



OFFICE OF THE
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Stanislaus County

832 12th Street, Suite 300
Modesto, CA 95354

Mailing: P. O. Box 442, Modesto, CA 95353
Phone: (209) 525-5550 Fax: (209) 525-5545

Birgit Fladager
District Attorney

Carol Shipley
Assistant District Attorney

Chief Deputy District Attorneys

Jerry Begen
Alan Cassidy
Dave Harris

PRESS RELEASE

For immediate release

Contact: Carol Shipley

Date: November 10, 2010

Assistant District Attorney

Re: Frank Phillip Marcrum
Auto Thief Gets 2 Years Prison

Phone: (209) 525-5550

Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Frank Phillip Marcrum, age 20, of Ceres, was convicted on November 10, 2010 of auto theft, driving under the influence, and resisting arrest. Marcrum is currently on probation for theft stemming from a May 2009 conviction for which he is on probation. Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey W. Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

On November 2, 2010 at about midnight in the area of Morris Avenue and Sycamore Avenue in Modesto, an officer observed Marcrum driving a 1991 red Nissan pick-up truck. When Marcrum saw the officer, Marcrum became nervous and accelerated away while making a turn. Marcrum then hit two parked cars before he jumped out of the truck and ran. Dispatch then notified the officer that the vehicle had been reported stolen on October 30, 2010 out of the owner's driveway in Modesto. The officer then utilized his canine, Barry, to apprehend Marcrum who was hiding in a neighbor's backyard. When the officer discovered that Marcrum was under the influence of methamphetamine, Marcrum admitted to smoking "a lot" of it earlier that evening.

The Honorable Ricardo Cordova sentenced Marcrum to two years in state prison.

Stanislaus County residents can report suspected vehicle theft activity to their local law enforcement agency or contact the Stanislaus County Auto-Theft Task Force (StanCATT) at: (209) 545-7316.

IF YOU OBSERVE A THEFT IN PROGRESS, DIAL 911

###