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"Maintaining a Safe Community since 1851"

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Turu VanderWiel, Chief of Police

DATE: June 17th, 2019

RE: Monthly Report- Sonora Police Department

MEMORANDUM

The attached information is for May 2019.

	May 2019	Apr 2019	May 2018
Total Incidents	1,517	1,536	1,462
Calls for Service	687	658	652
Officer Initiated	830	878	810
Total Arrests	46	82	78
Felony Arrests	10	14	15
Misd. Arrests	36	68	63
Total Reports	131	167	180
Parking Citations	42	60	160
Moving Citations	19	38	66
Domestic Violence	4	8	5
Collision Incidents	25	29	----------
Collision Invest.	11	15	14
Animal Calls	41	63	50
Public Intox. / UID	7	9	16
DUI Arrests	5	7	6
Total Phone Calls	2,486	2,412	3,811
Average Per Day	80	80	123
Vehicle Releases	10	13	16

**Collision Incidents* is a new category reflecting actual collisions within the City

BEAT 1

Violent Crimes:

- 1 Felony Domestic Violence (Occurred in Calaveras, SPD Made Arrest at AHS)
- 1 Felony Willful Cruelty/Endangering Child (Passenger in DUI Arrest)
- 1 Misdemeanor Domestic Violence
- 2 Felony Batteries with Serious Bodily Injury
- 1 Felony Lewd & Lascivious Act with Child Under 14 Years

Burglaries / Other Larceny:

- Felony Arson of Vehicle
- 2 Stolen Vehicles (One Recovered in City Limits, One Recovered in Columbia)
- 3 Vehicle Burglaries
- 1 Residential Burglary
- 1 Petty Theft (From Vehicle)

BEAT 2

Violent Crimes:

- 1 Felony Domestic Violence
- 1 Felony Willful Cruelty/Endangering Child (Passenger in DUI Arrest)
- 1 Misdemeanor Domestic Violence
- 1 Misdemeanor Battery on School Grounds
- 1 Felony Assault with Deadly Weapon; not Firearm *
  * (Felony Battery with Serious Bodily Injury Occurred During Same Incident)

Burglaries / Other Larceny:

- 3 Vehicle Burglaries
- 2 Residential Burglaries
- 1 Attempted Residential Burglary
- 1 Petty Theft (From Residential Porch)

Area 1 Monthly Report
May 2019

Neighborhood Watch:

Elks Hill:
- No report

Sonora Knowles:
- No Report

Case(s) for Discussion:

On May 23, 2019 at approximately 10:15 am, Sonora PD officers apprehended Roy Allen Chandler Jr., 33 year old transient of Sonora. Chandler had a felony warrant, a misdemeanor warrant, was carrying various items of drug paraphernalia, and had provided officers with a false name during initial contact. When confronted about the name, Chandler attempted to run, a short foot pursuit ensued, and he was tackled approximately 50 yards later by Officer Brandow. Chandler was also charged with resisting arrest for running from Officer Brandow and for Kicking Sgt Wertz.

On May 30th, at approximately 7:49 p.m., Officers were called to the 900 block of Cemetery Lane for a report of an intruder who had fled on foot. The caller stated a female subject entered her home and took items from the refrigerator, and when confronted dumped liquid from the refrigerator onto the homeowner, her floor and her vehicle. Officers checked the area and located 41-year-old Zoe Patane of Sonora. She matched the description of the intruder given by the caller and initially began running when she saw the patrol cars. Patane eventually stopped running and complied with officers but provided them with a false name and false date of birth. The homeowner told officers that when she came downstairs to investigate a noise, she found Patane drinking from a carton of juice inside of her home. She yelled at Patane and threatened to call law enforcement at which point Patane became verbally and physically assaultive. Patane shoved the homeowner, threw juice on her, and then threw the carton of juice at the homeowner's car. Patane was booked for burglary of an occupied home, battery, obstructing an officer and other charges.

Training:

- Sergeant Hankins and Sergeant Wertz attended a one day Tactical Leadership class in Santa Clara.

Explorers and Community Service Volunteers:

- Both the Explorers and Community Service Volunteers provide great service to our agency and the community. They have put in hundreds of hours of volunteer time for the Police Department.
- The Explorers had two meetings this month and assisted with the Motherlode Round-up Parade.
- The Explorers and CSV members put up flags on Washington Street for Memorial Day.

Contract/Reserve Officers:

- Reserve Officer Danny Duffy is the Field Training Program.
- Officer Townsend continues to work numerous patrol shifts each week to supplement vacant positions and open shifts.

Dispatch:

- We have one part-time Dispatch position open. No one is in the CTO Training Program at this time.

Defensive Tactics Program:

- Officer Brandow has been scheduled for a weaponless defense instructor course in August.

Respectfully Submitted

Sgt. Tim Wertz

Area 2 Monthly Report
May 2019

Neighborhood Watch:

MYERS HILL:

- No updated activity.

N. STEWART:

- No updated activity.

HIGHLANDS VIEW:

- Inactive.

A Facebook post will be completed in June (June 4th) for anyone interested in starting a neighborhood watch program in order to get citizen participation.

Cases For discussion:

19-248. On May 1, 2019, Sonora Police Officers arrested Thomas Ricci, age 67 of Sonora, pursuant to an arrest warrant for 79 counts of financial elder abuse and 3 counts of burglary. Over the course of a year and a half, Ricci fraudulently obtained over $200,000 from an elderly Sonora resident. Officer Brandow worked diligently on this case and produced mounds of evidence against Ricci. He was booked into jail with a bail of $750,000.

19-557. On May 21, 2019, at about 1:45pm, Sonora PD received a call of a non-injury two vehicle accident in the area of Lyons St and Stewart St. Officers responded and contacted Kimberly Smock, age 33 of Sonora, who was driving one of the involved vehicles. It was determined that Smock was driving under the influence with a blood alcohol limit over 4x the legal limit. Smock had her children, ages 6 and 4, in the vehicle with her. She was subsequently arrested and booked into Tuolumne County Jail for DUI and Felony Child Endangerment. The children were unharmed and released to a family member.

Recruitments:

- 3 open Police Officer positions. Oral interviews took place on May 23rd. Several candidates passed the oral and written portion of the testing.
- Actively recruiting for 2 SRO part-time positions funded by a grant from DOJ. Oral interviews will take place in June.

Field Training Program:

- Officer Brickley finished field training, and is now a solo patrol officer.
- Reserve Officer Duffy continues with his field training.

Community/Special Events:

- On May 11, 2019, the Sonora Police Department with the help of Sonora Public Works, Sonora Fire Department, Caltrans, and CHP, participated in the Mother Lode Round Up parade. The event and closures were a great success this year. All feedback from the community was very positive.
- On May 15, 2019, Sonora Police Officers participated in the Peace Officer Memorial held at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds. The event honors those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice serving the city, county, and state.

Range:

- Range qualifications took place on May 22nd. The next range date will be in August.
- Cal-Fire completed a range clean-up (clearing of weeds and brush) on May 17th.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sgt. Curtis Hankins

PATROL STATISTICS
REPORTING PERIOD: MAY 2019

06/10/2019

Statistic	Count
Total Incidents	1517
Calls for Service	687
Officer Initiated Incidents	830
Traffic Stops	67
Other OIA Incidents	763
Bus/Building checks	0
Veh/Ped Check	0
Total Officer Reports	131
Accident	~~12~~ 11 (one reported in May occurred in April)
Crime	29
Felony Arrest	6
General Information	46
Infraction Arrest	0
Juvenile Arrest	2
Misdemeanor Arrest	22
Warrant Arrest	14
Unclassified Reports	0
Total Misdemeanor & Felony Arrests	46
Misdemeanor Arrests	36
Felony Arrests	10
Total Citations	74
Misdemeanor	10
Vehicle - Moving	19
Vehicle - Parked	42
Voided	2
Unclassified	1
FIs	4

OFFICER CITATION COUNTS
MAY 2019

06/10/2019

Officer	No. of Cites
Battle, Joel	5
Bowly, John	2
Brandow, Ashley	6
Brickley, Thomas	7
Carrasco, Priscilla	7
Durham, Lance	3
Hankins, Curtis	4
Logan, Charlotte	31
Olson, Darwin	1
Roberts, Robby	1
Weber, Erik	4
Wertz, Tim	2

OFFICER ARREST COUNTS
MAY 2019

Officer	No. of Arrests	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	Other Arrests
Bowly, John	2	0	2	0
Brandow, Ashley	8	4	4	0
Brickley, Thomas	9	2	7	0
Carrasco, Priscilla	9	2	7	0
Durham, Lance	6	2	4	0
Hankins, Curtis	2	0	2	0
Olson, Darwin	3	0	3	0
Weber, Erik	5	0	5	0
Wertz, Tim	2	0	2	0
TOTALS	46	10	36	0