



## Disney doings

Remember when you were a kid? Neither do we, but at Disneyland in Southern California you can at least pretend that you're still a young'un. **PAGE 5**

## The Flash

### ACLU report slams Seattle police

SEATTLE (AP) — City police should have known enough to keep an open passage for World Trade Organization delegates during protests last fall, an American Civil Liberties Union report concludes.

Instead, according to the 71-page report "Out of Control," prepared for formal release today, bungling resulted in violation of the First Amendment rights of delegates and protesters.

Despite months of warnings from the Seattle Fire Department, law enforcement agencies and protest organizers, police were overwhelmed by demonstrations and disorders at the outset of the meetings at the end of November.

### Newspaper apologizes for slave ads

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — In a front-page admission of "complicity" in the slave trade, The Hartford Courant acknowledged that it profited in the 1700s and 1800s by publishing scores of ads for the sale of slaves and the recapture of runaways.

Such advertisements were commonplace in Northern newspapers until the Civil War was under way, but the newspaper said Tuesday it felt compelled to apologize for that dark chapter in its history as the nation's longest continuously published daily.

"We are not proud of that part of our history and apologize for any involvement by our predecessors at The Courant in the terrible practice of buying and selling human beings," said Ken DeLisa, a spokesman for the newspaper.

## WEATHER

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Esther Kim, left, and Olivia Brown, right, set up their liquid phase battery as electro-chemistry instructor Jennifer Harris watches over the proceedings.

## Infusing the Future

Talented and gifted middle school students get an educational challenge with the Summer Enrichment Program

By Clayton Cone  
for the Emerald

A typical electrochemistry experiment at the University of Oregon that consists of copper and aluminum plates, sulfate solutions in beakers, voltmeters and salt bridges in clear plastic tubing is the process of making liquid phase batteries.

Only the students performing it and their lab are anything but typical. They're youngsters just out of grades six through nine working in a lounge in a dormitory on campus with jars formerly for peanut butter and jelly.

But the classes are real. The students are part of the 21st annual Summer Enrichment Program, an intensive

two-week academic and social program that brings in talented students from around Oregon and as far away as Alaska. Classes, which run from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily with an hour break for lunch, include Introduction to Calculus, Historical and Contemporary Comedy and Advanced Web Design. Also, the students participate in weekend dances, talent shows and nightly rallies.

The first of two sessions sends off its approximately 70 students Saturday. The campers live in the Stafford, Sheldon and Young campus dormitories for the duration of each session and pay \$775 in fees.

Because of scheduling conflicts with summer session classes, most of the courses take place in the lounges of these dorms, including the three chemistry and two art classes the program offers.

Ronald Trebon, director of the Summer Session, said classrooms and labs were unavailable at the times SEP requested them, especially be-

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## MCC director position still up for grabs

By Rebecca Newell  
Oregon Daily Emerald

Months after the Multi-Cultural Center requested and received nearly \$39,000 to create a director position, the spot remains empty.

After receiving 20 applications for the opening, the MCC hiring committee narrowed it down to three candidates in early May. The job was offered to two of the candidates, who both declined the position.

"The candidates decided it wasn't a good move for them and their families, [because] this wasn't the right place for them," said director of student activities, Greg Lobisser.

The MCC director position was created to bring continuity to a program that, like many other student-run organizations, experiences a high turnover rate as students graduate from the University. The MCC serves as an umbrella organization, supporting a number of cultural and ethnic student unions and groups on campus.

Now, the problem isn't just filling the position, but having the pieces in the right place to even consider making a decision.

"I have visited with the search committee, and members of the MCC, but additional consultation has to occur," Lobisser said. Most of the people needed to help make the decision are gone for the summer, Lobisser said, which makes moving forward difficult.

Two options are currently being explored by Lobisser and the search committee. First, the possibility of an interim director has been discussed, which would allow the MCC to move forward with its goals. Or, the hiring committee can conduct a search to create a new pool of applicants.

"Conducting a search for a permanent director is an inevitable part of what we're going to do," Lobisser said.

The decision now remains to

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## Diversity Issues



## Green chemist awarded for his efforts

A University doctoral student receives the honor for creating an instructional manual about safe lab experimentation

By Rebecca Newell  
Oregon Daily Emerald

The image of a 21st century chemist as an environmental ambassador is not currently a scientific stereotype, but Scott Reed is changing that.

Each year, the American Chemical Society (ACS) bestows one student with the prestigious Kenneth G. Hancock Memorial Student Award in Green Chemistry. This year, Reed, a fifth-year University doctoral degree student in chemistry, is the recipient.

Reed received the award for his role in developing the world's first organic green chemistry in-

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Scott Reed is a fifth-year doctoral student in chemistry at the University.

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