POLICE BEAT

The following incidents were reported to the University Office of Public Safety and the Eugene police department March 15-28.

•A 24-year-old man was cited for initiating a false police report March 15. The suspect contacted police and reported a robbery that allegedly took place in Pioneer Cemetery March 12. According to police reports, the suspect said he was approached by a man who claimed to be a police officer. The suspect said the man showed him a gun, a badge and took the suspect's fanny pack. The suspect also said the man who was posing as a police officer cut him on the hand with a butterfly knife.

Police later received information from a man who knew the suspect and said the incident never occurred. When police contacted the suspect March 15, he admitted that the incident never happened, according to police reports. Police said the suspect did not say why he made the initial report.

•A University student was cited for shoplifting at 7-Eleven, 1316 Alder St., March 19. A store employee told police the suspect took two bottles of mineral water and put them in his coat pocket. When the employee contacted the student he admitted he was trying to steal the merchandise, which was valued at \$2.18. The employee then contacted a police officer who was in the store using the phone when the incident occurred.

• A case of criminal mischief was reported at Guido's March 20. A suspect who had gotten into a argument with a bouncer broke one of the bar's front windows and ran away.

•A 37-year-old man was arrested for DUII, disobeying a red light, failure to obey a police officer and carrying a concealed weapon on the 1300 block of Alder Street March 21. A police officer observed the man ride his bike through a red signal at the intersection of East 13th Avenue and Alder Street. Police followed the man east on East 13th Avenue with their lights flashing. According to police reports, the man turned back and raised his right hand and held up his middle finger. Police chased the man onto campus and commanded him to stop with their PA system.

The suspect finally stopped when police drove in front of him on the sidewalk in front of Fenton Hall. The arresting officer said the man smelled of alcohol, had bloodshot eyes and was having trouble keeping his balance. The suspect said he didn't stop right away because he was looking for a place to stop. He also told police that he consumed a half-case of beer at his brother's house, but he didn't feel intoxicated. According to police reports, the suspect said he didn't remember "flipping the police off." The man refused all tests, and police found a dagger when they searched his backpack.

•A 32-year-old man was arrested for assault on the 1400 block of Alder Street March 28. The man was involved in an argument with his wife and allegedly had slapped her during the incident, according to police reports. Police said the woman had marks on her face and her dress was torn, but she said she didn't want to press charges. The man was arrested after police contacted several witnesses who saw the man strike the woman as they walked down Alder Street fighting, according to police reports.

One University student was cited for consumption of alcohol on an unlicensed premise and another was cited and arrested for minor in possession, using another person's driver's license and giving false information to police March 28. The two students were walking on the 1400 block of Alder Street with open containers of beer, according to police reports. When they were approached by an officer, one presented his real identification and the other showed a University ID and a Oregon Driver's License that were not his.

When police checked the second student's IDs, police records showed that there was an outstanding warrant for the name on the ID. Police took the student to jail because they believed he was the the man on the ID. When they arrived at the police station, the student confessed he was not who he initially claimed to be and was cited and released.

Forest plan ready for presentation at upcoming summit

By Meg Dedolph

Representatives from the University Survival Center and other grass roots environmental groups plan to present a resolution for national forest preservation to President Bill Clinton and Vice-President Al Gore at the upcoming environmental summit in Portland.

"This is the necessary prescription to save forest systems nationwide," said Chad Hanson of the Survival Cen-

Hanson said the resolution is unique because of its national scope and because it focuses on ecosystem preservation as well as forest preservation.

Among other points, the resolution calls for a ban on logging old-growth, ancient, native and maturing second-growth forests of any size on public lands in all 50 states.

It also outlines plans for scientific ecosystem restoration, preservation of salmon habitats and preservation of timber jobs by banning log exports.

The resolution was first drafted at a meeting of 47 grass roots organizations in Portland, Ore. on March 21.

The meeting, which grew out of the Environmental Law Conference held at the University, "turned into a gigantic brainstorm session to create a statement for the summit," Dan Skinner of the Survival Center said.

"It was a completely consensus group organization process, start to finish," Skinner said.

At the end of the conference's first day, Vice President Al Gore's secretary contacted Phil Nanas of the Native Forest Council to ask about the resolution.

"We were incredibly surprised as to how much it spread in only one day's work," Skinner said.

Since then, the Survival Center and other groups have worked to transmit copies of the resolution to as many other environmental groups as possible.

"We've been faxing it and mailing it and calling people all around the country," Skinner said.

The Survival Center's goals in transmitting the resolution are two-fold, Skinner said.

While support from other environmental groups is important, Skinner, Hanson and Scott Watts, also of the Survival Center, agree that the creation of a communication network is equally important.

"While we are looking wholeheartedly for their support, connections are also important," Watts said.



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