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## **Media Notice**

**Date:** May 9, 2014  
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### **First Degree Burglary Arrests Made**

On May 7, 2014 at approximately 9:50 PM, officers with the Joplin Police Department were dispatched to 1010 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> in reference to a burglary that had just occurred. The victim of the burglary, a 44 year old female, indicated that her front door was kicked open and several individuals entered her residence. The victim indicated that one of suspects grabbed her by her arm and threw her to the ground. The other suspects began looking through the house and then they all left the residence. The victim recognized some of the suspects and thought that they may have been looking for her daughter. It did not appear that anything had been stolen during the incident.

On May 8, 2014 at approximately 12:15 AM the Joplin Emergency Communications Center received a 911 call from a cell phone. There did not appear that anyone was on the phone, but the dispatcher could hear voices talking in the background. The subjects were talking about going to a bank. An officer located the vehicle in a bank parking lot near 7<sup>th</sup> and Virginia. The officer that contacted the truck identified three subjects in the truck as the listed suspects from the earlier burglary. It appears that one of the subjects in the vehicle had inadvertently dialed 911 on their cell phone.

The following were arrested for First Degree Burglary and transported to the Joplin City Jail:

Paula D. Woody 28 yo female of 301 N. Schifferdecker

Donald J. Yost 37 yo male of 2029 S. Empire

Charles T. Davidson III 34 yo male of 1824 S. Harlem

A fourth suspect that was identified by the victim was not located and has not been arrested as of this time.

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