



# CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

## PRESS RELEASE

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**TYPE OF INCIDENT: Strong Arm Robbery**

**LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1205 Park Ave. (Duke's Cork and Bottle)**

**DATE/TIME OCCURRED: 02-08-16 8:42 PM**

**INCIDENT CASE NUMBER: 16-1002**

**SUSPECT: Rodney Baptiste Gorum of Chico(25 years old)**

**NARRATIVE:**

The Chico Police Department received an emergency call from the business reporting a robbery. Officers on scene discovered the suspect selected food items in the store and began consuming some of the items. When the clerk approached the suspect to tell him he had to pay for the items, the suspect motioned that he had a weapon in his waistband. The clerk feared for his safety and backed away. The suspect also took a donation container from the counter before fleeing the store.

Within fifteen minutes, a Chico Police Officer located Rodney Gorum about a block away. His clothing matched the description of the suspect and he was detained for further investigation. He was eventually identified by the clerk as the suspect. Gorum did not have a weapon in possession when he was detained. Gorum was arrested and booked into Butte County Jail for the robbery.

**Supervisor:** Sgt. Rodden

**Watch Commander:** Lt. Aldridge

**Prepared By:** Sgt. Rodden

**Date/Time:** 02-09-16 / 0130