



MEDIA RELEASE

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VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Incident: Attempted residential burglary and prowling arrest

Location: 6700 block of Sargent Lane

Date/Time Occurred: 10/31/2020 0003

Officer(s) Involved: VPD Patrol

Suspect(s): John Lewis Peters, 26 years, vagrant

Report #: 20-71521

Narrative:

At the above date and time residents called from a home in the 6700 Block of Sargent Lane reporting someone was trying to enter their home through a bedroom door. The reporting party also heard an unknown subject removing a screen from the window.

Multiple officers quickly arrived and located a subject within the fenced backyard of the residence. Upon first contact by officers, the subject tried to force his way in the backdoor of the residence. The subject was unsuccessful and he was detained in the backyard. After ensuring the residents were out of harms way, officers moved through the home to the backyard and took the subject into custody without incident.

Investigating officers determined the screen from the home had in fact been removed. The suspect in this case, Peters, had no relation to the residents.

Peters was booked into Ventura County Jail for 664/459 PC attempted residential burglary and 647(h) PC prowling.

No parties were injured as a result of this crime and arrest.

Fortunately the victims in this case had their doors locked and the suspect was unable to gain entry to the home. The Ventura Police Department urges all residents to secure their vehicles and residences as a matter of routine.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding the crime should contact Ventura Police Watch Commander at (805) 339-4416.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

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