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Briefly

The ASUO is holding a reception at the Eugene Hilton tonight to mark the inauguration of Jennifer Bills and JoSonja Watson and to bid farewell to Kirk Bailey and Sheila Stickel. The event, which is being paid for through ASUO fund-raisers, will be in the Hellman Room starting at 7 p.m. All students are welcome.

Sports

The Oregon men's golf team is 16th after the first day of the NCAA West Regional Golf Tournament in Albuquerque. N.M.

The Ducks shot a 302 Thursday, with only Utah and Hawaii having worse team scores. Oregon is 23 shots off the first-day lead set by UNLV, which carded a 207. The Ducks need to finish ninth or better to qualify for the NCAA Tournament in two

Mark Aldrich shot a 74 to pace the Ducks Thursday, while teammates Cam Martin and Troy Tamiya were right behind with a 75 and 76, respec-

We knew coming in this was going to be a great field and that we had to play very well to advance to the NCAA Championships." Oregon Coach Scott Krieger said. "The last thing we wanted was to come out the first day and play poorly. but now that we're faced with it, we'll have to come out Friday and shoot par to get back into this thing.

Almanac

Student government bowed to the pre-eminence of the free press Thursday when the ASUO Executive dropped an 8-7 softball decision to the ODE news staff.

Executive members carried a seven-run lead into the fifth inning, but the Emerald staff exploded for six runs in top half of the inning and two more in the top of the seventh.

The ODE then held off a late ASUO rally in the bottom of the seventh as Vice President Sheila Stickel flied out to center field with the bases loaded to end the game.

ASUO ends year with mixed feelings

Budget lobby topped agenda

By Catherine Hawley

It was the worst of times, it was the worst of times

From budget cuts and hate crimes to a ban on the Grateful Dead and an Incidental Fee Committee stalemate, conflict characterized the ASUO administration of Kirk Bailey and Sheila Stickel.

As they prepared to hand the reins of student government to a new administration today. Bailey and Stickel said they were leaving office with mixed emotions: pride in their accomplishments; disappointment that they weren't able to do more; relief that demands on time and energy will soon be

"You invest a lot of yourself into the whole job, so it makes it very difficult to walk away from it," said Bailey, who will attend law school at University of San Francisco next fall.

In many ways. Affirmative Action Coordinator Bobby Lee

said, it was an ideal year for the ASUO; constant conflict gave student government plenty of opportunities to show its lead-

Other students criticized this year's Executive for not making more of those opportunities - Bailey and Stickel became mired in administrative duties, some said, and were sometimes reluc tant to take bold stances

However, most agreed that one issue dominated the ASUO agenda this year. Ballot Measure 5.

Bailey and Stickel said they consider their lobbying efforts in the wake of Measure 5 one of the greatest successes of their ad-

Their work is now paying off, Stickel said. The legislature has made state colleges and universities a priority for add-back funds, a move that could return as much as \$52 million to high



Sheila Stickel and Kirk Bailey, outgoing ASUO vice president and president, say they are proud of their accomplishments, especially their lobbying effort in the wake of Measure 5

er education if the state ends up with more revenue than

In the end here, it looks like some money is going to be coming back to higher education." Stickel said. "And that is largely due to the efforts of the students in this state and particularly of the students here

The ASUO's work began even before the November elections with a fall term campaign warning students of the measure's implications for higher education funding.

When the tax limitation proposal passed, Bailey, Stickel and the rest of the Executive staff closed down their office for a day in protest, drawing criticism from students, in and out of government

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University political groups come out of hiding

By Rene DeCair

Where have all the young Republicans gone? Where are all the University Democrats from oh, so long ago?

The answer is not blowing in the wind, but if someone wanted to know what the University Democrats and College Republicans were up to this year. they'd have to be paying close attention.

The reason is that the two groups, known for their political activism, have been uncharacteristically quiet this year.

Both groups say they have been active but are now experiencing an in-between-elections Iull as they gear up for the 1992 round of voting.

"Our profile has been low because it's an off-election year," said College Republicans' general Chairman Garth

Meanwhile Ryan Deckert. University Democrats chairman, said his group also is fo-



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cusing on next year's elections but has been working this legislative session to fight tuition hikes

Also, for a short period of time, University Democrats was dismantled and inactive, contributing to a lack of campus partisanship, Deckert said. The organization fell apart, partially because they lost financial support from the Lane County



Jason Wilson

Democratic Organization. which perceived the campus organization as too left-wing and radical. Deckert said.

Six months ago, the group pulled together again with about 30 new faces and a new attitude

I'm sure we're more moderate than the group last year." Deckert said. But "I don't know that we should appeal to people who run middle-of-the-

The group has regained support from Lane County Democrats. Deckert said, but they will not base their activism on whether they can get funding.

Funding will probably be less of a problem in the future if the campus group decides to organize under a parent organization called the College Democrats of America, he said.

Neither the University Democrats nor the College Republicans gets funding from student incidental fees.

College Republicans rely on individual donations to the group, which does not exactly make the group rich. Chairman Jason Wilson said.

Wilson said the group has about 120 members who have been working on raising awareness about the Republican Party. And he said the group serves an important function as a conservative voice on cam-

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