

YOLO COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE

RE:	Cat is Soaked with Oil- Reward offered for Suspect information
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Cinni, a female adult cat, was soaked in motor oil in the Esparto area last week. The pet owners had been away and returned to find their pet covered in oil, having seizures, and vomiting from having ingested the oil. A veterinarian at Woodland Veterinarian Hospital made unsuccessful efforts to save her and she was euthanized for humane reasons. Animal Services, a section of the Yolo County Sheriff's Department, has picked up the cat and a necropsy was scheduled at the University of California at Davis Department of Veterinary Medicine.

Two agencies have offered a reward seeking any information on who may have committed this crime. The Humane Society of the United States and the Friends of Placer County Animal Shelter have each put up a \$2500 reward. Paul Bruce, Regional Program Coordinator of the HSUS and Rosemary Frieborn, founder and President of the PCAS, want to do what they can to keep this from happening to other animals.

"It's sad that an innocent cat's life ended in such an inhumane way. If anyone has any information or knowledge of this crime or of another incident of this nature please contact the Yolo County Sheriff's Department, Animal Services Section at (530) 668-5287." said Sheriff Ed Prieto.