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40,000 burn and booze at concert

Some 40,000 sweaty, loud, but generally well-behaved music lovers jammed into Autzen Stadium Sunday to see Oregon Jam '82.

Seven and a half hours of sun and music fried the audience as they listened to Taxi, Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, Blue Oyster Cult, Loverboy, and headliner Foreigner.

When the gates opened at 8 a.m. those who had camped in the parking lot all night began streaming in. By 11 a.m. the stadium was full, the parking lot was full and the main roads leading to the stadium were packed with cars and people still trying to get in.

Athletic department officials reported 39,939 tickets sold. The athletic department made about \$76,850 from their share of the ticket sales, said Mike Easterly, business manager for the athletic department.

Everyone entering Autzen was subject to a physical search by "peer security" officers — University football players, reserve police officers and police cadets — in an effort to keep out glass bottles, cameras, and tape recorders.

Dozens of T-shirt hawkers, ticket scalpers, and people without tickets or money hung around outside the stadium.

Most of the crowd was dressed for the warm weather. Bathing suits, shorts, and sunscreen was the dress for the day.

According to Jeff Hehn, a supervisor for Creative Security Inc. who was responsible for concert security, the crowd was a lot younger this year — averaging about 20 years old.

"Last year the average age was about 25," Hehn said that security was easier this year because the younger crowd listened to authority. "They don't question you."

There were a few scrimmages at the gates and a couple of unruly people were thrown out but there were no major fights and things were fairly peaceful throughout the day.

No major injuries were reported at the concert but the White Bird medical services area was filled with people who needed minor medical attention.

"A lot of people are being treated for ETOH," — excessive alcohol consumption — said Wilber Gregg who staffed the medical booth. According to Gregg most of those seeking aid were either sunburnt or drunk.



Top: Most of the audience stood for the entire 7½-hour concert. After early clouds, temperatures soared into the upper 80's, but it was well over 90 inside the stadium.

Right: Wall-to-wall bodies line up outside the concession stands and the bathrooms. Security officials said the crowd was generally about five years younger than last year.

Left: New wave rockette Joan Jett blasted her favorites and in turn was a favorite of the audience.



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Board requests funds for high-tech classes

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ASHLAND — The State Board of Higher Education is making an effort to reprogram the anaemic computer science departments at three state-funded universities.

The state board tabbed development of the computer science programs as its highest priority for "program enhancement," at its July meeting at Southern Oregon State College in Ashland.

Also on the priority list, which is a request to the state Legislature for additional funding for higher education, are the engineering programs at Portland State University and Oregon State University as well as cell biology at the University.

The University's share of the nearly \$4 million dollars in prioritized enhancements is about \$1.5 million. One million of that share is earmarked for the computer and information science

department and about \$496,000 is directed to cell biology.

The computer and engineering programs were named for priority funding "because of their obvious tie-in to the economic development program initiated by the state legislature," according to state board officials.

Other items on the list of requests that weren't prioritized include library improvements for three colleges and an \$800,000 request from the Oregon Health Sciences University for improvements in "faculty resources."

The program "enhancements" are in the same vein as Chancellor Bud Davis' request and the board's subsequent approval of a Council for Advanced Science and Engineering Education/Research for Industry.

The program enhancements and CA-SEERI are both part of the plan to entice high technology business into Oregon, and particularly into the Willamette Val-

ley corridor.

The new council will consist of representatives from the three state-funded universities, at least two private colleges and one from private industry. The council's headquarters will be at the Portland State University campus. A director, not yet appointed, will also serve as a "Special Assistant" to the Chancellor.

The state Legislature managed to scrape \$500,000 — which will be matched by funds from private industry — from its emaciated budget to help finance this sort of council.

"I feel so strongly about this," Davis said. "I feel we should go ahead... even if we don't receive a penny."

But board member James Petersen expressed concern that council will focus only on the northern Willamette Valley and will virtually ignore all other parts of the state.

Petersen told the board that it was

"failing to recognize the needs of the state as a whole.

"The posture of the board is to the state, not just areas," Petersen said.

Board member Louis Perry added that "the north is getting all the dough, while the southeast is starved."

Larry Pierce, the Chancellor's newly appointed special assistant for long-range planning introduced an "outline for discussion" of the Chancellor's office's "strategic planning" for the state system.

Pierce, formerly head of the University's political science department, said the plan has four main sections: System-wide goals, a tentative outline of long range plans, the designing process for the long range plans and "key questions" about the plans.

The board approved the plans and decided to "review its progress at a retreat scheduled for September 12 through 13.