

Tax: Low turnout would kill levy

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Since 65 percent of the county's budget is used for public safety and 90 percent of that is used for personnel, Green said the number of deputy sheriffs and the amount of policing would take a hit if the levy were to fail.

In addition to maintaining the public safety services, commissioners are asking for \$860,000 to add 48 beds to the county jail, a proposition Bill Van Vactor, county administrator, said will put a dent in, but not stop the number of inmates released each month. According to Van Vactor, about 800 offenders have been released per month this year due to overcrowding. The additional beds, at \$360 a pop, would imprison about \$2,000 more offenders per year.

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This modest amount equals about a \$13 reduction per property tax payer from Measure 47 savings on a \$100,000 home. Green said he believed the majority of

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Lane County voters realize county services are not fluff, and the county gives citizens the best benefit for their money.

Although the commission voted to refer the levy to voters in May, County Commissioner Peter Sorenson, representing the South Eugene area, remains in opposition to the measure. Sorenson said the decision to promote the levy frustrated him because he said he believed it was too quick and was made without involving the public in discussion. Sorenson pointed to the city of Eugene's "extensive" rounds of public hearings during its budgeting process as

how he believed the county's process should have been run.

In addition, Sorenson said the commission's decision to spend \$45,000 into promoting the levy without printing a voter's pamphlet that would have included arguments against the measure showed that the election was unfair.

"The information mailed to the voters was intended to get people to vote for [the measure,] rather than promote an open dialogue," Sorenson said.

Despite the fairness of the measure, Sorenson said he believes the levy will fail. "This marks the fourth levy proposal in less than 18 months," Sorenson said. "Voters are quite tired of serial levies."

Due to Measure 47, all property tax levies must be approved by more than 50 percent of registered voters. Sorenson anticipates the turnout of this election to be low.

Van Vactor said he was also very concerned about the turnout, citing the fact that the 1996 levy was only approved by 47 percent of the voters.

Girls' middle school success discussed

A workshop entitled, "Girls in the Middle — Strategies for Success" will be held today.

The workshop will provide a brief overview of research on the challenges for girls in middle school. Mary Thompson, vice president of program development for the Eugene branch of the American Association of University Women, will lead the discussion.

The workshop will be today in room 461 of Oregon Hall from 12 to 1:30 p.m. There is no charge. For more information, call 346-3159.

Opera ensemble set to perform Thursday

A concert by The Oregon Opera Ensemble will be performed on Thursday.

Directed by Francis Graffeo, the

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ensemble will perform "Amelia Goes to the Ball" by Menotti and "Il Campanello" by Donizetti.

This performance is part of the Music Today Festival and will happen on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Soren Theatre. Tickets are \$14 for the general public and \$8 for senior citizens and students. For more information call 346-5678 or 682-5000.

'Spring Break' show will feature dancers

The Spring Student Dance Concert, "Spring Break," will be performed Thursday.

The concert features dancers who

will perform themes of playfulness, community and entertainment. The performance is choreographed by undergraduate and graduate dance majors.

The concert will happen Thursday, at the Dougherty Dance Theatre, in the Gerlinger Annex at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for the general public and \$3 for senior citizens and students. For more information, call 346-3386.

Winter term deans' lists recently released

The University's deans' lists have recently been released for winter term, and on them are the names of more than 1,200 University students.

To qualify for the deans' lists, students must have completed 12 or more credits for the term and have a minimum 3.75 grade point average.

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