



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Date: 11-28-2011

From: Lt. Steve Knight
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Subject: Home Invasion Robbery

Case: 201106339

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 11-28-2011, approximately 0400 a.m., the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office was notified of a Home Invasion Robbery in progress with the suspects possibly still in the residence on Oakcrest Drive, Garberville. Deputies and California Highway Patrol officers responded to the residence. When the deputies arrived they found the front door of the residence forced open. They located the three victims, a husband, wife and infant inside the residence. The husband had received a grazing gunshot wound to the top of his head. Deputies spoke with husband and wife who told them they were awakened by a loud noise on the first floor of their two story home. The husband went downstairs to find out what made the noise. Once downstairs he was confronted by a masked man pointing a handgun at his face and demanding money. While the husband was getting money, a second masked suspect appeared and went to the upstairs master bedroom and ordered the wife at gunpoint to the floor. The second suspect then stole the wife's wedding ring. After the first gunman was given cash by the husband, he then shot the husband in the head. The bullet grazed the top of the husbands scalp. The gunman then demanded more money from the husband stating it was not enough. The husband was able to find additional money which he gave to the suspect who had shot him. Both suspects then fled the scene.

The male victim was transported to a local hospital by ambulance personnel for treatment.

Both suspects are described as Hispanic males, wearing all black clothing, black facemasks, approximately six feet tall.

The victims did not see a vehicle associated with the suspects.

Anyone with information is requested to call the Humboldt County Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line 707-268-2539.

Mike Downey
Sheriff

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