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TODAY

Get your resume ready if you are planning to attend this week's Career and Internship fair. It will be held in the EMU starting Tuesday.



INSIDE

The Oregon women's basketball team lost to Arizona 60-57 at Mac Court on Saturday night

Green Bay beat New England 35-21 in Super Bowl XXXI on Sunday in New Orleans



WEATHER

Mostly cloudy.
High 50. Low 40.

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“We are proud of the valuable services we have offered the campus community for the last twelve years.”

— Kathy Heerema
Assistant Director of
Microcomputer
Services

The University
Computing
Center will stop
selling
computer
hardware and
software to
students.



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Purchase Program shuts down

■ **COMPUTERS:** A changing market leaves the UO computing center's program unable to compete

By Ben Kwasney
Higher Education Reporter

“Closed for business,” the sign will soon read.

After 12 years of selling computer hardware and software at discounted rates to students, staff and faculty, the University Computing Center's Microcomputer Purchase Program has decided to call it quits.

The program will close Feb. 15, but the University bookstore will take over

Feb. 24 as the designated University/Apple Computer retailer. The University has an agreement with Apple to sell computers at discount prices.

External market factors have forced the center to make the business decision, said Kathy Heerema, assistant director of microcomputer services.

She said with more retailers selling computers, the program had more difficulty competing in the marketplace than it had in the past.

Because the Purchase Program is a self-supporting enterprise, Heerema said it was no longer maintainable.

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WHAT WILL HAPPEN

■ **THE COMPUTING CENTER** will close its Microcomputer Purchase Program on Feb. 15. It will still provide help with hardware and software issues. Remaining stock at the computing center will be sold, but new orders were stopped Jan. 9. A final clearance for the surplus stock will take place Feb. 3.

■ **THE UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE** has agreed to take over computer sales, but the agreement with Apple is not complete.

LaDuke speaks about racism, environment

■ **SPEECH:** The Native American activist's address opened a weekend event by attacking corporate power

By Angie Suchy
Student Activities Editor

From housing the single largest hydroelectric dam on Native American land in New York to building a nuclear waste dump on a reservation in Utah, environmental racism is prevalent locally, nationally and internationally, said keynote speaker Winona LaDuke Friday.

LaDuke, 1996 Vice-Presidential candidate for the Pacific Party and Native American activist, addressed an audience of about 1,000 Friday night as part of the third annual Conference on Environmental Racism and Justice.

Much of LaDuke's talk related to issues of identity, ownership and power, as well as using legal recourse to overcome injustices toward Native Americans.

“We have relinquished decision-making concerning public policy to multi-national corporations — not people,” she said.

She began her talk discussing the absence of language within Native American cultures and on reservations in the U.S., and the government practice of intervening and renaming native lands and abolishing native languages.

“Language frames your world view,” LaDuke said. “A recovery of our names is a recovery of our selves.”

This recovery is tied in with environmental policy and land misuse as well, LaDuke



LaDUKE

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OPS offers suggestions on prevention of bicycle theft at University

■ **CAMPUS:** A new report states that the campus area ranks the highest in Eugene for bikes reported stolen

By Ryan Maughn
Community Reporter

Bike theft is an increasing problem that has plagued the University at an alarming rate for years.

One of the preventative strategies that the Office of Public Safety stresses the most to potential bike owners is to scratch their driver's license somewhere on the bike, said Officer Mozan of Public Safety. This allows the officers to contact the owner of a bike easily if there is a question as to whether it has been stolen.

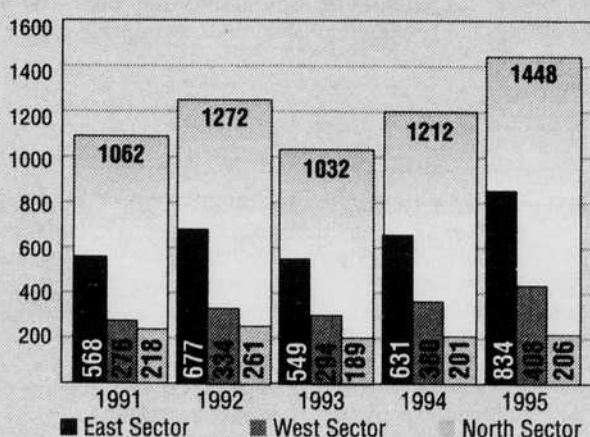
When scratching the number onto the frame, the state initials of the driver's license should precede the number, and the letters “DL” (for driver's license) should follow it. This provides a quicker and easier check of information, and it prevents potential thieves from being able to add digits to the license number, said Sgt. Dave Poppe of the Office of Public Safety.

The strategies recommended by OPS are

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THE NUMBERS

Bike thefts reported to Eugene Public Safety from 1991-1996. The east sector has the most thefts. It roughly corresponds to the neighborhoods east of Downtown, including the University.



SOURCE: Eugene Public Safety

WHERE THE BIKES ARE STOLEN

Top 4 areas in East Eugene for reported bike theft from January to June 1996:

1. University 76 thefts
2. Downtown 66 thefts
3. W. University 55 thefts
4. S. University 11 thefts

HOW TO PROTECT YOUR BIKE

- Always lock your bike, preferably in a lighted area
- Register your bike with OPS. Include the serial number
- Scratch your driver's license number into the bike frame
- Store your bike inside your place of residence
- Report suspicious persons around bike areas

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