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Probationer wanted for questioning in Holmes County homicide

JACKSON – A probationer being sought by the Mississippi Department of Corrections is wanted as a person of interest in a weekend homicide in Holmes County.

Joseph Keys, MDOC #178985, is believed to have information in the shooting death of 43-year-old James Wise at the Yellow Tree Lounge on Highway 12 near Lexington. The shooting happened 5 a.m. Sunday, July 22, 2018.

Keys, 25, was convicted of burglary/larceny of an unoccupied dwelling on Sept. 28, 2012, in Holmes County, and received three years to serve and four years of post-release supervision. He was released on probation Feb. 15, 2015.

If you see Keys, contact Crime Stoppers at 662-834-0099, the Holmes County Sheriff's Department at 662-834-1511 or the MDOC at 662-745-6611.