



## No pennies to pinch

The starving student lifestyle fosters a school of creative culinary flare, from cheap pizza fine-dining to Ramen specialties. **Pulse**

## The Flash

### Three candidates run for treasurer

Republican Jon Kvistad will run unopposed in the May primaries for state treasurer, while democratic hopefuls Gary Bruebaker and Randall Edwards hope their positions on issues such as the Common School Fund will win them enough votes to challenge Kvistad in November. **PAGE 3**

### African musician puts on concert

Alhaji Papa Susso, a Gambian Kora musician and oral historian recognized around the world, will perform a free concert today in the EMU Amphitheater at noon. The talented performer will demonstrate his world-class skills on the Kora, a 21-string African harp-flute unique to the western part of Africa. **PAGE 4**

### Kiosk deal gains no ground

Discussions lead to no decision Wednesday as the EMU Board met to consider potential future plans for a Campus Link computer kiosk in the EMU. A voluntary review committee of board members submitted a proposal to Campus Link requesting a two-year lease and a clause for only Eugene businesses to advertise at the computer terminals. **PAGE 6**

### Senate discusses DDS funds

In ASUO senate action Wednesday, members approved an \$11,000 transfer from the Designated Driver Shuttle payroll budget for van repairs and phone bills. The senate also approved \$1,047 for the National Conference on Race and Ethnicity. **PAGE 7**

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## On shakey ground



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The University's historic Deady Hall is more at risk during an earthquake due to the fact that it was built before preventive measures were taken to lessen structural damage in the event of seismic activity.

## Eugene, campus not earthquake resistant

Scientists say the Eugene-Springfield area is at risk for a catastrophic earthquake

By Andrew Adams  
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Contrary to what many local residents believe, Eugene and Springfield are at risk for devastating earthquakes. The specific areas with the most risk for damage have been determined by state geologists who recently released an earthquake hazard map and an accompanying damage report for the area.

These reports change the long-held belief that Oregon

cities had little to fear from earthquakes, said Bill Clingman, a geologist for the Lane Council of Governments, who also served on the advisory committee that helped put the map together.

"We need to be aware that this is a seismically active area," he said. "We tend to think earthquake risk isn't a factor, but it is."

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## Grads opting to stay local

An OUS spokesman says the rise in enrollment could be the result of better recruiting

By Adam Jude  
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With an increasing number of Oregon's high school graduates opting to stay home for their higher education, the Oregon University System estimates a record number of students will attend the state's public universities in the 2000-01 school year.

This fall, a total of 64,628 students are projected to attend the seven OUS schools, an overall increase of 3.5 percent from the beginning of the 1999 school year. The previous record was 64,087 students in 1980.

To calculate the enrollment, OUS looks at a combination of data, including the number of high school graduates and enrollment patterns in previous years, OUS spokesman Bob Bruce said.

"We've always been pretty close," Bruce said.

Jim Buch, University associate vice president for student academic affairs, said the number of University students will rise for the first time in three years. An estimated 16,800 students are scheduled to attend the University next year, an increase of approximately 100 students.

"All of the indications suggest that this is a good thing," Buch said. "This is not a situation where the campus is going to be crowded. This suggests a stabilized enrollment, which is what we've been working for."

University Director of Admissions Martha Pitts said the enter-

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## MCC closes in on hire for director position

The choices have been narrowed to two, with a decision possibly being made as early as next Wednesday

By Simone Ripke  
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The Multicultural Center is close to hiring its new director and filling a new position that was approved by the ASUO Program Finance Committee last winter.

Members of the MCC hiring committee predict the new director might be hired next Wednesday and could begin work as early as July 1.

The MCC received about 20 applications for the position and interviewed three candidates, according to hiring committee member and ASUO President Wylie Chen and hiring committee co-chair Tana Atchley, who represents the MCC board on the committee.



The MCC director is designed to bring continuity to a program that, like many other student-run organizations, has experienced high turnover because students graduate and move on from the University, placing MCC student coordinators in the difficult position of having to start over nearly from scratch every year.

"That's why we got that position, because students leave over the summer and graduate," Atchley said.

Students had asked the PFC for and received a 121 percent budget increase of almost \$39,000 that would allow for the creation of the new position. Although the PFC, which distributes incidental fee money to about 100 students groups, aimed to maintain a 0 percent benchmark compared to last year, it granted the large increase and made the creation of

the MCC director position possible.

The MCC serves as an umbrella organization for a number of ethnic and cultural student groups and unions on campus and aims to provide support to these groups, in addition to promoting networking and coalition-building.

Chen said the hiring committee narrowed down the pool and interviewed three finalists. Javier Cervantes is a University alumni who currently works with high school students in Portland. Randall McCrillis of the University of Colorado at Fort Collins currently works on issues of diversity training, and Erica Fuller-Schindler is a doctoral student at the University of Florida who works with student mothers who demonstrate financial need.

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