

## Suspects Arrested in Cannery Row Burglary

On Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 3:00 a.m., Monterey Police officers responded to a report of suspicious persons outside The Giant Artichoke, 711 Cannery Row, in the Monterey Canning company building.

Upon arrival, officers discovered the business had been burglarized and observed four subjects fleeing the area. Officers created a perimeter and conducted a search, locating all four subjects hiding a short distance away.

Four subjects were arrested: Michael Lopez, 26; Juan O'Brien, 23; Melissa Canales, 20, all from San Jose; and Adina Jimenez, 18, from Morgan Hill. They were each booked into the Monterey County Jail for burglary.

Officers from Pacific Grove Police Department and Seaside Police Department assisted with this investigation.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Investigations Division at 831-646-3814 or the confidential tip line at 831-646-3840.

## Shoppers Beware: Armed Robbery at Del Monte Center

A man used the outdoor Bank of America ATM at Del Monte Shopping Center on Thurs., Dec. 10. Once he walked back to his vehicle in the south parking lot of the center, he was approached by two female suspects who demanded his wallet. The victim handed over his wallet. The suspects then demanded his ATM PIN and the victim refused to provide his PIN. One suspect was armed with a handgun who proceeded to strike the victim in the head several times with the handgun. Both suspects then fled on foot.

The victim then drove home to Prunedale where he reported the incident at approximately at 5:38 p.m. Monterey Police investigated. The victim was then transported to a local hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

Suspect 1 is a white female, 25-30 years old, 5'6" – 5'8", medium build, blond hair, wearing a white short sleeve shirt, pants, armed with a black handgun.

Suspect 2 is an African-American female, 20-25 years old, 5'6", no description of clothing.

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## Fire Department Toy Drive

The Monterey Fireman's Association, a nonprofit organization comprised of members of Monterey Fire Department, is now accepting donations of unwrapped NEW toys for its annual Toy Drive to assist families in need.

Donations will be accepted in marked barrels at all five fire station locations:  
 Fire Station 1 – 600 Pacific Street, Monterey (corner of Pacific & Madison Streets)  
 Fire Station 2 – 582 Hawthorne Street, Monterey  
 Fire Station 3 – 401 Dela Vina Street, Monterey  
 Fire Station 4 – 600 Pine Avenue, Pacific Grove  
 Fire Station 5 – 6th & San Carlos Streets, Carmel-by-the-Sea

## Loaves, Fishes & Computers named non-profit organization of the year

Loaves, Fishes & Computers (LFC) has been named the non-profit organization of the year, in the Human Services category, by the Non-Profit Alliance of Monterey County. LFC was recognized for its service to the community on Thursday, December 3 at NAMC's annual breakfast at the Hyatt Regency in Monterey.

The Non-Profit Alliance of Monterey County is an unincorporated membership organization representing a range of key actors in the nonprofit industry whose mission is to increase the capacity and collective power of the nonprofit industry for the benefit of all people in Monterey County.

"LFC is fortunate to be selected a Non-Profit of the year." Said LFC Executive Director, Christian Mendelsohn. "It's an incredible honor indeed, most especially because of the hundreds of established & well-known Monterey County nonprofits. We're humbled and honored to accept such an award on behalf of LFC and our incredible volunteer team, who are our very lifeblood."

LFC has provided more than 1700 computers (as of 11/2015) to Monterey County low-income individuals, households, and organizations. Also, LFC volunteers have provided thousands of hours of one-on-one computer repairs to low-income clients. In addition, LFC has trained and exposed thousands of volunteers and students to computer repair and tech support.

It's estimated there are over 68,000 Monterey County residents living at or below the poverty line. Without computers or regular online access to information, low income families often fall into the "digital divide." Unable to buy and/or use

technology that many employers, schools and government institutions have come to expect, these families can fall further and further behind.

LFC takes donated computer equipment, trains volunteers to refurbish computers and provide these low-cost, complete computer systems to in-need residents of Monterey counties. LFC's hope is to keep all people connected to the resources, opportunities, and community through technology. LFC believes that by providing a low-income family or individual with a ready-to-use computer can help them achieve their goals of job searching, career advancement, education, or life improvement.

Last week LFC donated seven refurbished computers to graduates of Ladies First, a non-profit organization that builds girls self-esteem, leadership and other life skills through workshops and by opening doors to academic opportunities and cultural events. LFC believes that by providing a low-income family or individual with a ready-to-use computer can help them achieve their goals of job searching, career advancement, education, or life improvement.

Those interested in supporting the work of LFC are encouraged to make a monetary contribution through the Monterey County Gives! Campaign at <https://www.montereycountygives.com/nonprofit/loaves-fishes-computers/> "Every \$200 we raise this year will help us deliver our "Big Idea" to provide our unique, customized "DUO" dual-language computer at no cost to a qualifying low-income family right here in Monterey County." said Mendelsohn.

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### Cop Log

12-05-15 to 12-11-15

#### Vandalism to fence

A section of fence on Del Monte Blvd. was reported to have been vandalized.

#### Vehicle vs. Bicycle

A bicyclist struck a vehicle. the vehicle suddenly stopped and the cyclist rearended it. Both vehicles found to be at fault.

#### Found dog

a woman brought a dog in to the PGPD that she had found. The dog was returned to its owner.

#### Found marijuana

Subjects were contacted during a vehicle check on Ocean View Blvd. and found to be in possession of marijuana The dope (not the driver) was confiscated and booked for destruction.

#### Drunk and hollering

A drunk man was yelling in public. He was found to be unable to care for himself and was booked for public intoxication.

#### Theft of gorilla

A stuffed gorilla wa reported stolen. It was located on the Rec Trail with the arms torn off. Returned to owner sans arms.

#### Just eating out

Someone reported possible suspicious people in a vehicle parked on Forest. Turns out the were just eating dinner and didn't appear to be involved in any suspicious activity.

#### Any suspicious activity

A generator appeared to have been dropped on school property and reporting party thought it might have been staged for theft from the school. The generator was secured inside the gymnasium and school resource officer was notified for followup.

#### Mountain lion - the short version

Report of a bobcat turned out to be a mountain lion. Police, Fire, Fish & Wildlife all took part in tranquilizing the catamount and moving her to US Forest land south of Carmel Valley.

#### Mountain lion's friends out tomcatting

On Dec. 11, 2015, a mountain lion was seen crossing Highway 68 and going into Pebble Beach near the SFB Morse Gate.

On Wed., Dec. 11, another mountain lion triggered a trail camera in Santa Cruz on Branciforte near Bay Ave.

#### At least it wasn't a tattoo

A man reported his on again-off again girlfriend stole his phone and wrote on his arm while he was sleeping. The phone was later retrieved in Marina when she threw it at him.

#### Wandering LOL

An elderly female was found wandering around 2nd St. The reporting party asked if she was lost and she said she was. Reporting party took her to the police office where her caregiver was notified to pick her up.

#### Drunk and stumbling around

A person was contacted during a ped check and found to be drunk and unable to care for himself. He was taken to Monterey PD and lodged until sober.

#### Flat tires lead to drug arrest

A vehicle with two flat tires was checked out on Ocean View Blvd. The person inside was sound asleep. They were arrested for drug violations.

#### The case of the escaped communication device

A woman turned in a communication device that she thought fell off a truck that took a corner too fast. She wanted to keep it if the owner wasn't found, but a little handwriting analysis led to the probably owner, who claimed it.

#### Sir, police don't give out guns

A man who was convinced that someone was following him requested that the police give him a gun. They issued a BOL but not a gun.

#### More dirty money

Laundry room at an apartment complex was broken into and two machines were tampered with. Money was taken from one of them.

More problems with Exes

A man reported that his ex, who has tampered with his car in the past, had cut his brake lines. He said that he was afraid for his life.

#### Uh oh. Unlocked vehicles are back

Person items were taken from a vehicle on Lighthouse Ave. There was no forced entry becuse the owner conveniently left the car unlocked.

A woman reported someone rummaged through her unlocked vehicle on Lighthouse Ave during the night. Nothing was taken.

Items were reported stolen from an unlocked vehicle on Evans Ave.

#### When locks don't work

A convertible top was sliced open while the vehicle was parked in apartment parking lot on Lighthouse Ave.

A woman reported that someone tampered with her vehicle overnight and stole her sunglasses.

#### 3 bikes stolen, 2 recovered.

Three bikes were stolen from a business on Ocean View Blvd. Two were recovered. They have suspect info.

#### Breaking up is hard to do

A woman said her ex-boyfriend had created fake online dating personalities about her. He admitted it. She's looking into a restraining order.

#### Trees not obeying boundaries

A tree on 18th fell into the middle of the road. Public Works arrived on the scene and moved the tree.

On Crocker, a tree fell from one yard into the neighbor's. Tenants, owners, utilities and others were all involved in the incident.