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Press Release

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CITIZEN ALERT

The Newton Police Department is reporting that there have been two recent incidents of open and gross lewdness and an incident of an accosting in the same general area.

The first incident occurred on Wednesday April 16, 2008, at approximately 5:00 PM. In that case, a 32-year-old woman was out walking her dog in a park area off of Arlington Street when she observed a white male masturbating and making lewd comments to her. When the victim told the suspect she was calling the police, he turned and fled towards the Bigelow Middle School. The suspect is described as being 30 to 40 years of age, 6 feet tall with short dark hair, being professionally dressed, wearing khaki colored dress pants, a light blue dress shirt and shoes.

Police are also reporting that at about the same time on the same day, two 14-year-old females were accosted as they were walking on Washington Street near Copley Street. They reported observing a newer Black SUV turn around and park on the same side of the street as they were walking. The vehicle stayed back about 100 yards and a white male, 30-40 years of age, brown hair and clean-shaven, stuck his head out the window and yelled an obscene comment to both girls. The vehicle then fled northbound on Washington Street and turned onto Waverly Avenue. This incident took place in the same general vicinity as the incident listed above.

Finally, at approximately 11:00 AM on Friday April 18, 2008, a 32-year-old woman was out walking with a toddler, when she observed a newer model (*possibly*) Black BMW 740 Series turn onto Willard Street. The vehicle stopped and the woman observed that the male in the vehicle was masturbating. The suspect is described as being a white male in his 30's, having sandy blond hair and wearing a long sleeved white dress shirt. This crime also occurred in the same general vicinity as the two incidents listed above.

Anyone having information is urged to contact the Newton Police Department at 617 796-2100 or our "Tips-Line at 617 796-2121.