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## Parties stay in hand as Brand gets guided tour

### Police disperse crowd quietly

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Warm weather and alcohol once again mixed this weekend, but this time confrontations between police and partygoers took on a peaceful nature.

"The weekend went well. There were no significant problems whatsoever," said Capt. Tim Birr, public information officer for the Eugene police.

It was one year ago from Saturday that spring weather and alcohol led to a violent confrontation between students and police when officers tried to break up a party of 200 to 300 people.

And was just over a month ago since police used tear gas to disperse two separate parties of about 300 partygoers each.

The only major incident occurred Friday when police stepped in to quiet a gathering of several hundred people on 14th Avenue and Patterson Street, but by all accounts the confrontation was peaceful.

"The party was out of control, and the police came in and handled it beautifully," said party host Gregory Wobbe, University sophomore. "The students didn't get too out of hand and the police didn't either."

Birr said police observed the party before deciding to move and ask the partygoers to disperse.



Andy Clark, Myles Brand and Peg Brand (from left)

The officers arrived without riot gear. Officers on the scene used a low-key approach because they determined the situation did not have the potential for violence, Birr said.

"Everyone all the way around was making an effort not to be confrontational," he said.

University President Myles Brand got a first-hand look at how police handled the situation during a tour of the West Campus neighborhood Friday night with ASUO President Andy Clark.

Brand said police and students acted responsibly given the use and abuse of alcohol that he observed, and that the tour provided him with valuable information.

"We talked about some of the reasons we're having a problem in West Campus," Clark said of the tour. "One reason is student housing runs a little deeper in West Campus."

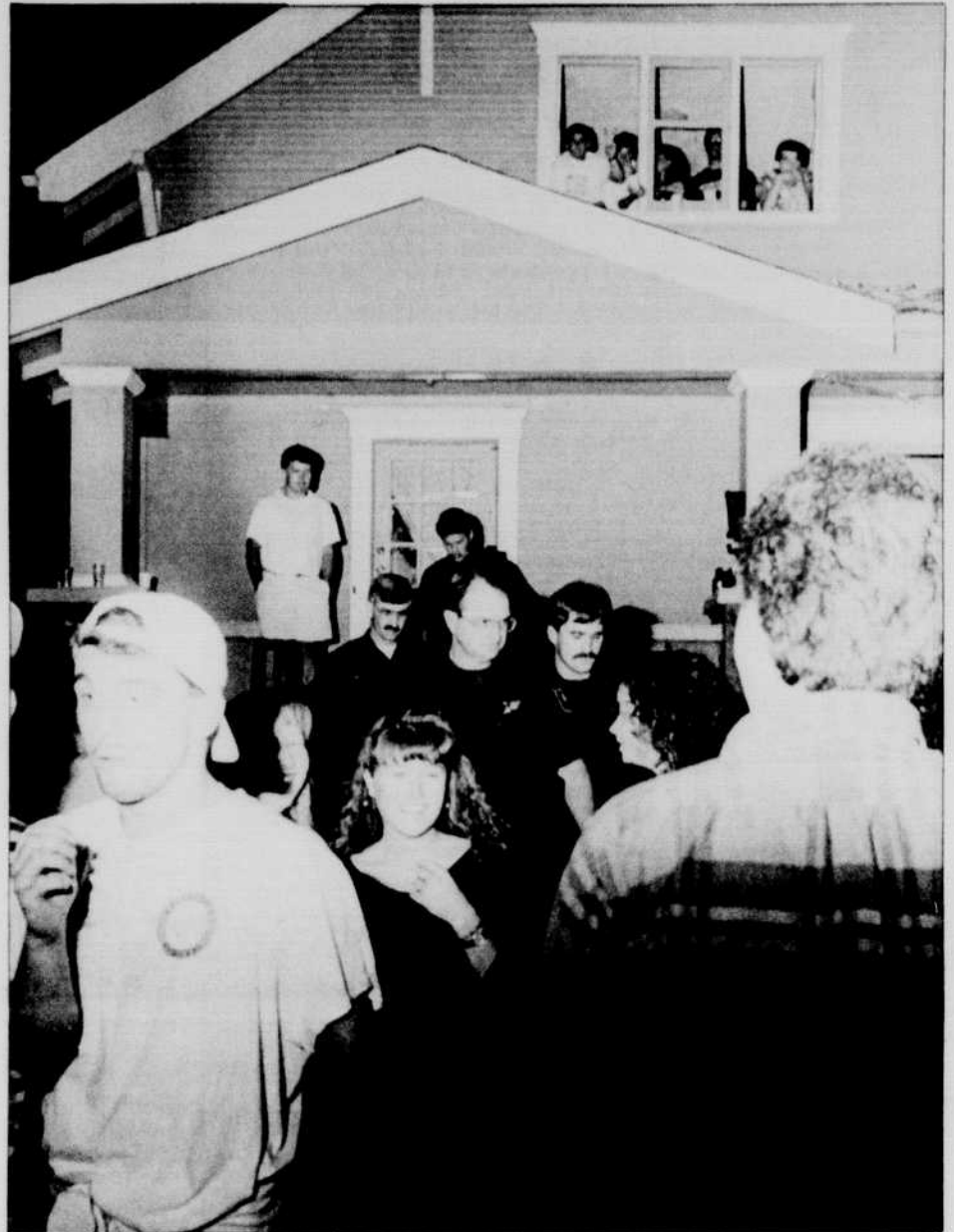


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Eugene police peacefully dispersed this party at 1433 Patterson St. in the West University neighborhood Friday night. It was the only major confrontation between students and police over the weekend.

## Dave Frohnmayer speaks

The issues are higher education, timber operations and sales taxes. Here's a little Q-and-A session with the man who could be our next state governor.

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*Editor's note: Oregon's gubernatorial primary election is only a week away, and the Oregon Daily Emerald has talked with the two foremost candidates about issues pertinent to University students.*

*This is an interview with Republican candidate Dave Frohnmayer from April 17. An interview with Democrat Barbara Roberts will appear Tuesday.*

**Oregon Daily Emerald:** When you announced your plans to run for governor, you promised a campaign of "issues and programs." But in the April 13 issue of The Oregonian Craig Berkman (Oregon Republican Party Chairman) criticized you for not taking defi-

nite stands on issues. Is that a valid question?

**Dave Frohnmayer:** No. I think that is a bogus issue. I don't think there's been a campaign for governor that, this early, has come out on such major commitments as mine.

I'm particularly concerned about the problems of higher education. I think it has been short-suited over the last biennium when the state has had resources at its disposal. And I'm deeply concerned about the brain-drain of students and faculty that represents.

I have come out with a detailed plan for school finance, and that includes a very controversial component: my en-

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### Frohnmayer: a biography

**Born:** July 9, 1940 in Medford, Oregon.

**Education:** Harvard, Oxford (as a Rhodes Scholar), University of California-Berkeley Law School.

**Experience:** Elected to post of state attorney general 1980. Reelected 1984 and 1988.

**Family:** Frohnmayer has a wife, Lynn, three daughters and two sons.

Monday In-Depth

## Oregon student dies in shooting accident

A University student died in surgery at Sacred Heart General Hospital at 4:30 a.m. Friday morning, five hours after being shot with a pistol.

Eric Woodland Rasmussen, 20, of Salem, was struck in the lower right chest by a hollow-point bullet from a 9mm Glock pistol in his quad at 1810 Harris St. on Thursday night. Police said the weapon accidentally discharged while Rasmussen's roommate, Scott McIntyre, was reloading it, according to *The Register-Guard*.

The bullet hit Rasmussen's liver, causing irreparable massive internal bleeding, said Frank Ratti, deputy medical examiner for Lane County.

Police are continuing the investigation and are checking to make sure the gun had been recently cleaned. Sgt. Rick Gilliam was quoted as saying in *The Register-Guard*.

No charges have been filed in the case, said Capt. Tim Birr, Eugene police spokesman, adding that all indications were that the shooting was accidental.

Police said McIntyre, 21, of Lake Oswego, had finished cleaning the pistol and was reloading it when it discharged, according to *The Register-Guard*.

Birr was quoted in *The Register-Guard* as saying Rasmussen was conscious in the emergency room after the shooting and indicated to officers that it was an accident.

"Rasmussen was still able to speak and indicated in a very brief interview the other gentleman had been cleaning his gun when it discharged," Birr said. "There is no evidence of any kind of dispute."

McIntyre bought the pistol, which retails for about \$475, a week ago, according to *The Register-Guard*.

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