

Springing into fall

The Ducks improve this spring, but with an influx of talented transfers and high school prospects, Oregon expects to be even better. **PAGE 11**

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Register-Guard staff stages rally

Management at The Register-Guard have hired L. Michael Zinser to assist in contract negotiations with their employees. This addition has added to an already charged atmosphere between the parties. After hashing over the contract for 18 months and working for a year with no contract, Register-Guard employees staged a rally Monday to protest the drawn-out negotiations. **PAGE 4**

Study links beer and gonorrhea

A recently released study presented by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention links increased state taxes on beer to rates of gonorrhea. The study asserts that in states where the tax on beer has increased since 1981, cases of gonorrhea, especially among young people, have decreased.

University health educators believe the study is lacking in scientific integrity and does not accurately compare two unrelated subjects. **PAGE 6**

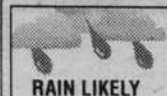
High school student hires publicist

High school student Leslie Schrob, who was banned from her senior prom, trip to Mexico and from speaking at her graduation after being caught in the men's shower at her school, has hired an agent.

Her family contends that with offers for Schrob to appear on "The Tonight Show" and Montel Williams' talk show, a publicist was needed to deal with the media. David Hans Schmidt, who formerly worked for Tonya Harding, is representing the girl. **PAGE 9**

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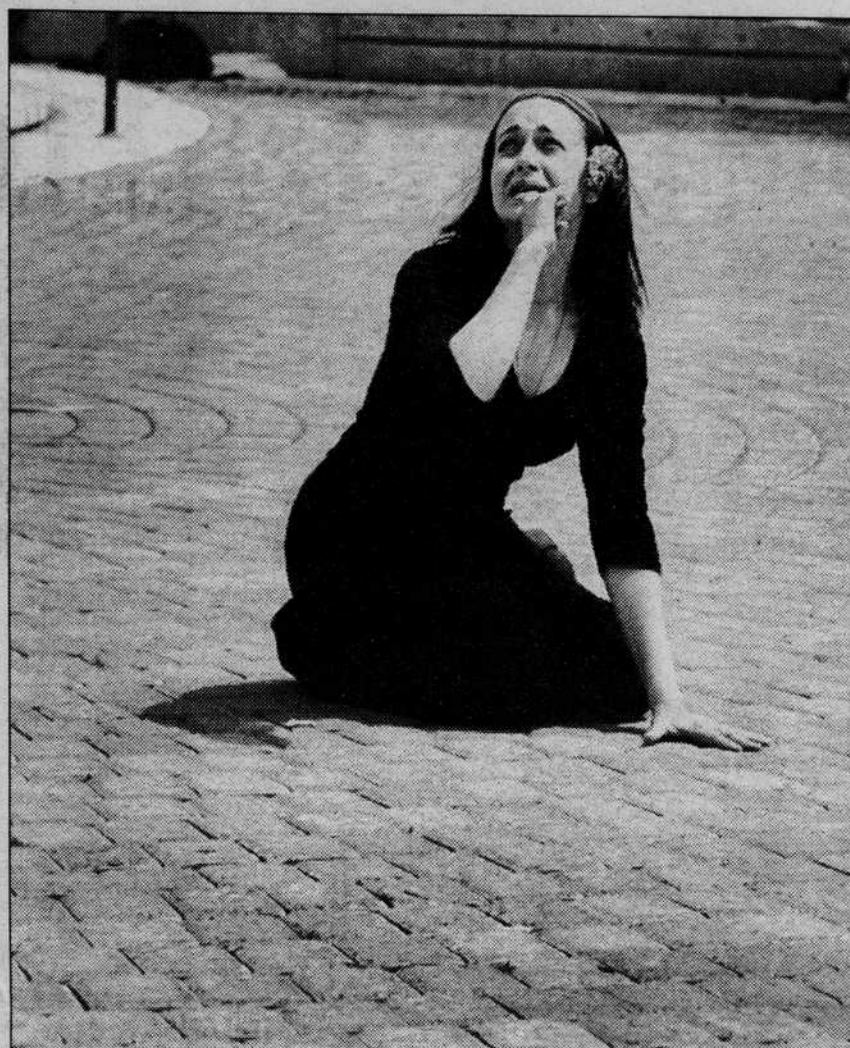
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'All the world's a stage'



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Jocelyn Fultz plays Ophelia in a monologue from 'Hamlet.' Members of the Students Theater Arts Renovations performed in the EMU Amphitheater Monday in honor of Shakespeare's birthday.

Celebration marks the Bard's birthday

Theater students perform a variety of works to promote theater on campus

By Lisa Toth
Oregon Daily Emerald

William Shakespeare's Birthday Celebration was more than just words. The University's theater arts department brought the EMU Amphitheater to life Monday afternoon, presenting a variety of the Bard's works.

The sixth annual performance included monologues, improvisation, stage fighting,

songs, Elizabethan dance and general merrymaking in the spirit of the time in which the writer lived.

Approximately 20 volunteers from the theater department paraded into the amphitheater dressed in black costumes accented with festive caps, scarves and colorful hats. The performers welcomed the audience with or-

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Students split on WRC results

Concerns are being raised about whether the student body had enough information about the WRC to make an informed vote

By Emily Gust
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Students voted on it, and students protested for it.

But ever since the University signed on to the Worker Rights Consortium and a \$30 million donation from Nike CEO Phil Knight subsequently disappeared, students have been strongly divided on whether signing on to the WRC really was the will of the students.

The elections on March 1, during which students voted for the recommendation of the factory monitoring body to University President Dave Frohnmayer, had a turnout of only about 10 to 15 percent of the student population. Many who opposed the protests in support of the labor monitoring body said 10 percent of the campus giving 75 percent approval to an issue does not properly reflect student opinion.

Nonetheless, many students, including several members of student government, claim the vote still stands as an accurate authority of student voice. Aside from the number of students who shared their voices in the elections, the bigger issue may be whether there was enough information provided about the WRC for them to make a smart decision.

"I think that there was a lot of misinformation and a lot of emotion involved and not a lot of understanding of what was being decided," junior psychology major Jesse Lichtenstein said.

But some said that students did know what they were getting into when they voted to sign on to the WRC. Even with more knowledge about the WRC, they said, the vote would have turned out relatively the same.

"The students really are a voice of what goes on," fresh-

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University student crowned Mrs. Oregon

Graduate student Taryn Tarver-Thompson prevailed over 17 other women at the Mrs. Oregon pageant, which celebrates family values and the institution of marriage

By Simone Ripke
Oregon Daily Emerald

Taryn Tarver-Thompson already had a long resumé before Saturday night.

Now, in addition to being a first year graduate student getting ready to wrap up her master's degree in journalism, a wife, a mother of three, a graduate teaching fellow and the assistant to the chief operating officer at a local communications company, she became Mrs. Oregon International.

Tarver-Thompson, who won the Mrs. Eugene International pageant last November, competed for the Mrs. Oregon title at South Eugene High School against 17 other women.

Contestants were judged in a private interview with the six

pageant judges and in proving their stage presence in aerobic and evening gown wear. The Mrs. Oregon pageant is different from Miss Oregon pageants in that it celebrates family values and the institution of marriage.

Tarver-Thompson, who is the first black woman to ever com-



TARVER-THOMPSON

pete in the Mrs. Oregon pageant, said the event is not the stereotypical beauty contest that comes to mind when most people think of pageant competitions.

"It really breaks a lot of the traditional pageant stereotypes," she said. "This isn't about who's the skinniest or who's the prettiest. [Judges] are looking for someone who represents the whole package."

Besides representing the state in public appearances, the new Mrs. Oregon will represent Oregon in an international pageant contest in Tennessee in August.

"I'm going to be competing

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"When they finally called me, I just raised my hands ... and I just kept saying 'Thank you, Jesus.'"

Taryn Tarver-Thompson
Mrs. Oregon