Dog shot, S. Tahoe man arrested on pot charges

About three dozen marijuana plants were seized from a South Lake Tahoe residence this week, one person was arrested and a dog was shot.

The Rottweiler-pit bull mix seized the arm of an officer, but did not wound him. The dog ran off after being shot. It was eventually caught and taken to a vet to be treated for a wound he is expected to recover from.

Arrested was Joseph C. Parenteau, 26, of South Lake Tahoe. He is accused of illegal cultivation of marijuana and other drug charges. He has since posted bail.

Parenteau is not the owner of the two dogs at the residence. He was dog sitting the mix and a pit bull.

South Lake El Dorado Narcotics Enforcement Team members executed the search warrant Feb. 25.

Matt Underhill, SLEDNET commander, told *Lake Tahoe News* that Parenteau did not have a permit to cultivate marijuana, but he does have a medical marijuana card.

The investigation is ongoing.

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