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Is there any life to Dead Week?

□ Studying for finals will take priority over events under new University Senate ruling

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University students say Dead Week is not very different from any other week of the term. University officials, however, hope professors will lighten their students' loads this week so they will have more time to study for finals.

In January, the University Senate passed a motion stating that the provost must approve the scheduling of all University-sponsored events or activities that require student participation and that conflict with students' Dead Week classes and/or final exams.

University faculty must receive this approval before signing any contracts or agreements for those events.

The motion protects students from being pulled away during Dead Week and Finals Week to participate in events such as sporting matches and debates, said Barry Siegal, chairman of the Academic Standards Committee, and the motion's sponsor.

"They'll be able to concentrate on their studies without special events taking students away from their studies," he said.

The motion is directed at participants in all University activities, not just athletes. However, the athletic department might have trouble altering its schedules because games are scheduled so far in advance, Siegal said.

The University first began calling the week preceding Finals Week "Dead Week" during the 1950s, said Keith Richard, University archivist.

However, the University didn't establish and define the concept of Dead Week until March 1982, when the University Assembly passed the following Dead Week legislation:

- No examination worth more than 20 percent of the final grade will be given with the exception of makeup examinations.
- No final examinations will be given under any guise.
- No projects (to be given a grade or credit) will be due unless they have been clearly specified on the syllabus within the first two weeks for the class in question.

The University Assembly passed the 1982 regulations to protect student interests, said Paul Holbo, University

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Rippin' on the marimba

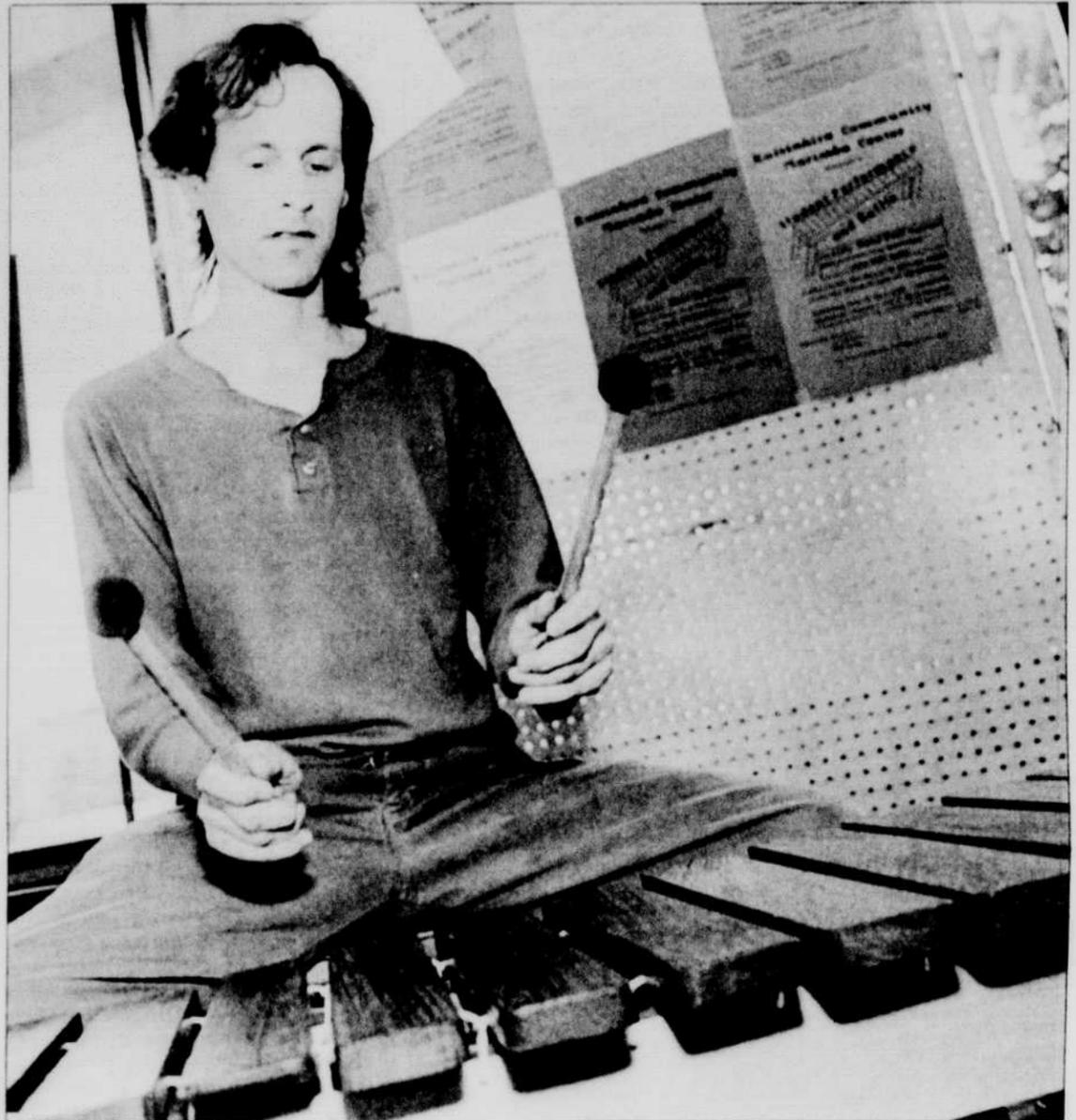


Photo by Jeff Paslay

Joel Lindstrom plays the marimba Monday for students in the EMU. Lindstrom built the instrument in about a month with his friend Jeff Muiderman for a student performance as part of the Kutsinhira Community Center. The marimba will be auctioned off during an African Dance Saturday, March 28, 8-10 p.m. at the Unitarian Church, 477 E. 40th Ave. Music played on the marimba comes from the traditional dances of Shona people of Zimbabwe.

IFC struggles to keep '92-'93 fees low

□ Groups want money, but committee fears going overboard

By Daralyn Trappe
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The names and faces of the Incidental Fee Committee change every year, but the members always face the same Catch-22 — how to keep incidental fees as low as possible while allocating enough money to maintain the quality of student groups.

That dilemma intensified this year as students faced a \$167-a-term tuition increase and are bracing for another possible hike. This year's IFC members have the pressure of knowing that with each allocation they make, the financial burden increases to the point that some people are being priced out of an education.

It costs undergraduates \$866

a term to attend the University. Of that amount, \$176 is a fee that funds student groups, the EMU, the athletic department and the Student Health Center, among others.

This year's IFC is in the process of voting on who will get how much for next year — decisions that determine how much the fee will be during the 1992-93 school year. The students enrolled next year at the University will each pay a share of the cost of the allocations.

Enrollment decreased this year by about 1,500, due in part to Measure 5 cutbacks, so fewer students shared the burden of the fees. Enrollment is expected to drop again next year.

The IFC hears proposals from about eight student groups a week. Nearly all have asked for increases. So far, the IFC has granted an overall increase of

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2 state schools have higher fees

□ UCLA, University of Washington charge lower fees with higher student enrollment

It seems that students at the University are paying a staggering amount of money in fees. Few people would argue with that, but it could be worse.

Of the eight colleges and universities in the state, two have higher fees than the University does this year. Eastern Oregon State College students pay \$187 a term, and Oregon Health Sciences University students pay \$208.50.

Portland State students pay \$156 a term. Oregon State students pay \$145, the lowest in the state.

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OYEZI! OYEZI!

The course Constitutional Law brings a Supreme Court scenario into a student role-playing class.

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SUPER TUESDAY

The Super Tuesday regional primary, invented by Democrats to boost Southern moderates, may well live up to its billing this year after proving a disaster for its architects in 1988.

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Oregon men's golf team moved into first place in the Duck Invitational Monday.

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