

SAUSALITO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESS RELEASE:

SAUSALITO POLICE ARREST CONVICTED FELON FOR POSSESSION OF COUNTERFEIT CASH AND A FIREARM

For immediate release:

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On Friday, February 1, 2019, at approximately 1858 hours, Sausalito Police Officers were dispatched to a panic alarm at a liquor store in the 3000 block of Bridgeway. In addition to the panic alarm, a 9-1-1 call was made from the store. On that 9-1-1 call, yelling had been heard in the background. While enroute, Sausalito Officers were advised that a disturbance had occurred at the store when a subject attempted to use counterfeit money and that they subject had fled the store. The subject reportedly entered the passenger side of white Jeep that had Texas license plates and that the Jeep drove away southbound onto Bridgeway.

Upon arriving in the area, Officers quickly located the Jeep and made a traffic stop in the 3000 block of Bridgeway. The Jeep was being driven by a 42-year-old male resident of Texas. There was one passenger in the vehicle, Kevin Dean a 51-year-old resident of San Francisco.

Investigation revealed that Dean, a convicted felon in the State of California, had entered the liquor store and attempted to pass two (2) counterfeit \$100 bills. The store clerk recognized Dean from an incident a few weeks earlier when Dean had successfully passed another counterfeit \$100 bill. The clerk immediately seized the counterfeit cash and Dean's cell phone. Dean and the clerk became involved in a verbal argument and as the argument escalated, the clerk took a bottle of liquor off of a shelf and threatened to hit Dean. Dean then fled from the store towards the Jeep with the clerk chasing him.

A search of the Jeep located a loaded and unregistered Smith and Wesson, .380 caliber, semi-automatic pistol under the front passenger seat where Dean had been sitting. Inside the vehicle, Officers also found two additional counterfeit \$100 bills and tools commonly used to commit burglaries.

Dean was arrested and booked into the Marin County Jail for being a felon in possession of a firearm, possession of ammunition by a prohibited person, forgery, and possession of burglary tools. The driver of the vehicle was released from the scene with no criminal charges.

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