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**SEARCH WARRANT NETS ARREST AND
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS**

Sheriff Richard Pierce announced today that on Tuesday, August 23, 2005 the Fresno County Sheriff's Department South West Street Narcotics Enforcement Team (S/W Street NET) served a Search Warrant at an apartment in the 700 block of East 11th Street in Reedley.

Narcotics Detectives had received information that prescription drugs were being sold illegally by persons residing in the apartment on East 11th Street. Detectives initiated an investigation and were able to purchase prescription drugs from a person in the apartment. During the service of the warrant detectives seized 280 various prescription pills. Arrested for possession for sales and sales of prescription drugs was Jeff Chase, 41 years and Brandy Strain, 22 years. The investigation is continuing as to where Chase and Strain obtained the pills.

The South West Street Narcotics Enforcement Team is comprised of detectives from the Sheriff's Department and the Sanger, Reedley and Kerman Police Departments.

The Sheriff's Department urges members of the community to call the Narcotics Hotline at **1-800-660-1086** and report allegations of illegal narcotics activity. Callers can remain anonymous.

Additionally, anyone with information on wanted suspects is encouraged to call Crime Stoppers at **498-STOP (7867)**. Rewards for information leading to the suspect's capture is available and callers can remain anonymous.