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## Accusations continue to haunt Watson

ASUO vice president talks of resigning after new allegations are leveled against her

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ASUO Vice President JoSonja Watson, already awaiting a recall election, continues to be plagued by allegations of wrongdoing, the most recent being a charge that she was overpaid for her summer position and failed to return the extra money.

In addition, a second brush with the law has come to light. Watson was cited for trying to obtain fake identification in March 1991. She initially denied the incident when asked about it Wednesday, but later said that she does not see how it is newsworthy or relevant, that many people have done it and she "just happened to be one who got caught."

Watson said Wednesday she is considering resigning and will an-

nounce her plans at a press conference tentatively slated for either Thursday or Friday.

Controversy has arisen over her positions in the ASUO this summer. College Republicans co-Chairman Don King filed a motion with the Constitution Court asking that Watson repay \$139.58 that he believes she was overpaid for a summer position.

Watson is paid \$300 monthly for her position as vice president and also received a stipend of \$62.50 a month for work as a comptroller during the summer.

Watson said she was overpaid, but that it was an accident she did not catch. She also had a job at the Computer Lounge during the summer, and payment for all three positions was combined into a single monthly paycheck that went through Oregon Hall, she said.

"Right now," she said, "(EMU personnel officer Gayle Johnson) is in the process of figuring out exactly how much it is that I owe, and I have the money sitting aside now."

Watson said it did not come to her

attention that she was overpaid until late fall term. King said he finds it hard to believe that it was an oversight.

"If we got a check in the mail that was for 50 or 60 bucks over what we're supposed to get, it's not hard to think 'I've been overpaid,'" he said.

ASUO Head Comptroller Tracy Naber said paycheck errors are not an uncommon occurrence, but Watson said she is not surprised that the College Republicans have singled her out.

"Obviously, right now, I think the focus is on me," Watson said, adding that "if they're so concerned with people getting overpaid," they should look into other incidents.

King said he is concerned with the overpayments other groups and individuals have received.

"I think there were some improprieties in the ASUO, and the thing that bothers me is they weren't corrected," he said.

King also plans to look into the

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## New citation arises

By Chris Bouneff  
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ASUO Vice President JoSonja Watson was cited in March 1991 for attempting to obtain a state Motor Vehicles Division identification card under her sister's name, according to Beaverton Police Department records.

Moreover, Watson failed to pay a \$150 fine after pleading guilty to the charge, leading to a warrant being issued against her in Washington, Multnomah and Clackamas counties that is currently in effect, police said.

The disclosure of the citation comes only months after a search of Eugene police records showed that Watson was cited in November 1990 for second-degree shoplifting after attempting to steal \$7.25 worth of merchandise from the University Bookstore.

Watson attempted to obtain an ID card under the name Teresa Darnelle Watson at a DMV office in Beaverton on March 30, 1991, according to police records. She was an Incidental Fee Commit-

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## Over and out

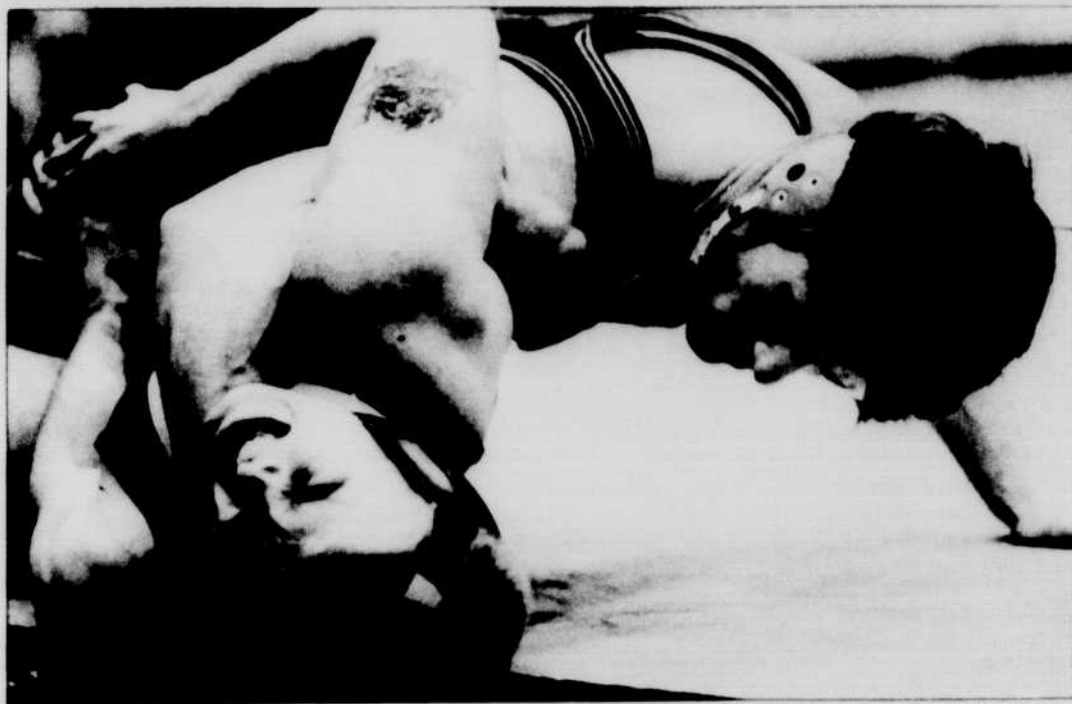


Photo by Sean Poston

Oregon freshman Cory Sonnen (top) won during Wednesday night's match against Oregon State after the Beavers' Glenn Nieradka defaulted due to injury. See sports, Page 4.

## Student groups paid employees too much

Haphazard book-keeping spawned last year's payroll deficits

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More than 20 student groups overpaid their employees in the 1990-91 fiscal year for a total exceeding \$14,000 — and they didn't pay it back.

And the number of groups experiencing deficits in the Incidental Fee Committee-approved payroll budgets is expected to double for the 1991-92 year.

Last year's worst payroll deficit stemmed from the Amazon Child Care Co-op, which exceeded its IFC payroll budget by more than \$5,000.

Other groups with payroll deficits of more than \$1,000 were Student Campaign For Disarmament, \$1,246; Women In Transition, \$1,099; and the

Mediation Program, \$1,049.

Payroll deficits are covered by IFC surplus money, which is otherwise reserved for special IFC requests.

"The money that other groups save is being used to cover other groups' deficits," said IFC Chairwoman Lydia Lerma.

ASUO Head Comptroller Tracy Naber said she's working to reform the payroll budget system and figure out ways to avoid deficits.

Some of the accounting problems Naber is addressing are the difficulty of projecting and controlling work study wages, the inability to catch overpayments before they happen and the lack of accountability by groups that run payroll deficits.

The IFC is also working on making groups accountable for their deficits.

Student groups receive most

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## Tables turn as OCA video used for opposite effect

By Carrie Dennett  
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A videotape used by the Oregon Citizens Alliance to rally support for its prospective ballot initiative was shown for the opposite effect by anti-OCA forces Wednesday.

The Women's Law Forum and the National Lawyers Guild sponsored the viewing of a copy of the tape purchased by the National Organization for Women.

The video opens with the warning that the documentary contains scenes of nudity and may be offensive, and "is

not for viewing by those who struggle with pornography or homosexuality."

OCA Director Lon Mabon appears next, warning viewers that the "shocking" documentary is an example of what will be happening all across the country if his supporters do not fight to stop the push for gay rights.

The bulk of the documentary is footage of gay rights marches in Washington, D.C., and San Francisco. The words, "This is what gay rights means," flash periodically at the bottom of the screen.

The march participants included men and women, some in regular clothing,

some partially nude, some dressed in sadomasochistic leather regalia and some in other costumes.

The groups marching included the Bay Area Coalition Against Operation Rescue, National Organization for Women, Lesbian and Gay Youth, Lesbian and Gay Parenting Group, Gay Fathers, Act-Up, "Hookers from Hell," S/M groups and the North American Man-Boy Love Association.

In the video, OCA attempts to link NAMBLA, which advocates "sex by age 8, or it's too late," with homosexuality.

The documentary cuts from the march footage to discuss NAMBLA's

goals. The video then cuts to the placard carried by the Gay Fathers organization, implying these groups are linked.

After the showing, Lynda Zukaitis, vice president of Lane County NOW, said that NAMBLA claims a membership of only 1,000, and 94 percent of child molesters are heterosexual men.

Dominick Vetri, a law school professor, said the OCA uses the Bible to show homosexuality as wrong, yet the Bible was also used in the past to support racial segregation and cast down equal rights for women.

"The question of morality differs in different people's minds," Vetri said.