



San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

Subject: Traffic Pursuit

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SYNOPSIS:

On May 11, 2018, at approximately 3:23 PM, deputies assigned to the San Marcos Sheriff's Station received a radio call of several subjects fighting near Mission Road and Mulberry Drive in the City of San Marcos. Deputies and investigators assigned to the San Marcos Gang Enforcement Team (GET) responded to investigate.

San Marcos Gang Detectives were nearby and also heard the radio call and responded to the scene due to the nature of the event. Once on scene, detectives witnessed a silver Hyundai Sonata driving in the area of Mission Road and Mulberry Drive. Believing the vehicle was associated with the fight, gang detectives followed the vehicle, which seemed to be driving aimlessly, and ended up at the San Marcos Cemetery. Detectives waited for assistance from patrol personnel before contacting the vehicle occupants.

Members from the San Marcos Gang Enforcement Team and patrol units arrived at the cemetery. Deputies attempted to initiate a traffic enforcement stop; and contact the occupants of the vehicle, but the vehicle fled. In an attempt to elude deputies, the driver drove over several grave sites to exit the cemetery. The suspect led deputies on an 11.41 mile pursuit through the city of San Marcos which ended at 328 S. Twin Oaks Valley Road. The driver stopped the vehicle and fled foot, attempting to hide in the bed of a pick-up truck in the shopping center. The passenger did not run and complied with deputy's instruction. Both were arrested without further incident and taken into custody.

The driver was identified as Geraldo Lopez, 22 years of age, and a resident of the City of Vista. Lopez was arrested for an active felony warrant, 2 misdemeanor warrants, and felony evading.



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The passenger was identified as Miguel Dominguez, 23 years of age, and a resident of the City of Vista. Dominguez was arrested for Drunk in Public.