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On Campus

MEETINGS

OSPIRG's Hunger/Homeless Group meets tonight at 5:30 in EMU Suite 1.

Men Against Rape meets tonight at 7 in EMU Century Room D. New members are welcome. For more information, call 346-4206.

A joint Presidents Council meeting for the Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils will meet tonight at 6 in Room 154 Straub.

Support group for Women over 35 meets tonight from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in EMU Suite 3. The group is sponsored by Women in Transition.

Druids meets for initiation tonight at 7 in the EMU Gumwood Room. Members are encouraged to attend.

OSPIRG's Solid Waste Group meets tonight at 6 in EMU Suite 1.

College Republicans will hold a general meeting tonight at 5 in EMU Century Room E.

MISCELLANEOUS

A reception for Dr. Rose Brewer, associate professor of Afro-American and African Studies and sociology from the University of Minnesota, will be held today from 3:15 p.m. in Room 615 PLC.

Wesley Night Fellowship for United Methodist students and friends, will be held tonight at 7:15 at the Wesley Center, 1236 Kincaid St.

Bible study on the Gospel of Mark will be held today at 12:30 p.m. at the Wesley Center, 1236 Kincaid St.

Telecommunications and film pre-registration for fall term will be held at the following times: 9 a.m. to noon for seniors and graduate students, noon to 3 p.m. for juniors, and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for all majors. The registration will be held in Villard Hall. For more information, call 346-4173.

Two short movies on date rape and a discussion will be held tonight at 8 in the EMU Maple Room. The event is sponsored by Creating a Rape-free Environment.

Bible sharing will be held tonight at 7:30 at the Newman Center, 1850 Emerald St. Student Mass will follow at 9.

Weather

Occasional showers and thundershowers today, highs in the lower 60s. Thursday, scattered showers and partial clearing.



State Board allocates \$5 million Officials see move as symbolic action

By Chris Bouneff
Emerald Associate Editor

The state's Emergency Board allocated \$5 million Friday for faculty salary raises in what state education officials are calling a symbolic action by legislators.

"We feel like it will send an important signal to faculty that (legislators) recognize a problem and will do what they can," said Larry Large, vice chancellor for public affairs.

Chancellor Thomas Bartlett went before an E-Board subcommittee Thursday requesting up to \$10 million to replace expected revenue lost when the state lottery scrapped video poker plans.

The subcommittee recommended that \$5 million be reserved for the Oregon State System of Higher Education. The full board approved the amount Friday.

The money will not be released until September, at which time OSSHE officials will have to formally request the money.

"This signals that Oregon is interested in retaining and recruiting outstanding faculty members," Bartlett said in a press release. "This is a case where the message is almost as important as the money."

University Provost Norman Wessells echoed the same message of the appropriation being a positive signal, and said the University has yet to determine how and where the money will be spent.

"I think it's a terrific beginning," Wessells said. "It's the kind of signal that really is welcome."

Wessells said the \$5 million plus the 5 percent increase OSSHE faculty will receive in January could help retain faculty who are considering other job offers.

The key to solving the funding problem is Gov. Neil Goldschmidt's proposal to appropriate \$50 million for boost-

ing salary levels during the next biennium, Wessells said.

Moreover, the raise will help the morale problem facing the University, he said.

"It's not just a tough management problem, it's a tough psychological problem for everyone on faculty," Wessells said.

David Herrick, chemistry department head, said the E-Board's appropriation is one step in a multiple-biennium process to bring the University up to national averages.

"Even if we give across-the-board 9 percent salary increases, we might be falling below increases across the country," Herrick said.

Herrick said an average University chemistry professor earns \$40,000 a year while a person of comparable or lesser value earns about \$60,000.

Herrick, whose department has had problems recruiting faculty, said the University's share of the \$5 million will

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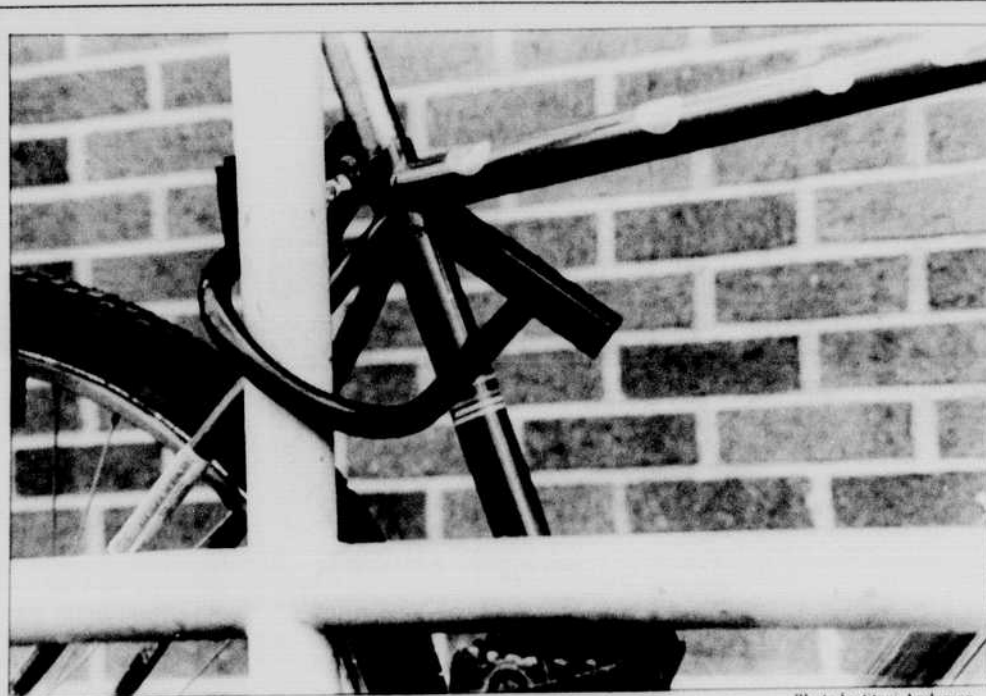


Photo by Staci Anderson

Even locked bikes get stolen, but Eugene has a new bike marking plan to hopefully help in the recovery of stolen two-wheelers.

City institutes bike marking plan to fight theft problems

By Carrie Dennett
Emerald Contributor

Local bike shops have teamed up with the Eugene Department of Public Safety to fight bike theft by operating a citywide bike marking program.

When a person buys a bike from a participating dealer, the shop will offer free bike marking. This service is also available for already purchased bikes, usually for a small fee.

The process involves stamping the owner's drivers license or state ID card number into the bottom of the bike frame, near the pedals.

Tod Schneider, a crime prevention specialist for the department, began working on the project six months ago after reading texts on community oriented police work.

Some of the information included statistics from other cities comparing the dollar loss from bicycle theft to the dollar loss from bank robberies.

Similar calculations for Eugene found that in 1989, 1,290 bicycle thefts were reported in Eugene, with an estimated loss of \$422,290. In comparison, Eugene had

nine bank robberies in 1989, with \$19,667 insured loss, Schneider said.

On campus alone, 204 bikes were reported stolen in 1989, with an estimated loss of \$84,022, according to Office of Public Safety statistics.

Both bike theft and bank robbery are crimes that involve monetary loss and no physical harm, but bike theft affects more people, results in greater dollar loss, and receives less attention from police, Schneider said.

"There is a problem in what police respond to and what they push aside," he said. "(Bicycle theft) is a crime against the masses, and people are being brushed off."

Schneider began contacting bike shops about the marking program in January of this year, and found varying degrees of receptiveness.

"There was a concern about taking on a project that could be a hassle," he said. "We're asking them to do something that takes up a lot of their time."

"It's both an effort and expense on the part of the bike shops," said Milo

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4J schools to retry levy with voters

By Pat Malach
Emerald Reporter

The Eugene 4J School District board of directors signed a resolution Monday to place a special levy on the June 26 mail-in-election ballot.

The 4J district's request for a new tax base was turned down by voters in Eugene's May 15 primary election. Ballot measure 20-08 asked for an increase of \$4,475,000 over the 6 percent limit set by state law.

Margaret Nichols, superintendent of schools for the 4J district, said the levy the board will be asking for in June is \$2.12 million over the 6 percent limit. This figure is less than half of what was asked for by the board in the May election.

Nichols said she is not sure how the revised budget increase request will be accepted by voters. "I have learned not to speculate on whether these levies will pass," she said. "The amount of this levy is less than half of the last one. It shows big reductions to next year's school budget so I'm very hopeful."

Cuts that were made in the 1990-91 school budget in order to lower the levy request include a 10 percent cut in the activities budget, which is mainly athletics, Nichols said. The board also lowered the capital budget that involves building construction and maintenance.

More cuts to the 1990-91 budget will be made in the school lunch program, the text book and classroom furniture budget, inservice teacher training programs and the administration computing staff, Nichols said. The district will also cut one of its two night-school programs.

She added that there would be no teaching staff reductions

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