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Briefly

Two Muslim students are disputing the sponsorship of events planned for today and sponsored by the Muslim Student Association to commemorate the fourth year of the Palestinian uprising.

Fida Mohammed and Bader Harahsheh, both graduate students, said they represent 29 members of the Muslim Student Association who are contesting elections held earlier this term and who have had no part in organizing "Palestine Solidarity Day."

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Regionally

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Thirty-five Oregonians will celebrate Thanksgiving not in their damp and chilly homeland but in the dry and hot Arabian peninsula.

They are members of the Oregon Army National Guard 206th Transportation Detachment, doing their part for Operation Desert Shield.

"In the backs of our minds we had hopes of spending the holidays with family and friends back in Oregon," Maj. George D. Lanning, commander of the unit, said in a telephone interview Monday.

The unit specializes in moving supplies and personnel from airfields into the field. It has been in Saudi Arabia since Sept. 16, when it became the first Oregon unit to serve in the U.S. military response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Sports



Pat Haller

Junior Pat Haller was the only Duck to place in the top 25 runners at Monday's NCAA cross country championships as both the Oregon men's and women's teams took fifth at Knoxville, Tenn.

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Speaking out for peace



With the threat of war in the Persian Gulf, students gathered on campus near the corner of 13th Avenue and Kincaid Street Monday afternoon to protest the United

States' military buildup in the region. Stewart Schullman addressed the crowd at the No Gulf War Coalition's demonstration.

Photo by Joe Schadler

Anti-abortion camp says fight not over

By Rene DeCair
Emerald Reporter

Proponents of the two ballot measures which would have severely restricted abortion rights say they will continue to work on their anti-abortion agenda despite their losses at the voting booths two weeks ago.

"In politics they say 'never say never,'" Cindy Rahm, chief spokeswoman for United Families of Oregon — the group sponsoring Measure 10 — said of her group's future plans to put another initiative

on the ballot, but added that they have no immediate plans.

Measure 10 proposed parental notification before a minor could have an abortion, and was defeated by a 52-48 percent margin. Measure 8, which would have banned all abortions except for in cases where giving birth would endanger a woman's life or in cases of rape or incest, was defeated by a much wider 67-33 percent margin.

Both United Families of Oregon and proponents of Measure 8 — the Oregon Human Rights

League — retain lukewarm enthusiasm about putting their ideas to the voters again via the ballot initiative but said they will continue with other non-election agendas in the hopes of finally attaining stronger anti-abortion laws.

"I guarantee that (it won't be put on the ballot by initiative petition) in two years (from now)...not when something gets defeated that badly," said Kelly Walton, vice-chairman of the Oregon Human Rights League. Walton also said, however, that other groups that

made up the now disbanded election-group coalition, including the Oregon Citizens' Alliance and Catholics for Life, are planning to lobby the Oregon Legislature and are looking to support a conservative candidate to run against Sen. Bob Packwood in the next election.

Rahm said it is too early after the election to tell what type of specific action her group will take next. But she said that another group of which she is vice-president, Oregon Right to

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ESSN creates Women's Labor Committee

By June Russell
Emerald Reporter

Traditionally, labor unions have largely ignored women workers. They were seen as unorganizable, and as an appendage to the paid work force.

Not surprisingly, workplaces were traditionally oriented toward men's specific needs and interests.

Not much has changed, said Celia Winkler, sociology GTF and member of the Women's Labor Committee of the Eugene/Springfield Solidarity

Network.

Child care, discrimination, sexual harassment, health and safety, sex-segregated employment, comparable worth and other problems are left for the individual woman to deal with, Winkler said.

The ESSN's response was to do what Winkler said labor unions traditionally thought women couldn't do — they organized. The result is the Women's Labor Committee.

"We saw a need to address women's issues in the workplace, because traditional labor

movements have ignored the needs of working women and women in general," Winkler said.

"We felt we needed a special committee to deal with it. We also want women not involved with ESSN to take part," she said.

The concerns of working women are many. One of the most difficult to solve, Winkler said, is the pay differential — also known as the "gender gap."

"Because women's work has been ghettoized, there's a real

difference in what men and women are paid," Winkler said. "Because men have been defined as the worker, the definition of what you fight for on the job centers around men's definitions."

Part of the problem with the gender gap is the job areas in which women dominate, said sociology professor Joan Acker.

"Women earn less than men, because in general the women-dominated jobs pay less than men-dominated jobs," Acker

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