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## TODAY

The HOPES Eco Design Arts Conference brings speakers and workshops to Lawrence Hall today and over the weekend.



## INSIDE

The Nexus Club, 21-and-over since March, was opened by a University graduate in September

The Oregon track and field teams host the Oregon Invitational Saturday at Hayward Field

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## WEATHER

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## NEW BASKETBALL COACH

## 'Kamikaze Kid' returns to UO

■ **HIRING:** As expected, Ernie Kent was named Oregon's new men's basketball coach Thursday

By Ryan Frank  
Sports Editor

It took 17 years, but former Oregon player and assistant coach Ernie Kent returned home Thursday.

Kent, who was a member of Dick Harter's "Kamikaze Kids" in the mid-1970s, was officially announced as the Ducks' new men's basketball head coach at a press conference.

The announcement came nine days after former Oregon head coach Jerry Green announced he was leaving the Ducks to take over at Tennessee.

A former Oregon player who told his coach that his goal was to one day be the head coach at Oregon, Kent finally had his dream come true Thursday.

"I love the state of Oregon, I love being a part of this University right now today, and

I see nothing but great things for our basketball program here," Kent said.

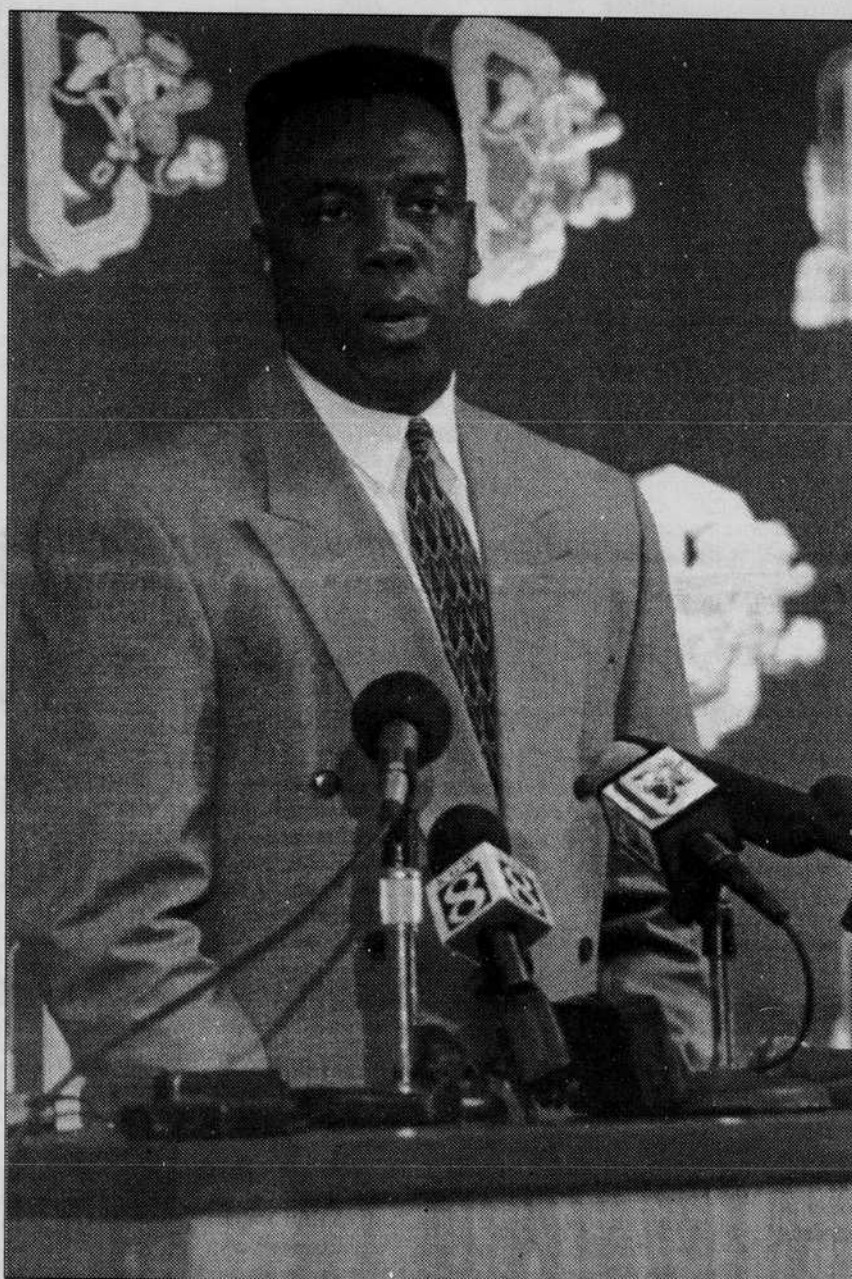
Kent was one of four candidates for the job, three of whom had Oregon connections.

Oregon assistant Mark Turgeon, former Duck assistant and current Cal-State Northridge head coach Bobby Braswell and Montana head coach

Blaine Taylor were the other candidates for the position.

Oregon Athletic Director Bill Moos said he had reached his decision early Tuesday morning. He then met with University Vice President Dan Williams Tuesday to discuss the vacant position and flew to the Bay Area to officially offer Kent the job Wednesday night.

"They all had great qualities, and I took



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Ernie Kent, new men's basketball coach, speaks at a press conference Thursday.

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## Footnotes' ASUO program status revoked

■ **PENALTIES:** The decision was made by the ASUO Executive staff in response to actions taken by a Footnotes coordinator

By Laura Baker

Student Activities Reporter

The ASUO Executive staff made the decision to revoke its recognition of the Students Projects Incorporated business, Footnotes, as an ASUO program as punitive action for "discriminating" against EMU board of directors member Jenna Wasson.

The decision was made in response to a grievance filed against Footnotes by Wasson during finals week of winter term 1997.

According to the official report of the incident, as compiled by ASUO Programs Advocate Laura Kane and ASUO Outreach Director Glenda Marshall, Wasson went to the Footnotes office on March 7, 1997 to pick up her prepaid subscription to Footnotes, and was told Footnotes had no record of her subscription and would have to present proof of payment in order to receive her notes.

Wasson received her notes the following Monday, along with a note from Footnotes Coordinator Kristin King. According to the report, the letter said, "I apologize for intensifying the situation by deleting your PHIL 102 subscription last week."

Wasson said in her official grievance filed with the ASUO programs team, "The fact is that Footnotes discriminated against me based on my political activities and political views."

## AT A GLANCE

■ At Wednesday night's EMU board meeting, Footnotes was granted space in the EMU.

■ Thursday night's meeting was held by the ASUO executive staff to respond to a grievance filed against Footnotes.

■ As a result of that meeting, Footnotes will no longer be recognized as an ASUO program.

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## Madrid, Sal 2000 want more student unions



The fourth in a six-part series profiling this year's executive candidates

■ **EXECUTIVE:** While the ASUO won't recognize the computer as an official candidate, Madrid backs Sal

By Amy Palanuk  
Higher Education Reporter

He's a freshman, ready to tackle the real issues facing students.

She's a computer, ready to log in to students' minds.

Together they form the Ed Madrid/Sal 2000 ASUO Executive campaign.

"What I bring to office is a degree of sincerity that the other candidates don't," presidential candidate Madrid said. "The other candidates have to worry about other things. I'm not interested in padding my resume, I just want to get in there and shake it

up."

As the only Macintosh computer running for office, the ASUO will not recognize Sal 2000 as an actual candidate on the ballot, but Madrid says Sal is still part of the campaign.

"Sal 2000 brings an unprecedented level of rational thinking," Madrid said. "She'll balance my tendency to look at issues from the heart and will bring a degree of concrete thinking."

In the ASUO news group, Sal has posted her mission statement because "our ticket has been refused the opportunity to restructure our now somewhat outdated voter's guide statement."

While her plans concur with Madrid's,

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## CANDIDATE'S PLATFORM FOR ASUO EXECUTIVE

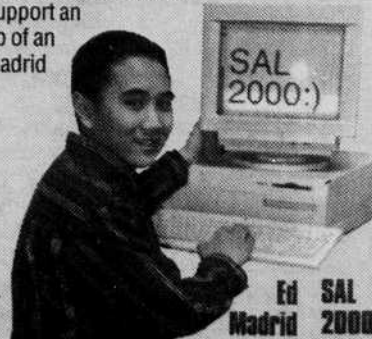
Excerpts from the Madrid/SAL 2000 Voter's Guide:

## PLATFORMS:

- Beer garden on campus. Planting beer seeds around campus.
- Madrid says he wants a 48-hour library, versus latent promises of keeping the library open 24 hours.
- Improving parking by building a parking structure where PLC now stands. "I fully support an amphitheater, as long as it's on top of an eight-story parking structure," Madrid said.

## ■ COMMUNICATION:

Madrid says that as a freshman with nothing to lose, and a computer with nothing to feel, communication will be balanced. He says Sal 2000 would like to become a networking entity for students to voice opinions.



Ed Madrid  
SAL 2000