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Larry Miller, of the Dodge team, navigates a sober driver through the course as the car responds to the drunk driving simulator. The public was given a chance to simulate drunken driving during the event at Gateway Meli.

Car mimics drunken driving actions

Driver surprised by inability to control Simulator, hits guardrail, kills pedestrian

By Stephanie Sisson

For fun Monday, I drank four beers and went for a drive, killing a pedestrian and slamming into a guardrail.

Luckily, the drive, the pedestrian, the guardrail and the beers were simulated. I was at the Gateway Mall, where Project Eugene: A Century Council Coalition and Roberts Dodge were hosting a car that mimics drunken driving behavior.

"This unique vehicle allows people, through hands-on experience, to understand the dangers of driving drunk without actually consuming alcohol," said Patsy Hand, Project Eugene

When I got into the Simulator, Aaron, the instructor in the passenger seat, explained That I would go around the course twice. The first time I would be sober. The second time, the steering and braking functions on the car would be delayed, equaling the

slowed physical and mental response abilities of a driver under the influence of alcohol.

The figure-eight course, a narrow lane defined by orange pylons, covers a 150 feet by 200 feet area. It includes a cardboard "pedes-trian" and a "guardrail." I negotiated the curves easily the first time, already planning how I would beat the car when I was "drunk

"OK," Aaron said as I finished the first lap. 'Now you have to play along and act drunk. That means you speed up, and you don't stop

for nothing."

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Then he programmed my body weight into the computer and informed me that I had just consumed four beers, raising my blood alcohol level to .133. Legally, the maximum blood alcohol level

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Program increases aid award packages

 Budget allocates increased funds to private school students

By Rivers Janssen

In response to the elimination of two state financial aid programs, the Oregon Legislature added a note to this year's higher education budget that gives private school students a substantial increase in money from a program that used to cater primarily to public school students.

The Oregon Need Grant traditionally gave an average of \$966 to qualified low-income students from state schools, and anywhere from about \$1,500 to \$2,000 to qualified private school students, depending on the institution. For instance, the 1992-93 average award for Lewis and Clark College was \$1,920 and \$1,772 for Willamette University.

However, in the 1993-94 school year, according to the Oregon State Scholarship Commission most of those private schools will receive between \$2,300 and \$3,000 per qualified low-income student, and public school awards will remain at \$966. Community college awards, meanwhile, will go down from \$828 to \$756 per qualified student.

Tom Turner, director of special services for OSSC, said the budget note marked the first time the Legislature has told the commission what percentage of dollars should be allot-

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Michael Jordan to retire, sources say Tuesday

"The thrill is gone. I've done it all," star says

CHICAGO (AP) - Michael Jordan, the world's most famous athlete and basketball's greatest player, will retire today, sources said.

Dateline NBC, the Denver

Post and the Chicago Sun-Times reported the news almost simultaneously Tuesday night. A source in the **Bulls organization confirmed** the reports for The Associated Press early Wednesday.

"It's correct" said the source, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Jordan, NBA scoring champion the past seven years, leader of the three-time champion Chicago Bulls, a twotime Olympic gold-medal winner and NCAA champion as a freshman at North Carolina, is expected to cite his as the reason for his retire-

ment at age 30.
"The thrill is gone. I've done it all. There's nothing left for me to do," Chicago Sun-Times columnist Irv Kupcinet said Jordan told

"It's time for me to move on to something else," the Sun-Times said Jordan told friends Tuesday. "I know a lot of peo-ple are going to be shocked by this decision and probably won't understand. But I've talked it over with my family and friends, and most of all I'm at peace with myself over the decision."

Requirement back under review

□ New multicultural committee appointed by provost

By Scot Clemens

The committee that will review the current multicultural requirement has been appointed with the task of picking up the pieces of last year's failed effort.

The committee members will discuss the need for a change in the current requirement and suggest any changes that they believe are needed.

University Provost Norman Wessells, who appointed the committee along with University Assembly President Davison Soper, believes that the success of the committee depends on whether it is able to involve a large number of students and

'Hopefully, they are going to take the pulse of the faculty and the student body," he said, adding that one of the problems with last year's requirement change was that many professors were "surprised" by the content of the proposal.

"I don't know how they could have been sur-

prised when the issue had been out there since last spring," said Diana Collins Puente, ASUO vice president, referring to the fact that it was the University Assembly that discussed and created the committee in the spring of 1991.

Collins Puente, also a member of the new committee, believes communication between students and faculty is very important as well, but questions whether the new committee will be able to create a better proposal than last year's

Director of Multicultural Affairs Marshall Sauceda questions whether or not the University is ready to change.

"I'm not certain whether or not it's realistic in this climate," he said.

Appointing the committee was a difficult task, Wessells said

"We worked all summer," he said, adding that many professors had other committees to serve on or were going on leave.

As for the number of professors who did not serve because they did not want to get involved with such a volatile issue, Wessells said it is diffi-

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