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REDDING POLICE DEPARTMENT
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On Saturday afternoon officers were dispatched to a stabbing incident occurring in the parking lot of Shopko at 55 Lake Blvd. The stabbing occurred after a shoplifter refused to comply with the plain-clothes loss prevention agents, who were attempting to detain him for stealing clothing items from the store. The shoplifting suspect produced a box cutter knife and began slashing at the two employees. The agents were able to tackle, and wrestle the suspect into custody, but not before one of the agents received two lacerations. During the violent struggle, agent Tom Trueb, 45yrs, of Redding, endured two deep lacerations to both hands. Agent Jimmy Robinson received abrasions and cuts during the struggle which occurred on the sidewalk in front of the store. Both sought medical treatment at a later time.

The suspect was arrested, and is identified as Nathan Totten, 27yrs, of Redding. He is an admitted methamphetamine user and was in possession of methamphetamine during the incident. He was booked into the Shasta Co. Jail for Robbery, Burglary, Assault with a deadly weapon, and drug possession.

The Redding Police Department staff would like recognize these agents for their service and dedication, and we wish them a speedy recovery.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JGuterding", is written below the contact information.