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# State auditors question UO's spending habits

■ Auditors criticized a number of expenses, but University officials say that all funds have been used appropriately

By Kara Cogswell  
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A \$295 briefcase, birthday cakes, food and alcoholic beverages for office parties. Airline tickets and a \$451 car insurance premium.

According to a state audit of the University's financial records, these

are just a few of the items paid for with University funds last year, some of which were bought with donated funds and misused credit cards. The report said these expenses are not only questionable, but some are prohibited by state law.

But University officials maintain no school money has been spent inappropriately.

Cathy Pollino, the deputy director for the State Audits Division, said there is a discrepancy between what the University claims to be using

money for and what it is actually being spent on.

"Generally speaking, it's mostly just a lack of accountability," she said.

The audit is the second of two in-depth looks at Oregon University System institutions to ensure they comply with rules regarding the use of funds. Oregon State University has also been audited.

Many of the expenses auditors criticized in the 54-page report involve what University officials of-

ten refer to as "development" expenses — money spent on gifts and events for the purpose of building relationships with University benefactors. Funding for these expenses is provided through donation money dispersed to departments by the University Foundation.

The Lundquist College of Business, for example, spent \$7,760 of University Foundation money on football tickets. Donors were told that money would go to developing courses on business ethics, auditors said.

The College of Education spent \$3,336 of foundation money to send the dean and another employee to the Aloha Bowl, and the report found that the Knight Law School used \$451 of donation money to pay the law school dean's car insurance premium.

James O'Fallon, the associate dean of the law school, said he could not comment on the money used for the car insurance premium, but, like other department

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In the 87-degree heat of the afternoon sun, Brian Sims plays with Desiree Cole in the newly remodeled Amazon Pool. They waited in line for 30 minutes before they could swim. The pool was at capacity, around 1,100 people, all afternoon, and many would-be swimmers had to go home.

## THE HEAT IS ON

■ Hot, sunny weather will continue through the week, and local waterways will be good places to play despite the dry year

By Jeremy Lang  
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It's about time. After a June filled with overcast skies, the occasional downpour and a scant few sunny days worthy of outdoor pursuits, forecasters are predicting temperatures will push into the upper 80s and low 90s this week, including the Fourth of July.

Although Oregon climate and marine officials continue to sound warnings about summer drought levels, they said low water won't affect people heading for an afternoon boat cruise on the Willamette Valley's lakes and reservoirs.

"Some places should be in really good shape for the summer," said Randy Henry, a spokesman for the Oregon State Marine Board. He said boating has been down during the first weeks of summer in part because of media coverage of Oregon's dry winter that featured photos of barren ponds with rocks, sandbars and

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**Beating the heat on Oregon waterways:**

Foster, Dorena, Fall Creek, Dexter and Big Cliff reservoirs are full.

Detroit, Green Peter, Lookout Point, Hills Creek and Cottage Grove are down, but all have year-round boating access, despite the low water.

Blue River, Cougar and Fern Ridge reservoirs are the only three reservoirs without low-water ramps, but all still have usable ramps for now.

Check out [boatoregon.com](http://boatoregon.com) for updated information.

Source: Oregon Marine Board

# Eugene will provide a plethora of July Fourth fun and games

The city will celebrate the holiday in style with a road race, concerts, baseball and fireworks

By Peter Hoffmeister  
for the Emerald

From the traditional to the innovative, Eugene has several different options all over the city for residents to celebrate this Fourth of July holiday.

Events unique to Eugene, such as a road race, and those more traditional, including a fireworks show following a baseball game and a symphony concert, are all planned to help people celebrate the nation's birth.

So, for those who want to celebrate

America's independence with a little independence of their own, here is a selection of what's happening around Eugene Wednesday.

If you want to start the holiday in classic Eugene style, you can enter the 28th annual Butte to Butte road race. The 10-kilometer race begins at 43rd and Donald at 8 a.m. and finishes at Skinner Butte Park. Until July 3, entry fees are \$16 with a T-shirt and \$10 without. On the morning of the race, prices go up to \$20 and \$14.

Organizer Cathie Twomey-Bellamy said she expects about 2,800 runners this year, which is about the same as previous races. Although Twomey-Bellamy said the run is "more of a family event," she added that the field always has elite runners, and so the race is fun to watch.

For a more relaxing event, the Active 20/30 Club of Eugene has organized the city's 55th annual Fourth of July celebration, starting at 4 p.m. at Alton Baker Park. Usually held at Autzen Stadium, this year's concert and fireworks show

is being held at Alton Baker because of the of Autzen expansion project.

"We do the best show in Lane County," organizer John Lawrence said.

Lawrence said beer gardens will be open from 4 to 10 p.m., and children's activities will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. The Revelatory and Voodoo Chili will play back-to-back concerts, and the fireworks are slated to begin at dusk. All proceeds from the event go to children's charities.

For baseball fans, or for those who enjoy  
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