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# Speaker promotes fight against racism

**Dream:** Martin Luther King III says his father's wish is still unfulfilled

By Stephanie Sisson

College students today must take up where civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. left off in his fight against

the three evils of racism, sexism and classism, Dr. King's son said Monday in a speech at Lane Community College.

Martin Luther King III, whose appearance was sponsored by the Associated Students of Lane Community College, compared the fight to climbing a mountain. He referred to Dr. King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech to illustrate what has happened to the civil rights movement since his father's assassination in 1968

"It is clear that the dream is still unfulfilled and that we still have a long way to climb," King said. "If we linger here much longer, we will slide down the mountain of hope.

The second oldest of four children, King was 10 years old when his father was assassinated. King said that although he was told that a white man had gunned down his father, he did not learn to hate white people.

"Racism is programmed or promoted," King said. "I was not programmed to hate white men. ... I was taught not to Of all hate anyone. ... weapons, love is the most deadly and devastating.

King said that the eighthannual national observance of Dr. King's birthday, just one week ago, could still be only an observance and not a celebration because of the changes that still need to be made in American society.

Racism, gender inequalities in the workplace, gang violence, poverty, unequal quality of education and homelessness were the issues King focused on as primary examples of the need for change.



Martin Luther King III, son of Dr. King, spoke Monday at Lane Community College.

#### COMMUNITY

### **Fate of Ferry** Street Bridge left to voters

Vote: Council also votes to delay decision on design until after election.

By Rebecca Merritt

The Eugene City Council will ask voters in November to approve a \$73 million project that would expand Ferry Street Bridge to six lanes.

The council's decision for a November election came Monday after nearly five hours of debate among council members. The council voted 7-1 in favor of a sixlane bridge which would include two separate lanes for bicyclists and pedestrians. The two additional lanes could not be converted for motor vehicle use.

Kevin Hornbuckle, who represents the area of Eugene where the University is located, was the only council member to oppose the six-lane bridge.

Despite earlier concerns of losing the \$38 million is state and federal money earmarked for the project, councilors voted in favor of holding off a bridge election until November.

Council members said they hope the additional months would help the council settle its differences about project specifics, as well as giving voters enough time to understand the impact of an expanded bridge.

The council also wants to focus its attention on the general obligation bond measure Eugene voters will be asked to approve in May. If passed, the May bond will fund a new library.

"My priority goes with the city bond measure," council member Randy Mac-Donald said. "I don't think it would do us any service to have this election in May.

The council also decided by a 5-4 vote to wait until voters approve the bridge project before preparing final design plans for legal and financial reasons. The city charter prohibits the construction, or any final designs, of any throughway or freeway without voter approval. Likewise, the council can't approve the widening of any street or road that may result in the removal of historic trees without first get-

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#### **GOOD MORNING**

► MIAMI (AP) — H. Wayne Huizenga, whose first business was garbage collection, has reached a deal to add the Miami Dolphins to his collection of sports teams.

Huizenga, head of Blockbuster Entertainment Corp., must get approval from creditors of Joe Robbie Stadium and the National Football League, which in the past has prohibited its owners from owning another pro sports

Huizenga owns baseball's Florida Marlins and the National Hockey League's Florida Panthers - expansion teams that began play in 1993.

## Racing police cruiser attracts attention

Commotion: Police help in questioning man

By Michael Wilczek

A Eugene police department cruiser raced down East 13th Avenue to the EMU Breezeway with sirens wailing and lights flashing Monday to aid University Office of Public Safety officers in the questioning of a suspected graffiti vandal.

As a crowd of students gathered, the public safety officers saw a man reading some new graffiti in the basement restroom of the EMU. When they attempted to question him and see his identification, the man refused, asking that the police be

After Officer Tom Eichhorn arrived, the man cooperated and the situation was cleared up.

He was only reading the graffiti and wanted to make sure everything was handled in accordance with the law," Eichhorn said.

"I thought there was a shooting or something," said Jason Gillis, a University student.

'They (the police) could have killed someone," said Simon Thompson, a University employee.