#### University

# First international ball tonight

## Proceeds go to international exchange

By Jolie Andrade **Emerald Reporter** 

The University will hold the first International Ball tonight to bring students and community members together to share international food, music and

The semiformal event from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. is co-sponsored by the the Ballroom Dance Club, International Student Association and the University residence halls.

'The original idea came from international students who attended balls and dances in their own countries and thought it would be nice to have one here," said Nancy Anderson, founder of the University Ballroom Dance Club.

From this idea the three groups decided to get together to increase global awareness at the University and in the Eugene community, she said.

Anderson said she hopes the dance will become an annual

We would like for this to be the first annual international ball," she said.

Live music will be played by Swing Shift, a local band emphasizing the big band style of the 1940's and 1950's. But for those who aren't interested in ballroom dancing, Anderson said popular international music from Malaysia and the Caribbean will be featured as well. International desserts and coffees will also be served.

Sally Smith, a residence hall area director, said door prizes will be awarded, and the University residence halls are also giving away an all-expensepaid trip for two to Disneyland in conjunction with the dance.

Smith said she believes the raffle will generate enough money to enable the University

to pay for room and board for one international student next year. She said they raised \$900 last year with the same give

"We have \$900 already in account from last year and we're hoping we can raise enough this year to be able to offer a whole year scholarship for one international exchange student," Smith said.

Smith said Pavia University in Italy offered a University student free room and board as a part of an exchange program last year but the University was unable to do the same due to lack of funds. She said she got the idea to have a raffle to raise the money for the exchange.

The idea of the trip is not only to raise money. Smith said, but also to promote the notion that traveling is fun even if you're not going to study abroad.

"We also want to promote international cooperation and interest in each other," Smith said. "Wherever the students are from they will bring so

#### .Correction.

Wednesday's Beat mistakenly mentioned Sigma Nu fraternity in an incident involving the theft of a Eugene parking meter. The incident described Eugene police officers following a trail, made by concrete dragged along pavement. which ended at the fraternity. The trail did not end at Sigma Nu. The attribution was based on an error in EPD reports. The Emerald regrets the error.

much to the campus.

We're really just trying to make the world a little smaller." she said.

Tickets for the dance are on sale at the EMU main desk, resident hall main desks and sponsored clubs for \$5 single and \$8 per couple. This price includes the raffle ticket. Raffle tickets may also be purchased separately for a \$1 at dormitory main desks.

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By GARY LARSON



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