## Fast to raise hunger awareness

By Jolie Andrade **Emerald Reporter** 

University students and community members will have an opportunity to show their concern for hunger problems by participating in the 16th Annual Fast for World Harvest. sponsored by Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group on Wednesday and Thursday.

The annual 24-hour fast will begin Wednesday at 5 p.m. and end Thursday at 5 p.m. with a forum and vigil at the Newman Center. Singer Patrick Dodd will perform at the closing event. Ellen Knepper of Food for Lane County and Tom Heger of the Campus Interfaith Ministry will also conduct a discussion on Third World issues and hunger prob-

"When you say hunger in U.S., (people) don't think of their town, or country," said Ellen Kieburtz, project leader for the campaign against hunger and homelessness and OSPIRG state board member.

People need to realize it's a big problem in the U.S.," Kieburtz said, adding that this was her reason for participating in for the past two years.

"We want to heighten people's awareness of problems and give people the feeling of what it's like to have no food," she said.

We also want to raise money, directly expand awareness, and build momentum behind the project itself and the issue," said Tom-Higbey, project aide.

Sign-up sheets were distributed to organizations on and off campus for people interested in participating. Those fasting will be given armbands and buttons to wear to show their support and will be given a meal consisting of beans and rice to give an idea of what a third world meal is like, Kieburtz said.

Participants are also being asked to donate the money that they saved during the fasting period. Kieburtz said, adding that donations from anyone are welcome.

Kieburtz said they will be donating half of the money they raise during the fast to Food for Lane County. The other half will be given to Oxfam, the national sponsor of the fast.

She said she is hoping to raise about \$800 this year, \$200 more than last year. Both Kieburtz and Higbey said they expect between 80 and 100 people to participate.

Kieburtz said her long-term goal is to see the United States make it a priority to provide jobs that enable the homeless and hungry to feed their families. She is also campaigning for a minimum wage increase.

Other student groups endorsing the fast include ASUO, the Foreign Student Organization, the University Democrats, Sister University Project, the International Studies Association. Hamtown Council, and the Latin America Support Committee.

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ting any follow-up." Zerbo said. "Many times our calls aren't returned.

Steir assured the students of DeFazio's support and promised to improve communication with local groups. "I'll make an effort to get back to you on this and other things." Steir

UO/UES members are planning a possible protest for Fri-

"We're demanding that no emergency aid is appropriated and no U.S. troops are sent.' Zerbo said, "Basically you're seeing the culmination of a tenyear struggle. The root cause of this uprising is the ARENA government's refusal to negotiate in good faith with the FMLN. This is a general upris-

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Although Smith said he was aware of alleged discrimination by the CIA, he maintained that he had never directly asked CIA representatives about discriminatory recruiting or hiring practices.

However, he did say FBI representatives told him that the organization does practice selective hiring to determine " behaviors that have a potential, in their view, of posing a problem for an employee of theirs to assigned to any state in the United States and not in violation in those state laws

Smith went on to cite Oregon law that he maintains allows employers to practice reasonable discrimination.

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said. "This is new territory. The law that included sexual preference as part of the state system's areas of protection in the affirmative action arena have been just recently changed to include the sexual preference issue. So it's new

territory for us and we'll take careful examination.

Smith said he will review the grievance charges through a fact finding process and will implicate the University Affirmative Action Office in the grievance review

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