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## UO grieves death of dedicated professor

Family and friends remember John Baldwin's life as one of energy, enthusiasm and passion

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University Planning, Public Policy and Management associate professor John Baldwin taught Russians how to resettle the radiation-ravaged land around Chernobyl. He spearheaded a study of the effects of long-term growth in the Willamette Valley. And he started the University's Environmental Studies Program and the Institute for a Sustainable Environment.

But Baldwin, 54, who died in his sleep at home Monday night of unknown natural causes, will be remembered for his optimism and love of teaching and family, his family and friends said.

"He was one of the lucky few people who had found his personal and professional passion and loved his students — he was very dedicated to his students," Baldwin's wife, Karen, said. "He loved his three children and his family."

Baldwin, a 25-year University professor, focused on sustainable growth and planning, and connected with his students and coworkers.

"He had many close friendships," Karen

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## University student dies after falling 14 stories

Timothy Buras was prepared to graduate in Public Policy, Planning and Management

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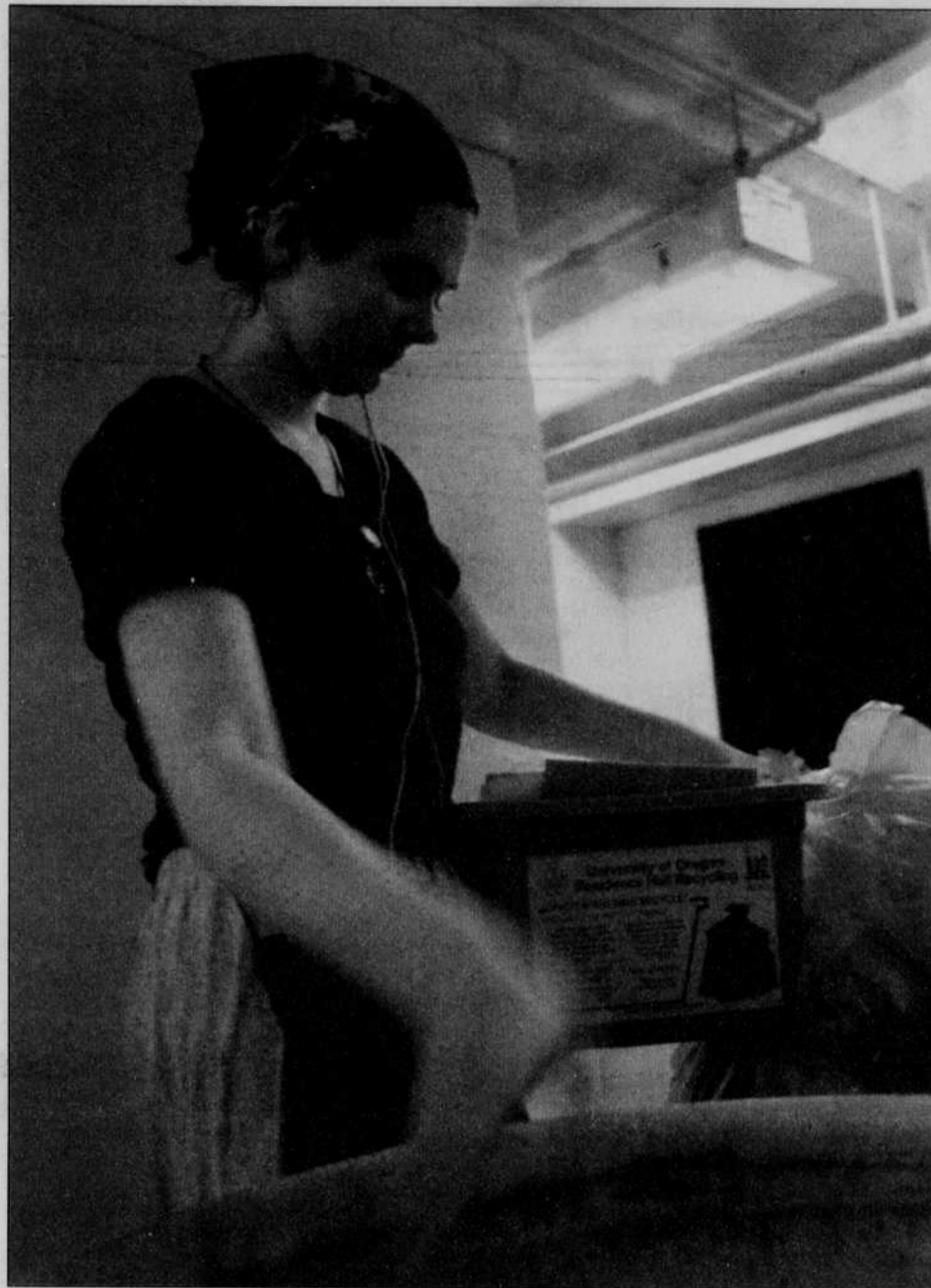
University Public Policy, Planning and Management senior Timothy D. Buras, 22, died Saturday night after falling 14 stories down a chimney shaft while visiting a friend at a downtown Portland apartment complex.

Portland Fire and Rescue found Buras buried beneath three to four feet of ash at the bottom of the chimney shaft in the building's boiler room at 11:55 p.m. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Investigators believe Buras climbed to the chimney area and stepped onto the covered shaft, according to the Associated Press.

"There was a ladder leading up to it that was blocked off," AJ Jackson, a spokeswoman with the Portland Fire Bureau, told the Associated Press. "Somehow they took extraordinary measures on their own to get up

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Linguistics freshman Amelia Margetts recycles in the basement of Carson Hall on Wednesday afternoon, adding to the University's total recycling weight for the RecycleMania competition.

## Recycle THIS

Universities across the nation go head to head in the fifth annual RecycleMania challenge

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Fierce competition between 33 universities nationwide intensified this week as Miami University encroached on the University of Oregon's lead in RecycleMania 2005, coming within one-tenth of a pound of recycled materials per student, University Housing Recycling Coordinator Robyn Hathcock said.

At the end of week five, 21,125 pounds of recyclables were recovered at the University residence and dining halls, leaving the University with a marginal lead. Oregon State University is currently in fourth place nationally.

"With the competition this close and this up for grabs, it makes it more vital for each resident to recycle," Hathcock said.

In addition to gaining bragging rights, the winning school will be presented with a trophy.

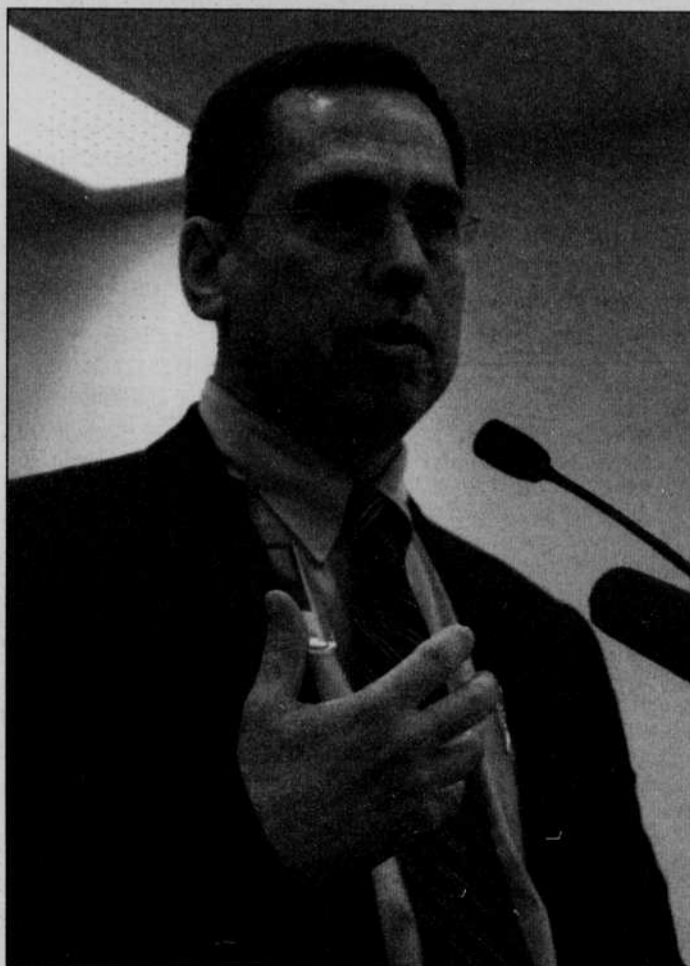
The fifth week of the 10-week contest has just passed. As the University begins preparing for spring break, residence hall advisors and student recyclers are continuing to spread the word about RecycleMania and encourage students to recycle as they prepare to leave for home.

"My goal is to encourage as much recycling before spring break to boost our numbers," Hathcock said.

Sophomore Todd Mann said students are hearing RecycleMania's message.

"With their advertising everywhere, I think

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TIM BOBOSKY | PHOTOGRAPHER

Chief of Police Robert Lehner answers questions Wednesday afternoon at City Hall about the recent audit of the Eugene Police Department.

## Hiring policies among targets in recent EPD review

Two external groups conducted the inquiry after two EPD officers were convicted of misconduct

BY EMILY SMITH  
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Two outside groups have released a report with 57 recommendations to improve the Eugene Police Department's practices, management procedures and community relations. The recommendations are part of a review spurred by what City Manager Dennis Taylor called the "unconscionable actions by two on-duty police officers (that) deeply damaged the reputation of the entire department" in a memorandum to Mayor Kitty Piercy and the City Council on Tuesday.

The International City/County Management Association and the Police Executive Research Forum conducted the audit and their final report was the subject of Wednesday's City Council work session.

The City Council had approved

\$108,000 in contingency funds to pay for the audit.

"The most important component in the recommendations is that the City Council becomes more actively involved in establishing priorities and the policy direction for the police department," ICMA representative Leonard Matarese said.

One recommendation was to work on reversing the prohibition of polygraph testing when hiring new police officers. The use of a polygraph test may have prevented Roger Magaña, currently serving a 94-year prison sentence for raping, kidnapping, sexually abusing and harassing women, and Juan Lara, convicted of official misconduct, public indecency, coercion and harassment, from becoming police officers in

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