



# *Milpitas Police Department*

*Dennis Graham  
Chief of Police*

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **PAROLEE AT LARGE ARRESTED**

**Date:** May 12, 2012, Saturday, 12:02 a.m.  
**Location:** 1600blk Clear Lake Avenue, Sinnott Park  
**Case:** 12-133-003  
**Suspect:** Lewis Eugene Valdez, 36-year-old, San Jose resident

On May 12, 2012, at approximately 12:02 a.m., an anonymous person called the Milpitas Police Department reporting loud music coming from Sinnott Park. Milpitas police officers responded and contacted Valdez and his friend at a picnic table. Valdez said he had not met with his parole officer for several months and may be considered a parolee-at-large. Further investigation revealed Valdez was in violation of his terms of parole and was arrested and booked into the Santa Clara County Jail.

The police department appreciates being notified of the disturbance in the park, which led to this arrest.

We would like to remind the public that Assembly Bill 109, also known as prison realignment, took effect in the State of California in October 2011, mandating early release of inmates from California State Prisons. These prisoners, who are deemed to be non-violent, non-serious, and non-sex offenders, are being released from prison into our local county jails and ultimately, into our community.

Even though officers continue to proactively conduct random compliance checks on parolees and probationers that have fallen out of compliance with their terms, we appreciate the partnership with our community in reporting suspicious activity. Because of the impact of the realignment plan and of the potential risk to our community, it has never been more important to work closely with our community members to keep our city safe.

The Milpitas Police Department reminds residents to take precautions to reduce the chance of becoming victims and encourages them to report suspicious activity to the Milpitas Police Department at (408) 586-2400. Information can be given anonymously by calling the Milpitas Police Department Crime Tip Hotline at (408) 586-2500, or via the Milpitas Police Department website at:

[http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime\\_tip.asp](http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime_tip.asp)

By: Sergeant Gene Smith #223  
Date: May 14, 2012 11:30 p.m.



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