



NEWS RELEASE

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MULTIPLE INCIDENTS OF MAIL THEFT

December 3, 2010

Brad Rasmussen, Interim Chief of Police

During the early morning hours of December 3, 2010, Lakeport Police Officer Jim Bell was dispatched to the Lakeport Terraces residential neighborhood to investigate multiple incidents of theft of United States mail from residential boxes.

During the investigation Officer Bell discovered that mail from multiple Fairview Way addresses was found scattered throughout that street. In addition, open mail boxes were discovered on other streets near Fairview Way.

The Lakeport Police Department gathered up the discarded mail and immediately turned it over the Lakeport Postmaster.

At this time it is unknown what items of US mail may be unaccounted for. The department would like remind residents to collect mail from their boxes as close to the delivery time as possible and not leave it overnight.

Suspects may be searching through and stealing items of mail that may contain checks, credit cards, holiday packages, personal identifying information or any other items of value.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Officer Bell at the department. In addition, residents may also address concerns regarding security of their mail to their local US Postal Service Postmaster.

**Kevin Burke
Chief of Police**