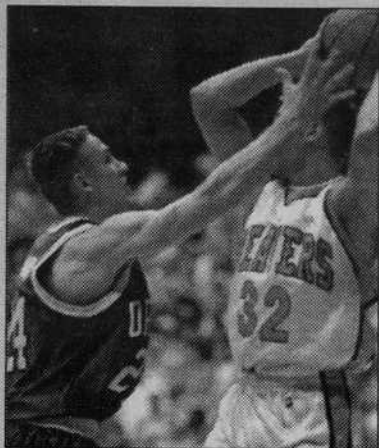


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Lindquist lovin' life as a Duck

Junior transfer Ben Lindquist, averaging nearly six points per game, has been a pleasant surprise for Oregon. **PAGE 13**

The Flash

University once again accepting blood donations

Today is the second day of the University's annual blood drive, which is in its 17th year. This year, at least 200 students are expected.

Students desiring to donate blood should report to the EMU Fir Room between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. People with type A negative blood are especially encouraged to participate. **PAGE 5**

First lady to sit down with David Letterman

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — To show she's funny, tough, good under pressure and well worth the votes of millions of New Yorkers.

That's got to be one of the top 10 reasons — maybe the only one, really — for Hillary Rodham Clinton to show up as a guest on tonight's "Late Show with David Letterman."

She's been resisting invitations for months. Not too surprising, perhaps, considering that Letterman — the quintessential New Yorker from Indiana who lives in Connecticut — has made a running gag of calling her a carpetbagger from Arkansas.

Mrs. Clinton's spokesman, Howard Wolfson, said she had wanted to wait until she moved to New York.

Bradley attacks Gore's stance on tobacco issues

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Bill Bradley accused Al Gore on Tuesday of flip-flopping in Senate votes on smoking and tobacco, opening a new health care front in their fight for the Democratic presidential nomination. Gore said it sounded like Bradley was getting desperate.

Appearing at an elementary school, Bradley pointed in particular to a 1985 vote in which Gore opposed efforts to block a cigarette tax reduction.

"I thought it was an appropriate thing to raise at this time," said Bradley. "It lays out a very clear point in time when there was a disagreement over who supported big tobacco."

Bradley defended selecting a 15-year-old vote.

"I'm hitting tobacco because tobacco happens to be something I've hit for 18 years," Bradley said. "As for the past, the past leads to the future."

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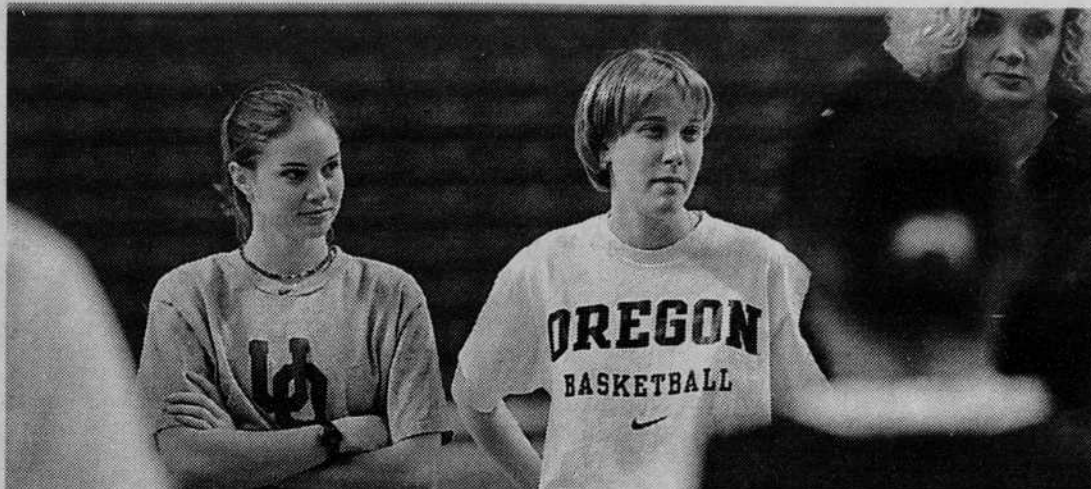


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Women's basketball managers Krista Poehler and Nicole McElhany join in a team huddle during last Friday's practice at McArthur Court.

Getting the ball rolling

The women's basketball team looks to two program assistants to make sure they have the supplies they need to make another run at the Pac-10 title

By Simone Ripke
Oregon Daily Emerald

When the women's basketball team arrives at McArthur Court for practice, everything they need is already set up.

It is not magic, but two program assistants make sure the team does not have to jump through any unnecessary hoops during practices and games.

Nicole McElhany, a senior business and psychology double major, and Krista Poehler, a first-year graduate student majoring in busi-

ness, are program assistants for the women's basketball team. They are responsible for everything from getting out basketballs for practice, labeling and filling water cups, organizing the locker rooms, supplying coaches with their favorite color markers and rebounding during practices.

"We just make it easier for the coaches and the players to just focus on what they need to do," McElhany said. The program assistants,

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“Without them, we couldn't run the program.”

Fred Litzenberger women's basketball assistant coach



Physicists creating computer device

A project to develop a quantum logic gate could revolutionize computing by enabling a computer to do more than one task at a time

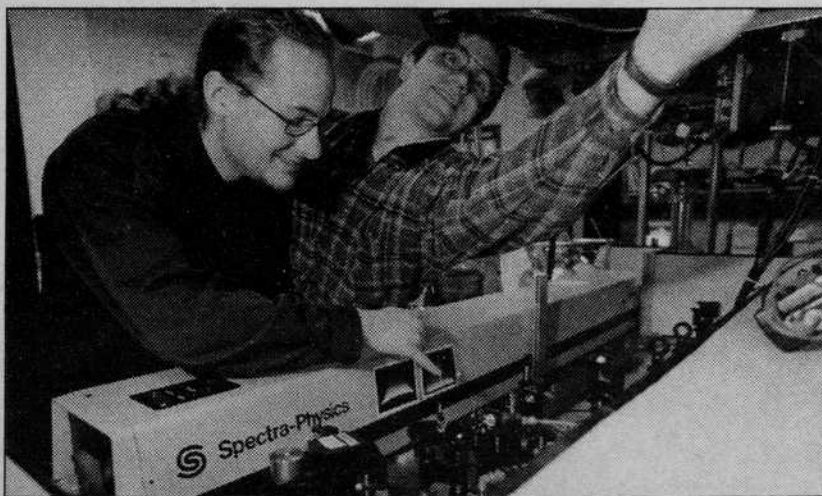
By Davin Tryon
for the Emerald

University physicists are leading a three-university effort to create a computer that could be millions of times faster than any of today's computers.

Six University professors and a group of graduate students are working on the project to create a device called a quantum logic gate that would enable a computer to do multiple tasks at once. Research is also being conducted on the project by the University of Colorado-Boulder and the University of Arizona.

Michael Raymer, a physics professor and leader of the research team, said this device

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Physics major Doug Rutledge (left) and graduate student David Foster analyze a quantum optics experiment relevant to the development of a new micro-processing device.

Marching band policy invokes grievance

Scott Austin says the band doesn't follow ASUO rules and should not receive funding until changes are made

By Jeremy Lang
Oregon Daily Emerald

The ASUO Programs Finance Committee decided to postpone approving the Oregon Marching Band's budget for the 2000-01 year after OMB member Scott Austin filed a grievance with the ASUO Constitution Court.

In his grievance, Austin claimed the voting procedure for the OMB's band council is not democratic and breaks ASUO rules.

"Even though any member of the [OMB] can run for a position on the council, the members of the previous year's council are the only ones who are allowed to vote, not the entire

marching band," Austin said at Wednesday night's meeting.

The band council controls the incidental fee money allocated to the OMB.

The PFC decided to postpone their decision until the Constitution Court makes a decision on Austin's grievance. PFC member Alex Pederson said the decision needed to be postponed.

"Ethically, I feel the PFC should not fund a group that is inconsistent with the ASUO Constitution," Pederson said.

OMB director Todd Zimbelman said he was confused about the procedure that led to the decision.

"I didn't understand the process of operation that happened here tonight. It seems [the PFC] was not even clear," Zimbelman said.

However, he is neither upset by the

PFC's decision nor worried about the future of the marching band.

"This won't affect anything right now. The outlook is very good for us," Zimbelman said.

Austin said he isn't trying to deny the band funding or ruin it in any way, only to make sure all ASUO programs follow ASUO rules.

"I don't want to defund them. I'm in the band, for Heaven's sake. But by-laws have to be changed, and I see it to be a fairly easy process," Austin said.

The PFC did successfully approve the budgets of seven other ASUO programs Wednesday night, including the Student Senate and Interfraternity Council. As in previous meetings, many of the budgets approved by the PFC were less than those pro-

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