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Students lend time for new playground

Efforts pay off at Amazon Housing

About 20 University students pitched in Saturday to help pave the way for a new playground at Amazon housing in south Eugene and, in the process, saved University Housing about \$2,000.

Amazon Co-op Child Care and Amazon Community Tenants received \$9,061 from the Incidental Fee Committee last month to purchase new equipment for the playground. University Housing had agreed to

foot the bill for removing the old and installing the new equipment, which would have cost about \$6,500, said Suzie Blanchard, director of Amazon Co-op.

But several student-parents and members of the ASUO decided instead to volunteer their time and energy by taking out all the old equipment themselves.

Blanchard said the new playground is not a luxury but a necessity. It will not only provide more for the children to do, but will be much safer.

"For about three years, we've

had unsafe structures," she said. "The equipment was put in around 1980. It was made of wood that wasn't treated, so it rotted.

"It was a dangerous situation," she said. "The University should have done something about it long ago."

Amazon Housing provides homes for over 100 families, Blanchard said, and about 200 children live in the complex.

The equipment will be installed Aug. 30, Blanchard said, adding that the possibility of a volunteer effort is being looked into.

Metzger's house casualty of judgment

SAN DIEGO (AP) — White supremacist Tom Metzger's Fallbrook, Calif., house will be sold at auction Aug. 28 to pay part of a civil judgment levied against him by a Portland court.

Last year a Multnomah County jury awarded \$12.5 million to the estate of Mulugeta Seraw, an Ethiopian man who was beaten to

death by skinheads in November 1988.

The jury found that Metzger, his son John and their White Aryan Resistance group incited the skinheads to kill Seraw.


Metzger has appealed the judgment, but the sale of his property is proceeding.

Attorney's for Seraw's estate have begun seizing con-

tributions to Metzger and the White Aryan Resistance.

In May, San Diego County marshals seized his truck, television sets, videocassette recorders, video and audio tapes and fax machines.

Metzger has applied for and received state welfare benefits, claiming the tools of his livelihood have been taken away.



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