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Sen. Smith

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Association member Tom Partin said the visit demonstrated Smith's widespread appeal, especially in a city known as a liberal stronghold.

"He understands our issues," Partin said. "He just harvests his a little more than we do."

Before leaving to a standing ovation, Smith also entertained the crowd with a couple of lighter, personal anecdotes about the president, and the crowd chuckled at Smith's veiled jabs at Clinton.

"The in-flight movie offerings have really been cleaned up of late," Smith said of the difference between Clinton and Bush's Air Force One atmospheres.

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those houses go, and cite a 20-year-old growth management agreement between the association and the University as a reason why the houses should stay. Representatives of the University's planning and housing departments say the agreement expired 10 years ago and was never intended to stop the University from building student housing on the property.

Jeff Osanka, a board member and longtime association president, said that a 10-year limit has never been mentioned in any negotiation with the University, and that the association has operated as if the agreement was intended to run forever. He had to search through the agreement for several minutes before finding the 10-year limit reference.

"That document was created so there would be a permanent agreement, and the University has a moral obligation to honor the agreement," he said. "You can't just alter or discard it because it's inconvenient to your plans. Words like 'cake' and 'eating it too' come to mind."

Osanka said the agreement has aspects based on a 50-year cycle, and if it expired, "That would be a dramatically different relationship between the neighborhood and the University."

The sides differ in their interpretation of a policy the University adopted in the agreement. The passage in question says, "This plan should govern for a period of 10 years. At the end of this period ... these policies should be reviewed and revised as changing circumstances and conditions warrant."

The 10-year period passed in 1992, and the neighborhood association and the University continued acting as if it was in effect.

University Housing used its own money to pay for many of the 110 lots purchased in the east campus area since the 1950s. University Housing Director Mike Eyster said the money exclusively comes from students' rent,

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such as the library and federal building would "go a long way toward maintaining economic vitality by keeping employees downtown and by providing daytime customers for the numerous small businesses that rely on those employees."

The general consensus at the meeting was that subsidizing large companies such as Hyundai and giving tax-free incentives to businesses such as Symantec are not only futile tactics in sustaining economic growth, but actually contribute to the lack of government funds needed to sustain other sectors, including education.

Sociology professor Greg McLaughlan said Hyundai, also known as Hynix, is an example of urban sprawl development. Hyundai is a subsidized company

News brief

Bush faints at White House, recovers quickly

(KRT) WASHINGTON — President Bush briefly lost consciousness Sunday evening at the White House when he choked on a pretzel and fell to the floor while watching a televised NFL game.

A White House physician said Bush recovered quickly, but suffered an abrasion on his left cheek and a bruise on his lower lip. The president apparently fainted when his heart rate temporarily dropped after swallowing a pretzel improperly.

The incident happened about

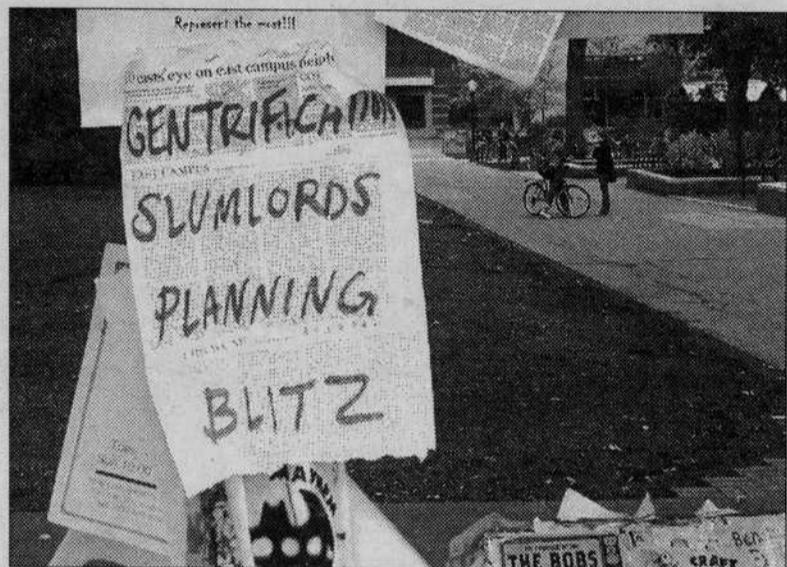
5:30 p.m. as he watched the Miami-Baltimore playoff game, the White House said. Bush was alone in a room of the residential quarters when he fainted.

The president believes he was unconscious for a few seconds, officials said. Bush contacted a White House nurse, and a physician was summoned. Tests, including a neurological exam, indicated Bush's blood pressure and pulse appeared normal.

Officials said Bush would travel this week as planned, including a trip to Illinois.

— Jeff Zeleny
Chicago Tribune

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Strong opposition to the University's housing plans in the east campus area sparks propaganda on 13th Street outside Columbia Hall.

and housing as a separate department doesn't receive University funds.

The University purchased the property with the intent of building apartments or residence halls, and the need for more student housing is pressing enough that it must build apartments on some of the properties, Eyster said.

"We had a waiting list of 300 students for the new graduate student housing complex" on Moss Street, which has 72 units, Eyster said. "Everyone would like to keep the houses, but that's not what they were purchased for, and the need for more housing is dramatic."

Maintaining the single-family homes is simply not feasible, he said. University Planning Associate Christine Thompson also said the University intended to use the property for student housing.

"When the University purchased the properties in the '50s and '60s, nobody would have imagined they would still be single-family housing 40 years later," Thompson said. "That land was purchased for student housing."

Thompson also said the agree-

ment with the neighborhood association should be re-evaluated.

Eyster said he favors creating more apartment complexes like the graduate student housing and is finishing a proposal for another such building near the first. He said he does not, however, want to build a residence hall in the east campus area.

"It would be too far away from the nerve center of campus," Eyster said.

Instead, the University should build a new residence hall between the Walton and Earl complexes, he said. Tennis courts are currently located there, but they could be moved to a less centralized location on campus, according to Eyster.

Laura Marriott, the current president of the Fairmount Neighborhood Association, said she is meeting with University Planning Director Chris Ramey on Friday to discuss the University's plans for the area. She said she needs to study the agreement before making further comments about it, and will be "on the fence" until she studies it and meets with Ramey.

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built on Eugene wetlands that was supposedly going to bring money to the area, he said. Instead, Hyundai didn't hire as many people as expected, then later laid off a portion of the workforce, while developing a \$5 billion debt, he said.

Wilson calls this type of economic recruitment a "race to the bottom."

"Our government needs to find ways to support public-minded private developers who creatively take on the challenges of downtown new development with commitment to the community as a forefront," Wilson said.

Jan Spencer, a member of CPA, is concerned that the mayor is not going to learn from the past. But Spencer and other CPA members are hopeful that with a large community voice and a small-town spirit, the uniqueness of Eugene will flourish.

On a similar note, one of the new

ideas Mayor Torey brought up last Wednesday was the possible widening of the Autzen Foot Bridge. The bridge would be wide enough to create a lane for a Breeze shuttle route, which the city hopes would decongest traffic to and from Autzen Stadium.

City Councilor David Kelly said Friday, "I think there is some potential in a shuttle." To get the idea rolling, the council will have to seek feedback from the Lane Transit District.

He added that using an existing bridge to cure a transit problem would be wiser than building a new one. He added that from an engineering standpoint, the bridge could be widened without spending a lot of money. The project is an idea that he is willing to look at, he said.

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