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Date: April 24, 2014 Time: 8:30 A.M. Contact: Officer Joseph Nichols Public Information Officer

Subject: Strong Armed Robbery

The Oshkosh Police Department is investigating a Strong Armed Robbery that occurred in the 200 block of N. Main St. on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at about 2:20 AM.

The victim, a 29 year-old female from Oshkosh, contacted Winnebago County Dispatch at about 2:17 AM to report individuals were harassing her as she was waiting for a cab in the back parking lot of Screwballs, 216 N. Main Street. The victim told dispatch that she was involved in a dispute with another female previous this phone call to dispatch. Oshkosh Police were dispatched to the area for the harassment complaint. As Winnebago County Dispatch talked with the victim, the female said, "They're coming back." Dispatch could hear the female yell "Get off me" and the female reported to dispatch that they took her purse.

The victim described the two suspects to Oshkosh Police. The first suspect, who punched the victim and took her purse, was a female black. The second suspect is a female white. After the victim was punched and her purse was stolen, the two female suspects ran north on State St.

Oshkosh Police checked the area, but did not find the suspects or the purse. The victim did receive medical attention from Oshkosh Fire for a mouth injury. The purse was black leather and contained personal belongings of the victim. It is unknown how much money was in the purse.

The victim had met the two suspects inside Screwballs, but did not know who they were. The Oshkosh Police Department continues the investigation.

If you have any information in regards to the strong armed robbery, please contact the Oshkosh Police Department at (920) 236-5742.

If you have information, but would like to remain anonymous, please contact Winnebago County Wide Crime Stoppers at (920) 231-8477 or text IGOTYA and your crime tip to 274637, or go to: www.winnebagocrimestoppers.org and submit your text via the web.

The Oshkosh Police Department is advising citizens that if you need to be out at a late hour, try to stay in a group. If you are alone and have had too much to drink, attempt to get a ride home from a friend or call a cab and stay in a secure area while waiting. Lone individuals can be targets for criminals and are more susceptible to having a crime attempted against them.