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One Wild Cat

Fiery guard Felicity Willis leads her Arizona women's basketball squad into Mac Court Friday for what could be a crucial Pac-10 contest against the Ducks. **PAGE 7**

The Flash

'Dead Man Walking' author to speak on campus

Sister Helen Prejean, author of "Dead Man Walking," will speak today at noon in the EMU Ballroom. Her book was made into a movie starring Susan Sarandon and nominated for the Pulitzer Prize.

Prejean, a Catholic nun, has been an activist for death row inmates since the early 1980s. Her work in opposing the death penalty has gained her nominations for the Nobel Peace Prize in 1998 and 1999.

Health center working to better serve patients

University Health Center administrators have proposed inexpensive ways to improve privacy throughout the health center. They are addressing the issue in response to concerns brought forth by patients. **Page 3**

Gore beats Bradley, McCain surprises Bush in primary

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Arizona Sen. John McCain scored a landslide victory over George W. Bush on Tuesday in New Hampshire's leadoff primary. Vice President Al Gore survived a toe-to-toe challenge from Bill Bradley in the Democratic duel.

With more than half the precincts counted, Gore had 54 percent of the vote, Bradley 46. McCain rolled up 49 percent of the GOP vote, Bush 31.

A few plane crash victims' bodies located

PORT HUENEME, Calif. (AP) — The pilots of Alaska Airlines Flight 261 struggled with a sudden control problem for at least six minutes before the jetliner plummeted into the ocean with 88 people aboard, federal investigators said Tuesday.

Nearly a day after the accident, searchers had pulled four bodies — one man, two women and an infant — from the calm sea, which is 300 to 750 feet deep in the area. Hopes dimmed that anyone aboard Flight 261 survived.

Three passengers aboard the Alaska Airlines jet were bound for Eugene, officials said. The identities of two of them had not been released.

WEATHER

Today



RAIN
high 45, low 37

Thursday



RAIN LIKELY
high 42, low 26

Number of candidates rises strongly

■ Of the nearly 30 people running for the ASUO elections, seven candidates are seeking the presidency or vice presidency

ASUO race

There are now seven tickets for president and vice president.

35 candidates are now running for 16 Student Senate seats.

Four senate candidates are running uncontested.

The architecture and allied arts/interdisciplinary seat is the only one open.

The new president and vice president will be responsible for appointing someone to that seat.

2000-2001 candidates for ASUO President and Vice President:

Daniel Atkinson
Scott Austin
Jay Breslow and Holly Magner
Autumn DePoe and Caitlin Upshaw
C. J. Gabbe and Peter Larson
Ed Madrid and Melissa Logan
Joel Rueber

SOURCE: ASUO Elections Board

By Jeremy Lang
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What a difference two days can make.

Almost 30 more people threw in their hats in the past two days for the upcoming ASUO elections.

The ASUO Elections Board moved the filing deadline back from last Friday to Tuesday because of low candidate turnout. Only four candidates filed to run for president and vice president, and many Student Senate seats were either open or had one candidate running uncontested.

Now, seven candidates are running for president or vice president. And the Student Senate now has only one open seat and four running uncontested.

The new president and vice president will be in charge of appointing people to the open seats after the election.

Despite the handful of open or uncontested spots in the election, Senate President Jessica Timpany called the sudden influx of candidates "a sign of healthy democracy."

In the coming weeks, the Emerald will profile each candidate for president and vice president. A voter's guide will follow profiling the candidates for all the seats.

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Media mad press

Large media corporations are combining at a fast pace, and many are debating whether this is good for consumers



By Eric Pfeiffer
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Two weeks ago, America Online and Time Warner announced a move to centralize their corporations into the largest media entity in history. Less than a week later, as the effects of their merger were just beginning to be assessed, the newly allied AOL Time Warner Inc. announced plans to purchase EMI, the fourth largest music distributor in the United States, according to CMJ News Music Reports.

The impact of large media corporations is being criticized by those who oppose consolidated media control, especially with the fate of the industry in the hands of only a few companies, and more mergers planned for the near future.

Since events such as the World Trade Organization protest in Seattle, consolidated corporate power has become an increasingly visible and debatable topic.

One of the arguments against this trend

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Corporate media earnings

AOL Time Warner Inc., News Corporation, Disney and TCI, the four largest media corporations, each generate between \$15 and 25 billion in annual sales. Westinghouse, Gannett, Dow Jones and McGraw-Hill, other major corporations, earn an average of \$2-5 billion in annual sales.

Source: University of Wisconsin-Madison Professor Robert McChesney "Corporate Media and the Threat to Democracy"

Nine months later, sit-in protesters reflect

■ Many of the demonstrators, while celebrating changes made by the administration to increase diversity, say there is still a long way to go

By Edward Yuen
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Almost nine months have passed since the Johnson Hall sit-in, where University students and faculty rallied together and demanded that the University administration take notice of and improve campus diversity.

Of the 75 people who participated in the May 18 sit-in, many have graduated from the University, and a select group remains dedicated to the cause, while others have stepped back to address other issues on campus.

Jason Mak is one of the protesters who gathered in the Johnson Hall lobby for nine hours for the protest that was sparked by a racial response in a class e-mail discussion. The group demanded that University President Dave Frohnmayer meet their requests, which included requiring sensitivity training for faculty and giving student groups at



least \$1 million to help meet their diversity goals.

Mak has been strongly fighting for campus diversity since he participated in the sit-in. He and nine other students were hired as summer diversity interns, a program that was created by the Office of the President as a result of the sit-in. As an intern, Mak wrote recommendations about how the University administration could recruit more students and faculty of color.

Now as the ASUO recruitment and retention coordinator, and as the diversity affairs coordinator for the Office of Student Academic Affairs, Mak meets with the administration and

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