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Patrol Division Weekly Activity Report 12/20/12 to 12/26/12

- **REPORTS: 40**
- **ARRESTS: 29**
- **DUI's: 1**
- **Moving citations: 9**
- **Speeding citations: 2**
- **City code citations: 9**

Statistics

Arrests included: 9 for public intoxication, 6 for shoplifting, 3 warrant arrests, 3 for domestic violence, 2 for drug influence and/or possessing drug paraphernalia, and 1 each for: possessing methamphetamine for sale, vehicle pursuit, attempted robbery, threats, and vandalism. Probation or parole holds were placed on 2 of these arrests.

Officers investigated 2 traffic collisions, and 1 death by apparent natural causes. Two vehicles were impounded for 30 days due to the drivers being suspended or unlicensed.

Officers took reports of: 2 found property, 2 burglaries, 2 batteries, 2 robberies, and 1 each of; theft, vandalism, child neglect, court order violation, and stolen vehicle recovery.



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Highlights for the Week

On December 7th at about 8:05 PM Ukiah Police received a report of a hit and run involving a taxi. Officers responded to the 200 block of South Main Street and learned a "Hey Taxi" cab had rear-ended a parked vehicle, then proceeded to a parking area behind a restaurant and collided with a garbage dumpster before leaving. Officers located broken headlight debris near the collisions scene, and a short time later saw a taxi with a damaged headlight driving on South Main Street and stopped it. The driver, 32 year old Jason Michael McCutchan, of Ukiah, was found to have been involved in the earlier collisions. McCutchan had been drinking, and was found too intoxicated to drive and was arrested for DUI and for hit and run.

On 12/20/12 at about 11:21 a.m., Robert Lee White, age 50 of Crescent City, CA approached a female Ukiah resident in her 50's as she was walking to her vehicle, which was occupied by her waiting husband in the parking lot of Pear Tree Center, 500 E. Perkins Street. The suspect threatened the female with a knife and demanded money. The female began screaming and the husband intervened which caused the suspect to walk away. The husband immediately called the Ukiah Police Department and officers began responding. The husband, a Ukiah resident in his 50's, began following White as he entered a nearby business. White then came out of the business and threatened to harm the husband for calling the police. Upon arrival in the area officers began investigating and attempting to locate the suspect. An officer came upon White as he walked away from a female Ukiah resident in her 60's near her vehicle in the 200 block of N. Orchard Ave. The suspect was stopped and further investigation determined that White had approached the female, who was attempting to get into her vehicle after shopping, while she loaded items into her vehicle. He told her to get into the vehicle or he would harm her with the knife. The female refused and White then demanded money. White then saw approaching officers and began walking away. He was quickly apprehended and placed under arrest. Both Victims advised Officers that White clearly showed them the knife, told them that he was armed with it and came close enough to them during his contact with them that he could have used it on them, as he was holding the knife toward them pointed at them within inches of their mid-section. The victims were not injured during these incidents.

White was booked and lodged at the Mendocino County Jail and held without bail.



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White advised UPD Officers that he had been in Ukiah for less than 24 hours after having hitchhiked from Crescent City, CA on his way to San Francisco. He had been carrying \$1200 cash and an ounce of Methamphetamine that he intended to sell when he got to San Francisco. While on his way he claimed that the Money and Drugs were stolen. He was dropped off at Ukiah's Wal-Mart and the motive for these crimes was to obtain more money so he could continue on to his destination. He claimed that his attempt to second female victim was to obtain money to get away before he was caught after the attempted robbery from the first victim. White has an extensive criminal history that includes priors for armed robbery and was released from State Prison on Parole in June of 2012.

On 12/12/12 UPD officers were dispatched to the 900 block of N. Oak St. for a report of a red 1992 Suzuki Katana 750 motorcycle having been stolen. UPD officers were advised that the motorcycle had been stolen between 3:00 AM and 7:00 AM while it was parked in front of a residence on 12-11-12. UPD officers checked the area for the motorcycle but were unable to locate it.

On 12/20/12 at approx. 1:00 PM a UPD officer was on routine patrol in the parking lot of the Orchard Plaza Shopping Center (100 block of S. Orchard Ave.). The officer observed the previously reported stolen motorcycle being ridden in the parking lot. The motorcycle was now painted black. The officer attempted to initiate a traffic stop on the stolen motorcycle in the parking lot. The motorcyclist failed to yield to the officer's red lights and siren. The motorcyclist rode between vehicles and in opposing lanes of traffic as it sped N/B on Orchard Ave. at approx. 50 MPH with Ukiah Police Units pursuing. The motorcyclist turned W/B onto Clara Ave., where it reached speeds of approx. 70 MPH. The motorcyclist ran the stop sign at the intersection of State St. and Clara Ave. The motorcyclist attempted to turn N/B onto State St., however was unable to negotiate the turn due to the unsafe speeds he was travelling. The motorcyclist nearly crashed on the West side of the street at the intersection. The motorcyclist was able to regain control while on the West sidewalk of the 600 block of N. State St. The motorcyclist continued riding on the sidewalk to the 700 block of N. State St., where the motorcyclist lost control of the motorcycle and layed it down. The motorcyclist attempted to flee on foot into the parking lot of Sports Zone Pizza, but was quickly apprehended. The motorcycle sustained minor damage.



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The motorcyclist, Ryan Keoni Terkelsen (age 35 of Ukiah), had three warrants for his arrest and was also wanted by UPD in connection with an identity theft case and a burglary case.

Terkelsen was arrested and lodged at the county jail for the following charges:

1. 2800.2(a) CVC-Felony vehicle evasion
2. 496(a) PC-Possession of stolen property
3. 10851(a) CVC-Vehicle theft
4. 14601.1(a) CVC-Drive on a suspended license
5. 148(a)(1) PC-Resist/Delay arrest
6. 530.5(a) PC-Identity theft
7. 459 PC-Burglary
8. 14601.3-Arrest warrant for driving on a suspended license
9. 1203.2 PC-Arrest warrant for violation of probation
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On December 20th at about 3:00 PM Ukiah Police responded to the 200 block of East Perkins Street regarding a road rage incident and battery. Officers learned the victim had earlier merged onto the highway and nearly struck a vehicle doing so. The driver of the second vehicle passed in front of the victim's vehicle, and harshly applied the brakes nearly causing an accident. The victim passed the suspect, who followed the victim onto the Perkins Street Exit and to the 200 block of East Perkins Street where the victim parked in the parking lot of a business. The suspect, later identified as 28 year old Arthur Randall, of Ukiah, confronted the victim and was enraged at the victim's driving. Randall pushed the victim, then placed the victim in a choke hold and brought the victim to a seated position. Randall held the victim in the choke hold even as employees and witnesses yelled at Randall to release the victim. Upon finally releasing his hold, the victim tried to walk away and offered no resistance, and Randall yelled to the victim he would kill the victim. Randall then left the scene, and the victim was later treated at the hospital. The officers conducted further investigation including viewing security footage of the incident. On December 22nd officers contacted Randall and subsequently arrested him for assault with injury and for criminal threats.

On December 21st at about 5:30 PM Ukiah Police responded to Kohl's, at 437 North Orchard Avenue, for a shoplifter. Officers learned 20 year old Marina Michelle Farr, of Whitter Springs, had been observed removing the packaging from multiple bottles of perfume and



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concealing them in her jacket. Farr paid for one bottle of perfume, then left the store without paying for over \$100.00 worth of the concealed perfume. Farr was arrested for shoplifting.

On December 22nd at about 10:40 PM Ukiah Police responded to a retail store in the 1200 block of Airport Park Boulevard for a suspicious person. Officers learned 36 year old Ian Merritt, of Soda Springs, had been walking around inside the store for the past 2 hours, and was following female employees and making sexual comments. Officers contacted Merritt and determined he was under the influence of a controlled substance, and arrested him.

On December 24th at about 5:10 PM Ukiah Police responded to Safeway, at 653 South State Street, for a shoplift. Officers learned the suspect had stolen a bottle of alcohol worth over \$20.00 and fled the area. Officers located the suspect, 34 year old Manuel Adan Alcazar, of Blythe, in the Sun House Park, who initially denied stealing the alcohol. Officers recovered the stolen alcohol nearby, and arrested Alcazar for burglary.

On Wednesday, 12/26/12, at about 6:30 p.m., UPD received reports of two armed robberies that had just occurred within minutes of each other under similar circumstances. The first incident occurred on Mason Street near the intersection of Norton Street. A 19 year old male from Ukiah was riding his skateboard home on Mason Street when a white vehicle stopped near him and the suspect exited the vehicle, approached him and demanded everything he possessed. The suspect then produced a semiautomatic handgun and pointed it at the victim. The suspect then placed the barrel of the handgun against the victim's chest while continuing to demand items from him. The victim got to his knees and gave the suspect his backpack, skateboard and cell phone. When the victim tried to get up another suspect exited the vehicle and pointed a handgun at the victim and threatened to shoot him if he got up. The suspect took the victim's property and fled in the vehicle.

On 12/26/12, approximately 5 minutes after the above robbery, UPD received a report of another similar robbery in the area of N. Bush Street and Empire Drive. The victim, a 26 year old female from Ukiah, was walking on N. Bush Street when a white vehicle drove past her several times. The vehicle stopped and the suspect exited the vehicle and approached her holding a semi-automatic handgun and demanded she give him everything she had. The suspect attempted to take the purse that was strapped to her shoulder and when the victim tried



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to hold on to it the suspect threatened to shoot her. The suspect then struck her in the back of the head with the handgun and took the purse which contained her money, wallet and other personal belongings. The suspect then ran back to the waiting vehicle and fled the area.

UPD Detectives began to immediately work these two cases and were able to preliminarily identify the primary suspect as Eric Mario Patino, age 21 from Willits, a known Sureno Gang Member. Information was shared with the Willits Police Department and the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office and the Willits Police Department stopped Patino at about 7:30 p.m. on 12/27/12 in Willits driving a white Mazda sedan. He was arrested and stolen property from the two Ukiah robberies as well as a replica semi-automatic handgun were found in his possession. He also possessed methamphetamine as was additionally charged with transportation of a controlled substance. Further investigation determined that Patino was responsible for another robbery on Highway 101 north of Willits at about 3:30 p.m., on 12/26/12 and it is suspected that other suspects were involved with him in all three of these robberies.

UPD Detectives, the Willits Police Department and the Mendocino County Sheriff's Department are continuing their work on these cases to identify any other suspects who assisted Patino in these robberies. Anybody with information is asked to call the Ukiah Police Department at 707-463-6262.

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