

UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



PUBLIC SAFETY ALERT – DECEMBER 20, 2002

ALERT:

Critical / Major Incident

ADVISORY:

Important Incident

BULLETIN:

General Information

On 12/19/2002, at approximately 5:45 PM, an aggravated assault occurred near the alley between Fairmount Avenue and Goodrich Avenue, at the intersection of Finn Street. The following information is from the St. Paul Police Department and an acquaintance of the victim:

A female exited a bus at the intersection of Cretin and Goodrich Avenues. The female walked east on Goodrich Avenue toward Finn Street, and then turned north. Near the entrance to the alley, a male subject hit the female on the head and began fighting with her. The female, believing the motive to be robbery, offered her purse. When the male continued the struggle, the female dropped her purse, kicked the male and turned and ran from the area.

The female victim sustained a concussion and cuts to her hands and wrists. It is possible that a weapon was used in this incident.

The suspect was described as a white male, late 30's to early 40's, approximately 5' 10" tall, 180 pounds, with a medium build. The suspect wore a white baseball cap, blue jeans, a dark waist-length leather coat, and dark leather gloves. The suspect smelled strongly of an alcoholic beverage.

An unidentified woman turned in the victim's purse at the Public Safety office. This person and anyone who may have witnessed this incident are advised to call the St. Paul Police Department at (651) 292-3748.

Crime prevention tips:

- Utilize the Public Safety Escort Service to accompany you to your destination.
- Walk with groups of people - there is safety in numbers.
- Don't take unnecessary risks. Stay in populated, well-lit areas.
- Report crime immediately to Public Safety and the Police.
- Remember suspect information, including approximate age, height, weight and details on hair, clothing, jewelry, scars, tattoos - anything noticeable.

Anyone that has additional information regarding this crime or the suspect noted above should call the St. Paul Police Department (651) 292-3748, or the Department of Public Safety at 96(2)-5100.

Public Safety urges you to be proactive and alert. *You can help prevent crime!*

If you have information regarding crimes on campus you are urged to contact
Public Safety at (651) 962-5100 and the police (651) 291-1111

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