

## MIXING IT UP



Seven-week-old Holmes (left) meets 3-and-a-half-year-old Luscious on Monday afternoon in the EMU Amphitheater.  
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## Lawrence Hall evacuated due to bomb threat

DPS found no bomb after sweeping the building, and is following up on leads in hopes of finding a suspect

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News Reporter

A bomb threat called in to Lawrence Hall forced the 8 a.m. evacuation of staff and hundreds of students from the building Tuesday.

Department of Public Safety Lt. Herb Horner said DPS officials evacuated the building and performed a sweep after a caller with a female voice claimed there was a

bomb in the building. Officers found no suspicious objects. There are no suspects but DPS is still following up on some leads, Horner said.

Michael Smith, director of facilities services for the School of Architecture and Allied Arts, said the dean's office received a phone call stating there was a bomb in the building and everyone should get out. He estimated hundreds of students were evacuated.

He said the students and staff were able to return to Lawrence Hall at about 9:15 a.m.

Several of the stranded students migrated to the EMU Fishbowl.

Fourth-year landscape architecture student Jaime English said she was inconvenienced by the evacuation. She said many architecture students were scheduled to give presentations on their projects, adding that she was not giving a presentation when the building was evacuated. However, she was working on assignments, and the evacuation broke her concentration.

English said this time of year is pivotal for the architecture students who are working on projects and assignments, especially for those enrolled in a studio class.

"It's getting into crunch time for review week," she said.

Another stranded fourth-year landscape architecture student, Joshua Shaklee, was frustrated by the evacuation because he was slated to present his project later in the day, he said.

"This is cutting into my prep time," Shaklee said.

Smith said he hopes the bomb threat was an isolated and random incident.

"This is unique, and I can't remember the last time this happened," he said.

Contact the crime/health/safety reporter at [liscatto@dailymerald.com](mailto:liscatto@dailymerald.com).

## CRIME WATCH

May 11 to May 17

### Theft and recoveries

The Department of Public Safety received four found property reports, three reports of larceny, two reports of fraud, two reports of a bike impound and two reports of bike theft: one from 15th Avenue and one from Deady Hall.

Monday, May 17, 8 a.m.: DPS received a report of a subject using someone else's identification card at an off-campus location.

### Disorderly conduct

DPS received four reports of disorderly conduct, two reports of an arrest, eight reports of a suspicious condition, six reports of a suspicious subject, three reports of skateboard stunting and eight reports of vandalism.

Friday, May 14, 1:23 p.m.: DPS received a report of a subject in a vehicle throwing items at a bicyclist on Agate Street.

### Alcohol and drugs

DPS received one report of a drug law violation and eight reports of a liquor law violation.

Thursday, May 13, 7:25 p.m.: DPS received a report of a subject experiencing an overdose in Young Hall in the Earl Complex.

### Miscellaneous

DPS received eight emergency call reports, one alarm report, one report of a traffic accident, nine reports of criminal trespass and one report of arson at Riley Hall. DPS also received one report of a boot placed on a vehicle, one request to remove a vehicle boot and 13 tow requests: two from the visitor's parking lot, two from the Pacific Hall parking lot, one from Onyx Street, two from 15th Avenue, one from the Carson Hall turnaround, one from the Gerlinger Hall turnaround, one from the large Prince Lucien Campbell parking lot, one from the Clinical Services Building parking lot and two from Alder Street.

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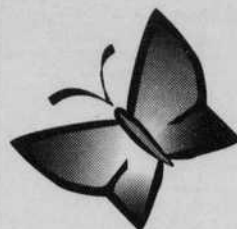
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