

Lounge

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ous international news broadcasts from several countries, and this is made possible by the Yamada Language Center's satellite equipment, which allows them to put the broadcasts on campus television, she said.

In addition to the donated television, Williams said the lounge also receives materials provided by embassies where University students are from, or have traveled to. Some University students who have studied abroad also write descriptions of their traveling experiences for others to read in the lounge.

Williams said many of these new amenities were made possible by the work of the IRC advisory committee, which consists of the ASUO, the EMU board, the Office of International Education and Exchange, the International Student Association and a handful of faculty members.

She said the committee has worked for several years on plans to make the existing lounge more accessible to the University, including installing a new elevator at the beginning of 2000 to make the area handicap accessible.

Jackie Reed, EMU board representative for the advisory committee and a sophomore journalism major, said the committee exists to review plans for the IRC and make sure the University's needs are being met. They've put in many long hours preparing for this week's agenda, she said.

"We've been holding meetings twice a week because we really want to show that the lounge can offer great opportunities to everyone," she said.

Mills said the center received a two-year, \$50,000 budget from the ASUO last spring, and student in-

Grand Opening Activities for the International Resource Center Lounge

Thursday, Jan. 25:

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Open House

4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Ribbon Cutting/Reception

5 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Joseph Arpaia, M.D.

7 p.m.

Peace Corps Slide Presentation

Friday, Jan. 26:

International Family Day

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Open House

4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Coffee Hour

5 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Tom Mills

6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Film: La Vie Est Belle

cidental fees were raised about \$1 to make the budget possible.

The student fees, along with private donations and the volunteer work of the advisory committee keep the lounge running, Williams said.

"The lounge is a place that everyone can use," she said, adding that international students make up roughly 10 percent of the University population, and 14 percent of University students will at some time study abroad.

Reed, who studied in England during high school, said she would have liked to have a resource like the IRC lounge.

"If I'd have had a little bit of a home base in a foreign country, it would have helped me in England," she said.

institution," he said.

Richard Sundt, an associate professor of art history, was critical not only of the large amount of funding going into Autzen Stadium expansion, but also of the Athletic Department in general.

"It's like athletics can never be cut," he said. "They can get whatever they want."

He also found fault with what he viewed as a huge disparity between coaches' and professors' salaries, which he said only placed more of an emphasis on athletics rather than education. Sundt said he did-

“The resources going to that expansion would not have been going to the instructional budget.”

Dan Williams
vice president,
administration

n't want more money, but he wants to see the University scale back its spending on the Athletic Department so other departments don't suffer.

"We're down the food chain, down at the bottom in academics," he said. "The faculty is asked to [teach] students with less funding."

Sundt also questioned the sustainability of the Athletic Department's projects because of the high cost it takes to keep an athletic department competitive at the national level.

"As soon as we finish Autzen, there's another huge project to do," he said. "While the expansion will make money, it won't last very long."



Department of Public Safety officers clean the scene after a car careens into a bicycle rack outside Walton Complex Wednesday.

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ager for University Housing, said the racks and roof shelter above them will be replaced in the near future.

Wednesday's collision mirrors an incident Monday afternoon in Springfield, where a 33-year-old man drove his truck into a Springfield Hollywood Video store, causing extensive damage.

Springfield police said the man apparently suffered from a seizure

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or some other kind of medical emergency.

Aguilar said seizures at the wheel are not especially common but have been the cause of more

than a few accidents in recent years.

"It happens a lot more frequently than we would expect," he said.

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