Baton Battle benefit takes on the Hult this Saturday

By Kelvin Wee **Encore Editor**

The Eugene Symphony Orchestra will present it's third annual Battle of the Batons this Saturday at the Hult Center's Silva Concert Hall at 8 p.m.

The annual fundraising benefit for the Symphony will feature David Ogden Stiers as its musical director this year. Stiers is well known for his role as Dr. Charles Emerson Winchester in the popular television series, M*A*S*H.

Master of Ceremonies this year is KUGN AM 59 personality Wendy Ray

Michael Gray of the Symphony said audiences should expect a great performance from the competing guest conductors this year.

The list includes Oregon Attorney General David Frohnmayer. Thurston High School student Aaron Tabacco, running star and co-owner of the Oregon Electric Station Alberto Salazar, KMTR news personality Maureen Shine, Eugene Fes-



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Springfield Mayor Bill Morrisette and track star Alberto Salazar recently got some tips from conductor Phillip Brunell.

tival of Musical Theater Director Ed Ragozzino, Springfield Mayor Bill Morrisette, LTD General Manager

Loobey and LCC Vice President Jacquelyn Belcher.

Gray said the contestants will be introduced and "roasted" by other local personalities. He said this part also will prove to be just as much fun for audiences as the actual show prom-

Included in this year's list of introducers are State Rep. Peter

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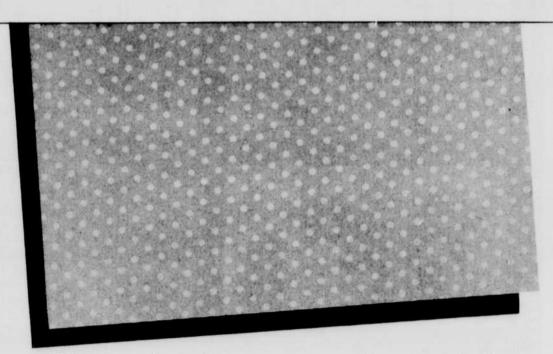
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