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Briefly

In an effort to educate about what types of materials are recyclable, organizers of the University's Recycling Awareness week dumped a garbage can filled with recyclable and non-recyclable items in the EMU courtyard Monday.

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Independent businesses renting space in the EMU benefit students not only through the services they provide, but also through the money they earn that helps fund the student union.

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Nationally

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate passed an emergency bill Monday night that would end the government shutdown, and final approval by the House and President Bush appeared assured.

Up and Coming



The serialized adventures of "Hudson Van Curen" will debut Wednesday in the *Emerald*. The daily comic will be drawn by University student Michael Russell.

Sports

The Oregon football team moved up to No. 19 on the Associated Press' Top 25 poll after Saturday's 52-7 win over Utah St.

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Brushing Up

Lisa Fries, a junior in biology, spends some time Monday afternoon working on a watercolor for Ken Paul's watercolor class.

Photo by Sean Poston

Saxon patrols campus business area

Police officer gives mostly advice, not tickets on new University beat

By Cathy Peterson
Emerald Reporter

From noon to 8 p.m., Officer Ken Saxon of the Eugene police department walks the streets of the University business area.

Saxon said he gives more advice than tickets, and starts conversations, not confrontations, on his beat between Patterson and Kincaid streets and E. 11th and E. 15th avenues.

Saxon covers the University area beat because he wants to. He said he believes in intervention and prevention, methods of policing he practiced in the cops and schools program.

"I try to get people turned around before it's too late," Saxon said. "There are other ways of dealing with problems than putting people in jail."

The University, the City of Eugene and the University Small Business Association are splitting the cost of the \$32,000 program three ways. Saxon's contract expires in June 1991.

Business and University representatives are calling Saxon's new beat a good example of community policing, where of-

ficers park the patrol cars and hit the pavement.

"It's been super, Ken's done a great job," said Richard Green, business association president and owner of Rainbow Optics at 766 E. 13th Ave. "Ken's obviously the exact right person for the area."

His beat boundaries overlap with the police campus patrol, but Saxon said he generally does not handle incidents on campus. Previously, the area businesses had funded a security guard.

Green said more than 50 percent of the businesses support the new beat.

"I think it gives customers, employees and all pedestrians a great sense of safety which they did not have before there was a police officer," Green said.

So far, Saxon said his experience has been "real positive, with a lot of one-on-one interaction."

Saxon said he's tried to find out what people want to see happen in the community, not just the business people, but the men and women on the corner of Alder Street and 13th



Photo by Sean Poston

Eugene Police Officer Ken Saxon has been patrolling the University business area for three weeks.

Avenue, too.

Saxon said he is on a first-name basis with many of the people who pass their days, and sometimes their nights, on the streets around the University. Saxon said he's asked them to come up with some alternative ways and places to spend their time.

"The kids would like a place to go. There's really nothing for them to do," Saxon said.

Many of the homeless people

Saxon has made contact with are not satisfied with their housing options in the city, he said.

"I do a lot of things beside arresting and taking people to jail," Saxon said. "Part of my job is just talking to people."

During his 14 years in police work, Saxon has spent a year in the cops in schools program, a year covering juvenile crimes.

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