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“Auburn Police Requesting Public’s Help with Identifying Purse Theft Suspect”

On February 17th, 2009 at approximately 4:20pm Auburn Police Officer’s were dispatched to 1 Loop Rd “Wegmans” on the report of a purse theft. The victim advised Officers that she was sitting on a bench in the lobby of the store waiting to be picked up. The victim stated she placed her purse on the bench next to her and when her ride arrived she accidentally left her purse sitting on the bench. When the victim walked outside she quickly remembered she left her purse behind and immediately returned to retrieve her purse. This is when she discovered her purse was gone.

Officer’s along with Wegmans lost prevention personnel reviewed the security footage and describe the suspect observed in the footage stealing the purse as a white male, possibly in his 30’s. The suspect stands about 6’00” tall and was last seen wearing a dark colored hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans and a dark colored hat. The hat appeared to have some type of emblem in the center of the hat and the sweatshirt also had some type of print or logo over the left chest area. The suspect may also have goatee style facial hair.

Attached is a video clip and still photos of the suspect entering the store. Anyone who has information pertaining to the identity of this suspect or this crime is encouraged to call the Auburn Police Department at 253-3235, or lead investigator Det. Douglas Parker at 255-4726.

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