

**Collier controversy**

A decision to remove paintings containing nudity from an art display at the Collier House has caused the artists to object

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**Sun sets on ASU**

Oregon capitalized on an 18-0 run early in the second half to put Arizona State away, 97-73, at McArthur Court

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**TODAY**

Martha Nussbaum will discuss "International Feminism" at 4 p.m. in 129 Grayson.

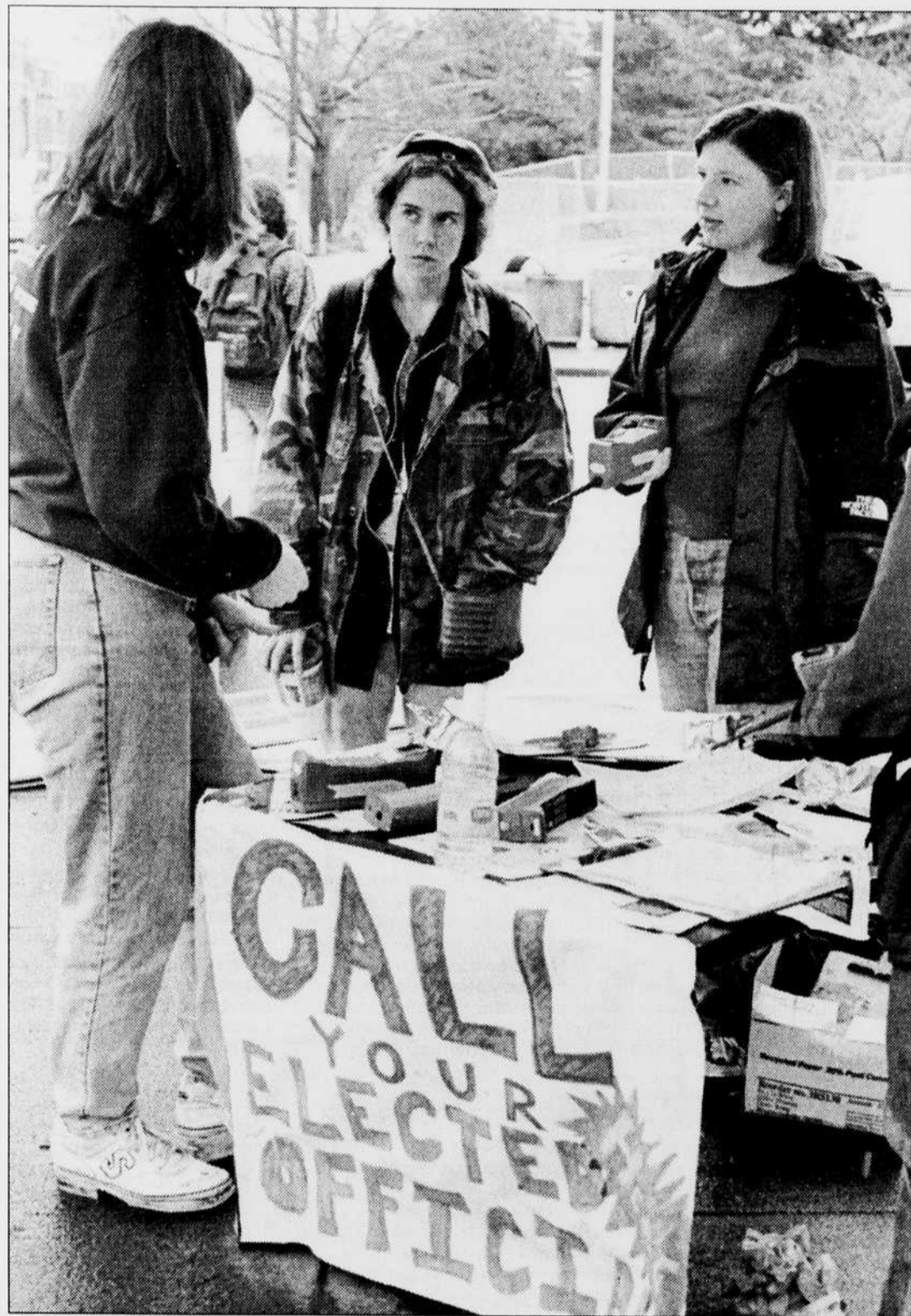
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Melissa Watson, Carrie Christopher and Morgan Cowling meet on the corner of University Street and 13th Avenue to call their legislators to object to aspects of President Clinton's budget.

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**ASUO protests cuts in aid**

*The ASUO urged legislators to vote against Clinton's new budget, which would cut loan and grant programs*

By Michael Hines  
Student Activities Reporter

With five donated AT&T cellular phones, University students reached out to touch someone Thursday. Early on, they touched Oregon Sen. Gordon Smith's office enough to rub it the wrong way.

The ASUO coordinated Thursday's program — attended by a mock grim reaper — to protest President Clinton's proposed budget, which would cut some student financial aid.

"Enough people [called] to really, really frustrate Senator Smith's office," ASUO

Vice President Ben Unger said.

Eventually, Smith's Eugene office transferred Unger and Federal Affairs coordinator Melissa Watson to the Washington, D.C., office, and after a brief discussion his staff became more receptive, Watson said.

Students placed about 100 calls encouraging Smith, Sen. Ron Wyden and Representatives Peter DeFazio, Darlene Hooley and Bob Smith to vote against Clinton's budget, Watson said. The proposal in-

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**Law group focuses on disabled's rights**

Students are organizing a conference titled "Explosive Issues in Disability Law"

By Chris Kenning  
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Even though law student Jennifer Solomon grew up with a mother who was disabled from polio, she never really thought about disability rights until she went to a conference on disability law.

"My mom never asked for a lot of privileges while I was growing up," she said, explaining her decision to pursue a career in disability law. "But when I went to this conference three years ago, it really opened my eyes. I never felt so moved."

Solomon is now a member of the Oregon Law Student Disability Interest Group and an organizer of this year's conference, "Explosive Issues in Disability Law," which will take place Saturday in Grayson Hall.

"It's a really controversial, hot topic right now because of Casey Martin, but there are so many other ways to be disabled that aren't properly addressed, like mental retardation or hav-

ing HIV," said Margaret Butler, a member of OLSDIG. She added that the Supreme Court is currently looking at whether HIV can be considered a legal disability.

"It's easy not to realize how profoundly affecting a disability can be," Butler said. She said there are more than 43 million disabled people in the U.S., and studies show 50 percent of disabled people make less than \$15,000 per household.

"It's about more than just not being able to go up stairs," she said.

Organizers say there needs to be more access to all aspects of life, not only for the physically disabled, but for those who have hearing, seeing or illness-related disabilities.

"People think if they fix a problem for one disability, they've fixed it for all disabilities," said Margaret Nightingale, a disability law professor at Lewis and Clark University and the keynote speaker for the conference.

The conference will also examine reasonable access under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which organizers say is disregarded in many new

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**Auction will raise funds for law student grants**

Among the things to be auctioned are a ski weekend in Bend and dinner at Cafe Zenon

By Kari Thorene  
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"This is a fun opportunity for the public to support the students and public interest law in the process," said Stacey Fode, coordinator of the Oregon Law Students Public Interest Fund auction that takes place tonight.

The third annual auction is a fund-raiser for first- and second-year law students who need financial assistance in order to work for public interest groups during the summer. Because many nonprofit groups aren't able to pay students for their work, the funds raised by the auction enable interested students to work for nonprofit groups, Fode said.

Students receive grants to help meet travel and living expenses, as well as to supplement salaries.

"We provided 10 full and partial stipends last year," Fode said. "We'd like to do more than that this year."

About 75 law students will be applying for financial help from the fund-raiser, Fode said.

Some of the items being auctioned include dinners at Cafe Soriah, Ambrosia and Cafe Zenon. Larger ticket items include a ski weekend in Bend, a Marin mountain bike donated by Blue Heron Bicycles and a weekend at a bed and breakfast at Summer Lake.

The auction brought in \$12,000 in 1997. "We're hoping to bring in \$20,000 this year," Fode said. "We have a lot more things this year."

The auction will start with a preview and silent auction at 5:30 p.m. tonight at Grayson Hall, 1101 Kincaid St. The main auction begins at 7 p.m. There is no charge to attend the auction. Alcohol will be available, and attendees must be at least 21 years old.