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Gang arrests: Attempt murder, assault, intimidation

Members of 5150 gang arrested for multiple criminal cases

Riverside, CA -- In addition to the suspect in the 2006 murder of 24-year-old Crystal Theobald, a total of 11 persons associated with the Varrio 5150 criminal street gang, were arrested during a warrant sweep on Wednesday, August 8, 2007.

Homicide, attempted homicide and witness intimidation charges stemming from the Feb. 24, 2006, incident are detailed in another RPD press release.

On April 13, 2007, the arrested suspects Eric Barragan, 21, and Daniel Correa, 18, are allegedly to have threatened neighbors and to have committed an assault on a 19-year-old male victim in Moreno Valley. Suspect Rueben Moya, 19, (who is not in custody at this time) also participated in the assault, in which the victim was hit and kicked more than 50 times.

On June 17, 2007, Barragan was involved a fight during a party at a La Sierra area residence in which a 20-year-old male victim was stabbed in the neck. The victim and an adult female relative asked the gang members to leave the party and were confronted by Mario Contreras, 16, who is among those arrested. A fight ensued, in which the victim was stabbed. Contreras, Barragan, Ramiro Casillas, 18, and two of the arrested juveniles, are alleged to have taken part in the attempted homicide incident, which included gang-related shouts and threats.

Brothers Frankie Contreras, 17, and Sammy Contreras, 16, who are cousins of Mario, are alleged to have taken part in both attacks. All the named juveniles are charged as adults.

In the follow-up to the stabbing incident, arrested suspect Susan Campana, 40, is alleged to have made threats against witnesses, resulting in charges of witness intimidation, with gang enhancement. Ms. Campana is the mother of Luis Campana-Contreras, Frankie Contreras and Sammy Contreras and aunt of Mario Contreras and of Julio Heredia, the suspect in the 2006 Theobald homicide.

WANTED



Julio Cesar Heredia



Billy Arnold Enriquez



Daniel Correa



Jose P Ramirez



Luis Roberto Campana-Contreras



Eric Angel Martinez Barragan



Ruben Anthony Moya



Ramiro Casillas Jr.



Susana Compana

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