

# Phones: Systems fail at 95 degrees

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The systems begin to fail at 95 degrees.

"Nobody experienced any service loss of any kind," Tarlton said.

According to Tarlton, the air conditioner failure was nearly a "disaster," but was unavoidable. The problem was purely mechanical.

"It could be real serious," he said. "There could be some long-term challenges."

Tarlton said the machines could have experienced physical damage and would have needed new parts, which would have

thus taken time to fix.

Tarlton does not know if the systems, which serve all of the approximately 7,000 University telephone stations, have had similar problems in the past.

The Physical Plant had fixed the problem by 8 a.m. and began cooling the room.

The avoidance of disaster can be directly linked to the efficiency of the emergency process used at OPS, Tarlton said.

The problems happened only months before the University will be receiving a new telephone system.

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**Aaron Tarlton**  
Telecom Services Operations Manager

A new system that will use only one-fourth of the space will be installed in March.

Tarlton said users will not notice the change other than upgrades, which will include caller ID.

# Funding: CAS receives bulk of money

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Upham said.

"We're considered a middle-sized university in terms of our research support," Sindtner said. Meanwhile, other research universities like University of Washington, The Johns Hopkins University and MIT get hundreds of millions, she said.

The College of Arts and Sciences receives the bulk of the funds. Natural science departments get a little over 50 percent

of the money, Sindtner said.

"The College of Education gets a quarter of our funding, and they're one of the best funded colleges of education in the nation," she added.

Sindtner stressed the importance of the professors who apply for these research grants.

"The professors apply — they deserve all the credit. Our office is simply the administrative review office," she said.

# Play: 'Dragon' is for family audiences, author says

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the May showing of "Ever the Dragon," believes that the fall tour will draw quite a crowd — especially because of the ticket price.

"Our fee is zero dollars, so it really makes [the show] accessible to lots of people," Gilg said.

"It's a play for family audiences — all ages," Velasco said.

Velasco began working on the play last summer and completed it around February.

The University Theatre tour will include stops in Bend, Corvallis, Florence, Hood River, La Grande, La Pine, Newport, Redmond and Roseburg.

"Ever the Dragon" will also be revived in the fall at Robinson Theatre, Velasco said.

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