News brief

EPD steps up patrols, issues 29 Halloween MIPs

The Eugene Police Department stepped up patrols for the weekend of Oct. 26 and for Halloween in order to effectively respond to parties, EPD Lt. Ron Roberts said. The city has a history of disruptive parties on and around Halloween.

Officers issued a series of citations to residents and others in the "campus region," which EPD spokeswoman Jan Power said includes campus itself and the surrounding neighborhoods.

Power said the most common citations handed out were for Minor in Possession of Illegal Substance, with 17 issued on Friday and 19 on Saturday. However, 29 MIPs were issued Wednesday night alone.

Disorderly Conduct citations came in a close second with four issued on Saturday. One Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor citation was issued on Friday and a total of three Allowing Minors to Consume Alcohol citations were issued for the weekend. One allowing citation was issued Wednesday night.

Two Special Response Fee Notices were issued over the weekend, which will charge the recipients for the costs incurred by officers responding to the parties.

One person was also cited for urinating in public on Wednesday night and 11 people were cited for having open containers in public. There were four Consumption in Public citations issued 0 over the weekend and 15 issued Wednesday night.

— Lindsay Buchele

Only on the Web

Student activity news online

The Native American Student Union holds its annual fall Pow Wow on Saturday. Students and community members will celebrate with dancing and drumming as they honor their culture and spread it to the surrounding community. The Pow Wow will be held at 6 p.m. in 220 Gerlinger. Read the whole story at www.dailyemerald.com.

Pulse news online

"The Rocky Horror Picture Show" drew a sell-out crowd to the EMU Ballroom on Wednesday night to partake in "madness, absurdity, sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll," according to one "virgin" participant. Costumed fans shouted at the screen, threw toast and danced to "The Time Warp." Read the whole story at www.dailyemerald.com.

Jet Li's new movie, "The One," pits the action star against himself in a battle for ultimate power. Li plays a man traveling between universes to kill other versions of himself and grow stronger. However, the movie doesn't look as cool as it sounds.

Read the whole story at www.dailyemerald.com.

The Autism Rocks benefit hopes to provide a great opportunity for people of all ages to shake their bon bons for a good cause. All proceeds from the concert this Friday at the WOW Hall will be donated to the autistic community. The Klezmonauts, Son Malao and Bindaas will inspire the audience to get up and dance to their various world-music styles. Doors will open at 8 p.m., and the concert will begin at 8:30 p.m.

Read the whole story at www.dailyemerald.com.

Higher education news online

Charles Ogietree Jr., the University's 2001-02 Wayne Morse Chair of Law and Politics, gave the keynote speech and conducted a discussion at the School of Law's "Community Roundtable on Race, Class and Criminal Justice in Lane County: Where Do We Go From Here?" A near-capacity crowd filled the Churchill High School auditorium to hear and see how diverse Eugene really is and how community members deal with that diversity.

Read the whole story at www.dailyemerald.com.

Brad Hall, business consultant, author and founder/CEO of corporate think-tank Eureka! Ranch, will present secrets and strategies for successful business endeavors at 3:30 p.m. Friday in 231 Gilbert. Read the whole story at www.dailyemerald.com.

Wiccans

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meeting with other kids and requested that she meet with him. The night of the meeting he converted to Wicca, Crane said.

"One Friday night he called us up and announced, 'I'm not Christian, I'm Wiccan,'" Crane said. She and her husband had no idea what Wicca was at that time.

"My son asked me, 'Will you please check it out and find out what Wicca is about before you condemn it?" she said.

Crane and her husband said she checked with her pastor but also went to a bookstore and researched the religion.

"What I read was so sickening and disgusting that I called Oak Creek and asked them what the hell they were doing," Crane said.

Crane said the state refused to talk to her, so she took the story to the media. Verch agreed to look into the issue and ran the story at the end of August.

Verch interviewed two men that had been involved in Wicca for her story. One had been in Wicca for 20 years, the other had been convicted of ritualistic murder. KEZI displayed the convict's words with a font that resembled horror-film lettering and placed an illustration of a blood-red upside-down pentagram behind a picture of his face.

"He is an admitted former Satanist," Verch said. "An upsidedown pentagram is an appropriate background for him."

Some Wiccans also use the symbol of the pentagram, but it is only turned upside down by people that

practice Satanism. "We didn't use a pentagram for Norma Joyce," Verch pointed out.

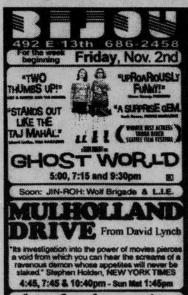
Joyce said the broadcast depicted Wiccans as irresponsible people who blamed crimes on their religion.

"(The men in the broadcast) took no responsibility for their actions," Joyce said. "Wiccans believe in responsibility and free will."

The broadcast also showed footage of the Dari-Mart murders that occurred several years ago, implying that Wiccans were involved in such activities.

"It's a Hollywood idea that spells are things like human sacrifice." Joyce said. "We don't do sacrifice — we don't even do communion."

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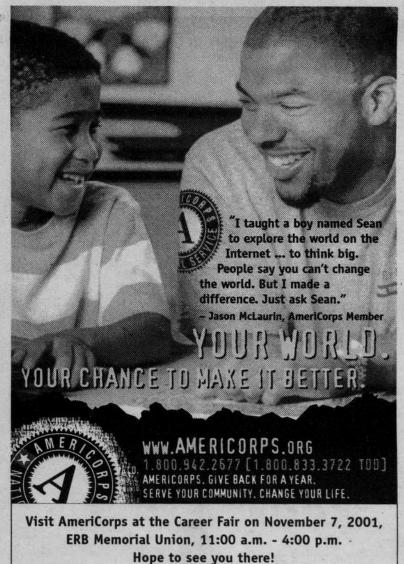
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