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**IN BRIEF**

**Lebanese government officials resign Monday**

BEIRUT, Lebanon — With shouts of "Syria out!" 25,000 protesters massed outside Parliament on Monday in a dramatic display of defiance that forced out Lebanon's pro-Syrian prime minister and Cabinet two weeks after the assassination of a popular politician touched off increasing unrest.

Minutes after Prime Minister Omar Karami announced he was stepping

down, jubilant demonstrators — shouting, waving flags and handing red roses to soldiers — demanded that Syrian-backed President Emile Lahoud also bow out and pressed on with their calls for Syria to withdraw its troops from the country.

Syria remained silent about the rapidly changing atmosphere in Beirut, where it ruled unopposed for years, even deciding on Lebanon's leaders after deploying troops ostensibly as peacekeepers during the 1975-90 civil war.

— The Associated Press

**University hosts informal meeting with police chief**

Campus and community members can discuss issues of concern with the Eugene Police Department Chief Robert Lehner on Wednesday in the EMU Fishbowl from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

The event is part of the "Meet the Chief" series, scheduled for the first

Wednesday of every month at different locations around Eugene. It is the first time the event has been held on campus.

Community members will be able to talk one-on-one with Lehner over coffee and pastries. EPD spokeswoman Pam Olshanski said the meetings were initiated to give community members access to Lehner in an informal setting.

She said community members might not want to come to the department or they may be unable to make official appointments with the chief to voice questions, suggestions or complaints.

"We thought that it was really important to have it not hosted at the police department or a city office so we could get into the community," she said.

For more information, contact the EPD Public Information Office at 682-5124.

— Ayisha Yahya

**Baha'i: Faith focuses on children, culture**

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"There are games and face-painting, even a sleep-over for the girls," Ray said. "It's a family holiday about eating together and having fun."

As well as being a time of celebration, Ayyam-i-Ha focuses on charity within the community. Party-goers this weekend brought food and clothing for local charities.

"We do everything possible to help the unfortunate," said Don Addison, faculty adviser of the Baha'i campus student association. "We had a food and clothing drive for local homeless shelters and it doesn't necessarily go to Baha'is. It goes to anyone in need."

During the celebration, families often hold small gatherings. Family meals are an important part of the celebration. There are no traditional Baha'i dishes, but because Baha'i is a worldwide religion, each region often

serves its own traditional dishes.

"Each Baha'i community is free to organize meals based on their own local customs and cultures," Addison said.

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STEPHANIE RAY | Graduate student

At Eugene's Ayyam-i-Ha celebration, conversations and prayers were spoken in many different languages. Baha'i encourages learning different languages so children can say prayers in Spanish, French, Navajo and many others, Ray said.

"Baha'i encourages the indigenous cultures," she added.

While Ayyam-i-Ha is a celebratory

time, there is no alcohol at any of the festivities. Baha'i forbids drinking alcohol and using illegal drugs, and promotes overall cleanliness of spirit, mind, body and community. The upcoming period of fasting is a time when cleanliness is especially important. It is also a time of self-sacrifice and self-denial for spiritual benefits, Addison said.

Baha'i followers must fast from sunrise to sunset during the last 19 days of the year, except those with medical problems.

"I miss it because I can't do it anymore," said Addison, who can't fast because of medical complications. "Your body feels much better and purified and there is wonderful spiritual fulfillment."

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**CONGRATULATIONS!**

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- Tues. TWO TRUMPETS**  
3/1 Faculty Artist Series 8 p.m., Beall Hall  
\$9 General Admission, \$5 students & senior citizens
- Wed. OREGON WIND ENSEMBLE & OREGON SYMPHONIC BAND**  
3/2 UO Ensembles 8 p.m., Beall Hall  
\$5 General Admission, \$3 students & senior citizens
- Thu. CONCERTANTE**  
3/3 UO Chamber Music Series 8 p.m., Beall Hall  
Reserved seats \$12, \$25, \$29; in advance from the Hult Center (682-5000) or EMU (346-4363).
- Fri. THE JAZZ CAFE**  
3/4 UO Jazz Combos 8 p.m., Room 178 Music  
\$5 General Admission, \$3 students & senior citizens
- Sat. FUTURE MUSIC OREGON**  
3/5 Guest Artist: Carl Stone 8 p.m., Room 198 Music  
\$5 General Admission, \$3 students & senior citizens
- Sun. OREGON STRING QUINTET**  
3/6 Faculty Artist Series 1:30 p.m., Beall Hall  
\$9 General Admission, \$5 students & senior citizens
- Sun. CHAMBER MUSIC ON CAMPUS**  
3/6 UO Chamber Ensembles 7 p.m., Room 198 Music  
FREE Admission
- Mon. OREGON JAZZ ENSEMBLE + LAB BANDS**  
3/7 UO Jazz Ensembles 8 p.m., Beall Hall  
\$5 General Admission, \$3 students & senior citizens
- Tues. JOHN SAMPEN, Saxophone, & Friends**  
3/8 Guest Artists 8 p.m., Beall Hall  
\$9 General Admission, \$5 students & senior citizens
- Wed. DANCE QUARTERLY**  
3/9 UO Department of Dance 7 p.m., Dougherty Theater  
FREE Admission
- Thur. CONCERT CHOIR & REPERTOIRE SINGERS**  
3/10 UO Choral Ensembles 8 p.m., Beall Hall  
\$5 General Admission, \$3 students & senior citizens
- Fri. TOBY KOENIGSBERG, Jazz Piano**  
3/11 Faculty Artist Series 8 p.m., Beall Hall  
\$9 General Admission, \$5 students & senior citizens
- Fri. COLLEGIUM MUSICUM**  
3/11 UO Early Music Ensemble 5:30 p.m., Collier House  
FREE Admission
- Sat. ALEXA STILL, Flute**  
3/12 Guest Artist Recital 8 p.m., Beall Hall  
\$9 General Admission, \$5 students & senior citizens
- Sun. UO PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE**  
3/13 UO Ensemble Noon, Room 198 Music  
\$5 General Admission, \$3 students & senior citizens
- Sun. UNIVERSITY GOSPEL ENSEMBLES**  
3/13 UO Ensembles 5 p.m., Beall Hall  
\$5 General Admission, \$3 students & senior citizens

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