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TODAY

Today is the last day to register to vote for the upcoming election for Bob Packwood's senate seat.



INSIDE

The two-day Career Fair kicks off today on the main floor of the EMU

City Councilor Kevin Hornbuckle says that he still lives in the ward that he represents

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WEATHER

Partly sunny after morning fog. High 60.

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Independent affirmative action office proposed

■ **PROPOSAL:** Student president charges improprieties within Office of Affirmative Action

By Colleen Pohlig
In-Depth Editor

When a student tried to file a sexual harassment charge against a former administrator last year, the director of the University's Office of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity told him he could not file a formal complaint because there was a "presidential investigation" pending, according to the student.

The student, who requested anonymity, sought help at the University's Counseling Center after his grades began falling as a result of the alleged attack and what he saw as the ensuing lack of support from the University.

A counselor referred him to the ASUO's Office of Student Advocacy where he said an advocate immediately told the affirmative action director that, by law, he had to accept the student's formal complaint.

Currently, the University and the accused former administrator are facing significant lawsuits by the student — the administrator for unwanted sexual contact, and the University for

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Julie Hall holds a candle for Frank Allard and Michael Casey Monday night at the vigil dedicated to the two missing hikers. Hall was one of about 250 people who attended.

Vigil held in memory of lost hikers

■ **GATHERING:** About 250 people gathered to remember two students who have been missing for over a week

By Brian Womack
Higher Education Reporter

Candlelight reflected tear-stained faces at a vigil where participants shared their grief for two lost hikers Monday night.

Approximately 250 people attended the event though not all could call the missing students their friends.

"I didn't know them personally, but I thought it was important to come because they are part of the same community," said Jay Grass, a junior who has not declared a major. "It could happen to any of us."

University President Dave Frohnmayer said to those attending the vigil, "It's at moments such as this that we realize how precious life is."

Beno Lyon, a junior majoring in environmental studies, said he had talked to one of the missing students, but didn't know him as a friend.

"It's sad that I never really took the advantage to get to know him; now he's gone," he said.

The two lost hikers, Michael R. Casey, a 19-year-old sophomore physics major from Chico, Calif. and Frank L. Allard, a 19-year-old sophomore biology major from Carmel, Calif. have been missing since last Sunday. The two are lost in the Three Sisters Wilderness area on a hiking trip.

The two are very likely dead, said John Miller, coordinator of the search and rescue efforts for the Lane County Sheriff's office.

Because of improving weather, helicopters searched for the pair today, he said. The missing students were not found, but a search is planned for tomorrow.

While the search is still taking place, friends and others took time to remember them at the vigil.

Allard's best friend, Kaci Elder, said Allard seemed to be outside of this world.

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College Bowl offers students fun way to test their knowledge

■ **COMPETITION:** The game throws out a variety of questions to teams competing for the title

By Ashley Bach
Student Activities Reporter

"What famous heiress was kidnapped by radicals in 1974?"

"This official Sherlock Holmes fan club shares its name with what local neighborhood gang from the Conan Doyle stories?"

"What is the largest Protestant denomination in the U.S.?"

These and many other questions like them were pondered by the contestants in the annual College Bowl Monday night in the EMU. The eight winners of

smaller dorm and at-large contests held last week competed in a double elimination tournament to determine the campus champion.

Everybody from graduate students to freshmen participated in the matches, which consisted of two seven-minute halves and questions on a wide array of subjects. Students often just grabbed friends at the last minute to form teams. Gary Gunnels, a graduate student in biology, said he was only in the tournament because his friends, who needed another member, "dragged him into it."

However, once the competition began and the questions were posed, most teams soon got caught up in the action, whether

they wanted to or not. "It's sort of tense," said Jason Schwartz, a graduate student in math who has competed in the Bowl before.

Indeed, some contestants, after answering incorrectly, buried their head in their arms or groaned in dismay. Some, however, looked at the competition in a different light. Cassidy Clausen, a graduate student in anthropology, said he'd like his team to win, but in the end it didn't matter. "I'm just here to have fun," he said.

One team in particular found the College Bowl to be a unique experience. Freshman Andrew Butler, Chris Healy, James Klemm and junior Mike Alarid

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Graduate students Jason Schwartz, Mark Salcedo, Jenni McClellan and Gary Gunnels compete in the College Bowl Monday night.