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The PARC report will be available online at
www.ci.eugene.or.us/policecomm/index.htm by February 2nd.**For more information, call 682-5852****New Red Room brings dance
to the under-21 crowd at UO***A disappointing opening-day turnout hasn't
discouraged the EMU venue from booking live acts*BY MORIAH BALINGIT
NEWS REPORTER

The University has a new dance club, but the venue is still struggling to get some recognition. The Red Room opened a second time on Saturday with a showing of only eight people. The fledgling dance club, located in The Break in the EMU, drew 32 people at its grand opening Jan. 22.

Graduate student Liz Churchill, the Break's co-manager, got \$4,000 from the EMU Board to open the club. She transformed the room, which formerly held a few Ping-Pong tables and couches, into a full-fledged dance club by adding curtains, special lighting and a disco ball. The dance floor can pack 187 people and features live DJs.

Churchill said the venue is important because it provides a place for people under 21 to dance and hang out. Unlike other dancing venues in Eugene, the Red Room is drug- and alcohol-free. In fact, the only drinks in sight are sodas and bottled water,

provided at no cost.

"When I was younger, there wasn't enough stuff going on," Churchill said. "Part of The Break's philosophy is to

be a place for students to come and be in a safe environment."

Senior Lauren Chan, who co-manages The Break, said the club provides an atmosphere that's safer than other venues.

"It's a drug-free atmosphere on campus, and it's an option that's closer to campus," she said.

Senior Marcus Kent, who showed up for the Red Room's grand opening last Saturday, said Eugene lacks good dancing venues even for those ages 21 and over.

"If I wasn't here, I'd be sitting at Taylor's waiting for people to get up and dance," he said.

Sophomore Ginny Lanier, who was also there for the opening, said

she liked that the club catered to people of all ages.

"You don't have to be 21 or have a fake I.D.," she said. "It's frustrating. I can defend my country, but I can't even go into a place where people are drinking."

Club manager Chris Jackson said he was disappointed by the club's low turnout on Saturday, but attributed it to the club's poor visibility.

"Mainly the word's just not out as much as we'd like it to be," he said. "We've done some advertising, but people just don't see it."

Jackson said the overall turnout may have been hindered by the

DJ, who arrived an hour late. People who arrived before the DJ came left the club discouraged, he said.

He said the club will remain open every Saturday night for the rest of the term, adding that it will have a live band within the next two weeks.

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ASUO: Community service to be group effort

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Petkun said.

"That way we can also track if people actually show up for the hours, whether it be for FOOD for Lane County or what have you," he said.

Strauss said the number of participants was factored into the requirement of 100 hours. If each of the 39 participants does an equal share, each person will perform about two hours and 36 minutes of community service.

"The number of people was one of the things, I think, that was considered when coming up with that

number, but I'm not sure what it was," Strauss said.

Petkun said group members aren't required to do an equal amount of community service hours.

"I think the hope would be that people all put in a solid effort to it," he said.

Strauss agreed.

"That's part of taking responsibility as a group is that this is a group number, and however it gets done it just needs to be accomplished," he said.

Retreat participants are also working on new retreat guidelines for all student groups, including a quick refer-

ence guide, Strauss said.

Ravassipour said the new guidelines will be presented on March 10 to the Programs Council, a body comprising representatives of student groups on campus, so the council can ratify the rules.

Petkun said the group is working from guidelines student leaders discussed last year.

"Basically what's going on between now and that date is we're essentially dusting off those old records and going through them," he said.

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Rabbi: Latz says some laws do not apply today

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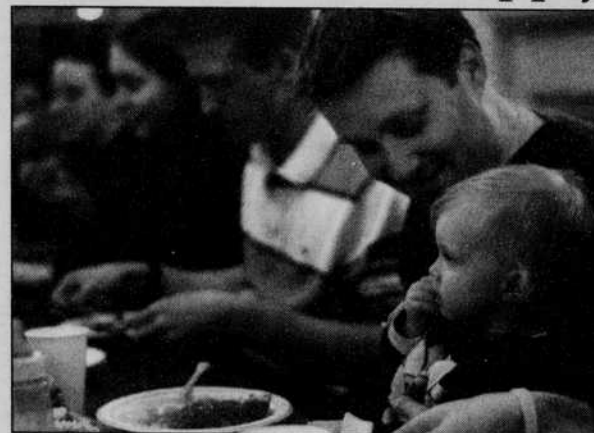
wrote the laws in a different historical context.

"There are still laws on the books that don't apply today," he said, noting that American secular laws often remain intact long after they are outdated.

Latz added that "every generation has a part of the Torah revealed to it."

"I think the Torah that's revealed to us is that we're diverse," he said.

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Rabbi Michael Latz visited with members of the Oregon Hillel this weekend to promote tolerance of gays and lesbians within religious institutions.

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