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Local band Jacob Marley's Ghost will perform from 5 to 8 p.m. on the EMU East lawn. The concert is free and open to the public.



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Measures fail to net 50 percent

ELECTION: Eugene city and Lane County measures 20-83 and 20-84 needed higher voter turnout to pass

By Jennifer Schmitt
Community Editor

The ballots are in, and according to numbers released by the Lane County Elections office at 9 p.m. Tuesday night, Lane County and Eugene officials will have to go back to the drawing board and find other ways to raise funds for public services.

Measure 47 requires that local measures pass by a double-majority. This means at least 50 percent of the registered voters must cast their ballots, and then a majority of them must vote to pass the measure.

KEY RESULTS

Election results as of 9 p.m. Tuesday. Both measures failed to achieve the 50 percent voter turnout necessary to pass.

20-83:
12,734 yes
13,346 no

20-84:
32,806 yes
31,298 no

Although official numbers will not be released for 10 days, according to the preliminary numbers released by the elections office Tuesday night only 36 percent or 66,387 of the registered voters in Lane County returned their ballots. The voter turnout percentage for the city of Eugene was 34 percent.

This means that unless the official percentage of voter turnout is above 50 percent, the two local measures will not have passed.

Measure 20-83, a city levy to raise money to replace funds lost because of Measure 47, failed by more than 1,000 votes. According to numbers released from the Lane County Elections office at 9 p.m., 13,346 people voted against the three-year levy and 12,734 people voted in favor of the levy.

The county levy (Measure 20-84) which would have added 48 beds to the Lane Coun-

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ALCOHOL AWARENESS



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"It's amazing, the number of people who knew people killed in alcohol related accidents."

Linda Devine
Assistant Director of Student Life

Marisa Roche, a Junior Journalism major, looks at the tombstones in the grass outside of Chapman Hall Tuesday afternoon. A wrecked car sits on the street near the tombstones (below).

Alcohol Awareness Week promotes safety

DRINKING: Several groups are joining together this week to educate students about the dangers of alcohol

By Daniel Pearson
Higher Education Reporter

Memorial Day weekend is traditionally associated with drinking and driving, and with that in mind the Office of Student Life is sponsoring University Alcohol Awareness Week this week.

"It's a time for us to remind people to have a safe weekend," said Linda Devine, assistant director of student life. "We want people to think twice before they drink."

Devine, in coordination with the Student Health Center, University Housing Resident Life and the Greeks Advocating the Mature Management of Alcohol (GAMMA) has put together several



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events around campus to get their message across.

Most visible was the Grim Reaper Project on Tuesday at the Knight Library Quad. Students were invited to erect a headstone representing people who have died in alcohol related automobile accidents. As of 12:30 p.m. Tuesday there were about 40 headstones scattered around the northern section of the quad.

"It's amazing, the number of people who knew people killed in alcohol related accidents," Devine said.

The headstones displayed the victim's name along with details of the accident, such as one that read, "Amy: riding passenger in the car of a drunk driver who drove off the road into a ravine. She was not wearing a seat belt and died instantly."

Students could also purchase T-shirts and Frisbees promoting the project's message and receive free information on topics ranging from drunk driving to myths about alcohol.

University health educator Annie Dochnahl said the purpose of Alcohol Awareness Week is not to promote a "just say no" message but to encourage students to drink responsibly if they do indeed make that choice.

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Future remains uncertain for research park development



The last in a three-part series

TODAY: The changing future of the riverfront urban renewal district

MONEY: A loss of funding for the urban renewal project would affect infrastructure and road development at the Riverfront Research Park

By Eric Collins
Community Reporter

As far as city property tax money is concerned, the Riverfront Research Park may lose all support in the coming months if the City Council decides to terminate funding of the urban renewal district with which the research park is associated.

While the research park itself will not be in danger of shutting down, the loss of urban renewal funds would affect the planned roads, parking lots and bike paths

to be built during future expansion of the park.

Diane Wiley, project manager for the research park, said the urban renewal program money is combined with state and department of transportation funds to provide the streets and infrastructure for the project.

"If we don't have [the urban renewal money], we'll have to look for another mechanism to create those kinds of improvements, but we don't have a ready source identified at this point to do that."

The Riverfront Research Park District, a 148-acre area bordered by Franklin Boulevard, the Willamette River, the Interstate and the Ferry Street Bridge, was created in 1985 to assist in developing the site. It is one of two districts currently active in the

city limits, the other located in downtown Eugene.

Since 1990, urban renewal money has been used to create the Millrace bike path and Millrace Drive. This year, \$325,419 of urban renewal money was spent on the bicycle roundabout on the southern side of the Autzen Footbridge, \$83,000 is set for property improvements on the Franklin Parcel and \$650,000 is slated for the extension of Millrace Drive this summer.

With the budget cutbacks the City Council is making because of Measure 47, the question of funding the urban renewal districts while cutting community centers and arts organizations has been asked more

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Toxins law in danger

Eugene's Toxic-Right-to-Know law could be undermined if a new amendment to an Oregon Senate Bill passes. Under the last-minute addition only Portland would be allowed to collect fees from companies.

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