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The annual Asian Celebration will showcase Tibetan culture through folk dance and music for the first time in 13 years

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Forward Natasha O'Brien rebounded from a season-long slump to lead Oregon to victory over the then-No. 7 Wildcats

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A "Friendship and Romance across Cultures" workshop will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. in Riley Hall.

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Senate postpones another EMU board funding request

Senators will decide how the Overrealized Fund should be used before hearing the EMU board's \$250,000 request

By Michael Hines
Student Activities Reporter

On the same day professional golfer Casey Martin was granted permission to use a cart in the PGA Tour, the ASUO Student Senate debated whether to immediately help the EMU in complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The Senate decided to postpone its decision.

The EMU has not complied with the ADA since spring 1997 when a wheelchair lift to International Lounge broke. It came to the Senate requesting \$250,000 from the Overrealized Fund for the \$550,000 elevator.

The Overrealized Fund is an account of student fees that exceeds University predic-

tions. It had about \$376,000 available before Wednesday's Senate meeting.

Much of the debate focused on how the fund should be used. Some felt the fund should be used only for emergencies.

"This is right now an emergency in our point of view," said Amita Malakar, co-director of the International Student Association.

At the end of the nearly four hour meeting, the Senate decided to postpone a decision until after guidelines are set for Overrealized allocations.

Senate President Michelle Johnston guessed the Senate will probably hear the request again Feb. 25 after it receives the guidelines.

"The main concern from the body is that

we don't know how it should be used," she said.

Johnston said she and ASUO President Bill Miner will finish drafting guidelines by the end of the week. These guidelines will be taken to the Senate on Feb. 18.

Almost a dozen ISA members were at the meeting supporting the proposal, along with several EMU board members.

The request is a last resort, EMU board President Kim Guevara said.

Many senators said the EMU should have budgeted for a new elevator when the ADA was passed in 1993.

This would have been hard to do, Guevara said. The EMU pays about \$140,000 in

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President

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Elmer asked to postpone hiring process

Mayor Jim Torrey suggested that City Manager Vicki Elmer wait until her evaluation is over

By Jesse Sowa
Community Reporter

The future of City Manager Vicki Elmer remains uncertain following Wednesday's City Council meeting.

Although rumors earlier in the week predicting Elmer would be fired at the meeting proved false, Mayor Jim Torrey did make several indirect comments concerning the future of Elmer's tenure.

Elmer said she might begin the hiring process for assistant city manager, but Torrey said he didn't think it would be a good idea for her to hire any "permanent department-level head employees" before her formal evaluation is complete.

Torrey said that although he wanted Elmer to know how he felt about the issue, he also realized the city charter prevents him from attempting to influence Elmer on hiring decisions.

"I would hope that you would not do that," Torrey said. "You certainly do not have to follow my wish. Under the charter, you can do anything you wish in that area."

Elmer said she has a qualified but unnamed candidate for the assistant city manager position whom she believes would make a good employee.

"He's just a wonderful person and would be a great asset to the [city]," she said.

She also said Eugene would be in danger of losing the candidate because he is also considering an offer from another city. However, Eugene does not currently have such a position available.

Elmer said a lengthy recruiting process and an evaluation have taken place to reduce the number of possible candidates for the position to three.

Councilwoman Laurie Swanson Gribkov voiced concern that all of Elmer's



ELMER



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Professor Nancy Tuana holds an issue of *Hypatia*, a journal of feminist theory and philosophy.

Professor to head feminist journal

Nancy Tuana says the journal Hypatia sets the standard in many ways for feminist scholarship

By Teri Meeuwse
Higher Education Reporter

A leading journal of feminist theory and thought will move to the University in July to follow its soon-to-be co-editor — philosophy Professor Nancy Tuana.

Hypatia, a journal of feminist philosophy, changes its location every five years to be housed near the editor, Tuana said. It's currently located at the University of South Florida.

Tuana was nominated for the position of co-editor after being on the editorial board since the publication began in 1986. She went through the application process and was accepted to be co-editor along with Laurie Shrage, an associate professor of philosophy at California State Polytechnic at Pomona.

"It's going to be fun," Tuana said. "It will

be easy settling into a very prestigious journal. It has a strong reputation, and I'll be walking into it easily."

Hypatia was named in honor of a fourth century Egyptian philosopher, mathematician and astronomer. It began through the Society for Women in Philosophy, many of whose members have envisioned a scholarly journal devoted to feminist philosophy, Tuana said. Subjects ranging from feminism and Native American philosophy to transgender and disability issues are discussed and printed quarterly by professors and graduate students from around the globe.

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