

The Henderson County Sheriffs' Office is investigating a strong arm robbery that occurred in the Horseshoe area of Henderson County on Ray Hill Road. According to investigators Mr. Harry Worley of 173 Ray Hill Road was sitting in his front yard when a white male in a blue and white pick up truck stopped and engaged him in conversation. The man in the truck asked if he could use the phone. Mr. Worley told him he could and the man backed his truck into the Worleys' driveway and got out. Once in the home the man proceeded to use the telephone and Mr. Worley stepped back outside. The man then assaulted Mrs. Pauline Worley asking her where they kept their money. She states that as she tried to scream for help, the suspect covered her nose and mouth. Mr. Worley came back into the residence and was attacked and assaulted as well. The suspect took Mr. Worleys' wallet with an undisclosed amount of cash and fled out the door and left in the truck. Mrs. Worley was able to recover and call 911 to report the incident and give a brief description. Officers arrived on scene to begin preliminary investigations and provide a suspect and vehicle description to other agencies in the area. Mrs. Worley required medical treatment at a local hospital. Mr. Worley declined treatment. Mrs. Worley was still being treated at Park ridge Hospital at the time of this release. Her injuries did not appear to be life threatening.

The Henderson County Sheriffs' Office is looking for any information or leads that will aid in our investigation of this crime. The suspect is a white male with dark complexion and a very southern dialect. He appeared to be in his 30's with sandy colored short hair and no facial hair. He is described as 507 to 6ft in height.

He was driving a blue and white pickup truck uncertain of make. It may have had a white top and white lower with a blue center. Possibly an 80s model. No other description is available at this time. The suspect initially engaged Mr. Worley in a conversation concerning tree service. No further is known at this time.

Sheriff Rick Davis cautions residents to be very wary of letting strangers into homes. "It's unfortunate that decent citizens such as these people have to be at risk for showing compassion and basic human decency toward their fellow man." He went on to say that if someone seems to be in need of a phone or other services, it is best to offer to make the call for them from the safety of your home or vehicle, while not allowing them to compromise your safety. If anything seems suspicious, then by all means call 911 and stay on the phone while telecommunicators get your information and deputies are enroute.

No further info at this time.