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PRESS RELEASE

TO: All Local Media

FROM: Master Officer Samuel Winkler

RE: Robbery Update

DATE: 7/10/2015

****Please review the following information for consideration to be included in routine reporting.****

UPDATED INFORMATION

Last night, detectives were able to identify the third suspect as Brandon Dvorak of Sandy, Utah. Mr. Dvorak turned himself into detectives and is fully cooperating with this investigation.

Mr. Gage King is currently unaccounted for and may be on the run.

“The quick identifications and arrests made so far are attributed to the fine citizens of the State of Utah that called, emailed, texted and used social media to supply tips to the police department,” said Master Officer Samuel Winkler of the South Jordan Police Department. “In order to keep crime at bay, it takes citizens working with law enforcement and this is a prime example of that cooperation. We thank everyone in the community for helping us with this case.”

Based upon information from various media sources, this case was shared on social media thousands of times and seen by hundreds of thousands of persons. Thank you to all of the media outlets for helping spread the word on this case; allowing us to come to a quick resolution.

We anticipate a little more information becoming available later this afternoon. Once that information is ready, it will be released.

UPDATE INFORMATION FROM JULY 9, 2015

The South Jordan Police Department have arrested 20 year old Cole Covington of Utah County and booked him the Salt Lake County Adult Detention Center on charges of Aggravated Assault. Mr. Covington was the male pictured with the blonde hair and beanie with white stripes.

The male in the red, white and blue tank-top is being identified as Gage King. The whereabouts of Mr. King are unknown.



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The male with the full dark beard is unknown at this time.

The South Jordan Police Department is seeking additional information on the identity of the third individual along with the whereabouts of Mr. King. Anyone with information is urged to call the South Jordan Police Department at 801-840-4000. Callers can remain anonymous.

ORIGINAL RELEASE

The South Jordan Police Department is seeking the public's assistance in identifying and locating three suspects involved in the robbery of The Smoke Shop located at 1074 West South Jordan Parkway. The robbery took place on Monday, July 6, 2015 at 12:35 PM and an undisclosed amount of money was taken.

Three male suspects entered the store and brought the employee to the back of the store. One of the male suspects used a rock and struck the employee several times causing multiple fractures to his face, head and jaw. The victim underwent surgery and is recovering.

The first suspect is a white male in his twenties with dark hair and a thin goatee and mustache. He was wearing a red, white and blue (with white stars) tank top shirt, blue jeans, black shoes and a baseball hat. This suspect also has a large tattoo on his right arm. The second suspect was also a white male in his twenties and has light brown or blonde long hair. He was wearing a beanie, black t-shirt with an elephant logo on the front, grey jeans and black shoes. The third suspect was also a white male in his twenties and had dark hair with a full beard, a grey beanie with white stripes, black shirt and tan pants.

Anyone with information on the identity or location of these suspects is encouraged to call the South Jordan Police Department at 801-840-4000 referencing case 15F009109. Callers can remain anonymous.

“These suspects showed they were not afraid to use force against the victim making them very dangerous. Next time these suspects could escalate to the use of firearms and taking a life. This is why we want to arrest these individuals and take them off the street,” said Master Officer Samuel Winkler of the South Jordan Police Department.

Still photos are attached below.

For additional information, please contact Officer Samuel Winkler of the South Jordan City Police Department by cell (801) 330-2183 (swinkler@sjc.utah.gov).

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Gage King on left still at large. Cole Covington on right arrested for aggravated assault.



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