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Press Release

Date: April 24, 2011
From: Jeffrey R. Palmer, Police Sergeant
Subject: Five Felony Arrests

Five local residents of Chowchilla were arrested on April 22, 2011 for a variety of felonies which were committed during three separate incidents.

The incidents began around 10:15 p.m. Friday evening when officers were called to the 800 block of Kings Avenue for a report of a male subject vandalizing a parked vehicle. Officers arrived quickly on scene and discovered a subject causing damage to a vehicle. The subject was quickly detained and identified later as 29-year-old Walter Harris of Chowchilla. Harris was transported to the Madera County Jail where he was booked for felony vandalism.

As officers were finishing their investigation of the vehicle vandalism, their attention was drawn to the southern portion of the city where two shots were heard. Officers exited their vehicles and began checking the area. While checking an alley in the area of South Sixth Street and Alameda Avenue, the officers found two subjects coming out of a dark area. When the subjects were confronted by the officers, one of the subjects obeyed the officer's direction as ordered as the second subject ran. The subject who ran was quickly stopped and identified as 19-year-old Chowchilla resident Anthony Curry. The other subject was identified as 21-year-old Brandon Flores, also a Chowchilla resident.

Further investigation revealed a loaded firearm was found in their control. The firearm was checked and determined to be stolen. Both subjects were transported to Madera County Jail. Curry was booked on one felony count of possession of stolen property and a misdemeanor for carrying a loaded firearm in public. Flores was also booked for possession of stolen property and criminal street gang activity which are both felonies. He was also booked on the misdemeanor charge of carrying a loaded firearm in public.

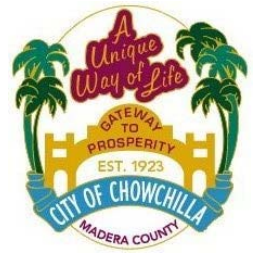
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The third incident occurred during the early morning hours of Saturday, April 23, 2011 around 3:15 a.m. Officers were called to the area of Michelle Court for a possible vehicle burglary in progress. When officers arrived, they located two subjects who were identified as 24-year-old Javier Macias of Chowchilla and a male juvenile, also from Chowchilla.

After an investigation was conducted on scene, officers arrested Javier Macias and the male juvenile for vehicle burglary. Macias was transported to Madera County and booked for the felony charge of vehicle burglary, vandalism, possession of burglary tools, and conspiracy to commit a crime. The juvenile was transported to Madera County Juvenile Hall for the same four felony charges.

Sgt. Palmer stated he was proud of the response, investigations, and apprehensions by Officers Hunter, Wright and Mendoza. "The officers showed a great level of teamwork and diligence during these calls" Sgt Palmer said. "This type of work is only one example of the benefit these officers provide to the community by being knowledgeable of those residing here and having the experience of working in Chowchilla" stated Palmer.

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