

UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



PUBLIC SAFETY BULLETIN – AUGUST 29, 2007

ALERT:

Critical / Major Incident

ADVISORY:

Important Incident

BULLETIN:

General Information

Public Safety would like to advise the University of St. Thomas community of an attempted robbery outside of Schulze Hall, along 11th Street.

On 08/29/2007, at 8:00 AM, a Public Safety officer was on routine patrol when he observed a female stop her vehicle along 11th Street. The Public Safety officer witnessed the female suspect leave the vehicle, approach a nearby female, and attempt to steal her purse. When the victim would not release her purse, the suspect then began assaulting her.

The patrolling Public Safety officer gave the suspect repeated verbal commands to get away from the victim. The suspect attempted to flee by returning to her car, but was apprehended and detained by the officer. A second Public Safety officer arrived a few moments later and assisted by placing the suspect in handcuffs. The Minneapolis Police Department was contact immediately and arrived on scene a short time later to take the suspect into their custody.

**Report crime confidentially or anonymously:
by e-mailing PSTIPS@stthomas.edu,
or calling 96(2-TIPS).**

UST crime prevention tips:

- Call Public Safety to escort you to your destination.
- Walk in groups – there is safety in numbers.
- Don't take unnecessary risks. Stay in populated, well-lit areas.
- Report crimes 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.
- Do not wear earphones when walking or running alone outside, especially if it is dark. This potentially cuts off audible signals of threats to your safety.
- Notify Public Safety immediately of people in buildings, residence halls, or on campus who appear suspicious. You know the areas that you live and work in best.
- If you find an individual's behavior to be suspicious, alarming, or frightening, do not approach the individual or engage them verbally. Maintain a safe distance, note details of description, direction of travel, and contact Public Safety immediately.

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

Removal Date: 09/12/2007