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MASKED INTRUDER SCUFFLES WITH HOMEOWNER

Township of Washington Police Chief Randy Ciocco announces an attempted burglary on Sunday, May 20, 2012. This incident involved Police Officer Vincent Montalbano and Police Officer Travis Cangialosi as well as Police Officers from Bergen County Police Department, Bergen County Sheriff's Department, Westwood Police Department, Hillsdale Police Department, Emerson Police Department, Ridgewood Police Department; Hohokus Police Department and River Vale Police Department.

While on motor patrol on Sunday, May 20, 2012 in the early morning hours, Police Officer Vincent Montalbano and Police Officer Travis Cangialosi were dispatched by the desk officer Sgt Curl via Paramus PD 9-1-1, that a masked intruder was in a house located on Van Emburgh Avenue in the Township.

Upon arrival Township Officers were advised by the homeowner and his wife that he had encountered a white male dressed in all black with his face concealed who he scuffled with prior to the actor fleeing to the master bedroom locking the door behind him. Moments later Sgt Robert held of the Westwood Police Department arrived on scene and the Officers made entry to the master bedroom where the subject was last scene with the actor no where to be found. At this point a small army of Officers from the Pascack Valley, Bergen County K-9 Unit along with Bergen County Sheriff's Department B.C.I unit arrived on scene and a perimeter was established.

After further investigation it was revealed that the actor made entry through a master bathroom window and exited that way closing the window behind him to conceal his point of entry.

Chief Ciocco would like to thank all of the agencies for their assistance in this incident and states "Mutual Aid is crucial in situations such as this." Furthermore, Chief Ciocco would like to recognize desk officer Sgt Curl for his quick actions in deploying the assistance of the surrounding agencies due to his knowledge of our community.

The Township of Washington is located in the northern portion of Bergen County, which is in the far northeastern corner of New Jersey, 15 miles northwest of New York City. The Washington Twp. Police Department was established by ordinance in April 1934, and expanded, along with the town, in the 1950's. Presently, the Township of Washington has approximately 10,000 residents who are protected by 21 full-time sworn police officers, under the direction of Police Chief Randy Ciocco. Community policing initiatives and educational outreach throughout the community are among the top priorities for the department's organizational focus.

