PUBLIC SAFETY ALERT – August 27, 2011

An armed robbery was reported shortly after 9 p.m. this evening. A man, described as in his 40s, approximately 5'8" tall, wearing a white t-shirt, dark pants, a black baseball cap and a fanny pack, approached a student outside a residence in the 2100 block of West Michigan Avenue. He asked the student a question, then showed him a weapon and demanded money. The student handed over his property to the man, who fled northbound towards West Wisconsin Avenue, then turned westbound onto Wisconsin Avenue. He was last seen heading out of the area at 24th and Wisconsin. The student was not physically injured during the incident.

Both DPS and MPD were on the scene within minutes and are investigating.

All Marquette students and employees should immediately call DPS to report any criminal or suspicious activity. Calls can easily be made from one of the nearly 300 blue light phones on or near campus or call DPS at 8-6800 (414-288-6800 off campus).

All Marquette students, staffs, guests and visitors are reminded to:

- Use the LIMO and safety patrol services provided by DPS. Call 8-6363 for SSP escorts.
- Make sure someone knows when you leave and when to expect you back.
- Walk in pairs or groups, being aware of your surroundings at all times.
- Do not become distracted by talking on your cell phone or listening to music through headphones at a high volume.
- Travel on well-lit, busy streets and avoid walking through alleys and parking lots.
- Be aware of places along your path of travel that could conceal a criminal (shrubbery, building recesses, etc.). Avoid or keep a distance from these areas whenever possible.
- Take note of suspicious vehicles, especially those that appear to be circling the block or driving unusually slow. If you observe a suspicious vehicle, relay its description and location to DPS using one of the more than 300 blue light phones on and near campus.
- If you think someone is following you, cross the street, head for a well-populated, well-lit area and contact DPS using one of the more than 300 blue light phones on and near campus.
- If you plan to drink, do so in moderation to avoid putting yourself in a position of increased risk.
- If approached, give up your property.