

One arrested in Bend meth raid

by Cheryl McDermott

Detectives raided a south Bend home late Tuesday morning, seized over three ounces of methamphetamine, and after a short foot chase arrested a man accused of drug trafficking.

Interviews conducted and evidence seized within the past two weeks during an ongoing investigation into drug sales in the Madras area allowed detectives of the Central Oregon Drug Enforcement (CODE) team to identify several locations throughout Central Oregon where meth is allegedly being stored, used, or sold, Lt. Jim Porter said.

Oswaldo Arana Siordia, DCJ Photo

One of the locations identified was the home of 34-year old Oswaldo Arana Siordia, who resides at 61460 Blakely Road in south Bend.

Detectives watched the home during the past week, Porter said, and noted what they believed to be an excessive amount of foot and vehicular traffic at the residence. They further identified Siordia as the resident "primarily responsible" for meth sales allegedly made from the home.

About 11:50 a.m. February 6, detectives raided the Blakely Road residence. The suspect ran out the back door in an attempt to flee, but was quickly apprehended in the back yard, Porter said. Seven other adults and a three-week-old infant were in the home at the time the warrant was executed.

During the search, detectives found three ounces of methamphetamine, packaged for resale in individual one-ounce bags and worth about \$8,000 on the street. The drugs were allegedly inside the pocket of a shirt found in the suspect's bedroom, the lieutenant said.

Siordia was taken into custody and lodged in the Deschutes County Jail where he is being held for possession, manufacturing and delivery of methamphetamine. He is also charged with endangering the welfare of a minor, the lieutenant said.

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