

Some housing needs will be met

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Current proposals to limit enrollment to 16,000 for the next academic year have the University re-evaluating the need for new student housing, a University vice president said Friday.

Dan Williams, University vice president for administration, said the University still plans to build between 45 and 60 family housing units, for which it was allocated funds from the Legislative Emergency Board last January. The University will then assess the housing demand situation for next year.

The University has been at odds with local members of the state Legislature for some time over the role it should play in providing housing for its students.

A bill recently passed in the House would require the University to submit an annual report to the state board comparing the University's provisions for student housing with other institutions in the Pacific-10 Conference.

Williams said additional student housing may not be necessary if enrollment cuts are implemented next year because lower enrollment will decrease the demand for student housing. He also said the cost of building new student housing would be transferred onto the students through increased fees.

But with tuition rising as a result of Ballot Measure 5, it is not right to add additional

costs to the fees students pay, Williams said.

"It is not fair to obligate students with unnecessary debt," he said. "It does not seem like the time to go past our commitment. (People) have to remember that students have to pay for the debt."

Williams said the only advantage to having the University as a landlord would be cheaper rent, but this is not really an advantage because all students would pay higher fees to compensate for debts amassed by the University.

Williams said the University intended to build 100 to 150 units, but will start smaller because of the reduced enrollment level.

"If you look at the community, there are vacant apartments all over campus," Williams said. "It has been wise for us to have been as cautious as we have been so far."

But what it comes down to is not jeopardizing the institution's interest, Williams said.

The cautious plan the University is taking has the support of the Lane County housing authority.

Jim McCoy, community development coordinator, said the housing authority is under contract with the University to facilitate whatever projects arise in the housing process.

McCoy said it takes effort on the part of all involved to cure the housing situation in Eugene, and he believes the University is making a concerted effort.

Perugia 1991 in planning by language department

MEETINGS

Jewish Student Union will meet at 6:30 p.m. in EMU Century D. Call 346-4366 for more information.

Et als

Perugia 1991 information meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. in 301A Allen. Call the Romance languages department, 346-4021, for more information.

Earthweek planning committee meets at 7 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room F. Call 346-4356 for more information.

Students for Creative Anachronism will hold a meeting and dance practice at 7 p.m. in Agate -1. Call 344-7417 or 683-1117 for more information.

SPEAKERS AND LECTURES

"**City of the Grim Reaper: The Rediscovery of Mashkan-Shapur in Southern Iraq**" is the title of a presentation to be given at 8 p.m. in 166 Lawrence. The speaker, Dr. Paul Zimansky of Boston University's archaeology department, is

sponsored by the local branch of the Archaeological Institute of America.

"**An introduction to Israel**" is the topic of a lecture by Rabbi Rose of Portland, at 2:30 p.m. in the EMU Gumwood Room. Call the Jewish Student Union, 346-4366, for more information.

"**A Journey into Dreams: Awakening the Inner Self**" is the title of a presentation being made at 7:30 p.m. in 154 Straub. The presentation is sponsored by the campus society of Eckanar, 343-2657.

MISCELLANEOUS

A public hearing on 1991 ASUO election rules will be at 3:30 p.m. in the EMU Board Room. Call the elections board, 346-3724, for more information.

Agnes of God will be shown at 7 p.m. at the Newman Center, 1850 Emerald, as part of a series on religion and the cinema. Call 346-4468 for more information.

Mephisto will be shown by the German Club at 7 p.m. in 212 Friendly. The film is dubbed in English. Call 484-2065 for more information.

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CORRECTION

In Friday's *Emerald*, it was reported that Sam Nhem, ASUO finance coordinator, was considering a veto of an Incidental Fee Committee allocation. Nhem can only recommend a veto, however. ASUO co-President Kirk Bailey has the actual veto power.

The *Emerald* apologizes for any confusion this may have caused.



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