

Good News of the Month

The month of May saw a number of stolen bicycle recoveries, including one custom-built bicycle valued in the thousands of dollars. On May 17th, the bike's owner went to the rack to retrieve her bicycle only to discover it missing. She reported it stolen to the UWPD and shortly thereafter, an SPD detective located it at a bike shop. UWPD Detective Bergin met with the bike shop owner. The detective took possession of the stolen bicycle and then returned it to the victim, along with a new U-lock. The victim was extremely grateful.

Continuing our stolen bike successes, including suspect arrests and the recovery of stolen property, detectives arrested another suspect on April 12th. With assistance from the victim, detectives contacted a suspect who was selling the stolen bike. Detectives Bergin and Jackson identified themselves as police officers and recovered the bicycle. Detectives booked the suspect into jail on possession of stolen property, trafficking in stolen property and possession of a controlled substance. Detectives spoke with the suspect regarding the advisability of entering a drug rehab program.

Statistics

The following statistics are for the most common part one crimes on campus. Homicide and rape have not been included in this table due to rare reporting of these crimes. The weighted average for the year-to-date shows what is normal year-to-date. A weighted average is used instead of a simple average because a weighted average gives additional weight to more recent years and thus is a better reflection of the level of crime we should expect.

*Theft excludes auto theft, car prowls and bike thefts as those crimes are counted separately.

Crime	Jan-Apr 2010	Jan-Apr 2011	Weighted Average of Last Five Years	% Difference Between 2011 & Average
Aggravated Assault	1	0	2	-100%
Robbery	2	0	2	-100%
Burglary	25	22	22	0%
Theft*	85	107	93	+15%
Car Prowl	26	28	30	-7%
Bike Theft	38	45	50	-10%
Auto Theft	3	1	7	-86%
Total Crimes	180	203	206	-1%

Hot and Cold Crimes for April 2011

Crime numbers highlighted in red represent "hot" incident types, where there are more such incidents than normal. Crime numbers highlighted in blue represent "cold" incident types, where there are fewer such incidents than normal.

Crime	Average # of Incidents in April	Incidents in April 2011	Notes
Burglary	5	9	Burglary was the cold crime in March and now it's the hot crime. Several of the burglaries involved stealing projectors from classrooms. We see a rash of these once a year and then the burglaries stop. This trend of high burglary numbers is not expected to continue.
Car Prowls	10	3	In March, car prowls were our hot crime. In April, car prowls almost ceased altogether with only three incidents for the month.