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## Honey, I'm home!

A swarm of bees gathered on a lightpost between Huestis and Willamette halls Thursday. An area beekeeper arrived at 2 p.m. to give the bees a new home.

**Photo by Sean Poston** 

## Professor says Soviets get credit for new order

By Hope Nealson Emerald Reporter

The Soviet Union is solely responsible for bringing about the so-called "new world order" that so many people have been talking about, University Professor Ron Wixman told a small crowd Thursday.

The League of Women Voters of Lane County sponsored the presentation by the geographer and expert on Middle Eastern nationalities, who spoke at the Angus Inn in Eugene.

Wixman said the new world order evolved from an "old world order" after World War II, when the U.S. and Soviet Union emerged as the two superpowers competing for influence.

However, the Cold War and the old world order ended with the rise of Mikhail Gorbachev, who became Soviet leader in 1985, Wixman said.

"The new world order was brought on by the Soviets," Wixman said. "No American deserves the credit."

Wixman said the Soviets instigated this new world order when it became apparent to the Communist Party that its system did not work.

"It came from the highest levels of the Communist Party," Wixman said. "There was a revolution within the party."

Wixman said the Cold War resulted in a loss of status for the two superpowers. Also, while the U.S. and Soviet Union poured money into countries such as Iran, Iraq and Israel, Western Europe and Japan both rose economically.

"The U.S. cannot dictate to Western Europe as we used to," Wixman said.

Wixman said Gorbachev came along and threw the U.S. government into a panic. But his actions were soon commended by George Bush, who labeled the events as part of a new world order.

Wixman said Gorbachev given communal ownership of factories to workers as he promised as a part of the new order.

Some positive results of the new world order include the Soviet Union supporting Germany's reunification, steering clear of the Middle Eastern turmoil, and allowing more Eastern Europe independence, he said.

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