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## 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Assault--Update

The female victim has been identified as Amy Denney, a 29 year old female from Joplin. She is still listed in critical condition at this time. The Joplin Police Department continues to follow up on leads on the investigation.

Paperwork was submitted to the Newton County Prosecutor's Office this morning on Mark A. Thomas a 28 year old male with an address in Diamond, MO for 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Assault charges and Armed Criminal Action. The Newton County Prosecutor's Office has issued a warrant for the arrest of Mr. Thomas with a \$100,000 bond. The suspect in this case is currently not in custody and we are attempting to locate him.

If anyone has any information on the location of Mark Thomas, please contact the Joplin Police Department. You can contact us via phone at 417-623-3131, on our web page at [www.joplinpolice.org](http://www.joplinpolice.org), on our Facebook page at [www.facebook/JoplinPD](http://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](http://www.heartlandtipz.com).

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Joplin Police received a call of a disturbance at 3216 Grand at 01:35 hours this morning. Upon arrival officers encountered a 29 year old female with serious head injuries. The victim was transported to Freeman Hospital for treatment.

Investigators are currently processing the scene and following up on numerous leads. At this time no arrests have been made. As the investigation continues, additional information will be made available.

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