

Practice makes perfect



Randy Nishimura, a drummer of the Eugene Taiko Drum, practices for his performance at the Asian celebration at Jefferson Middle School. The celebration will take place at Lane County Fairgrounds on Feb. 17 and 18.

Celebration: Drama, song, dance and food enchanted the crowd

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groom are often given special treatment on their wedding day.

"The new couple are treated like a king and queen for a day and get all the privileges that go along with it," she said.

True to form, the couple were then given blessings by friends and family. Those parts were played by various members of the audience, including Dr. Richard Steers, vice-provost for international affairs.

Steers, an invited guest of the MSO, said he had no idea he would be called up to stage, where he sprinkled the bride and groom with scented water and saffron rice.

"It was very embarrassing but I had a lot of fun," he said.

Later in the evening, Steers and his wife, Sheila, were asked up on stage again to learn a traditional Malay dance. Two members of the MSO, who had danced earlier in the program, taught the moves to the couple as the audience clapped along.

After performing both drama and musical versions of Malaysian folk tales, the MSO joined hands on stage to sing "Rasa Sayang," a song about Malaysian unity and good will across the world, to end the evening.

Lee said after all the work everyone put into the event, he was happy with the result. "I think it went very smoothly, especially considering the hassles we went through earlier," he said.

Even those who had to experience a few surprises enjoyed the evening.

"I thought it was wonderful," Steers said. "Very well executed and very participatory."

Seminar: Event will teach students about political negotiation

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tricht, The Netherlands, for a close examination of "the new science of dispute and mediation," Shearer said. In addition, students will visit the International Court of Justice and will see traditional tourist spots, he said.

Participants in the program must be bold and able to take on challenges, Shearer said.

"Here you have the chance to rub shoulders with some big name people," he said. "We can't have students who sit with their hands folded."

The program is fully accredit-

ed, although students who want to apply should check with the University to ensure they will be given credit.

The program cost is \$3,500, not including airfare. Students will live in dormitories at the Institute of Higher European Studies and will receive free travel passes and meal coupons, Shearer said. Student insurance and the cost of course materials will also be covered, he said.

Because students will be selected as applications come in, Shearer said those interested should apply as soon as possible.

HOW TO APPLY

Students interested in "The International Student Symposium on Negotiation and Conflict Resolution."

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2001 S. St., NW,
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Washington, D.C. 20009.
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RELIGION

Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship will sponsor guest speaker David Ker with Wycliffe Bible Translators at 7:30 p.m. in Room 110 Willamette Hall. For more information, call 346-0910.

MISCELLANEOUS

ASUO Women's Center will be sponsoring a Women of Color discussion group at the Multicultural Center from 4 to 5:30 p.m. For more information, call 346-4207.

Career Center's Macys/Bul-

locks will be accepting resumes until 1 p.m. Friday for 100 percent resume review schedule. Registration is mandatory for all Campus Interview Program participants. For more information, contact Room 244 Hendricks, or call 346-3235.

Career Center will be offering a Career Center Services Orientation today from 4 to 4:30 p.m. and a Campus Interview Program Orientation from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Room 12 Hendricks. For more information, contact Room 244 Hendricks or call 346-3235.

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