TIMELY WARNING

CAMPUS ALERT

BURGLARY (ARRESTS MADE)

9-27-2014

This communication is prepared as part of the Timely Warning requirement of the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act of 1990. This federal law requires a general communication to the campus community of all crimes reported to campus or local police departments that may pose a threat to the campus community. Such reports shall be provided to students and employees in a manner that is timely and that may aid in the prevention of similar occurrences.

Millersville University Police were notified today by the Millersville Borough Police Department that a burglary took place last night at an apartment of Brookwood Court Apartments, University Drive. While the perpetrators of this burglary were apprehended, the warning is being issued to alert students that some persons visit off campus housing with the intent to steal property of students and other persons may look to target the area for thefts.

Three persons entered an apartment were disrupted by tenants as they attempted to steal the tenants property. The tenants did not know the intruders. The intruders fled but not before stealing items from the apartment. Police were contacted and investigated the incident. Following an investigation, three persons were identified and arrested for the burglary and theft. Those arrested were not Millersville University students, they are students at Thaddeus Stevens College in Lancaster. The University and Borough Police worked well to solve this incident.

This incident is under investigation by the Millersville Borough Police Department, Sgt. Detective Jeffery Margevich. Anyone who may have witnessed this burglary or has any information regarding groups coming to off campus areas to target apartments for theft are urged to contact the Millersville Borough Police Department at 717-872-4657 or Millersville University Police at 717-872-3433. Callers may remain anonymous.

Members of the campus community should be aware that persons looking to steal often look for the easiest target, such as apartments and vehicles that are left unlocked, and apartments that have poor lighting outside. Students are encouraged to keep outside doors and windows locked even while present and locking room and vehicle doors when not occupied. Well lit areas are a crime deterrent, students are encouraged to keep outside lights on during the evening. Students are further encouraged to simply look out for their neighbors apartments and vehicles. If someone seems to be loitering or checking doors, call for an officer to check on the person by calling county dispatch at 717-664-1180. The Millersville University Police Department provides a safety escort from 11 p.m. – 7 a.m. and can be contacted at 717-872-3433.

This warning should remain posted in residential areas for two weeks until Oct 11, 2014.