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The Owatonna Police Department is currently investigating (2) home invasion robberies that took place in the City of Owatonna over the Memorial Day Holiday weekend.

The first incident was reported on Sunday, May 27, 2018 at 12:46 AM and occurred at a residence in the 400 block of E. Main St. At this robbery, (2) residents were in the basement of the home when a single masked individual entered a bedroom and pointed a shotgun at the victims. The suspect was described as a black male wearing a black mask, black "Member's Only" type jacket and black basketball/wind pants. Money and cellular telephones were demanded by the assailant. The assailant escaped with (2) cellular telephones.

The second incident was reported on Monday, May 28, 2018 at 9:34 PM and occurred at a residence in the 1100 block of E Rice Lake St. A single male victim heard a knock at his door. He unlocked and answered the door when 2 or 3 black males forced their way into the home. The victim was punched in the face and rendered unconscious. The victim was unable to provide any physical description of the assailants. The assailants escaped with a large screen TV, cash and coins. The victim suffered substantial facial injuries as a result of this assault.

These crimes remain under investigation by the Owatonna Police Department. No arrests have been made in either case and the Owatonna Police Department encourages anyone with information to contact Detective Sergeant Andy Drenth at 507-774-7207.

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