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Simon says aid reform will help

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Many University students could get a reprieve from the crunch of Measure 5 if a financial aid proposal sponsored by U.S. Sen. Paul Simon passes.

The Illinois Democrat, spoke about federal financial aid while in Eugene Thursday to receive the Wayne Morse Integrity in Politics Award.

"The present loan programs are very, very complicated and very limited," Simon said.

The Simon-Durenberger proposal eliminates most of the

funds that the Higher Education Act promises to banks, and instead promises funds to students.

In all, about \$2.7 billion in annual entitlement spending in the guaranteed student loan programs would be shifted into four areas:

- A new, simpler student assistance program called IDEA Credit, available to students without regard to income, with repayment as a variable percentage of after-school income collected through the income tax system.

- An increase in the existing

Pell Grant to provide more assistance to students from low-income families, and extend aid to students from moderate-income families.

- "Excellence Scholarships" for students who work hard and do well in school.

- Early intervention programs for at-risk youth, to help prepare them for college and make them aware of the availability of financial aid.

University President Myles Brand said he and the University support this proposal be-

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U.S. Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., and his wife, Jeanne, tour 13th Avenue while on campus Thursday afternoon.

Saferide debate goes beyond initial complaint

By Gerrit Koepping
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The constitutional challenge Saferide currently faces is just part of a larger struggle being waged between the man — and his friends — who filed that challenge and the Women's Center.

Tonight at 7:30 in the EMU Walnut Room, the ASUO Constitution Court will hear student Abe Hepner's charge that Saferide discriminates against men by not allowing them to drive or ride in the vans. But the feelings about this issue run deeper than just an argument in front of a student court.

Each party believes the other prefers personal attacks to rational dialogue. Issues of free speech, police power and individual liberties are all involved.

Women's Center members called the Office of Public Safety 12 times in four days to report what they said was inappropriate behavior by a group outside their office, said Carey Drayton, director of OPS.

The calls started on Monday, Nov. 18, which was the same day Hepner filed the challenge with the ASUO Constitution Court.

Mona Gentry, Saferide co-director, said Hepner and his friends were being disruptive in and outside of the office.

"We were unsuccessful in educating them about appropriate behavior," Gentry said. Specifically, Gentry said Hepner and his friends stared and pointed at people who worked in the office.

Since Hepner filed the complaint, he and his friends have been interviewed by OPS four times and their private conversations have been tape recorded by an OPS officer.

Drayton confirmed that OPS had recorded conversations between Hepner and his friends to find out if their voices could be matched to threatening calls left on Women's Center answering

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What the duck is that?

A 10-foot cardboard duck, flaunting a hat with bread crumbs hanging from the end, floats in the Millrace Thursday. The duck was the project of Kati Perle, a graduate student in metal smithing and jewelry, for a basic design class.

Photo by Jeff Paslay

Campus Radio relocates, awaits FCC go-ahead

By Karen Engels
Emerald Reporter

Campus Radio organizers hope to wrap up more than four years of red tape and begin broadcasting before spring break next year.

Only a few obstacles now keep the station from going on the air, said station General Manager James January.

A move to the station's newly acquired EMU office during Christmas break will alleviate a severe space crunch, but both the wait for Federal Communications Commission approval and lack of funds remain barriers.

Organizers said these barriers are only temporary.

They expect FCC approval within 30 to 90 days, and the Incidental Fee Committee voted Thursday to reallocate funds from the existing Campus Radio budget for immediately needed office renovations.

Both developments are welcome news, but the path thus far hasn't been easy.

Space and funding problems, disputes

over call letters, antenna-placement negotiations and long waits for FCC approval of proposals for a student-run radio, have plagued the fledgling station for years.

The antenna issue was resolved this summer after the athletic department agreed to relocate their antenna, freeing up the PLC tower, January said. This relocation is expected in coming weeks. The originally proposed antenna location of Blanton Heights was denied.

As for space woes, Campus Radio spent one year in an Agate Street hut that was "crumbling around us," January said, and has been in an 8-by-10-foot cubicle in the depths of the EMU for the past eight months.

Organizers said the 80-square-foot EMU space was too small to broadcast from, although preferable to the Agate hut. Last week the EMU Board of Directors House Subcommittee granted their request — a new office with approximately 600 square feet.

Organizers will move equipment into what is now the supervisor's office at the

EMU's mezzanine level. Most of the equipment was donated by KWAX and the University Instructional Media Center.

The rebuilding project includes putting in two new doors, a partition wall and wiring. The office will be divided into three sections: a production area, a studio and a main office.

The IFC allocated \$35,000 to the station for the 1991-92 school year. No new funds were allocated at the IFC meeting Thursday, but the budget reallocation was approved.

Students voted in the 1989 spring election to give Campus Radio initial funding of \$25,861, but because they weren't yet on the air, Campus Radio only spent about \$5,000. The IFC carried over the unspent \$20,532 to this year's budget.

Campus Radio had to reshuffle this year's budget in order to fund needed renovations, which are more urgent than other needs and will allow staff training to begin, January said.

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They began on the pages of *New Yorker* magazine and then moved to their own television series. Now director Barry Sonnenfeld has brought the Addams family to life on the big screen.

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Micro Ski

A new company called Micro Forecasts will provide up-to-the-minute weather forecasts of area ski resorts. To use Micro Forecasts, customers must buy a card that enables them to access the system with a touch-tone telephone.

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