

VEGIES

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Saturdays, she goes to the gardens located along the bicycle path near the Mill-race.

Students in the class are divided into groups that each manage a few plots in the University gardens. "It is a really nice place for students to work who do not have gardens at home," Bello said.

Jackie Chama, the nursery supervisor for Gray's Garden Center, located at 737 W. Sixth Ave., said gardening is a good way for people to connect with the natural world.

"We live in a hostile, concrete environment," Chama said. "People who garden have the chance to escape that for awhile and dig in the dirt, get some exercise."

"When you are in the garden there are no deadlines, no pressure. It's a break from the demands of the workplace," she said.

Amy Chronister, a University student who has been gardening for years, said working in the garden is therapeutic. "I even have a little bench out there that a friend and I built," Chronister said.

Chronister said she also likes having organic vegetables on hand. "I know what goes on my vegetables," she said. "And I don't have to pay high prices for store-bought organic produce."

Cool season vegetables, like broccoli and cauliflower, can be planted now, as well as trees, shrubs and perennials, according to Chama. "This is also a good time to start seeding," she said.

LUVERT

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"Instead of waiting for students to come to the ASUO, the ASUO needs to go to the students," she said.

"Someone from the ASUO needs to get out there and see what students' concerns are," she said.

She said she would try and reach students in a variety of ways including e-mail, a World Wide Web home page, talking with students on the street corner, visiting students in the dorms and sending a letter each term to students telling them what is happening.

Luvert is currently the student assistant for the Black Student Union and was previously the co-director of Black Women of Achievement. She served as the coordinator of Kwanzaa this year, a seven-day African celebration focusing on a different self-empowering principle each day, such as creativity and self-determination.

"I was educating myself as well as others," Luvert said of the celebration. She said it is one example of how students can make a difference in the University campus.

Luvert also serves on the Women's Center advisory committee and the Under-represented Minority Achievement Scholarship program selection committee. She is a member of the Eugene/Springfield chapter of the NAACP.

She is a junior majoring in journalism and works as a resident assistant at the University Inn.

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ON THE TICKET

Kenya Luvert is running for ASUO president.

QUALIFICATIONS

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PLATFORM

Luvert wants to increase student awareness about University resources and encourage more student input in the fee allocation process and setting of policies.

vice presidential running mate. At one point, Luvert and another student were going to run together, but it didn't work out. Luvert said she didn't allow the news to set her back.

"I'm definitely motivated because I wouldn't be doing this by myself if I wasn't motivated," she said.

If elected to the ASUO Executive position, Luvert said she would have a selection committee appoint a vice president.

She is taking a grant writing class so she can learn how to tap other financial resources to be able to sponsor speakers, forums and seminars for students to increase the awareness of discrimination and harassment on and off campus.

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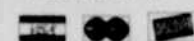
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