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Child care centers poorly kept up, officials say



Photo by Maria Corvallis

The Brown House is one of three aging Child Care and Development Centers administered by the EMU.

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A University child care coordinator claims campus child care facilities are not being maintained as they should be.

Dennis Reynolds, the EMU child care coordinator, blames the poor upkeep on a lack of University funding and confusion over what department is responsible for the maintenance of each building.

"The child care buildings are supposed to be maintained as if they were a regular University classroom, but very few academic buildings are allowed to get this funky," he said.

Two of the three child care buildings became schools in the 1960s, and since then very little has been done to make any major improvements in the buildings, Reynolds said.

"We have 1960s facilities with 1980s needs," he said.

About 190 student-parents, 19 employee families and 19 community families are served by three Child Care and Development Centers — the Moss

and Brown houses, at 1511 and 1511½ Moss St., respectively; the Villard and Green houses, at 1542 Villard St. and 1533 Moss St., respectively; and the EMU child care center.

The housing department owns and is in charge of maintenance for the Villard and Green houses, and the Physical Plant owns and maintains the Moss and Brown houses.

Having the child care centers split up causes problems, Reynolds said, especially when it comes to maintenance, because it is not always clear exactly who is in charge of fixing what.

Last year the Incidental Fee Committee gave the centers about \$6,000 from its overrealized funds account, Reynolds said. The money was intended for play equipment. But most of it went to hire a work-study student to build a room connecting two other classrooms at the Brown house, he said.

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AIDS Task Force aims to educate community

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Installing condom machines in the dorms is only one of several programs the University AIDS Task Force has planned for spring term in an attempt to increase AIDS awareness on campus.

The task force, which had its first meeting Tuesday, also is planning a brown-bag forum and a panel discussion sometime next term, with a symposium to follow next fall. The dates have not yet been confirmed.

"We're eager to plan sufficient educa-

tional programs so that everyone gets informed," said task force Chairman Gerry Mosley.

The committee is concerned about educating the general population about AIDS because the problem is becoming increasingly prominent in the heterosexual community.

"We're seeing a denial in the heterosexual community that was in the gay community a few years ago," said Jeff Bernhardt, ASUO assistant University affairs coordinator.

"Anyone who is sexually active and

has had more than one partner needs to know of the disease. We want to get students more aware of it as a possible concern," said Dr. Jim Jackson, director of the Student Health Center.

Jackson said college students are "potentially at high risk for contracting this virus, and the time to educate is now while there's a chance to stop it."

Condom Awareness Day, which took place last month, and the recent issue of "Well Now," the health center's newsletter distributed this week, were two steps taken to reach this goal.

According to Moseley, Condom Awareness Day was very successful and "brought a lot of response from other campuses" that may look into attempting similar programs.

The next step is getting the condom machines installed in the dorms. Tim Regan, chairman of the Residence Hall Governance Committee, said the RHGC proposed to the housing department Monday that "at least a couple of machines be put in all the complexes."

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Record editor resigns, cites heavy class load

Lisa Loving, editor of the ASUO publication The Record has announced her resignation from that post effective April 3.

Loving said her decision has to do with her spring term class load.

She plans to take 20 credits next term and will be unable to handle such a heavy class load and The Record simultaneously, she said.

The Record Assistant Editor Dan Thoma said, "Taking that class load and working on The Record would either drive a person insane or drive them dead."

Loving was sad to leave The Record, she said, and commented that she thoroughly enjoyed working on it. She took great pleasure in seeing how it has improved over the year, she added.

She must pass a physics to graduate with an American studies degree in June.

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and The Record simultaneously, she said.

"Working on The Record has been a good experience," she said. "I have been involved in journalism since I was a freshman in high school. It has helped me decide what I want to do with my life."

"I feel as though they (Record staff members) really have improved," she said. "Dan and I have brought more people into the process of putting out The Record."

The ASUO has not chosen a replacement, Loving said. She will work on the next issue, due to be out April 3.

Thoma probably will put out the final issue, he said, but that decision is not likely to be made until next term.

Thoma was surprised to hear of Loving's resignation and is sorry she is leaving, he said.

"If I had my choice, she would not be leaving," he said.

The Record is the official publication of the ASUO and is published twice a term.



Dust to dust

Emerald Hall, originally erected as a temporary building in 1946, met with the jaws of Greg Payne's bulldozer Thursday. Payne, who owns the trucking and construction company in charge of demolishing the structure, expects to have the lot cleared in about 18 days.

Photo by Michael Wilhelm