

## Kulongoski inches to Salem

The gubernatorial race is neck and neck, but Democrats sweep local district races

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With 26 of 36 of the state's counties reporting, Oregon's race for governor has gone down to the wire. At press time, Democrat Ted Kulongoski led by more than 15,000 votes over Republican Kevin Mannix.

In Oregon House District 8, Democrat Floyd

Prozanski defeated University student Greg McNeill. Democrat Tony Corcoran defeated Republican David Alsup in Oregon Senate District 4.

In one of the closest gubernatorial elections in decades, major-party candidates Mannix and Kulongoski fought neck and neck during the last weeks of the campaign and far into election night.

Kulongoski campaign spokeswoman Kristen Grainger blamed Mannix's campaign for the up-in-the-air result.

She said Kulongoski, who has been a frontrun-

ner throughout the gubernatorial campaign, had been hurt by the "\$3 million in mostly negative campaign ads Kevin Mannix has run."

At press time, Mannix and his campaign staff could not be reached for comment.

Tom Cox, the Libertarian candidate, came in third with 4.6 percent of the vote. The former chairman of the Libertarian party of Oregon ran on a platform of restructuring key state funding sources, giving students school choice and privatizing parts of the Oregon Liquor

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## Parties make key victories in nation

Republicans gained important representative seats, but the race was tight in the Senate

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Republican and Democratic parties gained important national victories on Election Day. In Oregon, as well, both parties won key seats, with eight-term U.S. Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Eugene, defeating former state Rep. Liz VanLeeuwen, and incumbent U.S. Senator Gordon Smith, R-Ore., keeping his seat over Oregon Secretary of State Bill Bradbury.

Poised to defy history, Republicans raced to key early victories nationwide in Tuesday's battle for control of the U.S. Congress. They held the U.S. House of Representatives and threatened to win back control of the U.S. Senate. Republicans needed to gain one seat to regain control of the Senate, but several races remained too close to call.

In Oregon, DeFazio said he was happy to win yet another bipartisan victory.

"I'm pleased that (people) reached through party labels and looked at what I do and how I represent them," DeFazio said.

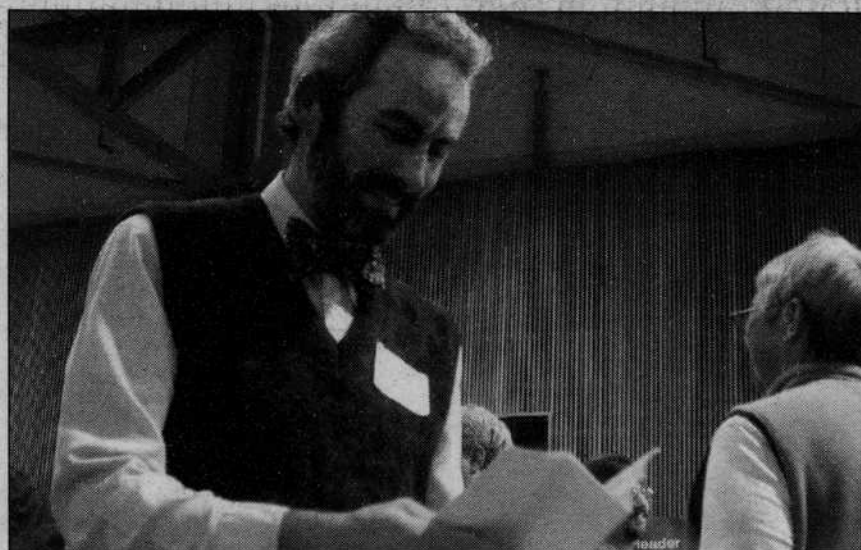
DeFazio said his main priorities going back to Congress will be defeating the new energy bill, working on the federal budget and getting another \$6 billion for education. The politician from Springfield was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1986 and has served eight consecutive terms.

VanLeeuwen said her race against DeFazio was difficult because of his

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Tony Corcoran (above), running on the Democratic ticket for Oregon Senate District 4, discusses current issues with voters.



Floyd Prozanski (left), the Democrat candidate for Oregon House District 8, can't hold back a smile as he looks over election results.

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## Voters reject money measures

Most Eugene measures passed, but state and county measures weren't as successful

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Oregon voters overwhelmingly denied two landmark state ballot measures and approved an increase to the Oregon minimum wage. Locally, all six county measures were heading for defeat, while all but two city of Eugene measures were passing easily at press time.

Ballot Measure 23, the state initiative that would

have given all Oregonians health services, was turned down by nearly 80 percent of voters. Supporters heralded the measure, which would have needed at least \$1.7 billion in state money annually to fund the health plan, as a significant step toward state-sponsored health care.

Supporters of the plan chalked up the loss to aggressive campaigning by their opponents.

"The opposition, the money, and the mistruths," said Pam Driscoll, an Oregonian who worked in support of the measure. She added that

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## OUS head defends new 'Deal' on tuition

'The Deal' may raise tuition if the state doesn't adequately fund its public universities

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Oregon University System Chancellor Richard Jarvis dismissed the state's recent financial shortcomings in higher education Tuesday during his first public appearance at the University.

Under the terms of "The Deal" — OUS's answer to funding problems — if the state doesn't fulfill its end of the bargain, the University would have to either cap enrollment or raise tuition.

Speaking to about 85 community members and University administrators, Jarvis backed away from questions about how the state would be able to adequately fund its seven public universities, and instead repeatedly referred to "The Deal" as a viable solution.

"We don't want to pre-judge and imagine that bad things could happen," Jarvis said.

In the agreement — which would split expenses between universities, students and the state — up to 50 percent of higher education costs would be absorbed by students. No ceiling was set on tuition limits, however.

Meanwhile, universities likely would be granted greater autonomy from OUS, and the state would agree to slightly increase the minimum level of funding for higher education. Currently, Oregon institutions receive funding at only 77 percent of the median, in comparison to similar systems nationally.

But if the state fails to meet its end of the bargain, "The Deal" ensures that students, through restricted enrollment or higher costs, will bear the repercussions.

During his two-hour presentation, Jarvis said students should carry a "fair share" of educational costs in Oregon. Ironically, OUS received an "F" for affordability this year in an annual report issued by the National Center for Public Policy in Higher Education.

The meeting also served as an opportunity for participants to discuss ramifications of "The Deal."

Ward 3 City Councilor David Kelly, who represents the University area, asked Jarvis how the plan could inspire local support for higher education, and Eugene Mayor Jim Torrey said the question should also be answered on a statewide level.

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### WEATHER

Today: High 57, Low 48, rain and wind likely  
Thursday: High 58, Low 55, rain showers

### LOOKING AHEAD

**Thursday**  
Updated elections results for ballot measures and races

**Friday**  
"And this one time, at band camp..."

## Companies recruit at Career Fair

Students will have the opportunity to network and access over 107 companies and graduate schools at the Fair today in the EMU Ballroom

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The Fall 2002 Career Fair and Graduate School Fair brings employers to University students, providing an opportunity to network, job hunt or hone interview skills and résumés.

The Career Fair happens today from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the EMU Ballroom and will feature more than 107 organizations, nonprofits, corporations and graduate schools. Company recruiters can offer students both job and internship opportunities.

Recruiters will be scheduling interviews at the Career Fair. However, students can also sign up through the Campus Interview Program on the Career Center Web site at <http://uocareer.uoregon.edu>.

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