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TOP FIVE CHP STORIES OF THE WEEK

#ICYMI: This week, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) made headlines with several notable incidents, including a CHP K-9 seizing 46 pounds of methamphetamine, a H-30 rescue at Mount Diablo after a severe accident, a street takeover with a stolen vehicle leading to an arrest, CHP explorers competing in the Central Coast Law Enforcement competition, and Tips for CHiP's benefitting the CAHP Widows and Orphans' Trust Fund.



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1. <u>46 POUNDS OF METHAMPHETAMINE SEIZED BY CHP K-9</u>

On October 24, a Northern Division K-9 Officer and his K-9 partner, Riva, conducted a traffic stop on a Nissan Altima for exceeding the designated speed limit of 65 mph. During the interaction with the driver, Jose Guizar-Andrade, a 31-year-old resident of Vancouver, WA, the officer detected signs of criminal activity, leading to a request to consent for a search. The officer deployed K-9 Riva, who signaled the existence of narcotics. A thorough search unveiled approximately 46 pounds of methamphetamine in the vehicle's trunk. As a result, Guizar-Andrade was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and possession of narcotics with the intent to sell. The custody of Guizar-Andrade and the confiscated narcotics were transferred to the Shasta Inter-Agency Narcotic Task Force (SINTF) for further investigation.

2. H-30 RESCUE ON MOUNT DIABLO AFTER A SEVERE ACCIDENT

On October 26, Golden Gate Division's Helicopter 30 (H-30) and Contra Costa County Fire Department's helicopter "Reach 32" were requested in the Rock City area of Mount Diablo for a climbing accident resulting in serious injuries. H-30 deployed a San Ramon Valley Fire Department helicopter rescue team member to ensure the patient was appropriately cared for and prepared for hoist and transfer. H-30 hoisted the patient from the accident site, patient care was transferred to Reach 32, and the patient was transported to John Muir Hospital.

3. <u>A STREET TAKEOVER WITH A STOLEN VEHICLE LEADS TO</u> <u>ARREST</u>

Last weekend, CHP officers from South Los Angeles aided the Los Angeles Police Department air units to apprehend a driver involved in a street takeover. The individual, driving a white Cadillac, evaded officers along several key freeways, including I-110, I-405, I-710, and SR-91. This ended when the driver entered a dead-end street and attempted to evade on foot. Following a short pursuit along a riverbank, the driver was successfully detained. Further investigation revealed that the Cadillac had been previously reported as stolen.

4. <u>CHP EXPLORERS VICTORIOUS IN CENTRAL COAST LAW</u> <u>ENFORCEMENT COMPETITION</u>

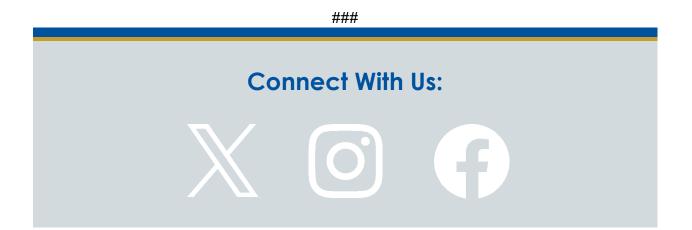
On October 26 and 27, the CHP Santa Rosa Area Explorers competed in the Central Coast Law Enforcement Competition at Cuesta College in San Luis Obispo. They delivered an impressive performance, ensuring their area and department's esprit de corps was on full display. The weekend also provided a splendid opportunity for team bonding. The team secured notable victories by ranking 3rd in the DUI scenario, 5th in High-Risk Traffic stop, and 1st in the Female Obstacle Course. A total of 15 Explorer posts participated in the competition.

Are you interested in being an Explorer? The Explorer program is for young men and women, 15 to 21 years of age, who want to experience a career in law enforcement. The CHP offers the program and allows participants to assist the CHP in office and field operations. The program also includes an Explorer Academy, a shortened replica of the actual CHP Academy, which teaches course curriculum, academic standards, law enforcement, professionalism, and teamwork. For questions about the Explorer Program, speak with a Recruiter by calling (916) 843-3275 or by contacting your local CHP area office and speaking with a recruiter there.

5. TIPS FOR CHIP'S BENEFITS WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' TRUST FUND

On October 30, the CHP's Fort Tejon Area successfully held its 15th annual "Tips for CHiP's" event, benefitting the California Association of Highway Patrolmen's Widows and Orphans' Trust Fund at the Outback Steakhouse in Bakersfield. Our immense gratitude goes out to all involved for their unwavering commitment and to the local community for their generous support. This year, the event raised \$55,000, bringing the total amount donated throughout 15 events to over \$470,000! The original "CHiPs" TV star Eric Estrada, aka "Ponch," was in attendance, taking pictures and signing autographs.

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