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The Eugene City Council has allocated \$105,000 to study the feasibility of moving the city's public library to the former Sears building.

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With the recent house-claiming wildland fires in California capturing headlines, the forest service is looking at the danger to rural homes in Oregon.

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CHEMULT, Ore. (AP) — Jerry and Sarah Madsen say they feel peace in finally knowing the fate of their son and they feel pain that Nathan won't be coming home.

The 9-year-old boy's saddle and clothing were positively identified Sunday, nine months to the day after he disappeared into the south central Oregon wilderness.

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LAS VEGAS (AP) — UNLV basketball players may sue the NCAA over its decision to ban the Runnin' Rebels from defending their national title, a lawyer for the players said Monday.

Stephen Stein said he has been asked by several players to represent them in an effort to block or overturn the NCAA decision.

"The ones I've spoken to are quite hurt and they want action," Stein said. "They feel they should not be penalized for something that occurred when they were 6 or 7 years old."

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Weather

Mostly cloudy today with a chance of showers and highs in the lower 70s. Cloudy tonight, and with partial clearing and highs in the upper 70s Wednesday.



There is a finish line

Andy Radu of the Jeffco jets outpaces Mario Argueta of the S.C. Roadrunners to win the 800-meter run in the 13-14 age group during the Track City Classic held at Hayward Field Friday through Sunday.

Photo by Sean Poston

Board approves law school plan

By Catherine Hawley
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A \$2.6 million plan to improve the law school should dispel the American Bar Association's accreditation concerns, law school Dean Maurice Holland said Monday.

At a Friday meeting of the Oregon State Board of Higher Education, University President Myles Brand outlined his proposal to increase law faculty salaries; hire more law professors, library staff and support staff; remodel part of the Law Center, and expand library acquisitions.

The law school has received several letters from the ABA in the last year threatening to withdraw accreditation if the school's funding were not improved. In its letters, the ABA cited low faculty salaries, inadequate library resources and a high student/faculty ratio as its primary concerns.

"The problems identified by the ABA are significant," Brand said in a press release on Friday. "These criticisms, which are fiscal rather than qualitative, must be taken seriously and a plan of action devised to meet them, or the claims of quality in legal education and service to Oregon cannot be made for much longer."

Holland said he believed the ABA would be satisfied with the improvements when members of its Accreditation Committee meet with law school representatives Dec. 15.

The proposal "doesn't entirely address the space problem in the library," he said. "But the annual operating budget proposed in the spending is very adequate to meet our needs."

A plan to remodel the law school library may be considered in another biennium, Holland said. A 25,000-square-foot addition to the law library that would double its current size was estimated in January 1989 to cost \$4.2 million.

Under the proposal, the number of regular teaching faculty positions would be increased by five to a total of 27, and two law librarian positions would be added, at a total cost of about \$465,750. This would bring the student-faculty ratio into compliance with ABA standards.

The law library's book acquisition budget would be increased by \$300,000 to allow it to keep up with new scholarly publications and update its existing references.

The school would spend \$400,000 on remodeling the third floor of the Law Center to construct four or five faculty offices.

Also, salaries and benefits would be increased for

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Brand changes housing eligibility policy

Unmarried couples with children now permitted

By Daralyn Trappe
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Single parents will be allowed to live with another adult in family housing, University President Myles Brand announced Friday.

The new policy will include unmarried couples and gay or lesbian couples with children. Under current rules, only married couples, with or without children, and single parents living alone are eligible for housing.

Brand said a change in policy came out of concern for "one of the most at-risk groups — single parents. We want to help facilitate their education," he said.

The University began considering a change in policy last year when the tenant

councils of Amazon and Westmoreland housing, two of the University's three family housing areas, requested a revision.

The eligibility issue became the focus for the tenant councils after Natasha Brady and Robert Fuehrer, two students living together with Brady's son in a Westmoreland apartment, were served with an eviction notice by the University because they were not married.

Brady and Fuehrer were then told they could remain in the apartment until a decision was reached.

"I think it's a fair decision," Fuehrer said Monday. "It's long overdue. I'm glad they did implement this policy. We were wrapped up in it for awhile, since last October, and I'm

'The University is not, nor should it be, in the business of looking into relationships between two people. ... We have a scarce resource and we need to maximize the use of it.'

— Myles Brand



glad it was finally settled."

"It's a foot in the door for gays and lesbians," said Jennifer Bills of the University's Gay and Lesbian Alliance. "I'm glad that (Brand) finally took a stand."

But Bills also expressed concern that Brand's decision excludes unmarried and gay and lesbian couples without children.

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