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## Voters narrowly approve parkway

In the upcoming weeks, city council will decide how to employ Measure 20-54

By Brook Reinhard  
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Eugene voters approved a measure Tuesday to build the West Eugene Parkway by a margin of 644 votes, with 50.9 percent supporting the project. Springfield voters were also voting "yea," with 65.5 percent voting in favor of revising the city's 1893 charter.

The unofficial final results showed Eugene's Measure 20-54 with 17,864 votes in favor and 17,220 opposed, while Measure 20-53, which proposed transportation alterna-

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## Professors to speak on Islam, West

This week's teach-in features a talk about the gap between Muslim and Western states

By John Liebhardt  
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Anita Weiss, a professor of international studies, will be one of the speakers at today's "After September 11" teach-in sponsored by the political science department and ASUO. Weiss recently returned from two months of research in Malaysia and Pakistan and a book she co-edited, "Power and Civil Society in Pakistan," was published in June by Oxford University Press. Weiss spoke to the Emerald in a Q & A session about her presentation "Islamic Society, Globalization, and Grievances with the Western Order." Her words have been edited for brevity and clarity.

**Q. Your presentation will touch on what you call a "chasm" between some Muslim states and the West. What is that chasm?**

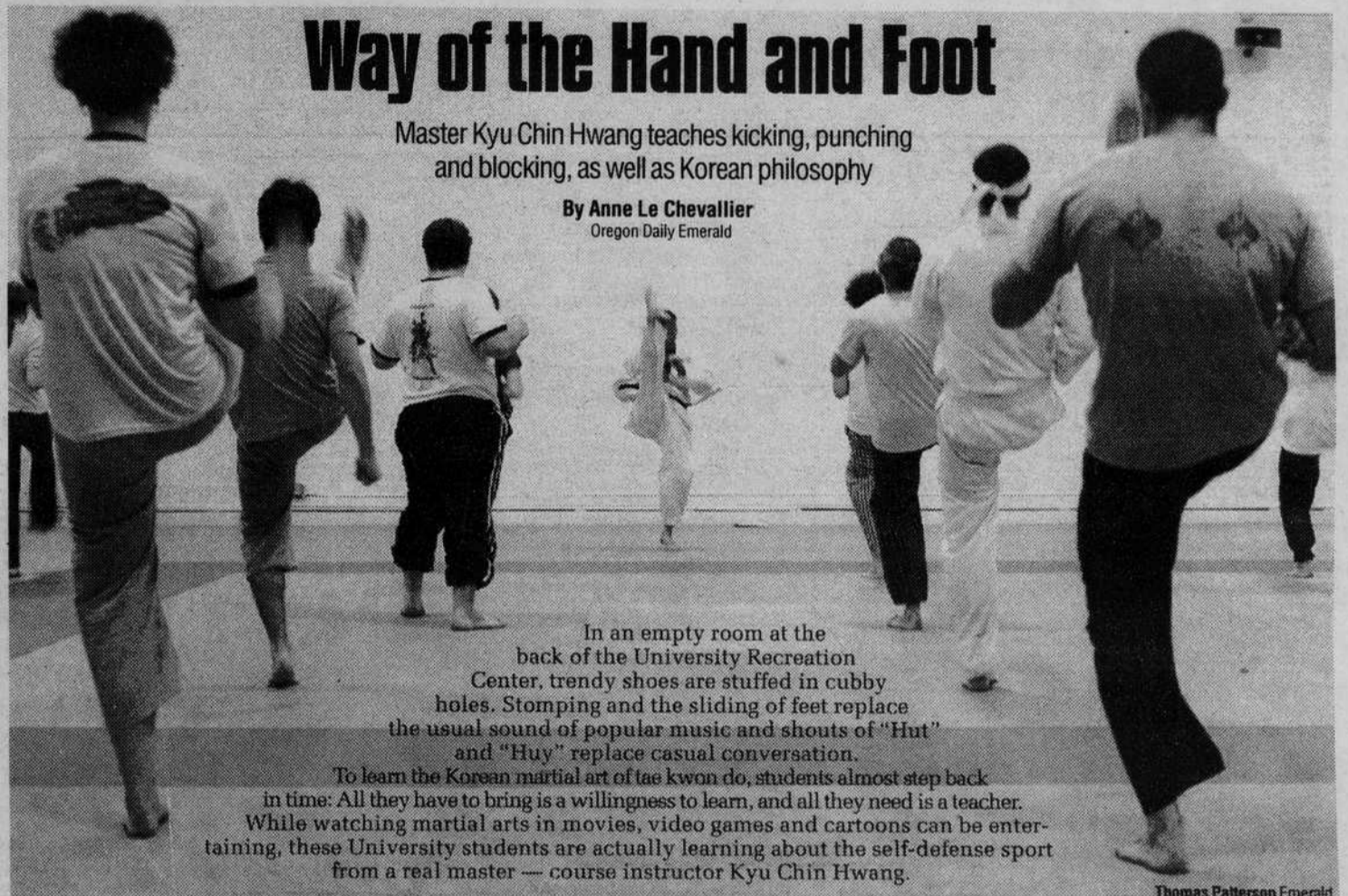
A. From the perspective of some Muslim states, the chasm would be a chasm of values or priorities. Many people in many Muslim states see the United States in such a way that many Americans would not identify with that image. They see the United States as being power hungry, as only caring about making itself wealthier and using up the world's resources. And many perceive the United States as looking at people from other countries

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## Way of the Hand and Foot

Master Kyu Chin Hwang teaches kicking, punching and blocking, as well as Korean philosophy

By Anne Le Chevallier  
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In an empty room at the back of the University Recreation Center, trendy shoes are stuffed in cubby holes. Stomping and the sliding of feet replace the usual sound of popular music and shouts of "Hut" and "Huy" replace casual conversation.

To learn the Korean martial art of tae kwon do, students almost step back in time: All they have to bring is a willingness to learn, and all they need is a teacher. While watching martial arts in movies, video games and cartoons can be entertaining, these University students are actually learning about the self-defense sport from a real master — course instructor Kyu Chin Hwang.

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Hwang has been studying the sport since his childhood in Seoul, South Korea. He has earned a seventh-degree black belt in tae kwon do, a sixth-degree black belt in judo and a fifth-degree black belt in hapkido.

Since 1974, Hwang has also run his own martial arts academy in a local studio that he and a friend built themselves.

Hwang is "a master," senior Daniel Reed said.

During the 50-minute class, the students huffed and puffed, but 60-year-old Hwang didn't appear to be out of breath. Exuding energy, this grandfather of two led the kicking and punching workouts and bounced across the room correcting students.

Tae kwon do, which means "way of the hand and foot," is the Korean art of bare-hand combat, according to the course's reference packet. Over the term, Hwang teaches the basic kicks, punches, blocks, stances and combinations to his students.

Freshman Jackson Cole is studying tae kwon do to become more skilled in aikido, which he prefers because it is strictly defensive. But Cole said he still likes the class.

"Now I can put my foot above my head, and it is a good leg workout," he said.

Reed said he signed up for the class because he wanted an easier term.

"It's a lot tougher than you would expect martial arts to be," he said. "Especially as a one-credit P.E. class."

In addition to helping his students develop endurance, skill and concentration, Hwang teaches his pupils tae kwon do etiquette. In competition, students are forbidden to attack an opponent's face, groin or back. They are also forbidden to grab, hold or push their opponents.

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## Would you like fries with that?

The University's Career Center tries to help graduate students find employment in a sluggish economy

By Leon Tovey  
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As the economy slows and unemployment rates rise, soon-to-be college graduates are being forced to ask a question they may not have anticipated when they entered college: What will I do after graduation?

In order to help students decide what to do next, the University Career Center is holding its Fall Career Fair today from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the EMU.

Representatives from dozens of corporations, government agencies, nonprofit organizations and graduate schools will be present at the fair distributing information, handing out applications and in some cases interviewing potential employees. The fair will offer career-minded students a chance to get a jump on the job market, according to Mei Yong, marketing and communications director for the Career Center.

Yong, who is coordinating the fair, said that while there are about 30 percent fewer companies than average at this year's fair, the ones present will be hiring.

"A lot of companies have instituted a hiring freeze at this point," she said. "But recruiters (at the fair) are seriously looking for employees."

Ted Hawksford, human resources director for

Aramark, one of the companies that will be present at the fair, agrees that students looking seriously for work have a chance of getting a job. Like many other corporations that will be present at the fair, Aramark is looking to fill administrative and sales positions, Hawksford said, but students shouldn't hold out hope for an immediate position with the company, which supplies uniforms and career apparel to thousands of businesses nationwide.

Hawksford said that due to the sluggish economy and its effect on sales, Aramark would forgo its traditional practice of hiring fall and winter term graduates to start work immediately.

"We will hire people in the spring," he said. "But right now we're going to save our resources so we can expand when the economy picks up."

However, Aramark's misfortune may translate into good luck for others. Skye Sieber, Peace Corps campus representative for the University, said corporations are hiring less right now and that will make the Peace Corps seem like a better option to students who wouldn't normally consider working for the group.

"With the sluggish economy, I think we'll see people looking elsewhere for opportunities," she said. "I think we will be on more people's radar."

Sieber added that unlike corporations, whose hiring practices are dictated by profits, the Peace Corps will be hiring as many people as apply.

"We have a lot of requests from French-

### 2001 Fall Career Fair

**Who will be there:** National and local corporations, government agencies, nonprofit organizations and graduate schools

**What they will be doing:** Looking to swell their ranks with college students

**When all this will be going on:** Today from 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Where it will be held:** EMU Ballroom

speaking countries for people with a background in French," Sieber said. "There are a lot of opportunities out there, and even for people who are on a traditional career path, this looks good on a résumé."

In addition to non-profit organizations, Yong said many students might also consider graduate school as an alternative to the private job market. The fair will include representatives from schools across the country — particularly law schools. But Yong said that regardless of what students choose to pursue at the fair, they should come prepared.

"Students should prep themselves by doing research on companies," Yong said. "And it never hurts to polish up your résumé and dress professionally."

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