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SONORA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Turu VanderWiel, Acting Chief of Police

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members
FROM: Turu VanderWiel, Acting Police Chief 
DATE: November 20th, 2017
RE: Monthly Report- Sonora Police Department

MEMORANDUM

The attached information is for the month of October 2017.

	Oct 2017	Sep 2017	Oct 2016
Total Incidents	1,127	1,232	1,482
Calls for Service	652	707	705
Officer Initiated	475	525	777
Total Arrests	67	72	49
Felony Arrests	13	6	8
Misd. Arrests	54	66	41
Total Reports	130	151	139
Parking Citations	120	55	78
Moving Citations	12	44	37
Domestic Violence	3	2	7
Traffic Collisions	15	16	23
Animal Calls	37	43	28
Public Intox.	8	8	10
DUI Arrests	4	4	6
Total Phone Calls	2,392	2,450	3,249
Average Per Day	77	82	105
Vehicle Releases	2	7	7

BEAT 1

Violent Crimes:

- 1 Felony Domestic Violence
- 2 Misdemeanor Domestic Violence
- 1 Battery with Serious Bodily Injury/Assault with a Deadly Weapon, not Firearm
- 1 Battery on Law Enforcement Officer (off duty Sheriff's Deputy)
- 2 Robberies

Burglaries / Other Larceny:

- 2 Commercial Burglaries (Shoplifting)
- 1 Attempted Stolen Vehicle

BEAT 2

Violent Crimes:

- 1 Misdemeanor Child Endangerment
- 1 Battery on a Peace Officer
- 2 Felony Threats

Burglaries / Other Larceny:

- 1 Business Burglary
- 1 Vehicle Burglary

10/01/2017 -109/31/2017

**AREA 1 MONTHLY REPORT
OCTOBER 2017**

Neighborhood Watch:

ELKS HILL:

- Elks Hill held their annual fall meeting at the Elks Lodge on October 26th. Chief VanderWiel and I attended this meeting. First and foremost the group wanted to express their appreciation for the Sonora Police Department providing extra patrols at night. Topics of concern discussed during the meeting included dogs at large that have potentially caused damage and killed two pet cats and a concern of speeders on Shaws Flat Road between Elks Drive and Saratoga Road.

SONORA KNOWLES:

- NO REPORT

Cases For discussion:

On October 27, 2017, at about 1:08 a.m., an associate working at Walmart called in to report suspicious circumstances occurring in the parking lot. The reporting party advised there were subjects in the parking lot looking into cars and pulling on door handles. Officer Hankins arrived on scene and contacted two males and a female near two vehicles in the parking lot. Through subsequent investigation Justin Brown was found to have an 11" fixed blade knife concealed in his pants pocket, and a warrant for his arrest. Michael Wagoner provided false information to the responding officer, and was in possession of black tar heroin. Wagoner also had two warrants for his arrest. The third subject was released from the scene. No victims of any vehicle burglaries were found, and no cars were believed to have been entered by the suspects. Brown was booked at Tuolumne County Jail with a total bail amount of \$14,000.00. Wagoner was booked at Tuolumne County Jail with total bail amount of \$18,000.00.

On October 21, 2017, just before 5:30 p.m., the Sonora Police Department was dispatched to the area of Stockton Road for a physical altercation in progress. When they arrived, they found 29-year-old Robert Travis Wade Jr. of Jamestown in a physical altercation with an off-duty Tuolumne County Deputy. Officers were able to quickly take Wade into custody. Officers learned that the off-duty deputy had witnessed Wade assault a female victim at the edge of the roadway. When the deputy came to her aid, Wade turned his aggression toward him. Thankfully neither the off-duty deputy nor the female victim was seriously injured.

On Tuesday October 24th, just before 1:00 P.M., the Sonora Police Department received a call of a vegetation fire on Snell Street west of Sonora High School. Sonora Fire and Police Department officials responded to the area. Upon arrival, fire officials observed a vegetation fire located on the hillside along the north roadway edge of Snell Street. The fire was burning in grass and oak woodland and was approximately ¼ acre in size. During suppression activities, fire officials believed the cause to be suspicious and contacted the Sonora Police Department's Fire Investigation Unit. Sonora Police Department Fire Investigators responded to the scene and conducted an origin and cause investigation.

During the investigation, it was learned that witnesses observed juveniles leaving the area shortly before the fire was reported. Investigators determined the cause of the fire was arson.

Recruitments:

- Vets to Cops Officer Applicant is in the background phase of his hiring process.
- The City of Sonora held two oral board panels for the month of October. One panel was for entry level and lateral Police Officer Applicants. A total of four applicants tested. Two were selected to move into the background phase of the hiring process. The second interview occurred on October 30th for Recruit Officer applicants. As a result four candidates are on the eligibility list for Police Recruit.

Field Training Program:

- There are currently no trainees in the Field Training Program.

Respectfully Submitted
Sgt. Chris Rogers

AREA 2 MONTHLY REPORT October 2017

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH:

Myers Hill:

- No issues at this time

North Stewart:

- No issues at this time.

Special Events:

Trick or Treat Street was a success in the downtown area. Hundreds of kids and adults partook in the festivities, and it was a safe night for all. Our explorers worked the crosswalks.

A Halloween Bash occurred at 208 South Green Street. A large tent was set up in the street, and there were many patrons in the city for the event. Buses transported attendees from numerous bars in the City and the County. The event was well managed but it proved to be a busy night for businesses in Sonora.

On October 31st, the Sonora Police Department conducted a Trunk or Treat event. Between the hours of 6:00 and 9:00 p.m., Police Officers, Community Service Volunteers and Police Explorers drove through neighborhoods and apartment complexes within the City of Sonora and handed out candy to children who were trick-or-treating. Trunk-or-Treat is designed to provide a safe environment for families to enjoy Halloween fun while trick-or-treating.

CASE(s) FOR DISCUSSION:

On October 15, 2017, at about 1:45 a.m., we were dispatched to the area of S. Stewart St. in reference to a hit and run collision. The involved suspect vehicle was described as a gray SUV that hit a parked car. It was being followed by a white pick-up truck according to the reporting party. I arrived in the area and saw two cars on Gold St. between Shepherd St. and Berretta St. that appeared to be parked in the middle of the street. Officer Hankins made contact with the driver of the SUV and found the driver, 20-year-old Sean Hastings, was almost three times over the legal limit. Hastings was arrested and booked into jail for hit and run and driving under the influence of Alcohol.

Range:

Range qualifications were done in October for active and retired personnel of the Sonora Police Department.

Training:

Police Cadet Ashley Brandow finished week 22 of the 26 weeks intensive Police Academy at San Joaquin Delta Academy. Graduation November 22, 2017.

Debbie Dills and Cyndi Nordvick attended the annual RIMS conference in Tahoe. Many new topics were covered, and we look forward to expanding the RIMS program for our use.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sgt. Tim Wertz

**MONTHLY REPORT
SUPPORT DIVISION/SPECIAL EVENTS
OCTOBER 2017**

SPECIAL EVENTS:

- NO SPECIAL EVENTS

EXPLORERS:

- THE EXPLORERS ARE ON THEIR SCHOOL SCHEDULE, MEETING EVERY FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAY.
- THE EXPLORERS WILL BE ASSISTING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WITH THEIR TOY DRIVE.
- THE EXPLORERS HAVE ALSO ADOPTED THREE FAMILIES FOR CHRISTMAS. THEY WILL BE PROVIDING FOOD AND TOYS TO EACH FAMILY. NEXT YEAR THEY HOPE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES TO FIVE.
- THEY ASSISTED SONORA HIGH SCHOOL IN PARKING CARS DURING THE FOOTBALL GAMES.
- THEY ASSISTED THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH TRAFFIC CONTROL DURING THE SONORA HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING PARADE.
- THEY ASSISTED PEDESTRIANS CROSSING THE STREET AT WASHINGTON STREET AND BRADFORD STREET FOR TRICK OR TREAT STREET. THEY ALSO PROVIDED FOOT PATROL FOR THE EVENT.
- ON HALLOWEEN AN EXPLORER DOUBLED WITH A CSV AND DROVE AROUND NEIGHBORHOOD AND APARTMENT COMPLEX'S PASSING OUT CANDY AND PROVIDING SECURITY.

COMMUNITY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS (CSV)

- THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH THE CSV'S MEET AT SONORA FIRE.
- CSV'S HAVE BEEN WALKING FOOT PATROL IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA WHEN THEY ARE AVAILABLE.
- THE CSV'S ASSIST THE DEPARTMENT WITH THE FOLLOWING
 - PATROL
 - CLERICAL
 - BUILDING MAINTENANCE (JANITORIAL)
- ON HALLOWEEN A CSV DOUBLED WITH AN EXPLORER AND DROVE AROUND NEIGHBORHOOD AND APARTMENT COMPLEX'S PASSING OUT CANDY AND PROVIDING SECURITY.

CONTRACT OFFICERS/RESERVES:

- WE HAVE THREE PEOPLE INTERESTED IN BECOMING RESERVE OFFICERS FOR OUR DEPARTMENT

BACKGROUNDS:

- I HAVE NO BACKGROUNDS AT THIS TIME.

SGT. GLENN ROBERTS (RET)
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OFFICER



PATROL STATISTICS
REPORTING PERIOD: OCTOBER 2017

11/14/2017

Statistic	Count
Total Incidents	1127
Calls for Service	652
Officer Initiated Incidents	475
Traffic Stops	34
Other OIA Incidents	441
Bus/Building checks	0
Veh/Ped Check	0
Total Officer Reports	130
Accident	115
Crime	31
Felony Arrest	8
General Information	31
Infraction Arrest	0
Juvenile Arrest	1
Misdemeanor Arrest	27
Warrant Arrest	17
Unclassified Reports	1
Total Misdemeanor & Felony Arrests	63
Misdemeanor Arrests	51
Felony Arrests	12
Total Citations	162
Juvenile	3
Misdemeanor	25
Vehicle - Moving	12
Vehicle - Parked	120
Voided	2
FIs	5

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**OFFICER ARREST COUNTS
OCTOBER 2017**

11/09/2017

Officer	No. of Arrests	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	Other Arrests
Bowly, John	8	1	7	0
Durham, Lance	7	1	6	0
Hankins, Curtis	12	2	10	0
Mallon, Scott	9	3	6	0
Norris, Brandon	4	1	3	0
Rogers, Christopher	4	1	3	0
Townsend, Dennis	1	0	1	0
Vanderwiel, Turu S	4	1	3	0
Weber, Erik	11	1	10	0
Wertz, Tim	5	1	4	0
Winningham, Gordon	2	1	1	0
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TOTALS	67	13	54	0



OFFICER CITATION COUNTS
OCTOBER 2017

11/09/2017

Officer	No. of Cites
Battle, Joel	58
Bowly, John	6
Durham, Lance	4
Hankins, Curtis	10
Logan, Charlotte	47
Mallon, Scott	1
Moran, Aaron	3
Norris, Brandon	3
Roberts, Robby	2
Rogers, Christopher	1
Townsend, Dennis	1
Vanderwiel, Turu S	5
Weber, Erik	11
Wertz, Tim	5
Winningham, Gordon	5



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Accident Search Results Date Between 10/1/2017 and 10/31/2017

11/14/2017

Case #	Date	Location	Severity	DUI?	PCF
17-1390	10/01/2017	350 S WASHINGTON	No Injuries	No	
17-1407	10/04/2017	STOCKTON STREET (SR49)	Minor Injuries	No	21804(a) CVC
17-1420	10/07/2017	395 S WASHINGTON	No Injuries	No	
17-1428	10/09/2017	796 MONO WY	Complaint of Paino		22350 CVC
17-1441	10/12/2017	1000 GREENLEY RD	No Injuries	No	
17-1510	10/13/2017	46 N STEWART	No Injuries	No	
17-1445	10/15/2017	S STEWART	No Injuries	Yes	23152(a) CVC
17-1455	10/17/2017	S GREEN/LINOBERG	No Injuries	No	
17-1520	10/19/2017	MONO WY	Minor Injuries	No	
17-1468	10/20/2017	S GREEN/LINOBERG	No Injuries	Yes	
17-1489	10/25/2017	923 SANGUINETTI RD	No Injuries	No	
17-1490	10/27/2017	830 GREENLEY RD	No Injuries	No	
17-1521	10/27/2017	1101 SANGUINETTI RD	No Injuries	No	
17-1504	10/28/2017	851 SANGUINETTI RD	No Injuries	No	
17-1503	10/29/2017	SANGUINETTI RD	Complaint of Paino		21804(a) CVC



Incident Search Results
Date Between 10/1/2017 and 10/31/2017, Type Match Anywhere With ANIMAL

11/09/2017

Date	Inc #	Type	Time	Location	Dispositio
10/01/2017	1710010026	ANIMAL	14:07:14	330 S SHEPHERD	Report Taken
10/02/2017	1710020007	ANIMAL	10:04:44	16 S POPLAR	Report Taken
10/02/2017	1710020019	ANIMAL	13:47:07	S STEWART	Gone On Arrival
10/03/2017	1710030021	ANIMAL	15:35:39	120 OLD WARDS FERRY RD	Dog Pick Up to Tcac
10/04/2017	1710040032	ANIMAL	22:10:21	COLUMBIA WY/SHANGRI-LA	Referred To Other Agency
10/05/2017	1710050043	ANIMAL	23:25:34	HIGHWAY 49/PESCE	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/06/2017	1710060006	ANIMAL	09:46:05	1091 SANGUINETTI RD	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/07/2017	1710070012	ANIMAL	13:07:08	1051 SANGUINETTI RD	Gone On Arrival
10/08/2017	1710080009	ANIMAL	12:14:32	1131 SANGUINETTI RD	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/08/2017	1710080016	ANIMAL	14:53:17	W STOCKTON ST	Report Taken
10/09/2017	1710090011	ANIMAL	10:15:37	N WASHINGTON	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/09/2017	1710090013	ANIMAL	11:22:39	MONO WY/HOSPITAL RD	Referred To Other Agency
10/10/2017	1710100013	ANIMAL	11:52:11	31 N WASHINGTON	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/11/2017	1710110010	ANIMAL	07:51:13	W STOCKTON ST	Report Taken
10/11/2017	1710110015	ANIMAL	11:58:49	400 WOODS CREEK DR	Handled by Telephone
10/11/2017	1710110023	ANIMAL	15:23:59	165 COLUMBIA WY	Handled by Telephone
10/12/2017	1710120035	ANIMAL	14:56:50	30 ELM	Unable to Locate
10/12/2017	1710120046	ANIMAL	20:24:21	480 W STOCKTON ST	Unable to Locate
10/17/2017	1710170013	ANIMAL	10:09:15	52 S WASHINGTON	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/17/2017	1710170014	ANIMAL	10:21:59	102 HOSPITAL RD	Gone On Arrival
10/17/2017	1710170035	ANIMAL	18:07:12	50 COLUMBIA WY	Gone On Arrival
10/18/2017	1710180013	ANIMAL	08:26:36	W STOCKTON ST/MILL VILLA	Unable to Locate
10/20/2017	1710200025	ANIMAL	14:31:37	50 COLUMBIA WY	Gone On Arrival
10/20/2017	1710200028	ANIMAL	15:21:12	569 S WASHINGTON	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/21/2017	1710210007	ANIMAL	08:30:32	S WASHINGTON/RESTANO WY	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/22/2017	1710220023	ANIMAL	14:27:01	121 OAK	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/23/2017	1710230007	ANIMAL	11:38:07	275 SNELL	Animal Pickup
10/25/2017	1710250031	ANIMAL	13:52:34	685 S WASHINGTON	Cancelled
10/26/2017	1710260022	ANIMAL	13:08:22	84 N WASHINGTON	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/26/2017	1710260039	ANIMAL	18:18:54	772 OAKSIDE DR	Handled by Patrol (Cso/Aco/p
10/26/2017	1710260047	ANIMAL	23:11:59	275 SNELL	Advised
10/28/2017	1710280017	ANIMAL	14:28:16	851 SANGUINETTI RD	Gone On Arrival
10/29/2017	1710290020	ANIMAL	12:43:31	331 S WASHINGTON	Dog Pick Up to Tcac
10/30/2017	1710300033	ANIMAL	13:39:14	CEMETERY LN/MORNING STAR	Referred To Other Agency
10/30/2017	1710300037	ANIMAL	14:19:00	144 N WASHINGTON	Cat Pick Up to Tcac
10/30/2017	1710300041	ANIMAL	15:07:13	W STOCKTON ST	Gone On Arrival
10/31/2017	1710310045	ANIMAL	17:02:30	100 ELK DR	Unable to Locate