

PRESS RELEASE



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Suspect Arrested in Old Town Fire

SEAL BEACH, CA: Seal Beach Police Detectives, working cooperatively with Fire Investigators from the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) have arrested John Louis Maier Jr. (age 60 of Seal Beach) on Arson charges.

On January 4, 2018 at 1:02 AM the OCFA and Seal Beach Police Department were dispatched to a structure fire on 2nd Street in Seal Beach. The home was a new construction, still in the framing stages and was fully engulfed. Neighboring homes were evacuated and received some fire damage as well as some vehicles that were in the alley behind the homes. The fire was determined to be of suspicious origin. Arson Investigators from the OCFA and Detectives from the Seal Beach Police Department conducted a joint investigation and determined that the fire was arson. A suspect was identified through the investigation.

If you have information related to this investigation, please contact Detective Jeff Gibson at (562) 799-4100 ext. 1109.
