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Sophomores Walter Jones, foreground, and Ian Trumbo don gorilla suits to promote their candidates Tuesday afternoon in the EMU Amphitheater.

## ASUO: General elections begin April 13

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of the primary vote, the two top-ranking candidates move on to the general election April 13-15.

Several ballot measures are also slated for the primary, including a measure on whether students support paying higher fees for renewable energy and a slate of revisions to the ASUO Constitution proposed by the ASUO Executive.

Ballot measures require a majority of votes to pass.

Students can vote on any computer with access to DuckWeb, including computer labs located in the EMU, the Knight Library and

McKenzie Hall. Official voters' guides will be available at The Buzz and the ASUO office, EMU Suite 4.

Candidates set up booths and spoke in the EMU Amphitheater during a campaign event Monday.

Executive hopefuls will square off in a debate at 7 p.m. today in the Gerlinger Alumni Lounge, answering questions concocted by students and from the audience.

Some candidates will also participate in an open forum starting at 7 p.m. in the Hamilton Mall.

ASUO Election Coordinator Kelly Cheeseman said officials hope 20 percent of students turn out for

the primaries, about 6 percent more than voted last year. Participation in the primary elections has declined over the past three years, from 15.3 percent in 2002 to 15.2 percent in 2003 and 14.1 percent in 2004.

Cheeseman said election officials have spent more money on advertising and have focused on new methods to attract voters.

"We just hope to have a fair and fun election for the student body and for the candidates," she said.

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# Governor, tribes approve casino at Cascade Locks

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SALEM — The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs and Gov. Ted Kulongoski have reached agreement to build a casino in a small town in the scenic Columbia River Gorge, a spokesman for the tribe said Tuesday.

Len Bergstein said the governor and tribal representatives are scheduled to sign the formal agreement during a ceremony Wednesday in Cascade Locks, a financially struggling town where the casino is to be built.

"There is essential agreement between the negotiators for the state and for Warm Springs to build the casino," Bergstein said.

The negotiated agreement calls for Warm Springs to give a portion of the casino's revenue to the state, Bergstein said. He declined to say how much.

Mary Ellen Glynn, a spokeswoman for the governor, declined to discuss the agreement. She said representa-

tives of Kulongoski's office and the tribe were to meet later Tuesday at the Capitol to go through details of the agreement.

Located about 40 miles east of Portland, the Cascade Locks casino is expected to be a big moneymaker for the tribe. Tribal leaders have estimated that the new casino will draw 3 million patrons yearly.

Kulongoski's predecessor, Gov. John Kitzhaber, had turned down the project in 1999 because he opposed off-reservation casinos.

The new casino's location also has drawn criticism from the group Friends of the Columbia River Gorge and other conservationists who are concerned about increased traffic and air pollution.

Bergstein said the agreement calls on Warm Springs to use some of the casino's profits to enhance "environmental protection" in the gorge, but he declined to offer specifics.



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## PSAG: Officials disagree on procedures

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University would have a greater impact than a citation.

Facilities Manager for Housing David Rodgers said the custodial staff doesn't have the time.

"They would be in here every day, and we just don't have the staffing," he said. "They're cleaning up a mountain of vomit every weekend."

DPS Interim Director Tom Hicks said he looks at the judicial system as an educational process.

"Our job is to consistently enforce the laws and the rules of the University, and if the person was contacted by Eugene Police or any other police agency in the area, they're going to get a municipal citation," Hicks said.

DPS officer Scott Cameron said that as a Eugene citizen, he finds it distasteful when "we try to make policies that say that University of Oregon students are sort of above the law on their first time."

Director of Student Judicial Affairs Chris Loschiavo said he doesn't

believe it's valid to compare on- and off-campus housing because the residence halls are more closely scrutinized.

"DPS is allowed basically within the students' homes, 24/7, monitoring," Loschiavo said. "We don't have EPD walking down the halls of apartment buildings, even in Duck's Village and the Commons, where we know there's all kinds of issues."

"If even one student would fail to call in for emergency assistance for fear of getting into trouble, that's one student too many."

Harmon said she worries that a student may not want to call in a drunk friend who already has several citations for minor in possession, knowing they'll get into even more trouble.

"They'll think they'll probably be fine, they just need to throw up," Harmon said.

Rodgers and Harmon both said they would like to see a citation the second time but leniency the first.

"If my friend's out there and they haven't learned their lesson the first

time and they're drunk again, man, throw the book at them 'cause they're going to kill my child or somebody else's child," Rodgers said. "If they can't get that lesson and they're here to learn, it's like a second drunk driving offense."

Loschiavo said he thinks "hammering" students with citations could potentially lead to students being afraid to call for help.

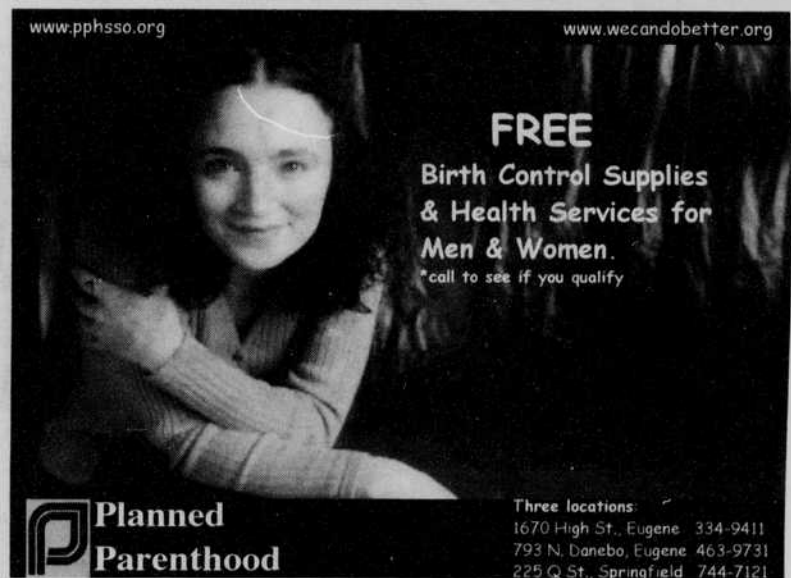
But EPD Sgt. Mark Montes said there is little evidence to support such a claim.


"You would not believe the comments from people that identify themselves as students that have four, five, six, seven, eight MIPs or open containers and just say, 'Go ahead, give me a ticket. It's just \$90,'" Montes said. "So if there's some way that we hear from a percentage of students who say they do have that fear, then I would see some validity in that perception."

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