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MICHAEL D. AVERY, Chief of Police

Press Release

DATE and TIME OF INCIDENT: July 19, 2007-0255 hours

TYPE OF INCIDENT: 487PC-Grand theft 496PC-Possess Stolen Property 182PC-Conspiracy to commit a theft 647(h)PC-Prowling

CASE #07-2470

VICTIM: Jordan Tile (Aka Donald Piepmeier)/ Michele Stewart

LOCATION OCCURRED: 1000 Blk. W Conejo Ave.

SUSPECT: 1-GORGE, Scott 27 yoa. 2-O'BRIEN, Renee 38 yoa-both Ridgecrest residents

On 07-19-07 at about 0255 hours, Ridgecrest Police Officers responded to the area of N La Paloma St and W Conejo Ave on the report of suspicious persons looking in cars and one carrying something heavy. Prior to Officers arriving, witnesses advised the vehicle and suspects had fled.

Officers of the Ridgecrest Police Department and Deputies of the Kern County Sheriffs Dept quickly arrived in the area. The suspects were located and they briefly attempted to evade the patrol units, driving quickly back and forth through the tight residential area, but were stopped in the 600 blk of N Peg St.

Inside the open trunk of the car was commercial tile saw, still wet from use. The male suspect initially claimed it was his. In the backseat was also two lawn statues.

Officers returned to the original scene and contacted victims there who responded and identified their prospective property. Both suspects were arrested and remain in custody on various charges stemming from the crimes.

Witnesses in the area are thanked for their calls regarding this crime and help in solving this case

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PREPARED BY: Sgt. R. Obergfell

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