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with an infection in his lungs. He died soon after.

Lung tissue samples from R.G. were frozen and re-examined in 1982 by Peter Nichols of Los Angeles, who drew parallels between this case and AIDS. Nichols' findings were published in the New England Journal of Medicine.

Richard doesn't agree with the green monkey theory or the idea some people hold that AIDS was a government experiment that got out of control.

"The idea that it comes from green monkeys or that it's a government plot just don't wash," he said. "If all the theories were correct it would not have affected the population disproportionately.

Regardless of when AIDS first appeared and why, medi-

cal professionals agree its effects have been devastating. None of the American patients diagnosed with full-blown AIDS before 1983 is alive today, according to Grmek's book. However, Richard's story shows people can live many years with the HIV virus without coming down with AIDS.

Richard is one of the lucky ones. From 1981 through 1990, 100,777 deaths among people with AIDS were reported to the Central for Disease Control by local, state and territorial heath departments; almost one third (31,196) of these deaths were reported during 1990.

By 1988, AIDS had become the third leading cause of death among men 25 to 44 years of age, and by 1989 was estimated to be second, surpassing heart disease, cancer, suicide and homicide, according to a CDC statement on Jan. 24, 1991.

Approximately 90 percent of people with AIDS are male and nearly 75 percent are between 25 and 44, according to the CDC in the same report. AIDS is the leading cause of death among men in San Francisco, Los Angeles and New York and also is the leading cause of death among black women 15 to 44 years old in New York and New Jersey.

In February 1991, a CDC statement estimated one million people in the United States are infected with HIV; of these, an estimated 165,000 to 215,000 will die between 1991 and 1993.

College students are not immune from contracting the HIV

Jackson said he knows of several doctors at the health center who have examined University students who are HIV positive.

WALKS

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taining the park haven't been sensitive to the plants," he said.

Wagner pointed out areas where shrubs and plants had been indiscriminately mowed down.

They will eventually grow back, but it will take some time," he said.

As part of the respect for this natural area, Wagner and his fellow walkers pick up the broken beer bottles, paper cups and other trash left lying on the paths.

Wagner also organizes "ivy pulls," to remove the English ivy that threatens to smother the native flowering plants. The first pull six

years ago took more than an hour and filled a pickup truck, but successive years have required only 15 minutes or less to keep the bank above the bike trail clear.

"With a little bit of volunteer effort, we can have a positive impact on the natural environment," he said.

This season's first ivy pull will be on Saturday, Nov. 23 from 2 to 4 p.m., followed by a no-host trip to a nearby pizza parlor. Volunteers are to meet at the north end of the Autzen footbridge, and bring gloves and hand clippers if they have them.

For more information about the plant walks or the ivy pull, contact Wagner at

## ET ALS

MEETINGS

The Chronic Fatigue Support Group will meet Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Emerald Peoples Utility District building, 33733 Seavey Loop Road, Call 686-0310.

RELIGION

A choral extravaganza will take place Sunday night at 7 at the Wesley Foundation, 1236 Kincaid St. Inspirational music will be presented by several local cherals, plus a hymn sing. Call the United Methodist Campus Ministry at 346-4694 for more information.

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Hillel Shabbat gathering is tonight at 7:30 at Carol and Rabbi Hanan's home. Kabbalat-Shabbat will be followed by a vegetarian polluck and Oneg with stories and song. A car pool will leave from the front of the Koinonia Center, 1414 Kincaid St., at 7:15. Call 343-8920 for more information.

RCIA class, "Introduction to Sacred Scripture," will take place tonight at 6:15 at the Newman Center, 1850 Emerald St.

Weekend Masses will take place Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 9 a.m., 1: a.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Newman Center Call 346-4468 for more information.

MISCELLANEOUS

"Abortion: Is Dialogue Possible?" will be the topic of a roundtable discussion sponsored by the Restoration Campus Ministry today at 12:30 p.m. in EMU Century Room D. Call 343-4914 for more information.

"Twelve Steps to Self Esteem" is the "Twelve Steps to Self Esteem" is the Conter for Infinite Reflections taking place Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Koinonia Center. 1414 Kincaid St. Call 686-1352 for more information.

Muzikhas, the internationally acclaimed folk music group from Hungary, will be in Eugene Friday performing at three events.

Lecture-demonstration from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in Beall Hall.

Tanchaz, a folk dance party with live music, at the Eugene Hilton following an 8 p.m. concert at Beall Hall.

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## CORRECTION

A story in Thursday's Emerald mistakenly stated that anti-death penalty advocate Dennis Tapp and his wife were supported by disability payments.

Although Tapp does receive disability, the size of his payments is larger than reported and his wife is employed by the University.

The Emerald regrets this error, and apologizes for any inconvenience or confusion it may have caused.









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