



Theft

Monday, May 21, 4:15 p.m.: A bicycle was reported stolen from the Knight Li-

Wednesday, May 23, 11:05 a.m.: A caller reported a forced entry into the Gerlinger Annex.

Wednesday, May 23, 11:51 a.m.: A bicycle was reported stolen from Carson

Wednesday, May 23, 9:02 p.m.: A caller reported stolen items from a locker in the Student Recreational Center.

Vandalism

Monday, May 21, 11:54 a.m.: A caller reported damaged tires on his vehicle, which was parked in a PLC parking lot.

Wednesday, May 23, 1:40 p.m.: A caller reported that his vehicle was broken into and items were stolen from it at the intersection of Patterson Street and 14th Avenue.

Suspicious persons/ Activity

Monday, May 21, 12:54 p.m.: A suspicious person was reported near Oregon Hall.

Monday, May 21, 9:58 p.m.: A caller reported a subject riding a motorcycle on the lawn by Condon Hall.

Tuesday, May 22, 12 a.m.: A caller reported a disorderly male subject near Caswell Hall in the Bean Complex.

Wednesday, May 23, 9:07 p.m.: A caller reported a suspicious subject in the area of 14th Avenue and 18th Avenue.

Wednesday, May 23, 11:44 p.m.: Units responded to a call about a woman screaming on 15th Avenue.

Thursday, May 24, 10:55 a.m.: A caller reported a suspicious subject at the Bean Complex.

Thursday, May 24, 11:14 a.m.: A caller

reported reckless burning at the Bean Complex.

Thursday, May 24, 11:33 p.m.: A male staff member reported a suspicious male subject on 13th Avenue.

Friday, May 25, 2:56 p.m.: A caller reported a sex crime that occurred at the Spencer View Apartments.

Saturday, May 26, 3:45 a.m.: A female caller reported very suspicious-looking male subject in her neighborhood and requested an officer evaluate the scene.

Traffic Incidents

Monday, May 21, 10:55 a.m.: A caller advised her car was victim to a hit and run in the PLC parking lot.

Monday, May 21, 5:02 p.m.: A caller reported his/her car was victim of hit and run in the Bean Hall parking lot.

Wednesday, May 23, 7:42 a.m.: A caller reported a vehicle accident near the Vivian Olum Child Development Center.

Thursday, May 24, 7:48 a.m.: A caller reported a vehicle accident at Franklin and Onyx streets.

Drugs/Alcohol

Wednesday, May 23, 10:26 a.m.: A caller reported a subject trespassing at the Casanova Complex, carrying what appeared to be an alcoholic beverage.

Thursday, May 24, 6:03 p.m.: A caller reported a group of people playing loud music and drinking alcoholic beverages at the Bean Complex.

Friday, May 25, 12:59 a.m.: An officer issued a minor in possession citation at the Bean Complex.

Sunday, May 27, 12:50 a.m.: A female caller reported two to eight males drinking and smoking marijuana at Collier Hall in the Hamilton Complex.

Miscellaneous

Monday, May 21, 11:02 a.m.: A caller reported a subject collapsing in front of the Museum of Art in the memorial quad.

Monday, May 21, 12:48 p.m.: DPS received a report of an unconscious female at the Knight Library.

Wednesday, May 23, 5:20 p.m.: A caller reported an electrical burning odor coming from an elevator in Willamette Hall.

Wednesday, May 23, 10:18 p.m.: A male caller reported possible information on an assault suspect.

Thursday, May 24, 10:07 p.m.: Students called reporting they were stuck in the elevator at the University Inn.

Friday, May 25, 1:59 p.m.: A caller reported an injured athlete at the finish line at Hayward Field.

Disorderly Conduct

Monday, May 21, 5:16 p.m.: A caller reported an incident of indecent exposure at Condon Hall.

Monday, May 21, 10:52 p.m.: A caller reported eight male subjects on bicycles intimidating pedestrians by Grayson Hall.

Wednesday, May 23, 1:29 p.m.: A caller reported subjects throwing water balloons at passersby and vehicles from Boynton Hall in Hamilton Complex.

Wednesday, May 23, 5:02 p.m.: A caller reported two subjects at Lambda Chi Alpha shooting at pedestrians with a BB gun.

Thursday, May 24, 1:27 a.m.: An officer contacted two subjects urinating in the PLC parking lot.

Friday, May 25, 12:32 a.m.: A female caller reported a vehicle with males throwing water balloons at people at the intersection of Kincaid Street and 14th Avenue.

Friday, May 25, 6:08 p.m.: A caller reported four to five subjects engaged in a dispute at the intersection of Franklin Boulevard and Villard Hall.

Saturday, May 26, 11:53 p.m.: A female caller reported a fight in progress between two males at McClure Hall in the Earl Complex.

Monday, May 28, 10:06 p.m.: A caller reported an assault near Schafer Hall in the Walton Complex.

Research

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While Minson's team is working primarily with older adults, Marilyn Nippold, a professor in the communication disorders and sciences program, is using school-age children in her research.

Nippold recently began to study children's abilities to express complex ideas verbally, a process know as expository discourse. She said it involves thinking logically and using reasoning skills.

"Expository discourse is one of the most challenging types of oral expression," she said. "You really have to understand something in orfifth graders by asking them to describe their favorite game. Because this kind of conversation requires using complex details such as describing the game's rules and how it can be won, researchers are able to observe the students' thought processes, she said. The researchers will analyze the results in the summer before moving on to eighth graders and 11th graders in the fall.

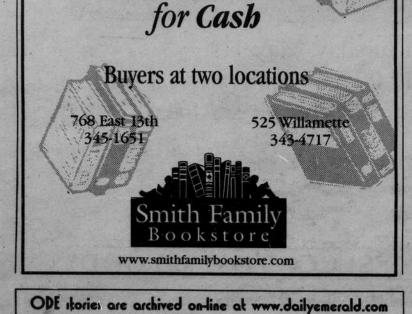
"This is more challenging than story telling," she said. "We're tap-ping into complex, high-level thinking skills."

Nippold said establishing reasonable language standards for public students can help educators improve students' verbal skills and heir ong-run su

with cognitive impairments to use. She said it's often challenging for people with strokes or other cognitive impairments to get out and interact with others, so e-mail may be an efficient way for them to maintain communication with the world.

"Often these folks are severely isolated," she said.

Moore-Sohlberg said she and other researchers performed a study on eight people last summer who have cognitive impairments. The participants used computer interfaces to send e-mail, and the researchers then made a list of the different problems they had with the computer, such as difficulty navigating he mouse



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der to explain it."

Nippold said she hopes to interview 100 students throughout Oregon in the fifth, eighth and 11th grades. She said 20 fifth-grade students have been interviewed so far.

"We're expecting we'll see development improve as we go up the grade levels," she said.

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"Manual labor jobs are not as readily available as they used to be," she said. "More and more people need to have good speaking skills.

McKay Moore-Sohlberg, associate professor of the communication disorders and sciences, program, is working with the University's computer science department to improve e-mail to make it easier for people

"There's a great variability in what kind of help and prompts people want," she said.

Moore-Sohlberg said the people they've used in the studies enjoyed taking part in the research.

'Some have called us asking if they could be in more studies," she said.

