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Subject: Strong Armed Robberies

MEDIA RELEASE

The Oshkosh Police Department is investigating three strong armed robberies that occurred early on Monday morning, May 25, 2015 in the 100-200 block of W. Irving Ave. from 1 a.m. until 2 a.m.

The first incident occurred at about 1am in the 200 block of W. Irving Ave. A male walking alone had his phone and wallet with cash stolen after he was jumped by several individuals. He was walking home from the bars alone. This incident was reported to police at about 2:30 a.m.

The second incident occurred around 1:15 a.m. in the 200 block of W. Irving Ave. A male victim was driven to the Oshkosh Police Department by another male who found the male victim on the sidewalk in the 200 block of W. Irving Ave. The male said he was walking and was jumped by several individuals.

The third incident occurred in the 100 block of W. Irving Ave. at about 2 a.m. A male stated he was jumped by a group of individuals and had a phone taken from him.

In all three incidents, the male victims were walking alone and had been consuming alcohol prior to the incidents.

The suspect descriptions in all three incidents were that the suspects were males. In the first two incidents, the suspect males were black. In the last incident, the race of the suspects could not be identified conclusively.

Oshkosh Police searched the area and did not locate any of the suspects.

Oshkosh Police are asking for citizen's help in identifying the males involved in this incident. If you can identify these suspects, you are encouraged to contact the Oshkosh Police Department at (920) 236-5700. The Oshkosh Police Department thanks you for your assistance.

If you have information and would like to remain anonymous, please contact Winnebago County Wide Crime Stoppers at (920) 231-8477 or text IGOTYA and you crime tip to 274637 or go to

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<u>www.winnebagocrimestoppers.org</u> and submit your text via the web. You may be eligible for up to a \$1,000 reward for information leading to an arrest.

Here are a few safety suggestions when walking home after bar hours:

Walk in groups of three or more. If you are intoxicated, call a sober friend or a taxi for a ride home. Lone individuals can be targets for criminals and are more susceptible to having a crime attempted against them.

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