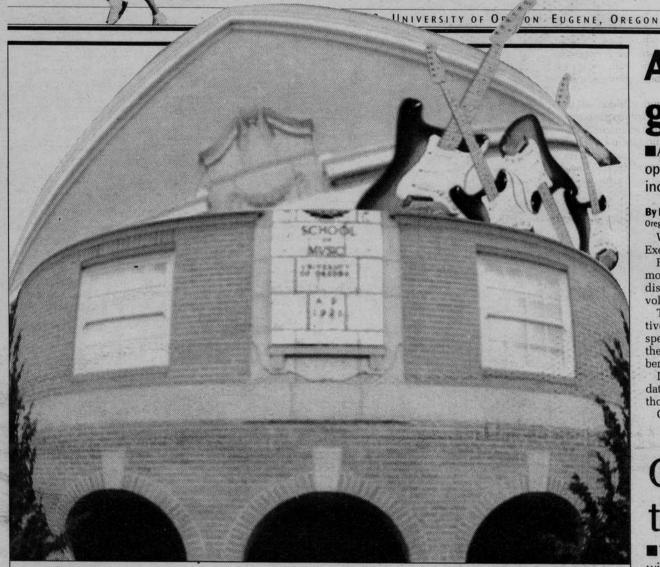
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Anthony Norwood and the Ducks make a late

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No room for the sound of music

■ An ever-increasing number of students and faculty members has left the School of Music bursting at the seams

By Hank Hager Oregon Daily Emerald

The University's School of Music has become so overcrowded, and space for students to practice is in such high demand, that some can be found playing their music in the bathrooms.

The school's building, built in 1921, was originally intended to comfortably fit 350 students. Now there are 500 students majoring in music, and hundreds more taking music classes

To compound the problem, the school continually adds faculty and

equipment, but does not have any place to put these resources.

'We're splitting at the seams," said Joan Gardner, director of development for the School of Music. She added that students had been practicing in any open places, such as bathrooms and el-

Ann Tedards, associate dean of graduate students for the school, agreed that space is tight.

We've been overcrowded for years," she said. "We can't offer some classes when we want to because we don't

Tedards said the school needs to continually hire faculty to meet an increasing demand from students.
"We have new faculty hires coming

in, but we have no place to put them,

Music technology major Melanie King said the high-quality faculty has been drawing more and more students.

"We do have a really outstanding faculty in so many areas," she said. "We have good management and pro-

Gardner said the music school hopes to build a new performance hall that will help to house more students in

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ASUO hopefuls go head-to-head

■ ASUO Executive candidates expressed a variety of opinions on topics such as diversity, housing and incidental fees at Thursday night's debate

By Beata Mostafavi

With ASUO primary elections right around the corner, the Executive race is in full stride, and the heat is on.

Election intensity rose to higher levels at Thursday night's moderated candidates debate where five of the six candidates discussed issues ranging from diversity, ASUO student involvement and housing to student incidental fees

The two-hour debate was moderated by four representatives from the Emerald and ASUO, who asked candidates specific questions and gave the others a chance to respond to their opponents. The floor was then opened to the 50-member audience for additional questions and concerns.

In regard to the issue of diversity on campus, most candidates agreed that the current program needs improvement, although each team offered different approaches.
Candidates Nilda Brooklyn and Joy Nair suggested imple-

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Green convention to set party focus

■ This weekend's Pacific Green Party convention will decide the party's future direction

By Aaron K. Breniman

The Pacific Green Party will hold its statewide quarterly convention this weekend at the University to determine the party's plan of action for the next two years.

The convention begins Saturday at 9 a.m. and will be held at Agate Hall, located at 19th Avenue and Agate Street.

The major focus of the event will be selecting a focus," Pacific Green Party co-chairman Xander Patterson said.

Oregon Green Party member registration boomed in the past year during Ralph Nader's campaign for president, according to statistics provided by the party. Membership in Lane County jumped from 91 in January 2000 to approximately 1,300, where it stands now. With many members disappointed that the party didn't gain the necessary 5 percent of the votes in the 2000 election required to receive federal campaign money, the party plans to put more emphasis on non-electoral efforts, party officials said

"Everyone will come away with something," Lane County Green Party coordinator John Egan. "It's a chance for the newly incorporated and freshly rejuvenated members to get together and discuss the issues.'

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ASUO candidate ties campus diversity to Super Mario Bros.

■ Executive candidate Sho Ikeda discusses issues such as diversity, administrative relations and membership in The Church of Wazeth

By Jeremy Lang

Editor's note: We realize some of the content in this candidate Q & A article may offend readers. In the interest of fairness and full disclosure, however, the text

is being run in its entirety.
Sho Ikeda is a junior history major. He is running without a running mate.

Q: What is your platform? A: I am a member of a church called The Church of Wazeth. I am the middle prophet. There is a first prophet, a last prophet, there is a sacrificial virgin. The Church of Wazeth was founded many ears ago by some of my friends when we discovered that Wazeth was the answer to everything in life. Wazeth is great. He is amazing. He is the all-knowing light and he hates us. The Church of Wazeth is the biggest religion in the world. Every member, including every member of the [Emerald] editorial board here, is a member of The Church of Wazeth. The prob-

lem is that not everyone knows they are a member. However, and we like to publicize this, anyone who does not wish to be a member of the church may be excommunicated for \$5 payable to The Church of Wazeth, money order, checks, cash all accepted. It fits into my platform because I want to spread the word of Wazeth to the ignorant believers. I mean, they should be believers, but they don't know it yet. By getting into this public forum, I can spread the word and therefore enlighten many more followers.

Q: How does the decision to run for office fit into your career goals?

This is the sixth in a six-part candidate interview series. For a correction relating to Thursday's installment, see page 2.

A: My ultimate career goal is to be a martyr for our church. Therefore, by moving into student government and achieving a name for myself here at this school, I can then move on into other public arenas such as national government and hopefully be shot down by some crazed gunman. Therefore I would be a martyr

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