



JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY



Off-Campus Incident of Abduction and Forcible Rape – HPD CFS # 2010-003065

TIMELY NOTIFICATION BULLETIN

Possible Threat to the Community

"Your Right to Know"

January 14, 2010

OFFENSE: Off-Campus Abduction and Forcible Rape

LOCATION: Chestnut Ridge Drive and Breckenridge Court area of the City of Harrisonburg

TIME: Approximately 7:40 PM , Wednesday, Jan 13, 2010.

SUSPECT: A Hispanic Male and a White Male in a black four-door Honda sedan

In compliance with the "Timely Notice" provisions of the federal *Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998* the University Police are giving notice of a incident reported to the Harrisonburg Police Department involving an alleged incident of Abduction and Forcible Rape that occurred off-campus.

The Harrisonburg Police Department is investigating the report of an abduction and forcible rape and seeks help from the public.

On Jan. 13, around 7:40 p.m. an 18 year old female was reportedly running on Chestnut Ridge Drive, when two unknown males in a vehicle asked for directions. The victim is not a JMU student.

The two men were stopped at a stop sign when they asked the female for directions. As the victim approached the suspect's window, the male located in the passenger's seat exited the vehicle, displayed a knife, and forced the female into the vehicle.

The driver drove down Chestnut Ridge Drive to the area of Breckenridge Court, where one of the male suspects forcibly raped the victim.

The vehicle is described as a black four-door Honda sedan with gray interior.

The driver of the vehicle is described as a Hispanic male with a mild Spanish accent. He was wearing a white t-shirt, a white bandana, jeans, a white New York Yankees hat with a straight brim, and a diamond stud earring in his right ear. He had short dark hair with longer sideburns. The male was approximately 5'6 or 5'7 in height and in his early 20's.

The passenger, who assaulted the female, is described as a white male, who was wearing jeans, a baggy white t-shirt, a gold chain necklace, and two big diamond stud earrings in both ears. He has a medium, muscular build, short "stubble" on his face, and short brown hair. The male was approximately 6' tall, 180 pounds, and in his early 20's.

The Harrisonburg Police Department encourages the community to be vigilant of your surroundings and to always travel with a friend, especially at night. It is recommended to never talk to strangers or approach a stranger's vehicle. While walking or running, do not wear any headphones or talk on a cell phone as this is easily distracting. Please practice safe habits at your residence as well by locking all doors and windows.

This is a very serious crime and the Harrisonburg Police Department is asking for the public to call Crime Solvers at 574-5050 with any additional information.

The case is still being actively investigated by law enforcement. Members of the University community are urged to be vigilant and report any unusual circumstances and/or suspicious activities/persons.

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