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This is an overview of the inside of McArthur Court. Sports could move to a new arena in 2006, but it's also possible that volleyball and wrestling could remain in Mac Court, with only basketball games being played at the new venue.

A new Mac in town?

Research begins to determine possible locations for a new large-scale arena to supplement or replace aging McArthur Court

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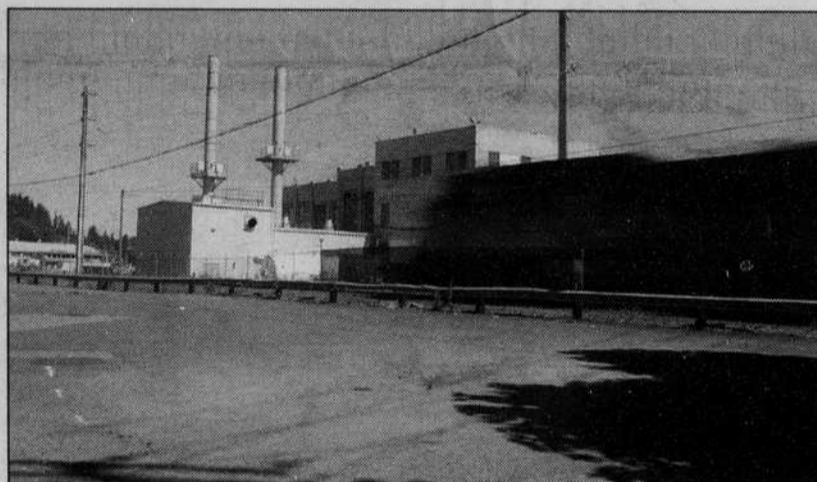
The University has hired a firm to research possible locations for a new arena that could house large-scale athletic events and, perhaps, replace an aging McArthur Court.

University officials are eyeing 11 different locations, each of which are being individually evaluated through a feasibility study, for what could become a \$100 million-plus project to be completed as early as 2006.

The research, which should be finished by the end of January, was originally slated for completion some time this month. The University had hoped to contract an agency to begin a feasibility study in August, but was unable to finalize an agreement until October.

"It just seems that these things take a little longer than they're supposed to," Vice President for Administration Dan Williams said.

There isn't a huge hurry to complete the study, however. It will take at least two months to evaluate the results of the study. From that point, it could take up to a year to design a new arena, and construction of such a structure would



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This land northwest of campus is a possible location for a new indoor sports arena.

likely take two years.

"They're moving along as fast as they need to," Williams said.

Minneapolis-based CSL International was hired to conduct the study, which includes a telephone survey of local residents and an in-depth analysis of potential sites.

The feasibility study will cost the University about \$122,000 but, after final expenses, the figure will likely reach \$150,000.

The University may contract with a local firm to assess its options after evaluating the results of the study. The Uni-

versity hopes to cut the number of potential locations in half and Williams said that, while no number has been set, an ideal outcome would probably leave two to three options.

University officials wouldn't list the 11 sites of interest, which were compiled from internal and external suggestions, in an effort to maintain buying leverage, but discussion has already surfaced about one of the locations.

Earlier this year, Eugene Planning Commission member Charles Rusch suggested the idea of building a new

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INS changes registration process for some males

Nonimmigrants who are male, over 16, from a number of specific countries are now required to go through a more detailed Special Registration

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The push to tighten national security has prompted Immigration and Naturalization Services to implement new regulations that will mean added paperwork and a trip to Portland for some University students.

Ed Sale, spokesman for the Portland District Office of INS, said males age 16 and older who are also citizens or nationals of certain countries are required to go through INS Special Registration. The process entails appearing at an INS office to be photographed, fingerprinted and interviewed under oath.

Dec. 16 is the first deadline and applies to nonimmigrants from the following countries: Iran, Iraq, Libya, Sudan and Syria. The second deadline is Jan. 10 and will require nonimmigrants from the following countries to participate in Special Registration: Algeria, Bahrain, Eritrea, Lebanon, Morocco, North Korea, Oman, Qatar, Somalia, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

Khaled Ishaq, one of a handful of University international students required to go through Special Registration, said he has already begun to gather together the information and materials he will need. He said he understands that receiving a visa and studying in the United States is a privilege, but the amount of new information required by the INS places a burden on international students.

"I wonder if all this information is necessary to detect criminal activities," Ishaq said. "It's so personal sometimes."

Talal Al-Rahbi, a first year graduate student at the University, also said he was worried about being subjected to Special Registration. Al-Rahbi is from Oman, a country on the Arabian Peninsula, and this is his first term at the University. He said he is uncomfortable about going through Special Registration and having his personal information out in the open.

"It's the feeling that whatever you do in your private life is open to scrutiny by a stranger," Al-Rahbi said.

But Sale said that only officers with INS will have access to the information generated by Special Registration, adding that the Privacy Act of 1974 prohibits any government agency from disclosing records.

Ginny Stark, director of International Student and Scholar Services, said she is aware of the worries plaguing international students at this time, especially those from countries with a Special Registration deadline in December or January. She added, however, that INS's drive to monitor nonimmigrants more closely is to be expected after the events of Sept. 11.

"I think everybody is concerned about balancing security issues with civil rights and liberties," Stark said.

Sale said once people are processed through Special Registration, they are closely monitored. Once individuals have gone through Special Registration, they can only leave the country from certain designated airports, and the closest one for University students is in Seattle. He added that they're also required to appear in person at an INS branch office to notify the agency of their departure.

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Student contends grievance that alleges threatening speech

One student files a grievance against another, charging 'horrendous misconduct'

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The ASUO Student Senate will briefly consider a grievance filed by University student Jennifer Keller against a member of the College Repub-

licans at its Dec. 15 meeting.

The senate, after consulting with University counsel Melinda Grier, has determined that the grievance falls outside its scope and will likely drop the issue or forward it to another University agency, senate ombudsman Andy Elliott said.

University student Jennifer Keller filed the grievance Nov. 19 against graduate student Scott Austin and the College Re-

publicans, a student group Austin belongs to.

In the grievance, Keller accused the College Republicans of "utilizing the labor" of Austin — and being aware of his "horrendous misconduct and misbehavior to women in and around EMU areas" — but doing nothing to stop his conduct. Specifically, Keller said Austin made

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WEATHER

Today: High 45, Low 38, foggy with low clouds, partial afternoon clearing

Saturday: High 48, Low 38, morning fog, cloudy with partly clear afternoon

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday

A haven for homeless cats doesn't have the money to stay open

The community comes to the aid of a student injured in an accident