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Cotton Bowl merchandise selling well

■ **CLOTHES:** Demand is strong, but merchants say it probably won't top last year's buying frenzy

By Abe Estimada
Community Reporter

When the Oregon football team goes to a bowl game, local merchants and suppliers of sports clothing have a bowl game of their own in terms of profits.

Area businesses are reporting brisk sales in Cotton Bowl merchandise, but they do not expect

to top the record profits of last year when the football team went to the Rose Bowl for the first time in 37 years.

"The Rose Bowl is the bowl of the Pac-10," said Allen Campbell, sales manager of Oh! Shirt of Springfield. "The Cotton Bowl, while no less prominent nationally, will probably not generate as much enthusiasm among customers as the Rose Bowl."

The day Oregon accepted a New Year's Day bowl bid, Oh! Shirt began manufacturing approximately 9,000 units — T-

shirts, hats, sweaters, etc. — of Cotton Bowl clothing, Campbell said.

Campbell said his company expects to manufacture 6,000 more units for the season, but the amount of Cotton Bowl clothing does not approach the volume of last year's Rose Bowl merchandise.

Last fall, Oh! Shirt shipped more than 20,000 units in a week and a half. Campbell said his company manufactured about 50,000 Rose Bowl units, and said he was not surprised

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American English Institute student Ayumu Kishimoto looks at the bookstore's selection of Cotton Bowl clothing.

Holiday cheers



Sophomore psychology major Sarah Gillis explores the Winter Craft Fair in the EMU. Today is the last day of the fair; it will be open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the EMU Fir Room. The fair offers music and hundreds of creative holiday gift-giving ideas for students who are short on time and money.

World AIDS Day to raise public consciousness

■ **HEALTH:** The activities will continue through Dec. 1, and include speakers, a film and a solidarity walk through the University campus

By Mara Stine
Higher Education Reporter

The entire campus is invited to participate in World AIDS Day activities Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, University Student Health Center officials said.

"What we want to do is get everybody on campus to feel some kind of ownership around World AIDS Day," said Annie Dochnahl, health educator at the health center.

A "Red Ribbon Compassion Ceremony" is scheduled for noon in the Willamette Hall Atrium. Speakers will talk about the theme of World AIDS Day: "Shared Rights and Responsibilities".

A solidarity walk from Willamette Hall to the Chiles Center, 13th and Kincaid Street, will occur at 12:30 p.m. After the walk, participants are encouraged to write on red ribbons the name of someone they know who is affected by the disease or a word that signifies how they feel about the disease, such as, "hope" or "compassion". The ribbons will be hung on trees in the Chiles Center courtyard.

"We have distributed 800 ribbons, and we're hoping a significant number of them come back to the Chiles Center," Dochnahl said.

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Poetry reading rekindles fiery language of the Middle Ages

■ **VERSE:** The annual event allows students to hear medieval writings in ancient words and modern terms

By Amy Columbo
Student Activities Editor

There was talk of love, divorce and dragon slaying during the Medieval Poetry Reading in Gerlinger Lounge Wednesday night. It's an annual event in which University professors read medieval poetry in old, foreign tongues.

About 100 students, staff and community members gathered to listen and enjoy. Gina Psaki, an associate professor in Romance Languages, has organized the event for the past three years. She said it's an opportunity for students to hear the poetry they study in classes through the Medieval Studies program.

"We do it also to make contact with one another because we're so busy teaching," Psaki said of the 25 professors in the program.

Eleven University professors and one

Oregon State professor presented pieces, many of which used humor to entertain the audience. Written translations for the poems were provided for the audience before the poems were read.

In the poem "Der Stricker," read in middle-high German by Jan Emerson and Hank Plant, the husband tells his wife he wants a divorce.

"You're evil and mean-spirited, of bad disposition, niggardly, full of wrinkles and ugly; you have bad breath! I get sick of looking at you," the husband said.

But the wife was stubborn and not about to grant him his wish.

"I don't care how fast you want to be rid of me, it'll never be until death do us part. You have to obey me, come hell or high water. I'll wring your neck like a chicken, if I hear a peep outa you," she said.

By the end of the poem, he was asking for her forgiveness.

Psaki said she would like to expand the medieval poetry reading next year by including poems written to music and also organizing one in the spring.