



Press Release

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WHAT: ARREST FOR ROBBERY

WHERE: Foothill and Broad

WHEN: February 23, 2010 at 2119 hours

ARRESTED: Manuel Garza, age 47, San Luis Obispo

A male suspect robbed the Shell Station at 296 Santa Rosa Street at 7:47 PM on Tuesday February 23. The suspect entered the convenience store and displayed a steak knife to the clerk. The suspect demanded that the clerk open the cash drawer. The suspect then grabbed the money and took off on foot. After the suspect left the store the clerk called the San Luis Obispo Police Department and provided a suspect description. The SLOPD then broadcasted the suspect description to all of the law enforcement agencies in the county.

At about 9:10 PM a Cal Poly Police Officer spotted a person walking at Foothill and Broad that matched the suspect description. The Cal Poly Police Officer stopped the subject and then contacted our Department. The Shell Station clerk then positively identified the person who was stopped as being the robbery suspect. He was identified as Manuel Garza. The officers found what they believed to be the money from the robbery as well as the knife used in Garza's pockets. Garza was arrested for robbery and booked at the county jail. His bail is \$60,000.



Any further questions should be referred to the Press Information Officer. Anonymous information may be referred to Crime Stopper @ (805) 549-STOP

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