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ASUO recognizes brewery club

The club welcomes students of all ages and hopes to encourage responsible attitudes toward alcohol

By Jaime Vasconcelos r the Emerald

Greggory McVicker has been working hard to start his new club by writing the by-laws, rallying campus support and working out the kinks. Now it's time to concentrate on what's really important making beer.

McVicker registered the Home Brewer's Guild, a club that will focus on the brewing and appreciation of beer and other brewed beverages, with the ASUO two weeks ago. The club aims to give students the opportunity to learn a hobby they may not have access to otherwise and to teach them respect for alcohol by fine-tuning their palates, even if it means jumping over the hurdles produced when alcohol is brought into campus life.

It's time to "just sit back and have home brew," said McVicker, a psychology major.

McVicker has been brewing beer for two years with his father. He said by teaching temperance and respect for alcohol, guild members are promoting a more realistic solution than going dry, or total abstinence from alcohol.

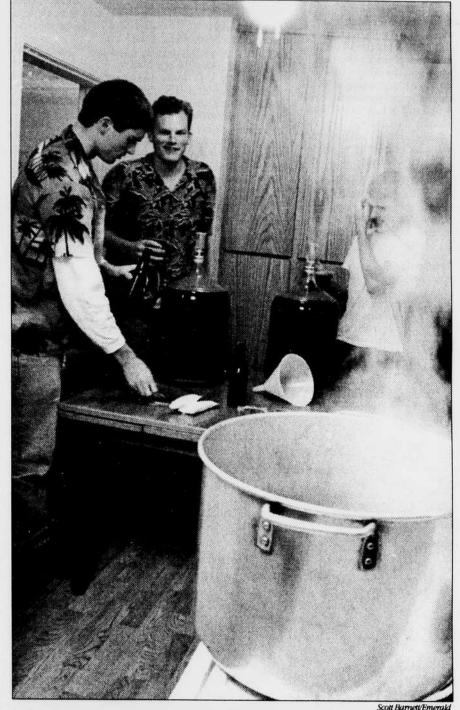
To ensure that the guild will be open to all students, McVicker is not requiring that members be of legal drinking age. Students will be able to brew the beer and take it with them for consumption in their own homes.

"They have as much of a right to it as anybody does," he said. McVicker, who is certified with the

Oregon State Liquor Control Commission, said it is not illegal for minors to brew alcoholic beverages. But he said they will not be able to distribute any brewed alcohol to minors who live on campus because of University policies.

David Green of the OLCC agreed it is not illegal for minors to brew beer, nor is it illegal for them to purchase the ingre-dients necessary, such as hops, brewer's yeast and corn sugar at brewing supply

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Students Matt Elliot, Greggory McVicker and Nicholas Stiffler boil some water for a fresh batch of home brew.

New students attend winter orientation

Freshman and transfer students were welcomed to the University and registered for classes

By Tricia Schwennesen

egon Daily Emerald

Students transferring to the University met with faculty advisers on Sunday for winter term new student orientation.

About 150 Oregon and out-of-state students attended general advising sessions to help them prepare for winter term registration, said Claudia Diaz, a student worker with the program.

The discussion sessions covered general education requirements and a review of the schedule of classes, she said. "It was some of the basics you could get

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from the primary information they gave out, but it gave it a personal touch and helped it sink in," said Toby Hayes, an English major transferring from Arizona State University.

Hayes said Eugene is his home town, and he wanted to be closer to his family and his girlfriend.

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the rain, and you can't beat a school that's one third the size of ASU," he said.

Liane O'Banion, an academic advising counselor, said about 280 new students will register for the winter term, but not all attended the orientation.

The most helpful thing was going over the book and what to do," said Linfield College transfer student Lee Christensen.

Christensen was waiting to see an adviser who could help him choose classes for a degree in planning and public administration.

"I saw on the web that a lot of classes were full," he said. "I'm pretty nervous about that."

Michelle Cuthbert, a student from Cal-

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Federal funding for Fulbright scholarship program is reduced

The number of scholarships will most likely be directly affected by the funding cuts, reducing opportunities for scholars to study abroad

By Erin Snelgrove Oregon Daily Emeral

The Fulbright scholarship, a federally funded award that allows graduate students and professors to study abroad, has been cut by 4 million dollars for the 1999 fiscal year. The program will only receive 95 million dollars this year, and the reduction will probably directly reduce the number of scholarships.

Thomas Mills, the director of the Office of International Education and Exchange and the University coordinator for the Fulbright program at the graduate level, believes this cutback in federal funding will have damaging implications.

'This 4 million dollar cut means that few-

er of our students will be able to participate in this opportunity," Mills said. "I think this cut will be detrimental to our whole nation because we don't have our young people abroad on these awards.

Established in 1946, the federally sponsored Fulbright Scholar Program was designed to increase mutual understanding between people of America and people of other countries. Grants are awarded to those who have academic or professional qualifications and who wish to study, teach or conduct research in a foreign country.

These grants cover the entire range of expenses for an academic year, including the cost of education, lodging, transportation and health and accident insurance.

"The nice thing about this program is that it is fully funded," Mills said. "People don't have to use their own money to participate.'

Since the time of its creation, more than 220,000 people have received a Fulbright scholarship and 82,000 of those selected have been from the United States. Currently, 4,200 grants are awarded annually, but because of the recent budget changes the number is likely to decrease.

Cari Vanderkar, a doctoral candidate for anthropology at the University, received a Fulbright for the 1997 to 1998 school year. During that time, she traveled to the Czech

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Fulbright Graduating seniors and grad students interested in the program should attend a workshop April 21 at 3:30 p.m. in the EMU, where the program will be discussed and openings for countries will be revealed. For more info, call Thomas Mills at the OIEE at 346-3206.