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Joplin Police Respond to a Report of a First Degree Burglary

On June 12, 2013 at approximately 11:45 p.m. Officers with the Joplin Police Department responded to 509 N. Wall for a First Degree Burglary with a possible stabbing.

The home owner reported that he returned home and found a male subject in his residence trying to take items from the home. The suspect went towards the home owner and grabbed a knife from the residence and attempted to stab the home owner. The home owner received a laceration on his forehead. The injury he received was non-life threatening. The suspect and homeowner got into a scuffle and the homeowner was able to remove the knife from the suspect. The suspect complained to the homeowner that he had broken his hand.

The suspect left the residence and fled the area on foot.

The suspect is described as a black male and was last seen wearing a light blue shirt and black gym shorts. The suspect was bald and approximately 5'10" with a medium build. The homeowner also stated that the suspect had a tattoo of a nautical star on the outer part of his left hand located between the thumb and index finger.

If anyone has any information on who this suspect might be, please contact the Joplin Police Department. You can contact us via phone at 417-623-3131, on our web page at www.joplinpolice.org, on our Facebook page at www.facebook/JoplinPD, or submit a tip to the Heartland Crime Stoppers by calling 417-782-TIPZ or on their web page at www.heartlandtipz.com.
