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TYPE OF CRIME: Attempted Murder
LOCATION: 300 Block of Keyes St.
VICTIM: Octavio Medina
ADDRESS: San Jose Resident
SUSPECT: Silvestre Felix Burgara
ADDRESS: San Jose Resident

CASE NUMBER: 05-059-0923
DATE: 2-28-05 **TIME:** 6:30PM
AGE: 42

AGE: 47 (1-10-58)

DETAILS:

On 2-28-05 at about 6:40PM, San Jose Police officers responded on a disturbance call in the 300 block of Keyes St. On arrival, officers found a badly injured unconscious male lying on the pavement. Paramedics rushed him to Santa Clara valley Medical Center where he remains in critical condition.

Preliminary investigation indicates that the victim and suspect were in a bar in the 200 block of Keyes St. The victim asked the suspect for a ride and the suspect refused. Witnesses stated that the victim walked out of the bar and vandalized the suspect's vehicle. The suspect left the bar and got into his car and followed the victim. He stopped the victim in the 300 block of Keyes St. and asked why he had damaged his car. The victim denied causing any damage to the vehicle.

The suspect then kicked the victim in the groin. The victim staggered backwards but soon recovered. As the victim approached the suspect, the suspect again kicked the victim in the groin and hit the victim in the face. The victim was knocked backwards and it appears that the back of his head struck a wall behind him. The victim fell unconscious and has never regained consciousness. He remains in critical condition.

The suspect fled the scene after assaulting the victim. Night Detective Ray Barrera conducted the follow-up investigation, which led to the identity of the suspect. On 3-2-05 at about 9:00AM, Officer Bill Becerra located and arrested the suspect at Willow St. and Almaden Ave. He was processed at the San Jose Police Dept. and booked into the Santa Clara County jail for attempted murder.

Anyone with any information on this case is urged to call Detective Jose Iglesias of the San Jose Police Dept. Assaults Unit at 408-277-4161. Persons wishing to remain anonymous may call Crime Stoppers at 408-947-STOP.

BY: Sgt. S. Dixon #2650
DATE: 3-2-05 TIME: 4:00PM

AUTHORIZED BY: Lt. Andy Galea
DATE: 3-2-05 TIME: 4:00PM

PRESS OFFICER BRIEFED BY UNIT COMMANDER (CIRCLE) **YES** NO