

## Gathering mourns Salem residents' deaths

Religious Response Network sponsors memorial for slain homosexuals

By Matt Bender  
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A group of about 100 people gathered Friday outside the Lane County Courthouse for a religious service in memory of two homosexuals from Salem who were killed in a firebombing last week.

The memorial vigil for Hattie Mae Cohens, a black lesbian, and Brian Mock, a gay man, was sponsored by the Religious Re-

sponse Network and was led by four local religious leaders.

Cohens and Mock were killed when someone threw a Molotov cocktail through the window of a basement apartment in Salem. Two of the four suspects in custody have been identified as racist skinheads by Portland police, according to the Associated Press.

The Lane County religious leaders said they came to the vigil at noon to remember Cohens and Mock.

"We are here to mourn the loss of those two souls and to commemorate their willingness to be vulnerable in these very frightening times," said Reverend Sally Bryan, a minister from

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## Religious groups avoid war of politics

Some University organizations refuse to take a position on Ballot Measure 9

By Chester Allen  
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Many of the University's religious organizations have declared themselves conscientious objectors in the statewide Ballot Measure 9 battle.

The leaders of the Restoration Campus Ministry, Collegiate Christian Fellowship, Faith Center College Fellowship, Interservice Christian Fellowship, Campus Crusade for Christ and the McKenzie Study Center said their organizations do not take official positions on political issues.

Measure 9, sponsored by the Oregon Citizens Alliance, would amend the Oregon state constitution to forbid state or local governments to "promote, encourage, or facilitate homosexuality." Measure 9 also declares homosexuality to be "abnormal, wrong, unnatural, and perverse."

Bill Syrios, campus pastor with Interservice Christian Fellowship, said he is personally troubled by the language of Measure 9.

"As a Christian, I find myself in a paradox because I don't condone homosexuality," Syrios said. "Yet, I do not agree with the tone of Measure 9, particularly the language that links homosexuality with pedophilia. I find that language personally offensive."

Syrios said there has been some discussion of Measure 9 within his organization.

"There are Christians on both sides of the issue," Syrios said. "It is a tough issue for all Christians."

Collegiate Christian Fellowship College Pastor Cory Rose said he thinks people need to make their own decisions about Measure 9.

"As far as my position on Measure 9, I encourage all to vote and to vote according to personal convictions," Rose said.

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## Fowl-weather fans



Photo by Jeff Paslay

More than 30,000 Duck fans braved the elements for the Oregon vs. Arizona State game Saturday. Rudy Herr Sr., (left to right) his grandson Jared, and Jared's dad Rudy Jr. watched the Ducks crush the Sun Devils 30-20. Saturday marked Oregon's first Pac-10 win since September 1991. See related story Page 17.

## University Telefund aims for \$1.5 million

Money donated by alumni may be directed into a general fund or a specific program

By Mandy Baucum  
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At one time or another, many college students are faced with the embarrassing task of asking for money from parents or

the financial aid office. But at the University Telefund, asking for money is more than a duty inspired by need, it is a job.

Telefund employees call alumni and ask for donations to the University. Donors may direct their money into one of two pools: the President's Fund or the Dean's Fund.

The Dean's Fund allows donors to give their money to specific schools or specific areas, such as faculty recruitment,

classroom equipment or research.

The President's Fund is a general University fund. Administrators decide where the money should go.

In the 1990-91 school year, the telefund raised \$1.3 million for the University. This year's goal is \$1.5 million.

Ann Koelling, the University program manager for telephone outreach, said the telefund ultimately benefits the commu-

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## WEATHER

Today will be partly sunny after some morning fog or low clouds. You can expect the temperature to reach a high of about 70 and a low in the upper 30s.

### Just a Reminder

Today is the last day to drop a class, change grade options (graded or P/N) or change credits in classes with variable credits, without a \$10 fee.

## FROM THE PAST



Archives Photo

"The King of Rock and Roll" made two sell-out performances on Nov. 25 and 27 in 1976 at McArthur Court.

## SPORTS

SEATTLE (AP) - There's little controversy over who the No. 1 team in the nation is. It's just that top-ranked Washington has itself a little quarterback controversy.

Billy Joe Hobert doesn't like sharing time with backup Mark Brunell, and coach Don James is upset with the offense's lack of production after the Huskies' 17-10 victory over Southern Cal on Saturday.

"I'm going to be honest," Hobert said. "It's frustrating. There's nothing I can do about it, though. Mark's going to get his playing time, and we're winning games. So what can I say?"

Coach James plans on continuing the quarterback rotation.