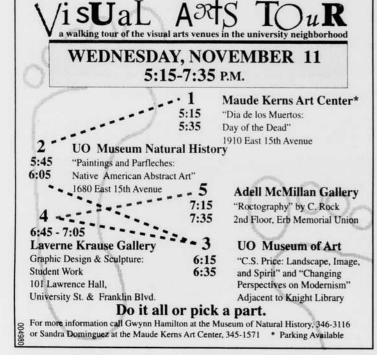


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# Mac Court

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riot, which resulted in the arrests of 12 people, including five University students.

Williams said there is no single solution to the riot problem.

"I don't think the University has the capacity to solve the problem entirely," he said.

Laura Jones, associate dean of Student Life, said planning began last spring for the 1998 Halloween activities.

Even though other campus offices were involved, the Cultural Forum had to secure a venue before they began negotiating with Everclear, Martin said.

She first contacted the Athletic Department in April of 1998 and asked for the Oct. 31 date.

But the Cultural Forum was unable to secure Mac Court for the concert for a variety of rea-

One of the challenges for the University is that Mac Court is an aging structure, said Bob Beals, athletics director of facilities, events and operations.

The court has to be used for three athletic programs and, as the largest assembly area on campus, is vital, he said. The most difficult time to use Mac Court in both ways is October through February, he said.

October is especially busy bewomen's by basketball, basketball and women's volleyball teams are all training, and there is nowhere else for the teams to practice, he said.

From October to February, several athletic events are scheduled in Mac Court, and a concert situ-

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> **Debby Martin** Cultural Forum program adviser

ation would disrupt the schedule, Beals said.

Both Martin and Beals agree the arena was not designed for a concert.

"McArthur Court was never designed with green rooms for a show," Beals said. That means the band has to use the locker rooms, and that disrupts even more athletic events, he said.

'A show like Everclear takes two or three days to set up," Martin said. "Mac Court is not set up for a show like that.

The date was going to be a problem, and the athletic department was aware of the challenge, Beals said. But the concert would have been at the sacrifice of one of the athletic programs, he said.

The athletic department needs to focus on the basketball and volleyball programs during that time of year, Beals said.

"Our mission is to accommodate those three programs," he said.

Beals said changing or canceling practices not only affects the players but can be detrimental to coaches

"The livelihood of the coaches is with winning or losing," he said. "It's just not an easy fix. Mac Court as a concert venue will continue to be a hit-andmiss situation.'

Beals said he was aware of the Cultural Forum's intent to create a riot-preventing activity but said he didn't know whether a concert would have been the answer. He suggested that a concert may have only changed the riot's location.

"People are going to do stupid things," he said.

Even though the concert didn't happen, Jones said she is still optimistic about the future.

"I think we're moving in a positive direction," she said.

Beals said he was trying to open up discussion to find new practice space for the athletic department. He said the two gyms in the basement of Esslinger are a possibility, but renovation would have to occur.

"Until athletics has a substitute practice facility, Mac Court will be difficult to give up," he

Martin said the athletic department has priority over McArthur Court because of NCAA regulations that require Pacific-10 Conference teams to have an appropriate place to practice.

'Not just any basketball court will work," she said.

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rush for Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. Lawrence pledged after fall rush.

Lawrence received a bid after the summer and accepted it then.

"I knew someone who was already in the house," he said.

Alcohol-free chapters weren't necessarily a large factor in his decision to join, he said.

"If a fraternity is going to go dry, they're still going to drink somewhere," Lawrence said.

Sigma Phi Epsilon saw new membership more than double this year with an increase in new recruits from 13 last year to

The main reason for Sigma Phi Epsilon's success was summer mailings that informed students about the house's emphasis on having well-rounded members, chapter president Auggie Ford

"We really just got our name out," Ford said.

Sigma Phi Epsilon used a Balanced Man Scholarship Recruiting Program to bring in new recruits. The program awards 10 \$100 scholarships and one \$1,000 scholarship to students.

"We want to reward these men who think they're qualified," Ford said.

The service-oriented Theta Chi fraternity has consistently accounted for a large part of new recruitment totals. Theta Chi added 25 new members to their chapter this fall.

Adam Watanabe, Theta Chi fraternity recruitment director, said the chapter's disciplined approach is the key to their successful recruitment effort

"We do things by the book and followed all of IFC's recruitment rules and still came out with more recruits," Watanabe

Following the guidelines is

### **Greek membership**

Nine of 15 fraternities increased their pledge size from last year. The number grew from last year's 202 new members to 245.

Sorority membership is up 14 percent from last year. All 10 sororities met or improved on last year's numbers. The number grew from 222 new members last fall to 259 this year.

Total membership in greek chapters has been in steady decline since 1992, with the exception of 1996.

viewed differently among fraternities, Watanabe said.

"A lot of the other houses are doing their best to show them a good time," he said. "We're trying to show them brother-



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