

Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Date: 01-19-2012 From: Lt. Steve Knight

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Subject: Attempted Home Invasion Case: 201200303

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On 01-18-2012, approximately 10:00 p.m. the Humboldt County Sheriffs office was notified of a burglary in progress, 3900 block of Cedar Street, Eureka. The caller told the dispatchers they heard yelling and screaming coming from the residence, and the suspects appeared to still be on scene.

When deputies arrived they spoke with the victims who were uninjured. The deputies learned the suspects fled just prior to their arrival. The three male victims, ages 22, 16 and12 years old told the deputies there was a knock at the front door. When the 22 year old male went to the door and looked outside to see who was knocking, he saw a male pointing a handgun at the door. The 22 year male victim yelled to his brothers to get away and the suspect kicked the door open. Two male suspects then entered the residence one armed with a silver colored semi-automatic pistol, the other with an approximate 16" long metal pipe or baton. The one suspect pointed the handgun at the victims while the pipe wielding suspect duct taped the three victim's wrists behind their backs. The suspects then demanded money from the victims. Both suspects had their faces covered with masks.

The residence telephone rang during the attempted robbery and the answering machine picked up. The parents of the victims had been alerted as to what was occurring and called the

home. When the suspects heard the message and that law enforcement was notified they

immediately fled.

None of the victims were injured during the robbery and the victims do not believe

anything was taken from the residence by the suspects. Deputies located evidence at the scene

consistent with the victims account as to what occurred.

The suspects are described as:

1. White male, 40's, 5-9 to 5-10 in height, wearing dark baggy clothing, approximately 185 lbs,

wearing a dark hooded sweatshirt, dark beanie, in possession of a silver colored semi-automatic

handgun

2. White male, early 20's, 5-9 to 5-10 in height, wearing dark baggy clothing,

approximately 185 lbs.

One of the suspects is described as having, "Bright blue eyes".

Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding this case or criminal related activity is

encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line 707-

268-2539.

Mike Downey Sheriff

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