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FULL STEIN AHEAD

■ Election season is under way, and Beverly Stein is ready to face her rivals in the governor's race

By John Liebhardt
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Election season officially began Monday as Beverly Stein became the first candidate to tour the University.

Stein, one of three democratic candidates for governor, traveled to Eugene to speak with University President Dave Frohnmayer, press the flesh with students, and speak during the "Working for Social Change: Women in Politics" conference at the School of Law.

"The biggest issue of this campaign is the economy," she said as she spoke to reporters in the Wayne Morse Commons at the Knight Law Center. "We need to get Oregonians working again."

Stein will face former State Treasurer Jim Hill and Supreme Court Justice Ted Kulongoski in the Democratic primary on May 21, 2002. Three Republicans currently have statewide campaigns: Kevin Mannix, former state senator from Salem; Jack Roberts, Commissioner of Labor and Industries; and Ron Saxton, who served on the Portland Public School Board.

After three terms representing north Portland in the Oregon Legislature, Stein joined the Multnomah Board of County Commissioners in 1993, where she has served as chairwoman. As the chief executive of the third largest government in the state, Stein feels prepared to tackle large budget issues — even as daunting as the \$830 million budget deficit presently facing Oregon.

"I am the only person running who has put together seven budgets," she said.

On a policy level, Stein outlined four major campaign issues: The economy, education, health care and environmental sustainability.

While she will not release a policy statement regarding education issues until next month, Stein admitted she heard a lot of good ideas speaking with Frohnmayer.

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Major party gubernatorial candidates running statewide campaigns

Republicans

Kevin Mannix, Salem



State House in Salem from 1988 to 2001, during which he served as chairman of the Judiciary Committee on Criminal Law

Jack Roberts, Eugene



Commissioner of Labor and Industries from 1995 to present

Ron Saxton, Portland



Portland Public School Board member from 1997 to 2000, during which he served as chairman

Democrats

Jim Hill, Wilsonville



State Treasurer from 1994 to 2001

Ted Kulongoski, Portland



State Supreme Court Justice from 1997 to present
 State Attorney General from 1993 to 1997

Beverly Stein, Portland



Chairwoman of Multnomah Board of County Commissioners from 1993 to 2001



Jonathan House Emerald

Gubernatorial candidate Beverly Stein visited the University on Monday to attend a panel discussion entitled "Working for Social Change: Women in Politics." Stein is one of three candidates that will seek the Democratic Party nomination in May.

Campus on alert for virus

■ A new virus could allow hackers to gain "backdoor" entry to infected computers

A computer virus disguised as a photo attachment to an e-mail is making its way through University computers.

The "my party" virus reads "new photos from my party" in the subject line and contains an attachment which will infect the recipients computer if opened.

President's Office executive assistant Becky Couch-Goodling said administrators have been "on alert" to watch out for the virus since Monday morning, when a computer technician notified them.

Some University students, faculty and staff received the virus through University listserves, including the Outdoor Program and the Honors College.

The virus, which spreads through the e-mail program Microsoft Outlook, will only run on PCs with Microsoft Windows. Distributed Network computing consultant Patrick Chinn said. Macintosh computers are not affected by the virus, he said.

When the virus is sent to an Outlook e-mail account, it will also be sent to everyone in the recipients address book, he said.

According to the Internet security corporation Symantec, the virus is an "e-mail worm" which can open a "backdoor" for computer hackers to gain entry to a computer.

The virus is "not written to do a Turn to Virus, page 3A

Computer virus

Subject heading reads "new photos from my party!"

Affects only PCs with Microsoft Windows

Delete the e-mail
 If the attachment is opened, run Norton Anti-Virus Scan and delete files with names that contain "myparty"

Interstate student exchange program opens up options

National Student Exchange keeps tuition rates at in-state levels for study in tropical or freezing climates

By Marcus Hathcock
 Oregon Daily Emerald

For Annalise Romoser, studying Spanish and international studies and trudging to class in the rain didn't seem like the right fit. For Romoser and many students like her, the National Student Exchange program is a chance for a change of scenery and a chance to hone the skills the University instilled.

NSE encourages students to

spend between a term and a year at one of 169 campuses in the U.S., Puerto Rico, Guam and the U.S. Virgin Islands — at the cost of in-state tuition.

The University has been involved with NSE for almost the entire 32-year existence of the exchange, University coordinator Karen Cooper said.

"You can experience the environment in another area and get a whole different cultural experience," Cooper said.

"You're paying your in-state tuition so if you want to try something new, you can."

Cooper said about 35 NSE students leave the University for a year, and between 40 and 50 students come to the University from other schools.

University students' most popular schools include the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and colleges in Hawaii, Cooper said. The University is most frequently visited

by students from those schools as well.

"It's a sort of trade," Cooper said.

Being a part of the NSE is not the same as transferring, Cooper said. She added that most students, regardless of their home school, come back instead of staying at the new campus.

"In many cases NSE increases students staying here. For some students who wished

they went out of state (for college), they ... fulfill that need to travel and go to school somewhere else. They get that out of their system and come back to us," Cooper said.

Romoser spent a semester at the University of Puerto Rico in Cayey and experienced firsthand what she studied in her University double major.

"I took what I learned as a Spanish major and applied it,"

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