

Doctors con cancer victims, therapist says

Hypno-therapist advocates Laetrile, 'metabolic treatment' as alternatives

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Private physicians and medical associations deceive cancer patients by advocating useless and lethal cancer treatments, a spokesman for the Eugene Cancer Control Center told a small audience at the Lane County Public Service building Sunday night.

The American Cancer Society, the American Medical Association and the Food and Drug Administration are interested in profits, not health, said Evan Reed, a hypno-therapist who specializes in cancer treatment.

The Cancer Control Center has been a vocal advocate of the controversial drug, Laetrile, a derivative of apricot pits thought by many to be an effective anti-cancer agent. Laetrile has been banned by the FDA after studies alleged it did nothing to help cure cancer.

Reed said that currently "accepted" cancer treatments, such as chemotherapy and radiation therapy, are not effective. He called them "expensive schemes" designed to keep patients alive long enough to make a profit.

An average cancer victim spends \$23,000 from the time of initial diagnosis to the time of death, according to Reed.

"Where does that money go? Into somebody's pocket. Twelve-hundred people a day are dying of cancer-related causes. That represents a lot of money."

Reed accused the medical profession of "waging psychological warfare" against cancer patients by telling terminal cases they were going to die and then prescribing expensive therapy.

"They're not interested in your health, they're interested in your money."

Instead of chemical or X-ray treatments to stop cancer, Reed advocated what he termed "metabolic treatment," which includes a raw and natural foods diet and extensive use of Laetrile and hydrozyne sulfate.

Hydrozyne sulfate is a derivative similar to Laetrile that Reed claimed has immediate effects on cancer cells, in some cases eliminating them after only a few doses.

"But it has one problem," he said. "It's cheap — it's cheaper than dirt." If mass produced, the drug would cost less than 10 cents per dose, he said. "That's why it's not recognized. There's no money there."

The Cancer Control Center is a division of Spiritual Enterprises, Inc., a "nondenominational religious organization," according to Reed.



Evan Reed

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Commission calls for adequate downtown housing

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Eugene should encourage adequate downtown housing for all income groups but at the same time should discourage the creation of low-income neighborhoods.

That's the gist of a revised downtown housing strategy report heard Monday by the Eugene Planning Commission and passed on to the city council for adoption.

The report, called "Housing in Eugene's Downtown: Long Term Strategies," calls for making the city's downtown area a major residential neighborhood equal in priority to its role as a cultural, governmental and commercial center.

In order to achieve this goal, the report says, the city should make housing its top short-term priority.

The city should "encourage developments that mingle different types of housing and thus accommodate households of varied ages, incomes, occupations and interests while at the same time discouraging the creation of areas characterized by households with low incomes," the report says.

The strategy report along with its revisions will be considered by the city council at its April 13 meeting.

The revised report calls for encouraging downtown housing development through the following actions:

- Consider long-term leasing of parking spaces within public parking structures as an alternative for meeting parking requirements for downtown residential development.

- Identify specific sites for housing development downtown and provide certain amenities needed to support and encourage the

development. Amenities that may encourage housing construction include development of residential lighting, trees along streets, open space and parks, and contributions to residential support services such as day care centers or grocery stores.

- Investigate the formation of a non-profit housing corporation and work with various groups to develop local financial assistance for downtown housing. The assistance could

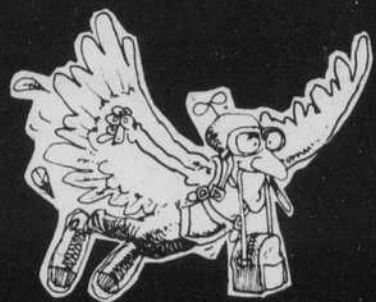
include general obligation bonds, a public urban bank or use of housing revenue bonds downtown.

- Eliminate or lessen the impact of regulations or laws that inhibit downtown housing.

- Improve housing rehabilitation programs as a way to

conserve and improve the more than 1,500 dwelling units now located downtown.

City officials say the current housing rehabilitation loan program is well-used by owner-occupants of single-family homes, but it is under-used by investor-owners of both single-family and multi-family residences.



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