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POLICE IDENTIFY SUSPECT IN PARK WEST MURDER

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives have identified the suspect responsible for Saturday night's shooting that killed one person and wounded a second victim.

On December 30, 2006, at approximately 9:26 p.m., two couples were sitting inside Extraordinary Desserts (2900 Fifth Avenue) when a suspect walked into the restaurant and shot two men. Michael Fineman, 44, died from his injuries, and the second victim is recovering.

A portion of the restaurant's video surveillance was released to the media in the hope of identifying the suspect. Homicide Team I received several tips that led to the identification of Ralph Garbarini, 45, as the murder suspect.

Garbarini has only been in San Diego for a short period of time and has previously lived in Arizona, Mexico, and Jackson, California. He is believed to be driving a 1990 Toyota pickup truck with a wooden camper shell. The vehicle's license number is 7E76312. Garbarini's whereabouts are unknown, but he is believed to be living in the vehicle, and he is considered armed and dangerous.

A wanted flyer containing Garbarini's photo will be released in conjunction with this press release.

Anyone who spots Garbarini or his vehicle is asked to call police immediately. Anonymous tips may be provided to Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-TIPS.

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