

Computer science infant graces PLC

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Of the Emerald

The new face among the faculty and staff on the bottom floor of Prince Lucien Campbell Hall doesn't belong to a new professor or graduate teaching fellow.

It's the face of 6-month-old Traci Ann Hedetniemi, born April 3 to Profs. Steve and Sandra Hedetniemi of the computer and information science department.

On Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons, Traci can be observed sleeping or quietly playing in the "port-o-crib" set up in the Hedetniemi's shared office.

Traci looks at home in the office. A pink sweater hangs on a peg next to her father's sport jacket. Baby toys and rattles lie easily within her reach in the crib, and "Raggedy Ann" pictures are taped at Traci's eye level on the wall nearest the crib.

But Traci's presence is "nothing special," Sandra says.

"I teach and he (Steve) teaches during the day — she's in here so I can feed her in the middle of the day," she says.

Will Traci continue to attend the University when she

grows up?

"We've thought about saving at least enough money for her to go to college if she wants," Sandra says, noting that Traci has about 18 years to go before making that decision.

However, Traci already seems interested in the academic world.

"She's fascinated by the books on the wall. She spends lots of time looking back and forth at them," Sandra says, pointing to the large computer manuals and reference books lining one office wall.

The father, who heads the CIS department, says Traci "occasionally attends department head meetings."

Usually Traci behaves herself at the meetings, Sandra says.

"If she's rested, she's pretty good. Most of the people at the department meetings seem used to her."

Attired in a pink dress and matching booties, the blue-eyed infant attracts attention from faculty and staff passing through the PLC basement offices.

"People stop by and admire her," Sandra says.

"Most people like tiny babies."



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Traci Hedetniemi (without the glasses) is the newest addition to the Computer Science Dept.

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Bookstore board names new undergrad member

Karla Lynn Ritter, a senior in business management, was formally appointed to the board of the University of Oregon Bookstore, Inc., at a Collier House dinner meeting Thursday night.

Ritter was chosen because she was "articulate, alert, and organized" during an interview and because the interviewing committee was seeking both a woman and an undergraduate, board member Muriel Jackson said.

The board also discussed a

recent survey of campus classified employees and noted that the survey will yield important information on serving a non-student segment of the University community. The board may survey the faculty in the near future.

Members discussed policies on how to serve students better through inventory decisions, profit margin variations, computerization, office space, decreasing "inventory shrinkage."

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