



# NEWS RELEASE

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**SUBJECT: Residential Burglar Flees When Confronted; Previous Attempt Failed**

A residential burglary occurred in the first block of S. Chapel Street, Newark on October 19, 2010 around 5:35 a.m. While two female residents, both University of Delaware students, and a male guest slept inside the house, the suspect pried off a screen, then opened and entered through an unlocked window.

Once inside, the suspect took a purse, and was then heard by the male guest. Upon being detected, the suspect ran out of a side door, still in possession of the purse. Responding officers searched the area with the assistance of a K9 from the New Castle County Police, but the suspect was not located.

The officer investigating the burglary noticed pry marks at a window of a neighboring house and contacted the resident. Further investigation revealed the suspect attempted to enter that house, but was unsuccessful.

The suspect is described as a black male, 25 – 30 years of age, 6' – 6'3" tall, 170 – 190 lbs. He was wearing dark colored pants, a dark colored hat, and a dark hooded sweatshirt with light colored stripes similar to Adidas brand clothing.

Information can be reported to Det. Fred Nelson at 302-366-7110 ext 136 or [Frederick.Nelson@cj.state.de.us](mailto:Frederick.Nelson@cj.state.de.us). Information can also be anonymously reported to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, where a reward may be available.

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