

BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE MEDIA RELEASE

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On May 23, 2011, at approximately 0730 hours, Butte County Sheriff's Deputy Brad Meyer received information on the location of a wanted parolee, Paul Seaton age 40 of Oroville. Deputies responded to a residence in Oroville and confirmed Seaton lived there with his wife Tasha Neel age 30. Deputies also confirmed Seaton was currently inside of the residence. Deputies attempted contact at the residence for approximately 30 minutes with no answer however individuals were heard moving around inside of the residence. Entry was made and Seaton and Neel were located inside of the residence. A subsequent parole search of the residence revealed 46 grams net weight of methamphetamine, digital gram scales, packaging material, glass methamphetamine smoking pipes and one thousand eight hundred ninety three dollars (\$1893.) in cash.

Seaton was arrested on felony charges of a parole violation, possession of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance for sale. Misdemeanor charges of being under the influence of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Neel was arrested on felony charges of harboring a wanted felon, possession of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance for sale. Misdemeanor charges of being under the influence of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Seaton and Neel were later booked into the Butte County Jail where Seaton is being held without bail and Neel's bail is set at \$47,000.