



# Officials review stadium sites

There are seven possible sites for the new basketball stadium, which would replace Mac Court, scheduled to be under construction by next summer

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A new basketball stadium will be under construction by next summer if everything goes as Vice President Dan Williams and Athletic Direc-

tor Bill Moos hope.

Once completed, the new arena will be able to house 50 percent more raging Duck fans than 77-year-old McArthur Court, which seats about 9,000. The as-yet-unnamed arena could cost more than \$100 million and will be funded largely through private donations.

According to Moos, it should be possible to build the entire arena without incurring any debt to the University.

"There's been a lot of excitement about the

project," he said. "The school's been enjoying considerable achievement, and the donors are excited to be involved."

University officials began working with the consulting firm CSL International in December to identify appropriate sites for the new University basketball arena. Thursday, University officials announced the seven possible sites identified by CSL.

Two of the sites are on land already owned  
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# Executive hopefuls campaign tirelessly

ASUO Executive candidates Maddy and Eddy, and Christa and Greg want the opportunity to make student life better at UO

## ASUO elections

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With the general election starting Monday, candidates for ASUO Executive office have been exhausting themselves trying to be as welcoming and inviting to students as a cup of hot cocoa after a brutal final exam.

Several weeks of tireless campaigning are winding down, and students have the opportunity to shape the future of student leadership at the University by voting in the general election, which begins Monday at 8 a.m. and ends Wednesday at 5 p.m.

Maddy Melton and Eddy Morales will be running against Christa Shively and Greg Bae for ASUO Executive. Each ticket has been pressing its message about how it can make life at the University better, but the candidates had different beginnings and have different reasons for wanting to be student leaders.

Melton, a 23-year-old junior in sociology and women's studies, works in the current ASUO administration as a multicultural advocate. She is also chairwoman of the Oregon Statewide Student Equal Rights Alliance and is active in the United States Student Association.

Melton said life at the University forever changed the course of her life. While growing up in a small, conservative town in rural Oregon, she never thought she would be able to travel and lobby for important legislation in Washington, D.C.

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# A clash in music technology

Baltimore rock band Fitehouse promotes and distributes its CD on the Internet and encourages file sharing among its listeners

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Music has been about sharing since its very beginnings, and the Internet has created plentiful opportunities to distribute creative works. In fact, some say music's very future lies within the digital realm. Many independent artists have begun producing and distributing music without record labels, using do-it-yourself methods aided by new technology.

Baltimore rock band Fitehouse recently made headlines with its self-promotional campaign to establish the group's song "Baltimore" as the city's "Official Rock Anthem." The four-member band is on a "musical revolution" mission to prove that corporate record labels have become irrelevant in the development and dissemination of new music.

"We're squarely into the digital era, and the record industry is kind of lost," Fitehouse guitarist Joshua Cohen said. "The big picture is that the record industry no longer has a clear definition of what service it provides to the market."

The band has just released an album, "Fitehouse Released," and the group independently promotes and distributes the CD using the Internet.

"Distribution has become much easier," Cohen said. "We can put up our CD on the Web, and immediately we have a form of international distribution. (The record labels) have lost that comparative advantage."

Cohen said record labels owned by corporate conglomerates are attempting to hold onto an old system that is  
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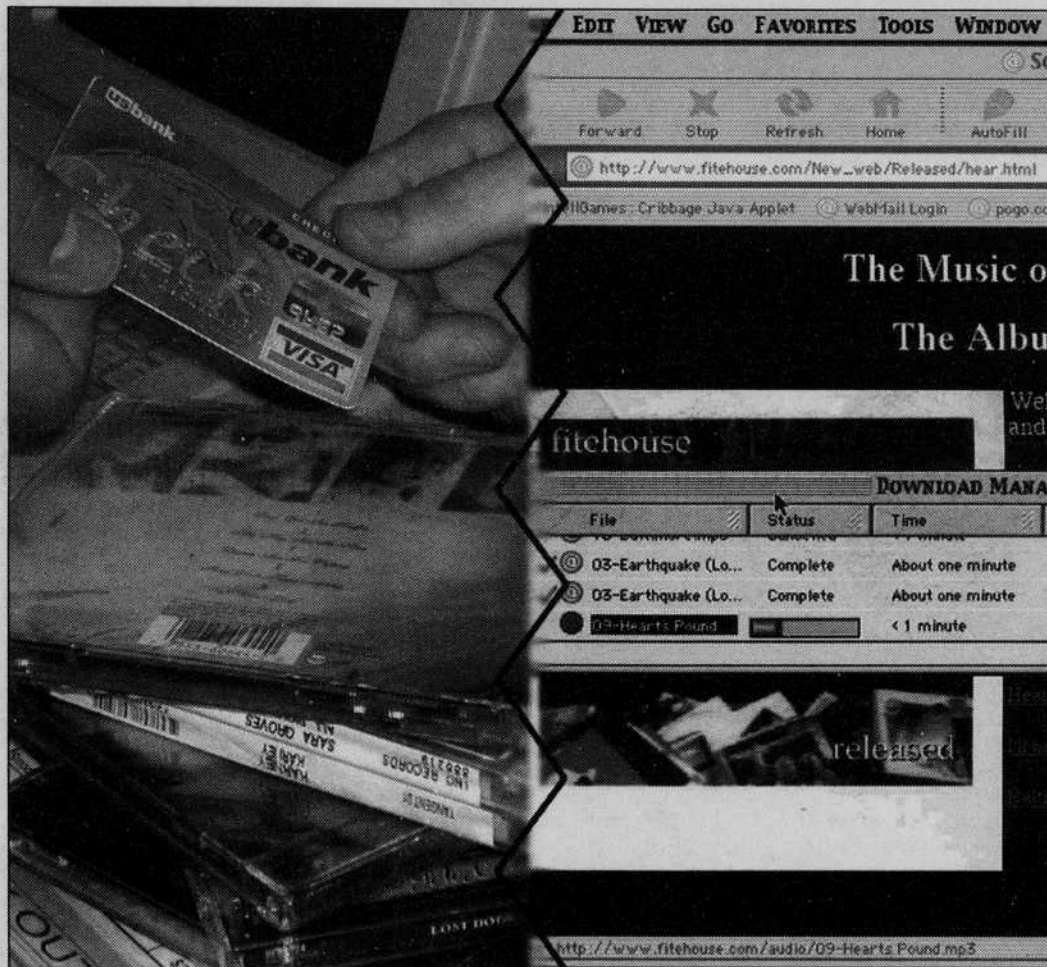


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Some up and coming music groups promote file sharing online while record companies continue filing lawsuits.

Four college students across the country face new lawsuits by the Recording Industry Association of America, which is looking to stop campus file sharing

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Lawyers, start your engines. The face of digital music technology, which has

been developing since the start of Napster in May 1999, is now facing another obstacle course: four new lawsuits. The defendants? Four students at three different universities across the nation.

The lawsuits, filed by the Recording Industry Association of America, are another step in the increasing pressure recently placed on universities to stop campus file sharing.

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## Elections: Part 4 of 4

The Emerald takes a more personal look at the candidates for ASUO

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**Thursday:** Senate Seat 1 & Seat 2

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# Easter's observance varies by church, culture

Religious denominations vary in celebrating the holiday; Easter symbols like rabbits come from ancient pagan fertility celebrations

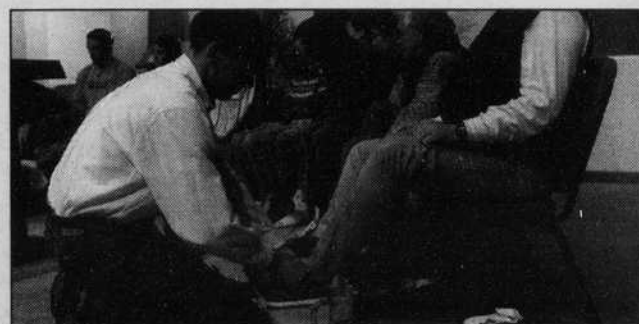
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With Easter quickly approaching, different people are celebrating in different ways. Depending on a person's religion, family upbringing or personal views, Sunday may mean chocolate bunnies and

Easter egg hunts or a time to celebrate the importance of Christ's salvation.

"I re-read scriptures in the Bible to remind myself of the significance of the death and resurrection of Christ," University junior Katie McCleary said.

While it is regarded one of the holiest Christian holidays, the word Easter is not mentioned anywhere in the Bible. According to the Christian Web site www.wonderfulworldtomorrow.org, the word comes from Estere, the name of an ancient Teutonic goddess of fertility. Feasts and celebrations took  
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Kevin Rack washes the feet of a congregation member at the Catholic Campus Ministry, Newman Center, located on 19th Avenue and Emerald Street on Thursday evening. Caleb Fung for the Emerald