





through time, and how our roles in today's

society affect our personal health, fitness and

nutrition! WHEN: Tuesday, March 7 & Wednesday, March 8, 10am-3pm WHERE: EMU Lobby WHY: to gather resources and information about current health issues, such as:

DAY CARE

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dren, cooking meals, washing dishes and planning field trips.

Alisa Stull, school-age program coordinator, believes that when parents take an active role in their children's activities, the day care program is more successful.

"We encourage parents to get involved," Stull said. "Some parents don't want to or can't, and we don't hold it against them, but most find it beneficial."

Another advantage for parents who are involved is a reduced cost for their children's care. With more volunteer help, the day care does not have to hire as many paid workers.

The age groups of the children continue well into elementary school. In addition to the toddler and preschool ages, a latch-key program cares for children kindergarten to elementary school ages in the afternoon, after they are released from school.

One program for the latch-key group is called "School Daze Out," a day long schedule of activities for school-age children during breaks. March 17 is the next date for the event. Planned activities include arts and crafts, bowling, a trip to the park and swimming. Although the Amazon co-op is located at the Amazon Family Housing area, which is nearly half empty, Stull said the children in the day care center come from all over. However, being incorporated with Amazon Housing has caused some concern for the co-op workers as to the day care's future.

"It's been up and down; a real roller-coaster ride," Stull said. "We've been told we're not rebuilding, then that we're being rebuilt but not moving from one day care to the other."

For the first anniversary of the infant/toddler room, the co-op will have a tea party for the parents of the children who have gone through the toddler program. The children are making decorations and gifts for their parents for the celebration.

Prince feels it is important to realize how expensive day care can be and how programs like the Amazon co-op are helpful in making child care affordable.

"Many parents wouldn't be in school if not for our low costs," Prince said. "Child care is expensive, and we can lower the cost when parents work cooperatively with us. But the best thing is how the parents feel attached with their kids during the day, while their kids can then be proud that their parents are so involved with their lives."

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Originally four computers were connected in California and Utah. This new network was capable of sending messages and sharing files with other users. The system continued to grow, adding new universities and government agencies, according to an article in *PC Magazine*, March 15, 1994.

During the 1970s smaller networks sprang up and eventually agreed to join together. By the 1980s this "internetwork" of computers reached around the world, according to PC Magazine.

No organization or group runs or monitors the Internet, although the Internet Society, a group of volunteers considered Internet experts, does give some direction to the network.

The Internet is an expensive system that requires time and money to maintain. Although University students do not pay money expressly for the Internet, it does cost them.

The University pays about \$20,000 a year for an Internet membership connection to NorthWestNet, which connects to the rest of the Internet. Additionally, it pays US West Communications about \$250 a month for a high-speed "T1" line, which transfers about 1.5 megabits of information a second, Meyer said.

One of the controversies circling the Internet is about access. The most convincing argument Meyer has heard equates the Internet with a library card. If the Internet begins to cost more money it will become a thing of privilege for wealthier people, he said.

One thing is certain, he said, more sites will charge subscription rates, as soon as an efficient billing mechanism is developed.

The Internet provides many services to users at no additional charge. E-mail is one of the most widely used services. It lets a user send messages to other users very quickly.

Gopher servers allow users to find information by topic in a text-based menu interface.

Usenet is a collection of public bulletin boards called newsgroups that cover any subject from astronomy to zoology. Over 6,000 newsgroups exist where users can post and read messages.

File Transfer Protocol (ftp) is a method of retrieving software and other files across the Internet from sites such as Apple Computer or the shareware archive at Washington University.

The World Wide Web is a subset of the Internet which presents information with a graphical interface. WWW sites use a protocol which allows Web "pages" to utilize text and graphical data, as well as providing links to other pages. The result is an easily-traversable web-like structure of interconnecting pages. The number of Web pages online is growing exponentially.

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MEETINGS

Circle K Convention Meeting will meet tonight from 6 to 7 in EMU Century Room F.

Fluency (Stattering) Support Group will meet tonight from 6 to 7 at the Clinical Services Building Room 101, 18th Avenue and Kincaid Street. For more information, call 346-3593.

EMU Board of Directors will most today from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the EMU Board Room. For more information, call 346-3720. Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance will meet for a men's dropin group tonight at 6 at the Koinonia Center, 1414 Kincaid St. For more information, call 346-3360.

MISCELLANEOUS

Asian/Pacific-American Student Union will sponsor a recruitment get together today from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Multicultural Center. For more information, call 346-4342.



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