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Almanac

Today is the last day to add courses and the last day to change courses from audit to credit. Changes can be made at Oregon Hall.

Inside

The president of a national animal rights organization said Monday night that animal research not only causes pain and suffering, but is useless for studying the human condition.

Donald Barnes, National Anti-Vivisection Society president, said in a presentation in the EMU Fir Room that scientists are killing thousands of animals every year under the false pretense of research.

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Does the high number of campus construction projects have you confused? Find out who's doing what and what's going where.

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Like Robin Hood, state Rep. Jim Edmunson says "We should be taking from the rich and giving to the poor."

At least that is the position the former journalist takes on issues such as Ballot Measure 5, workers compensation, health coverage, campaign finance and his own renter relief bill, which would force landlords to pass on property tax savings under Measure 5 in rent charged to tenants.

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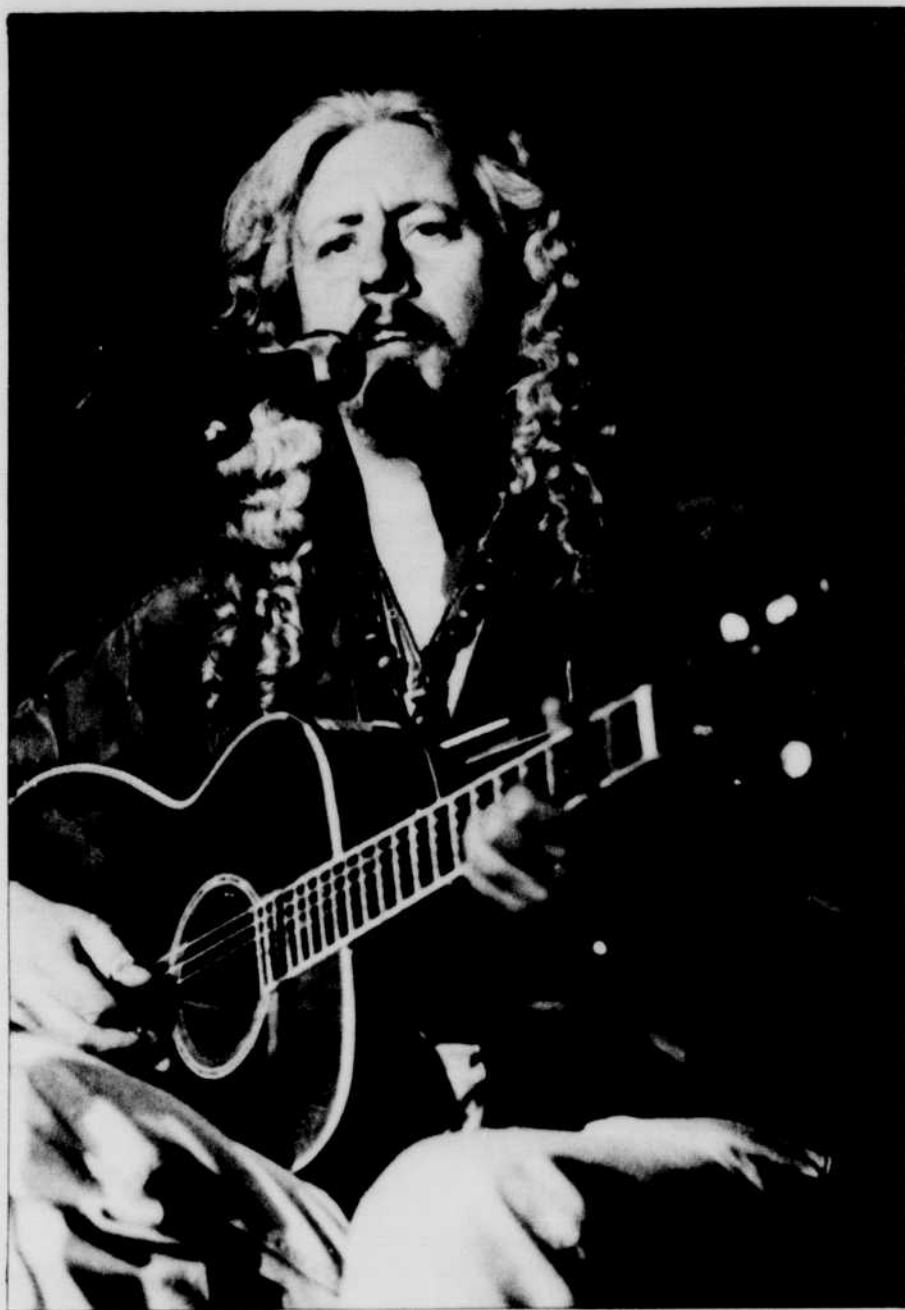
University student Stan Efferding began competitive body-building in 1989.

But it hasn't taken long for success to come Efferding's way, and the ultimate success came over spring break when Efferding won not only the Mr. Oregon heavy-weight competition but was named the overall Mr. Oregon winner.

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The Oregon women's tennis team entered this weekend's match against Washington without a win against the Huskies over the past two seasons. This year, the team left Seattle with four wins against UW and a load of confidence.

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Big talent, big hair

Sixties legend Arlo Guthrie and his son Abe's band brought their sounds to the EMU Ballroom Monday night.

Photo by Andre Ranieri

MSA withdraws its group status

By Daralyn Trappe
Emerald Reporter

The Muslim Student Association removed itself as a student-funded program after an ASUO investigation found the group violated election rules and had unconstitutional by-laws.

The investigation found that some Muslim students had not been allowed to vote in October elections and that the bylaws unreasonably restricted membership.

Conflict among MSA members prompted a complaint that sparked the investigation. As a result, several students are forming a new campus group.

Last fall, ASUO Programs Coordinator Killjan Anderson received a complaint from two members of the Muslim Student Association, claiming certain MSA members had been excluded from voting for leadership positions.

The complaint led Anderson to investigate. In March, he concluded the elections violated ASUO Executive Rules, and that the group's bylaws were unconstitutional.

Tarik Yousef and Fida Mohammad, who filed the complaint, alleged that non-student members of the Islamic Society of Eugene, a mosque for Sunnite Muslims in West Eugene, were allowed to vote for MSA director while some Muslim students were turned away. Sunni and Shi'i are the two main branches of the Muslim religion.

"There was some uneasiness in the Islamic community for the last two years," Mohammad said. A former MSA director, he was not allowed to vote in October.

"MSA was dominated by the same people who dominated the Islamic Society of Eugene," he said. "They come from a particular school of thought called Wahabi. That was the official dogma of the ISE, and anyone who differed from them was marginalized."

At least 30 percent of the ISE members allowed to vote were not students at the University, the complaint read. Anderson said any student group election is invalid if a person who is not a University student votes, or if a student member is denied the right to vote.

The group's bylaws state that members must

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Police bill expands ability to stop suspects

Recent beating sparks concern

By Gerrit Koepping
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SALEM — The Oregon House passed a bill last week that would greatly expand the power of police officers to stop and question people in the state.



If eventually made law, HB 2921 would allow a police officer to detain and question a person if the officer reasonably suspects that person is about to commit a crime.

Currently, in order for officers to stop someone, they need to have "reasonable suspicion" the person is doing something



Photo illustration by Andre Ranieri
If HB 2129 passes the Oregon Senate, after already passing the House, police would be allowed to detain and question people for reasonable suspicion.

illegal.

In the 1989 legislative session, a similar bill was passed in the House by an even larger margin. However, that bill died in the Senate when the Senate Judicial Committee failed to

give it a hearing.

This House passed this year's bill by a vote of 36 to 21, but with the widely publicized beating of a black motorist by four Los Angeles police officers, some legislators have said

the bill has even less of a chance of passage this time around.

"We see the film out of Los Angeles and we feel a little more cautious about the power we've already given the police," said state Rep. Jim Edmunson, D-Eugene.

Edmunson, who voted against the bill in the House, said he believes the bill has a slim chance of passage.

"Historically, the Senate has been less motivated to push bills like this," he said.

Edmunson said other legislators were trying to send a message to criminals by voting for the bill.

"The only message some legislators want to send is to their voters," he said. "The message I want to send to voters is that I protect the Bill of Rights."

Rep. Kevin Mannix, D-Salem, said he sponsored the bill

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