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## Two mayor candidates share focus

□ Burrows, Bascom say leadership style is difference

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Ruth Bascom and Mary Burrows concede they share similar visions for the city, but they say their leadership styles will determine which candidate becomes Eugene's next mayor.

Burrows said this is a departure from past elections because the city is experiencing financial difficulties.

"I think there's an old view that what mayors do is just act as ribbon cutters and sit on councils," Burrows said. "It's a grand time to be mayor because it's a challenge to do it better."

Bascom recognized her opponent's qualifications as well as her own, but she said she's had more knowledge of the city than Burrows.

"You can't be an effective mayor unless you know your area," Bascom said. "I think the issue is simply I know the city."

Bascom and Burrows said they agree the University is an important asset to the city. Both said separation between the two needs to diminish to better utilize their respective resources.

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## Eggcitement



Photo by Kim Nguyen

Laura Gerards, an instructor at the University, uses a geometric design to decorate a Psyanky, a Ukrainian egg. Young Ukrainian women used to save the best eggs for their loved ones, who would have to guess the designer of the egg.

## Lack of jobs affects votes

□ Study finds unemployment causes voters to turn to Democratic candidates

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The outcome of today's election may hinge on a sizable shift of steadfast Republican voters to different parties, two University professors said Monday.

Today's economic conditions, particularly high unemployment, traditionally instill people with more faith in the Democratic party, said Stephen Haynes, an economics professor, and David Jacobs, a political science professor.

Conversely, during times of inflation, voters tend to identify Republican candidates as the economic problem-solvers, and thus affiliate with that party.

In current research, Haynes and Jacobs have examined the last 38 years of party identification in relation to the last 152 economic quarters. After assessing the data, they reached certain conclusions about the relationship between economic conditions and political affiliation.

The first hypothesis deals with candidates' performance ratings. Voters tend to gauge the incumbents' performances according to economic conditions near the election time, Jacobs said.

If inflation or unemployment rates are high, the incumbent president loses pop-

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## Campus Republicans keep low profile in liberal Eden

□ University members stay quiet under generally popular left-wing "trends"

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Republicans do exist on the University campus.

They haven't been hiding; they just aren't very vocal about getting the Republican view out, said Kim Kerbs, chairman of the University College Republicans.

"We're not particularly into forcing our way onto the campus political scene," said Kerbs, a junior in political science.

Kerbs said her group is more concerned that students will — rather than with what party — become involved in the political process, including getting out and voting today.

Jeff Osanka, chairman of the Republicans' No on 9 group, said many University students are Republicans, apparent from past voter tallies in regional precincts. He said that in past years, major Republican candidates have received a "substantial" number of votes out of the University, despite the generally regarded belief that the school is almost entirely liberal.

Osanka, who graduated with a doctorate in speech and communication last year, said "roughly" 30 percent to 34 percent of University students are registered

Republicans, just under the state's 37-percent average.

An image that the University is overwhelmingly Democratic makes Republican students believe they are unique, Osanka said.

"Every Republican on campus thinks, 'I'm the only one,'" Osanka said. "There's a dominant voice on every campus, and everybody assumes that it's the only voice."

John Clarke, a junior in political science and English, likened seeing a Republican on campus to making a discovery.

"It's kind of like finding a long-lost friend or something," said Clarke, who has worked on campaigns for Eugene mayoral candidate Mary Burrows and for the George Bush/Dan Quayle executive ticket this year.

Clarke said he believed "trends" were responsible for much of the general liberalism on campus. He said he believed many students, especially those from smaller towns with little exposure to bigger cities, come to the University and get caught up in a "mass-mob mentality."

"This is like real life to them," he said. "They enter this big arena of thought."

Laura Hansen, a junior political science major, said the oft-pervasive "screaming liberal" attitude at the

University almost made her transfer to Willamette University in Salem, a school more conservative than the University.

But Hansen endured, she said, because she believed she could get a more well-rounded education from staying in Eugene. She said the "more liberal" political science department professors are a nice balance to her experience as secretary of the College Republicans.

"I definitely benefit," said Hansen, who wears a Bush/Quayle button around campus. "I look at it from that perspective. Otherwise, I might go crazy."

Kerbs said the College Republicans have been somewhat less than visible at voter rallies and other campus functions because her organization is in a transition period. The College Republicans, which have about 20 active members, underwent an executive change, and the rest of the group is catching up as well, she said.

At the College Republicans' recent endorsement meeting, the group voted to oppose all of the state initiatives — except Ballot Measure 1 — and to endorse all Republican candidates, a move normal for college Re-

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## WEATHER

Today will be considerably foggy with low clouds. There will be some partial afternoon clearing and highs between 55-60. Tonight will bring lows of about 35-40.

Wednesday will also be foggy in the morning with increasing clouds following. There will be a slight chance of rain late. Highs will be between 55-60.

## CIA RECRUITING ON CAMPUS

A Central Intelligence Agency recruiter will be conducting employment interviews today with University students. At press time, ASUO President Bobby Lee said he was working with Career Planning and Placement Services to move the interviews off campus.

In 1990, students protested a CIA recruiter conducting interviews on campus because of complaints of discrimination against gays and lesbians and illegal CIA activity. Lee said he fears students will react more strongly now because of Ballot Measure 9.

"We feel a lot of people are going to target the CIA if this measure passes," Lee said. "We feel that especially this time, they should be off campus."

## SPORTS

PORTLAND (AP) — The Portland Trail Blazers announced Monday that they cut Lamont Strothers, Marcus Kennedy and Elliott Perry from their preseason roster.

The cuts brought the team to its 12-man limit in preparation for Sunday's season opener against Denver, said Blazers spokesman John Lashway.

Strothers spent all but four games of his rookie season on the Blazers' injured list. He averaged 9 points in 13 minutes for five preseason games this fall.

Perry saw action in six preseason games, and Kennedy played in five.