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# Never-ending story ends; Brooklyn is elected



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ASUO Vice President-elect Joy Nair and President-elect Nilda Brooklyn receive news of their victory Wednesday evening.

## OSPIRG and MCC succeed, while Nilda Brooklyn and Joy Nair are named ASUO Executive

By Beata Mostafavi  
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Nilda Brooklyn and Joy Nair snagged the office of ASUO Executive president and vice president Wednesday, bringing the 2001 election saga to an end.

"I'm glad everything is over," Nair said. "But we're ready for the next step." The election results brought victory to more than just the winning candidates. Both measures on the ballot — OSPIRG's request for renewed student incidental fee funding and the Multicultural Center's request for an \$18,555 cultural programming fund — also passed, making members of both groups happy.

Voter turnout was close to the same as in the primary election — 9 percent — with only about 1,500 votes coming from a student population of nearly 17,000. The low turnout seemed to be

mirrored in the quiet that surrounded the executive office, as only a few people waited for results outside the ASUO doors.

Stephanie Chaney, the ASUO Elections Board public relations manager, said that although the board tried to advertise the election, it was difficult to get out the vote.

"I personally don't understand why the students as a whole don't take an active interest in the elections," she said. "Getting students' attention is a hard thing to do."

Brooklyn and Nair waited for the results at the home of their campaign manager Felisa Hagins, along with about 10 other supporters. Close to 6 p.m., nearly an hour after the voting deadline had passed, they received a phone call with the news that they had won.

"We were like 'Oh my god, we finally did it,'" Nair said.

With 844 votes, the pair beat opponents Bret Jacobson and Matt Cook by

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## OSU not 'Bend-ing' toward cooperative branch effort

University Provost Moseley says he is optimistic that the two colleges will work things out to create the best Central Oregon curriculum possible

By Andrew Adams  
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When the State Board of Higher Education decided Feb. 16 to award Oregon State University the privilege of managing the branch campus in Bend, it also told the OSU administration to work with the University of Oregon in a collaborative effort to give Central Oregon the best higher education institution possible.

Following the board's February meeting, both universities' provosts pledged to work with each other in that joint effort. But now, two months later, University Provost John Moseley says there could have been more effort from OSU to ensure the University was on the same page throughout the planning process.

The board will meet Friday at Western Ore-

gon University in Monmouth to discuss plans for the Bend campus, and Moseley said he didn't want "to create problems" by being too critical. He said most of the questions the University has with OSU's plans could be just semantics. He added he was optimistic the concerns will be resolved either at the board's meeting or before it.

But when asked if the collaborative spirit mandated by the board had been present throughout the development of the plans for the Bend branch campus, Moseley said it had not.

"That has not happened at this point," he said.

Moseley said the two schools are now "trying to deal with things that should have been dealt with earlier" because of the low amount of cooperation.

Yet Moseley said he remains optimistic the kinks will be ironed out between the University and OSU and the two will be able to offer

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## 'Zero' tolerance leads to mock awards by MCC

11 "Zero Awards" are awarded to University departments for their lack of tenured minority faculty

By Kara Cogswell  
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If diversity can be measured in numbers, then many University departments may need to re-evaluate their hiring policies.

The Multicultural Center presented 11 University departments with a "Zero Award" Wednesday for having no tenure or tenure-tracked faculty members of color. The awards were announced and posted from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the EMU Amphitheater as part of this week's Dr. Edwin Coleman Conference events.

Multicultural Center resource director Abby Lovett said she hoped the third annual event would "encourage departments to hire outside the majority."

Departments receiving Zero Awards in-

cluded political science, economics, theatre arts, and geography. Zero Awards were also given to the departments of planning, public policy and management, arts and administration, landscape architecture, and Germanic languages and literature. The School of Dance, the School of Music, and the Honors College were other recipients.

Sophomore Nilda Brooklyn, who is considering a major in planning, public policy and management, said she was disappointed to see that department included in the awards.

"It makes me stop and think if it's a department that will prepare me for the things I want to do after college," Brooklyn said.

For some departments, the lack of a diverse faculty is a result of unavoidable factors. Honors College Director David Frank said because his department is small, its ability to hire new professors is limited. The last time the department hired a new faculty member was 15

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# New social club open to gay community in Eugene

The Eugene Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual 20s/30s Social Club provides laid-back social events beyond the bar scene

By Lindsay Buchele  
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Steve Jarvis said he was tired of the almost nonexistent gay, lesbian and bisexual social scene in Eugene, so he took it upon himself to begin a social club that stretches beyond the bar scene. His new venture will allow gay, lesbian and bisexuals in their 20s and 30s the opportunity to plan social events exclusively for them.

"I got tired of waiting for someone else to do this," Jarvis said. "I wanted to connect and go out with a group with people like me."

Jarvis said since gays, lesbians and bisexuals have become more socially accepted in the past 10 years, there has been a growing need for a more diverse social scene.

"Fifteen years ago, bars were the big thing for homosexuals," Jarvis said. "The bar scene is just not the thing anymore."

The group, called The Eugene Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual 20s/30s Social Club, is mostly being run through a Web site. The site features a calendar listing upcoming events and contact information, including

an e-mail list that allows people to plan social events and have them posted.

The only restrictions of the club are that those who plan events must be between the ages of 20 and 39 and must identify as a gay, lesbian or bisexual.

"I liked the concept of the age group and creating an environment of people who can identify with each other," Jarvis said.

The group had its first social event April 10 at a local pizza restaurant, with a turnout of 13 people, Jarvis said.

Mick Westerick, the director of technology at the Charles H. Lundquist College of Business, attended the first meeting and is trying to plan a regular Sunday breakfast for the group.

"It was nice to be with a group that includes both men and women," Westerick said. "Often times these groups will be restricted to just gays or just lesbians."

Westerick believes the group also provides a unique opportunity for gays, lesbians and bisexuals in Eugene.

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*"I have plenty of friends who are straight, but it's not the same."*

Mick Westerick  
technology director