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“SAFE SUMMER, 2007”

DECOY TOBACCO BUYS

The Los Banos Police Departments “Safe Summer, 2007” campaign is continuing, the latest operation aimed at lowering the opportunity for juvenile crime was an underage tobacco buy program. The Police Department sent underage decoys into 13 different businesses around town attempting to purchase tobacco products. Only one of the stores sold to our underage decoy. The clerk who sold the tobacco was issued a citation.

“One of our goals with the Safe Summer campaign is to make local merchants aware that they and their employees can impact the level of juvenile criminal behavior in Los Banos by being diligent in their daily activities. We also want to send a strong message to parents who are ultimately responsible for their child’s activities. Parents should not expect anyone else to teach their children what is right and what is wrong. Knowing where they are and keeping a mindful eye on their daily activities will go a long way towards not only preventing misbehavior but keeping them on the road to success in life.”

Los Banos Police Chief, Chris Gallagher

As the “Safe Summer, 2007” campaign continues, the Police Department expects to revisit the operation that saw the most criminal behavior and expect to see a DUI checkpoint in the coming month.