

Armed robbers at large

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Ruston police are looking for suspects in an armed robbery at O'Reilly Auto Parts on Thursday.

Lt. Curtis Hawkins, Ruston police public information officer, said employees from the store called in the robbery at the store, located at 200 E. Georgia Ave., shortly after 9 p.m.

"One of the employees had stepped outside, and when he came back in he was approached from behind by two men wearing masks, gloves and dark clothing and carrying handguns who demanded money," Hawkins said.

The suspects then forced the store's employees into a restroom and closed the door. They fled the store with an undetermined amount of cash, Hawkins said.

Anyone with information should call Crime Stoppers at 255-5111. Crime Stoppers will offer up to \$2,000 for information leading to the arrest or conviction of suspects in this crime or any other felony crime. Hawkins said the organization has recently doubled its maximum of \$1,000 and is encouraging anyone with information to come forward. Callers do not have to identify themselves.