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Madison Stabbings at Quinceneara Party
Daniel Portugal faces 16 years in State Prison

(Woodland, CA) - April 18, 2016 - Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that on April 15, 2016, a Yolo County jury convicted 18-year-old Daniel Portugal of one count of Mayhem and six counts of Assault with a Deadly Weapon, in addition to several allegations of Personal Infliction of Great Bodily Injury. The jury hung on three allegations of Great Bodily Injury.

On October 17, 2015, Daniel Portugal entered a Quinceneara at the Madison Town Hall. Portugal is from the town of Madison. As the party was winding down, two of the victims, were having their picture taken with a three year old boy. At that time, Portugal approached without warning and slashed one victim across the neck. Portugal turned on the other victim and stabbed her repeatedly about the head and upper torso.

Another band member tackled Portugal to the ground to prevent anyone else from being injured. One party-goer, thinking this was just a fist-fight, intervened and Portugal stabbed him in the leg. At that same time Security Personnel for the party arrived. One member of the security team moved in to see what was going on and Portugal stabbed him in the abdomen.

Portugal was finally apprehended when two other men at the party gained control of him, and the knife was taken from Portugal. Two of the victims were life-flighted to U.C. Davis Medical Center, and four others were taken by ambulance to Kaiser Vacaville.

The jury deliberated for approximately three hours before returning guilty verdicts on all counts and four of the seven enhancements. Portugal faces up to 16 years in state prison for these vicious, random attacks. Sentencing is scheduled for May 10, 2016 before the Honorable David Rosenberg who presided over the trial.

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