

## Sounds like Christmas



Heather Creech (left), Ashleigh Spielberg and Caissy Aron are part of a group from Mrs. Adkins' seventh-grade Jefferson Middle School class singing Christmas carols at the Winter Faire in the EMU Wednesday.

Photo by Jeff Paslay

## Budget plan may lead to less access

□ Brand questions how budget would impact University and higher ed

By Colleen Pohlig  
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In reaction to Gov. Barbara Roberts' recently unveiled proposed General Fund budget for the 1993-95 biennium, University President Myles Brand is questioning the future access to higher education — or the lack thereof.

"Access is a complicated thing. As the state pulls back its dollars and they are not replaced by tuition dollars, we have less money to hire teachers," Brand said. "This means we have less classes available, which means less spots at the University for students.

"So as you push down tuition too much, you cut into your revenue, therefore not being able to provide education for as many students. And that's the reason why the chancellor was talking about enrollment caps."

In her budget plan, the governor calls for a 7 percent decrease in enrollment. Enrollment will drop by 4,460 students to an enrollment cap of 56,020 statewide in 1993-95, according to the proposed plan.

"For the first time ever in the state, qualified Oregonians are going to be turned away from getting an education."

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## Housing may change priorities

□ Proposal would end marriage requirement for family housing

By Sarah Clark  
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University Housing has proposed new family housing eligibility requirements that would give higher priority to applicants with financial aid and would eliminate the traditional definition of "family."

The requirements would not affect students who currently live in family housing, University Housing Director Michael Eyster said. They would only affect new applicants beginning fall 1993.

University Housing is sponsoring a public hearing for the proposal today from noon to 3 p.m. in the EMU Ben Linder Room.

Under the proposed requirements, University Housing would work with the Office of Student Financial Aid to determine if applicants are eligible for financial aid, Eyster said. Currently family housing applicants are required to submit a financial statement, but University Housing does not

have access to the kind of information the financial aid office does, he said.

"We want to make sure the people we're giving the highest priority are the people with the greatest financial need," Eyster said. "Our rates are so much lower than the market rates that for many students, we are providing financial assistance. It makes sense that students with the greatest need have the highest priority."

International students who are not eligible for financial aid may be screened through the Office of International Education and Exchange, Eyster said.

The OIEE has access to a limited amount of financial information about international students, said Peter Briggs, associate director for the OIEE. The OIEE would like to work with University Housing, Briggs said, but it doesn't know how it will assess international students because it lacks tax records and extensive information on what constitutes financial need in the different countries.

However, Briggs said he's not worried that in-

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## PROPOSED HOUSING REQUIREMENTS

- Proposal would give top priority to graduate and undergraduate students with financial aid who have children. Currently, top priority goes to graduate students with children, regardless of whether they receive financial aid.
- Second and third priorities would go to graduate students with financial aid who don't have children and undergraduates ages 21 and over with financial aid who don't have children.
- Students without financial aid who have children would be fourth priority.
- The lowest priorities would go to graduate students and undergraduates ages 21 and over who don't have financial aid and don't have children.
- Two adults who want to live together would not need a marriage certificate.
- The maximum occupancy for studio units would be two people, not one.

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## WEATHER

Eugene-Springfield residents should expect mostly sunny skies with highs in the mid 40s. Tonight will be cold and clear with lows in the 20s.

### Thought for Today

"History is but a kind of Newgate calendar, a register of the crimes and miseries that man has inflicted on his fellow man." — Washington Irving

## ARRESTED FOR BITING

HILLSBORO (AP) — A 39-year-old Aloha woman has been indicted on attempted murder and other charges for allegedly using the virus that causes AIDS as a dangerous weapon when she bit the finger of a sheriff's deputy.

Joan R. Meza was arraigned on an eight-count indictment Tuesday in Washington County District Court.

A circuit court appearance was set for Monday.

Trina Strom, Meza's court-appointed lawyer, said she would ask for a release hearing. Meza was being held on \$40,000 bail.

In addition to the attempted murder count, a Washington county grand jury charged Meza with attempted assault, assault on a peace officer, assault, resisting arrest, menacing and recklessly endangering another.

## SPORTS

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Milwaukee Bucks forward-center Alaa Abdelnaby could face marijuana possession charges after his arrest in a Milwaukee suburb, officials said Wednesday.

Milwaukee County Assistant District Attorney Stephanie Rothstein said her office would await results of tests from the state crime lab and then decide whether to proceed. Authorities refused to divulge details of the arrest, including when it was made.

"Just because we're reviewing charges doesn't mean there is going to be a charge, it doesn't mean there's not," Rothstein said Wednesday. "The investigation is going on."