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Gas leak!



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Stores in a one-block radius on Franklin Boulevard were evacuated and traffic came to a standstill Monday after a truck smashed into an auto craft store and ruptured a gas line. Traffic was blocked to prevent car emissions from igniting the gas. EWEB arrived to shut off the main lines.

Sales tax fate will be decided by vote today

□ County elections board suggests casting votes early at polls

By Meg Dedolph
Oregon Daily Emerald

Foremost among the issues to be voted upon today is Ballot Measure 1 — whether the state should adopt a 5 percent sales tax.

To vote in Eugene, registered voters need to go to the polling place listed on their precinct memorandum cards between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. The county election board is encouraging people to vote early.



An issue for Eugene voters will be whether to adopt the proposed sales tax measure that would raise money for schools.

The money from the 5 percent tax would go entirely to public schools, including kindergartens and community colleges. The tax is intended to apply only to goods, not services. Some goods would be exempt from the tax as well.

The tax rate, the exempted goods and the tax's recipients could not be changed by the Legislature, but would require another vote of the people.

Should the measure pass, the Legislature's spending authority would also be limited, half of the money raised through the lottery would be earmarked for

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House divided on NAFTA vote

□ Oregon Delegates split three-to-two with vote in one week

By David Brotherton
For the Oregon Daily Emerald

Oregon's congressional delegation remains divided over whether to remove trade barriers between the United States, Canada and Mexico. The rift indicates an uphill battle for those in Congress supporting passage of the trade pact's vote.

President Clinton and congressional leaders have promised to resolve the fate of the North American Free Trade Agreement before the lawmakers begin their winter recess Nov. 22. The House of Representatives is scheduled to vote Nov. 17, though neither

side has yet claimed to have enough votes to win.

According to congressional sources, Oregon's five-member House delegation is split three to two over the contentious trade pact. NAFTA is designed to create a more competitive Western trading bloc by stripping away import and export duties between the three North American nations.

Supporting Clinton's effort to pass NAFTA are Reps. Mike Kopetski (D), Bob Smith (R) and Ron Wyden (D). Representatives Peter DeFazio (D) and Elizabeth Furse (D) both oppose the deal and have called for its renegotiation.

Congressman Kopetski, who represents Oregon's 5th District, believes strongly in NAFTA and



President Clinton

sees its potential to greatly strengthen his state's economy.

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Past and present tenants clean up Amazon

□ Community still hopeful that board will declare site historical

By Heatherle Himes
For the Oregon Daily Emerald

Past and present tenants of Amazon family housing gathered Saturday morning to clean a community that faces impending demolition.

About 40 adults and children spent an hour and a half in the sunshine raking leaves, painting fences and cleaning drainage grates.

"There's no other place like Amazon," said Eileen Traylor, an organizer of the cleanup. "The University should be proud of it and what they have

done for low-income students to allow us to go back to school."

Like many others, Traylor believes the University should consider restoration instead of demolition.

"We feel that there are solutions besides tearing the whole place down and starting over," said Suzanne O'Shea, also a cleanup organizer. "It would take some investment, but the investment would be minor compared to the cost of rebuilding."

O'Shea worked six years as an engineering technician for the city of Eugene and said the drainage problems the University cites as a reason for demo-

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AIDS workshop mixes facts with implications

□ Health seminar will go past science to deal with attitudes

By Freya Horn
For the Oregon Daily Emerald

Unlike many other health seminars, "Not Just Another AIDS Workshop" merges the cut-and-dry facts with the psycho-social implications of the disease.

"We want to get beyond the science and get to the heart," said Cheryl Long, one of the three workshop coordinators and the community health educator of Eugene's Planned Parenthood.

The workshop is offered as a one-credit EDPM 407 course Nov. 19 and 20 in the Gerlinger Lounge. About a dozen of the 100 openings remain.

Students will have their medical questions answered when Dr. Robert McAllister, who works with the HIV Program of the Oregon Health Division, comes to the workshop armed with all of the latest clinical and statistical information.

But AIDS education needs

to include more than the hard facts, the workshop coordinators said. Because society doesn't have a coping mechanism for dealing with the grief and fear associated with HIV and AIDS, the workshop does not ignore the emotional aspects of the disease, Long said.

Joanne Frank, education director for the University's Student Health Center and a workshop coordinator, explained the approach.

"It's not just 'This is what the virus is, this is what it does and this is what you're supposed to do,'" she said. "The workshop deals with the psycho-social issues because the disease is affecting us all right now."

"It affects us politically, personally, socially, as a community and as individuals. It has weaved itself into all areas of our lives," she said.

Psycho-social issues include attitudes, values and behaviors that can determine one's risk of contracting the virus. Students will assess these risk factors, learn ways of effectively communicating with

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