Campus Safety Department Crime Alert:
Bicycle Larcenies – Campus Wide – October 3, 2013

Incident Description:
Since August 19, 2013, there have been a total of nine reported larcenies of bicycles from several locations on campus. Bikes have been stolen from bike racks outside of Rho/Tau, Boer/Bennink, Rooks/VanDellen, Zeta/Lambda, Schultze/Eldersveld, Bolt/Heyns/Timmer and the Commons Annex. In seven of the nine incidents, victims reported that their bicycles had been locked with a cable lock at the time of the theft. Thieves are using wire cutters to cut the cables.

Suspect Information:
No suspect information is currently available.

Recommendation:
Anyone who has a bicycle on campus is strongly encouraged to obtain a U lock or chain lock to lock up their bicycles at any exterior bicycle rack as these locks cannot be cut with wire cutters. Also, all bicycles that are brought to campus must be registered with the Campus Safety Department and a bike permit must be displayed on the bicycle. All students who live on campus are encouraged to lock their bicycles up in the bike storage rooms of their residential buildings when they are not being used. Anyone who observes suspicious activity around any bike rack on campus is asked to contact the Campus Safety Department immediately at 616-526-6452 for non-emergency calls or 616-526-3333 for an emergency.