

IFC, athletics barter over cuts

□ Prime student seats on line over incidental fee allocation

By Dave Charbonneau and Chester Allen
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In response to last week's \$35,000 cut at the hands of the Incidental Fee Committee, the University athletic department is now threatening to take away some cherished student seating.

Senior assistant athletic director Sandy Walton said the cut — which is the fourth in five years for the athletic department — may force the department to take away the court-side seats on the west side of McArthur Court at men's basketball games, or Section 9 for football games at Autzen Stadium.

The IFC offered to give up Section 5 in return for the cut, hoping the athletic department could recoup lost revenue by selling the

seats to the general public and donors. Walton refused the offer.

"We can't expect to offer those seats to donors," Walton said, "when students who can sit there for free don't even use them."

Instead, Walton offered a proposal that would open Section 9 at football games (at about the 30 yard line) and the court-side seats (across from the team benches) at basketball games to the general public in exchange

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ASUO Finance Coordinator Neil Sunnell (from left), ASUO President-elect Eric Bowen, Vice President for Administration Dan Williams and athletic director Rich Brooks discuss funding at a meeting Monday.

Ferret face



Michael Shindler

Student Lauri Overman holds Sarah, her sable ferret. Lauri says ferrets are very smart and tame animals. Sarah, only two years old, eats dry cat food for the main course in her diet.

Tuition increases go on while grant money drops

□ Oldest state-funded grant program honoring academic achievements is cut

By Katy Moeller
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Brace yourselves.

Entering the 1993-95 biennium, the University is facing the second wave of budget cuts brought on by the passage of the now-infamous Ballot Measure 5 of 1990.

As tuition increases by 7 percent for undergraduates and 15 percent for graduates, scholarship resources and University services are waning.



First of three parts

Students are paying more and getting less.

The oldest state-funded grant program, which began in 1959, has been terminated. The program recognized the academic achievements of the top-5 percent to 10 percent of Oregon high school students.

Between 750 and 800 students each year will be affected by the cut. The cost of the program was \$600,000 per year.

"The state no longer has a program that recognizes academic excellence," said Jim Beyer, Grant program director for the Oregon State Scholarship Commission.

The amount of money awarded to Pell grant recipients may be reduced next year.

Pell grants, which are need-based grants, are provided for in President Bill Clinton's budget. In the recent failed stimulus package proposed by Clinton, there was a request for money to pay off a \$2 billion debt accumulation, which was caused by forward spending.

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Local Latino groups organize Cinco de Mayo celebrations

□ Part of events includes a celebration tonight at EMU

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For members of MEChA, the Chicano/Latino student union, and Adelante Si Hispanic Organization of Lane County, Cinco de Mayo is a time to celebrate cultural diversity and community togetherness.

To encourage the Eugene-Springfield community to join in their cultural celebration, the two organizations have planned two separate events that will focus on the people of Latin America.

"This is a time where we try to focus on the community," said Liza Rodriguez, member of the MEChA Board of Directors.

Tonight, MEChA will be host to a free "Cinco de Mayo Celebracion" at 7:30 in the EMU Fir Room. Cinco de Mayo festivities will continue at noon Saturday with Adelante Si's daylong Fiesta Latina.

Tonight's event will feature performances from Ballet Folklorico and Raza sin Fronteras, a traditional Latin American music group. Armando Morales, a University Spanish instructor, is scheduled to speak at the event. Along with the traditional pinatas, MEChA will also be serv-

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WEATHER

More scattered showers today with possible thundershowers. Some clearing expected later in the day. Highs near 60 degrees.

Today in History

In 1932, mobster Al Capone, convicted of income-tax evasion, entered the federal penitentiary in Atlanta.

PRESIDENTIAL PAYOFF

WASHINGTON (AP) — It pays to go to college, especially if you're the president of the institution. A survey of 190 leading colleges and universities finds that most presidents make more than \$155,000 a year in pay and benefits.

The survey released Sunday by *The Chronicle of Higher Education* showed that Boston University President John Silber topped the list, receiving \$414,715 in 1991-92 in salary bonuses, deferred income and benefits.

In salary alone, Vanderbilt University President Joe B. Wyatt was the 1991-1992 leader at \$395,725 compared to \$275,000 for Silber. The trade paper reported that Wyatt's total compensation last year was \$410,916.

The income of the presidents at some private colleges has become increasingly controversial, because of spiraling tuition costs and little or no pay hikes for professors.

SPORTS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — George Brett, saying he's lost some zest for baseball as he nears his 40th birthday, plans to quit after this season.

"I'm not coming out and etching it in stone," he said in the *Kansas City Star*. "I'm writing it on paper with a No. 2 pencil right now — just real light on a piece of paper."

"If I had to make the decision today, regardless of what happens this year — even if I had a great year — I wouldn't come back."

Brett, who turns 40 on May 15, kept the Kansas City Royals dangling for months this winter before announcing he would play a 20th season.