



Primaries

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al student population, who might not be aware of the candidates or the issues involved.

Brooklyn's running mate, Joy Nair, added they have a strong base of volunteers who will also help them campaign.

Eric Bailey, who is also running for Executive, said his campaign will also be more visible as he tries to gain votes.

"We'll be out on 13th [Avenue] ... wearing our shirts and handing out fliers," presidential candidate Eric Bailey said. "We'll just try to be available."

Bailey said he and his running mate, Jeff Oliver, are planning other specific campaigning events for later in the week as they work to keep momentum going through a

96-hour Election Day.
"In an ideal world, we'd prefer to have more time to prepare," Bailey said. "Campaigning for four days is pretty hard, [but] given the circumstances, four days is best.

But candidate Bret Jacobson and his running mate, Matt Cook, both said they're looking forward to the final push to the primary election.

"Even though it's a strain, we love what we're doing, and we're going to keep going," Jacobson said. Cook said the pair will also revis-

it many student groups and make the crucial push to assure students don't just support them, but that they also vote.

"It's all gone very quickly, but it's also been very educational," Cook

Brooklyn said she and Nair will try to stay enthusiastic and keep morale up past Monday, so their volunteers don't lose momentum,

The 2001 ASUO Primary Election

The election will run today through

Students can vote via Duck Web 24 hours a day

The top two candidates in each race will advance to the general election March 5-8

Source: ASUO Elections Board

either. Brooklyn added that, besides the issues, the key for her campaign will be eating well and not "sugaring out."

"The key words: Excitement and

protein," Brooklyn said.

The top two candidates in each race on the ballot will advance to the general election March 5-8. But a candidate or ticket can win outright if it garners more than 50 percent of the vote in the primary.

Green Party

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Recent events held by the campus chapter of the Green Party have mirrored the focus determined at the convention.

'Just last week we held a teachin on campaign finance reform,' campus party member Michelle Averbeck said. "Right now we're trying to do a lot to educate students

Lane County Pacific Green Party members shared some of the attempts they have made toward campaign finance reform in Lane County. Their efforts have focused on campaign finance reform pertaining to the Eugene City Council and mayoral races by working with the Lane County Charter Review Committee

"We've been reviewing election rules for Lane County and initiating conversation with committee members," Lane County Pacific Green Party official Mark Baldwin said.

"We've been working on that because the cost of City Council races has risen 600 percent over the past four years.

Lane County Green Party, which hosted the convention, will endorse the statewide party focus while putting local efforts toward energy issues and the development of self-sustaining energy sources. Party member Tim O'Shea said the local chapter sees a real need to find more viable energy sources.

"With respect to the environment," he said. "These are the most cost-efficient options available."

With a gasoline-electric hybrid Honda Insight parked in front of the hall and Izabella, a large friendly dog, wondering about inside, this convention didn't resemble your typical political convention.

'We really try to put the 'party' in Green Party," party co-founder Deborah Howes said. "At each event we hold we try to have some sort of festivities, have some sort of fun."

Near the end of the convention

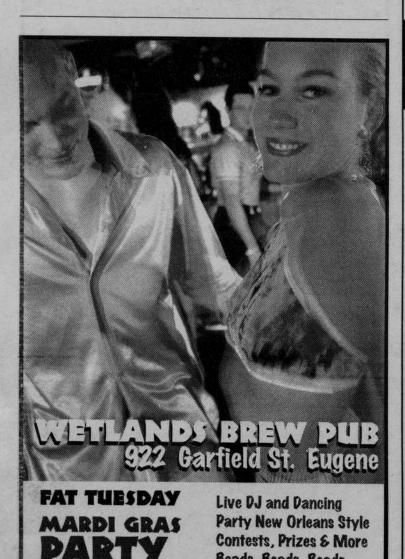
Sunday, party members gathered in the center of the performance hall, formed a circle while holding hands and told others what they had gained from the conference and how they benefited from attending.

Some members expressed their displeasure with the recent elections, while others expressed their gratification with the opportunity to learn about other chapters and local issues across the state.

"I do very much like the energy and the ideas this party holds," one party member told the group.

"I really appreciate the sincere attempt toward consensus gathering and the truly democratic process this party allows for," another member from a newly formed chapter said.

The next Pacific Green Party convention will be held June 8-10 at Camp Myrtlewood near Coos Bay. More information on the Pacific Green Party and the next convention can be found at www.pacificgreens.org.



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