OFFENSE: Arson

CASE NUMBER: 0670714

DATE OCCURRED: 07/15/2014

TIME OCCURRED: Approximately 5:00 AM

LOCATION OCCURRED: 801 S. Welch (Sigma Chi Fraternity House)

DETAILS OF EVENT: On Monday, July 15, 2014 at approximately 5:00 AM, the UNT Police Department and the Denton fire Department responded to the call of a “wood fire” in the backyard of the Sigma Chi fraternity house located at 801 S. Welch Street, Denton.

The fire involved a pile of wood that was stacked adjacent to the north side of the fraternity house. The Denton fire Department extinguished the fire. No injuries were reported and there was minor damage to the house. The initial investigation indicated the pile of wood was deliberately set on fire. The UNT Police and the State Fire Marshall’s Office are conducting an investigation.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

- Carry a cellular phone or become familiar with the emergency telephone locations.
- Immediately report suspicious or dangerous activity to the police by dialing 9-1-1.
- Report any smoke or fires by calling 9-1-1. Don’t assume someone else will call it in.
- In the event of fire, exit immediately. Do not stop to collect any belongings.
- Know how to crawl away from a fire. When exiting, stay low because smoke rises. Smoke can weaken your ability to respond in an emergency or suffocate you.
- Do not reenter a burning building for any reason

*If you have any information regarding this offense, please contact the UNT Criminal Investigations Division at 940-565-3006 or you can remain anonymous by calling UNT Crime Stoppers at 940-369-TIPS (8477).

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