



Ukiah Police Department

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PRESS RELEASE

UPD Case # 15-2366

Suspects/Charges:

VAUGHN, MOTECUHZOMA OPHELIA (female, 29, Ukiah)

496(a) PC-Possession of stolen property-felony

2800.2(a) CVC-Evading-felony

20001(a) CVC-Hit and run traffic collision with injury-felony

148(a)(1) PC-Resist/delay officer-misdemeanor

14601.2(a) CVC-Drive suspended-misdemeanor

GENSAW, RANDALL LEE (male, 42, Ukiah)

496(a) PC-Possession of stolen property-felony

1203.2(a) PC-Violation of probation-felony

STOLEN VEHICLE: WHITE 2014 TOYOTA PRIUS

On 8-14-15 at approx. 8:20 PM, a UPD officer spotted a vehicle that matched a recently reported stolen vehicle out of Lake County. As the officer followed the stolen vehicle in the area of S. State St. and Luce Ave., the driver turned W/B on to Luce Ave. and then immediately S/B onto South St. The vehicle then turned W/B on to Observatory Ave. While the officer continued to follow the vehicle, the vehicle ran the stop sign at Observatory Ave. and S. Dora St. and turned S/B on to S. Dora St. The officer attempted to make a traffic stop on the vehicle using the patrol vehicle's lights and sirens, however the vehicle sped up and began travelling at approx. 50 MPH on S. Dora St. The vehicle continued S/B on S. Dora St. at a high rate of speed while running stop signs at the intersections of Washington Ave., Tedford Ave., and Laws Ave. The vehicle accelerated to approx. 70 MPH S/B on Dora St. near the intersection of Jefferson Ln. The driver, Motecuhzoma Vaughn, lost control of the vehicle and struck approx. 5 parked vehicles in the 1900 block of S. Dora St., where it came to rest. Vaughn fled from the vehicle on foot while the passenger, Randall Gensaw, was taken into custody at the scene. Vaughn was quickly located and arrested hiding in the area. The California Highway Patrol, Mendocino County Sheriff's Dept., as well as the Ukiah Valley Fire Dept. responded and assisted. Gensaw received a minor injury as a result of the collision. Gensaw was currently on probation for an un-related offense. Gensaw and Vaughn were later transported to the Mendocino County Jail, where they were lodged.