Safety Awareness, Reported Physical Assault

On June 18, 2015, at 5:21 a.m., Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department notified University police of attempted armed robbery on the canal towpath adjacent to Holcomb Gardens. The suspect approached the victim by crossing the canal bridge and ordered the victim onto the ground. The victim did not comply and the suspect attempted to kick the victim’s legs out from underneath him, but was unsuccessful. The suspect then fled west to the intramural fields towards Rocky Ripple. A search for the suspect was unsuccessful. The suspect was wearing a black hoodie, pants, and shoes. He is possibly 20–25 years old with a raspy voice. The suspect’s race is unknown. The investigation determined a robbery did not occur and no weapon was involved. The case is being investigated as assault.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact Detective Bruce Allee at 317-940-8856 or via email at bballee@butler.edu.

Students, faculty, and staff should always be aware of their surroundings. Trust your instincts. If something looks unusual or an individual is acting strangely, call University Police. Program University Police phone numbers into your phone—317-940-9999 emergency and 317-940- BUPD (2873) non-emergency.

- Safety escorts are available from University Police 365 days a year from dusk to dawn.
- Never resist handing items over to an assailant in this situation. Consider keeping an I.D. carrier with non-essential items (no money) on you to avoid losing large amounts of cash. Remember, items can be replaced.

The University uses FBI UCR definitions for crime classification. For a list of definitions visit this link.

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