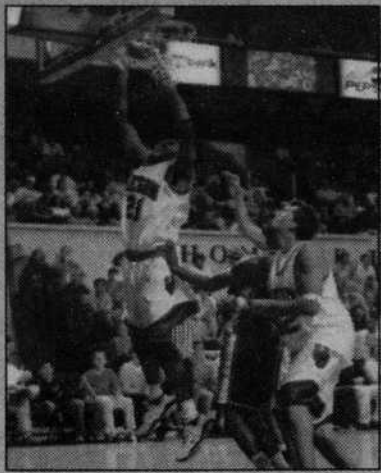


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The race is on

Both Oregon's men's and women's basketball teams are right in the thick of things, thanks to the production of several key players. Read more in Oregon notes. **PAGE 5**

The Flash

Solar Information Center hosts workshops

In an effort to increase awareness of alternative forms of energy consumption, planning and transportation, the University's Solar Information Center is hosting a series of weekly workshops through spring term.

Chris Chalmers, events director for the SIC, organized the workshops, which run every Tuesday evening and started Feb. 1.

"The Solar Information Center is about more than solar energy," Chalmers said. "We want to help provide people with information about many different areas of sustainable living."

The featured workshops for the month of February are as follows:

Feb. 8: Video — Jude Hobbs, local landscape designer, gives workshops and lectures on permaculture. This video highlights her 1997 lecture on the University campus. Permaculture is built upon an ethic of caring for the earth and interacting with the environment in mutually beneficial ways, according to the Permaculture Drylands Institute.

Feb. 15: Dean Still, alternative technology coordinator for Aprovecho, a sustainable living education and research center in Cottage Grove, OR. Still recently finished a study on how passive solar designs work when used in a cloudy climate, according to the SIC.

Feb. 22: Video — Ken Haggard, an architect from Southern California, who specializes in green architecture, passive solar design and sustainable planning.

Feb. 29: Ianto Evans, an applied ecologist, landscape architect, inventor, writer and teacher, co-runs the Cob Cottage Company and teaches workshops on building with cob.

All of the Solar Information Center workshops are held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evenings in 177 Lawrence Hall. The events are free to University students and the public.

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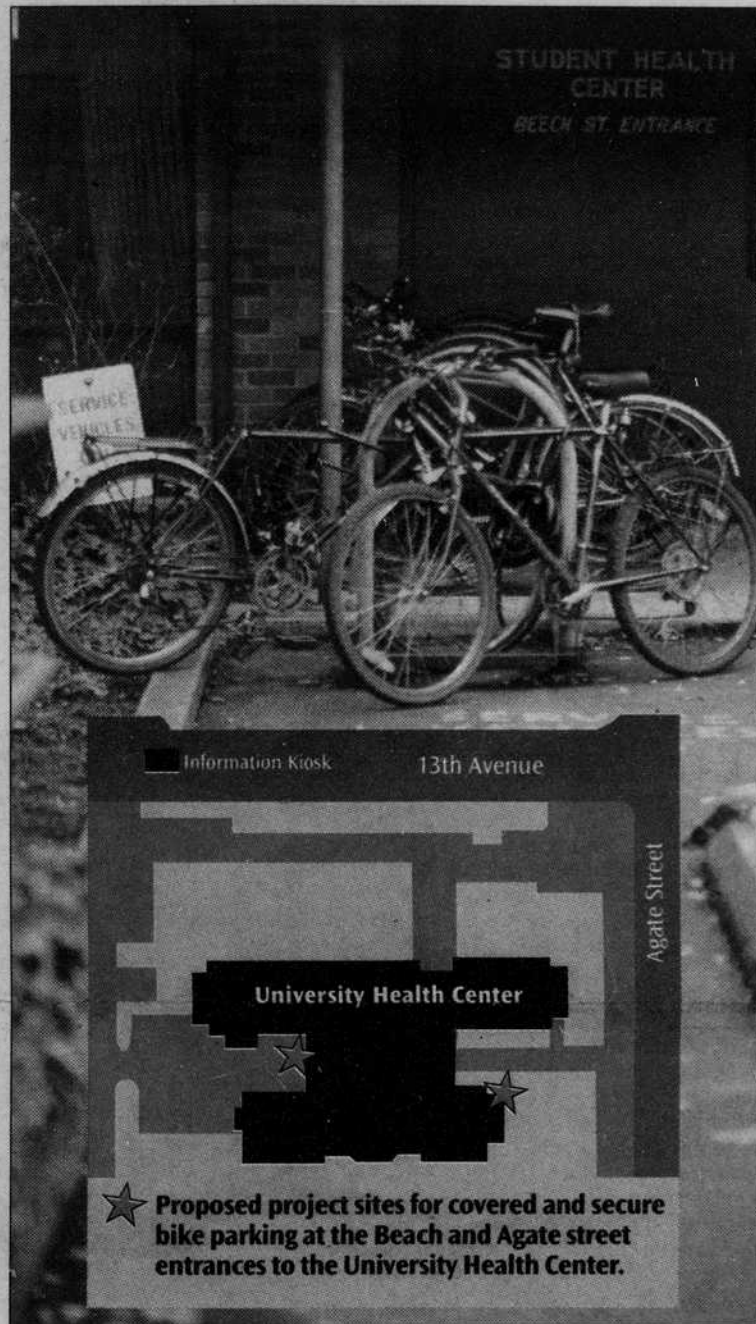
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Bike parking expansion



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Covered bike racks discussed

Added security for bikes at the health center is a concern that recently has gained momentum

By Simone Ripke
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The University Design Review Subcommittee reviewed and approved a recommendation for covered and secured bike parking for University Health Center and Counseling Center staff Monday.

This decision could result in more covered bike parking for staff members but is not a part of the ASUO Executive's plan for more covered bike racks for students.

The committee, headed by Chairwoman Carole Daly, toured the sites of the proposed bike racks, which are located on the east side of the health center underneath an existing flight of stairs and on the west side of the building by the Beech Street entrance.

Daly pointed out that the approval by the committee was only an approval to present this proposal to President Dave Frohnmayer. Should Frohnmayer

pass the proposal, it will then go to Facilities Services for implementation. Daly was pleased with the swift approval.

"I think it will encourage ... more staff to ride alternative modes of transportation," she said.

If implemented, the two covered and secured areas would provide room for 13 bikes. Robert Petit, health center administrator, said he might have to use some sort of lottery to distribute the spots to the staff.

Petit estimates that approximately 15 staff members ride their bikes to work regularly and many more ride their bikes occasionally, on a sunny day. In light of some recent bike and equipment thefts from existing bike parking between the health center and Carson Hall, Petit said the staff has asked for this improvement.

"With having something of this convenience
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Students use Web to cheat

As the Internet becomes more popular as a classroom tool, it also provides a source of material to plagiarize

By Ben Romano
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The Internet is a storehouse of information that has become a vital resource for students. Many classes even demand that students do research on-line.

But the Internet has also created more opportunities for plagiarism. Entire Web sites exist that are devoted solely to producing term papers. Students can log-on, find a paper on their chosen topic and download it for a price.

"I wouldn't say that the change is in the degree of plagiarism, but the Internet is now a primary source for plagiarism," said John Gage, director of the English department.

The Internet has been featured in the majority of the plagiarism cases that Gage has seen in the last three years. Most of the cases involved papers that had been downloaded from "paper mills." Paper mills have always been around, but now that many of them are on-line it is easier for students to plagiarize, he said.

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This is part two of a two-day series examining academic dishonesty at the University.

Monday: Academic dishonesty is alarmingly high.

Today: The Internet has taken plagiarism to new heights. Such academic dishonesty has a detrimental effect on students and the University.

Clinton: computer security necessary

The University has already begun to incorporate components of information security into its programs

By Jessica Blanchard
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Hoping to entice more workers into the field of computer security, President Clinton announced a proposal last month that would offer scholarships to college students who agree to become part of a federal "cyber corps" of computer information security specialists upon graduation.

The scholarship proposal is part of a larger \$91 million budget proposal aimed at protecting the country against "cyber attacks" on the nation's information technology infrastructure.

A slice of the budget's pie — about \$25 million — would go toward funding the Scholarships for Service program for students who work toward degrees in areas such as computer science.

The University has already begun weaving components of information security into its computer science degree program, said Sarah Douglas, head of the computer science and information department.

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Deterring hacking

President Clinton's \$91 million plan for national information systems protection includes funding for several initiatives:

Creating a "scholarship for service" to recruit college students for government work

Designing a federal intrusion detection network

Creating a Center for Information Technology to train current federal workers to meet new security challenges

Developing a high school recruitment and training to identify students for federal internships

SOURCE: White House fact sheet on Federal Cyber Services Education Initiative