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MEChA organizes holiday

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Cinco de Mayo is sometimes seen as just another excuse for a party, but members of the Latino/Chicano student group at the University have organized a week of events to provide education about serious issues facing their community.

The events are already under way and will continue through May 5. Some of the topics for discussion include Latino youth in crisis and racism at the University.

Diana Collins, co-director of MEChA, said the annual celebration provides a time "to educate ourselves but also the community at large. It's a time to bring the community and the University together and to give back a little bit to the community what they've given to us."

Cinco de Mayo is a commemoration of the time during the French/Mexican War when the Mexicans fought off the takeover of the city of Puebla. Although the city was eventual-

ly taken, was a symbolic time of struggle and resistance, Collins said, and continues to stand for the fight against repression.

Some of the highlights include:

- Today — "Youth and Activism," a presentation by Elizabeth Perry in Room 16 Pacific Hall at 5 p.m., followed by a "Youth in Crisis" workshop at 6 p.m.

- May 1 — Erasmo Gambee, a history professor at the University of Washington, will speak at 3 p.m. in the EMU Oak Room. A dance and talent show will be held from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the EMU Ballroom.

- May 3 — Awards banquet recognizing strength in the community at Whiteaker School at 6 p.m.

- May 5 — Artist Yolanda Lopez will speak in Room 123 Pacific from 6 to 9 p.m.

For a complete schedule of events, contact the MEChA office at 346-3508 or in EMU Room 16D.

ET ALS

MEETINGS

Students for Clinton will meet tonight at 7:30 in EMU Cedar Room E.

Gay/Lesbian and Still Catholic support group will meet tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Newman Center, 1850 Emerald St.

APASU will meet tonight from 6 to 7.

MISCELLANEOUS

Japanese Language Tables will be tonight at 5:30 in the Yamada Language Lab.

Circle K will meet tonight at 7 in EMU Cedar Room D.

Trip facility grand opening for the Outdoor Club will take place tonight at 7:30 at the new building at the corner of 18th Avenue and University Street.

"Women in the New El Salvador" will be the title of a lecture by Carmen Morales of the FMLN tonight at 7 in Room 115 Lawrence. A reception will be tonight at 5 at 1236 Kincaid St.

Anti-Semitism in the former Soviet Union will be the topic of a discussion today at 1 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room A.

Benefit jazz concert for Harry Lonsdale will be today from noon to 6 p.m. at the Wayne Morse Ranch, 595 Crest Dr.

Youth and activism in the Chicano/Latino community will be the focus of a speech by Elizabeth Perry of

Portland Impact tonight at 5 in Room 16 Pacific.

OPPORTUNITIES

An interview workshop will be today from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in Room 100 Hendricks.

Preparing for a Career in Physical/Occupational Therapy will be the focus of a workshop today at 3:30 p.m. in Room 104 Oregon Hall.

RELIGION

Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship will have a guest speaker tonight at 7:30 in Room 112 Willamette. Brad Roberts will speak on Christianity and discipleship.

A Bible Study will take place today from noon to 1 p.m. at the Wesley Foundation.

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