



Milpitas Police Department

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POLICE ARREST COPPER THEFT SUSPECTS

Date: April 23, 2011, Saturday, 10:33 a.m.
Location: Los Coches Street near North Milpitas Blvd.
Case: 11-113-038
Suspect #1: Bart Anthony Roby, 49-year-old male, Milpitas resident
Suspect #2: Joanne (nmn) Richards, 50-year-old female, Castro Valley resident
Suspect Vehicle: 1998 Dodge Ram van, white.

On April 23, 2011 (Saturday), at 10:33 a.m., Officer Frank Morales noticed a suspicious van parked behind a closed building on Los Coches Street. Officer Morales investigated the matter further and found two suspects on the property.

Officers searched the van and found copper wire stolen from the building as well as a small quantity of a suspected controlled substance and drug paraphernalia. During a search of the area, officers noticed additional copper wire stripped from the building but still on the property and staged for removal.

After speaking with the manager of the building, Officer Morales learned the suspects did not have permission to be on the property and did not have permission to remove the copper wire.

Mr. Bart Roby and Ms. Joanne Richards were arrested for burglary, possession of stolen property, conspiracy, possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and felony vandalism. Additionally, Mr. Bart Roby was also arrested for possession of burglary tools. Both suspects were booked into the Santa Clara County Main Jail.

Anyone with any information regarding this case or other similar incidents is encouraged to call the Milpitas Police Department at (408) 586-2400 or the law enforcement jurisdiction where the incident occurred. Information can be given anonymously by calling (408) 586-2500 or via the Milpitas Police Department website at:
http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime_tip.asp

By: Sergeant Tim Campbell
Date: April 24, 2011, 10:30 a.m.



Suspect #1: Bart Anthony Roby



Suspect #2: Joanne Richards