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## Press Release

**Today's Date:** November 11, 2009  
**Date & Time Occurred:** November 11, 2009 at 1:54 p.m.  
**Submitted By:** Sgt. Jeff King  
**Phone:** (707) 449-5416 (707) 249-4882  
**Case Number:** 09-9247  
**Type of Crime/Incident:** Residential Burglary Series  
**Location:** Several areas in the City of Vacaville  
**Suspects:** S-Krohn, Maxwell, WMA, (DOB 03/15/1990)  
 S- Zavala, Laurie, WFA, (DOB- 01/22/1987)

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**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\***

On November 11, 2009 at approximately 1:54 p.m., a citizen in the Stonegate neighborhood saw a suspicious person near his home. The citizen had been alerted to this crime series by a Teleminder City Watch phone call they received earlier in the day. He reported his observations to an off-duty Vacaville Police Officer in the area. The officer had his police radio with him and began transmitting a suspect description to responding patrol units. Sgt. Matt Lydon saw a person matching the suspect description and contacted him at the intersection of Stonegate Drive and Stonecastle Drive.

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The suspect, S- Maxwell Krohn, was identified by citizens as the responsible in an attempted burglary. S- Krohn was seen trying to enter her home from a rear door a short time prior to this call. He was also found to be in possession of stolen property taken from another burglary in the same area. The investigation has implicated S-Krohn in approximately 27 residential burglaries in the City of Vacaville. A search warrant was served at his home and additional evidence was located. S-Krohn's girlfriend, S- Laurie Zavala, was also arrested as a responsible in this investigation. She shares a home with S-Krohn and has been involved in several of the burglaries.

S-Krohn was booked on 19 counts of 459 PC, residential burglary, 496 PC, possession of stolen property, 182 PC, conspiracy. S-Zavala was booked for 459 PC, residential burglary, 496 PC possession of stolen property and 182 PC, conspiracy. Both were booked into Solano County Jail. Photos of both suspects have been attached to this press release.

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Police are investigating a series of crimes that may be linked with crimes that were reported in mid-October in Vacaville. On November 10, 2009 Patrol Units responded to the Stonegate neighborhood for a report of a residential burglary. By 4:00 PM a total of three residences were discovered either broken into or entry had been attempted. The suspect's actions in these cases

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remain consistent. A male knocks on doors in a neighborhood and if someone is home asks for a person by name. The subject has also made up other similar excuses for being in the neighborhood sometimes appearing to be lost. If the suspect finds no one at home he goes to the rear of the property and searches for an entry point into the residence. Most of these crimes are occurring between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm.

The crimes have spread out into several neighborhoods. The Teleminder City Watch Notifications system has been used twice to update citizens. The automated system calls homes in targeted neighborhoods and provides information. Detectives from the Investigative Services Section are giving these cases a high priority and are asking for help from the public.

If a citizen observes a suspicious person in their neighborhood or sees a stranger going door to door without a legitimate reason please call the police. For immediate assistance contact the dispatch center at (707) 449-5200.

**\*\*\*END OF UPDATE\*\*\***

Narrative:

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On October 17, 2009, officers from the Vacaville Police Department received a report from a resident in the Browns Valley area of Vacaville that a residential burglary had just been interrupted by the homeowner. Officers responded and began conducting a neighborhood canvas. Officers discovered the suspect had been knocking on doors throughout the neighborhood to determine if someone was home. If a resident did not answer, the suspect would then gain entry to the backyard through unlocked side gates and proceed to enter the residence through unlocked or open doors or windows. Several open side gates were located, but the suspect was unable to gain entry to the other residences.

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Since October 17<sup>th</sup>, there have been 14 residential burglaries throughout the Browns Valley area, which have occurred on various days of the week. The burglaries are primarily occurring between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. in the afternoon. The primary suspect is described as a Hispanic or white male adult, between the age of 18 and 25 years. He appears to have a thin build and is described as being approximately 5'5" tall. The suspect has continued to knock on doors of residences and then proceeds to the backyard through unlocked side gates. He is entering the residences through unlocked windows and doors, in order to steal property that is easy to carry and hide on his person.

The Vacaville Police Department is seeking assistance from the community in locating this suspect. If you encounter an unknown subject knocking on your door or see a subject matching the description of the suspect in this case, call (707)449-5200 as soon as possible. Our Department is deploying additional patrol resources to these neighborhoods in an effort to find the suspect. Community members can also take measures that can reduce the likelihood of becoming a victim. Try to avoid leaving the doors and windows unlocked while sleeping or away from your residence. You can also add an additional layer of protection by applying locking devices to your backyard access gates.

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