

One arrested at fraternity fight

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Eugene Police Department officers were called in to stop a fight between members of two University fraternities early Sunday morning.

More than 30 members of the Beta Theta Pi and Chi Psi fraternity houses were involved in the brawl, which occurred in front of the Chi Psi house at about 1:30 a.m. Sunday.

Participants reportedly threw beer bottles at each other and broke windows at the Chi Psi house, 1018 Hilyard St. When police arrived, they found between 10 to 15 Beta Theta Pi members and an equal number of Chi Psi members fighting on the Chi Psi house's second floor balcony.

Ten EPD officers stopped the fight after five to seven minutes. Several participants suffered cuts from broken glass.

Police arrested Beta Theta Pi

member Jeffery Cervantez, 20, for allegedly refusing to leave a fire escape when officers asked him to do so and also for allegedly being in possession of alcohol.

"What happened was very unfortunate," said David Partridge, Beta Theta Pi house president, who added he has met with Chi Psi President Scott Chavkin and that the houses have ceased hostilities. "We've both agreed that it was very unfortunate and that it won't happen again," Partridge said.

Despite repeated attempts to contact him, Chavkin could not be reached for comment.

"I can't stress enough how reprehensible it was for students to act like this," said Gerard Mosely, vice provost for student affairs. "This is not a ghetto. It's a campus community. Hopefully, people will learn to deal with their anger instead of doing bodily harm to other

people.

"The University won't have a group associated with it that has (this) attitude," Mosely said.

The University will investigate the incident, including charges that alcohol was involved, Mosely said. Community service and probation would be likely consequences to any students involved who violated the University conduct code, he said.

Carson Bowler, Interfraternity Council president, said the incident would be discussed tonight at the IFC's President's Council meeting, and that action to be taken by the organization, if any, would be made afterward.

"It was embarrassing and deplorable and we don't condone it," Carson said. "We shouldn't sweep this under the carpet, and we won't. It will be addressed and addressed strongly."

Police Beat

The following is a list of campus area crimes reported to the Office of Public Safety and the Eugene Police Department between Jan. 10 and 17:

- EPD officers arrested a male University student for fourth-degree assault after he allegedly beat his girlfriend in their East 14th Avenue apartment. The Jan. 11 incident began as an argument between the two individuals.

- A University student sustained \$500 damage to his car after an altercation with a group on the corner of 13th Avenue and Kincaid Street on Jan. 10. The victim was reportedly trying to park his car in parking space where the group was standing. He honked his horn and motioned for them to move.

After parking his car and getting out, the victim heard a

loud banging noise and turned to see a male banging on the trunk lid of his car with his hand and the side with his knee. The suspect claimed the driver had nearly run over his foot, and then fled the scene.

- Unknown suspects smashed the front of a candy machine on the second floor of Condon Hall on Jan. 11. Approximately \$100 in coins was taken from the machine, which sustained \$100 damage.

- The theft of a videocassette recorder worth \$1,400 from the the wrestling office in the basement of MacArthur Court was reported to OPS Jan. 11. OPS reports the unknown suspects kicked in two locked doors to enter the office, and that nothing else was taken. OPS is still investi-

gating the incident.

- Unknown suspects attempted to steal a computer from an office in PLC Jan. 12. The cable securing the computer to the wall was almost cut, leaving two metal strands remaining. OPS reports the door was locked and that there were no signs of forced entry.

- An EPD officer cited and released a University student standing on the corner of 13th Avenue and Kincaid Street on a charge of minor in possession of alcohol Jan. 15. The officer approached the individual, who was allegedly holding a bottle of beer under his coat, and asked him how old he was. The subject said he was 21. Verification of his ID showed otherwise.

- OPS reports seven bikes stolen, and two recovered.

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