August 08, 2012

MSU Timely Warning:

Over the last several months, the MSU community has experienced 11 cases of burglary and property theft from on-campus buildings. The crimes have occurred in Wilson Hall, Brick Breeden Fieldhouse, Hannon Hall, and Paisley Court. Indications are that some areas were locked and some were not. The incidents serve as a reminder for students, as well as faculty, staff, and visitors, to be vigilant and to report crimes or suspicious activity. These incidents are still under investigation by MSU Police.

MSU Police advises everyone to take measures to prevent property theft by following a few easy crime prevention tips. Always lock your door and windows when you leave, even if only for a short time, and take your keys with you. If you see an exterior door propped open, remove the prop, secure the door, and report the incident to MSU Police. Document serial numbers for all electronics and never leave valuable items unsecured. If you observe suspicious activity in your building or unfamiliar people at odd times, report them to MSU Police immediately at 994-2121.

If you have information regarding these burglaries, please call MSU Police at 994-2121. If you would like to remain anonymous, you may report electronically at switness@montana.edu. MSU Police encourage you to take responsibility for protecting your property and your community.

This Timely Warning message was sent via the MSU ALERT E-MAIL system to all students, faculty and staff at MSU Bozeman. All students, faculty, and staff are automatically enrolled in the MSU ALERT E-MAIL system.

For emergencies posing an immediate threat, the MSU ALERT TEXT MESSAGING system is also used. (It was not used for this burglary notice.) Enrollment in the MSU ALERT TEXT MESSAGING system is voluntary, and all students, faculty and staff are strongly encouraged to enroll. The MSU ALERT TEXT MESSAGING system is free and is used to deliver critical information to MSU students, faculty and staff in the event of an emergency. To subscribe, go to: www.montana.edu/msualert. You can also enroll by texting 69310 with the following message: msu alert. (You will receive a confirmation text as a reply.

April 2, 2012

MSU Alert: Second rape reported to Bozeman police.

The Bozeman Police Department is investigating a second rape reported to have occurred in the early morning hours of March 18, five days prior to the assault of a Montana State University student near campus.
According to Bozeman police, the victim of the second rape reported being attacked by a man on West Koch Street at 3:30 a.m. The victim described the man as having shaggy brown hair and glasses. She told police he was tall with a medium build and wearing sweatpants. The victim was not an MSU student or affiliate.

On March 22nd, a man with a similar description raped an MSU student near the corner of Third Avenue and Garfield Street around 11:45 p.m. She described the man as 18 to 20 years old with shabby brown hair, glasses and no facial hair. He was about 5 feet 10 inches tall and 200 pounds. He was wearing MSU sweat pants.

A sketch of the suspect can be viewed at:
http://www.montana.edu/cpa/news/nwview.php?article=11037

Bozeman police are still investigating the attacks.

To report any suspicious activity or any information about these crimes to the Bozeman police, call 406-582-2000, or MSU police at 406-994-2121.

Anyone wishing to report information anonymously, can email the information to: switness@montana.edu

MSU police remind all students, faculty, staff and campus visitors to be alert and aware of their surroundings, use caution when walking alone at all times, stay in well-lit areas and travel in groups.

The MSU Police Department has escorts available on campus 24 hours a day for any student, faculty, staff or visitor. Contact the MSU Police Department at 994-2121 to request an escort. Officers will provide an escort from or to any point within one mile of campus. Safety escorts are a long-term, ongoing program of the MSU Police Department.

MSU ALERT: UPDATE: SKETCH AVAILABLE OF SUSPECT SOUGHT IN SEXUAL ASSAULT.

At approximately 11:45 p.m. on Thursday March 22, 2012, a female student was the victim of Sexual Intercourse Without Consent in the area of S 3rd and Garfield.

IMPORTANT UPDATE: A SKETCH OF THE SUSPECT IN THIS CRIME IS NOW AVAILABLE.
Visit: http://www.montana.edu/cpa/news/nwview.php?article=11037

The female reported that an unidentified male caught up with her on foot as she walked toward her residence, physically pulled her to the ground, and assaulted her before fleeing the area on foot. Officers from the Bozeman Police Department and MSU Police responded immediately to the area but attempts to locate the suspect at the time were unsuccessful.
The suspect is described as a white male in his late teens or early twenties, with curly dark blond to light brown hair, 5'10, 200 pounds, last seen wearing a dark colored hooded sweatshirt with unidentified writing on the front, and dark blue MSU sweat pants. He is further described as wearing glasses and as having no facial hair. Suspect was last seen in the area of 3rd and Grand.

Use caution when walking alone at all times, stay in well-lit areas and travel in groups. Report any suspicious activity or any information about his crime to Bozeman Police at 406-582-2000 or MSU Police at 406-994-2121.

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