CLERY TIMELY WARNING 4-15

UPDATE – MARCH 13, 2015

Regarding the timely warning issued March 10, 2015, concerned members of the campus alerted the campus police to the presence of the below identified person. Because of their attention and timeliness the person was arrested.

If you recently experienced a theft similar to those described and believe that you may have observed the perpetrator, please contact the campus police so that we may thoroughly investigate your theft.

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The University of Missouri-St. Louis Police Department has become aware of thefts from gym bags and unsecured lockers at the Mark Twain Athletic and Fitness Center. This type of activity presented itself a few of years ago and seems to have now re-emerged. The thefts have included wallets, car keys, cash and other small items. The thefts occurred while the owners were either working out in the gym or fitness areas and had either put their property in a locker without a lock or had left their gym bags in the halls or in a room where there was unrestricted access.

Although there were sporadic reports of these incidents, a pattern has been recognized. On 3/10/2015, investigation revealed a possible suspect that was seen looking through gym bags and lockers. It was reported by witnesses today that the suspect has been seen on more than one occasion in the Mark Twain Athletic and Fitness Center and may have committed more than one theft. The suspect is described as a male between 18 and 24 years of age. He is approximately 5 foot 6 inches tall and weighs about 150 pounds. He has very short black hair and is routinely seen wearing athletic style clothing and shoes.

Anyone having information concerning this incident is asked to contact Sergeant Kevin Buchheit by phone, 314-516-5160 or the UMSL Police at 516-5155. The UMSL police department has posted several safety topics that can be reviewed at: http://safety.umsl.edu/police/safety/index.html

Please consider the following Safety Tips:

- Make sure that your belongings are secured in a locker with a padlock.
- Be alert to any suspicious activity near you. Pay attention to your surroundings.
- If you notice suspicious activity, make note of the suspect’s description and immediately contact the police. Do not attempt to apprehend the suspect yourself.
- Utilize the UMSL smartphone app Familiarize yourself with the location of emergency phones.

(This information is distributed in accordance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998. To learn more about Jeanne Clery, please visit: http://www.securityoncampus.org For more personal safety tips please visit the UMSL Police website at: http://safety.umsl.edu/police/safety/safety-tips.html)