

L.A. firm provides financial aid lists

A Los Angeles company would like to provide students who need financial aid with alternatives to federally funded student aid programs.

The Scholarship Bank refers students to more than 25,000 private funding sources, such as those offered by private foundations, civic groups and trade organizations, according to Steve Danz, director of The Scholarship Bank.

Students fill out a form answering questions concerning interests, major, occupational goals and financial need. The Scholarship Bank sends students a printout of available aid meeting their needs.

Most students receive more

than 45 different aid sources, Danz says, adding that funding information is updated daily.

Available aid includes grants, loans, scholarships and work opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students.

The service costs \$35 for up to 20 sources and \$45 for up to 50 sources, although a two-for-one offer is good through this month, enabling two students to receive the service for the cost of one. To obtain a questionnaire, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the company at 10100 Santa Monica Blvd., No. 750, Los Angeles, CA 90067.

City hall opens its doors

The usually tranquil, businesslike Eugene City Hall looked more like a "Saturday market" of exhibits on city government agencies and services Monday night.

The "open house" event — the second of its kind — was the culmination of the city's "Citizen Participation Month," held every October for the past five years.

Exhibits detailing virtually every city government operation and informational tables representing 55 citizen advisory groups dotted the area outside the city council chambers. About 150 citizens strolled around the grounds, drinking cider and taking in exhibits ranging from the Fire Station's latest paramedic equipment to slide shows on sewage treatment.

An unusually short city council meeting followed the open house. At the meeting, Eugene Mayor Gus Keller announced the city's 1981-82 year goals.

Topping the 10-item list was economic development and diversification, which Keller called "a high priority."

"We're talking about getting ready for a better economic flavor in the community," Keller said.

The balance of the list, which includes finan-

cial planning, downtown revitalization, Performing Arts Center support, wastewater management and community relations and others, "forms a nice package for us to deal with," he added.

"These are the priorities the council sees in the immediate future," Keller said.

Noting that the goals require money — a "difficult" problem, Keller said, "We want to make this an ideal community with great livability and that of course takes money."

"We'll find that we'll survive the current economic environment we find ourselves in."

City councilor Betty Smith called the evening a "success" and said "let's have more open houses."

Keller also asked the city's most active citizens to stand up and be recognized, but only three citizens were present to receive the city council's thanks.

Eugene citizen participation takes the form of 330 citizens who sit on the 55 advisory boards and the 700 citizens who participate in the 20 neighborhood organizations, Keller said.

"Those 1,000 citizens put in 25,000 hours to make this community a place we all can be proud of," he said.

IFC agrees to fund military seminar

The Incidental Fee Committee granted about \$4,850 Monday to help pay for the National Security Conference planned for Feb. 25-27 at the University.

"We'd like students to see the people who make the decisions," John Stewart, ASUO vice president for state and public affairs, told the committee.

Other funding approved by the committee includes the release of \$2,500 already allocated as a budget line item and \$3,000 as a loan.

The conference, which will cost \$13,000, will feature debates on national security strategy, military spending, the

Soviet threat, and military manpower.

Other subjects to be discussed are the influence of strategic technology on defense policy, international security assistance, and the relationship between nuclear war deterrence and world response to United States and Soviet policies.

In other business, the committee unanimously approved transferring surplus funds from any organization into the general surplus fund unless that money is requested by the organization.

This has been the practice in the past, chairer Karsten

Rasmussen said.

The committee also is hiring a short-term committee administrator until a "notetaker" can be hired for goal hearings, Rasmussen reported.

Although the body did not take action, committee members agreed it is best to allow any organization into the goal hearing process.

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