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NEWS RELEASE
SCSO arrests six in safety operation

Seminole Co. (Feb. 20, 2015) – The Seminole County Sheriff’s Office (SCSO) today announced the arrest of six subjects in a coordinated safety operation designed to stop retail theft and economic crimes, and prevent burglaries and traffic crashes. The multi-faceted operation took place yesterday in various commercial and residential areas in unincorporated Oviedo near State Roads 426 and 417. A list of the individuals arrested is attached to this release.

During the commercial operation, deputies patrolled retail establishments and plain clothes investigators embedded themselves inside stores. Working in conjunction with merchants and loss prevention teams, deputies arrested shoplifters as they left stores with stolen items. The operations resulted in three arrests for retail theft, one arrest for fraud and one warrant arrest. In the residential operations, crime analysts identified communities that had been recently victimized and developed a forecast of possible locations for additional burglaries. Investigators and deputies then began proactive patrols in those areas. During the traffic safety operation, deputies arrested one person for driving under the influence, investigated three traffic crashes, and issued 18 traffic citations and six written warnings.

In addition to enforcement efforts, SCSO conducted more than 580 safety checks of vehicles parked at shopping centers and in residential areas. Assessment cards and courtesy notices were left to encourage drivers to lock their cars and avoid leaving valuables on display.

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