

NEWS RELEASE

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SUBJECT ARRESTED FOR PROWLING AND TRESSPASSING ON ARMSTRONG STREET

Date: December 15, 2012

From: Chief of Police Brad Rasmussen

At 1309 hours on Saturday, December 15, 2012 an alert citizen contacted Lakeport Police and reported a suspicious male subject and vehicle at a vacant residence in the 600 block of Armstrong St. Lakeport Police Officers responded to investigate and located Robert Stephen Laplante 46 of Lakeport standing outside of a beige Toyota pick-up that was backed up to a locked driveway gate. Numerous items of property, believed to be associated with the residence, were located near the locked gate and bed of the pick-up. Officers believed that Laplante was in the process of stealing items from the premises.

A Lake County Sheriff's Deputy who responded to the scene to assist, conducted a search of Laplante and his vehicle and located a hypodermic syringe believed to contain methamphetamine. Additionally, the deputy determined that Laplante was under the influence of methamphetamine. Laplante is known to law enforcement with prior arrests for drug related charges.

Laplante was transported to the Lake County Correctional Facility where he was booked for prowling, trespassing and drug related charges. The Lakeport Police Department appreciates the efforts of alert citizens reporting suspicious behavior in our community.

Brad Rasmussen Chief of Police

