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Patrol Division Weekly Activity Report 12/25/14 to 12/31/14

- **REPORTS: 62**
- **ARRESTS: 35**
- **DUI's: 2**
- **City Code citations: 7**
- **Moving citations: 17**
- **Non-moving citations: 1**

Statistics

Arrests included: 8 for public intoxication, 4 warrant arrests, 3 for child abuse, 2 for resisting arrest, 2 for domestic violence, 2 for shoplifting, 2 for being under the influence of a controlled substance and/or possessing drug paraphernalia, and 1 each for; assault with a dangerous weapon, possession of a firearm by a felon, burglary, kidnapping, hit and run, possessing a dangerous weapon, vehicle tampering, and violating a court order. Probation or parole holds were placed on 7 of these arrests.

Officers investigated 4 hit and run traffic collisions and 1 death from apparent natural causes.

Officers investigated and took reports of: 5 missing persons, 4 elder abuses, 3 found property, 2 stolen vehicles, and 1 each of; assault with a dangerous weapon, possession of a firearm in public, vandalism, child abuse, annoying phone calls, theft, robbery, transportation of marijuana, domestic violence, suicidal subject, and battery.

Officers assisted the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office with a firearm investigation, and the Mendocino Major Crimes Task Force with the service of a search warrant.



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Highlights for the Week

On December 25th at about 6:30 AM Ukiah Police responded to the 700 block of West Clay Street for a subject sleeping in the callers' vehicle. Officers determined 33 year old Joseph Guido Venturi, of Ukiah, had entered the unlocked vehicle sometime during the night and was found sleeping inside the vehicle by the owner. Venturi was on probation for drug possession, and was arrested for vehicle tampering and violating probation. 14-3852

On December 25th at about 1:30 PM Ukiah Police responded to the 100 block of Leslie Street for a parked motorhome leaking sewage. Officers confirmed the vehicle was leaking raw sewage from the drain pipe and contacted the 50 year old owner, previously of Nevada, who was cited. 14-3853

On December 25th at about 6:05 PM Ukiah Police responded to the 700 block of Sidnie Court for a hit and run traffic collision. Officers learned 27 years old Gregory Scott Finney was seen backing into a parked vehicle, and was contacted by witnesses and eventually provided expired insurance information to the vehicle's owner. Finney was believed to be intoxicated, and began to try to drive from the scene amongst protests from numerous bystanders. Finney drove his vehicle into the victim, who fell onto the hood and was carried over 15 feet before rolling off, onto the ground. Finney fled the scene and was not located. On December 26th at about 3:30 PM Finney came to the Ukiah Police Department and was arrested for assault with a vehicle. The victim sustained minor injuries from being hit by the vehicle. 14-3856

On December 26th at about 9:15 PM Ukiah Police responded to the Alex Thomas Park, in the 200 block of South School Street, for a male adult fighting with juveniles. An arriving officer saw 21 year old Daniel Ray Holmes, who was shirtless, running westbound from the Plaza across School Street. The officers attempted to stop Holmes at Oak Street, who reversed direction and ran with the officer in foot pursuit. Holmes encountered another officer at School Street and tried to run around the officer, but fell and was taken into custody. Holmes had been drinking and was on probation for DUI and prohibited from consuming alcohol. Officers determined Holmes had approached a group of juveniles in the park in a threatening manner, and chased them briefly when they ran away. Holmes then approached a 16 year old female juvenile in the park, spoke with her briefly then slapped her several times and threw her to the ground. A 14 year old male juvenile pulled Holmes off the female, and Holmes elbowed the



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male juvenile before running away. Holmes was arrested for 2 counts of battery and cruelty to a child, resisting arrest, and violating probation. 14-3860

On December 27th at about 11:00 PM Ukiah Police responded to a residence in the 100 block of Washington Court to check the welfare of an 8 month old infant. Officers learned the callers reported the child was with an unconscious and unknown male at the location, and the mother was unable to be found. Officers noticed numerous empty alcohol bottles inside the location, and found the infant sleeping next to 22 year old Bruce Evan Cartwright who was on parole and passed out. Officers followed a trail of vomit to a comforter with feet protruding, and located 22 year old April Rash who on probation for burglary and who was also passed out. Both subjects were found to be highly intoxicated and were arrested for child endangerment and for violating their respective probation and parole terms. The child was released to the custody of Child Protective Services. 14-3861

On December 27th at about 9:25 AM Ukiah Police responded to 125 South Orchard Avenue for campers. Officers contacted 31 year old Scotty Lee Willis and 26 year old Kelisha Alvarez who were both sleeping under blankets. The surrounding area was covered in trash, blankets, and clothing, and two shopping carts also containing garbage and clothing were nearby. Ukiah Police Officers had responded to identical service calls involving these subjects 16 times within the previous 10 days, wherein the subjects were either warned or cited for violating the City's overnight camping ordinance. Ukiah Police had responded the night prior at 11:45 PM and warned both subjects regarding overnight camping, as they didn't meet the criteria to be cited at that time. Willis and Alvarez were arrested for overnight camping, and booked into the County Jail. Other officers responded and spent considerable time gathering and storing Willis' and Alvarez' large amount of possessions and other items. 14-3863

On December 27th at about 8:05 PM Ukiah Police responded to the Perkins Street Bar, at 228 East Perkins Street, for a disturbance. Officers learned a male subject had ordered a drink then refused to pay and was refusing to leave. Officers spoke with the subject outside and he provided a name the officers determined to be false. The subject was subsequently identified as 32 year old Jonathan Austin Young, of Willits, who was on probation for resisting arrest and prohibited from consuming alcohol. Young had been drinking and as the officers began to take him into custody, he broke free and ran west on Standley Street with the officers in foot pursuit.



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Young turned onto Main Street where an officer caught up to him and brought him to the ground. Young continued to physically resist and tried to get back up until he was finally taken into custody. Young was arrested for providing false identity, resisting arrest, and violating probation. 14-3866

On December 28th at about 11:40 AM Ukiah Police responded to the Ukiah Theater parking lot, at 612 South State Street, for a subject seen trying to break into vehicles. Responding officers did not locate anybody in the lot, and an officer proceeded to the north lot of the Sunrise Inn, at 650 South State Street, which is adjacent to the theater lot. The officer saw a vehicle parked in the lot with three people inside, and knew one of the occupants was on search probation. The officer approached the passenger side of the vehicle, and saw the right rear passenger had his hands concealed near his waistband. The subject refused to show the officers his hands and did not respond to the officer. The officer opened the door and the subject began exiting the vehicle trying to push past the officer. Responding officers assisted in trying to control the subject, who began struggling and continued to refuse to remove his hands from his waistband area. After an extended struggle a Taser was deployed and the subject was finally taken into custody. A knife in a sheath was located in the vehicle where the subject had been seated. The subject verbally identified himself, and the name provided was also on an out of state identification card the subject had which was determined to be fake. Officers subsequently identified the subject as 35 year old Jose Alfredo Peredia who had two local warrants for his arrest for violating probation, and a warrant from Georgia for trafficking marijuana and possessing methamphetamine. Also in the vehicle was a shotgun with a shortened barrel and modified grip. Peredia is a convicted felon and prohibited from possessing firearms. Peredia was arrested for the warrants and for providing false identity, resisting arrest, possessing an illegal firearm, and a felon in possession of a firearm. 14-3871

On December 28th at about 12:30 PM Ukiah Police responded to the Safeway parking lot, at 653 South State Street, for a subject seen rummaging through a vehicle. The suspect matched the description of a subject seen less than an hour earlier trying to enter vehicles in the Ukiah Theater lot. The responding officer located the subject in the 600 block of South State Street, and identified him as 38 year old Frederico Mariano Trujillo who was on parole. Trujillo had been observed reaching into a parked vehicle in the Safeway lot to open it, and enter and



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rummage through the contents. Trujillo was arrested for burglary and for violating parole. 14-3872

On December 29th at about 4:00 PM Ukiah Police responded to the 800 block of Waugh Lane for a man and woman fighting. Officers contacted the female victim and 48 year old Miguel Maciel Garcia, and Garcia began walking away and refused to stop for the officers. Garcia tried to pull away from the officer and a struggle ensued wherein the officer called for emergency back-up. The officer was finally able to get Garcia into custody, and determined he had approached the female victim while she was walking. The female tried to get away from Garcia, who ran after her and grabbed her. The victim fell to the ground and Garcia grabbed her groin area and made sexual comments. The victim was calling for help and the officers soon arrived. Garcia was arrested for resisting arrest, battery, and sexual battery. 14-3880

On December 29th at about 7:05 PM Ukiah Police responded to the 100 block of East Gobbi Street for an assault and kidnapping. The male victim had obvious injuries about his face and body and an ambulance was requested. The victim reported he'd met 44 year old Brian Franklin Ramsey, of Willits, several weeks prior in Humboldt County. The two had apparently been living in Ramsey's van and traveling between Humboldt County, the Bay Area, and Ukiah. Ramsey apparently became violent with the victim, and over the course of multiple days repeatedly beat and stabbed the victim with different items and secured the van in a manner which prevented the victim from leaving. Ramsey apparently withheld food and water from the victim, and threatened to harm the victim's dog. Ramsey had apparently just released the victim before he called police. The victim was transported to the Ukiah Valley Medical Center and later transferred to an out of the area hospital for treatment for significant injuries. Officers located Ramsey's van nearby and seized it for evidentiary processing. At about 9:40 PM Ramsey called the Ukiah Police Department to report he'd left his van with a friend and returned to find it missing. Ramsey had the victim's dog which was injured, and Ramsey was arrested for torture, kidnapping, imprisonment, assault with a dangerous weapon, threats, and dissuading a witness. 14-3884

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