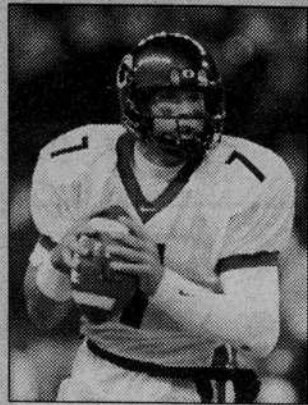


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Feeling fine

A.J. Feeley, one of the Ducks' two exceptional quarterbacks, says he's healthy again and is expecting to shine this Saturday in the annual Oregon football Spring Scrimmage. **PAGE 9**

The Flash

Kilbourne speaks tonight in EMU

Jean Kilbourne, an internationally acclaimed expert on the image of women in advertising, discusses "Deadly Persuasion" to kick off "Girls on the Move to Eugene," an empowering event for teenage girls, tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the EMU Ballroom. This event is free and a book signing follows.

Asian Americans celebrate heritage

The term Asian American attempts to give expression to cultural, linguistic and ethnic diversity while recognizing common historical experiences in American history. This month, members of the Asian Pacific American Student Union invite the University community to celebrate the collective accomplishments of these heterogeneous communities. **PAGE 5**

Nike kills talks on renewing deal with Michigan

DETROIT (AP) — Nike Inc. said Thursday that it has terminated negotiations on the renewal of a six-year, multi-million-dollar licensing agreement with the University of Michigan.

University President Lee Bollinger accused the company of retaliating against Michigan for its involvement with the Worker Rights Consortium, a student-driven coalition of schools demanding that Nike provide better labor conditions for overseas workers.

Nike did not disclose the dollar value of the proposed new contract with Michigan, one of 200 colleges and universities with which it has licensing agreements.

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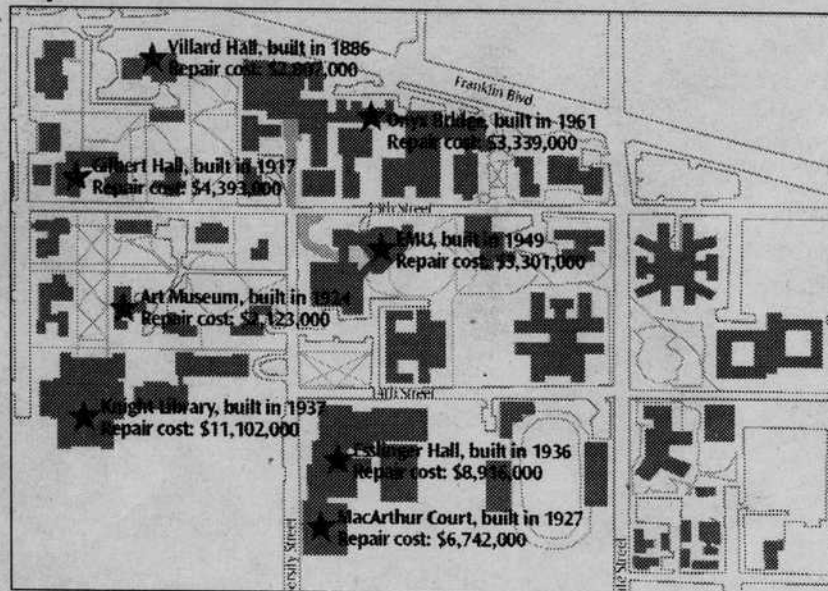
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University racks up \$98 million in costs



■ Including the University, seven Oregon colleges have totaled \$420 million worth of repairs

By Serena Markstrom
Oregon Daily Emerald

The University faces a \$98 million price tag in deferred maintenance costs, according to a recent study.

The seven Oregon University System schools collectively have accrued \$420 million in deferred maintenance costs, with the University holding the second-highest tab to Oregon State University's \$131 million. Lynda Swanson, director of capital construction planning for the Oregon University System, said the common thread tying this state-wide problem is lack of funding to carry out needed repairs.

The deferred maintenance cost is the price of facilities that need replacement, some of which have needed replacement for more than 10 years. The results of the study were presented to a Board of Higher Education committee in March.

George Hecht, director of University Facilities Services, said of this general problem universities face, "We're better

at building things than we are at maintaining them."

Facilities Services is in charge of maintaining the University's 3 million square feet of building space, but the department does not have the funding to replace all of the items on which maintenance has been deferred.

"The greatest problem we have on campus is that our classrooms are in an old, dilapidated condition," Hecht said. Hecht said funding for maintenance is difficult to come by because potential donors have the expectation that building maintenance is the state's responsibility.

Swanson said, for example, it is difficult to raise money for a new electrical system, but it is easier to raise money for scholarship programs or a new building.

"This is an unglamorous problem," Swanson said of raising money for maintenance. "The big push has been to cope with having one of the most underfunded (university) systems.

"The fundamental problem is that higher education has been underfunded for years."

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WRC ruling, UO exclusion upset alumni

■ Letters from graduates pour in criticizing the University for the way the WRC decision was handled

By Darren Freeman
Oregon Daily Emerald

While University staff and students express a mix of support and criticism of the University after Nike CEO Phil Knight's decision to curtail future philanthropic contributions to the campus, comments from alumni have been much more uniform.

The majority of letters to the editor written by University alumni and published in the Oregon Daily Emerald, The Register-Guard and The Oregonian criticize the University for not contacting Knight — a 1959 graduate and the University's biggest donor in recent years — before signing on to the Worker Rights Consortium April 12.

"I think Knight deserved at least a phone call. It's just sound business practice," Paul Morgan, a 1993 graduate who wrote a letter to the Emerald April 25, said during a telephone interview. "He's given \$50 million, and that's an awful lot of an investment in the University."

Duncan McDonald, University vice president for public affairs and development, said he regrets not contacting Knight immediately after the final decision to ease tension between the Nike CEO and the University.

"I very much wish I could have gotten Mr. Knight and

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“He's given 50 million, and that's an awful lot of an investment in the University.”

Paul Morgan
1993 graduate



Girls get a feel for different professions



Participants in "Take Our Daughters To Work Day" have lunch in the EMU Thursday.

Catharine Kendall Emerald

■ Organizers say programs for girls are needed during adolescence when self-esteem is at risk

By Josh Ryneal
Oregon Daily Emerald

About 100 Eugene girls got a different sort of education as they left their regular middle school classes Thursday and took part in the University's "Take Our Daughters To Work Day."

Participating in diverse workshops, such as genetics, communications, neuroscience and clay art, the girls got a chance to talk with professors and instructors, listen to a lecture given by female members of the Register-Guard's high school news team, "20 Below,"

and have lunch with women professionals.

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“These ages are a crucial time for girls.”

Karen Logvin
event organizer

