

Alley

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side of PeaceHealth that borders the alley, said the alley should be closed as soon as possible.

"We've had people hit in the alley by vehicles," Brink said. "It is not safe."

Brink added that the thoroughfare has been a dangerous spot for many years. The alley, which parallels 11th Avenue, is long and narrow, and delivery trucks are constantly pulling in and out of the area. Workers on break sit on the curb or by the large dumpsters, smoking just a few feet from the steady stream of traffic.

PeaceHealth initially submitted to the city a request to vacate the alley in April 2001.

"We were forced to go to the council with a recommendation for denial," Flock said. "None of the details had been addressed to our satisfaction."

During the summer, Terrett says the hospital did some traffic counts and determined that people could simply use 11th Avenue instead of the alley.

"The applicants tried to show that the alley wasn't being used," Flock said. "In the end, the city council sided with PeaceHealth."

Flock said the city is concerned that if PeaceHealth decides to close the alley, they won't be able to find an alternate bike route, as the east-bound side of 11th Avenue does not have bike lanes.

Terrett said that the hospital plans to iron out the details with the city.

"We're going to work closely with the city," Terrett said. "There's a lot of work that still needs to be done."

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Audit

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got money and how much they got, but it also allows them to respond that they don't remember the details of the specific expense.

Snopkowski described the forms as "user-friendly," and she said they will not require athletes to sift through piles of receipts or to make many phone calls.

She said she will mail the forms this week and hopes wrap up the investigation by late January if returns are sufficient.

Auditors said in November that the investigation, requested by University Athletic Director Bill Moos, would be complete by late December. But the OUS auditors examined more team travel records than originally planned, deepening the investigation and extending its duration, said Tom Larson, University director of finance and contracts for intercollegiate athletics.

"Initially we thought it would be random. But they're looking at every trip," Larson said. "Nothing has been brought to my attention regarding concerns of theirs."

Moos requested the audit Oct. 10 after an OUS audit of the women's softball team finances, requested by the Oregon Secretary of State Audits Division, revealed that former head coach Rick Gamez had misused \$5,748.64 in travel expenses during the 2000 and 2001 seasons. Moos said he was concerned that additional fraudulent abuses of athletic funds have gone undetected.

The OUS Internal Audit Division reports to the vice chancellor for finance and administration, and it could also choose to report directly to the chancellor or president of the State Board of Higher Education if the situation warranted it.

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Crowding

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Buch said.

Despite these measures by the University, some students say problems arise from the larger class sizes. For McKinley, these classes make her feel more intimidated to ask questions or participate in classroom discussions.

Others have noticed a lack of facilities to accommodate all the students in their classes.

"At the beginning of (fall) term, if I didn't get to one of my classes at least 10 minutes early, I sometimes would not be able to find a seat," junior Kirsten Hamilton said of her sociology class. "If I did, the seat would be without a desktop, so I would be forced to write with my notebook on my lap."

Large class sizes can also pose problems for faculty members. Jiannbin Lee Shiao, assistant professor of sociology, said that with class enrollment levels of 200 to 500 students, most instructors are forced to resort to multiple-choice exams.

Shiao said that if professors attempt to use a different method of evaluating student comprehension, it pushes a heavy workload on teachers as well as their graduate teaching fellows. He said that if his classes were smaller, it would allow him to alleviate his assistants' workloads and give him time to write deeper and more constructive comments on his students' papers.

Richard Emlet, associate professor of biology, shares this view, saying larger classrooms "create a distance between the teacher and student." Emlet said classes with a higher volume of students limit contact and personal interaction between students and teachers. Moreover, he said, these large

classes give both students and teachers the feeling of being "lost in a crowd."

Finding ways of reaching everyone is also a dilemma for Joey Bargsten, a visiting assistant professor in the multimedia design program who teaches a class with more than 120 students. Bargsten said that in order to deal with

these classes, teachers "need good standup material constantly."

One way to solve these problems would be to hire more teachers, thereby decreasing class sizes, Shiao said.

"The only long-term solution is hiring more faculty — and specifically recruiting new faculty for the departments most (affected)

by undergraduate enrollments," he said. "Using new hires to equalize the wide-ranging student-to-faculty ratios between departments would probably go a long way to relieving current enrollment problems."

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Coed Volleyball	Feb. 14	*SRC Ulrich Room 63	5:00P.M.
Floor Hockey	Feb. 19	*SRC Ulrich Room 63	4:00P.M.

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Basketball Scramble	Jan. 15	Jan. 16 & 17	SRC Courts 4 & 5
Free Throw, Hot Shot, Three-Point Contest	Feb. 13	Feb. 13, 4:00P.M.	SRC Courts 4 & 5
Open Swim Meet	Feb. 13	Feb. 15, 6:00P.M.	Leighton Pool

One-Day Tournaments	Deadline	Dates	Location
Table Tennis	Feb. 7	Feb. 10, 12:00P.M.	Gerlinger 220
Badminton	Feb. 28	March 2, 3:30P.M.	*SRC Court 3
PAC-10 3-on-3 Basketball	Jan. 23	Jan. 26	Covered Tennis Courts

Two-Day Tournaments	Deadline	Dates	Location
Wrestling	Feb. 6, 3:45-5:00P.M.	Feb. 6, 7:00P.M.	Mac Court
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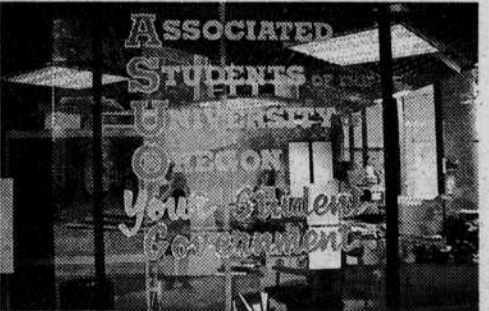
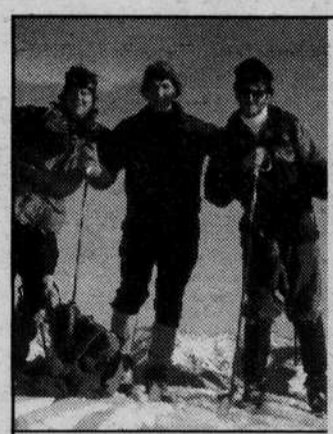
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