Dear Campus Community Member;

We would like to inform you of a crime that has recently been reported to have occurred in the campus area so you have the information you need to take the appropriate precautions. We are issuing this Campus Safety Alert in accordance with the “Timely Warning” provision of the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act of 1998. We are sending this message to heighten your awareness, to enable you to take actions which can help increase your safety, and to aid in the prevention of similar crimes.

REPORTED OFFENSE:

During campus building security checks conducted by Public Safety Staff, it was discovered that an unknown person or persons gained unauthorized access into the 343 Carlisle Street residence hall sometime on December 22nd by breaking a window to a second-floor room near the fire escape. Upon further inspection by DPS and the Gettysburg Borough Police Department (GPD), it was discovered that several residence hall rooms were burglarized inside the building. Affected students are being personally contacted by the College. Both GPD and DPS are investigating.

As reported a few weeks ago, several off-campus properties were burglarized during the Thanksgiving break and one was reported at the beginning of the winter break. These burglaries have occurred on Carlisle Street, East and West Water Streets, East Lincoln Avenue, North Washington Street, and Barlow Street.

It is unknown at this point if these burglaries are directly connected. The GPD is investigating these off-campus reports.

SUSPECT(S):

No known suspects.

CRIME CLASSIFICATION/DEFINITION:

For crime reporting purposes, the federal government defines Burglary as -
The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft. Attempted forcible entry is included.

REPORTING:

DPS can be contacted by calling (717)337-6912 or (717)337-6911 for emergency purposes. Additionally, criminal incidents can be reported to the Gettysburg Borough Police by calling 911. Incidents of a non-emergency nature can be reported by completing the on-line community concern form at: http://www.gettysburg.edu/about/offices/college_life/care/submit-a-concern/ or by calling the DPS crime tips hotline at: (717)337-8477 (TIPS).
REMEMBER:

- Report suspicious persons or activity immediately to GPD and DPS.
- Students remaining on campus during the break should continue to ensure their buildings and property are secured.
- Call DPS with any security related concerns – especially physical security concerns that need to be immediately addressed.

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