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SEASIDE MAN CONVICTED OF POSSESSION OF NUNCHUCKS AND METHAMPHETAMINE PIPE

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that Seaside resident Donald Wayne Vierra, age 64, was convicted by a jury of possession of nunchucks and a methamphetamine pipe.

The incident occurred in March 2017 on Fremont Boulevard and Francis Avenue. Vierra was stumbling in traffic, crossing Fremont Boulevard. An officer on routine patrol observed this and decided to contact Vierra. As Vierra approached the officer, he was holding a 6.25-inch kitchen knife in his hand. He was stopped and searched and the officer found nunchucks wrapped in a Hustler magazine stuffed up Vierra's left jacket sleeve. The officer also found a methamphetamine pipe in Vierra's vest pocket.

During a court trial, Vierra admitted to a prior strike conviction as well as four prior prison terms. Sentencing is scheduled for December 14, 2017, before Monterey County Superior Court Judge Julie Culver.

The case was investigated by Seaside Police Department Officers Matthew Doza and Jonathan Moore.