

Corrections facilities

Oregon votes on bond sale

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Whether the state should loan its credit to finance construction and improvement of state and local corrections facilities will be decided by Oregon voters on May 18 in the primary election.

If approved, Ballot Measure 3 would permit the state to sell up to \$60 million in general obligation bonds "to provide financing for the planning, acquisition, construction, equipping or improvement of state, regional, county or local corrections facilities."

These facilities may include, but are not limited to, jail or prison facilities, work camps and centers for housing inmates in the process of paying fines or making restitution.

Money from the Corrections Building Fund, created by the bond sales, could be granted to counties and cities for constructing or improving corrections facilities other than jails as well as for jails.

Jacklyn Bartruff, of People for Prison Alternatives, writes in the voters' pamphlet that Oregon already ranks in the top third of the states in prisoners per capita, and cites a recent study showing that crime rates are higher "in states where the main response to crime has been more prison construction," and that "the more space available, the more police and judicial practices change to fill that space."

Instead of constructing more jail-space, Bartruff would support im-

plementation of "community-based alternatives" such as volunteer work, restitution, crime prevention and increased use of parole.

Rep. Donna Zajone supports the measure because local plans developed by county commissioners with citizen input will be considered in the total state plan.

But Bartruff argues that of the plans submitted thus far, "half of the bed-space is in jails, rather than in alternative facilities."

Rep. Wally Priestley opposes the measure because over the past decade, the Oregon Corrections Division has emphasized caging, rather than rehabilitating criminals.

But Robert Watson, corrections division administrator, disagrees with Priestley's analysis. Since the mid-1970s, the Corrections Division has increased the percentage of convicted criminals placed on probation by one third — where it is "near the saturation point" — and has emphasized providing "funds to counties for rehabilitation programs suited to localities" under the Community Corrections Act, Watson says.

Ballot Measure 3 "will do much to improve the whole spectrum of corrections, including alternative facilities, and not just state needs or just prisons," Watson says.

Gov. Vic Atiyeh and Attorney General Dave Frohnmayer, in another voters' pamphlet argument, write that Ballot Measure 3 "would provide more space in alternative settings so we can help prisoners work their way

back into the community, or make it possible for them to pay restitution to the victims of their crimes."

Opponents of the measure argue that interest payments and prison operating costs will cost taxpayers much more than \$60 million and will weaken Oregon's already poor bond market.

Proponents say that the sale of bonds is the best way to fund construction of facilities around the state because they can be paid off over time, rather than paying for entire construction projects all at once.

While the measure's opponents question the need for additional prison bedspace, proponents point to the state's increasing crime rate and the fact that the state has not built a major correctional facility for felons since 1959. Watson notes that from January to March 1980, 324 inmates were released because of the overcrowding problem, and since then, 700 single-occupant living quarters have been converted into double cells.

"We haven't built (prison facilities) for a long time and we are still receiving prisoners," Watson says. "It's time to build; so let's build."

Bartruff responds, "The system doesn't work; it hasn't deterred criminals, and may be making things worse."

"Rather than take people out of the community and teach them how to act," Bartruff asks, "why not keep them out of prison so they can remain a part of the community?"

Olum noodles, Jackie O dish highlight feast

Tired of eating in the EMU? The University Mothers' Club is sponsoring a luncheon Thursday featuring recipes from their centennial cookbook.

The luncheon, which includes an awards ceremony for Mothers' Club scholarships, is open to all students and the public. For \$4.50 (general public) or \$2.50 (students and senior citizens), diners can choose from a variety of dishes, including a noodle creation by University Pres. Paul Olum and Jackie O's favorite chicken recipe.

During the lunch, student Richard Poulen will deliver a speech entitled "The Art of Non-verbal Communication." Poulen is the winner of the first annual George W. Cherry speech contest and the recipient of a \$500 Mothers' club scholarship.

Other scholarships to be awarded include two \$1,000 Mothers' Club Natural History Museum Scholarships being given to students who will help in the University's natural history museum next year.

The \$1,000 Golda Wickham Award, in honor of a former University dean of women, will be awarded to a University woman on the basis of need, service and potential. Two \$500 Mothers' Club scholarships will be given to a man and woman.

The lunch will be held from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Gerlinger Lounge. Reservations are not necessary.

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Tennis Mixed Doubles Parents Weekend Special - May 15

Since this is Parents Weekend we invite you to:

1. enter your parents as a team
2. enter yourself and one parent
3. enter with your regular partner

The tournament will be played at the Alder Street Courts or if raining at the Covered Courts. Entry deadline with your regular partner is May 14, 5 p.m.; with/for parents(s) is May 15, 1:30 p.m. For details and entry blanks come to 103 Gerlinger.

Fun Run - May 13

The last run of the year, no entry fee! Run either 2.5 or 4.5 mile course. No pre-registration necessary. Meet at the duck pond (Franklin and Onyx) on May 13 at 4 p.m.

Frisbee Golf Tournament - May 18

This is a team event. A team consists of two players, 2 men, 2 women or 1 man and 1 woman. Teams may enter the 9 or 18 hole tournament. Entry deadline Monday, May 17, 5 p.m. For details and entry blanks come to 103 Gerlinger.

Softball Intramural Teams Attention!

All teams who have not forfeited during the season will go into playoffs. Check at the RIM office for your schedule. Keep the "fever" going.

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