

## Candidates field questions

**Debate:** Governor hopefuls meet at Hult

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In a Eugene debate that was sometimes serious and often whimsical, three Oregon candidates for governor offered fuzzy answers and little solutions for the spiraling cost of higher education.

Democrat John Kitzhaber, American Party candidate Ed Hickam and Libertarian Dan Vander Ploeg fielded questions intended for them and Republican Denny Smith, who did not attend but was left an empty seat.

Although Kitzhaber said he hoped to see an Oregon where "no one is excluded in ability to pay tuition," he said he foresees the cost rising because of reinvestments in the state general fund.

Kitzhaber said he would try to offset higher education costs by seeking out-of-state research grants.

Hickam said he would cut

retirement benefits for senior officials in government, resulting in a 20 percent tuition increase for Oregon college students.

Vander Ploeg reflected Libertarian Party convictions to reduce government involvement in almost every capacity of citizens' lives, including higher education. When asked about the failure of institutions to deliver quality education at affordable prices, Vander Ploeg said, "if the state didn't take the money (via taxation) in the first place, you'd still have it to spend" on a quality education.

Kitzhaber was the only candidate to take a strong stance about Ballot Measure 13, the initiative sponsored by the Oregon Citizens Alliance, calling upon voters to defeat it and to understand the socioeconomic factors which leads OCA supporters to blame society's problems on one group.

Vander Ploeg said the measure was "bad in principle" but that government should not

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## Plan puts limitations on computer funding

**Resolution:** Process halts electronic requests

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The Student Senate passed a one-year resolution last Thursday that will restrict the ability of student groups to request student fees for the purchase of computers.

In order for a student group to receive additional funding from the Senate for a new computer, it must follow a strict, three-step resolution approved by the Senate 10-3.

The resolution, authored by ASUO Vice President Mark Rhinard, who is president of the Senate, and Senator Martin Fisher, who represents the law school, will limit special requests filed this school year to a maximum of \$1,000 per computer.

The first step is that the student group needs to explain why it cannot use the computers in the Student Media Resources Center. The Incidental Fee Committee funded the SMRC, which was installed last year, to provide student groups with access to high-quality computer equipment, including a printer, scanner, and top-of-the-line software.

The second step mandates that the student group proves that without a computer, it could not establish its "primary mission" or "purpose of existence."

According to Fisher, the three-step process "is a good compromise

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## Speakers conclude ASUO voter registration drive

**Campaign:** ASUO aims to break 1992 record

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Gubernatorial candidate John Kitzhaber is scheduled to speak today at 1:30 p.m. on the east lawn of the EMU as part of the ASUO's voter registration rally.

The rally concludes the ASUO's three-week voter registration campaign during which

the University registered 6,450 new voters.

State senator Peter Sorenson of Eugene, state house representative Cynthia Wooten, who represents the west side of campus, and state representative candidates Floyd Prozanski and George Boehnke also are scheduled to appear at the rally. Gubernatorial candidate Denny Smith was invited, but the

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## Late Night dunk



Jamal Lawrence starts the 1994-95 basketball season off with a dunk Saturday at "Late Night with Jerry Green" at McArthur Court. The men's first game is Nov. 17 against New Zealand.

### ■ GOOD MORNING

#### NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ALCOHOL AWARENESS WEEK

Activities and events pertaining to Alcohol Awareness Week will be happening daily around campus. For more information, call Joanne Frank, Student Health Center (346-2728).

#### WEEK OF OCTOBER 16-21

■ Monday, EMU lobby, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Mocktails table (student perception survey)

■ Tuesday-Thursday, front of Johnson Hall

Crashed auto display (drunk driving statistics)

#### ■ Thursday, "Silent Reminder"

Several students will be dressed as corpses to symbolize individuals killed from alcohol-related causes.

These students will be silent throughout the day, passing out material about their silence.

■ Friday, Bean East, 7 p.m. "Guess the Drunk Person"

