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PRESS RELEASE

On June 25th at about 5:40 PM Ukiah Police were notified of a stabbing which had occurred in the 500 block of South Dora Street. The caller reported having witnessed the stabbing and was transporting the victim to the Ukiah Valley Medical Center for treatment. Responding officers found the victim being treated for a stab wound to the upper extremities which would require sutures.

Officers learned the victim had been stabbed by a subject known only to him as "Blaine", who was apparently angered upon learning the victim was outside Blaine's girlfriend's residence. Apparently Blaine traveled to the location and confronted the victim outside the residence with a large knife displayed, demanding the victim leave, and stabbed the victim at least once during an ensuing scuffle. The caller had arrived to pick up the victim at about this time, and witnessed the altercation and saw the suspect flee in a vehicle. The caller followed the suspect briefly, and then transported the victim to the hospital.

An officer responded to the location of the stabbing, hoping to contact the girlfriend to further identify the suspect. The officer found the suspect had returned to the residence, and he was quickly taken into custody and arrested. The suspect, identified as 62 year old Robert Blaine Bennett, admitted to confronting and stabbing the victim. The knife used by Bennett was recovered, and Bennett was booked into the County Jail for brandishing a weapon, and assault with a deadly weapon. 13-1592

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