



Vacaville Police Department

660 Merchant Street

Vacaville, California 95688

Communications Center: 707.449.5200

Internet: <http://www.cityofvacaville.com/departments/police/pressrelease.php>

Press Release

Today's Date: August 13, 2009
Date & Time Occurred: August 13, 2009 at 6:50 a.m.
Submitted By: Sgt. Denise Quatman
Phone: (707)449-5414
Case Number 09-6784
Type of
Crime/Incident: Assault w/Deadly Weapon (245 P.C.)
Robberty (211 P.C.)
Violation of Probation (1203.2 P.C.)
Crime Bail Crime (12022.1(a)(1) P.C.)
Location: 100 Block of West Street
Suspects: S-1 Christopher Britton 18 yo – Fairfield Resident

Narrative:

On August 13, 2009 at approximately 6:50 a.m., Vacaville Police Department Officers responded to the 100 Block of West Street regarding a report of a subject who had taken a purse from a vehicle and attempted to run down the victim with his vehicle. Officers arrived on scene and found the victim had sustained minor injuries as she attempted to prevent the suspect from fleeing with her purse. She declined medical treatment at the scene.

The suspect, later identified as S-Chrisopher Britton, had taken the purse from her vehicle while she was in the process of unloading items. The victim encountered the suspect when she returned to the vehicle to unload additional property. She confronted S-Britton as he was attempting to leave in his vehicle. He struck her with the vehicle, which caused her to land on the hood and fall to the ground. S-Britton then fled the area and later dumped the stolen purse on Neil Street. A good Samaritan retrieved the purse and contacted our Department.

S-Britton was identified as the suspect based on prior similar reports, which identified his vehicle. Detectives and officers from the Vacaville Police Department responded to Fairfield to contact S-Britton. S-Britton was taken into custody with the assistance of Fairfield Police Department Officers.

S-Britton was out on bail for a previous case involving burglary at the time of this incident. The Department would like to take this opportunity to remind citizens to be careful when confronting individuals that are involved in committing crimes and to assess the risk involved in their actions against the value of lost property. Being a good witness often results in the arrest of suspects in cases law enforcement officers would otherwise have difficulty pursuing.