

GRADUATION A SPECIAL TIME FOR FLOWERS

Beautifully arranged or
cash-and-carry bunches.

White Lilies *Alstroemeria* *Roses*
Sunflowers *Carnations* *Liatris*
Monte Casino *Miniature Carnations*
Color Roses *Gypsophilla* *Pumpkins*
Novi-Beigi *Silphium and Silphium*
Cardinal Red Roses



Our Hands Move Heavily

Eugene's Flower Home

THE UNIVERSITY FLORIST

610 E. 13th at Patterson • 485-3655 • Owners are U of O alumni

* A Registered Trademark of Florists' Transworld Delivery Ass. ** A Trademark of Florists' Transworld Delivery Ass. ©1991 F.T.D.A.



CLASS OF 1995

Corazon Aquino to speak at University commencement ceremony, receive degree

When Glenn May, a University history professor, was approached by members of a campus awards committee with the idea of inviting Corazon Aquino, the former president of the Republic of the Philippines, to the University to receive an honorary degree, he was not too optimistic.

May had been traveling to the Philippines a few times a year to conduct research on a history book he was writing. He had some prominent friends in the southeast Asian island nation, but he knew Aquino was a very busy person and that she did not accept many award invitations.

Only through his close friendship with De Jesus, who was a Minister in Aquino's cabinet in 1993, was May able to meet Aquino in person and ask her to come to Eugene.

"Even then, I thought she probably wouldn't accept," May said. "I know it wasn't me who convinced her. The real key player was De Jesus. He talked to Aquino often, and he is a very persuasive person."

De Jesus had attended Yale University with May in the 1970s and had visited May at the University of Oregon in 1986.

"De Jesus gave our offer some strong credibility," May said.

Aquino decided to accept the University's invitation to speak at the Class of 1995's spring commencement and receive the first honorary degree to be bestowed by the University in 49 years.

University President Dave Frohnmayer will confer the honorary degree and preside over the commencement. Following commencement, members of the public may greet Aquino at a reception in her honor from 4-5 p.m. at the covered tennis courts on East 15th Avenue adjacent to Hayward Field.

Aquino was born in 1933 into one of the wealthier families in the Philippines and neither sought nor expected power. In 1983, however, she landed in the center of the political scene after the assassination of her husband, opposition leader Benigno Aquino Jr., who was killed by soldiers loyal to the former president Ferdinand Marcos.

Marcos ruled the Philippines under martial law during his 21 years in power.

Swept into the presidency by the "people power revolution" in a 1986 general election, Aquino renounced Marcos' legacy of dictatorial powers and

restored a democratic system of government.

During her six years in office, Aquino implemented checks and balances on executive power, presided over a series of free elections and dismantled monopolies controlled by the allies of Marcos. Her presidency also endured attempted coups, military revolts, typhoons, floods, droughts, a major earthquake and a volcanic eruption.

In a 1992 free election, Aquino handed over power to her chosen successor, Fidel Ramos, who was her defense secretary and the former chief of staff under Marcos.

Since that time Aquino has not served the Philippine government in any official capacity, but is an active goodwill ambassador and a vocal advocate of human rights and women's issues, making trips abroad to deliver her messages.

"We feel we have reinstated the honorary doctorate with the right person and the right level of attention and prestige," said David Hubin, executive assistant to the president. "Aquino is an important role model. She took it upon herself to restore democracy to her country and she carried that mantle with great distinction."

Susan Plass, a University assistant vice provost in the International Affairs Office, said the honorary doctorate was discontinued in 1946 when University officials began to question its purpose.

In 1991 former University President Myles Brand created a distinguished services awards committee to reevaluate honorary degrees, said Plass, who is organizing Aquino's visit.

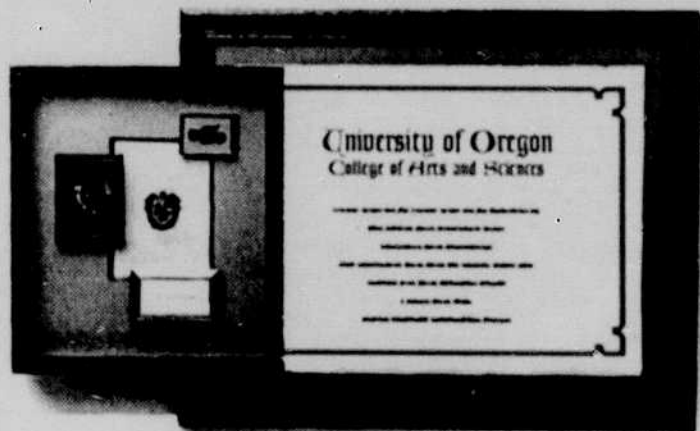
The committee decided to reinstate the honorary doctorate with the idea that it would only be bestowed on individuals whose accomplishments are internationally, or critically recognized, Plass said.

This will be Aquino's first honorary doctorate degree. She received an honorary law degree from Fu Jen Catholic University in Taipei, Taiwan, after a visit to the Republic of China aimed at promoting peace and prosperity in the Asian Pacific region, in 1993.

Kim Ribellia, president of the Philippines Student Organization, said Aquino's leadership in the Philippines should serve as positive example of dedication and motivation for all students on campus.

Turn to AQUINO, Page 11B

Special Memories Are Worth Saving.



And there's no better way to protect and preserve those keepsakes than by having an expert at Deck The Walls design a special frame or shadowbox to display them in. From a child's first art masterpiece, to the golf club that hit the hole-in-one, Deck The Walls has been helping save memories for years.

25% OFF
Custom Framing
(with student ID)

DECK THE WALLS
Expressive Art and Custom Framing

Conveniently located inside Valley River Center • 683-8040

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

YEAR-END PIZZA CLEARANCE

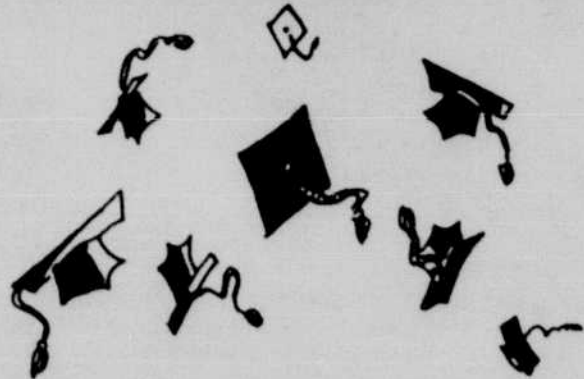
Cheese or Pepperoni

MEDIUM
\$4.95

LARGE
\$6.95

STUDENT I.D. REQUIRED

EXPIRES 6/16/95
Minimum \$7.00 for delivery
& add 25¢ per box.



TRACK TOWN PIZZA • 484-2799

Two convenient locations to serve you:

CAMPUS 1809 Franklin Blvd. • WEST 2511 W. 11th & Wilson

Charlotte O'Ryan
Furniture Refinishing
& Restoration

485-1779

Pick up Estimates
& Delivery Available

Spring Travel

Aboard Amtrak's new
Willamette
Valley
services
Linking the
Cascadia Corridor

Eugene • Albany • Salem • Portland
Vancouver • Seattle • Tacoma

Daily Northbound train
departures

The Mount Rainier train to Seattle: 6:10 a.m.

The Coast Starlight train to Seattle: 12:40 p.m.

Amtrak Thruway buses now
operated by Eugene's own
Charter Bus Lines of Oregon

8:45 a.m. • 1:10 p.m. • 3:00 p.m. • 6:55 p.m.

Amtrak

For tickets and reservations, see
your travel agent or call Amtrak at
1-800-USA-RAIL (1-800-872-7245).

All travel arrangements by reservation.
This service is partially funded by the Oregon
Department of Transportation.