

Charges filed against men alleged to have burglarized home, tied up victim

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Several felony charges have been filed against the men who allegedly broke into a Scottsburg home on July 7, tied up a resident and burglarized the residence.

Shakka Eugene Brogdon, 18, Rodrigo "Ricco" Haynes, 21, and James Edward "Rush" Scott, 24, are being sought in connection with the case that began with a report to local dispatchers of a shot or shots being fired.

According to statements taken from three people who lived at the residence on West McClain Avenue, the trio broke into the back door of the home and bound one victim with duct tape. They also forced the man to provide the combination to a safe from which they took a quantity of money and some papers.

When the other two residents returned, they said they walked in to a chaotic scene during which a shotgun was discharged into the ceiling of the living room. The woman said one of the robbers threatened her with a knife placed at her throat.

Officers investigating the late night incident learned that the three, who are brothers, had been living at Campbell's Motel. Footprints were traceable from the residence to the motel, and paperwork from the safe was also found, the probable cause affidavit related. The trio's motel room was, however, vacant.

The mother of the men was later interviewed. She said she did not know where her sons were and had not seen them since July 5, two days before the break-in.

All three men are now charged with Class A felony burglary. Shakka Brogdon's charges also include two counts of aiding robbery, both B felonies; two counts of Class C felony robbery; and three counts of Class B felony aiding in criminal confinement.

Rodrigo Haynes is also charged with two counts of robbery; two counts of criminal confinement; and three counts of aiding in criminal confinement. All are Class B felonies. Scott's charges include two counts of robbery and two counts of criminal confinement, all of which are Class B felonies.

Anyone having information about this crime or knowing the whereabouts of the suspects are urged to call the Scottsburg Police Department at 752-4462 or its 24-hour Tip Line, 752-2333.