

Disability Day will feature a talk on civil rights of disabled

Have you ever thought how you'd go to college if you were blind, or deaf or confined to a wheelchair? On Disability Day, Wednesday, people with exactly those problems will be at the University to talk about the plight of the disabled.

With the return of many disabled Vietnam veterans, and the increasing militancy of those disabled people who have been ignored by society, more and more questions are being raised: about the civil rights of the disabled, the predominance of architectural barriers in public buildings, and education and therapy programs for the disabled. Disability Day, which is sponsored by the University's Office of Services for Disabled Students (OSDS), will feature displays of artificial limbs, equipment for the blind, and films all day in

the UMC Loggia. Several people have volunteered to be "disabled" for the day, either by donning blindfolds or spending the day in wheelchairs.

There will also be several panels on such topics as "What is a Disability?" at 9 a.m. in the East Ballroom, "Architectural Barriers," at 10 a.m. in the Human Relations Lounge, and "Disabled Veterans—What Now?" at 11 a.m. in the East Ballroom.

Highlighting the day will be a rally at noon in the Fountain Area, featuring Dennis Allen, head of the OSDS, and Judy Heumann, a New York City schoolteacher who is confined to a wheelchair. Heumann is presently fighting to have the disabled included under the provisions of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, which would make it illegal to discriminate against the disabled in

such areas as employment or housing.

OSDS has invited disabled people from all over the country to participate in the day. Groups will be coming from Berkeley, and Riverside, Cal. and Washington, D.C., Allen said, in addition to groups from throughout Colorado.

Disability Day will be a "day of awareness and education," Allen said, when people who have always had questions about the disabled "won't have to ask. They'll have the answers."

Volunteers are needed to assist the disabled who will be on campus that day. Interested people can pick up armbands and instructions in the UMC Loggia on Disability Day.

County Corner

by paula claycomb

Selective Service Still Exists

Although the army's draft system has been ended, 18-year-old men must still register with the Selective Service System, Audrey Gariepy, secretary of the Boulder County board said Monday.

Despite the fact that inductions have been ended and Selective Service operates on a stand-by basis, the federal law requiring men to register has not been changed.

Gariepy said the penalty for failure to register "can be nasty. It's the same as for any Selective Service violation — a fine up to \$10,000 and up to five years in the penitentiary." She said to avoid registering is "only a senseless violation."

Gariepy said "Quite a few" prosecution cases are already being brought against young men, "although I think these were people who *did* know better for the most part, who were born in 1953." She said many parents are not aware that registration is still required, and "I am thinking of the boys born in '54 and '55 who think that because the draft's over they don't have to register."

The registration period extends from 30 days before to 30 days after the date on which a male becomes 18 years old. The office in Boulder is located in the Colorado Building, 1919 14th Street. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Gariepy said men should bring the names and addresses of two relatives not living in their home, social security numbers and either a driver's license or a birth certificate as identification.

Bike for Dimes

The "Bike for Dimes" Tour of Boulder County will take place April 29, and proceeds will be donated to the March of Dimes.

Tours ranging from 10 to 57 miles may be completed by cyclists, who may obtain sponsor sign-up sheets from local banks, school or bike shops. Entrants should solicit as many sponsors as possible, and individuals, groups or businesses qualify as sponsors. Each sponsor must agree to give a certain amount of money for each mile completed. All routes are on paved roads.

School Board Notes

A major public meeting for school board candidates in Boulder Valley District will be held Thursday, April 19 in the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m.

The public is urged to attend, since the past meetings have had more administrators and board members present than audience.

This election will give four new persons to the board, which represents a majority of the board. The terms are for four years, decisions involve \$25 million yearly and curriculum policy for over 23,000 students will be decided by the Board.

Archaeology tour

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