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Leon County Sheriff's Detectives Investigate Home Invasion Robbery

Early this morning, Monday July 7, 2008, at approximately 1:20 a.m. ,Leon County Sheriff's Deputies were called to 9482 Placid Oaks Lane in reference to a home invasion robbery. According to the victim, he heard a knock on the door and recognized the person knocking as an acquaintance named "Brenda". When the victim let her in, she asked for crack cocaine. The victim reported he told the female he did not sell drugs and she began to leave. As the female exited the residence two white males, one armed with a shotgun and the other with a handgun, rushed in demanding drugs. When the victim told them he did not have any drugs, one suspect fired a shotgun at the victim. Another male in the residence heard the shotgun blast and emerged from a bedroom to see what was going on, at which point the other suspect fired a handgun at him. This victim was able to run out of the residence and called for help. Present in the residence during this robbery were three children ages 9, 6 and 4. The suspects possibly fled the area in an unknown year red Dodge Neon. No one was injured during this robbery.

Violent Crimes Detectives responded to the scene and located bullet holes inside the residence, spent bullet casings, three (3) rifles in the yard and ammunition. The weapons and ammunition will be compared to the spent bullets found in the residence, but it is believed these are the same weapons used by the suspects. After a photographic line up was conducted, the victim who answered the door identified Brenda Ward 03/29/1965 as the woman who he let in and asked for drugs.

If you have information about the whereabouts of Brenda Ward or this crime, contact the Leon County Sheriff's Office at (850) 922-3300 or Crime Stoppers at (850) 574-TIPS (8477). Remember, Crime Stoppers does not want your name, just your information. You could be eligible for a reward of up to \$1000.

Person of Interest:
Brenda Ward
03/29/1965



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