

Turn on, tune in, drop out



Photo by Michael Shindler

Timothy Leary, a popular figure from the 1960s, spoke on "How To Operate Your Brain" Friday night at the South Eugene High School Auditorium. A light show provided the backdrop for his message that computers and CD-ROMs are the medium of the future.

New shelters being built to encourage bike riding

□ The OPS Parking Program will fund the \$95,000 total cost for the structures

By Colleen Pohlig
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Any Oregonian who owns a bicycle has probably experienced sitting on a wet bicycle seat.

The University wants to improve this situation, along with encouraging people to ride bikes to campus instead of driving, by building several bike shelters.

"There's been a real effort in the last two years to use alternative modes of transportation, from free bus passes to The Bicycle Program," said Fred Tepfer, a planning associate for the University Planning Office. "This just isn't a (car) commuter campus."

The shelters, the first seven of which

are costing the University more than \$95,000 to have designed and built, are being constructed outside of Pacific Hall and the EMU, and are expected to be completed by Dec. 28.

"There's no doubt these (shelters) are expensive," Tepfer said. "But as bike shelters go, these are middle of the road."

The broken-down price of designing and building the shelters is \$423 per bike, but Tepfer said he expects the shelters to last 50 to 100 years.

A Bicycle Improvements Project User Group formed in August 1991 established a framework of policies, circulation routes and parking facilities to encourage the use of bikes. The shelters are one of the group's ideas being implemented.

Tepfer said it is easy to encourage peo-

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University to celebrate 'benchmark' acquisition

□ Alumnus donates library's two-millionth volume, a journal from 200 years ago

By Sarah Clark
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A Portland corporation headed by a University alumnus has given the school its two-millionth library volume, a first-edition copy of Capt. George Vancouver's journal and atlas of his 1792-94 voyage along the North Pacific Coast.

The library system is celebrating the acquisition Nov. 17-19.

"The two-millionth volume is always a

benchmark acquisition," said Thelma Greenfield, a former English department head and chair of the committee to celebrate the acquisition. "You join the ranks of truly important research libraries."

Paulson Capital Corp., headed by 1958 University graduate Chester Paulson, paid \$12,515 for the set. Paulson's company previously had donated \$60,000 to the library for a reading alcove in the Knight Library's addition.

With two million volumes, the University library is the second largest in the Pacific Northwest. The University of Washington's library has more than 5

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City Council struggles to reduce budget deficit

□ Council undecided on tax proposals that could cover budget shortfalls

By Meg Dedolph
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The Eugene City Council recently postponed further action on the proposed restaurant tax and appointed a committee to rank policy decisions involved in implementing the Eugene Decisions changes.

Councilwoman and Mayor-elect Ruth Bascom said she opposed the restaurant tax as it stands now because there is no specific designation for the revenue.

Bascom said she would like to put the idea of a restaurant tax before voters, perhaps in 1993, when the council has "specifically pointed where the money will

go."

Bascom also said she does not want to take the restaurant tax before the community when the council is still divided on the issue.

Councilman-elect Kevin Hornbuckle said he opposes the restaurant tax because it is regressive and prefers the idea of a personal income tax.

"The restaurant tax is regressive because everyone pays the same rate, regardless of how much money they have," Hornbuckle said. "It's a regressive sales tax."

Hornbuckle said the personal income tax would be progressive according to each person's ability to pay.

"Effectively speaking, I know it would be (a good idea)," he said. "You can't get blood from a turnip."

Bascom agreed, saying the personal income tax is the fairest tax proposed, but she said she believes voters won't support it.

According to recent survey results, compiled by a consultant, the personal income tax was one of the taxes least preferred by respondents.

Hornbuckle said because there is no plan for the personal income tax yet, he could not predict the tax's political viability, including its approval among voters.

At different rates of taxation, ranging from 0.2 percent to 1 percent, the personal income tax could raise between \$2.28 million and \$11.39 million.

"It would, for 1992-1993, yield a little over \$1 million," Hornbuckle said, adding that if such a tax were adopted, Eugene would be the first local government in Oregon to implement a personal income tax.

Other tax options include a room tax, a gas tax and a

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WEATHER

Eugene-Springfield area residents should expect mostly cloudy skies today with possible rain. Highs will be in the mid 50s.

Today in History

In 1966, the first artificial heart was implanted in a human by Michael E. DeBakey. The plastic device functioned, and the patient lived.



Archives photo

FROM THE PAST: 1969

In January of 1969 three feet of snow fell on the University campus, forcing classes and services to close for one week.

UNIVERSITY

OSPIRG members hope the group's Hunger and Homelessness Week, which begins today, will give students an incentive to become part of the movement to end poverty, said Shannon Varney, OSPIRG member and Hunger and Homelessness Week coordinator.

"We're trying to show people it's a problem, and there's not a lot being done to find a solution," Varney said.

Today University students and faculty will rock away in rocking chairs in the EMU Courtyard to raise donations of food and clothing for the homeless. Throughout the week there will be other activities to help contribute attention and donations to the homeless.