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TODAY

Ballots for the Senate election must be turned in to the elections office or an official drop box by 8 p.m. today.



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WEATHER

Cloudy, snow possible.
Low 30. High 40.

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Some small groups get funding boost; ODE doesn't

■ **PFC:** Inactivity stalls Philosophy Club's request for an increase, but NASU and others enjoy a hike

By Doug Irving
Student Activities Reporter

Five student groups faced the Programs Finance Committee to present their 1996-97 budget requests Monday night.

The Philosophy Club received \$843, although it had requested \$1,041.80. The

PFC denied the full request because the club has failed to use its full budget in the past.

"It doesn't look like it's been terribly active," PFC member Shamus Lynsky said.

The PFC voted not to change the program's budget, adding that no change is better than a decrease.



Don Morse, co-director of the club, promised that it would be active this year. With the addition of new faculty in the philosophy department, the club will be revitalized, he said.

"We're really trying to energize the whole thing," he said. "Best you can do is take it on faith that we'll spend the money."

Past budget misuse also hurt the Pre-Health Science Center, which had failed to use some of its previous budgets.

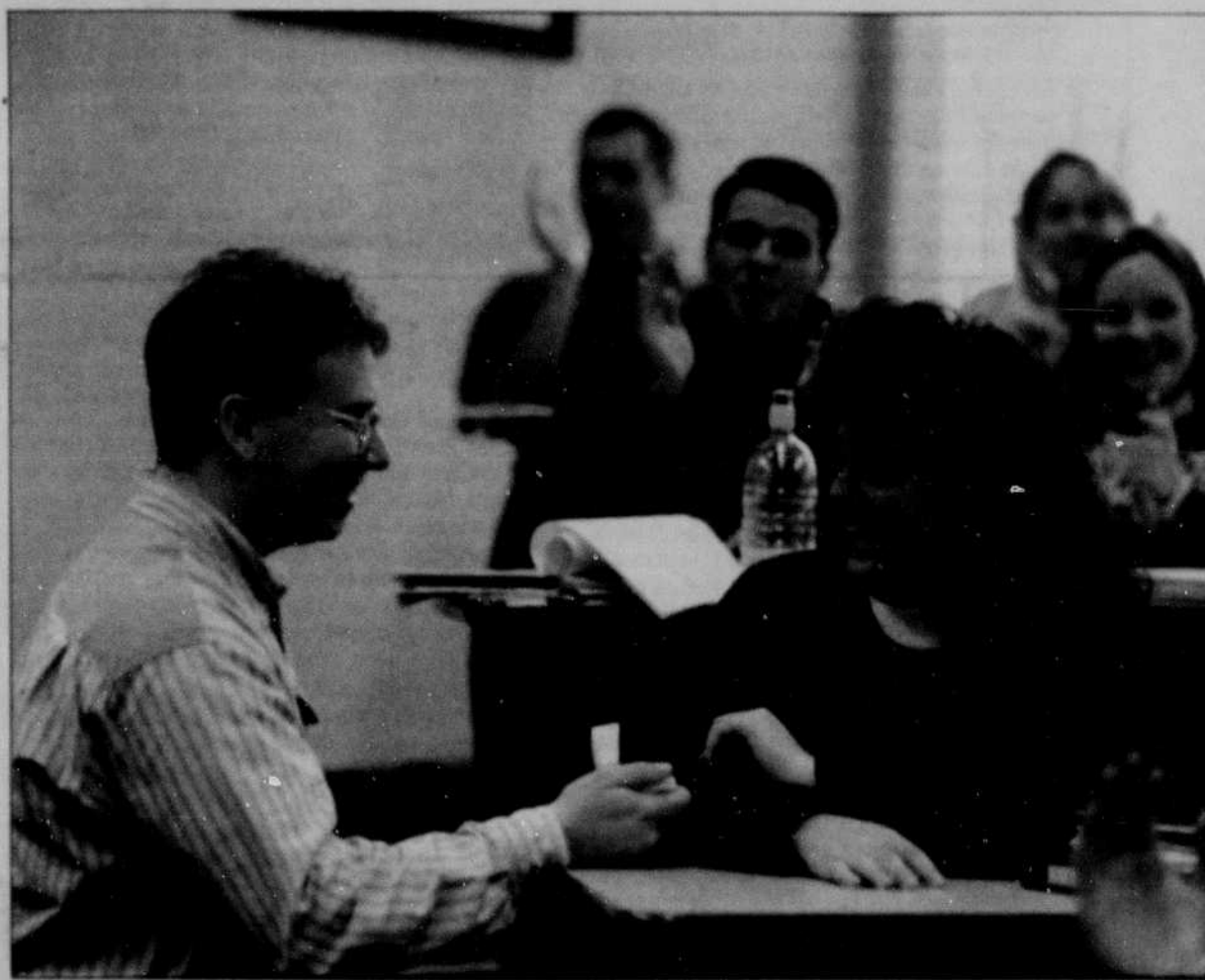
"We sort of look at past spending trends," said Lynsky. "You haven't really spent a lot out of your printing and duplication budget."

The Center requested \$904 but received \$660. However, this was a 145.4 percent increase because several major budget items, including telephone service and office supplies, were new.

The Native American Student Union

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A proposal with class



EN MIN CHANG/Emerald

After ten months of knowing each other, Keith Molesworth, a second-year masters of business administration student, proposes to his girlfriend Alyson Smith, another MBA student, during a sports marketing class Monday. (She said "Yes.")

It's now or never: ballots are due today for Senate election

■ **VOTE:** A shuttle will transport last-minute voters from the UO Bookstore to the Lane County elections office all day long

By Sherry Rainey
Community Editor

Today is the last day to vote in the U.S. Senate special election.

Ballots must be signed and turned in to the Lane County elections office on 135 E. Sixth Ave. in the Lane County Annex Building tonight by 8.

A drop box for ballots is located outside the ASUO office, EMU Suite 4. The ballots from the drop box will be collected and taken to the elections office at 8 p.m.

A shuttle is available to take those who have yet to vote from the University Bookstore to the Lane County elections office. The shuttle, which is available to the general public, will run from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. today.

Secretary of State Phil Keisling will take a shuttle bus from the bookstore to the elections office.

Keisling will be on campus to encourage last-minute voters to cast their ballots by 8 p.m.

Six candidates are on the ballot: Lou Gold, Pacific; Gene Nanni, Libertarian; Karen E. Shilling, American; Gordon Smith, Republican; Vickie Valdez, Socialist; and Ron Wyden, Democrat.

The winner of the election will occupy the seat vacated by former Sen. Bob Packwood.



Russian professor to teach on life's work of poet, best friend Brodsky

■ **CLASS:** Former poet laureate will be the subject of a spring term course

By Jennifer Schmitt
Higher Education Reporter

Professor Efim Etkind was planning to teach a class on Utopia and Anti-Utopia during his spring term visiting professorship at the University.

But when his best friend, famous Russian poet Joseph Brodsky, died, Etkind changed his agenda and students will now have the option of



BRODSKY

University invites a Russian professor to teach one term on campus. He will be visiting from New Hampshire spring term.

taking a class on the life and works of Brodsky, said Jim Rice, University Russian professor.

Etkind received the Marjorie Lindholm award, in which the

Brodsky, a winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1987, and the fifth poet laureate of the United States, died on Sunday after a long history of heart problems. Brodsky was the first foreign-born poet to be named laureate.

"He was such a productive author and poet," said Rice. "There were so many angles to the man."

Brodsky was born in Russia in 1940 and dropped out of school at 15 because he thought it was boring, Rice said. He then

worked at various jobs including dressing bodies at a morgue and working as part of a survey team in Russia.

During this period he wrote poetry which he read at bars and clubs.

"He became a kind of cult figure," said Rice. "Russians are great connoisseurs of poetry, and they used to listen to his readings."

In 1963, he was arrested under a law of "social parasitism" and was sentenced to spend five years in a work

brigade in northern Russia, Rice said.

In 1972, after serving 18 months of his sentence, he was exiled from Russia and moved to America, where he eventually became a citizen.

Brodsky visited the University for 10 days in 1976 and gave three poetry readings to full crowds.

"He had such a great sense of humor, and he was interested in the whole world," Rice said. "Science, medicine, politics — he knew about them all."