

Board resists anti-bike idea

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The Student University Affairs Board Monday voted to oppose prohibiting bicycle traffic through the closed portion of 13th Street.

The Transportation subcommittee of the student-faculty Campus Planning committee discussed such a policy at its last meeting, said SUAB member Mark Lakeman. Some subcommittee members are concerned about protecting pedestrians walking in the area, he said.

"It seems like the dumbest thing to propose," said board member Roy Yackulic. That would not leave another way to bicycle across campus, he said.

The suggestion does not deal with the concerns of cyclists, most of whom are students, Lakeman said. The board unanimously approved the opposition motion.

The Emerald could not reach other subcommittee members for comment.

In other business, SUAB discussed establishing a graduation honors program.

Students with a grade point index of 3.55 to 3.69 would receive cum laude honors, 3.70 to 3.79 magna cum laude and 3.80 to 4.00 summa cum laude, said Daniel Cohen, an economics and mathematics senior who testified before the board. The program would recognize students' achievement at the graduation ceremony and on their transcripts, he said.

The University has not had a graduation honors program for about 10 years, Cohen said. Other Pac-10 universities have such programs, he added.

The proposal will be discussed at future SUAB meetings before it is introduced to the University Senate, said SUAB chair Dan Allen.

The board discussed another

proposal for future consideration that would make ASUO presidential appointments to the ASUO Constitution Committee subject to SUAB approval. SUAB approves appointments to the Incidental Fee Committee and the EMU Board.

Because the student government is structured after the federal government, SUAB should approve constitution committee appointments like Congress approves Supreme Court appointments, said SUAB member Lori Lieberman. This would provide continuity, she added.

"You can't appoint any Joe Blow to the Supreme Court," Lieberman said.

The board also approved two new SUAB members. Rick Housh, an English junior, will fill the humanities position and Dennis Bailey, an education and Community Service and Public Affairs senior, will fill the CSPA-education post.

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exist, but Funk estimates a gay population of between 6 and 11 percent.

GALA has an "active constituency" of about 100, and about 250 students participate in GALA's activities such as rap sessions or support groups, Funk says.

"But I like to think we speak for a lot more people than that," Funk says.

Both Funk and Kester are gays who have "come out" — their sexual preferences are no secret. Now they feel at ease when talking about their lifestyle. But it hasn't always been so easy.

Funk was 20 and a student at Oregon State University when he went through his coming-out period. Shortly afterward he dropped out.

"The experiences I had coming out were probably one of the major reasons I quit school," Funk says. He remembers sinking into depressions that once brought him to the brink of suicide.

"God, that is just horrible," he says.

While Funk talks of his experiences, Kester nods her head in agreement.

"The isolation would be the biggest thing I felt," she says.

When she came out to friends, the most common reaction was politeness. Then she would never hear from the friend again.

But the homosexual movement is making great progress in the 1980s, Funk says.

"Right now we're in a consolidation phase, dealing with the courts," he says. "We've already had the phase where we're out there screaming and yelling. We've finally started realizing money is the key, the legal system is the key, and organization is also the key."

It has been four years since Funk left OSU, four years of gaining confidence and learning to accept himself. In his activities as a peer adviser and working with the ESCAPE program, Funk says he has been "very open" about his homosexuality.

Mortar Board honors three professors

Mortar Board, the senior honor society, has announced the fall term Professor-of-the-Month winners.

Winners are Tyrone Tillery, history, for October; Laird Kirkpatrick, law, for November; and John Keana, chemistry, for December.

"Response to the Professor-of-the-Month competition was overwhelming," said Jeff Nudelman, event coordinator. Students nominated about 50 professors, he said.

Applications for the January Professor-of-the-Month will open Jan. 5. Students may leave

applications in the first floor box of the library or the Mortar Board mailbox in EMU Suite 4.

Correction

Thursday's entertainment calendar incorrectly listed the date for the Eugene Youth Symphony concert. The concert is tonight at 7:30 at South Eugene High School. Ticket prices are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and senior citizens.

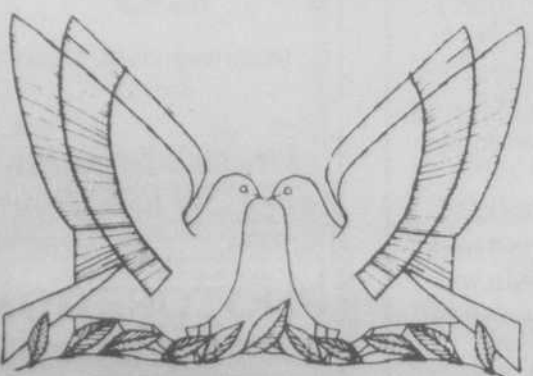
Fair offers entertainment

Live entertainment will highlight the Christmas Craft Fair Wednesday through Friday in EMU Room 167.

Live entertainment includes mimes and elementary school students' songs and skits. The fair will run Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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