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## Moraga Police Blotter

A Message from the Moraga Police Department:

Early in the afternoon of Oct. 12 Moraga police officers responded to the Moraga Safeway. It was reported that two subjects had taken a shopping cart full of groceries from Safeway and fled in a van towards Orinda. Orinda police located the vehicle near Beverages and More and detained three female occupants. Subsequent investigation revealed that a full shopping cart had been staged inside the Moraga Safeway by two of the suspects and the third suspect later entered Safeway, located the filled shopping cart, and exited the store without paying for the items, valued at over \$1,000. An alert Safeway employee witnessed the theft and notified the police. A search of the vehicle also revealed suspected rock cocaine. Moraga police arrested the three suspects, who are all Oakland residents, and multiple felony charges have been filed. Further investigation has indicated that this commercial burglary crew has been active throughout the Bay Area and they have been linked with thefts and attempted thefts using the same method. Anyone who has any information regarding this investigation is asked to contact Moraga's detective sergeant Brian South at (925) 888-7052.

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A parent's nightmare, 10/17/13 A family discovered early in the morning that a 12-year-old girl had left home the night before with a backpack and sleeping bag, but without her parent's knowledge. The community mobilized to search for the child, who was reunited with her family that evening.

Garage band complaint, 10/14/13 It was only 3:30 p.m. but musicians at a Crossbrook Drive house received an official shush by Moraga police spurred by an anonymous complaint. The band was advised to close the windows and turn down the volume.

D.U.I. 10/14/13 Police observed a Rav 4 without its headlights on, late at night, run two stop signs on Camino Pablo near Sanders Ranch Road. The 22-year-old driver from Lafayette happened to have a 17-year-old female with her who was hiding on the rear floorboard of the car. Turns out the girl had consumed alcohol; she was later released to her mother. Cops smelled booze on the breath of the female driver, who flunked her field sobriety test. She was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

Pink petty theft, 10/12/13 Someone entered an unlocked Toyota Siena parked in a Carter Avenue driveway and stole a small pink cloth purse that contained approximately \$10 in change sometime during the late afternoon or evening. No suspects or leads at this time.

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