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Frank Miles, a graduate in educational policy and management, casts his vote at the Saferide-staffed voters' booth, which is being run by Margaret Karen Davis, who is a volunteer driver for Saferide.

Pair may face charges for verbal harassment

Two men blocked a walkway as students left a dance, witnesses say

By Matt Bender

Two University students may face prosecution under the Student Conduct Code for verbally harassing homosexual students who were leaving a gay pride dance in the EMU Saturday morning.

The two male students allegedly harassed gay and lesbian students as they were walking out of the dance at the EMU Ballroom about 12:45 a.m. Philip Horne, who was walking out of the dance, said the men smelled of alcohol and were yelling at the people leaving the EMU.

They were yelling things like, 'Is this where all the faggots are?' and 'Are you a faggot?," Horne said.

Steve Dennis, a University student who was also at the dance, said the two men were blocking the walkway on the west side of the EMU that leads to the stairs to the second-floor ballroom.

Although no fights occurred, Dennis said people leaving the dance had to bump into the two men as they made their way down the walkway.

"There were a couple of situations, but nothing happened," he said. "I think it was too public of a place and there were too many of us for them to do anything.

Dennis said the quick response by University Office of Public Safety officers also prevented the incident from escalating.

"They were there within two or three

minutes," Dennis said. "They were very professional and handled the situation

Dennis said the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance, which sponsored the dance, hired security for the dance, but it didn't help to defuse the situation.

They hired EMU security and that security does not cover things outside the EMU," he said. "It just responds to things inside the building.

EMU security prevented the same two individuals, along with two other men. from entering the dance hours before the incident occurred, Dennis said.

They were in a group of four and were drunk and wanted to get into the dance.' he said. "They couldn't get in, so they waited outside. When the dance ended. two of them were still there.

The OPS officers who arrived on the scene took down an informational report of the incident, which will be sent to Elaine Green, the dean of student conduct.

Green, who had not yet seen the report, said the two suspects could face a variety of charges under the University Student Conduct Code. She said they could be charged with harassment, unwanted sexual behavior, disorderly conduct and lewd and indecent behavior

Green said no action would be taken until all of the facts of the incident were reviewed. She also said because of federal privacy laws, the names of the two suspects would not be released if her office decides to file charges.

Horne and Dennis both said they filed complaints at OPS after the incident.

Harassment rule defines behaviors

☐ Today is the last day for suggestions on proposed discrimination rule

By Colleen Pohlig

University faculty and students will have one last opportunity today to suggest changes for the proposed sexual harassment rule introduced by the administration last month as part of a federal conciliation agreement.

The rule, which hasn't complied with state and federal regulations regarding sexual harassment for at least five years, proposes to redefine sexual harassment, establish record-keeping requirements and define clearer

The proposed rule encompasses all forms of illegal discrimination, which includes sexual harassment, and seeks 'ODE' board names 1993-94 editor

□ Emerald news editor hired to top position

By Tammy Batey

Jake Berg, news editor of the Oregon Daily Emerald, will be the 1993-94 Emerald editor-in-chief.

The Emerald Board of Directors Tuesday night named Berg, a 20ear-old junior, to the position. He'll begin the post during the sum-

Berg, a journalism major, was the Emerald sports editor last year. Two years ago, he worked as a sports reporter at the newspaper. During the summer of 1990, Berg worked full-time as a sports reporter at the Lincoln County News-Times in Newport, his home

Board member Gerry Gazlay and board Chairman Richard Rofsky said they chose Berg because of the varied positions he's had at the Emerald during the past three

"We were favorably impressed by Jake's last three years of work on the ODE, during which he has had progressively increasing positions of responsibility and demonstrated his capability and the Emerald as a first-class student

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Jake Berg

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WEATHER

afternoon! Partial clearing expected today following morning showers. Highs near 60

Today in History

In 1980, at the Boston Marathon, Rosie Ruiz was the first woman to cross the finish line. However, she was later exposed as a fraud.

ABORTION ALTERNATIVE

WASHINGTON (AP) - In a breakthrough for advocates of legalizing the abortion pill RU-486, the French manufacturer agreed Tuesday to license the

drug to a population-control group for eventual U.S. distribution.

But it will still be at least "a couple of years" before the abortion pill can be licensed for full commercial use in the United States, the head of the Food and Drug Administration said.

The agreement was announced by FDA Commissioner David A. Kessler and

Margaret Catley-Carlson, president of Roussel-Uclaf. It allows the Population Council to contract with a U.S. drug manufacturer, still unchosen, to produce and distribute the pill in the United States. Catley-Carlson also said it would be "probably years" before RU-486 could win full

SPORTS

The Oregon men's golf team concluded a successful trip to California by winning the U. S. Intercollegiate in Stanford. Calif., Monday,

The Ducks shot a final-round 281 to pass second-round leader Washington and win the tournament by eight shots. The victory was Oregon's second in a row and third in a month

This is so big to win two prestigious tournaments back-toback," Oregon head coach Steve Nosler said. "It's scary." Senior Cam Martin led the Ducks again by firing a finalround 67 to finish tied for first, but he lost to Oregon State's Kevin LaMair in a playoff.