



Public's Help Needed to Identify Shooting Suspects

\$1,000 Reward Offered

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San Diego County Crime Stoppers is joining forces with San Diego County Sheriff's Department San Marcos detectives to help identify and apprehend the suspect(s) responsible for an assault with a deadly weapon that occurred in San Marcos.

On December 29, 2009, at about 5:00 a.m., Richard Ropp who is a resident of San Marcos was shot outside of his home, located on the 400 block of Daisy Lane. Before being shot Mr. Ropp saw two male juveniles about 15 feet away from him. He did not see them carrying any guns but one of the juveniles used a flashlight to temporarily blind him. While blinded, Mr. Ropp heard a sound consistent with the firing of an air gun or BB gun then felt a pain in his back.

Mr. Ropp suffered a quarter of an inch entry wound to the upper left side of his back. He was driven to an area hospital and then air lifted to another hospital where he underwent surgery to remove his spleen.

Investigators are asking anyone with information on the identity of the person(s) responsible for this crime to call the **Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477**. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a \$1,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to an arrest. Anonymous email and text messages can be sent in via www.sdcrimestoppers.com.

Media inquiries about this case should be directed to Detective Chad Boudreau at (760) 510-5237. Questions about Crime Stoppers should be directed to Deputy Adriana Uribe at 619-531-1547 or Officer Jim Johnson at 619-531-1500.

For information leading to an arrest, you could receive up to a \$1,000 reward and remain anonymous. The qualification of any person(s) for the reward and the amount of the reward for any person(s) so qualifying will be determined by San Diego County Crime Stoppers, Inc. in its sole discretion. The amount of all rewards given shall not exceed \$1,000. Information must be received on the tip line, (888) 580-TIPS.

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