

News brief

Judges name Rob Edwards 2nd annual Mr. Greek

After the votes were in and points were tallied, Delta Upsilon fraternity member Rob Edwards was named Mr. Greek on Tuesday night. The 2nd annual event combined fundraising with pageant-style competition. All fraternities were encouraged to participate, and 15 housed and not-

housed chapters "donated" a representative to the cause.

A sell-out crowd turned out for the event. Tickets were sold for \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door, with proceeds benefiting the Cardiac Care Unit at Sacred Heart Medical Center. Organizers aren't sure of the total proceeds until after expenses are calculated, Alpha Phi Philanthropy Chairwoman Ashley Rexius said.

Before the competition, each fraternity earned points by selling event

T-shirts and dropping money in a house jar, each manned outside of the University bookstore by Alpha Phi sisters. At the event, one representative from each participating house was judged on the basis of a swimsuit competition, evening wear, talent, an interview, grades and congeniality points.

Last year, Nick Montgomery of Sigma Chi won the competition, and the event raised more than \$5,000.

— Caron Alarab

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not promising to put money into anything because we have a budget shortfall.

Q: How do you plan on helping students afford college when scholarship funding in this state is being cut?

A: We need to have access to scholarships, not only to University students but to community college students. It really pains me when I hear that community college students are funding their education on credit cards.

Q: Oregon universities are facing record enrollment rates, and at the same time funding is being cut. How should Oregon universities try to keep a high quality of education?

A: Only 20 to 25 percent of funding for our OUS comes from the state now. The rest comes from tuition or other various other kinds of grants. We should change the governance structure to give universities more opportunities to be flexi-

ble and come up with new kinds of partnerships and relationships. The key here is making sure that we fund the whole continuum of education. If we could get a stable funding source for K-12, that would free up money as the economy improves for higher education and other things that we need.

Q: How do you plan on making yourself accessible to students if you are elected?

A: I have a record of involving students in my administration. When I was at Multnomah County, I created a youth advisory board. I sought the input from those students and got very valuable input. One of the powers of governor is to appoint people to boards and commissions. I would be very interested in appointing young people to many boards and commissions so they can get a chance to participate and put their best thinking in, because I think young people have a perspective that needs to be heard. They are the co-creators of the future, and they should be respected.

Q: Do you think Oregon's education system is adequately preparing

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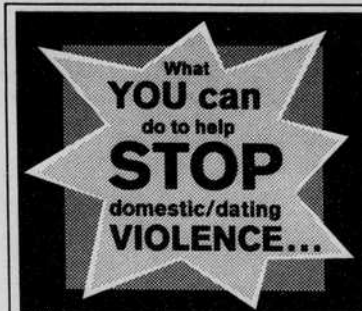
students for college?

A: We are good. We are better than most states. But we are not at the level I'd like to see us, where every student graduates from high school prepared to go on even to college or to other kinds of training because I think that is the future for them, in terms of getting a good job and the future of the state's economy to have them working at that level.

Q: What should this state do to keep Oregon's top students at in-state colleges and universities?

A: We have to recognize we're not going to keep every student in state. I don't think the goal here is to have 100 percent of our students go to universities here. I think it's healthy for them to go away and come back. But we want them to come back.

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