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Briefly



Oregon's only living history farm launches another season of its outdoor elementary history education program this month, offering a unique experience for University students and grade school children alike.

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The prestige of the University and Eugene will get a boost from a \$1 million international physics conference scheduled to convene in Eugene in 1993.

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Almanac

Today is the last day to register to vote in the Nov. 6 elections. There will be a voter registration booth in the EMU Lobby from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Internationally

OSLO, Norway (AP) — Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev won the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize on Monday for easing international tensions, but claimed it as an endorsement of wrenching changes he has made at home.

The Norwegian Nobel Committee said the 59-year-old Soviet leader displayed a "leading role in the peace process which today characterizes important parts of the international community."

"Words fail one at such moments. I am moved," Gorbachev said in a television interview.

Sports

The Oregon football team *did* lose Saturday in Seattle against Washington, but the game was a positive experience in that both teams displayed more sportsmanship than they did last year.

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Photo by Sean Poston

Independent gubernatorial candidate Al Mobley was among several candidates who spoke with University students and community members at Monday's candidate fair in the EMU Courtyard. Today is the last day to register to vote in the Nov. 6 election.

Voter registration efforts successful

By Daralyn Trappe
Emerald Reporter

More than 3,500 University students have registered to vote during the past several weeks due to voter registration efforts by several student groups, ASUO State Affairs Coordinator Traci Manning announced at a candidate fair Monday.

Today is the last day to register for the November elections, and a registration table will be set up in the EMU Lobby from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Both Manning and Peter Drake, campus coordinator for the Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group, said they were pleased with the high number of students who registered to vote. In an "off-year" when the national presidency is not up for election, the number of people who are reg-

istered is generally lower, Drake said.

This year's success is indicative of the number of close races and the presence of several volatile issues on the ballot, he said.

Monday's event, which drew several candidates and representatives of various campaigns and ballot measures, was designed to help inform students of the candidates and issues to be decided in the general elections Nov. 6.

The literature on the ballot measures and candidates that was distributed Monday will continue to be available in the ASUO office, EMU Suite 4.

The Oregon Student Lobby distributed its voter's guide, which will also be available in the ASUO office. It includes an overview of ballot measures, candidates, incumbents and their past voting records.

However, the guide does not include in-

formation about independent and third-party candidates.

"Where the hell do they get off leaving out Libertarians and independents?" asked Tonie Nathan, the Libertarian candidate challenging incumbent Peter DeFazio in the Fourth Congressional District.

Manning said the OSU guide was started in early summer, and a list of candidates was obtained at that time from the secretary of state's office. Only Republican and Democrat candidates were on that list.

"The OSU certainly does not want to diminish the campaign of any third-party candidate," Manning said. "We support anyone's right to campaign. We support anyone's right to campaign."

She added that information on third-party and independent candidates is among the literature currently available in the ASUO.

EWEB manager seeks good rapport with board

Utility's goals to include increasing efficiency, conserving energy

By Don Peters
Emerald Associate Editor

Randy Berggren was definitely a man in an unenviable position.

Before February, Berggren was the assistant general manager for planning and development for the Eugene Water and Electric Board. But then General Manager Jean Reeder was fired, causing a huge public outcry against the board. Every day, EWEB dominated the front pages of newspapers and garnered top-story spots on local newscasts.

Berggren was appointed the interim general manager and given the task of keeping EWEB operating amid the publicity and the criticism.

"I saw it as a stewardship role," Berggren said. "I wanted to keep us pointed in the right

direction. The board was polarized, and I tried to keep (the controversy) out of the organization so we wouldn't get drawn into inappropriate arenas. But you can't go through that sort of experience and not be affected."

Now, eight months later, the furor has died down. The board has been almost entirely replaced. EWEB is no longer in the news, and in August, Berggren's job was made permanent.

"Up until now, we've just been maintaining course," he said. "Now, we have a different mindset. We have the freedom to act in real time to conditions."

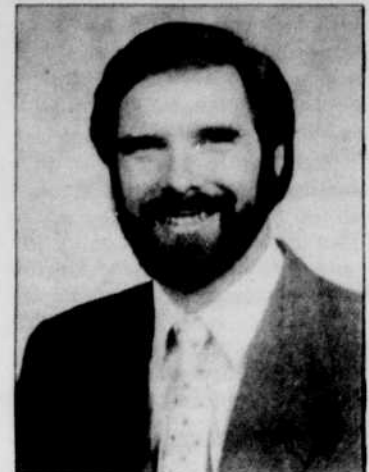
"The environment changes so fast, the targets are moving all the time," he said. "We can't maintain our original course. Now I can take more

appropriate actions."

It's a tough time to be the EWEB general manager. There is a new board (only board President Sarah Hendrickson remains), it's budget time and the corporation that supplies nearly 70 percent of EWEB's power is in serious trouble.

"We have a tremendous amount of work to do," Berggren said. "There's a lot of orientation going on. The board needs to understand the issues so they can make decisions."

The Bonneville Power Administration, located in Portland, is the major power source for not only EWEB, but the Pacific Northwest as well. Ballot Measure 4, which would close down the Trojan nuclear power plant (owned and operated by Bonneville), is causing concern among Oregon utility corpora-



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tions. Berggren said EWEB has no official stance on Measure 4, even though the board floated 30 percent of Trojan's construction-cost bonds. But early on

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