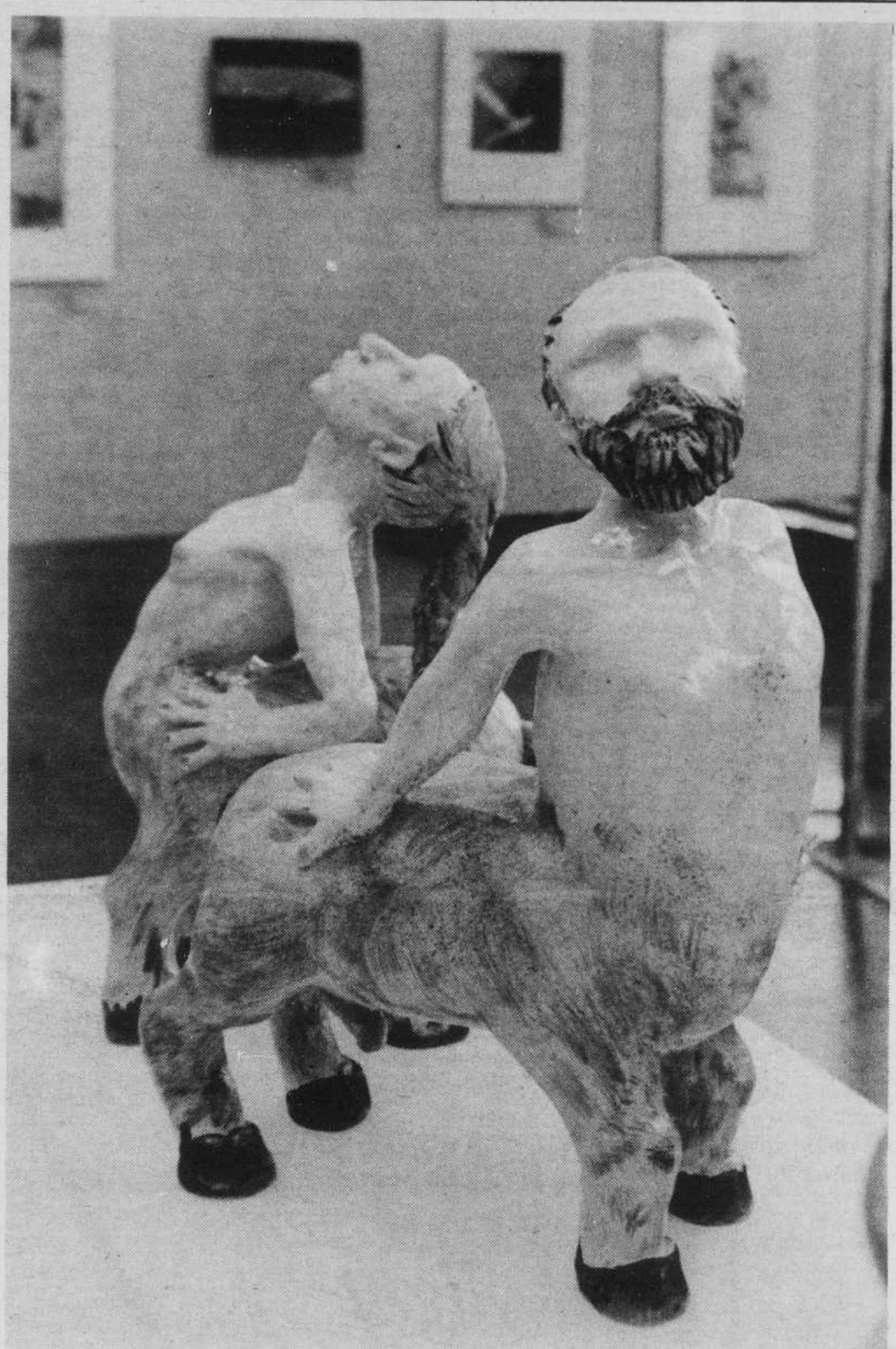


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A family affair

Photo by Erich Boekelheide

"Centurion Couple," a ceramic piece by Deborah Wagner, is one of many works of art being displayed during the EMU Craft Center's "Family Album Show," which began Sunday and will conclude Saturday. The show features work by the center's staff and students and includes painting, weaving, photography and woodwork. Some of the work is for sale. The show is open from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. today through Friday and from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday in Room 167 EMU.

Traces of radioactive chemicals contaminate students, lab

Four biology graduate students were contaminated by traces of a radioactive material Tuesday at the University's Science I Building.

The students received a routine decontamination treatment and a science laboratory was sealed off after four small vials containing small amounts of sulphur 35 broke.

According to Edward Bailey, University physicist, the vials broke shortly before noon when removed from cold storage where they were resting in liquid nitrogen. He said liquid nitrogen, which boils at room temperature, had gotten into the vials. When the vials warmed up to room temperature they broke due to the pressure.

Apparently, the caps on the tiny vials were not secured tightly enough and the liquid nitrogen seeped in.

Contamination was removed from the students' hands and hair, and their contaminated clothing has been isolated. The students were allowed to leave the lab after monitoring showed the decontamination process to be complete, Bailey said.

Room 364 in the Science I Building has been sealed off, and decontamination will be done as soon as possible, Bailey said. The decontamination of the room is considered a "moderate hazard" in the language of the University's Radiation Safety Manual, but clean-up procedures for sulphur 35 are said to be readily available.

ASUO asks IFC to trim back \$40,000

By PAUL TELLES
Of the Emerald

University students won't face an increase in the incidental fee next year if the ASUO has its way with program budgets.

ASUO Pres. Dave Eaton last week recommended to the Incidental Fee Committee a budget of almost \$40,000 less than last year's budget.

Because tuition is likely to increase next year, Eaton says the ASUO should prevent an increase in the fee, the only part of the bill for education directly controlled by students.

"I don't think it's responsible of us to raise tuition in that area," he says. "We're trying to keep control of the area we have control of."

But the cuts won't affect the level of service provided by the programs, Eaton says.

"We (the ASUO Executive) think we can cut budgets and not cut service," because many of the cuts will come from programs that have often built up budget surpluses in the past, Eaton says.

Although the recommendations could be considered a laundry list of woe for the approximately 75 ASUO programs, Eaton says he's had no serious complaints from program directors.

Eaton says this may be because he has requested a \$6,300 decrease in his own ASUO Executive budget.

After the first week of budget hearings ending Saturday, the Incidental Fee Committee was running about \$2,000 above Eaton's recommendations.

IFC chairer Jon Neiderbach says the committee shares Eaton's concern with not raising the incidental fee, but he predicts the EMU budget, which is outside Eaton's jurisdiction, may upset the executive's plans.

Because the recreation center, the main desk and other EMU programs frequently run in the red, the EMU could need as much as \$86,000 in incidental fee money next year, Neiderbach says.

"If the fee goes up, it will be because of the EMU."

However, the committee and the EMU Board, on which Neiderbach is an IFC representative, will consider a number of possible cuts in the EMU budget, Neiderbach says.

If the committee continues to exercise fiscal conservatism, the program budget should leave the ASUO in a good position to bargain over the Athletic Department fee, Eaton says.

The University administration had expected the ASUO to request an inflationary adjustment that would have been used to help compute the athletic department fee, says Acting University Pres. Paul Olum.

But because the student government has trimmed its own sails, Olum says he can't tell what effect the change will eventually have on the athletic fee.

Eaton has suggested the athletic fee be decreased and students be made to pay for tickets to athletic events.

The State Board of Higher Education has already said it won't allow the athletic fee to increase more than \$1.50 per student.

IFC continues cuts during long meeting

By GABRIEL BOEHMER
Of the Emerald

The Incidental Fee Committee spent only two hours Monday reviewing the University Survival Center's 1981-82 budget request — a savings of one hour over last year's three-hour session.

The center's 36-page budget request was designed to show where every dollar is spent, said center director David Daikh. The center requested \$24,000.

But the request didn't follow the required format, and IFC members had difficulties deciding where to cut.

When the cutting was done, the center surfaced with a 1981-82 budget of \$16,838, a 5.4 percent increase from its current allocation.

The new budget includes a salary increase for the center's assistant directors — from \$54 a month to \$90.

Although committee member Kathy Stebner questioned the center's need for a legislative coordinator during an interim year, the committee voted 5-2 to fund the position next year.

"Work does not necessarily end during an interim year," explained center member Rich Wilkens.

The Oregon Advocate, the center's publication, was allocated approximately \$2,300 — \$1,000 of that at 100-percent

payback.

The committee cut funding in several areas, including the graphic art coordinator position, audio-visual and long distance telephone service.

The cuts, however, allowed the IFC to allot full funding for the center's administrative positions.

The ASUO had recommended a 7.9-percent increase for the center.

"The ASUO is very supportive of the Survival Center," ASUO Pres. Dave Eaton told the committee. "If we had the money to spend on a program, the Survival Center would be more likely than other programs to get an increase."

In other business, the Recreation and Park Management program — in only its second year of funding from incidental fees — received an approximately 7-percent increase.

RPM receives no funding for stipends. Incidental fees pay for speakers, conferences and some office expenses.

The IFC approved \$5,500 for Off-Campus Housing, an increase of approximately \$200 from last year's allocation.

The Condon Society, a group from the University Geology department, received a small funding increase. The Condon Society's major expense involves travel and stipends for speakers.