Traffic Stop Leads to Gun Arrest

A traffic stop led to two arrested for possessing a loaded handgun – the third time that has happened over the course of five days.

On Jan. 9 around 11:30 p.m., an officer pulled over a car for a traffic violation on Durant Avenue, near the intersection with Kenilworth Avenue, according to Lt. Randy Brandt of the San Leandro police.

The driver and his passenger were found to be on parole, so the officer searched them and their vehicle and found a loaded 9 mm handgun in the back seat of the car.

The men, both 21-year-old Antioch residents, were arrested. Brandt said that three guns have been found during traffic stops over the course of five days in early January.

Burglars Ring Doorbell

A man was home when a pair of burglars tried to break into his place on the 400 block of Linnell Avenue last Thursday around 11 a.m.

The man said he heard his doorbell and chose not to answer it and a few minutes later heard some loud noises and then footsteps inside his home, according to Lt. Randy Brandt of the San Leandro police.

The victim said the suspects then left without taking anything.

The suspects are described as two Asian males, both about 5-foot-6 to 5-foot-8 and around 150 pounds. One was in his 20s and the other appeared to be in his early 30s.

Anyone with information is asked to call the San Leandro police's tip line at 577-3278.

Brandt said that, in most daytime burglaries, the suspects will ring a doorbell to see if anyone's home and if someone answers, they will make up an excuse for being there.

He advises that people not open the door to people they don't know, but rather ask what the person wants through the door. If they offer a suspicious excuse, Brandt says, don't be afraid to call police and they'll check out the area.

Dancing in the Streets

A woman was arrested after police found her sleeping on a bench on the 400 block of W. Estudillo Ave. last Thursday, at around 2:30 p.m.

Several people called police to report a woman dancing and standing in the middle of the street, according to Lt. Randy Brandt of the SLPD.

When police got there, she was asleep on a bench. They determined that she wasn't under the influence of drugs or alcohol, but that she did have a warrant out and took her into custody.