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WINTER HAVEN – Two Winter Haven teens were arrested shortly after attempting to break into a home while the homeowner was inside.

On 10-14-15 at approximately 10 a.m., 47 year-old Katherine Sanders was inside of her home (73 Lake Link Circle, SE, Winter Haven) when her doorbell rang three times. Sanders went to the door, looked outside and observed two males outside of her door. Sanders didn't recognize either of the males, so she didn't answer the door. As she went towards another part of the home to make sure another door was locked, she heard the front screen door open and then loud knocking. She went back to the front door and both of the males were gone.

While walking through her home, she could see the backyard and the back porch area. The two males were at the back porch of the house and she immediately yelled that she was going to call Police.

The two males ran from behind the home and when Sanders went to the back porch, the screen door was standing open.

Sixteen year-old Jaquavious Reginald Green (747 16th St. NW, Winter Haven) and 16 year-old Brandon Maurice Jones (706 17th St. NE, Winter Haven) jumped a fence and ran from the area. Officers were quick to arrive and after a short search the teens were located at Jones' 17th St. residence. Witnesses, who saw the teens running from the area, as well as Sanders, positively identified them as the two who attempted to break into her home.

Both teens were each charged with one count of Attempted Burglary of a Dwelling (F2) and transported to the Polk County Juvenile Detention Center.

"This is a common practice - for burglars to go door-to-door trying to locate residences with nobody home," said Chief Charlie Bird. "The victim and witnesses in the area were very instrumental in the ultimate identification of these two teens."