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To: ESF_STUDENTS@LISTSERV.SYR.EDU, CampusNews CampusNews@esf.edu

All,

The following information is being sent on behalf of Syracuse University for your situational awareness;

For the protection and safety of students, faculty, staff and neighbors, the Department of Public Safety releases the following alert:

OFF CAMPUS ASSAULT – SPD Case # 14-477674

Wednesday, October 1, 2014 at approximately 11:30 p.m. – Inside Thornden Park, near the 400 block of Ostrom Ave.

On Thursday, October 2, 2014, a student reported being assaulted by three unknown males in Thornden Park, near the 400 block of Ostrom Ave. The student reports he was walking alone when three males attacked him. The suspects did not demand any property from the victim. The student was treated for injuries and released. It is unknown in which direction the suspects fled.

DPS asks your help in identifying the suspects if you were in the vicinity at the time of the incident. For this purpose, the following is the description of the suspects:

Three males wearing dark hooded sweatshirts, no further description.

For an interactive map of the incident location, refer to the Campus Alerts 2014 Google Map link at:

<https://www.google.com/maps/ms?msid=214595437229051476012.0004ef76644f4d8bf394c&msa=0>

If anyone has any information regarding this incident or others, please contact the Syracuse Police Department at 315-442-5222 or the Syracuse University Department of Public Safety at 315-443-2224. If you would like to anonymously report NON-EMERGENCY information for DPS, you can use the Silent Witness tool, available at:

http://publicsafety.syr.edu/html/silent_witness.html

FOR YOUR SAFETY, PLEASE REMEMBER:

--After dark, take advantage of the free safety escort services available through the Department of Public Safety. Both walking and shuttle services are available to students, staff, and faculty at SU or SUNY-ESF. Call 443-SAFE (7233) for more information about these services.

--Take advantage of the CENTRO and Ultimate Arrival bus services. Taxi services are also available.

--Walk, bike or jog in groups of three or more, away from bushes, cars, and other objects a suspect could hide behind.

--Plan your walking travel times by avoiding late to early morning hours.

--Be aware of your surroundings: look and listen. Headphones and cell phones can create tunnel vision.

--Travel in well-lit and populated areas.

--Keep porch lights on at night.

--Don't approach strangers or let them get close to you.

--If you think someone is following you, switch directions or cross the street. Go toward an open business or lighted house.

--Have your house or car keys in hand before you reach your door.

--Know where campus blue light alarms are and how to use them.

--If someone tries to rob you, don't resist. Give up your property, not your life.

--If you are in a safe place to do so, attempt to get a description of the suspect(s) and any associated vehicles or license plate numbers.

IMMEDIATELY report emergencies or suspicious activities, persons and vehicles.

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