

year-old gentleman from India who ran the 100-meter race in his traditional head garb," Kousky said. "The competition and the many personalities will make for an enjoyable track meet."

A runner who fits this description would be Eugene's Pat Dixon, a world record holder in several distance races. Dixon, who started running at the age of 59, will compete in the women's 70 to 74 age bracket. That suits her just fine. The competition was getting a little too tough, she said.

"I was damned good when I was 62," she said. However, as she moved up in age in her age bracket, Dixon started getting challenged by younger runners.

Dixon believes her chances are pretty good to win some medals. After winning one gold, two silver and two bronze medals in the championships at Melbourne, Dixon should know. She runs 30 miles a week and is planning to do some high altitude training in

Bend later this spring.

She remembers the championships in Melbourne as a great thrill for everyone involved and predicts the same for the Eugene Championships. "We all left with sadness but with a really good feeling," she said. "It will be interesting for the young people to see the old people compete," she added.

Kousky said that with still more than six months before the championships begin, the amount of mail and phone calls she has received from competitors eager to get here is overwhelming. "It's very exciting," she said.

Eugene may never host a World Veterans' Championships again, Kousky said, because the event will simply outgrow Eugene. For that reason, she urges all those interested to volunteer. The organizing committee's office is located at the Hilton.

Greeks help YMCA child care

By Polly Campbell
Emerald Reporter

Fraternities and sororities are working together to benefit the child care program at the YMCA.

"Greek Days of Giving" offers a week full of scheduled events planned to bring the Greek system together in a combined effort to help out the community, said Brian Thompson, chairman of the Greek Activities Council.

Activities for the week follow: Today there is a faculty dinner. Professors have been invited to attend formal dinners at sororities and fraternities. Tuesday is a Valentine's Day fundraiser. Hershey kisses will be sold and the money raised will benefit the YMCA. Wednesday features a 5K fun run. On Thursday an ice cream social will be held for the children from the YMCA and entertainment will also be provided.

"Greek Days of Giving" winds up with a comedy night that is open to the general public. Comedy night, being held in 150 Geology will feature amateur acts from all of the fraternities and sororities as well as a professional comedian. Cost for the event is \$2.

"There has been a lot of positive feedback from the community and the Greeks," said Susie Gray, Greek activities chairwoman.

Promoters of the week-long event are working to provide the community with a more positive view of the Greek program on this campus.

"Lately we've been getting a very bad rap on this campus, because of the fraternity fight," said Panhellenic Vice President Kara Snyder. "We do a lot of good things for the campus and the community but they go unnoticed," she said.

Philanthropies are something each house has and usually work on their own throughout the year, said Alicia Beckwith, Panhellenic public relations director.

"We are a philanthropic system and now all houses work together once a year to help out," Beckwith said.

"Greek Days of Giving" will help to improve the Greek system's image on campus and in the community," Snyder said.

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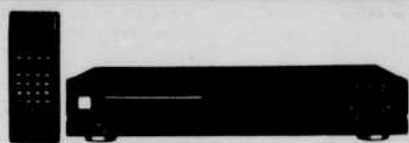


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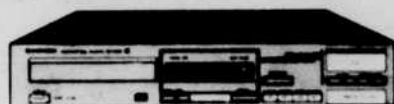
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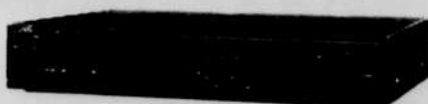
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