. Sheriff's Detectives spoke with the manager of the cleaning service who told them about an ex-employee named Guadalupe Sam Pedro who used to work for them. Sam Pedro had been fired in 2013 after she was caught stealing from clients' homes. Prior to being fired, Sam Pedro had cleaned the victim's house on several occasions and knew where the victim kept the hidden key.

During the course of the investigation, detectives identified two additional Thousand Oaks residences that Sam Pedro had attempted to burglarize. Both residences had previously been cleaned by Sam Pedro and on both occasions she was posing as a house cleaner.

Thousand Oaks Detectives and investigators from the Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit were able to locate Sam Pedro and identified her male companion as Emanuel Melendez. A search of their vehicle revealed jewelry that had been stolen from the victims on Siesta Avenue along with numerous other pieces of jewelry which is likely from unidentified victims. Both

subjects were taken into custody for violations of PC 459 ' Burglary, PC 182(a)(1) ' Conspiracy to commit a crime and PC 664/PC459 ' Attempt Burglary.

Prepared by: Detective Jason Louis

Media Release Date: 9/28/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jason Louis, Jason.Louis@Ventura.org ,
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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Arrest of Identity Theft / Forgery Suspect

9/29/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Identity Theft / Forgery suspect
Report Number: 2017-122731
Location: 11000 Block of Citrus Drive, Ventura, California 93004
Date & Time: September 28th, 2017, 1400 hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Station Patrol and Investigation Bureaus, Headquarters Patrol Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Covarrubias, Walter	Ventura	43
(S) Ramirez, Darlene	Ventura	29

Narrative:

On the morning of August 16th, 2017, deputies from the Moorpark Police Department responded to a call of a vehicle burglary in the 4100 Block of Kingsview Road in the City of Moorpark. During their initial investigation, deputies learned that a wallet, containing several credit cards and personal checks was taken from inside of the locked vehicle, the previous evening. A few days later, deputies learned that an individual had attempted to pass a facsimile of one of the personal checks at an area bank.

Detectives from the Moorpark Investigations Bureau conducted an investigation into the incident and identified the subject who attempted to pass the bogus check as Suspect Walter Covarrubias of Ventura. Detectives authored and obtained a search warrant granting permission to search Covarrubias' residence for evidence related to the bogus check.

On the afternoon of September 28th, 2017, detectives observed Covarrubias driving in the area of Citrus Drive and Wells Road in the City of Ventura and conducted a traffic stop on his vehicle. Detectives immediately arrested Covarrubius on suspicion of passing the bogus check. They also contacted and eventually arrested the passenger in the vehicle, identified as Suspect Darlene Ramirez, for an unrelated drug charge.

With the assistance of patrol units from the Headquarters Station, detectives then served the search warrant at Covarrubius' residence, in the 11000 Block of Citrus Drive in Ventura, and located additional evidence related to the bogus check. Detectives are following up with additional victims they have been able to identify.

Covarrubias was booked at the Ventura Main Jail and charged with a violation of Identity Theft/ 530.5(a) PC. His bail was set at \$50,000. Ramirez was also booked at the Ventura Main jail and charged with U.I. narcotics / 11550(a)HS and released on her promise to appear at a later

date.

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch

News Release Date: September 29th, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch
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Approved by: Captain John Reilly

Arrest of Residential Burglar and Vehicle Theft Suspect

10/1/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of residential burglar and vehicle theft suspect

Report Number: 17-145784

Location: 700 block of Third Street, City of Fillmore

Date & Time: 09/30/17, 8:10 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) James Mabb	Reseda	47

Narrative:

On 09/22/17, a residence on the 700 block of Third Street was burglarized and the victim's vehicle was stolen. On 09/30/17, a concerned citizen contacted the Fillmore Police Department, reporting a suspicious subject was possibly in the residence. Upon deputies arrival at the residence, the victim's stolen vehicle was in the driveway and deputies contacted (S) James Mabb inside the residence.

During the investigation, Mabb was found to have two felony warrants out of Los Angeles County. When searched, Mabb was in possession of property belonging to the victim, along with a small amount of suspected methamphetamine. Mabb was also suspected of being under the influence of a controlled substance.

Based on witness statements, it was determined Mabb was the sole driver of the stolen vehicle. A search of the vehicle was conducted and property belonging to the burglary victim, including a loaded handgun, ammunition, and personal information of the victim's used for identity theft, was found inside the vehicle. Mabb is a convicted felon and is prohibited from possessing any firearms and ammunition.

Mabb was arrested for multiple felony charges including being in possession of a firearm while under the influence, residential burglary, auto theft and identity theft. Mabb was booked at the Main Jail in Ventura, Ca.

Prepared by: Deputy Tumbleson 4673

News Release Date: 10/01/2017

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Approved by:

Captain Fryhoff

Academy Class 2017-1 Graduation

10/3/2017 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Academy Class 2017-1 Graduation

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

Date & Time: Thursday, October 5, 2017 / 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 2017-1. The graduation ceremony will be held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, October 5, 2017, at the Oxnard Performing Arts and Convention Center, 800 Hobson Way, Oxnard, California.

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.

**Basic Academy Class 2017-1
Graduating Recruits**

AZUSA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Richard Aguirre
Kyle Cunnings

OXNARD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Tyler Brockett
Leah Castellano
Mary McGrath
Jose Rodriguez
Randi Vines

SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Dillon Sandusky
Max Stanford

SANTA BARBARA SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Christopher Brady
John Gruttadaurio
Bailey James
Anthony Muneton
Isaac Munoz
Luis Murillo
Benjamin Sanabria III

SIMI VALLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Travis Hardy
Nicholas Pierson

VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Zane Alston
Stephanie Lopez
Benjamin Mann
Emerson Mercado
Enrique Orozco
Jacklyn Stone

VENTURA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Marcus Bentley
Steve Bibian
Edward Busse
Jared Council
Amy Cowgill
Aaron Gibson
Vicki Hunt
Nan Jiang
Eduardo Jimenez
Ryan Littlewood
Thomas Meyers
Carlee Morton
Ali Naderi

David O'Brien
Kalen Peterson
Adelina Ricardos
Ramiro Rico
Andrea Rodriguez
Kyle Smith
Trisha Thomas
Jose Vargas
Vanessa Vasquez

Prepared by: Sergeant Greg Margetin

Media Release Date: 10/3/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Captain Patti Salas (805) 383-4744

Approved by: Captain Patti Salas

Reported Kidnap Attempt / Request for Information

10/3/2017 10:30:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Reported Kidnap Attempt / Request for Information
Report Number: RB #17-150233
Location: Triunfo Canyon Road @ Towngate Road, Thousand Oaks, Ca
Date & Time: October 2, 2017, 4:30 p.m.
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department ' Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Unknown, Adult, Male	Unknown	30-40
(V) Female		Juvenile

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is asking for the public's help in identifying a possible suspect and/or vehicle in a reported kidnap attempt.

On October 2, 2017, at about 4:30 p.m., a female juvenile was running on Townsgate Road near Triunfo Canyon Road in Thousand Oaks, when an unknown white male between the ages of 30 to 40, bald, with a thick brown beard, approximately six feet tall asked the victim to get into his car. The female juvenile refused and continued to walk west on Townsgate Road.

The unknown male stopped his vehicle, exited and approached the victim. A physical altercation occurred between the victim and suspect. The victim struggled with the suspect and was able to free herself and run away.

The victim described the suspect vehicle as white and resembling an older Range Rover, with possibly the first three digits of the license plate being '7TY', with a sticker on the front windshield which appeared as if a baseball had cracked through the glass.

If you have any additional information related to this crime please contact the Thousand Oaks Police Department, Detective Tim Lohman @ 805-494-8232.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: October 3, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman, (805) 947-8255
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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Detectives are Investigating Two Indecent Exposure Crimes / Seek the Public's Help

10/5/2017 8:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Detectives are Investigating Two Indecent Exposure Crimes / Seek the Public's Help

Report Number: RB #'s 17-151453, 17-151495

Location: Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: October 4, 2017 6:45 p.m. / 7:50 p.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department ' Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Unknown, Adult, Male	Unknown	22-29
(V) Female		Juvenile
(V) Female		

Narrative:

Two indecent exposure incidents were reported in Thousand Oaks on the evening of October 4th. Thousand Oaks Police Department detectives are continuing the investigation and working to identify a suspect. The suspect descriptions in both incidents are similar and investigators are looking into a possible connection.

The first incident occurred in the 700 block of Wendy Dr. in the Newbury Park area at about 6:45 p.m. The second incident occurred at about 7:50 p.m. in the 2700 block of Los Feliz Dr. The Thousand Oaks Police Department has a multitude of resources working to locate the suspect including Patrol, Detectives, Special Enforcement Unit, Directed Enforcement Unit, Intelligence Led Policing Unit, Traffic Units and the Criminal Analysis Team.

Detectives are seeking the public's help to identify and locate the suspect, who is described as a light skinned male adult, age 22-30, 5'8', slender build, short black hair, brown eyes, an unshaven face with a goatee, and a tattoo on the upper right arm. The suspect was driving a larger sized, newer model white sport utility vehicle.

Investigators believe that these two indecent exposures have been committed by a suspect different than the Westlake Village incident on 10-2-17, in which a male subject attempted to lure a juvenile into a vehicle.

If you have any additional information related to this crime please contact the Thousand Oaks Police Department, Detective Tim Lohman @ 805-494-8232.

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).

Prepared by: Captain Don Aguilar

Media Release Date: October 5, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Tim Lohman (805) 947-8255
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Approved by: Commander Tim Hagel

Stolen Vehicle / Assault on a Police Officer Arrests

10/5/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stolen Vehicle / Assault on a Police Officer Arrests

Report Number: 2017-151579

Location: 3800 Block of Hitch Road, Moorpark, California

Date & Time: October 4, 2017 @ approximately 2300 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Moorpark Patrol / Moorpark Investigations Bureau

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

(S) Martinez, Sara
(S) Female Juvenile

City of Residence

Moorpark

Narrative:

On the evening of October 5, 2017, patrol deputies from the Moorpark Sheriff's Station received a radio call of a vehicle theft that had just occurred in the area of Leta Yancy Road and Juarez Avenue in the City of Moorpark. While they were responding to the area, deputies observed the stolen vehicle driving westbound on Los Angeles Avenue. Deputies attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle. The vehicle initially yielded but then sped off at a high rate of speed and a vehicle pursuit was initiated by the deputies.

Deputies pursued the vehicle for several minutes until the vehicle reached the south end of Hitch Road. The vehicle came to a stop at the dead end of Hitch Road, as pursuing deputies initiated a high risk traffic stop. A few moments after the stolen vehicle stopped, it quickly and aggressively reversed, colliding with one of the parked police vehicles with enough force to move the police vehicle backward several feet. The deputies were able to move out of the way of both vehicles and were not injured. The deputies then advanced on the stolen vehicle and arrested both the driver and passenger.

The driver, identified as 18 year Sara Martinez of Moorpark, was charged with 10851(a) VC / Vehicle Theft, 2800.2(b) VC / Evading Pursuing Police Officer with Wanton Disregard, 245(c) PC / Assault with a Deadly Weapon on a Police Officer, 186.22(a) PC / Participation in a Criminal Street Gang, and 182(a)(1) PC / Criminal Conspiracy, and was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail with bail set at \$105,000.00.

The female juvenile passenger was charged with 10851(a) VC / Vehicle Theft, 245(c) PC / ADW on a Police Officer, 186.22(a) PC / Participation in a Criminal Street Gang, 182(a)(1) PC / Criminal Conspiracy and was lodged at Juvenile Hall.

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch

News Release Date: October 5, 2017

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Approved by: Captain John Reilly

Arrest of Burglary Suspect

10/9/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Burglary Suspect
Report Number: 17-139184
Location: 2000 Block Antonio Ave., Camarillo (Camarillo Church of the Nazarene)
Date & Time: 10-9-2017
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigations Bureau , Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Andrew Michael Littlejohn	Camarillo
(S) Unknown Male	Unknown

Narrative:

On 10/05/17, Camarillo Detectives arrested Andrew Littlejohn for the burglary of a Camarillo Church that was reported on 09/13/17.

On 09/13/17, Camarillo patrol deputies responded to a report of a burglary at the Camarillo Church of the Nazarene, in the 2000 block of Antonio Avenue. Surveillance video at the scene showed two unknown males enter the church and steal property including several musical instruments.

Camarillo Detectives reviewed the video surveillance footage and were able to identify (S) Andrew Michael Littlejohn as one of the two subjects involved. During the investigation that followed, detectives learned the stolen property was being stored at a residence in the City of Camarillo.

On 10-3-17, detectives from the Camarillo Police Department's Investigations Unit and Special Enforcement Detail executed a search warrant in the 1000 Block of Jay Ave, in the City of Camarillo. Detectives recovered several items of property stolen from the church. In addition to the items recovered from the church burglary, detectives recovered two firearms and a substantial amount of illegal narcotics, at the residence.

On 10-5-17, Camarillo Detectives contacted (S) Littlejohn at the Ventura County Sheriff's Todd Road Jail, where he was in custody, for unrelated charges. Littlejohn was arrested for PC 459-Burglary. (S) Littlejohn's bail was set at \$100,000.

The second male observed in the video surveillance footage is outstanding and the investigation is on-going. Anyone who has information that might assist detectives in this case is asked to call the Camarillo Police Department's News story hotline at (805) 388-5151, or they may call Ventura

County Crime Stoppers (info below).

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).

Prepared by: Detective Jamal Clark

News Release Date: 10-9-2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi
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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Brave young victims come forward to help catch prolific child pornographer

10/11/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Brave young victims come forward to help catch prolific child pornographer

Report Number: RB #17-148855

Location: Nordhoff High School

Date & Time: September 29, 2017 @ 9:21 pm

Unit(s) Responsible: Ojai Detective Bureau

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

George Baker Jr.

City of Residence

Oak View, CA

Narrative:

An Oak View man was arrested last Friday for sexual battery, child annoying, possession of child pornography, and battery after an investigation revealed he was targeting students at Nordhoff High School during a recent football game.

On September 29, 2017, at approximately 9:21 pm, Ojai deputies and school officials were alerted to a report of a suspicious man taking pictures of several students in the stadium, while in attendance at the football game located at Nordhoff High School.

The suspect was contacted and identified as Oak View resident George Baker Jr. He was removed from school property and Ojai detectives began an investigation.

During a week-long investigation, Ojai detectives worked closely with Nordhoff High School officials to identify two juvenile victims. The investigation revealed the suspect had battered one victim, sexually battered the second, and he was in violation of child annoying by taking photographs of both victims in a provocative manner.

On October 6, 2017, Baker was contacted at his place of employment where he was arrested and taken into custody. He was booked at the Ventura County Jail.

Shortly after his arrest, Ojai detectives executed a search warrant at Baker's residence. Investigators found evidence of child pornography, which appeared to have been downloaded from the Internet. Additional evidence indicates Baker may be a suspect in additional crimes involving other unidentified female juvenile victims. It appears he may have been trying to create his own child pornography.

Baker is currently out of custody after posting a \$50,000 bond. He has a pending court date of October 25, 2017 at 8:15 am in Ventura Superior Court.

Anyone with any information about Baker's criminal activities or any additional victims are encouraged to contact Detective Hollowell at the below listed number.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank members of the public for their ongoing support and due diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes and apprehending suspects. We are better at what we do because of our community partnerships. Join us in the fight on crime by following us on Twitter @VENTURASHERIFF, on Facebook with our Official Page, VCSHERIFF on Instagram, and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories.

<u>Prepared by:</u>	Detective Will Hollowell
<u>News Release Date:</u>	Oct. 10, 2017
<u>Media Follow-Up Contact:</u>	Detective Will Hollowell 805-477-7042
<u>Approved by:</u>	Sergeant Shane Matthews

2017 Illicit Marijuana Cultivation Eradications

10/12/2017 6:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: 2017 Illicit Marijuana Cultivation Eradications

Report Number: Various

Location: Los Padres National Forest

Date & Time: May 2017 through September 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Team
United States Forest Service
Campaign Against Marijuana Planting (CAMP)
California National Guard - Counter Drug Task Force

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(V) State of California	Los Padres National Forest	

Narrative:

During the months of May 2017 through September 2017, the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Team in conjunction with the United States Forest Service, the California Department of Justice, the California Department of Fish and Wild Life, and the California National Guard Counter Drug Task Force conducted marijuana eradications on illicit marijuana gardens in the Los Padres National Forest. These marijuana gardens are structured and organized by illegal drug trafficking organizations (DTO's), who's members live in and manage the gardens during the summer growing season.

A total of fourteen marijuana eradication operations were conducted during this time period throughout the Los Padres National Forest, which resulted in the seizure and destruction of approximately 130,000 illegally grown marijuana plants. This is an approximate 28,000 plant increase from the previous year. In addition to the marijuana plants, several tons of trash, food, waste, encampment items, firearms, and fertilizers were removed from the forest lands along with miles of plastic irrigation lines. In every marijuana garden eradicated, plastic irrigation water lines were encountered. Many of these water lines ran for miles to a natural water source. Several of the natural flowing water ways had been artificially dammed, altering the water flow and habitat to native fish, plant and wild life.

The value of the seized marijuana plants have a conservative whole value of \$130,000,000 and an approximate street value of \$585,000,000.

The C.A.M.P program consists of personnel from the United States Forest Service, California Department of Justice, California Department of Fish and Wild Life and the California National Guard. The West County Street Team consists of Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and the Oxnard Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: October 12, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Arrest of Commercial Burglary Suspect

10/12/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Commercial Burglary Suspect
Report Number: 17-148015
Location: 200 Block of N. Aviator Street
Date & Time: 10-10-2017
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Investigation Bureau, Santa Paula Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Castaneda, Rebecca	Santa Paula	57

Narrative:

On 10-10-2017 Camarillo Detectives, with the assistance of the Santa Paula Police Department, located and arrested Rebecca Castaneda for the burglary of a Camarillo storage unit.

On 9-23-2017, deputies from the Camarillo Police Department responded to a report of a burglary, at a storage unit, in the 200 block of N. Aviator Street, in the City of Camarillo. Deputies were able to retrieve surveillance video from the scene that showed (S) Rebecca Castaneda stealing property valued in excess of \$950, from the victim's storage unit.

During the investigation, detectives learned that Castaneda was residing at a residence in the City of Santa Paula. On 10-10-2017, Camarillo Detectives, with the assistance of the Santa Paula Police Department, located Castaneda in the City of Santa Paula. Castaneda was taken into custody without incident and booked into the Ventura County Main Jail. She remains jailed on \$10,000 bail.

Prepared by: Detective L. Johnson #3961
News Release Date: 10/12/17
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Approved by: Captain Paris

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anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

Camarillo 7-11 Robbery Suspects Arrested

10/12/2017 11:45:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo 7-11 Robbery Suspects Arrested

Report Number: 17-146591

Location: Carmen Drive at Daily Drive, City of Camarillo

Date & Time: 09/26/2017, at about 3:15 a.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol, Camarillo Detectives, Camarillo SED, Sheriff Major Crimes, FBI

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Martin Prado	Camarillo	24
(S) Arlene Hokafonu	Port Hueneme	25

Narrative:

On 09/26/2017, a robbery occurred at the 7-11 store located on Carmen Drive near Daily Drive in the city of Camarillo. At about 3:15 a.m., a male entered 7-11 armed with a weapon and threatened the clerk. The suspect assaulted the clerk and stole an undisclosed amount of cash from the register before fleeing the store. No one was injured during the robbery. The weapon used by the suspect was described as being similar to a screwdriver.

Over the next couple days, with the assistance of the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail (SED), Sheriff's Major Crimes detectives identified (S) Martin Prado as the robbery suspect. Detectives also identified an associate of Martin Prado, (S) Arlene Hokafonu, as an accomplice to the robbery.

Martin Prado is currently on probation with search terms for an unrelated offense.

On 10/11/2017, detectives from the Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit and Camarillo SED executed a probation search at Prado's residence in Camarillo and search warrant at Hokafonu's residence in Port Hueneme. Both Prado and Hokafonu were taken into custody at the time of the searches by detectives. During the searches, evidence linking Prado and Hokafonu to the 7-11 robbery was located.

Sheriff's Major Crimes detectives arrested Prado and Hokafonu for PC 182(a)(1) ' [Conspiracy to Commit a Crime] and PC 211 ' [Robbery]. Both Prado and Hokafonu are scheduled to appear in Ventura County Superior Court for arraignment on 10/13/2017, at 1330 hours. Prado's bail is currently set at \$65,000 while Hokafonu's bail is currently set at \$50,000.

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Sheriff's Deputies Participating in Tip-A-Cop Event for Special Olympics

10/12/2017 5:30:00 PM

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 19, 2017 ' 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 19, 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 from dine-in or take-out 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. For more information on Ventura County Special Olympics, visit: www.sosc.org/venturacounty.

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Media Release Date: October 12, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Camarillo Police Officer Halloween Safety Tips

10/16/2017 8:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Camarillo Police Officer Halloween Safety Tips

Report Number:

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: October 16, 2017

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

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

City of Residence

Narrative:

Halloween has been celebrated on October 31st in the United States since the early 1800's and is traditionally a family-oriented holiday when children and some adults get to dress up and enjoy candy and other treats. Halloween is a time for fun with friends, family and neighbors with children trick-or-treating door-to-door. Most people are friendly and nice, but there are some who play cruel tricks on children and ruin the good time.

In order to assist the Camarillo community in enjoying this fun-filled holiday as safely as possible, the Camarillo Police Department has compiled the following Halloween safety tips to ensure everyone has a ghoulishly fun time:

Motorists

- Please slow down in residential neighborhoods and obey all traffic signs and signals. Drive at least 5 mph below the posted speed limit to give yourself extra time to react to children who may dart into the street.
- Watch for children walking on roadways, medians, and curbs. In dark costumes, they'll be harder to see at night.
- Look for children crossing the street. They may not be paying attention to traffic and cross the street mid-block or between parked cars.
- Carefully enter and exit driveways and alleys.
- Turn on your headlights to make yourself more visible ' even in the daylight.
- Broaden your scanning by looking for children left and right into yards and front porches.

Parents

- Ensure an adult or older, responsible youth is available to supervise children under age 12.
- Plan and discuss the route your trick-or-treaters will follow.
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar areas and along established routes.
- Teach children to stop only at well-lit houses and to never to enter a stranger's home or garage.
- Establish a time for children to return home.
- Tell children not to eat any treats until they get home.
- Review trick-or-treating safety precautions, including pedestrian and traffic safety rules.
- Make sure Halloween costumes are flame-retardant and visible with retro-reflective material.

Trick-or-Treaters

- Be bright at night ' wear retro-reflective tape on costumes and treat buckets to improve visibility to motorists and others.
- Wear disguises that don't obstruct vision, and avoid facemasks. Instead, use nontoxic face paint. Also, watch the length of billowy costumes to help avoid tripping.
- Ensure any props are flexible and blunt-tipped to avoid injury from tripping or horseplay.
- Carry a flashlight containing fresh batteries, and place it face down in the treat bucket to free up one hand. Never shine it into the eyes of oncoming drivers.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Shawn Holzberger

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Mental Health First Aid Course

10/16/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Mental Health First Aid Course
Location: Thousand Oaks Police Department Community Meeting Room

Date & Time: December 5th & 6th, 2017/ 5:00PM ' 9:30PM

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department

Narrative:

1 in 5 people have a mental illness or addiction: So, what can I do'
Learn Mental Health First Aid! It is a free, two part, 8 hour certified training to help someone developing a mental health problem or at risk of suicide or harm. This innovative program offers concrete tools and answers key questions like 'What can I do if someone is in crisis" 'How do I approach someone in distress" 'What do I say" 'How can I help" 'Where can someone find help"

You will learn:

- ◆About common mental health and substance use disorders
- ◆Warning signs and symptoms of mental health problems
- ◆Potential risk factors
- ◆Local resources and supports
- ◆A five step action plan:
 - } Assess for risk of suicide or harm
 - } Listen Non-judgmentally
 - } Give reassurance and information
 - } Encourage appropriate professional help
 - } Encourage self-help and other support strategies

To register please email Mary Ellen Collins, Certified Trainer:
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Made possible through funding from Ventura County Behavioral Health Department

Prepared by: Mark Stadler, CIT Program Administrator

Media Release Date: October 16th, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Eric Tennessen

The Parent Project

10/16/2017 8:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: The Parent Project 

Report Number:

Location: Camarillo Police Department

Date & Time: Beginning November 13, 2017 from 5:30 to 8:30 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  Monday evenings for ten weeks starting on November 13, 2017. 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 \$30 fee for the course workbook. Interested parents wishing to register are asked to contact the Community Resource Unit at (805) 388-5155 with any questions. Class size is limited so don't delay and register at parentproject.com or call today.

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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Arrest of Theft Suspect

10/17/2017 1:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Theft Suspect

Report Numbers: 17-42633, 17-73622, 17-107109, and 17-83750

Location: Camarillo / Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: October 13, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

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

S-1 Jose Casarez

City of Residence

Oxnard

Narrative:

On 10/12/17, Camarillo detectives arrested Jose Casarez for a series of burglaries/thefts of high end vacuum cleaners and other electronic devices from local retail stores.

Between the months of March and July 2017, an unidentified suspect (Jose Casarez) committed an estimated nine thefts from Target retail stores within the county of Ventura. The victims estimated the value of the stolen merchandise at over \$5,500.00. In many of the thefts, the suspect was seen on surveillance video stealing high end home appliances (i.e. Dyson and iRobot).

On 09/13/17, Camarillo detectives released a news story asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect from the Target thefts. The news story included still photos taken from the video coverage.

On 10/10/17, the Camarillo Investigations Unit received an anonymous tip naming Jose Casarez as the suspect in the thefts. Detectives began investigating Casarez and found evidence linking him to the crimes.

On 10/12/17, detectives from the Camarillo Investigations Bureau and the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail conducted a probation search at Casarez's residence, in Oxnard. Detectives found evidence linking Casarez to crimes in Camarillo, as well as Thousand Oaks. Casarez was arrested for multiple theft counts and booked into the Ventura County Main Jail.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank members of the public for their on-going support and due diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes. All of Ventura County benefits because of community partnerships like this. Join us in the fight on crime by following us on Twitter @VENTURASHERIFF, on Facebook with our Official Page, VCSHERIFF on Instagram, and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories

Prepared by: Detective Gerardo Cruz

News Release Date: 10/17/17

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Attempt to Identify Robbery Suspect

10/19/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt to Identify Robbery Suspect

Report Number: 17-159453

Location: 1900 block of East Daily Drive, Camarillo, CA

Date & Time: 10/18/2017 @ 9:04 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department
Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau

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

Narrative:

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office seeks the public's assistance in identifying robbery suspects.

On 10/18/17, at about 9:04 P.M., the Ventura County Sheriff's Communication Center received a call of an armed robbery that had just occurred at the AT&T store located along the 1900-block of Daily Drive in Camarillo.

Deputies from the Camarillo Police Department responded to the business and discovered that three male subjects, wearing bandanas over their faces, entered the store with firearms and ordered the employees and customers to the backroom. The suspects took an unknown number of cellular telephones and an undisclosed amount of money. The suspects left in an unknown direction.

S-1 was described as a male, approximately 5'7' tall, 160 pounds, wearing a white pullover hooded sweatshirt and white pants. S-2 was described as a male, approximately 6'0' tall, 160 pounds, wearing a green/gray hooded jacket and black pants. S-3 was described as a male, 5'8' tall, 200 pounds, wearing a dark blue hooded sweatshirt and blue pants.

Detectives from the Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau are handling the investigation of this robbery. Anyone who may have been in the area at the time and observed the suspect's actions before, during, or after the robbery are asked to contact detectives at (805) 384-4738.

Prepared by: Detective F. Jauregui

News Release Date: 10/19/2017

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Approved by: Captain Jeff Miller

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Pharmacy Burglary Arrests

10/19/2017 6:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Pharmacy Burglary Arrests

Report Number: 17-159008

Location: 400 block of Arneill Road, Camarillo

Date & Time: October 18, 2017 / 0400

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

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

City of Residence

S-1 Jose Carrasco

Van Nuys

S-2 Martimiano Carrasco

Van Nuys

S-3 Bianca Rodriguez

North Hollywood

Narrative:

Camarillo patrol deputies responded to an in-progress burglary at the Vu Pharmacy, resulting in the arrest of three suspects.

On 10/18/17, at about 0400 hours, a Camarillo patrol deputy was in the parking lot of the Vu Pharmacy providing extra patrol because of prior pharmacy burglaries in the area. The patrol deputy heard a noise inside the business and at the same time the deputy heard the noise, Sheriff's Dispatch advised patrol deputies of an alarm at the same location. The deputy on scene then saw two subjects crawling out of the closed business through a broken front door. The deputy confronted the suspects and a foot chase ensued.

The suspects (Jose Carrasco and Martimiano Carrasco) ran to an awaiting car that was driven by Bianca Rodriguez. All three suspects were able to flee the area in the car. The deputy who was chasing the suspects on foot was able to notify Sheriff's Dispatch of the vehicle description and a broadcast was made to patrol deputies. Approximately five minutes after the broadcast, a patrol deputy spotted the vehicle on Lewis Road near the 101 Freeway. A traffic stop was conducted on the vehicle and the suspects inside the vehicle were positively identified as the suspects from the burglary. A search of the car yielded evidence linking the suspects to the burglary. All three suspects were taken into custody and booked into the Ventura County Main Jail, without incident.

Detectives learned that the two male suspects are known gang members from San Fernando Valley. Camarillo Detectives were also able to retrieve security video footage from the pharmacy and it confirmed the suspects' participation in the crime.

Prepared by: Detective Gerardo Cruz

News Release Date: 10/19/17

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Narcotics Arrest

10/20/2017 6:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest

Report Number: 17-114511

Location: City of Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: October 4th, 2017

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

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Ryan Tallmadge	Santa Monica

Narrative:

On October 4th 2017, detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit assisted by the Ventura County Sheriff's East County Street Narcotics Unit concluded a two month narcotic investigation into Ryan Tallmadge, who was involved in the sales of MDMA (ecstasy) and Alprazolam (Xanax) to residents of Ventura and Los Angeles Counties.

Detectives detained Tallmadge in Thousand Oaks, and located about 1,700 Alprazolam pills and about ½ ounce of MDMA inside his vehicle. Once Tallmadge was in custody, a signed search warrant was executed at his residence. During this investigation, detectives were able to seize approximately 5 ounces of MDMA, 10,264 Alprazolam pills and a large sum of U.S. currency deemed to be proceeds of narcotic sales.

Tallmadge was booked into custody at the Ventura County Sheriff's East County Jail facility for 11378 H&S ' possession for sale of a controlled substance (MDMA) and 11375(b)(1) H&S ' possession for sale of a designated controlled substance (Alprazolam).

On October 6th, 2017, this case was presented to the District Attorney's office for review. The District Attorney's office elected to file one felony count of 11378 H&S and one count of 11375(b)(1) H&S. On October 7th, 2017 Tallmadge was released from custody in lieu of \$50,000 bail.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force made up of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Thousand Oaks Police Department, the California Highway Patrol, the Ventura Police Department, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation, and the California Department of Health Care Services. The primary mission of the task force is combatting 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 overdoses due to both prescription medication and illicit drug use.

Prepared by: Sergeant Matthew Young

News Release Date: October 20th 2017

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Prowler

10/25/2017 9:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Prowler
Report Number: RB #17-162881
Location: 800 Block of Saint Charles Drive, Thousand Oaks
Date & Time: October 25, 2017 @ 0300
Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department ' Investigations Bureau, Patrol

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Unknown	Unknown	19-20
(V) Adult Female	Thousand Oaks, Ca	20
(V) Adult Male	Thousand Oaks, Ca.	20

Narrative:

On October 25, 2017, at approximately 3:50 A.M., the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to a prowler call in the 800 block Saint Charles Drive. This is the second call for service regarding a prowler in the apartment complexes on Saint Charles Drive near McCloud Drive in the past 4 months. During both incidents, the residents had left their sliding glass patio doors open.

At approximately 3:00 A.M. the residents awoke to a prowler inside their residence. The male resident confronted the prowler who was attempting to flee. A struggle ensued and the prowler was able to escape via the back patio.

Thousand Oaks Police Department Detectives responded to the scene to assist in the investigation. The prowler has been described as a Hispanic male, 6'0', 165 pounds, approximately 19 to 20 years old and wearing a black hoodie sweatshirt and blue jeans. Detectives have spent the morning and afternoon canvassing the neighborhood and business for additional suspect information.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is seeking the public's assistance in identifying the prowler depicted in the composite sketch. If anyone has additional information about the sketch or possible suspect please contact Detective Meagan Yates @ (805) 371-8397.

Residents are encouraged to maintain security at all times, by locking their doors / windows and reporting suspicious persons or activity during all hours of the day and night.

Prepared by: Sergeant Dan Hawes

Media Release Date: October 25, 2017

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Driver's License / DUI Checkpoint

10/26/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Driver's License/DUI Checkpoint

Location: Thousand Oaks, CA

Date & Time: October 28, 2017, from 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department - 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 October 28, 2017, at an undisclosed location(s) within the city limits. In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Thousand Oaks Police Department supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

The deterrent effect of High Visibility Enforcement using both DUI checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols has proven to lower the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug impaired crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized proactive DUI operations are conducted routinely.

DUI Checkpoints like this one 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, alcohol involved collisions led to 1,155 deaths and nearly 24,000 serious injuries in 2014 because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Locally, over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 8 lives and resulted in 91 injury crashes harming our friends and neighbors.

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.

Studies of California drivers have shown 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.

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The feature-packed app even has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb. For more information about DDVIP, visit: <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>.

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and 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 Drivers ' Call 9-1-1'.

Carl Patterson, Sergeant

Prepared by:

News Story Date: October 26, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

10/27/2017 11:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

Report Number: N/A

Location: Sheriff's Headquarters and Sheriff's Office substations

Date & Time: Saturday, October 28, 2017 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office / Drug Enforcement Administration

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

Narrative:

In support of the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) 12th annual National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day, the Sheriff's Office will be opening our patrol stations on Saturday, October 28, 2017, 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 eleven 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 13 tons 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.

The following items are accepted: prescription medications, over-the-counter medications, medication samples, pet medications, vitamins, medicated ointments/lotions, inhalers, and liquid medication in leak-proof containers.

The following items cannot be accepted: needles (sharps), illicit drugs, medical waste, or IV bags.

Sheriff's locations participating in the National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day are:

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 regular 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/rx>.

<u>Prepared by:</u>	Captain Garo Kuredjian
<u>News Release Date:</u>	October 27, 2017
<u>Media Follow-Up Contact:</u>	Captain Garo Kuredjian 805-797-6322
<u>Approved by:</u>	Captain Mike Hartmann

**Ventura County Sheriff's Office Receives Grant for Special Traffic Enforcement
and Crash Prevention**

10/27/2017 5:00:00 PM

Narrative:

**The Ventura County Sheriff's Office Receives Grant For
Special Traffic Enforcement And Crash Prevention**

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office, on behalf of the cities of Camarillo, Moorpark, and Thousand Oaks, has been awarded a \$487,000 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) for a year-long program of special enforcements and public awareness efforts to prevent traffic related deaths and injuries. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office will use the funding as part of its ongoing commitment to keep our roadways safe and improve the quality of life through both enforcement and education.

After falling to a ten year low in 2010, the number of persons killed on roadways has climbed nearly 17 percent across the state, with 3,429 fatalities in 2015. Particularly alarming is the rise in pedestrian and bicycle fatalities that now comprise nearly 25 percent of all traffic deaths, along with the growing dangers of distracting technologies and the emergence of drug-impaired driving. This grant funding will provide opportunities to combat these and other devastating problems such as speeding and crashes at intersections.

'Unsafe behaviors account for 94 percent of traffic crashes,' said OTS Director Rhonda Craft. 'This grant emphasizes the two most effective ways to change behaviors ' education and enforcement. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office, with assistance from the Office of Traffic Safety, will use these tools to help keep the cities of Camarillo, Moorpark and Thousand Oaks streets safe.'

Activities that the grant will fund include:

- Educational presentations
- DUI checkpoints
- DUI saturation patrols
- Bicycle and pedestrian safety enforcement
- Motorcycle safety enforcement
- Distracted driving enforcement
- Speed, red light, and stop sign enforcement
- DUI related Warrant Service
- Drug Recognition Expert training for law enforcement officers

While alcohol remains the worst offender for DUI crashes, The Ventura County Sheriff's Office supports the new effort from OTS that aims to drive awareness that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' Prescription medications and marijuana can also be impairing by themselves, or in combination with alcohol, and can result in a DUI arrest.

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

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DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results

10/30/2017 11:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint Results
Location: City of Thousand Oaks
Date & Time: October 28, 2017 from 8:00 p.m. to 2:30 a.m.
Unit Responsible: Thousand oaks Police Department - Traffic Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Orozco, Jorge	Simi Valley	31
(S) Iverson, Laura	Simi Valley	41

Narrative:

October DUI / Driver's License Checkpoint

On October 28, 2017, the Thousand Oaks Police Department-Traffic Bureau conducted a DUI / Driver's License checkpoint at two locations in the City of Thousand Oaks. Vehicles were screened as they passed through the checkpoint locations. Arrests were made for DUI and citations were issued for unlicensed drivers.

The first checkpoint location was northbound Erbes Road south of La Granada Drive from 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 a.m. The second location was eastbound Olsen Road at the City of Thousand Oaks city limits from 11:45 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. on October 29. 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 related injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive alcohol and/ or drug impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging alcohol or drugged impaired drivers 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 yielding considerable cost savings of \$6.00 for every \$1.00 spent. Ninety percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

During the listed Checkpoint Operation the following occurred:

- 1040 vehicles entered the Checkpoint
- 662 vehicles were screened in the Checkpoint
- Two DUI alcohol impaired arrests were made
- No DUI drug impaired arrests were made
- Six drivers were cited/arrested for operating a vehicle while unlicensed or for having a suspended/revoked driver's license
- A total of 14 citations were issued

Law Enforcement emphasizes the preventable nature of DUI, reminding everyone that all it takes is a little preplanning. Designate a sober driver, call a friend or family member for a ride or call a cab. Whatever you do, don't drink and drive or drive while drug impaired. The California Office of Traffic Safety DDVIP (Designated Driver VIP) mobile app is now available for free to 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. For more information on DDVIP <http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/DDVIP-App.pdf>.

Driver's caught driving under the influence can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes and other expenses that can exceed \$10,000. That does not include embarrassment when family and friends find out.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be conducting another DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on December 9, 2017 (Saturday) in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and related injuries on 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. Remember to report Drunk Drivers by calling 9-1-1.

Prepared by: Senior Deputy Dan Ambarian

Media Release Date: October 30, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Don Aguilar

Fillmore Citizen Patrol

10/30/2017 5:00:00 PM

- Nature of Incident:** Fillmore Citizen Patrol
- Location:** City of Fillmore
- Date & Time:** 10/30/2017 0800 hours
- Unit(s) Responsible:** Fillmore Police Department and Fillmore Citizen Patrol

Narrative:

Members of the Fillmore Citizen Patrol are trained volunteers who assist in meeting law enforcement objectives for normal daily operations as well as during times of disasters and emergencies. Members of the Citizen Patrol Team patrol the community in a white patrol vehicle with 'Fillmore Police, Sheriff Citizen Patrol' on each door. There are currently 11 volunteers who have served nearly 800 hours of their own time to the Santa Clara Valley Community last year.

Fillmore Citizen Patrol volunteers are a uniformed function of the Police Department that works in patrol, at the station, and at the resource centers. The extra eyes and ears in the community allow deputies to respond quickly to crimes in progress and intervene on emergency situations.

By utilizing volunteer groups for such basic yet needed tasks, Sheriff's Deputies are able to spend more time on patrol and focus more on their primary task - keeping our community safe. The Citizen Patrol also conducts other community service duties provided by the Police Department such as parking enforcement, towing abandoned vehicles, and vacation house checks. In addition to patrolling our community, Fillmore Citizen Patrol members assist with parades during the May Festival and Christmas, and assist with our local Fillmore/ Piru Relay for Life.

Recently, Citizens Patrol members teamed up with the Sheriff's deputies assigned to the Fillmore Police Department to educate the youth of our community. Citizen Patrol members have made short presentations to students on safety. Citizen Patrol members are also involved in afterschool and programs to develop positive interactions between the youth of and law enforcement.

The Fillmore Citizen Patrol has also awarded numerous scholarships to students within our community. For 2015 & 2016, scholarships totaling nearly \$7000 were awarded to 8 Fillmore High School students.

If you are interested in joining Fillmore Citizen Patrol, are 21 or over and live in the community of Fillmore or unincorporated areas of Piru and Bardsdale, please contact the Fillmore Police Station or Citizen Patrol Member Lisa Hammond at 805-524-2233.

Prepared by: Citizen Patrol Member Lisa Hammond

News Release Date: 10/30/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Citizen Patrol Member Lisa Hammond
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Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

Attempt to Identify Forgery Suspect

10/31/2017 5:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt to Identify Forgery Suspect

Report Number: 17-163976

Location: Camarillo

Date & Time: October 31, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

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

S-1 Unknown Female

City of Residence

Unknown

Age

25-30

Narrative:

On 10/5/2017, an unidentified Hispanic female deposited two stolen checks into a Premier America Credit Union account, located in Camarillo. The total amount of both checks deposited was over \$950.00. The checks were stolen out the victim's vehicle on an unknown date.

Camarillo Detectives are asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect. Anyone who can identify her, or any of her accomplices, is asked to call Camarillo Police Department's News Story Hotline at (805) 388-5151.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank members of the public for their on-going support and due diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes. We are better at what we do because of our community partnerships. Join us in the fight on crime by following us on Twitter @VENTURASHERIFF, on Facebook with our Official Page, VCSHERIFF on Instagram, and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories

Prepared by: Detective Gerardo Cruz

News Release Date: 10/31/17

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Approved by: Captain Paris

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Domestic Violence Arrest

10/31/2017 5:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Domestic Violence Arrest

Report Number: 17-163412

Location: Port Hueneme

Date & Time: 10/26/2017 @ 2:20 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Detectives, Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail, West County Gang Unit and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit.

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

(S) Michael Trujillo

City of Residence

Port Hueneme

Narrative:

On 10/26/2017, Camarillo Detectives, Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail Officers, Sheriff's Gang Unit Detectives and a Ventura County Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit arrested a domestic violence suspect.

On 10/25/2017, Camarillo patrol deputies responded to a call of a domestic disturbance. When deputies arrived at the scene they contacted the victim, who had a traumatic injury. The victim stated Trujillo, who she was dating, caused her injuries during a domestic dispute. The suspect left the scene prior to deputies arriving and his whereabouts were unknown. The victim was transported to the hospital and it was confirmed her injuries were significant.

On 10/26/2017, at about 1420 hours, Camarillo Detectives, Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail Officers, Sheriff's Gang Unit Detectives and a Ventura County Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit conducted a probation search at Trujillo's residence. As deputies approached, they saw Trujillo outside the residence. When Trujillo saw the deputies, he ran into the residence and hid. Deputies made entry and announced that a Sheriff's K9 was going to be used to conduct the search. After hearing the announcement, Trujillo surrendered without further incident. He was arrested and booked into the Sheriff's Main Jail.

Trujillo was booked into the Main Jail for PC 273.5 ' Causing corporal injury to domestic partner, PC243(d) ' Battery with serious bodily injury and PC 422 ' Criminal threats. Trujillo is currently in-custody, with his bail set at \$100,000.

Prepared by: Detective Boynton

News Release Date: 10/31/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Franchi (805)388-5135
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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

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

Nature of Incident: Fraudulent Prescription Conspiracy Arrests

Report Number: 17-160431- Sheriff & 17-99892 ' Oxnard P.D.

Location: Burt's Pharmacy 2300 block of Borchard Road, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: October 20th, 2017

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

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
(S) Angela Breaux	Oakland	58
(S) Daniel Adams	Lodi	21
(S) Jaime Galindo	Stockton	30

Narrative:

During the months of September and October 2017, numerous pharmacies in Oxnard and Thousand Oaks determined fraudulent prescriptions had been passed or attempted to be passed at their pharmacies. An investigation for fraudulent or forged prescriptions used to obtain a controlled medication was initiated in both cities.

The Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit (PCU) began an investigation. The investigation determined an organized crime crew had been to the Ventura County area on several dates and passed or attempted to pass forged prescriptions. The PCU eventually determined the suspects were involved in passing or attempting to pass up to a dozen forged prescriptions in Ventura County.

On October 20th, 2017 the three suspects were identified and arrested as they attempted to pass a forged prescription at a pharmacy in the City of Thousand Oaks. The investigation revealed they had been to additional pharmacies in Thousand Oaks and Oxnard on that day and the day prior.

All three suspects were booked into the Ventura County Jail on charges of 11368 H&S ' Fraudulent prescription, 530.5 PC- identity theft, 459 PC - burglary and 182 PC ' conspiracy to

commit a felony. The specific number of charges against each arrestee is specific to their involvement in this case.

On October 24th, 2017, the District Attorney's Office elected to file charges against all three defendants. Angela Breaux and Jaime Galindo were each held with their bail set at \$500,000. Breaux also had felony warrants for the same charges in Santa Clara County and the State of Nevada. Daniel Adams was held in custody with his bail set at \$100,000. This investigation is still ongoing as the search for additional victims and evidence related to this case.

The PCU believes this forgery crew was organized and centered in the Oakland area. The PCU also believes there are potentially many more instances where this crew passed or attempted to pass forged prescriptions in Ventura County. 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, or any other information related to narcotics.

The Ventura County Interagency Pharmaceutical Crimes Unit is a task force made up of members from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Thousand Oaks Police Department, the California Highway Patrol, the Ventura Police Department, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Health Quality Investigation Unit of the California Division of Investigation, and the California Department of Health Care Services. The primary mission of the task force is combatting 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.

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News Release Date: October 31, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Illegal Firearm Possession Arrest

11/3/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Illegal Firearm possession arrest

Report Number: RB# 17-168187

Location: 200 block of Blaine Avenue, Fillmore

Date & Time: 10/26/17 2230 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Patrol Station/ Sheriff's Gang Unit/
Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence
(S) Cassidy, Kelly	Fillmore

Narrative:

On October 26, 2017, Fillmore Patrol Deputies responded to a call of a subject shooting in the air in his backyard. Deputies arrived on scene and contacted a confrontational subject who was later identified as Kelly Cassidy. Cassidy refused to comply with officer's directions and was confrontational, but was ultimately restrained and arrested. During the initial investigation, it was determined that Cassidy had fired a gun on his property in gross negligence. A handgun was located in Cassidy's garage near where the discharge took place. Cassidy was arrested for PC 148(a), resisting arrest, HS 11550(e), under the influence of a controlled substance while in possession of a loaded operable firearm, and PC 246.3(a), discharging a firearm with negligence.

Cassidy had been the subject of a 2 month-long investigation involving illegal firearm purchases and sales and also illegal narcotic activity by Sheriff's Detectives.

On October 31, 2017, members of the Sheriff's Gang Unit and with the assistance of the Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit executed a search warrant at Kelly Cassidy's residence in the City of Fillmore. During the search, 12 firearms were seized, including several unregistered firearms and firearms registered to subjects living outside of the county. Detectives believe some of the firearms were illegally purchased or transferred.

Additionally, approximately 60 pounds of marijuana and multiple illegal plants of peyote were located and believed to have been a part of an illegal drug sales operation.

Cassidy was additionally charged with other firearm and narcotic charges based on the contraband seized during the search warrant. He is being held in Ventura County Jail on \$200,000 bail.

Members of the public are reminded that it is illegal to buy, sell, loan, or transfer a firearm in the

State of California without the assistance of a licensed firearms dealer and a Department of Justice background check.

Anyone with further information regarding this investigation or any information on illegal firearms is encouraged to contact Detective Erik Hernandez at 805-654-2856 or email erik.hernandez@ventura.org

Prepared by: Det. Erik Hernandez #4533

News Release Date: 11/03/17

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Approved by: Captain Todd Inglis

Illegal Firearms Manufacturing Arrest

11/3/2017 6:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Illegal Firearms Manufacturing Arrest
Report Number: RB# 17-160989
Location: B Street at Second Street, Fillmore
Date & Time: 10/21/17 1630 hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Patrol Station Deputies/ Sheriff's Gang Unit /
Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Castillo, Jose	Oxnard
(S) Pavich, Gabriel	Fillmore

Narrative:

On October 21, 2017, Fillmore Patrol Deputies conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle driven by Jose Castillo for vehicle code violations. During the traffic stop, deputies discovered two operational 'zip guns', including one that was loaded. A 'zip gun' in a home-made firearm crudely constructed with miscellaneous parts. These types of firearms are extremely dangerous due to their lack of safety mechanisms and standard firearm parts such as a trigger. Zip guns can also be easily concealed or smuggled into restricted areas. A search of the vehicle also yielded methamphetamine and an unregistered shotgun.

Jose Castillo and his passenger, Gabriel Pavich, were arrested for narcotic related and illegal firearm possession charges. Pavich is a convicted felon and prohibited from possessing firearms. Castillo is being held in Ventura County Jail in lieu of \$50,000 bail and Pavich was released on a bond. Prior to Pavich's release, detectives seized an illegal rifle from Pavich's home in the City of Fillmore.

On the morning of October 28, 2017, members of the Sheriff's Gang Unit and the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail executed a search warrant at Castillo's residences in the City of Oxnard. An illegal AR-15 assault rifle, two illegal gun silencers, and evidence of illegal firearm manufacturing were located and seized.

Investigators believe that Castillo and Pavich may have manufactured or sold other illegal and dangerous firearms. Anyone with further information regarding this investigation or any gang and illegal firearm information is encouraged to contact Detective Erik Hernandez at 805-654-2856.

Prepared by: Det. Erik Hernandez #4533

News Release Date: 11/03/17

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Approved by: Captain Todd Inglis

Stolen Vehicle Pursuit

11/7/2017 12:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stolen vehicle pursuit

Report Number: RB# 2017-170246

Location: Princeton Avenue at Highway 118, Moorpark and 2500 Block of Cochran Avenue, Simi Valley

Date & Time: November 6th, 2017 - 2333 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura Sheriff's -Moorpark Patrol and Investigations Bureau, Simi Valley Police Department ' Patrol Bureau.

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

Narrative:

On November 6th, 2017, at about 2333 hours, patrol deputies from the Ventura County Sheriff's ' Moorpark Station observed a suspicious vehicle in the area of Princeton Avenue and Spring Road. When the deputy attempted to contact the occupants of the vehicle, the vehicle fled and a pursuit ensued. The pursuit continued on the 118 freeway, into the City of Simi valley, where officers from the Simi Valley Police Department joined the pursuit. The pursuit was deliberately terminated by the suspects in the 2500 Block of Cochran Avenue. Initial information received by the pursuing officers and deputies indicated that two suspects, who were possibly armed, fled the vehicle and entered a nearby residence. The Simi Valley Police Department responded with multiple assets, established a perimeter and conducted an investigation but determined that information was not correct. The vehicle was later determined to be an unreported stolen vehicle out of the Los Angeles area and both suspects are still outstanding. The investigation is ongoing.

Prepared by: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch

News Release Date: November 7th, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Sergeant Kevin Lynch, Cell Phone (805) 947-8151, kevin.lynch@ventura.org

Approved by: Captain John Reilly

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anonymous. The call is not recorded. Call Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

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Arrest for Armed Robbery and Sexual Assault

11/8/2017 6:15:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Arrest for Armed Robbery and Sexual Assault

Report Number: 17-170690

Location: Days Inn; 165 E. Daily Drive, Camarillo CA

Date & Time: November 7, 2017 @ 6:18 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department
Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau
Sheriff's Special Crimes Unit

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

(V) Adult Female

(S) Abdelkarim Abdelmajid

City of Residence

San Gabriel, CA

Reseda, CA

Narrative:

Ventura County Sheriff's Office arrests (S) Abdelkarim Abdelmajid for armed robbery and sexual assault.

On November 7, 2017, at approximately 6:18 PM, deputies from the Camarillo Police Department responded to the Days Inn for a report of an armed robbery and sexual battery. The initial investigation revealed that Abdelmajid entered the victim's hotel room and brandished a weapon to sexually assault the victim. Abdelmajid then robbed the victim of personal property and fled the scene.

Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office located and arrested Abdelmajid a short while later in the 20400 block of Ventura Boulevard in Woodland Hills. At the time of his arrest, Abdelmajid was still in possession of the property he stole during the robbery. Abdelmajid was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for one count of robbery and one count of felony sexual battery. He is currently in custody with his bail set at \$100,000.00 and he is scheduled for arraignment in Ventura County Superior Court on November 9, 2017.

Prepared by: Sgt. Rick Harwood

News Release Date: November 8, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Jeff Miller

Residential burglary suspect captured on home video arrested in Ventura

11/8/2017 2:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Residential burglary suspect captured on home video surveillance arrested in the City of Ventura.

Report Number: 17-169769

Location: Motel 6, 2145 E. Harbor Blvd, Ventura

Date & Time: 11-7-2017, 1830 hours

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Investigations and Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Blake Northrop	Oxnard	34

Narrative:

On November 6, 2017, at about 8:15 am, the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to a report of a residential burglary in the 1300 block of Calle Crisantemo. The victim reported two unknown suspects entered his home and stole thousands of dollars' worth of property which included motorcycles and home appliances. The homeowner's video surveillance system recorded the crime. Surveillance video showed two suspects loading the stolen items into a large U-Haul box truck.

Investigators from the Thousand Oaks Police Department contacted several U-Haul rental outlets and were able to identify one of the suspects as 34 year old Blake Northrop. Through the course of the investigation, detectives learned Northrop was staying at a motel in the City of Ventura and was still in possession of the U-Haul truck.

On November 7, 2017, investigators located Northrop and the U-Haul at Motel 6 in the 2100 Blk of E Harbor Blvd, Ventura. A search warrant was obtained for Northrop's motel room and with the assistance of the Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit, Northrop was arrested and the search warrant was served. Investigators recovered almost all of the victim's stolen property as well as a large quantity of methamphetamine and heroin.

Blake Northrop was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Jail for Penal Code section 459 / Residential Burglary, two counts of Vehicle Code section 10851(a) / theft of a motor vehicle, Penal Code section 182(a)(1) / criminal conspiracy, Health and Safety Code section 11352(a) / possession of heroin for sales, Health and Safety Code section 11378(a) / possession of methamphetamine for sales, and Health and Safety Code section 11364(a) / possession of drug paraphernalia.

Prepared by: Sergeant Robert Davidson

Media Release Date: November 8, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Suspect Arrested for Sexual Battery

11/8/2017 2:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Suspect Arrested for Sexual Battery
Report Number: 17-167719
Location: La Vista & Los Angeles Ave, Somis, Ca
Date & Time: 10/28/2017 @ 4:30 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Patrol / Camarillo Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Isidro Herrera	Ventura	53

Narrative:

Camarillo Detectives arrested S- Isidro Herrera for sexually assaulting a victim after he helped her change a flat tire.

On 10/28/2017, an adult female victim contacted the Camarillo Police Department and reported an incident in which she had been sexually assaulted by a male adult. The victim told deputies that an unknown male suspect (Herrera) stopped to help her change a flat tire, near La Vista and Los Angeles Ave in Somis.. The victim offered to pay the suspect \$50.00 for helping her with the tire. When Herrera finished changing the tire, he declined the money and asked the victim for a handshake. While shaking the victim's hand, Herrera pulled the victim towards him and hugged her. The victim pulled away from Herrera and Herrera used his body weight to pin the victim against her car, where he attempted to kiss her, wrap his arm around her body and tried to touch her breast. Herrera then placed his hand on the victim's bare leg and attempted to put his hand up her shorts. The victim was able to break away from Herrera and get into the driver's seat of her vehicle. Herrera followed the victim and sat on her lap and began stroking her hair telling her everything was okay. Herrera got off of the victim and the victim was able to shut her door and drive away.

Camarillo Patrol deputies responded to help the victim, began an investigation and were able to discover the identity of the suspect.

On 11/07/2017, Camarillo Detectives contacted (S) Herrera near his home in Ventura and arrested him for PC 243.4(a) ' Sexual Battery by force. Herrera was arrested without incident, booked into the Main Jail and his bail was set at \$20,000.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Franchi

News Release Date: 11/08/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Franchi
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Approved by: Captain Tennesen

Narcotics Arrest

11/11/2017 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest

Report Number: 17-70791

Location: 100 Block of Raemere Street, Camarillo

Date & Time: 1108/2017 @ 1445 Hrs.

Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Team
California National Guard ' Counter Drug Task Force

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

Coronado, Arlene

City of Residence

Camarillo

Narrative:

On 11/08/17, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's, West County Street Narcotics Team concluded a several month long narcotic investigation into the drug trafficking activities of Arlene Coronado of Camarillo. The investigation revealed Coronado was supplying heroin to residents of Ventura County.

On 11/08/17, at approximately 2:45 PM, Detectives from the West County Street Team assisted by members of the California National Guard's Counter Drug Task Force, detained Coronado as she was leaving her place of employment. A search warrant was then executed on her person, vehicle, and residence in Camarillo. Approximately 24 ounces of heroin packaged for sale in various quantities was seized, along with a large sum of U.S. Currency believed to be the proceeds from narcotic sales.

Coronado was arrested and booked at the Ventura County Main Jail for narcotic violations. Her bail was set at \$150,000. She is currently in custody pending bail or arraignment which is scheduled for 11/13/17 at 1:30 PM.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, the Oxnard Police Department, and the Port Hueneme Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 11/10/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Ernan Jauregui, Jauregui@ventura.org, 805-384-4771

Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Mental Health First Aid Course

11/16/2017 3:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Mental Health First Aid Course
Location: Camarillo Police Department Community Meeting Room
Date & Time: December 12th & 13th, 2017/ 5:00PM ' 9:30PM
Unit Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

Narrative:

1 in 5 people have a mental illness or addiction: So, what can I do'
Learn Mental Health First Aid! It is a two part, 8 hour certified training to help someone developing a mental health problem or at risk of suicide or harm. This innovative program offers concrete tools and answers key questions like 'What can I do if someone is in crisis" 'How do I approach someone in distress" 'What do I say" 'How can I help" 'Where can someone find help"

You will learn:

- ◆About common mental health and substance use disorders
- ◆Warning signs and symptoms of mental health problems
- ◆Potential risk factors
- ◆Local resources and supports
- ◆A five step action plan:
 - Assess for risk of suicide or harm
 - Listen Non-judgmentally
 - Give reassurance and information
 - Encourage appropriate professional help
 - Encourage self-help and other support strategies

To register please email Mary Ellen Collins, Certified Trainer:
mecollins@voice4families.com or call (805) 657-4408

****Made possible through funding from the Ventura County Behavioral Health Department**

Prepared by: Mark Stadler, CIT Program Administrator

Media Release Date: 11/16/2017

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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Arrest of Forgery Suspect

11/17/2017 8:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Arrest of Forgery Suspect

Report Number: 17-163976

Location: Camarillo

Date & Time: November 16, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

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

S-1 Corrina Navarro

City of Residence

Camarillo

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department would like to thank the public for their assistance in helping detectives identify a female forgery suspect, who was also in possession of stolen property.

On 10/26/17, a Camarillo resident reported his personal checks as stolen. During the course of the investigation, it was learned some of the victim's personal checks had been forged and deposited into a local bank, via an ATM.

Security photos of the female suspect who deposited the stolen checks were provided by the bank.

On 10/31/17, Camarillo detectives released a news story asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect. The news story included still photos taken from the security footage, via the ATM.

Over the course of eight days, the Camarillo Investigations Unit received numerous anonymous tips, including one that named Corrina Navarro as the suspect, in the security photos.

During the investigation, detectives found additional evidence implicating Navarro and confirmed she was the female suspect shown on the ATM photos.

On 11/16/17, Camarillo Detectives located Navarro residing in a local motel and arrested her for P.C. 496(a) ' Possession of Stolen Property and P.C. 530.5(a) ' Identity Theft.

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public safety alerts and advisories

Prepared by: Detective Gerardo Cruz

News Release Date: 11/16/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Franchi
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Approved by: Captain Paris

Attempt to Identify Shoplifter

11/21/2017 5:20:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt to Identify Shoplifter
Report Number: 17-176446
Location: 940 Arneill Rd, Camarillo
Date & Time: November 17, 2017 at 3:10 pm
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
S-1 Unknown Female	Unknown

Narrative:

On November 17, 2017, an unidentified white female exited Kmart with unpaid merchandise. When Kmart Loss Prevention Offers attempted to confront the female, she ran away from the store with the stolen merchandise.

Camarillo Detectives are asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect. Anyone who can identify her, or any of her accomplices, is asked to call Camarillo Detectives at (805) 388-5151.

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Prepared by: Detective Gerardo Cruz

News Release Date: November 21, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Paris

Robbers Arrested

11/22/2017 10:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Two suspects arrested for attempted armed robbery of CVS store in Newbury Park & armed robbery of a Valero Gas station in El Rio

Report Number: 17-176202 & 17-167359

Locations: CVS store ' 451 South Reino Road, Thousand Oaks
Valero Gas Station- 3402 East Vineyard Avenue, El Rio

Date & Time: 11/17/2017 @ 8:30A.M. & 11/01/2017 @ 6:30 P.M.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Patrol / Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit /
Thousand Oaks Investigation Bureau/ Sheriff's Gang Unit

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Male Juvenile	Oxnard	17
Diesso, Cameron	Newbury Park	21

Narrative:

On November 17, 2017, Thousand Oaks patrol deputies responded to CVS store in Newbury Park for an attempted robbery that had just occurred. Deputies determined that a male subject wearing a clown mask entered the store, brandished a handgun to the cashier, and demanded money. The suspect was scared off and fled the scene before receiving any money from the cashier.

Patrol deputies, Special Enforcement Unit detectives, and detectives from the Thousand Oaks Police Investigation Bureau arrived at CVS pharmacy and started the investigation. Shortly after their arrival, Cameron Diesso and a male juvenile were detained in the nearby area.

Through investigation, detectives determined Cameron Diesso and the male juvenile were responsible for the attempted robbery. A handgun and evidence related to the robbery was recovered from the suspects.

Detectives from the Sheriff's Gang Unit responded to Thousand Oaks and assisted with the investigation. Detectives were able to determine male juvenile suspect was also responsible for an armed robbery that occurred on November 1, 2017 at the Valero Gas Station in the unincorporated community of El Rio. During that robbery, a male subject wearing a devil mask entered the gas station, brandished a handgun, and demanded money from the cashier. The suspect fled with cash before the arrival of responding deputies. Sheriff's Gang Unit detectives later canvassed the area and located the suspect's clothing and mask used during the commission of the robbery.

The juvenile suspect was arrested and booked into Ventura County Juvenile Hall for robbery, Penal Code section 211, and attempted robbery, Penal Code section 664/211.

Cameron Diesso was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Main Jail for Penal Code section 32, accessory to a crime.

Prepared by: Sergeant Mike McConville

Media Release Date: November 22, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Mike McConville
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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Stolen firearm from Oak Park residential burglary located

11/22/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Stolen firearm from Oak Park residential burglary located in Oxnard residence

Report Number: 17-175261

Location: 1000 block of Hedera Lane, Oxnard

Date & Time: 11/22/2017 @ 1810 hours

Unit Responsible: East County Patrol Services Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Sujata, Stephen	Oxnard	21
Rentch, Jeremy	Oxnard	25

Narrative:

On November 15, 2017, Thousand Oaks Patrol deputies responded to a residential burglary in the 5000 block of Pesto Way, unincorporated area of Oak Park. During the initial investigation, it was determined a semi-automatic handgun was stolen from a vehicle parked in the garage of the residence.

Detectives from the East County Investigation Bureau took over the investigation and identified Stephen Sujata and Jeremy Rentch as possible suspects in the burglary. Detectives were able to establish both suspects lived in the 1000 block of Hedera Lane, City of Oxnard, and obtained a search warrant for the residence. On 11-21-2017, detectives served the search warrant and were able to recover the stolen firearm. In addition, detectives recovered ammunition, approximately 1.6 grams of cocaine, 164 Xanax pills and 2 ecstasy pills.

Stephen Sujata was arrested and booked at the Ventura County Main Jail for PC 459 / burglary, PC 487(d)(2) / grand theft of a firearm, HS 11550(a) / being under the influence of a controlled substance, HS 11370.1(a) / possession of a controlled substance while armed, HS 11375(b)(1) / possession of a controlled substance for sale, and HS 11377(a) / possession of a controlled substance.

Jeremy Rentch was arrested and booked at the Ventura County Main Jail for PC 487(d)(2) / Grand theft of a firearm, HS 11370.1(a) / Possession of a controlled substance while armed, HS 11375(b)(1) / Possession of a controlled substance for sale, and HS 11377(a) / Possession of a controlled substance.

Prepared by: Sergeant Robert Davidson

Media Release Date: November 22, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jason Karol
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Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

Drugs and Firearms Arrests

11/24/2017 10:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Drug and firearms arrests
Report Number: 17-178425
Location: 700 block of B Street, Fillmore
Date & Time: 11-21-17 @ 10:30 AM
Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Eduardo Jimenez	Fillmore	34
(S) Xochitl Cervantes	Fillmore	22

Narrative:

On 11-21-17, deputies went to a residence in the 700 block of B Street as part of an investigation into a violation of a domestic violence restraining order. The suspect, (S) Eduardo Jimenez, was at the location and found to be under the influence of a controlled substance, as was (S) Xochitl Cervantes. During a search of the residence pursuant to a search warrant, methamphetamine, marijuana, three firearms (a pistol, a shotgun, and an AR-15 rifle), ammunition, and money were located and seized as evidence.

Jimenez was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility on the following charges and has a bail of \$60,000:

- Penal Code Section 273.6(a) ' Disobeying Domestic Relations Court Order (Misdemeanor)
- Penal Code Section 27545 ' Unlawful Transfer of Firearm (Felony)
- Health and Safety Code Section 11550(e) ' Under Influence with a Firearm (Felony)
- Health and Safety Code Section 11378 ' Possession for Sale of a Controlled Substance (Felony)
- Health and Safety Code Section 11370.1(a) ' Possession of a Controlled Substance with Firearm (Felony)
- Health and Safety Code Section 11364(a) ' Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (Misdemeanor)

Cervantes was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility on the charge of Health and Safety Code Section 11550(a) ' Under Influence of a Controlled Substance and later released on her own recognizance.

Prepared by: Sergeant Kevin Vaden

News Release Date: 11-24-17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Danni Delpit (805-947-9128)
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Approved by: Captain Todd Inglis

Narcotics Arrest

11/28/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Narcotics Arrest
Report Number: 17-175618
Location: 900 Block Ventura Road, Oxnard
Date & Time: 11/16/2017 @ 1600 Hrs.
Unit(s) Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit
California National Guard Counter Drug Task Force

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>
(S) Cristobal Torres-Sanchez	Oxnard
(S) Luis Diego	Oxnard

Narrative:

On 11/16/2017, Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's West County Street Narcotics Unit assisted by the California National Guard Counter Drug Task Force concluded a two month narcotic investigation into Oxnard resident, Cristobal Torres-Sanchez, who was involved in the sales of methamphetamine and heroin to residents of Ventura County.

Detectives conducted traffic stops in the City of Oxnard and detained Sanchez and another individual, Luis Diego, who is suspected of assisting Sanchez with his narcotic trafficking activities. A search of Sanchez' vehicle yielded approximately 5 ounces of methamphetamine and 4 ounces of heroin. A search of Diego's vehicle revealed a digital narcotic scale. A signed search warrant was then executed at Sanchez' residence where another 22 ounces of heroin, 10 ounces of suspected cocaine, and a small amount of methamphetamine was seized.

Sanchez was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on numerous narcotic violations. His bail was set at \$50,000. He is currently in custody pending bail or arraignment which is scheduled for 12/01/2017 at 1:30 PM. Diego was released from custody pending further investigation.

The West County Street Narcotics Team is comprised of narcotic detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, the Oxnard Police Department, and the Port Hueneme Police Department.

Prepared by: Sergeant Guy Moody

News Release Date: 11/28/2017

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Approved by: Captain Robert Thomas

Recent Catalytic Converter Thefts

11/28/2017 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Recent Catalytic Converter Thefts

Report Number: Multiple

Location: City of Camarillo

Date & Time: November 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department, Camarillo Investigative Bureau

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

Narrative:

Since early November 2017, the county of Ventura and the city of Camarillo have seen an increase in the theft of catalytic converters. The primary target vehicle has been Honda's and Toyota's between the years 2000 and 2006. However, a majority of vehicles made after 1975 were manufactured with a catalytic converter to reduce emissions. This means all vehicle owners who have a car made after 1975 can become a victim.

The State of California leads the nation in catalytic converter thefts. Catalytic converters contain a small amount of precious metals like platinum, palladium, and rhodium. These metals can be worth as much as \$1000 dollars an ounce. The repair cost for replacing a catalytic converter is an average of about \$2500 dollars at a certified repair shop.

The Camarillo Police Department wants to raise public awareness regarding catalytic converter thefts. Make sure to park your car inside or in a well-lit area. Theft crews who target catalytic converters usually steal from multiple vehicles parked on a street or in a parking lot. Catalytic converters are vital part of a vehicle's exhaust system. They are usually cut or detached from underneath the vehicle. Please make sure to call the Sheriff's Office (805-654-9511) or your local law enforcement agency if you see any suspicious activity. Callers can remain anonymous.

Statistical information received for this news story was obtained from the National Insurance Crime Bureau.

Prepared by: Deputy Chris Dyer

News Release Date: November 28, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Deputy Chris Dyer
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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Sheriff's Office to Kick Off Annual 'Share-iffs' Toy Drive

11/28/2017 5:10:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Sheriff's Office to Kick Off Annual 'Share-iffs' Toy Drive

Location: Countywide

Date & Time: Nov. 28, 2017 through Dec. 13, 2017

Unit(s) Responsible: All Sheriff's Facilities

Narrative:

The Share-iff's Toy Drive has been a tradition in Ventura County for 32 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 from November 28th through December 13th.

On December 16th, 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:

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Prepared by: Senior Deputy Timothy Lohman

Media Release Date: Nov. 28, 2017

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Approved by: Captain Garo Kuredjian

Resisting Arrest Causing Injuries to Deputies

11/29/2017 11:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Resisting Arrest Causing Injuries to Deputies
Report Number: 17-182457
Location: 2600 Block of Eucalyptus Street, Nyeland Acres
Date & Time: November 28, 2017 @ 8:00 PM
Unit(s) Responsible: Headquarters Patrol, Headquarters Investigations

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

Eduardo Garcia

City of Residence

Nyeland Acres

Narrative:

On November 28, 2017 Sheriff's deputies from our Headquarters Patrol Station received a call to a residence in the 2600 block of Eucalyptus Street in the unincorporated community of Nyeland Acres regarding possible narcotic activity. Deputies contacted the subject of the call, Eduardo Garcia, who is currently on parole for felony battery of a peace officer. Deputies had information of Garcia's past violence and additional resources responded to assist. During the initial contact, Garcia was acting paranoid and deputies believed he appeared to be under the influence of a controlled substance.

Deputies attempted to peacefully arrest Garcia inside his residence. During the initial contact, he resisted the deputies and assaulted them. During this struggle, Garcia was able to forcefully take a Taser from a deputy and attempted to shoot the deputy with the Taser. Garcia discharged the Taser, missed the deputy, and shot the Taser darts toward an uninvolved family member.

Garcia was handcuffed and arrested with the help of other deputies. Garcia was transported to a local hospital to be evaluated for his drug use and minor injuries he sustained during the struggle. Garcia was booked at the Ventura County Main Jail on resisting an executive officer by means of force, battery on a peace officer causing injury, taking a weapon from a peace officer, and attempted assault with a deadly weapon. Detectives contacted agents from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and notified them of the crimes.

As a result of the struggle, two deputies were injured and treated at a local hospital for moderate injuries.

Detectives from the Headquarters Patrol Station responded to the crime scene for the investigation. Anyone who witnessed the event or have had previous encounters with Eduardo Garcia are encouraged to contact detectives.

Prepared by: Sergeant Mike Harris

News Release Date: 11/29/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Eric Arteaga
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Approved by: Captain Todd Inglis

Town Hall Meeting

11/29/2017 7:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Winter Season Could Bring Debris Flows to Casitas Springs and sections of Highway 33 - Casitas Springs & Ojai Valley Community Town Hall Meeting

Location: Oak View Community Center, 18 Valley Road, Oak View

Date & Time: December 14, 2017, 6:00 P.M.

Unit(s) Responsible: Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services

Narrative:

The Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services would like to invite residents of Casitas Springs as well as the Ojai Valley to a community town hall meeting to hear from experts on preparedness and response efforts for the Vista Fire Burn Area and potential impacts to Highway 33.

The October 24 Vista Fire burned approximately 85 acres near Casitas Springs and left hillsides adjacent to Highway 33 barren. Post fire conditions like the ones observed in this area are well known for their ability to produce rock and debris flows that are likely to impact homes and roadways.

In preparation for the winter season, Caltrans has deployed k-rail barriers adjacent to the roadway to prevent debris from entering the roadway. During significant rainfall events however, it is unlikely these barriers will be successful at stopping large amounts of debris from flowing onto the roadway. During this time, motorists should be prepared for delays, detours and road closures that may impact their travel times.

During a closure of Highway 33 between Casitas Vista Rd and Nye Road, Santa Ana Road will serve as the alternate route to bypass the closure area. Due to its location, this area is also prone to flooding and may not be available. Alternatively, motorists may need to take Highway 150 from the City of Santa Paula into Ojai.

Residents of Casitas Springs and the Ojai Valley are encouraged to attend the town hall meeting to hear presentations by subject matter experts from the National Weather Service, the Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services as well as a Ventura County Geologist and a Ventura County Hydrologist. Officials from the Ventura County Sheriff's Department, Ventura County Fire Department, Ventura County Animal Services, Caltrans and the Red Cross will also be on hand to answer questions at the conclusion of the meeting.

Staying Informed ' 3 Important Steps!

- 1) In an effort to keep residents informed with up to the minute information on closures impacting Highway 33, local authorities have established a text notification service to provide motorists information via text message. To subscribe to this notification service text the word **VISTA** to **888777** and you will be subscribed to the notification group. This service is free of charge however standard text messaging rates do apply.

- 2) Residents are also encouraged to sign up for VC Alert, Ventura County's Emergency Notification System. In the event an emergency incident requires residents to evacuate, take shelter or follow specific instructions, public safety officials will use this system to notify residents in a timely manner. The system is capable calling multiple cellular & landline telephones, emailing & text messaging. The service is offered free of charge and is available by visiting www.vcalert.org

- 3) During an active incident, Ventura County Residents may find out more information by visiting www.vcemergency.com or calling the Office of Emergency Services information hotline at **805-465-6650**.

Prepared by: Bill Boyd, Emergency Manager

News Release Date: November 29, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Kevin McGowan, 805-654-2551

Approved by: Kevin McGowan, 805-654-2551

Electrical Breaker Burglary

11/30/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Electrical Breaker Burglary**Report Number:** RB# 17-173690**Location:** 1100 block Newbury Rd., Thousand Oaks, CA
1700 block Newbury Rd., Thousand Oaks, CA**Date & Time:** 11/12/2017 at 07:01 PM
11/13/2017 at 03:34 AM (approx.)**Unit Responsible:** Thousand Oaks Patrol and Thousand Oaks Detectives

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

Narrative:

On 11/12/2017, at 07:01 PM, two unknown male suspects forced entry into an electrical closet attached to a business in the 1100 block of Newbury Rd, Thousand Oaks. The suspects removed numerous electrical breakers from a panel causing over \$10,000 in lost property and damages. The suspects were captured on video surveillance and appear to be driving a newer, large, crew cab pickup truck.

During the early morning hours of 11/13/17, a similar burglary occurred at Newbury Terrace strip mall located in the 1700 block of Newbury Rd, Thousand Oaks. The suspect again removed electrical breakers which caused over \$30,000 in lost property and damages.

The Thousand Oaks Police Department is asking for the public's assistance in identifying the suspects and/or providing information to assist in resolving the crime.

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Prepared by: Detective A. Marco 805-494-8227**Media Release Date:** 11/30/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective T. Lohman 805-494-8232

Approved by: Captain Schierman

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Two men arrested in connection with Newbury Park homicide

12/1/2017 5:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Two men arrested in connection with Newbury Park homicide (update)

Report Number: 17-183916

Location: 500 block of Avenida Del Platino, Newbury Park

Date & Time: December 1, 2017 @ 6:30 a.m.

Unit Responsible: Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau
Thousand Oaks Investigations Bureau

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) Crowell, Caden	Thousand Oaks	19
(S) Delgado, Hector	Thousand Oaks	20
(D) Smith, David	Thousand Oaks	19

Narrative:

Two men were arrested Friday in connection with the shooting death of a Thousand Oaks resident that occurred late Thursday. Investigators tracked down the pair hours after the shooting and recovered evidence related to the crime, including a handgun. Investigators believe the shooting was gang related.

Caden Crowell and Hector Delgado were booked at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility in Ventura on one count of murder and one count of street terrorism. The victim of the shooting has been identified as David Smith, 19, of Thousand Oaks.

The investigation is continuing, and anyone with information about the shooting is asked to contact Detective Sergeant Steve Jenkins at (805)384-4727.

Prepared by: Sgt. Eric Buschow

Media Release Date: December 1, 2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sgt. Eric Buschow (805)947-8129
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Approved by: Capt. Jeff Miller

Felony Suspect Arrested after Foot Chase

12/2/2017 10:15:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Felony Suspect Arrested after Foot Chase**Report Number:** 17-183507**Location:** 984 West Ventura Boulevard**Date & Time:** November 30, 2017 at 11:55 am**Unit(s) Responsible:** Camarillo Police Department , Camarillo Detective Bureau, Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	<u>City of Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
(S) George Glass	Oxnard	24
(S) Elizabeth Andrade	Oxnard	46

Narrative:

On November 30, 2017, a Ventura County Sheriff's deputy was injured apprehending a wanted felony suspect.

On November 30, 2017, a deputy with the Camarillo Police Department recognized a wanted felony suspect, identified as George Glass, walking on Ventura Blvd. The deputy attempted to make contact with Glass who fled on foot on West Ventura Boulevard. The deputy began to chase Glass, but was obstructed and delayed by Elizabeth Andrade. Glass ran onto the 101 freeway and crossed both the northbound and southbound lanes of traffic while fleeing.

Additional deputies responded to the area to aid in the investigation and apprehension of Glass. Glass was located and taken into custody in an agricultural area east of Central Avenue. Andrade, who initially fled in a vehicle, returned to the area where the foot pursuit began and was also taken into custody. During the foot pursuit a deputy suffered a minor injury which required medical evaluation.

Glass and Andrade were both booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility, in Ventura. Glass was booked for PC 69, Resisting an Executive Officer and a local felony warrant for vehicle theft and evading an officer. Glass' bail was set at \$30,000. Andrade was booked for PC 69, Resisting an Executive Officer, with bail set at \$10,000.

Prepared by: Deputy Chris Dyer**News Release Date:** December 1, 2017

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Winter Holiday DUI Campaign

12/11/2017 11:30:00 AM

Nature of Incident: Winter Holiday DUI Campaign

Report Number:

Location: Cities of Camarillo, Moorpark & Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: December 15, 2017 through January 1, 2018

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police ' Traffic Bureau

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

Narrative:

**The Ventura County Sheriff's Office Is
Arresting Drunk Drivers This Holiday Season
*Remember: Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over***

Ventura County, CA This holiday season, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office will work around the clock to keep drivers and passengers safe as they search for impaired drivers. From December 15, 2017 through January 1st, law enforcement is partnering with the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in a special year-end *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* enforcement mobilization to get impaired drivers off the street and to spread the word about this dangerous crime.

As part of the holiday enforcement campaign period, police, sheriff and the CHP will be deploying DUI Checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols during the upcoming 18-day DUI crackdown throughout the region. Camarillo, Moorpark and Thousand Oaks Police Departments are conducting periodic DUI saturations patrols during this period.

'This holiday season, drivers will notice increased enforcement watching closely for anyone who is driving impaired,' said Captain Jeremy Paris, Ventura County Sheriff's Office. 'It is vital that we keep our roads and our travelers safe, not just at the holidays, but every day. With extra travelers on the roads, and people attending holiday parties, we will likely see an uptick in drunk driving. We'll be arresting anyone we catch breaking this life-saving law.'

Driving under the influence of alcohol can have deadly, devastating consequences. Nationally in 2016, 37,461 people were killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes, and 28 percent (10,497) died in crashes where a driver had a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) over the limit of .08. California reported 1,059 DUI deaths at .08 or above.

In recent years, California has seen an increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office supports the new effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers

that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana use can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

'Two simple words can keep your holiday festivities safe ' plan ahead,' said OTS Director Rhonda Craft. 'Before you head out to any celebration, plan how you are getting home safely. If you are drinking, that means knowing what sober driver or service will be using.'

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more.

Funding for this DUI operation is provided to Your 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 Paul Richards

News Release Date: 12/11/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Paul Richards

Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Burglary at Fillmore Middle School

12/12/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Burglary at Fillmore Middle School**Report Number:** 17-189219**Location:** 900 block of Blaine Ave., City Of Fillmore**Date & Time:** 12/11/2017 0600 Hours**Unit(s) Responsible:** Fillmore Police Department**(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent**

S-1-Erasmo Hurtado

V-1-Fillmore Middle School

City of Residence

Fillmore

Fillmore

Age

28

Narrative:

At about 6 AM Monday, December 11th, an employee at the Fillmore Middle School (543 A St., Fillmore) saw a man walking away from a classroom and called the police. The man left the campus before police arrived to discover the classroom had been broken into and property had been taken.

Deputies checked the area and found a bag of stolen property at a nearby labor camp. Patrol deputies and detectives, working with physical evidence left at the scene and the description of the suspect, found (S-1) Erasmo Hurtado in the 900 block of Blaine Ave. and were able to determine he was responsible for the burglary. Hurtado, who was under the influence of a controlled substance and possessed a lock pick, was arrested for Penal Code Section 459 ' Burglary (felony), Penal Code Section 466 ' Possession of burglar's tools (misdemeanor), and Health and Safety Code Section 11550(a) ' Under the influence of a controlled substance. He was booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility, where he remains in custody with a bail of \$40,000.

Prepared by: Detective Delpit**News Release Date:** 12/12/2017**Media Follow-Up Contact:** Detective Delpit, 805-947-9128 /
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Release- title and name]

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Contractor Facilitates Burglary of Client's Home / Request for Help Identifying

Third Suspect

12/12/2017 12:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Contractor Facilitates Burglary of Client's Home/Request for Help Identifying Third Suspect.

Report Number: 17-169769

Location: 1300 block of Calle Crisantemo, Thousand Oaks, Ca

Date & Time: 11/6/17 @ 08:10 AM

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>
Hahn, Gavin	Ventura	43
Northrop, Blake	Oxnard	34
Unknown Male	Unknown	40's

Narrative:

On November 6, 2017, at about 8:15 am, the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded to a report of a residential burglary in the 1300 block of Calle Crisantemo. The victim reported two unknown suspects entered his home and stole thousands of dollars' worth of property which included motorcycles and home appliances. The homeowner's video surveillance system recorded the crime. Surveillance video showed two suspects loading the stolen items into a large U-Haul box truck.

Investigators from the Thousand Oaks Police Department contacted several U-Haul rental outlets and were able to identify one of the suspects as 34 year old Blake Northrop. Through the course of the investigation, detectives learned Northrop was staying at a motel in the City of Ventura and was still in possession of the U-Haul truck.

On November 7, 2017, investigators located Northrop and the U-Haul at Motel 6 in the 2100 Block of East Harbor Blvd, Ventura. A search warrant was obtained for Northrop's motel room and with the assistance of the Thousand Oaks Special Enforcement Unit, Northrop was arrested and the search warrant was served. Investigators recovered almost all of the victim's stolen property as well as a large quantity of methamphetamine and heroin. Northrop was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Jail for Residential Burglary, theft of a motor vehicle and possession for sales of narcotics.

After Northrop's arrest, detectives obtained a search warrant for his cellular phone and located several text messages from a person identified as Gavin Hahn. From the text message conversation, detectives determined Hanh provided the victims address to Northrop and

facilitated the residential burglary. Hahn was identified as a contractor who had recently done work at the victim's home. Investigators also determined Hahn was not the second suspect depicted in the surveillance video.

On December 4, 2017, investigators located Hahn in Port Hueneme, California. Hahn was arrested for violations of Penal Code Section 459 ' Burglary and Penal Code Section 182(a)(1) ' Conspiracy to commit a crime in addition to two outstanding misdemeanor warrants for separate cases.

Detectives have been unable to identify the suspect who was with Northrop during the burglary. The Thousand Oaks Police Department requests the public's assistance to identify the suspect in the red sweater who is still outstanding. If you have additional information please contact Detective Jason Louis (805) 494-8226

Prepared by: Detective Jason Louis

Media Release Date: 12/11/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Detective Jason Louis, Jason.Louis@ventura.org , (805) 494-8226

Approved by: Captain Bill Schierman

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Start Smart / Thousand Oaks

12/12/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Start Smart Young Adult Drivers Program Offered January 11th, 2018

Location: Thousand Oaks Police Station -East County Community Room
2101 E. Olsen Rd., Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: Thursday, January 11th, 2018 / 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Unit Responsible: Thousand Oaks Police Department - Traffic Bureau

Narrative:

The Thousand Oaks Police Department will present the Smart Start program for young adult drivers on January 11th, 2018, at the Thousand Oaks Police Station. Start Smart is a cooperative effort between the California Highway Patrol, Thousand Oaks Police Department, teenage drivers, and their parents.

Nationwide, 43 percent of first-year drivers and 37 percent of second-year drivers are involved in car crashes. The risk of motor vehicle crashes is higher among 16 to 19 year-olds than among any other age group. In fact, per mile driven, teen drivers ages 16 to 19 are nearly three times more likely than drivers aged 20 and older to be in a fatal crash. The Thousand Oaks Police Department will be hosting a program to educate newly licensed and future licensed drivers.

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 25 students and their parents. There is no charge to attend the program.

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Media Release Date: December 12, 2017

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Captain Don Aguilar

Attempt to Identify Bicycle Theft Suspect

12/13/2017 5:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt to Identify Bicycle Theft Suspect

Report Number: 17-177596

Location: Camarillo

Date & Time: November 19, 2017 / 2104 hours

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department

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

S-1 Unknown Male

City of Residence

Unknown

Narrative:

On 11/19/17, an unidentified male suspect stole an orange and white *Rad Power Bike* from the west wall of McDonald's, located at 1650 Arneill Road. The restaurant's camera system recorded the suspect riding the stolen bicycle away from the location. The electric powered bicycle was valued at about \$1500.00.

Camarillo Detectives are asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect. Anyone who can identify him, or any of his accomplices, is asked to call the Camarillo Detectives News Story Hot Line at (805) 388-5151.

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Prepared by: Deputy Amelia Sanchez

News Release Date: 12/13/17

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Approved by: Captain Paris

DUI / Hit and Run Traffic Collision Arrest

12/14/2017 8:45:00 PM

Nature of Incident: DUI / Hit and Run Traffic Collision Arrest

Report Number: 17-188155

Location: River Street @ Dunton Street

Date & Time: 12/08/2017 @ 9:35 PM

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Patrol

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

(S) Mariela Desantiago

(V) Adair Zacarias

City of Residence

Fillmore

Fillmore

Narrative:

On 12/08/2017 at about 9:35 PM, units from the Fillmore Police Station responded to an injury traffic collision at the above location. Mariela Desantiago was driving her vehicle westbound on River Street in the east bound lane. Adair Zacarias was driving his vehicle eastbound on River Street. Mariela's vehicle collided into Zacarias' vehicle causing her to collide into an unoccupied parked vehicle.

After this collision Mariela attempted to flee the scene of the collision by continuing westbound on River Street. Mariela was unable to control her vehicle and collided into a second unoccupied parked vehicle which caused her to collide into the front of a private residence on River Street.

Mariela showed symptoms of being under the influence of alcohol and was ultimately arrested for driving a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol and for hit and run.

Prepared by: Sergeant John Stubblefield

News Release Date: 12/13/2017

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant John Stubblefield (805) 524-2234

Approved by: Captain Dave Wareham

Fillmore - Two men wounded in apparent gang related shooting

12/18/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Two men wounded in apparent gang-related shooting

Report Number: 17-193071

Location: 800-block of 3rd Street Fillmore, Ca.

Date & Time: December 17, 2017 @ 10:09 pm

Unit(s) Responsible: Fillmore Police Department, Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau,
Sheriff's Gang Unit

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

(V) Male Adult

(V) Male Adult

City of Residence

Fillmore

Piru

Narrative:

Two men remain hospitalized after they were shot Sunday night in Fillmore. The shooting occurred in the 800-block of 3rd Street, where both men were found in the street by deputies, who were summoned to the area to investigate a call of shots fired.

The men were transported to Ventura County Medical Center in Ventura. One victim is in critical, but stable condition, while the second victim is in stable condition. No suspects have been arrested or identified, and the investigation is ongoing. Investigators believe the shooting is gang related and ask anyone with information to call Detective Sergeant Carlos Macias at (805)384-4761.

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Prepared by: Sgt. Eric Buschow

News Release Date: Dec. 18, 2017

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Moorpark - Deputies Arrest Bank Robbery Suspect

12/19/2017 4:00:00 PM

CHIEF OF POLICE

GEOFF DEAN Nature of Incident:		Deputies arrest bank robbery suspect	
Report Number:		17-191301	
Location:		888 E. Los Angeles Avenue, Moorpark, CA 93021	
Date & Time:		December 14, 2017 @ 1:30 pm	
Unit(s) Responsible:		Moorpark Patrol, Moorpark Investigations, Sheriff's Major Crimes Bureau, Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail, Sheriff's Gang Unit	
(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent	City of Residence	Age	
(S) Erik Santoyo	Oxnard	31	
Narrative:			
<p>Sheriff's detectives arrested an Oxnard man for the robbery of a Ventura County Credit Union branch that took place in Moorpark on December 14, 2017.</p> <p>Investigators located evidence at the bank and several other locations linking 31-year-old Erik Santoyo to the robbery, during which Santoyo had used a note and simulated having a firearm in his possession. No employees were injured during the early afternoon robbery, and there were no other customers in the bank at the time.</p> <p>Santoyo was booked on December 15, 2017 for one count of first-degree robbery at the Pre Trial Detention Facility in Ventura. He is currently being held on \$50,000 bail.</p>			
Prepared by:		Detective Matt Theobald	
News Release Date:		December 19, 2017	
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Approved by:		Captain John Reilly	

CAPTAIN JOHN REILLY

SHERIFF

Camarillo - Repeat Offender Arrested for Burglary

12/20/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident:

Arrest of wanted Burglary Suspect

Report Number:

17-177794

Location:

Various locations in the City of Camarillo

Date & Time:

12-13-17 at 3:00PM

Unit(s) Responsible:

Camarillo Investigations

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

Allyson Byron Camarillo 35

Narrative:

On 12/13/17, Detectives with the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail (SED) arrested Allyson Byron, who was wanted for multiple crimes (including Burglary and Identity Theft). Additionally, Byron was also wanted for a felony warrant.

On 10-27-2017, Byron who was out on bail was sentenced to 180 days jail time for previous PC 530.5 convictions and given a remand date of 11-25-2017. On 11-22-2017, Byron petitioned the court for a stay and her remand date was changed from 11-25-2017 to 1-04-2018, so she remained out on bail.

On 11-19-17, a Camarillo resident's vehicle was burglarized and the victim's stolen credit card was used at several Camarillo businesses. On 11-28-17, Camarillo Detectives received video from the businesses and Byron who was well known to Camarillo Law Enforcement, was identified as the suspect in the video.

Camarillo Detectives conducted a probation search at Byron's residence in the 600 Block of Cartagena Street. As a result of the search, detectives found stolen property from at least ten (10) vehicle burglaries, and one (1) residential burglary. The crimes occurred between 11-11-17 and 11-28-17. Detectives also located illegal drugs, prohibited weapons, and burglary tools. Detectives were able to return much of the recovered stolen property back to the victims.

On 12-13-17, Detectives with the Camarillo Special Enforcement Detail (SED) located Byron at a residence in the 3900 Block of Dean Drive, in the City of Ventura. She attempted to lie to detectives by providing a false name. Byron was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Main Jail, on various charges related to the thefts and an outstanding felony warrant. Byron is being held in lieu of \$300,000 bail.

Prepared by:

Detective Brent Miller

News Release Date:

12-20-2017

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Captain Paris

Thousand Oaks - Twin Brothers Among Four Suspects Arrested for Commercial Burglary

12/21/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident:

Twin Brothers Arrested for Commercial Burglary

Report Number:

17-193538

Location:

2929 Theresa Drive, Thousand Oaks

Date & Time:

12-20-17 @ 2:40 P.M.

Unit Responsible:

East County Investigations Bureau / Thousand Oaks S.E.U.

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

Ian Fralix	Thousand Oaks	18
Evan Fralix	Thousand Oaks	18
Ryan Doran	Thousand Oaks	19
Male juvenile	Thousand Oaks	16

Narrative:

On December 18, 2017, at approximately 8:20 p.m., a reporting party notified police that two subjects just fled a closed business in the 2900 block of Theresa Drive. Deputies from the Thousand Oaks Police Department responded and found the Merry Hall Tree Thrift Shop had been burglarized. Patrol deputies conducted the initial on-scene investigation and obtained surveillance video. The surveillance video captured the burglary and provided clear images of both subjects who appeared to be twins.

Investigators from the Thousand Oaks Police Department viewed the surveillance footage and identified the suspects as Ian Fralix and Evan Fralix. Investigators recognized the twins from previous law enforcement investigations.

On 12-20-17, investigators located the Fralix brothers in the area of Wendy Drive and Old Conejo Road. The twins were with two other suspects who were later identified as Ryan Doran of Thousand Oaks and a 16 year old male juvenile also of Thousand Oaks. When investigators tried to contact the group, all four fled on foot. Investigators quickly captured the four subjects and detained them. Ian and Evan Fralix were arrested for Commercial Burglary. Ryan Doran and the male juvenile were found to have active warrants and also arrested. .

The three adults were booked into the Ventura County Jail and the juvenile was lodged into Juvenile Hall. Both Ian and Evan Fralix remain in custody awaiting trial.

Prepared by:

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Media Release Date:

12-21-2017

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Captain Bill Schierman

Camarillo - Public's Help Vital in Arrest of Suspect

12/22/2017 4:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident:	Public's Help was Vital in Arrest of Suspect	
Report Number:	17-176446	
Location:	Camarillo	
Date & Time:	December 22, 2017	
Unit(s) Responsible:	Camarillo Police Department	
(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent	City of Residence	Age
S-1 Charlotte Bauer	Simi Valley	29
Narrative:		
<p>The Camarillo Police Department would like to thank the public for their help in identifying a theft suspect. On 11/17/2017, a theft occurred at Kmart, in Camarillo. The suspect exited the business without paying for the merchandise. Surveillance footage was provided by Kmart which depicted the suspect committing the theft.</p> <p>On 11/21/2017, Camarillo detectives released a news story asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect. The news story included still photos taken from the security footage. Over the course of seven days, the Camarillo Investigations Unit received numerous anonymous tips that named Charlotte Bauer, as the suspect in the security photos.</p> <p>On 12/10/2017, Bauer was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Main Jail, for charges not related to the Kmart theft. Thanks to the public's help in identifying Bauer, deputies were able to arrest Bauer for the Kmart theft while she was still in custody, on the other case.</p> <p>The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to thank members of the public for their on-going support and due diligence in providing information to assist our agency in solving crimes. All of Ventura County benefits because of community partnerships like this. Join us in the fight on crime by following us on Twitter @VENTURASHERIFF, on Facebook with our Official Page, VCSHERIFF on Instagram, and with Nixle by texting your zip code to 888777 to receive local law enforcement and public safety alerts and advisories.</p>		
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News Release Date:	12/22/2017	
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Approved by:	Captain Paris	

Attempt to Identify Burglary Suspect

12/27/2017 4:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Attempt to Identify Burglary Suspect
Report Number: 17-187346
Location: City of Camarillo
Date & Time: December 3, 2017 / 2350 hours
Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police Department- Investigations

<u>(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty, (D)ecedent</u>	City of Residence	Age
S-1 Unknown Male	Unknown	35-45

Narrative:

The Camarillo Police Department is seeking the public's assistance in identifying a commercial burglary suspect.

On 12/3/17, at 11:50 PM, an unidentified male entered a closed business located in the 300 block of Lantana Street, in the City of Camarillo. The suspect removed property from the business. The crime was captured on the business's video surveillance system. The suspect depicted in the attached still photographs, appears to be an older, light skinned male, wearing thick prescription glasses. The suspect has a distinct walk that may be recognized by others.

Camarillo Detectives are asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect. Anyone who can identify him, or any possible accomplices, is asked to call the ***Camarillo Police Department's News Story Hot Line at (805) 388-5151***. Callers may remain anonymous.

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Prepared by: Detective Jamal Clark

News Release Date: 12/27/17

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Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Winter Holiday DUI Campaign

12/27/2017 12:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Winter Holiday DUI Campaign-New Year's Eve Weekend

Report Number:

Location: Cities of Camarillo, Moorpark & Thousand Oaks

Date & Time: December 30, 2017 through January 1, 2018

Unit(s) Responsible: Camarillo Police ' Traffic Bureau

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

Narrative:

**The Ventura County Sheriff's Office
DUI Officers Are Out In Force
This News Years Weekend**

Office of Traffic Safety and Law Enforcement Remind Public That DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze

Ventura County, CA ' While alcohol-impaired driving remains the most serious problem on our roadways, the percentage of drivers in fatal crashes with other impairing substances in their system keeps rising. Faced with more instances of DUID ' Driving Under the Influence of Drugs ' state and local officials are reiterating the message that 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze.' The message takes on increased importance with the state set to begin licensing commercial nonmedical marijuana sales on January 1, 2018, under provisions of Proposition 64, the Adult Use of Marijuana Act.

Ventura County Sheriff's DUI Enforcement Team will be deploying this holiday weekend to stop and arrest alcohol and drug-impaired drivers. DUI Saturation Patrols will deploy this weekend between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m. in areas with high frequencies of DUI collisions and/or arrests. These extra officers on the road, along with routine patrols, are aimed to drastically reduce impaired driving on our community's roadways.

'It has taken more than 35 years to convince the vast majority of the public that driving under the influence of alcohol is dangerous, illegal and socially unacceptable,' said Rhonda Craft, Director of the Office of Traffic Safety. 'With more dying on our roadways every day, we can't afford to take that long when it comes to driving under the influence of prescription medications, marijuana, illicit drugs and even some over-the-counter medications.'

In the ten years from 2005-2015, the percentage of drivers in fatal crashes with an impairing drug other than alcohol in their system has risen from 26.2 percent to 42.6 percent. As far back as 2012, a roadside

survey in California showed more drivers 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.

In addition to marijuana, a driver could be subject to a DUI arrest if they are under the influence of prescription medications like sleep aids, tranquilizers, barbiturates, opiates and other pain killers, anti-depressants, and even over-the-counter allergy or cough medications.

In the face of more drug-impaired drivers on the road, Police, Sheriff and CHP are training more officers in Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) and Drug Recognition Evaluation (DRE). The advanced training augments the Standardized Field Sobriety Test to help identify what substances other than alcohol a driver may be impaired by and how seriously they are impaired.

During December, the Office of Traffic Safety ran public awareness announcements concerning prescription medication DUI. Starting December 27 and running through much of January, the emphasis of the 'DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze' campaign switches to one that points out that no matter your age or circumstance, and no matter your reasons for consuming marijuana, you should never drive while high. OTS has posted this PSA on social media with the hopes that it can reach every Californian with the safety message that marijuana impaired driving will end in an arrest -

- so share the link with a friend!

Plan your sober ride home before the party begins this holiday weekend. Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or 'DDVIP,' free mobile app for Android or iPhone. The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The app has social media tie-ins and even a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

Funding for this DUI operation is provided to the Ventura County Sheriff's Office 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 Paul Richards

News Release Date: 12/27/17

Media Follow-Up Contact: Sergeant Paul Richards

Approved by: Captain Jeremy Paris

Countywide - Residents Warned About Fire Recovery Scam

12/28/2017 10:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident:	Fire Victims Scam Alert
Location:	Countywide
Date & Time:	December 28, 2017
Unit(s) Responsible:	Ventura County Sheriff's Office
Narrative:	
<p>Thomas Fire victims may be targeted by unscrupulous opportunists as they attempt to rebuild. The Thomas Fire drew both national and international attention because of the tragic loss of life and the magnitude of the property damage. The fire damaged or destroyed hundreds of homes throughout several communities in Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties.</p> <p>As the threat of fire subsides, the move toward recovery and rebuilding becomes the focus of local government as well as those who suffered a loss to their property. During this phase we want to warn residents of scammers that might target them. Some companies use legitimate looking websites, such as www.firerecoverysummit.org, with a misleading list of endorsements including the Red Cross, Cal Fire, and FEMA to gain the public's trust. We urge residents to properly vet contractors or any other vendors they are considering hiring, including demanding written support by groups they profess are behind them.</p> <p>Local residents can get information about resources through www.venturacountyrecovers.org. We urge residents to use licensed and insured contractors. A contractor's license status can be checked through the California Department of Consumer Affairs Contractors State License Board (CSLB). More information about CSLB can be found at www.cslb.ca.gov.</p>	
Prepared by:	Captain Garo Kuredjian
News Release Date:	12/28/17
Media Follow-Up Contact:	Captain Garo Kuredjian, 805-797-6322
Approved by:	Sheriff Geoff Dean

Fire Victims Scam Alert

12/28/2017 3:30:00 PM

Nature of Incident: Fire Victims Scam Alert

Location: Countywide

Date & Time: December 28, 2017

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

Narrative:

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Countywide - Office of Emergency Services Releases Interactive Thomas Fire Evacuation Map

12/29/2017 10:00:00 AM

Nature of Incident:	Thomas Fire Evacuation Information
Location:	Countywide
Date & Time:	December 29, 2017
Unit(s) Responsible:	Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services
Narrative:	<p>The Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services has created an interactive map containing detailed information on evacuation orders that were issued during the Thomas Fire. This interactive map is available online by visiting www.venturacountyrecovers.org and selecting the Evacuation Area Lookup button.</p> <p>The Thomas Fire began on Monday, December 4, 2017 at 6:26 pm and has impacted the cities of Santa Paula, Ventura, Ojai and Unincorporated areas of Ventura County. In total, law enforcement agencies from the impacted jurisdictions issued 31 evacuation orders to more than 90,000 residents, which consisted of 25 mandatory evacuations and 6 voluntary evacuation orders.</p>
Prepared by:	Kevin McGowan, Office of Emergency Services Manager
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Approved by:	Captain Denise Sliva

El Rio - Gang Unit Arrests Two Repeat Offenders

12/29/2017 6:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident:		Gang Members Arrested
Report Number:		17-198481
Location:		300 Block of Stroube Street, El Rio
Date & Time:		12/28/17 1400 hours
Unit(s) Responsible:		Sheriff's Gang Unit and California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation
(S)uspects, (V)ictims, (P)arty (D)ecedent	City of Residence	Age
(S) Gerald Silva aka Savage	El Rio	22
(S) Joel Mendoza aka Drowsy	El Rio	20
Narrative:		
<p>Recently, members of the Sheriff's Gang Unit have been working in cooperation with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation monitoring individuals on parole and/or involved with the Post Release Offender Supervision program.</p> <p>Investigators attempted an enforcement stop on a known gang member, Gerald Silva. Silva is currently on supervised parole for violations of California Vehicle Code 10851(a)-Unlawful taking of a vehicle and 2800.2(a)-Evading an Officer. Silva had a passenger with him in the vehicle who was identified as known gang member, Joel Mendoza. Mendoza was recently released from California State Prison for unlawful possession of a loaded firearm and is currently on Post Release Offender Supervision (PROS) for California Penal Code 242-Battery and 186.22(d)-Street Terrorism.</p> <p>While attempting a traffic enforcement stop on Silva's vehicle in the 300 block of Stroube Street, Mendoza exited the vehicle while it was still in motion. Mendoza fled on foot through the adjacent properties, jumping over numerous fences while attempting to elude deputies. During the foot pursuit, deputies observed Mendoza discard narcotic paraphernalia that was later located by a Sheriff's K9 Officer. Mendoza was arrested and booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility for resisting and/or obstructing a public officer, narcotic related violations, and a PROS Hold.</p> <p>While deputies were involved in the foot pursuit with Mendoza, Silva fled the scene in his vehicle.</p>		
<p>Deputies searched the area and located Silva in the 2500 block of Cortez Street. Deputies discovered Silva was in possession of narcotics and in violation of numerous parole violations. Silva was arrested for the violations and booked into the Pre-Trial Detention Facility</p>		

Ventura - Inmate Escapes From Hospital, Quickly Recaptured

12/30/2017 12:00:00 PM

Nature of Incident:

Inmate Walk-Away from Hospital

Report Number:

17-199358

Location:

Ventura County Medical Center

Date & Time:

12/30/2017 @10:45 AM

Unit(s) Responsible:

Detention Services-Todd Road Jail

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

(S) Murphy McComack, Sarah Beth Ventura 34

Narrative:

On 12-30-2017, at approximately 9:30 AM, Inmate Sarah Murphy McComack displayed symptoms of a medical emergency while incarcerated at the Sheriff's Todd Road jail facility. Jail medical personnel were immediately on scene and administered medical aid. Personnel from Ventura County Fire and AMR Ambulance responded to the jail and Murphy McComack was transported to the Ventura County Medical Center for additional medical treatment. A uniformed Sheriff's Deputy was sent to the hospital to provide security while Murphy McComack was there for treatment.

At approximately 10:45 AM, The Sheriff's Deputy arrived at the hospital and discovered that Murphy McComack had asked to use the restroom and had then walked away from the emergency room area of the hospital and was missing. Ventura Police were immediately notified and assisted with the search for Murphy McComack. At about 11:07 AM, Ventura police officers located Murphy McComack nearby the hospital and immediately arrested her without incident. Murphy McComack, a Ventura area resident, is an unsentenced inmate who has been in custody since December 27, 2017, for the charges of grand theft, possession of burglar tools, and providing false identification to officers. Her bail was originally set at \$50,000.

The investigation into this incident is continuing. Murphy McComack now faces additional charges of escape from custody.

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News Release Date:

12-30-2017

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