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Today Mostly cloudy High 63, Low 42

Saturday Rain High 61, Low 48 **ODE to a Century**

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After a three-game losing streak, the Ducks hope to get back on track this weekend / PAGE 11A

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Private donations, grants on the rise

Alumni and donors gather tonight in celebration of fund-raising campaign

By Eric Collins

Hundreds of millions of dollars swoosh through the University each

Buildings rise, centers are named and research continues, but the money for these projects doesn't just appear on the breeze.

Grants, gifts and research funding generated on campus through private fund raising and public and private research contracts and awards accounted for 25 percent of the University's 1997-98 funding sources.

With the University receiving substantially less state tax support, about half of it diminishing in 10 years, University administrators say fund-raising dollars will be one of the few ways for campus enhancement.

A big part of the University funding picture comes from the campuswide, six-year Oregon Campaign, which has raised \$232.5 million since 1992. It has relied heavily on alumni, donors and corporations to fund a new law school, indoor athletic facility, student scholarships, endowed faculty chairs and new fields of study.

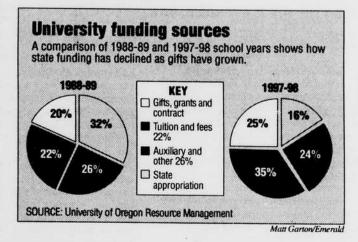
More than 500 alumni, friends

and donors are expected to attend a black-tie gala tonight in McArthur Court to celebrate the fund-raising campaign, the largest and most successful in state history, which concludes in December.

Another large portion of University funding comes through researchgrants and contracts, which have produced more than \$280 million in the same time period, excluding 1998 fig-

But Oregon's recent fund-raising prowess doesn't match the largest public university campaigns around the nation. And comparisons to other Oregon universities show differ-

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Wayne Bennett conducts the UO symphony on Wednesday as they rehearse in Beall Hall for Homecoming and Convocation.

Homecoming mixes students, alumni

The weekend brings a variety of activities in celebration of life at the University

By Peter Breaden Oregon Daily Emerald

Homecoming weekend offers both students and alumni a chance to get to know campus life better.

Before the football game Saturday, students and alumni can mingle at pregame parties. In the Autzen Stadium plaza, a student party begins at 1:30 p.m., sponsored by U-Lane-O Credit Union and the Student Alumni Association.

Students can participate Saturday morning in the Campus Fun Run, a 3K/5K runwalk leaving the EMU Amphitheater at 9 a.m. Entries cost \$10 for students and

Alumni Association members, \$12 for the general public. The fee covers a T-shirt, snacks and a coupon book. The Office of Student Life will be taking entries up until

Sharing the weekend with Homecoming is Convocation, a ceremony that marks the formal beginning of the academic year. Convocation includes the formal procession of faculty and a keynote address from Nils Hasselmo, president of the Association of American Universities.

The AAU is a nationwide association of

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66 It seemed apropos as a time for a ceremony ...

Barbara Edwards Convocation organizer

ASUO officials speak against Measure 59

The measure endangers student organizations, says ASUO federal affairs coordinator

By Felicity Ayles

Student leaders and members of the American Association of Retired Persons came together in the EMU Amphitheater Thursday to address students about State Ballot Measure 59.

According to the state of Oregon voter's pamphlet, Measure 59 will prevent the use of tax dollars to collect political funds. All the speakers present were speaking against the measure.

'Measure 59 is disadvantageous for all students and everyone



across Oregon," ASUO state affairs coordinator Matt Swanson said. Swanson said the

measure would stop the distribution of the voter's pamphlet and said students need the education from it before going to the polls.

The measure will strip Oregonians of their ability to contribute to the political process, he said.

If passed, the measure would have a detrimental effect on students, ASUO federal affairs coordinator C.J. Gabbe said.

For example, he said, the ASUO's voter registration campaign might not be able to continue in the future under this measure. This is one of the most important votes for students, he said.

'Students don't realize what issues affect them," he said.

But supporters of the measure say it preserves workers' rights by allowing them to choose what political causes they will support, instead of just having money deducted from their paychecks.

Marion Esty, member of the AARP, said Measure 59 doesn't allow people to express

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