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Briefly



The United States Forest Service is conducting tours of the site of the 1988 Shady Beach forest fire.

The tours will point out restoration efforts and demonstrate how the USFS deals with the aftermath of a forest fire.

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Summer term registration confirmation printouts are available today at the Office of the Registrar in Oregon Hall.

International

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — The strongest earthquake to hit the Philippines in 14 years jolted Manila and surrounding Luzon island Monday, killing at least 108 people. Hundreds were reported injured in collapsed buildings.

Nearly 1,000 people were believed trapped in four luxury hotels, factories and government offices in the mountain resort of Baguio, where scores of structures were heavily damaged.

In Baguio, radio station DZWT said 23 more people were killed when the commerce building at the University of Baguio collapsed. Officials in Manila could not confirm the report because telephone lines were down.

U.S. officials said those injured in Baguio, 110 miles north of Manila, were being transported to American military hospitals at nearby Camp John Hay and Clark Air Base.

Rescue efforts were hampered by poor communications and lack of equipment.

The U.S. Geological Survey in Golden, Colo., registered the quake at 7.7 on the Richter scale. There were numerous tremors after the quake hit about 4:30 p.m.

Weather

Sunny today, with highs in the 80s. Cool and clear tonight, warm and clear Wednesday.



Goodwill run

"Bo" Oliver Alexander, Jr. (left) and Bob Simmons of Eugene participate in the passing of the wooden "talking stick," which contains messages from President George Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. The stick will be relayed to the Goodwill Games in Seattle by runners and cyclists, where the messages will be read at the opening ceremonies.

Photo by Vince Ramirez

Riverfront report shows no toxins at proposed site

By Pat Malach
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The third of four Riverfront environmental assessments reported there is no evidence that chemical wastes dumped in an area of the proposed Riverfront Research Park have reached the Willamette River.

"We're pleased with what we didn't find," said Diane Wiley, the University's project coordinator for the research park.

Water and soil samples were taken north of the dumping site by L.R. Squier Associates, a Lake Oswego consulting firm, after the company determined that ground water in the area flowed north toward the Willamette.

Analysis of the ground samples found no traces of volatile organic compounds except acetone, which investigators believe was introduced by the testing equipment. Wiley said the acetone did not evaporate as expected because of the cold and wet conditions the tests were conducted in.

Acetone is not among the chemicals reportedly dumped at the site.

The third report concentrates on the parcel just north of the Southern Pacific Railroad tracks that cut through the Riverfront Research Park property.

Wiley said the University would continue with the next phase of the project, including following suggestions by Squier to attempt to locate disposal sites in two areas along the southern border of the parcel.

Squier also recommended the University undertake subsurface exploration of four areas on the Western boundary and evaluate the steam boiler ash disposal area for the presence of any leachable toxic metals.

State-of-the-art methods will be used to find the reported dumping sites but it will not be an easy task, Wiley said.

"We're looking for small disposal sites over a fairly large area," she added.

Bill Hartford, the project manager for Squier, said they would re-interview some of the witnesses to the dumping.

"Now that we have the assessments we will be able to ask more pointed questions," Hartford said.

"If anyone has more information that they want to come forward with now is the time," Wiley said.

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Student leaders object to tuition increase

State's hearings officer impressed with turnout

By Christopher Blair
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Students from colleges around the state met with an official from the Oregon State System of Higher Education at the University Monday to express their concern over proposed tuition increases.

Loren Stubbert, OSSHE assistant budget director, heard complaints about the proposed increases from undergraduate, graduate and international students from the University, Oregon State University and Portland State University.

Stubbert said he will relay what he heard from the students to the state board when it meets in Portland to discuss the increases on Friday.

Most of the testimony was from students who were graduates or from other countries, or both. International students, who already pay almost \$1,700 a term, face an increase of 11 percent.

Singh Amarjit, an OSU senior in computer science from Malaysia, said the increase would force some international students out of school and back to their home countries, making the higher tuition discriminatory.

"We've heard the board wants to make colleges more international," Amarjit said. "(The increase) will never help them achieve their goals. How can you get a diverse campus this way?"

Kirk Bailey, ASUO copresident, said the increases will be one more burden for



Photo by Vince Ramirez

Student body leaders from the University and other state universities met with higher education official Loren Stubbert to express concern over a proposed tuition increase.

non-traditional students, such as those with families, who have child care and other expenses.

"We're facing a situation where students are rapidly outstripping their resources," Bailey said, add-

ing that while tuition keeps increasing, state and federal financial aid and services at the state system schools diminish.

"A lot of students are very

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