



# Darts, laurels hurled at new 'strategic plan'

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Community college deans, University professors, students and even a couple of farmers threw various darts and laurels Thursday night at a newly drafted "strategic plan" for Oregon's state colleges and universities.

A panel of higher education officials listened patiently and occasionally defended the plan, which offers recommendations for the course of Oregon's state system over the next four years.

Most of the darts came from representatives of Oregon's community colleges who thought the plan either ignored the benefits of two-year institutions or recommended services already available at the community college level.

Gary Rasmussen, dean of instruction at Lane Community College, suggested the state board of higher education should look into the possibility of having all lower division col-

lege courses taught at community colleges. He also recommended the board include the uses of TV courses in its plan.

"Many of the goals of the plan can be met by the increased use of broadcast media," Rasmussen said.

The two students who spoke, Debi Lance representing the ASUO, and Liz Mann, president of the Student University Relations Council, seemed to generally support the plan.

"Students of the '80s, unlike students of the '60s, want a prepared plan," Mann said, reading from a prepared text. "Students of today are future oriented."

Mann took exception to a section of the plan that stated higher education programs are not overly duplicative. Each institution should be "clearly differentiated," Mann said.

The strategic plan states, essentially, that a certain amount of duplication is necessary to



Higher education officials listened to testimony Thursday night.

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maintain quality at all eight Oregon colleges and universities.

Panel member Ed Harms, representing the state board, said program duplication is exaggerated by the media and by the Legislature.

University biology Prof. Aaron Novick thanked authors of the

plan for addressing the need for quality research in Oregon's universities. Research at the University is "recognized nationally but unfortunately not recognized right here in Oregon," Novick said.

Junction City farmer Tom Hunten told the panel he was concerned that the plan gave

too much attention to high-tech research and not enough to agriculture and forestry development.

"It is very popular for every city to say our salvation is the high-tech industry," Hunten said. "At the same time we need to make progress in the basic natural resources industry."

## City asks to annex county park

### Tailgate parties may be stopped

By Ann Portal  
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A move to bring part of Alton Baker Park and Autzen Stadium inside the Eugene city limits could make "tailgate" parties at University football games at least temporarily illegal.

The City of Eugene is trying to annex about 360 acres of the county park so it can provide city police and sewer services to that area.

The portion to be annexed includes the University-owned Autzen Stadium and its parking lot, which until now have been outside the city and therefore unaffected by a city ordinance that prohibits drinking alcohol in public places or on private property extended to public use without a license.

That ordinance could put a damper on tailgate parties, which have typically featured alcohol along with food and music. The parties have become a popular event for students, alumni and community members.

Ray Hawk, former University vice president for administration and finance, says that city officials have already been contacted about the problem.

He says an amendment that would exempt University football games from the ordinance is expected to come before the Eugene City Council in February.

The annexation would solve a far bigger problem than it would create by allowing the University to replace the stadium's faltering septic tanks with city sewer service, Hawk says.

One of four septic tanks had to



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"Tailgaters," a tradition at fall University football games, could become temporarily illegal if the city annexes the property surrounding Autzen Stadium.

be cut off last summer, he says, forcing the University to station a pump truck outside the stadium to receive the overflow sewage.

Connecting to the sewer lines will cost about \$120,000, of which the athletic department already has raised about \$50,000 through a 50-cent surcharge on fall football tickets, Hawk says.

He predicts the sewers will be paid for completely by charging a similar surcharge for the next two seasons.

Bringing Autzen inside the city will require the University to shift its security and traffic control for football games from the Lane County Sheriff's Department to the Eugene Police Department.

Negotiations with the city on that subject are "pretty well complete," Hawk says.

The city's planning staff proposed the annexation to clear confusion over law enforcement responsibilities in the unincorporated island.

Areas of the park on the east and west ends already are within either the Eugene or Springfield city limits. Many people thought that the entire park was inside Eugene, says Cathy Fitch, a county management analyst involved in the annexation.

The park will remain a county park even if the annexation occurs, with the county continuing to pay the \$130,000 cost of maintaining the park, she says.

The Lane County Board of Commissioners approved the annexation at a Wednesday board meeting. A public hearing before the Eugene Planning Commission is scheduled for Feb. 1.

## Afghan hijacker killed in aborted skyjack attempt

PORTLAND (AP) — A man claiming to have a bomb and saying he wanted to go to Afghanistan was shot and killed Thursday after he hijacked a Northwest Orient jetliner carrying 41 people from Seattle to Portland, authorities said.

FBI agents stormed the Boeing 727-200 about 2½ hours after the plane landed at Portland International Airport about 1:45 p.m. PST, shooting the hijacker once with a .38-caliber revolver as passengers slid down an emergency exit chute, said FBI Agent William Baker.

A shoebox that the man said held a bomb did not contain any explosives, he said.

Airport police chief Donald Jones said no passengers or crew were injured. "It was a planned assault," he said.

Brent Baskfield, a spokesman for Northwest Orient in Minneapolis, said the hijacker was shot "and we understand that he is dead."

The Boeing 727 had been detained near an "isolation trailer" close to the airport fire department while the FBI tried to negotiate with the lone hijacker.

The crew of Flight 608 had separated the man from the passengers, talking to him in the otherwise vacant first-class section, police said. Negotiators talked the man into releasing about half the 35 passengers, and as they left the craft, law officers who had crept on board through a cockpit window confronted the man. The hijacker, said to be in his early 20s and from Washington state, wanted the plane refueled for a flight to San Diego, Baker said.

An agent confronted the man, telling him to freeze. "At that time the suspect made a sudden motion with the box as if to throw it at the agent, (who) fired a shot. The suspect is deceased," Baker said.

Passenger Gene Macelarrri, a union organizer from Seattle, said the man "said something to the attendant about getting on the phone and telling them we're flying to Afghanistan. I didn't believe it."

"I thought I was watching SWAT," he said of the agents' appearance on the plane and the shooting.

Passengers Larry Larsen of Hood River and John Boyle of Falls City, Wash., said the man spoke with a heavy accent. Boyle said the man talked belligerently, saying the United States had failed to do anything to help the Afghans against the Soviet Union.

The man said he had to get home to his wife and two children, Boyle said.

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