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Police still seek suspects in reported assault, attempted robbery

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. - Purdue University police continue to search for two men who allegedly assaulted and attempted to rob a Jimmy John's delivery person early Monday (March 17).

According to a police report, the restaurant employee made a delivery at about midnight to Shreve Residence Hall and was riding his bicycle between Shreve and Earhart residence halls when he saw a man running toward him. The man pushed the rider to his side, and another man ran up and tried to grab the backpack the delivery person was carrying.

No weapons were displayed, said Lt. Fred Davis.

"The delivery person swung and hit the man who tried to grab the bag, and then the two suspects took off running east toward Meredith Hall," Davis said.

Both men are described as white with dark hair and medium builds, and both were wearing jeans. One is described as having short, dark hair with sideburns and wearing a blue sweatshirt. The other is described as having dark hair that is about an inch long and was possibly wearing a gray or white long-sleeve shirt.

Both men rode off on BMX bicycles, Davis said. The suspect wearing the blue sweatshirt was riding a red bike, according to the police report.

Anyone with information concerning this incident or who has seen these individuals is asked to contact the Purdue Police Department at (765) 494-8221. The police also have an anonymous tipline available at (765) 496-3784.

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