

Awesome autograph



MATT GARTON/Emerald

Head Coach Jerry Green signs autographs Sunday during the fifth annual University of Oregon Basketball Clinic for Emerald Valley Special Olympics. Green and the rest of the University's Men's Basketball team took time out during the one-day event to help the participants with everything from warm-ups to free-throws.

Party: Evening features food, entertainment

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ing, said Susan Hoang, co-director of VSA.

With the evening, the theme of which was "Home is Where the Heart is," VSA set out to put on a traditional and fun event for everyone to enjoy. Because so much planning and preparation were involved for such a large event, the sold-out evening of food and cultural performances took a long time to plan.

"We have been preparing for the New Year's celebration since early in fall term," said Hoang.

"We were lucky to have so much support from family and friends. Being with family is very important during Tet," she said.

More than 300 guests began the evening by feasting on a seven

course dinner of traditional Vietnamese foods, including "Buon va Thit Nuong," a marinated pork and rice noodle dish, and "Che Ba Mau," a popular three colored dessert.

"The food was wonderful," said Mihn Duong-Van, a physics professor visiting from San Francisco who recently gave a speech at the University.

Duong-Van, who has not been back to Vietnam in over 35 years, reflected on the evening's events.

"I really don't think I will ever go back to my homeland, but I enjoy events such as this to feel connected to Vietnam," he said.

As the guests were finishing their dinners, attention focused on the stage where the performances took place. A wide range of skits,

dances and songs took place.

"We really wanted to let everyone experience the culture of Vietnam," said Hoang.

Members of the Eugene Lion Dance Club leaped and danced through the room beneath brightly colored lion costumes. The audience was kept laughing during a skit based on the traditional folk tale of the Trung Sisters, two sisters who are considered heroes in Vietnam for their dedication to keeping Vietnam free of foreign invasion.

"The whole evening was great, the food, the performances ... I learned a lot about Vietnamese culture and their society," said David VanMaren, a resident of Eugene.

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Shakespeare in Ashland

A trip to the Oregon Shakespeare Festival is being planned for Fri., Sat., and Sun., April 25-27, 1997. Plays include *King Lear*, *Rough Crossing*, *Pentecost*. Plus *Woody Guthrie's American Song* at the Oregon Cabaret Theatre. Rooms are being held at the Bard's Inn. Transportation will be pooled among participants. Special eating events have been planned during stay, which can be 1, 2 or 3 days. Design your own trip! Costs will vary! Call Frank Geltner at 346-0007 for details!

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