



UO defends Pit

The Ducks protect it on the court every home game, now they're defending their home court with words. Read why Oregon players appreciate the Pit in men's notes. **PAGE 5**

The Flash

F-22 production delayed by Boeing strike

SEATTLE (AP)—The Air Force said Monday that a nearly week-old strike by Boeing Co. engineering and technical workers has delayed some testing and production of the F-22 fighter.

Nine of the radar-evading jets are built or nearing completion, and the strike has delayed a scheduled test for structural strength. Two others at earlier stages of assembly may also be affected, Air Force Secretary F. Whitten Peters said.

"If the strike were going on for months ... obviously we might have difficulty," Peters said.

The Society of Professional Engineering Employees in Aerospace went on strike Feb. 9 after federally mediated negotiations over a new contract broke down.

1000 Friends neutral on gasoline tax

SALEM (AP)—A statewide land use watchdog group has decided to remain neutral — for now — on a proposed 5-cent per gallon state gasoline tax increase on the May 16 ballot.

The organization, 1000 Friends of Oregon, opposed the tax measure when the 1999 Legislature approved it. Foes of the increase mounted a successful petition drive to send the proposal to the voters.

Report of man missing on railroad bridge said to be hoax

PORTLAND (AP)—The report of a Marine Corps corporal missing after allegedly falling from a railroad bridge over the Columbia River is a hoax, Multnomah County sheriff's deputies said Monday.

They said they are looking for Steven Chaut, 23, in the Kent, Wash., area. Chaut was on leave from a Marine Corps base in San Diego, Calif.

Capt. Brian Martinek of the Multnomah County sheriff's office said Chaut faces a variety of military charges plus civilian charges that include obstruction of justice and filing a false police report.

WEATHER

Today



RAIN POSSIBLE
high 49, low 37

Wednesday



RAIN POSSIBLE
high 49, low 30

LOVE is in the air

Educators take advantage of the opportunity to spread the word about safe sex by distributing condoms and answering students' questions

By Jessica Blanchard
Oregon Daily Emerald

Many University students might have wondered what was going on when they saw a person in a giant condom costume riding around campus Monday, handing out free condoms to passersby.

The stunt was part of the University's celebration of National Condom Day, which was designed to raise awareness of prevention of pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, said Annie Weinsolt, a peer health educator and event co-organizer. The day was planned to coincide with Valentine's Day, when many people are already thinking of romance.

University peer health educators and members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Alliance manned information tables in the EMU, handed out free

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Matthew Landan Emerald
Condom Man and King Condom, a.k.a. business major Ian Clifton, hand out condoms while riding in the back of the tandem taxi being peddled by University bike coordinator David Niles.

Asian-American issues to be aired

Visiting Professor Kip Fulbeck will lecture on how American society views Asian-Americans today

Angela Leidig
for the Emerald

University of California at Santa Barbara Professor Kip Fulbeck will address issues surrounding the media's imagery of Asian-American men today during a presentation hosted by the Asian Pacific American Student Union.

Fulbeck will use stand-up comedy during the presentation and touch on topics such as interracial dating and icons of race and sex within the United States.

The presentation will be-

gin at 7 p.m. in Gerlinger Lounge.

Fulbeck, who teaches art studio and Asian-American studies, will address American stereotypes of Asian-American men and "Hapas," a term used to describe a person "of mixed racial heritage with partial roots in Asian and/or Pacific Islander ancestry," according to Fulbeck's Web site.

"He evaluates how American society sees Asians and Hapas," APASU co-director Dawn Liu said. "His main

goal is to make people think about the existing stereotypes of Asians and Hapas, and why they should not exist."

Fulbeck uses his Cantonese, English, Irish and Welsh background to discuss "where Hapas 'fit in' in a country which ignores multiraciality," according to his Web site.

Fulbeck will also use parodies, poetry and short films during his presentation that demonstrate the

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Presenting ...

Who: University of California at Santa Barbara Professor Kip Fulbeck

What: Presentation on American stereotypes of Asian-Americans

When: 7 p.m. today

Where: Gerlinger Lounge

DePoe and Upshaw: open up to students



UPSHAW

Autumn DePoe and Caitlin Upshaw voice their concern about access to education

By Simone Ripke
Oregon Daily Emerald

Autumn DePoe is a senior majoring in political science. She is running for ASUO president with Caitlin Upshaw, a junior theater major, as vice president.

Q: What is your platform?

A: (AD) Well actually, I guess, we don't have a platform. We have a set of ideas. Once we get the office, I think we'd rather have town-hall meetings and listen to what the students actually want rather than having to tell them what they want. ... The first would be the programs guide ... it's supposed to be this huge guide so students can find

out what programs actually are available to them. The other one is ... cutting the Athletic Department Finance Committee's budget allocation for sports, I guess.

Q: What experience and qualifications do you have that make you a worthy candidate for ASUO president/vice president?

A: (CU) I'm admittedly the beginner here in this race. ... I'm coming into this

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