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Wine time

■ Eugene will celebrate the Beaujolais Nouveau along with wine lovers across the globe

By Jen West
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Each third Thursday of November, wine lovers from all corners of the world turn their eyes to France. They brave cold, wind, rain and snow in anticipation of that magic hour when the clock strikes midnight.

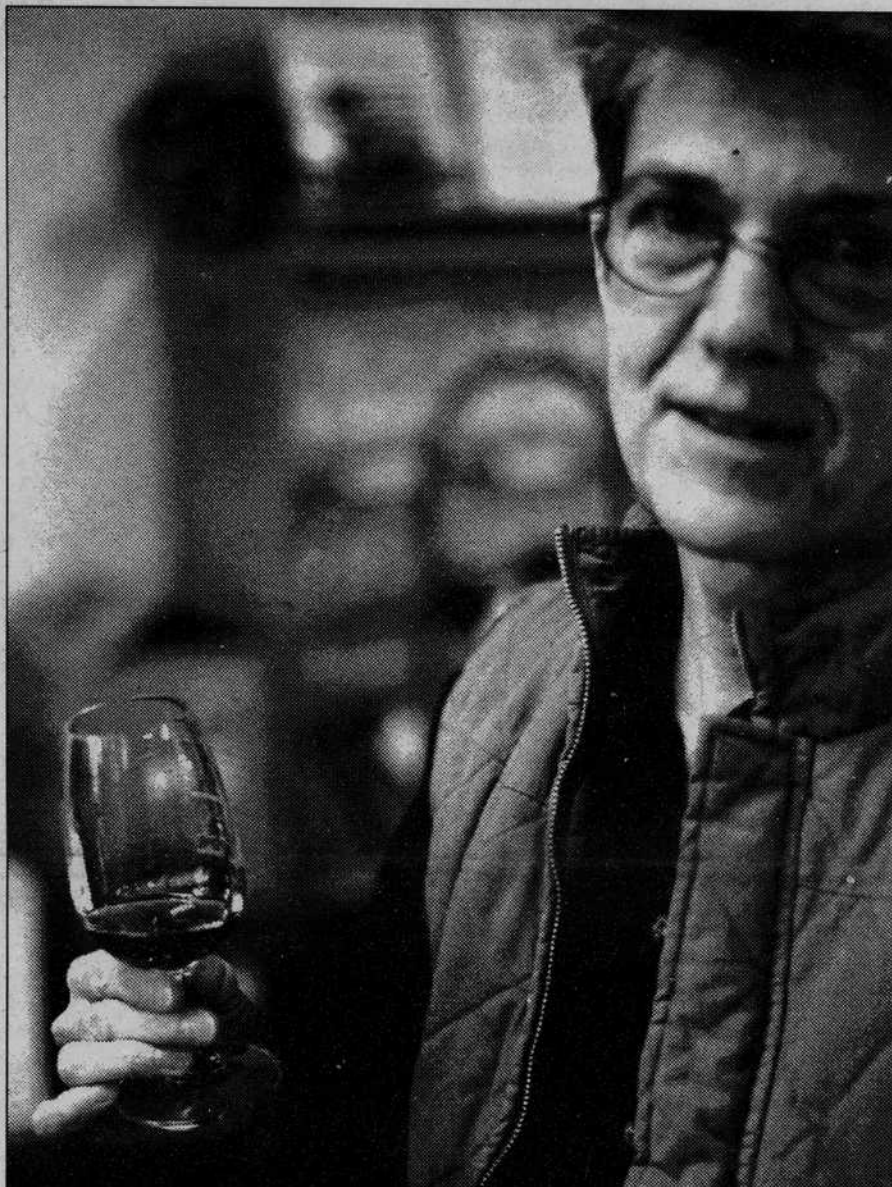
With corks popping and fireworks dazzling in the sky, the first bottle of 2001 Beaujolais Nouveau will be opened. The festival for Beaujolais Nouveau celebrates its 50th anniversary Thursday, in both France and Eugene.

Beaujolais Nouveau is a red wine specially known for its light, fruity taste, and is produced after harvest just once every year.

Originally, there was no official date for the distribution of the Beaujolais Nouveau wine, and French villages celebrated the end of harvest at various times in October and November.

According to www.intowine.com, after many years of debated regulations and restrictions over the distribution of the Beaujolais Nouveau, the French government in 1951 officially recognized Nov. 15 as the release date for the special wine. The Web site also said the date was then changed in 1985 to the third Thursday in November in order to incorporate the weekend.

Oregon began celebrating Beaujolais Nouveau in the late 1980s, according to Simon Simon, premise manager at Columbia Distributing Company in Eugene, and then grew



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Jan Albrecht attends a wine tasting event Saturday at Sundance Wine Cellars. This week marks the 50th anniversary of the Beaujolais Nouveau, a French wine featured at Sundance on Friday.

to include wine samplings of the Oregon Pinot Noirs.

"(Beaujolais Nouveau) is a celebration of wine, friends and family," he said.

Today, the Beaujolais Nouveau festival is celebrated over the long weekend in France by thousands of people whose only common

thread may be their shared love of wine. From store windows to subway walls, posters announce that the Beaujolais Nouveau has arrived — "Le Beaujolais Nouveau est arrivée!"

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U.S. fights Oregon's suicide law

■ The Death with Dignity Law, twice approved by Oregon voters, has come under fire by U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft

By Brook Reinhard
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Physicians in Oregon can still write prescriptions that terminally ill patients can use to end their lives — for now. Local advocates on both sides of the issue are preparing for a court battle that they say will go all the way to the Supreme Court.

Kevin Neely, spokesman for Oregon Attorney General Hardy Myers, said that a temporary restraining order filed last Thursday assures the legality of physician-assisted suicide, as specified in Oregon's Death with Dignity Law. The order expires on Nov. 20, at which time there will be a hearing in U.S. District Court to determine whether to grant a preliminary injunction that would allow Oregon's law to function while the case is in court.

Attorney General John Ashcroft brought Oregon's law into question last week with a memo to the Drug Enforcement Agency that bars physicians from prescribing lethal doses of federally controlled substances.

Derek Humphry, the founder of the Hemlock Society, believes that the case will go all the way to the Supreme Court. Humphry, a resident of Junction City, has founded or been a part of more than 80 chapters of the Hemlock Society and has been advocating physician-assisted suicide since 1980.

"Our goal has always been to help people who are dying at the moment," Humphry said. The secondary goal of the group is to legalize physician-assisted suicide in all 50 states. Humphry added that

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Final teach-in explores impact of media coverage

■ A political science professor takes issue with what is called 'coverage' of the ongoing situation in Afghanistan

By John Liebhardt
Oregon Daily Emerald

Jerry Medler, an associate professor of political science, will be one of the speakers at today's "After September 11" teach-in sponsored by the political science department and ASUO. Medler, who is currently teaching a class on the role of mass media in American politics, will speak on press coverage of the U.S.-led invasion of Afghanistan. Medler spoke with the Emerald in a Q&A session about his presentation. His words have been edited for brevity and clarity.

How difficult is it for reporters to gather information in Afghanistan and Pakistan?

There are lots of people on the

ground in Afghanistan and Pakistan, but their positions from a journalistic perspective are compromised. I don't think they are lying, and I don't think they are being fed a line, but they are constrained or managed in such a way that they are not getting any useful information. My favorite coverage is of the ground troops maneuvering in northern Afghanistan. The reporters don't say how they get their information, but they don't deny it either. In their stories, there is usually a phrase built into a sentence in the middle of the third paragraph that says "by satellite telephone."

So, these journalists are sitting in some reasonably air-conditioned, safe-drinking-water locale, and that is not to say that they are either safe or unhappy, but they are certainly not at the front. At the end of the day, the warlord of the Northern Alliance takes the satellite phone the reporters have given him, dials the number and

'After September 11'

Political science Professors Julie Novkov, Jerry Medler and Daniel Goldrich will speak on "The Impact on the United States" at the final weekly 'After September 11' teach-in sponsored by the political science department and ASUO.

The teach-in will take place today from 3:30-5 p.m. in 110 Fenton.

tells the reporters what wonderful things the Northern Alliance did that day. Some people actually use an Afghanistan byline, yet I honestly don't know what that means. I assume it means they are standing inside the border. I assume they are probably under the purview of the Northern Alliance or the American military.

I think there have been some cases, although very few, where some people have been guests of the Taliban. But there has been very, very little on the ground re-

porting. But, it has been very hard. I can't tell where this information is coming from. But it is clear that this information is second- and third-hand. It is reports on reports, basically.

Should people be skeptical of this information?

I wouldn't give a nickel for a bushel of this kind of information — particularly since we know the Bush administration is trying to stall the Northern Alliance, and

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Big 10 sports wants athletic expenses cut

■ Resolution supporters hope to limit commercialization of college sports and keep academics a priority in higher education

By Eric Martin
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A Big 10 Conference committee passed a resolution earlier this month aimed at halting exorbitant athletic spending and curtailing the overcommercialization of college sports. The committee's decision follows in the footsteps of policymakers at eight Pacific 10 Conference schools who passed a similar resolution in the spring.

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