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## Interfaith

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one role out of many at the Koinonia Center.

"The main purpose of this place is to provide a sense of community and a sense of comfort, and a safe place for students," said Fjerkenstad.

The Koinonia building itself has been around since at least the turn of the century. Part of the long history includes having been the birth place of Joan Mondale, whose father resided there as a campus minister.

Some students come to find a quiet place to study in the three story building, or to meet informally with each other. Many non-religious groups hold meetings at the center as well, including Alcoholics Anonymous and gay support groups.

"There are a lot of groups that meet here that don't feel welcome at other places and I'm glad we can provide (a place) for them," said Heger.

An important function of the center is the counseling services. In addition to the Interfaith counselors, three other organizations provide counseling. Together they offer comfort to people facing problems with relationships, school stress, money, and crises in faith.

Staff members encourage people to think of the center as a place to be comfortable, and not as a primarily religious place. Anyone seeking proselytizing

sermons will be disappointed.

Students often visit the center to temporarily escape from the harried and stressful life of paper deadlines and midterms. Particularly during fall new students see the center as a community where they find safety and support. Most of the students do not come in looking for a religious connection, Fjerkenstad said.

"They are looking for a community, or support, or a group of people they can relate to, or a place of safety," Fjerkenstad said.

Interfaith also organizes a series of activities and events.

Some of the planned activities this fall will include a picnic for new students, a rafting trip down the McKenzie, and study group meetings dealing with inner growth and outer change.

Interfaith will also organize a series of Brown Bag Forums with the ASUO. Faculty members, political activists, and community leaders take part in the forums which can range in subject from South Africa, to coping with stress during finals, and sex roles within the church.

For more information about Interfaith contact Tom Heger or Susan Fjerkenstad at 484-1707.

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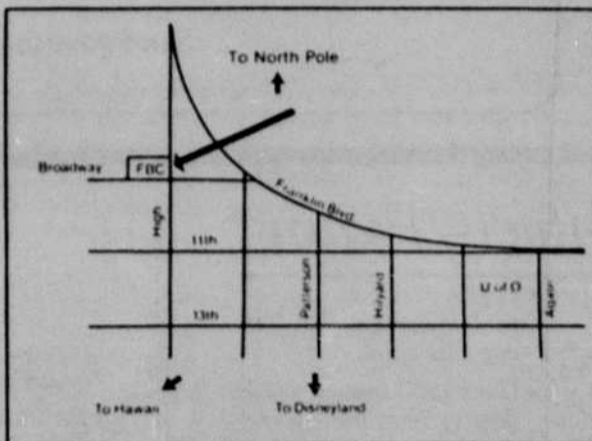
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