

Upset victory

The unranked Oregon women overcame an 11-point half-time deficit to defeat the No. 7 Arizona Wildcats 68-66

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The tragedy trilogy

The Eugene Symphony Orchestra and actors from the Oregon Shakespeare Festival will add a twist to tragedy by combining music and movement

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Gary Okibiro will present 'Race in America' at 12:30 in the EMU Ben Linder Room

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Asian crisis puts students in financial bind

Economic woes in Asia have left some international students with devalued currency and soaring tuition bills

By Kari Thorene
Higher Education Reporter

The University administration sent letters yesterday to the 450 international students hit hardest by the economic crisis in Southeast Asia and Korea, inviting them to meet with University officials to establish arrangements to pay for school.

The letter comes in response to a meeting of more than 300 international students last Wednesday, where University officials were invited to hear stories of economic hardship the students are experi-

encing.

"Some were in tears — they didn't know what to do," said Amita Malakar, co-director of the International Student Association.

The Southeast Asian and Korean economic crisis that started in July has left Malaysia, Indonesia, Korea and Thailand with greatly devalued currency. For the 199 Indonesian students, the \$20,000 out-of-state tuition cost has quadrupled since their money has been devalued four times.

Tom Mills, director of the Office of International Education and Exchange, said in a written statement that 50 students from Thailand, 50 from Malaysia and 144 from Korea have also been affected by the crisis.

"We sent a petition letter to the president [Frohnmyer] asking for some help, like decreased tuition, tuition deferral or loans. Anything to help them from having to go back instantly," Malakar said.

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ROE VS. WADE



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At the Roe vs. Wade celebration Thursday night, state Rep. Kitty Piercy embraces Dawn Helwig as she gives her testimonial.

Abortion battle not over 25 years later

Pro-choice supporters gathered in City Council chambers to celebrate the landmark decision

By Michael Burnham
Community Editor

The issue is political.
The issue is spiritual.

But above all else, the issue of abortion is personal.

As national, state and local politicians and representatives gathered for a candlelight commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe vs. Wade decision Thursday night at Eugene's City Council chambers, the legality of a woman's right to choose has not become any less poignant for those on both sides of the issue.

"For the federal government

to barge into the lives of women and take away their personal rights is wrong," said U.S. Senator Ron Wyden. "Let us say tonight, as we reflect on Roe vs. Wade, that we will protect the rights of women."

The Eugene gathering of prominent pro-choice supporters was one of six celebrations throughout the state sponsored by the Pro-Choice Coalition of Oregon. Among those joining Wyden were state Rep. Kitty Piercy; Arnold Ismach, former dean of the University School of Journalism and Communication; state Sen. Susan Castillo; and Eugene City Manager Vicki Elmer. Lane County Commissioner Elli Dumdi began the

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Susan Silvera cuddles her daughter Caitlyn at the ceremony Thursday night.

Carson Hall experiences mouse problem

One resident assistant was bitten while trying to remove a mouse from his room

By Michael Hines
Student Activities Reporter

Carson's newest residents are rodents, and the human residents are fed up with them. "I think it needs to be taken care of immediately," said Amy Ruppert, third-floor resident assistant in Carson. "It's created somewhat of a panic in Carson."

Monday, her neighbor's room had four mice inside, she said, and she took another resident assistant to the hospital after he was bitten trying to remove the mice from the room.

Housing officials say they are taking care of the problem.

University Housing maintenance supervisor Mike Larimer said the problem began at the beginning of winter term but has subsided. He cautioned students not to remove the mice by hand. Resident assistants have access to sticky traps at the building's area desk, he said.

Larimer and Carson resident director Heidi Decker both said they believe the infestation is the result of campus construction. Huestis Hall, which is just across from Carson on 13th Avenue, is currently under construction. They believe this was a factor in the growth of Carson's mouse population, as well as construction on the law school and EMU renovations, Larimer said.

Decker said she has received a few complaints from Carson residents directly; most complaints from residents have come through the resident assistants.

Housing has a contract with Swanson's Pest Management, which is only using non-toxic means to catch the mice, Larimer said. The company is using live, snap and sticky traps. Swanson's also wants to avoid poisoning the mice because they could die in the walls and create a smell.

"I think we're going to see the problem subside now," Larimer said.

But Ruppert said University Housing is not doing enough.

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