

# Lecture to address teacher mind-set

■ **SPEAKER:** The speaker believes teachers' attitudes can influence students' work loads

By Brian Womack  
Higher Education Reporter

Jane Tompkins believes professors make students work too hard.

The Duke University English professor said a college faculty member's tendency to overwork may lead students down the same path.

She will address this topic in a public lecture called, "Working Ourselves to Death: Why Higher Education Needs to Change" today from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in Room 138 Gilbert.

"There needs to be thought given on how professors' lives are driven to be isolated and competitive," she said. "This is passed down to students who do the same thing whether they



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"I had to reorganize my life to remain a healthy human being," she said.

Tompkins will also address what she sees as fragmentation at universities.

She said students and faculty view learning as something that is "reading books [and] taking exams in a classroom with a chalkboard in it."

Learning should involve every area of life, she said. These include emotional, psychological and religious aspects. It should not be limited to book learning alone.

become professors or not."

She said she has dealt with being a workaholic in her own life.

"The invocation of personal involvement and experience is one way [to integrate education]," she said.

She said cooperation, not competition, should be used in the workplace.

The lecture is sponsored by the University's Center for the Study of Women in Society, the Department of English and the Humanities Center.

Marie Harvey, interim director of the center, said Tompkins' emphasis on cooperation is important.

"Since our goal is to build communities on campus, [Tompkins] was a good speaker to feature," Harvey said.

She added that because the lecture is sponsored by various groups on campus, she believes there will be a lot of interest from across the University.

Tompkins' new book, *A Life In School*, will be published soon.

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# Homecoming to bring students, alumni together

■ **SPIRIT:** The weekend will include a dance, a fun run and, of course, the football game against Washington State

By Ashley Bach  
Student Activities Reporter

The University will be at the center of this weekend's homecoming activities as students, alumni and community members alike will unite to celebrate Oregon's green and yellow. A series of events beginning today and concluding with Saturday's football game make up the annual festivities.

Amy Schroeder, director of Alumni Programs, worked in conjunction with the Student Alumni Association to organize the event. "It's an opportunity for the University to showcase their academic and social events," she said.

While many of the activities are designed for alumni, both the Eugene and University communities are encouraged to participate. "We want to better the relationship between students, alumni and the community," said Jim Plantico, public relations director of the Student Alumni Association.

The festivities kick off at today 11:50 a.m. with

a pep rally in the EMU Courtyard hosted by Ducks announcer Jerry Allen. The pep band and the cheerleaders will be on hand to boost University spirit.

"Our main initiative is to increase student spirit," Plantico said, "We want to get everyone behind the athletic teams."

At 9 p.m. tonight, a party and dance at the Eugene Hilton will be held. Johnny Limbo and the Lugnuts, a Portland band, will play for the 21-and-over crowd. There is a \$10 fee for alumni and \$8 for all others.

The Campus Fun Run starts in front of Johnson Hall, Saturday at 9 a.m. The 3K and 5K runs both require an additional fee identical to that of the dance. "Alumni and students can run it together. It's a great opportunity to bring that tie together," Plantico said.

As the celebration winds down, all fans heading to the football game can meet at the EMU with cheerleaders and band members to walk to Autzen Stadium in the annual Homecoming March.

The weekend also includes museum exhibits, lectures and workshops as well as two women's volleyball matches. For more information, call the Alumni Association at 346-5656.

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