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MEETINGS

EMU Board of Directors Budget Committee will meet today from 5 to 7 p.m. in EMU Century Room B. For more information, call 346-3720.

Athletes in Action will meet tonight at 7:30 at 2710 Harlow Rd. For more information, call 485-1215.

MISCELLANEOUS

Career Center will accept bid cards and resumes today through Wednesday in Room 244 Hendricks. The interviews will be with the following organizations: Calgon Vestal

Laboratories, Milliken & Michals, Hewlett Packard and Standard Ins. Co. For more information, call 346-3235.

Career Center will sponsor a group meeting for Intel tonight from 6 to 7 in EMU Cedar Room A and B.

Career Center will sponsor a group meeting for E & J Gallo today from 5 to 7 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room C and D. For more information, call 346-3235.

Career Center will sponsor a table for the U.S. Marines in the EMU today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call 346-3235.

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OSSHE

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ment in OSSHE's public institutions has declined by 6.6 percent. During the same time, Oregon's high school graduation rate is up 7.9 percent.

Additionally, research figures project the number of Oregon high school graduates to increase more than 41 percent between 1993 and 2010.

The second phase concentrates on strengthening OSSHE's connection with state businesses and Oregon's economy.

The third phase targets influential groups in the public environment, Cox said.

Larry Large, OSSHE vice chancellor for public affairs and the head of the public information committee, said through public opinion surveys that they found only 10 percent of Oregonians know "very much" about state higher education.

Moreover, the media portrays higher education as a victim of Ballot Measure 5, Large said. As a result, the perception of higher education is one of instability, lower quality academic programs, limited capacity and tuition out of control.

"The media has controlled the public message concerning higher education," he said. "And as a consequence, we have had minimal ability to control our own information and our own image."

Committee members said, in addition to controlling the image of state higher education through the use of the plan, they also seek to convince Oregonians of the importance of state higher education to their own lives.

A \$500 million state higher education research industry

DENTAL

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ists from the community.

"We had over 40 dentists and 35 hygienists come forward and volunteer before the clinic even opened," said Dr. John Larson, 1994 president of the Land County Dental Society.

Dr. Steven Thurn, one of the many dentists volunteering at the clinic, was excited about the clinic's opportunity to serve the community.

"Nobody should be in pain," Thurn said. "This gives us an avenue to treat people who don't usually have access to dental care."

According to clinic organizers, the clinic's two main objectives are to treat pain and infection and to do restorative and preventative dental care, emphasizing oral health educa-

OSSHE important to students

Tiffany Smith

Oregon Daily Emerald

The Oregon State System of Higher Education may be one of the most misunderstood but most important governing bodies for students at the University.

In order to uncover the mystery of OSSHE, the Emerald will provide an informative series to educate students of the main policy of decision-makers for higher education in Oregon.

OSSHE's organization begins with the Oregon State Board of Higher Education. The board has 10 members, two of which are students. They meet once a month and determine administrative rules that include everything from admission standards, health services and intercollegiate athletic facilities to accounting policies, campus planning and conditions of service for employees. The board's decisions are then directed to the chancellor.

The board also makes rec-

ommendations to the governor on how to fund higher education in budget proposals for the Legislature.

Chancellor Joseph Cox is the chief executive officer of the Oregon Department of Higher Education. He is responsible for implementation of the board's decisions and plans. He is the official representative to state government.

He is assisted by Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Shirley Clark, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Weldon Ihrig, Vice Chancellor for Public Affairs Larry Large and Vice Chancellor for Oregon Center for Advanced Technology Education John Owen. They serve as advisers to the chancellor and to the board.

The chancellor is responsible for appointing presidents for the nine universities, colleges and the National Coastal Research and Development Institute, which round out the system's makeup.

touches the lives of every Oregonian in some way, Cox said.

"Our intention is in building a support base," he said. "Higher education matters everyday to Oregonians' families, businesses, health and economic well-being."

Cox said OSSHE has failed in making Oregonians see the many contributions higher education makes to the state. He said he hopes the plan will increase the knowledge and support of state colleges and universities.

"To function as a community and be successful, the key to the quality of life is the educational and skill level of its people," he said. "This is one asset you just can't fudge on, and I'm encouraged by the fact that this idea is resonating."

"If we are more effective (in getting across the message)," he added, "the resulting public support will translate into private dollars for colleges and universities and this will translate into higher enrollment in OSSHE institutions."

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"We don't want to simply patch people up," Dritz said. "We want to teach people how to have healthy teeth."

The clinic is set up to serve both walk-in emergencies and scheduled appointments.

Staff dentist Bob Harland operated a private dental practice in Eugene for 30 years. For the last five years, Harland and his wife Sandy, who is the staff dental hygienist at the clinic, have been volunteering their services in Liberia and Kenya through the United Methodist Church.

"The situation here is not really a great deal different than in Africa," Harland said. "We're still providing care for those in need of treatment but have little or no money to pay for it."

Harland was pleased with the community's effort to make the

clinic a success.

"The support has been unbelievable," Harland said.

The clinic organizers were happy to hire Harland to staff the clinic.

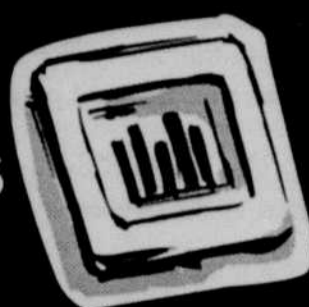
"Dr. Harland is well-respected in the Eugene community," Larson said. "We needed a dentist that our community had faith in."

Despite working 56 hours in the first week alone, Harland is happy with the work he is doing.

Harland treated one patient during the first week who had cavities in all of his teeth, including one that had abscessed so badly that it had to be pulled.

"When you see people in extreme pain and you can provide care for them, there is a tremendous amount of satisfaction," Harland said.

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