

Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Press Release

(Title of Crime/Incident) 459 PC [Burglary]

Report Number: 2015-32750

Coroner Number:

Crime/Incident: 459 PC [Burglary]

Location: 1460 Lovers Lane Ukiah, CA

When: Date: 12-26-2015 **Time:** 12:10 AM

Victim Info :

	Name	Age	Street Address	City, State
Victim #1:	Jensen's Truck Stop		1460 Lovers Lane	Ukiah, CA

Suspect Info:

Name	Age	Street Address	City, State
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Written by: Sergeant Andrew Porter

Synopsis:

On 12-26-2015 at approximately 9:30 AM, a Mendocino County Sheriff's Deputy was summoned to the Jensen's Truck Stop Gas Station (1460 Lovers Lane in Ukiah, California) for a reported burglary that had just been discovered.

When taking the report, the Deputy reviewed surveillance footage from the store and learned that between 12:00 AM and 12:10 AM the previous night, two subjects forced entry into the business.

The subjects were seen on surveillance footage stealing boxes containing cartons of cigarettes, money, and multiple packages of California Lottery Tickets in various denominations.

The California State Lottery Board was contacted and the stolen tickets were identified and tagged should they be turned in for winnings. The total value of the stolen Lottery Tickets was \$15,150.00 as identified by the California State Lottery Board.

Between 12-26-2105 and 12-30-2015, the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office has taken multiple reports of persons attempting to claim winnings from the stolen lottery tickets.

The Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Investigations Unit is leading this investigation and has identified multiple persons involved with the stolen lottery tickets.

On 12-30-2015, the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Investigations Unit, assisted by an Investigator from the California State Lottery Board, conducted a probation search at an Ukiah area hotel room in connection with an individual who had been identified as a person of interest.

During the search, the individual was found to be in possession of several hundred dollars worth of the stolen lottery tickets.

Several other people were contacted during this investigation and Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Detectives have thus far located and seized approximately \$9,000.00 worth of the stolen lottery tickets and approximately 15 cartons of stolen cigarettes.

At this time, the investigation is ongoing and there are several identified suspects and persons of interest.

No suspect names are being released at this time due to the status of the investigation. There are additional suspects who have been identified and have not yet been contacted by investigators.

Approved By: Captain Greg Van Patten

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