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PRESS RELEASE

Release Date and Time: 12/05/06 0945

Subject: Vehicle Pursuit involving Homicide Suspect

PIO Contact: Officer Hettie Schaffer at (209) 329-4897 or hschaeffer@pd.lodi.gov

SUSPECT: David Angelo Paradiso 01/30/80 resides in the Lodi/Stockton area.

Paradiso is also on parole through the Stockton Parole Office.

Details: On 12/04/06 at approximately 8:00 pm a woman came to the Lodi Police Department and reported that her son, David Paradiso, murdered a female associate in the 400 block of W. Oak Street, Lodi.

Suspect David Paradiso told his mother to drive him and his deceased girlfriend to the foothills in order to dispose of her body. They arrived near the town of Pioneer (Amador County) and the victim was placed in an area just off of the road. The suspect and his mother returned to Lodi, at which time the suspect took his mother's car and said he was leaving the area.

At approximately 12:45 am the Rio Vista Police Dept., Isleton Police Dept., and the California Highway Patrol located the suspect while he was driving on Highway 12. The officers from the three agencies attempted to stop David Paradiso, however, he failed to stop and a pursuit ensued. David Paradiso led the officers west bound on Highway 12 at speeds in excess of 100 mph. The pursuit continued to Highway 88 near Alpine Rd. (east of Stockton) when the suspects tire blew. The suspect pulled over and was taken into custody. The vehicle he was driving (2005 Chrysler 300) was impounded and taken to the Lodi Police Department for evidence collection. The suspect directed Lodi Police detectives to the area where he had placed the victim's body. The victim was located and detectives are currently on scene processing evidence.

The body recovery location will be released later today. The victim's name will be withheld pending family notification.

Members of the public with information on this case should contact Detective Eric Bradley at 209-333-6870, or can remain anonymous by calling Lodi Area Crimestoppers at 209-333-6771.

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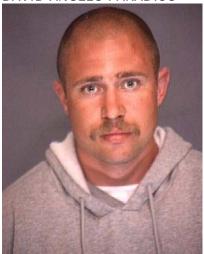
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