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Press Release

Suspect sought in connection with aggravated battery at Casey's

Two adult males accused of intentionally crashing truck into victims' vehicle

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan. (February 8, 2016) — The Arkansas City Police Department is seeking at least one male suspect in connection with an aggravated battery Saturday morning at a local convenience store in which he intentionally rammed another vehicle with the pickup truck he was driving.

Officers responded about 11:10 a.m. to Casey's General Store, 601 S. Summit St., for a report of a vehicle accident. They learned that two juvenile females had been the victims in the alleged incident.

Two adult males were in a 1997 Nissan pickup truck that reportedly had rammed the back of the females' vehicle on purpose as a result of an ongoing property dispute.

The driver then exited his truck and began to yell at the females before fleeing the scene on foot.

The vehicle was left unattended in the store's parking lot.

Police also learned that prior to the incident at Casey's, the driver also had made threats of bodily harm to a third juvenile female.

Officers still are interviewing potential witnesses and searching for the suspect, who is wanted on suspicion of criminal damage to property, criminal threat, and two counts each of aggravated battery and disorderly conduct.

Anyone with information regarding Saturday's incident is asked to call police at (620) 441-4444.

Those wishing to remain anonymous may contact Cowley County Crime Stoppers, which offers rewards of up to \$2,000 for information leading to an arrest.

Call (620) 442-7777 in Ark City or (620) 221-7777 in Winfield, or visit <u>www.tipsubmit.com</u> to make an anonymous report. An anonymous tip also can be submitted by texting ACTIPS to 847411.

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