



Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office

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Media Advisory

This advisory is to alert the media if they hear the drill on the radio or if they receive calls from the community.

SBSO Trains for Emergency Response on College Campus **Sheriff's Office Teams with Westmont College**

Santa Barbara—On Wednesday, June 2, 2010, Sheriff's deputies and members of the Special Enforcement Team (SET) will join Westmont College staff for an emergency response drill.

Part of the drill will allow Sheriff's deputies to practice their rapid response skills for violent incidents and become more familiar with the campus. Westmont welcomes this opportunity to serve the community and to continue its own emergency planning with the college's Situation Readiness & Response Team, the same group that set up the emergency shelter in the gym during the Tea Fire.

The Montecito Covenant Church will play a role as a staging area for the all day exercise. There will be temporary signs along Cold Spring Road alerting motorists of the training exercise. Nearby neighbors may hear simulated gun fire during the exercise.

The California Highway Patrol along with the Montecito Fire District and Carpinteria-Summerland Fire District will also participate in Wednesday's drill.

For questions about the Sheriff's Department's role in this exercise, contact Lt. Eric Koopmans at (805) 684-4561. For questions related to Westmont College, contact Scott Craig at (805) 565-6051.

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