



# **SAN BENITO POLICE**

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED / POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA**

**THURSDAY OCTOBER 31, 2013**



**MARIA ANTONIA GARCIA.** On Wednesday October 30, 2013, at 8:25 pm, a San Benito Police Officer on patrol by the 1900 Block of West Business observed a white Ford Mustang traveling westbound at a speed of 64 MPH in a 50 MPH zone. The Police Officer then initiated a traffic stop with his marked police unit by the intersection of Business 77 and FM 509. Contact was then made with the female driver who was identified as 35 year old Maria Antonia Garcia out of Brownsville. The Police Officer noticed signs of impairment due to possible alcohol consumption, and the driver agreed in taking a field sobriety test. The Police Officer determined that the female driver was in no condition of operating a motor vehicle, and requested a breath sample. Maria Garcia was then taken to the San Benito Police station where a breath test indicated that her Breath alcohol content was over the 0.08 legal limit. Maria Garcia was then booked into City Jail on DWI charges. While being booked a small amount of a green leafy (marijuana) was located inside Maria Garcia's purse. Maria Garcia was also charged with Possession of Marijuana class B. Maria Garcia was arraigned by Municipal Judge Ben Yudesis who set bonds totaling \$13,000.

**ROBERTO CERDA JR.** On Wednesday October 30, 2013, at 8:27 pm, San Benito Police Officers were dispatched to the southbound lanes of expressway 77/83 in reference to a maroon 4 door Oldsmobile traveling recklessly at a high rate of speed. Moments later a patrol officer observed the vehicle by the Sam Houston overpass, and proceeded to conduct a traffic stop after observing a moving violation. The Police Officer then made contact with the driver who was identified as 33 year old Roberto Cerda Jr. out of Brownsville. The Police Officer detected signs of impairment due to alcohol consumption, and the driver agreed in taking field sobriety test. The Police Officer determined that the driver was in no condition of operating a motor vehicle, and a blood test was performed on the driver. Roberto Cerda Jr. was placed under arrest for DWI, and taken to City Jail where he was booked in accordingly. Roberto Cerda Jr. was arraigned by Municipal Judge Ben Yudesis who set bond at \$5,000.