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NOTIFICATION

Winter Haven Police have made a positive identification of the intruder who was shot by the homeowner this morning on Lake Marianna Dr. in Winter Haven.

40 year old Mitchell G. Large (DOB 5-25-73, LNA: 2526 Hwy 92, Winter Haven) has been identified as the intruder who broke into the home. Large was shot by the homeowner after a shot was fired in an attempt to scare him. Large continued to charge at the homeowner, who feared for his life and the safety of his family.

Initial reports indicated three people were inside of the home at the time of the incident. A fourth person, Lilliana E. Pena (DOB 9-20-93), was also inside of the home, but was in another part of the house and did not witness the incident.

ORIGINAL INFORMATION

****UPDATE****

On 4-7-14 at approximately 6:50 a.m., homeowners at 4219 Lake Marianna Dr. Winter Haven heard what sounded like someone entering the rear portion of the residence. Homeowners Luis F. Pena (DOB 11-24-59), Bacenbina A. Pena (DOB 9-6-60) and Luis A. Pena (DOB 6-13-86) were all in the residence and heard the noise.

Luis A. Pena went to investigate and found a male rattling the French doors leading off a back porch area. The resident retrieved a firearm and fired a shot in an attempt to scare the reported intruder off. However, the intruder continued into the residence, undeterred by the shot. At this point, all three residents had armed themselves and were in the kitchen area of the home. Additional shots were fired with one hitting the reported intruder at least once. The total number of shots fired has not been confirmed at this time.

The reported intruder is described as possibly a 40 year old white male. At this time, Police are in the process of confirming his identity. Once positive identification is made and next of kin is notified, his name will be released.

This investigation is still ongoing and more updates will be released as they become available.



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WINTER HAVEN – Winter Haven Police are currently investigating a burglary that resulted in the suspect being shot by the home owner.

Today at approximately 6:50 a.m., Winter Haven Police responded to a burglary call at 4219 Lake Marianna Dr. in Winter Haven. When officers arrived, the burglary suspect was deceased inside of the home. Preliminary reports indicate the suspect possibly died from a gunshot wound.

This investigation is in the very early stages and more information will be released as it becomes available.