

MSC
Arts Awareness Week
Nov 1st-5th

TODAY'S EVENTS

Literary Arts
World's Longest Poem
 10am-2pm @ Rudder Fountain

Film Society
Texas Film Festival Screenings
 11am-1pm @ MSC 216A

Town Hall
Play Anything Say Anything
 12pm-1pm @ Rudder Fountain

Film Society
Film on Video "Swing Kids"
 Introduced by "Texas Aggie Swing Cats"
 5-7pm @ Flagroom

ACE
Diwali Festival
 11:30am-1pm @ Flagroom

Spicmacay
 7pm @ Rumors

Visual Arts
Walk by Art
 @ Rudder Fountain

Daily events listed in the Battalion
 for more information call MSC OPAS @ 845-1515

Honolulu man kills 7

Employee opens fire on coworkers at Xerox office

HONOLULU (AP) — In the latest outburst of workplace violence, a Xerox copier repairman shot and killed seven co-workers in his office building yesterday morning, authorities said. He surrendered after a five-hour armed standoff with police.

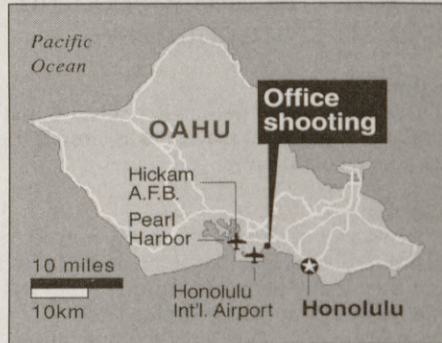
Police believe Byran Uesugi, a 15-year Xerox employee, shot seven fellow copier technicians at about 8 a.m. (1 p.m. EST) before fleeing in a company van with a gun.

He eventually stopped several miles away in a residential neighborhood. Police cordoned off the neighborhood and began negotiating with him about two hours later.

Some five hours after the shooting began, Uesugi emerged from the van, walked to the back of the vehicle with his hands raised and then fell down on the ground. His brother had helped in the negotiations.

SWAT teams raced toward him with automatic weapons drawn. No shots were heard, and no injuries were reported.

"It appears as though it was a disgruntled employee who snapped," Mayor Jeremy Harris said. Police would not comment on a motive, though.



Uesugi, 40, was being booked for investigation of first-degree murder, which carries a mandatory penalty of life without parole.

The gunfire erupted in an industrial section of Honolulu, far from the Waikiki tourist district. Five victims were found dead in a conference room, and two other bodies were found nearby. All had been shot with a 9-mm handgun, authorities said.

Police found 20 9-mm shell casings at the scene. At Uesugi's home, they found 11 handguns, 5 rifles and two shotguns.

The victims — male Xerox employees — were shot on the second floor of the two-story building, authorities said. They ranged in age from 33 to 58.

"It's a shock for all of us. We have such a safe community, with almost no violent crime," Harris said. "To have someone snap like this and murder seven people is just absolutely appalling."

Uesugi was a member of his high-school rifle team and had up to 17 weapons registered in his name. "This could have been much, much worse," Harris said.

By late yesterday morning in Makiki Heights, a residential neighborhood near the shooting scene, negotiators were talking with the suspect through a bullhorn. He was seen pacing back and forth outside the van.

Police cordoned off a half-mile area around his van, which was near the Hawaii Nature Center. About 60 fourth-graders and 12 chaperones were on a nature hike when police told them to get to higher ground. A school bus with two rifle-toting police officers then took the students to safety.

A separate group of first-graders on a field trip also were evacuated in the afternoon.

About 10 homes also were evacuated. Neighborhood residents set up lawn chairs in the streets to watch the situation unfold.

Sentencing begins

for teen-aged killer

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Rambling journal entries written by a teen-ager who killed his parents and two classmates were read as his sentencing began yesterday, with passages describing his feelings of rejection and evil.

The day's hearing ended with the defense playing a tape of a sobbing Kip Kinkel describing to detectives how he shot his mother after telling her, "I love you."

Kinkel's journal included repeated threats: "I am so full of rage ... Blowing the school up or walking into a pep assembly with guns ... that is how I will repay all you ... They won't laugh after they are scraping pieces of their mothers and sisters off the wall of my hate."

Kinkel, 17, hid his face in his arms as the journal entries were read by sheriff's Detective Pamela McComas. He faces 25 years to life in prison for killing his parents and going on a shooting rampage at school.

Afterward, McComas described finding the bodies of Kinkel's parents, and a series of students from Thurston High School in Springfield described how Kinkel warned an acquaintance to go home, then pulled a rifle from underneath his trench coat and shot two boys outside the cafeteria.

Kinkel then propped

open the door to the cafeteria with his foot and opened fire, aiming at individuals. Eventually, he walked to one boy who dived under a table before Kinkel shot in the back of the head, witnesses said.

Springfield police Detective Sgt. Richard L. LaRue added that Kinkel was set to rying two automatic pistols and a knife in addition to rounds of ammunition in his backpack.

Kinkel's bound, handwritten journal contained recipes for bombs and Molotov cocktails, along with ramblings about death and violence. There were references to an unidentified female who gave him hope but rejected him. Kinkel said that he was drunk as he made the entry.

Kinkel pleaded guilty to 24 to four counts of murder and 26 counts of attempted murder in the May 1998 slayings of his parents and students at Thurston, as well as attacks on 25 students a detective.

In his plea bargain, Kinkel agreed to serve 25 years in prison for the murders.

Lane County Judge Jack Mattison, however, can decide how long Kinkel must serve the 7 1/2 years the prosecution has recommended for each of the attempted murder counts.

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