

Fraternity participates in keg roll

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This weekend, members of Delta Tau Delta fraternity from the University, Oregon State and Willamette University will roll an empty keg to Portland as a fund raiser for the Kidney Association of Oregon.

Although this event has taken place for the past 22 years, this will be the first time in three years that the University chapter is involved.

"Oregon State has always been the big proprietor," said Phillip Bocan, president of Delta Tau Delta. "This year, we're going to make a big comeback."

Over the next three days, the empty keg will be rolled approximately 120 miles. Each day, 30 fraternity members will take their turn rolling the keg over the prairie and flatlands until it reaches the final destination of Portland. Although this seems like a long way to walk, Bocan said it won't be that hard because the members will take turns walking and rolling. Also, there will be trucks along the route to give them a little extra help.

Justin Macisac, a first-time participant in this "walk and roll," is looking forward to the keg roll.

"It should be a lot of fun," he said, "especially when we get near Corvallis."

Over the last couple months, 30 of the 37 fraternity members collected flat donations from families and local businesses. Also, Bocan plans to "pick up some supporters along the way." The three chapters expect to make \$10,000 to \$11,000 for the Kidney Association of Oregon.

The Kidney Association has been a benefactor of the keg roll for the past 22 years. Bocan feels that this organization is important. Without extra help and support, "it might get lost in the shuffle of the other big diseases," Bocan said.

The money donated will be used by the Kidney Association for scholarship grants and research. These funds include a program for AIDS transplant patients in which there are no other resources available to help with the cost of essential medication.

"This philanthropy is a good chance for us to make money to give to a nonprofit organization," Macisac said. "It's a good way to show that fraternities help in the community."

To donate money to the Kidney Association, call 344-7510 or send a check to Delta Tau Delta co/Philanthropy, 527 NW 23 St., Corvallis, OR 97330.

Varney to run for ASUO president

By Edward Klopfenstein
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Once leaning toward presidential ambitions, ASUO candidate Joey Lyons has decided to take a vice presidential backseat to his runningmate Shannon Varney, who will now run for student government president on the Varney/Lyons ticket.

In a mid-March interview with the *Emerald*, Lyons never actually said he was going to run for the presidential spot but didn't dispute his candidacy when asked "as president" how he

would react on certain issues.

"That wasn't wrong," Varney said. "We just hadn't made a decision on that by that time. We never really thought of ourselves as having titles, but instead as acting as a team."

The decision for Varney to run for the presidential spot came out of a several-hour session where the pair looked at their strengths and weaknesses, deciding to run for the spot in which they had the most experience.

Lyons' strength was in

finances, Varney said, developed through his year on the Incidental Fee Committee.

The vice president will sit as chairman of the Student Senate, according to the recently revised ASUO Constitution, which fits Lyons' background better, Varney said.

Since the candidates are emphasizing a platform of facilitation, Varney's experience as the chairwoman for the local chapter of OSPIRG makes her better suited for the presidential seat, she said.

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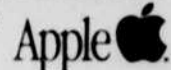


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