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Professor to speak on participation in democracy

■ **SPEAKER:** Jean Elshtain, recipient of the UO Kritikos Professorship, teaches at the University of Chicago

By Kyle Yamada
Freelance Reporter

Challenges facing democracy will be the topic for discussion tonight in the Alumni Lounge in Gerlinger Hall.

The speaker, Professor Jean Bethke Elshtain, will discuss "The Humanities and the Democracy of Everyday Life" beginning at 7 p.m. Elshtain is the author of several books and the recipient of the University Humanities Cen-

ter's Kritikos Professorship.

"Anybody interested in democracy and whether it's sustainable" will be interested, said Holly Campbell, one of the event's organizers.

Campbell described Elshtain as "common sense-oriented" and a "naturally good speaker," but also emphasized her academic prestige.

"It's always a pleasure when the two things go together," Campbell said.

She hopes the lecture will counter this by generating the dialogue and discussion necessary for democracy.

"That's what our country's

based on," she said.

Elshtain, a Laura Spelman Rockefeller Professor of Social and Political Ethics at the University of Chicago, has also tackled a variety of other subjects in her work, including marriage and feminism.

She will give a second lecture tomorrow on "Democracy at Century's End" in Portland. It will be held at the Crystal Ballroom at the Benson Hotel, 309 S.W. Broadway, at 5:45 p.m.

Reservations are available through the Oregon Humanities Center.

KRITIKOS LECTURE

■ **WHAT:** Professor Jean Bethke Elshtain will lecture on "The Humanities and the Democracy of Everyday Life"

■ **WHERE:** The lecture will be at the Alumni Lounge in Gerlinger Hall

■ **WHEN:** Professor Elshtain will speak tonight at 7 p.m.

■ **COST:** Admission is free

Elshtain is the fourth recipient of the Kritikos professorship, which began in 1994 through a private gift and matching public funds.

Forum: Workshop will form an action plan

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all of the participants."

Clark added that a lack of diversity in the state means the University must work harder to create an atmosphere attractive to a variety of people.

"If a student of color comes to the University of Oregon and feels left out — outside of the informal social groups, outside of the contents of the curriculum — and is not treated as all students expect to be treated, you are going to have difficulty retaining that student," she said.

Clark also emphasized that student participation is important in creating equality on campus.

"Like many others, I'm really appalled by racist incidents when they occur on campus. We should expect far better of ourselves and our peers," Clark said. "I think students can do a lot to help create a moral climate that disallows that kind of behavior."

Clark will discuss the University's efforts to create a diverse atmosphere through recruiting and curriculum.

Other scheduled speakers include Affirmative Action State Director Raleigh Lewis, who will address how California's Proposition 209 will affect Oregonians, and Pastor Alidees Beckham of St. Marks Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, who will discuss social issues relating to brotherhood and the community.

"The reality is that discrimination is still with us, and it's being committed against women and people of color because of gender and race," Lewis said. "Equal opportunity does not exist for those folks."

After a panel presentation, participants will break into workshop groups to generate an action plan for the upcoming school year.

Students, faculty and community members are invited to attend the celebration from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the EMU. From 1 to 2 p.m. a dialogue and performance entitled "Jazz, Gospel, and Pop: Sharing or Exploitation" will be held in Beall Hall.

Education: K-12 focus of budget speech

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education for grades K-12.

"The reason I focused on K-12 is simply because of the Education Act of the 21st Century, which moved us to a performance-based system while Measures 5 and 47 moved us to a state-finance system," he said.

Kitzhaber traveled to Bend, Eugene and Medford to present his proposals for education, transportation and the environment.

Give: A single unit of blood can save the lives of two to three people

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the Lane Memorial Blood Bank can give today from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the EMU Fir Room.

Knowing that Victoria would receive the needed blood comforted the Terry family, Alisha said. During Victoria's 68 days at Sacred Heart's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit she had two brain surgeries requiring an ample amount of blood.

"There were several days there we almost lost her," Alisha said. "I try to picture these people

sitting in the chair donating blood and I would want to tell them that they're not just donating blood, but giving my child the gift of life."

Today Victoria is back home in North Bend still overcoming the odds. Although she continues to face health problems, the Terry family is optimistic. Victoria works with a physical therapist every week, Alisha said.

"This child is so happy," Alisha said. "She jibber-jabbers all day long. I haven't quite got the 'mommy' out of her yet but I'm working on

that." Victoria's family wants donors to see the difference their efforts make.

All blood types are needed, but those especially in demand are O negative, AB negative, B negative, A positive and A negative, Willis said.

Willis wants students to understand the impact that their donation can make. "Money can't buy blood so it has to be through the generosity of people who give," Willis said. "By giving one unit of blood you may very well help save the life of two to three people."

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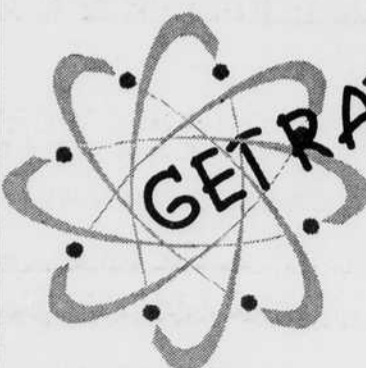
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