

Lottery entries due; prices rise

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Ticket prices for the student ticket lottery have risen again for the 1978-79 season.

Combined football-basketball tickets now cost \$37.80, up \$2.80 from last year. Football-only cards are down from \$8.50 to \$7.25, but two fewer games are included, which raises the price per game by about 71 cents.

As before, 4,000 student tickets will be sold. To enter the lottery, students must complete the ticket applications that are enclosed in their registration packets and then deposit the cards in the EMU Ballroom before 5 p.m., Sept. 27.

Results are then posted in the EMU, and the first 4,000 have four days to purchase their tickets. Unclaimed tickets are then put on sale with priority to those whose numbers begin after 4,000. Any remaining tickets then go on sale on a first-come, first-served basis.

Past suggestions for improving this computer lottery have proven unfeasible according to Ticket Manager Herb Yamanaka, who says the present system works.

"It's a very equitable system," he says. He also believes criticisms come from un-



Former ASUO President Gary Feldman posts the results of last year's ticket lottery, as anxious students await their fate.

successful entrants. "Those who get a ticket are happy, and those who don't are unhappy," he offers.

Lisa Barnhardt of the ASUO agrees with Yamanaka. "Everyone has an equal chance, and even if you're not drawn you can usually get one if you really want it," she says.

While most winners use their tickets for themselves, others sell them at a profit.

"Scalping is almost impossible to stop," believes Barnhardt, "and it can be a problem."

A bigger problem facing the ASUO concerns the Incidental Fee Committee subsidies of the student tickets. Whereas only 4,000 of the students have tickets, all students pay about \$5 to the Athletic Department. "Every year we hear complaints, but 4,000 people represent, by far, the largest interest group on campus," comments Barn-

hardt.

Although each year's IFC hearings allocate different amounts to the Athletic Department, University rules prohibit abolishing these subsidies. Lost subsidies would consequently raise the price of tickets.

The lottery system has no foreseeable changes. Says Barnhardt, "It works well...if it's administered properly." Cross your fingers.

Softball try-outs upcoming

All women who are interested in trying out for intercollegiate softball are required to attend the fall try-out sessions held by coach Becky Sisley.

The six scheduled sessions will be held from 4-6 p.m. on the following days: Sept. 25, 27, 28 and Oct. 2, 3 and 4. The location for the try-outs is the Amazon softball diamonds, at East 24th Avenue and Amazon Parkway (across the street from the tennis courts).

In case of rain, the sessions will be held in Gymnasium 350 in Gerlinger Annex.

The sessions are required for new players, as well as returning players. Skills circuits emphasizing batting, baserunning and defensive skills will be included.

Sisley believes that these sessions will help the team immensely. "The players will have a chance to get to know each other."

Sisley also emphasizes that decisions regarding multi-sport athletes must be made now. Those who decide to play basketball will not be eligible to play softball in the spring.

Any questions regarding the practice sessions will be answered by Sisley at 686-3373. In order to participate in the try-outs, the prospective players must have a medical on file in the Athletic Department Treatment Center.

New policy requires medicals

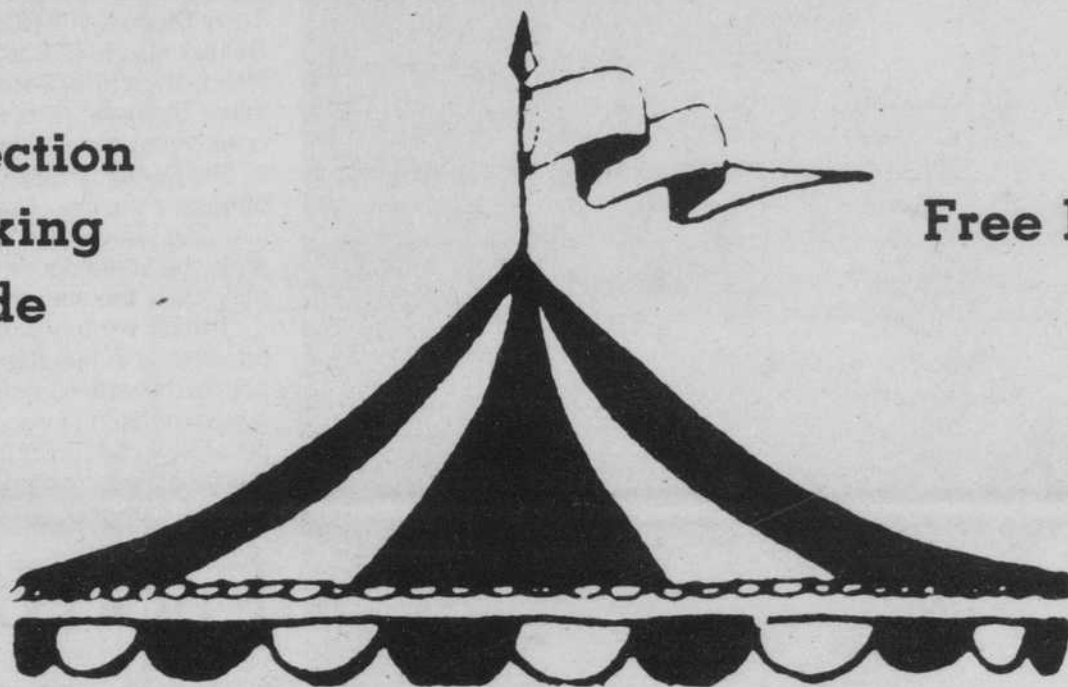
A new Athletic Department policy states that all women athletes must have a medical examination on file before they can practice or even try-out for a team.

The free screening for returning women athletes is Thursday, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m. in the McArthur Court Athletic Treatment Center. This is the only free screening provided for returning athletes all year.

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