University of Oregon Police Department

Campus Crime Alert 2015–01–21

Please note this message may contain information that some may find upsetting.

The University of Oregon Police Department has received information that a woman not affiliated with the UO may have been drugged and later sexually assaulted late Saturday, January 17, while at a private social gathering in Watson Hall, a UO residence hall located inside Hamilton Hall on the UO campus. Attempting to cause another person to ingest something without knowledge or consent is aggravated assault, a felony crime.

This incident is unresolved and an investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information about this or similar incidents should call UOPD Detective Sergeant Kathy Flynn at 541-346-9694. Updates regarding this incident, when and if available, will be posted on the UOPD website at police.uoregon.edu.

CAMPUS SAFETY TIPS FROM UOPD

• No action or inaction by a crime survivor makes that person responsible for his or her victimization. Perpetrators are responsible for crimes and their effects. The following suggestions may help reduce the possibility of experiencing such a crime, or may improve opportunities to receive prompt assistance.

• Don’t touch people against their will, or without their consent (and incapacitated or unconscious people are not able to legally consent); this is a crime. Do not attempt to impair someone through intoxication or other means. Do not “spike” food or beverage in an attempt to impair someone; this is illegal.

• Keep your beverages in your control. Don’t accept an open beverage from an unknown source, offered by a person that you do not trust.

• Look out for the well-being of friends who may be incapacitated. Don’t leave an impaired friend alone, or with a stranger or untrusted acquaintance. If a friend needs medical help, call 9-1-1.

• Schedule a pickup from ASUO’s Safe Ride (541-346-RIDE[7433] ext. 2) or the Designated Driver Shuttle (541-346-7433 ext. 1) or call a taxi. Don’t drive or cycle while intoxicated, don’t get into a vehicle with anyone who has been drinking, and don’t let a friend do the same. Only accept private rides from people you know well and trust.

• Encourage friends to travel in pairs or with trusted companions, especially at night or in remote areas. Be aware of surroundings, and attempt to keep a safe distance from strangers. Whenever possible, keep valuables secured and out of sight.

• If you feel you or others are in danger, call 9-1-1. To report suspicious, illegal or unusual activity on campus, call UOPD at 541-346-2919. Off-campus, call Eugene Police at 541-682-5111. For emergencies or if you see a crime being committed, call 9-1-1.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR SURVIVORS

• Call 541-346-SAFE at any time to learn about options and resources, or visit safe.uoregon.edu.

• For students, a range of support services are available through the Office of the Dean of Students, 541-346-3216; uodos@uoregon.edu.

• For students, personal counseling and other support services are available through the University Counseling and Testing Center, 541-346-3227 (available 24 hours); counseling.uoregon.edu/dnn.

• For students, medical and sexual assault examination services are available at University Health Center, 541-346-2770; healthcenter.uoregon.edu.

• For employees, the Office of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity, 541-346-3123, and Office of Human Resources, 541-346-3159, can assist in connecting to resources.

• Other community resources available are Sexual Assault Support Services (SASS), 541-343-7277 (24 hour crisis line) or 541-484-9791, Womenspace, 541-485-8232 or 541-485-6513 (24 hour crisis line), and White Bird Clinic Counseling, 541-342-8255 541-687-4000 (24 hour crisis line).