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CAMPUS

Public previews new athletic arena



SHAWN HATJES | PHOTOGRAPHER

The public was invited to view the interior of the new Matthew Knight Arena this weekend. On Saturday, a line of people stretched down Villard Street. The arena has a seating capacity of 12,541, with 2,000 of those seats reserved for students. The women's volleyball team will play its last season in McArthur Court later this year. The men's basketball team will play one last game in Mac Court next season before switching over to the new arena in December. Another viewing of the new arena will be open to the public on Saturday at 5 p.m.

ASUO ELECTIONS

Campaign's text message creates some controversy

Campus Change Coalition text alluded to prior knowledge of results, but official says 'no issue'

ALEX TOMCHAK SCOTT | NEWS REPORTER

A text message sent from one of the campaigns hours before voting closed in the ASUO election Friday raised brief, and apparently false, concerns over the security of the ballot in the election.

Since voting in ASUO elections was moved online, it has been customary for the administrators running the ballot on DuckWeb to avoid releasing any information about the ballot other than the raw number of votes cast. Those numbers don't come out until voting closes.

However, text messages sent from the Campus Change Coalition campaign Friday afternoon suggested there might be some breach in the security. "We're 100 votes behind!" read one message. "Can you get 5 votes for (presidential candidate) Amelie (Rousseau) & (running mate) Maneesh (Arora) & Campus Change Coalition before voting ends on DuckWeb at 5pm?"

"There's no way for them to get that information," said Tim Ketchum, an administrator for DuckWeb who runs the system for the election. Ketchum said he was the only one with access to the results until they were released, and, as of when the message was sent out, even he did not know the totals for the candidates.

The results of the election itself also supported Ketchum's claim. In no campus-wide race

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Things to do this week

MONDAY

Meeting: LTD budget open house, public hearing

When: 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: LTD Next Stop Center, Eugene Station

Cost: Free

TUESDAY

Lecture: Philip Meyer, professor emeritus at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, presents "When Everyone's A Journalist. Who Will Make the Rules?"

When: 4 to 6 p.m.

Where: EMU Ballroom

Cost: Free, requires online registration

WEDNESDAY

Music: Mutatyor performs with MarchFourth Marching Band, futuristic vaudevillian rock circus

When: 9 p.m.

Where: WOW Hall

Cost: \$12 in advance; \$14 door

THURSDAY

Reading: Diana McCaulay, author of Dog-Heart

When: 7 p.m.

Where: Lewis Lounge, University Law School

Cost: Free

FRIDAY

Event: National Day of Silence

When: 4 to 5 p.m.

Where: EMU Amphitheater

Cost: Free

CITY

Community speaks for the trees

Eugene-style Arbor Day celebration featured urban tree planting, award of 31st consecutive Tree City USA title

IAN GERONIMO | NEWS REPORTER

Community members celebrated Arbor Day over the weekend by gathering to plant more than 20 ceremonial big-leaf maple trees at several sites around the city.

Attendees crowded in the sun for a quaint but fitting opening ceremony. Mayor Kitty Piercy introduced the event with a speech to the crowd, congratulating the city on its 31 consecutive years of participation in Arbor Day.

"We're leaving a legacy for our followers 100 years from now," she said of the planting. "We couldn't make this project a success without help from our citizen volunteers and partners, Eugene Tree Foundation, REI, our Girl Scout troop, our rangers, the tree stewards and the Downtown Neighborhood Association volunteers, who are all here to show their commitment to helping improve the livability of our community."

Piercy said that even through the economic downturn, tree-planting was a community priority. She also stressed the benefits of having mature trees around the city.

"We can fight climate change locally by planting trees that provide ecosystem service benefits for generations to come," she said, "and that are resilient to the predicted changes in temperature and rainfall patterns."

The first planting took place at Lincoln Street and West 12th Avenue at the doorstep of the Eugene Weekly. The "Trees for Concrete" project, organized by the City of Eugene NeighborWoods program and the Eugene Tree Foundation, replaces concrete surfaces with trees and flowers along sidewalks.

David Lorenz, western Lane district forester for the Oregon Department of Forestry, gave the city its 31st



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Mayor Kitty Piercy helps plant a tree in an area once occupied by sidewalk outside the Eugene Weekly at Lincoln Street and West 12th Avenue this weekend as part of Eugene's Arbor Day celebration effort called "Trees for Concrete."

consecutive Tree City USA award.

Lorenz said the gesture was a recognition of the city's urban forestry efforts, citing Eugene's adoption of a tree ordinance, established tree program, and fiscal commitment to trees.

"Just driving in today I was looking at all the trees that are in all the boulevards, and all along the roads, and there's just no question that the city of Eugene has made a significant financial investment in their trees," he said.

Lorenz regaled the gathering with the story of Arbor Day's origins, which he said involved the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska in 1872.

The holiday is now celebrated by all 50 states, as well as several countries around the world, on different days depending on climate and suitable planting times. Oregonians celebrate Arbor Week in the first full week of April.

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CAMPUS

International Week offers cultural view

Organizers encourage students to learn about other cultures, get new perspectives at events

KAITLIN FLANIGAN | NEWS REPORTER

The International Student Association kicks off International Week today with a parade and culminates Sunday with its signature evening event, which includes a buffet dinner and cultural performances.

"I personally want our University community, as well as people from its environs, who might be in attendance, to be exposed to other cultures," ISA Co-Director Benson Ntiwas said. "That should help debunk false, preconceived notions that are, unfortunately, promulgated by a biased media about other cultures. Also, whatever information is presented during this event might be of help to would-be international travelers."

ISA Co-Director Samir Bandaogo said that because students' incidental fees

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IN MY OPINION | GREG DEWAR

VIDEO GAMES KEEP ‘NERD RAGE’ AT BAY

We nerds are one of the most aggressive species on the planet. Just ask us whether or not Han shot first. Touch someone’s D20 without permission. Point out that Daikatana isn’t the single greatest video game of all time, and then pour some more salt in the wound by asking us when Duke Nukem Forever is coming out.

The answer to the last question is never, and the end result would be some Dr. Moreau-style ball of rage: part calculator and part Wolverine. Allow me to clarify, the “X-men” character.

It makes sense then that we challenge ourselves to constant contests of domination and sign up for every competition we can find, as long as it can be performed indoors, far, far from the evil of the sun (It’s trying to kill us all, you know). It’s not always a tournament for the top spot — sometimes we cooperate — though someone almost always ends up as “Alpha Geek” calling the shots and, while generally being ignored by the other players, is still listening to his or her commands. It’s a strange beast.

So, we have a lot of pent-up “nerd rage,” if you will, and we like to unleash it upon one another safely. But are there some health benefits to this? Well, no, studies

are generally inconclusive, and though I would absolutely adore telling you that video games never cause any problems with empirical evidence, alas, researchers are too busy attempting to paint video games in a negative light to actually study their effects on people. Well, most of them.

In 2005, the University of Illinois-Urbana, found there was no link between violent video games and aggression whatsoever in a test involving a 75-person group of gamers and a 138-person non-gaming control group with ages in both groups ranging from 14 to 68. On the opposite side of the spectrum, the BBC and CNN have published articles linking video games to violence.

A quick Google search brings up so many waffling arguments with “experts” on both sides weighing in (read: hemming and hawing with no real clue) and arguing amongst each other. I think that should be an indicator right there.

Let’s drop the “video games plus kid equals psychopath-in-training” failblog equation and look at things realistically.

I challenge you to think of all the people you know who play video games on a regular basis — they don’t have to have a closet full of Starfleet uniforms like me. Are they crazy? Or do they seem calm and content after playing?

This leaves it up to the individual.

Competitive gaming can be an outlet for aggression, just like tackle football (only without the criminal behavior some members of the University’s football team exhibit) or a night of self-flagellating exercise at the gym. When some people are pissed off, they sweat it out; others kill zombie Nazis. And honestly, if you’re going to go around pretending to kill something, it might as well be zombie Nazis, right? My generation’s grandfathers went to Europe with the express intent to kill Nazis, and as a nation, the U.S. cheered them on and blew them kisses. Now turn them into the undead, and well, there are absolutely no redeeming qualities.

Speaking from personal experience, video games keep me sane. When I get busy with some combination of work and school and don’t play them for a couple of weeks, I notice that I get a slight edge to my personality: I’m much less interested in everything in general; I get a little depressed; and I smoke probably double the cigarettes I would if I were on video games — my anti-drug. The challenge against other players provides an outlet for aggression; there’s a sense of achievement from in-game accomplishments that boosts my self-esteem a little, and the story and artwork capture my imagination.

There are the social aspects to the games, as well. I have made countless friends on countless battlefields across the Internet, and

technically, some of those friendships have endured across three decades. How many real-life friends can you say that about?

The draw for cooperation is very strong, if Massively Multiplayer Online Role Playing Games like World of Warcraft are any measure. Working in unison with 25 other players to accomplish something can be just as much fun as a tournament for the top spot.

It doesn’t have to be all violent, either — Tetris is one of the most popular games of all time; it exercises the mind as an outlet.

As a species, we humans have cultivated violence as a form of entertainment for ages. We’ve come a long way from Roman gladiators fighting to the death for entertainment. Violent themes permeate our culture through theater, literature, music, graphic novels, art, and of course, movies. We find it exciting in modern culture, just as long as it’s not real.

Video games are just another safe and healthy outlet, albeit interactive, for our primal instincts leftover from the hunter-gatherer days.

In short, life becomes better as long as I’m hooked up to my VG-IV (Video Game Intra-venous), and gamers are some of the most well-rounded people I can think of. They work all their aggression out on a daily basis.

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This week in . . .

The space race

The Soviets had the first satellite, Sputnik, in orbit already, and on April 12, 1961, they put the first Cosmonaut, Major Yuri Gagarin, into space. The Soviets were first in space, but the U.S. beat them to the moon as the first to set foot on another astronomical object. Nowadays, we all work together in space exploration, though the Soviet-U.S. space race furthered humanity’s reach into the stars by lightyears.

Sinking ships

Just before midnight on April 14, 1912, the “unsinkable” RMS Titanic hit an iceberg and became the most infamous maritime tragedy in history. There were some positive side effects: Routine iceberg tracking in the Atlantic became standard practice and passenger liners had to adhere to more stringent safety regulations.

Golf pros

On April 13, 1997, Tiger Woods won his first Masters Tournament at 21 years old, in a record 12 strokes and the best performance by a professional golfer in more than a century. Before his recent apologies for his sexcapades, Woods became one of the most famous golfers in U.S. history, spawning multiple video games in a franchise and appearing as a character in an episode of “South Park.”

Big explosions

On April 16, 1947, Texas City, Texas, exploded. You read that right — an entire city exploded. The town was a major manufacturer of chemicals, and when a burning freight came into port, the ship exploded and so did the town. The ship’s 1.5-ton anchor flew two miles, the explosion could be heard 150 miles away, and the mushroom cloud was estimated to be 2,000 feet tall.

Science revelations

On April 12, 1633, famed astronomer Galileo is convicted of heresy for believing that the Earth revolves around the sun, marking the second time he came under fire for not accepting that the Earth was the center of the universe. If only his accusers could see any modern science book.

GUEST COMMENTARY

BRIDGING GAP BETWEEN FACT, FICTION

As a journalism major learning the methods of accurate reporting, I would like to address some misguided ideas in last Friday’s guest commentary “Reform ASUO campaigning.” Although I agree some elements of the ASUO elections have room for improvement, I do not believe they are a joke. My campaign for the journalism senate seat was cited as proof of the election’s hilarity; however, I see nothing funny about my decision to run for Senate. I will take my candidacy seriously — like I took my campaign seriously. This is not a commitment I take lightly.

Lucas McAdams’ statements about me were incorrect. I have worked hard to attain full journalism major status as a freshman. I made a conscious effort to run my campaign by the rules and got permission from an Allen Hall representative to hang my posters where I did. I can only account for my misspelling of the word “bridge” as human error.

A typo does not translate to incompetency. Perhaps my correct spelling of “supercalifragilisticexpialidocious” will persuade any who remain doubtful.

My tie to Reality Check, although helpful in securing my Senate seat, is not the reason I find myself a senator-to-be. Even without the “umbrella of Reality Check,” I would have found support among my peers. Reality Check chose me because I am qualified, enthusiastic, driven and passionate about the field of journalism. As an active member of the communications community, I earned each vote. I am a member of the school’s televised news show DuckU and have worked as a multimedia reporter for the Emerald. I have learned that fact-checking is a must before pointing fingers. Journalism 101: Get to know the subject of your criticism before you publish.

It’s debatable whether slates improve the campaign process. My experience has led me

to believe that the elimination of slates would only hinder student participation in elections. Reality Check’s incredible success this year was not a usurpation of Senate power by a “mighty” slate. Each candidate is an individual student with unique personalities and strengths. The formation of a slate allows like-minded students to come together under a banner of issues and effectively inform students of the changes they believe should be made. I was involved in the ASUO campaigning process and can attest that Reality Check did just that. A blind vote is in no way constructive. Instead of employing gimmicks and games, we used our platform to win over voters. I speak for all of Reality Check when I say that I am proud of our campaign. We tried our best to legitimately earn every vote.

As someone who values communication, I believe the key to fixing the disconnect between ASUO and the student body

is dialogue. Keeping students aware and interested in ASUO proceedings would end the allure of flashy T-shirts, choreographed breakdances, and propagating balloons during elections week. We can solve the problem of the “uninformed” voter simply by providing answers to questions and being accountable to the student body throughout the year. Easy as that — no jokes about it.

It’s time to bury the hatchet. ASUO elections are over, and the results are what they are: a direct reflection of our student body’s voice. If changes need to be made, let’s make them. A silly typo and the number of candles on my birthday cake does not make me unfit to be a part of that change. I’m ready to take my position in the Senate and promise to never forget the people who gave me this incredible opportunity.

GRACE HOCHSTATTER
ASUO SENATOR-ELECT

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Bellotti-Frohnmayer handshake seems fishy

Someone’s scripture refers to the “sins of the fathers being visited on the children.”

That’s what we’re getting at the University, and the big daddy is former University President Dave Frohnmayer. He joined in the notorious, no-contract handshake with Mike Bellotti to give him a farewell gift of \$2.3 million. That was blatant and illegal, whether Bellotti resigned as athletics director as he claimed, or even if he was fired.

Two persons on campus asked me: “Do

you think Dave Frohnmayer and Bellotti had a secret agreement to split the big payoff two ways, with each getting \$1.15 million?”

That’s stretching things. Then again, the University and varsity athletics have been stretching things for some time. One has to wonder about the front-page photo in The Register-Guard with the announcement of Bellotti’s departure for ESPN. It showed the ex-president giving Bellotti another handshake. On Frohnmayer’s face was the broad smile of a Cheshire cat — one some doubters suggest had just swallowed a million-dollar canary.

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WEEK

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support International Week, University students should show some interest in where their money is being spent.

"We basically want all students to be aware of the diverse international student community on campus, and to allow them to experience other cultures right here on campus without having to go anywhere," Bandaogo said. "I hope people will take advantage of all of the programs

because we're using incidental fees, and we're doing this for them."

ISA Event Coordinator Ohyoung Kim also said that International Week is just one way for University students raised in America to become involved in the ISA.

"We host numerous events on campus for both international and domestic students to have a better understanding of diverse culture (throughout the year)," Kim said. "For example, every Friday we host International Coffee Hour at the Mills

International Center."

International Week head coordinator Hailey Im added that she hoped the week creates commonalities between international and domestic students.

"I just want (domestic) University students to come and enjoy themselves and for people to be able to come to the ISA and ask questions about anything that is related to international cultures," Im said. "I don't want people to feel uncomfortable when talking to international students." The ISA has a coordination

staff of 25 University students for International Week and will have more than 100 student volunteers throughout the week working on programs, workshops and presentations. The ISA hosts International Week with help from other student organizations, including the African Student Association, the Korean Student Association, the Kendo Club and the Women's Center.

The ISA planned 20 events to take place around campus throughout the week. EMU Amphitheater events will

relocate to Room 41 in the Student Recreation Center in the event of rain, Im said.

The ISA is still looking for additional volunteers. Those who work for three hours will receive a free T-shirt, and volunteers who put in five or more hours will also receive a ticket to International Night. Students who are interested in volunteering can go to the ISA office located outside of the Mills International Center.

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was the margin of victory 100 votes or fewer.

However, it did prompt the Oregon Commentator's blog to suggest Rousseau and Arora may have been guilty of "a serious violation of campaign rules."

Those within the Campus Change Coalition campaign said they had simply arrived at the number by comparing the number of votes they estimated they had garnered to the total number cast on DuckWeb, as reported by Ketchum.

As a tactic, purporting to know the vote count appears to be older than the Campus Change Coalition.

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COMMENT ON OREGON COMMENTATOR WEB SITE

losing and we had it from a good source," said one commenter on the Commentator's Web site. "Of course we didn't, but it served as motivation."

However, ASUO Outreach Coordinator Andrew Crampton, who campaigned for the rival Reality Check slate, called it "maliciously lying to students" in another reply to the Commentator's post.

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INTERNATIONAL WEEK HIGHLIGHTS

MONDAY

What: International Week Kickoff Parade

Where: From The Duck Store to the EMU

When: 11:30 a.m. to noon

TUESDAY

What: African Dance Workshop

Where: EMU Fir Room

When: 2 to 3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

What: Roma Against Racism, with speaker Morgan Ahern

Where: Knight Library Browsing Room

When: 7:30 to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY

What: Hula Dancing Workshop

Where: Open space near the ticket office in the EMU

When: 2 to 3 p.m.

FRIDAY

What: "War in Iraq" presentation with Awab al-Rawe

Where: Mills International Center

When: 10:30 a.m. to noon

SUNDAY

What: International Night

Where: EMU Fishbowl and Ballroom

When: 6 to 8:30 p.m.

Cost: \$6 student admission, \$8 general admission

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Installation of power lines to disrupt traffic along East 13th Avenue

Construction beginning today along East 13th Avenue and Alder Street will result in congestion and intermittent

traffic delays in the busy area, according to EWEB.

The installation of underground power lines along the two streets, and the subsequent removal of overhead power lines, is expected to take about two months to complete.

The work will take place along East 13th Avenue between

Hilyard and Alder streets, and along Alder Street from East 13th to East 17th avenues.

The contractor, Professional Underground Services, will cut trenches across Alder Street in four locations and dig pits at East 13th Avenue at Alder and Hilyard Streets, according to an EWEB release.

The project is an effort to reinforce the downtown and West University electrical grid, the release said. Once the underground lines are installed, three decks of overhead distribution lines along Hilyard Street, from East 11th to East 18th avenues, will be removed.

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Students designed outfits out of recycled materials on Saturday morning for the "Trashy Fashion Show" that evening in the Student Recreation Center. Participants used materials such as soda cans, old cloth, paper, broken lights and cardboard. The fashion show was put on by the University's Ecological Design Center as part of the 16th annual HOPES conference that took place on campus this weekend.

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Ecological Design Center highlights post-industrial environment endeavors

SARAH WALTERS
NEWS REPORTER

This year's HOPES sustainability conference centered on the theme of designing in the post-industrialist era.

The 16th annual event, which ran Thursday through Sunday at the School of Architecture and Allied Arts, was sponsored and organized by the Ecological Design Center, an ASUO student group. Activities included the Material Resource Center petting zoo, a Trashy Fashion Show, live music, do-it-yourself gardening and craft workshops, and lectures and panels featuring nationally recognized leaders in the fields of architecture, design, ecology, technology, engineering and environmental studies.

Joshua Wilkinson, AAA student and director of HOPES, which stands for Holistic Options for Planet Earth Sustainability, said this year's theme of "Closing the Loop" examined the idea of post-industrialism in modern society.

"In reality, natural systems have no beginning or end," Wilkinson said. "We forget that nature has no trash can." He said designers must learn how to make things that mimic these natural processes.

Keynote speakers and guests

included Fritz Haeg, a nationally renowned architect whose designs incorporate nature. Haeg's "Gardenlab" project tackled the concept of the American dream and the symbolism of the front yard, an ideal he called isolating.

"Our society is in a situation where people draw the lines between themselves and nature," Haeg said. "It gives license for crazy behavior."

Haeg traveled through the U.S. and found families who agreed to have vegetable, herb or fruit gardens replace their front yards. He found that these projects helped connect communities.

Another group of speakers addressed the idea of gardening as a tool for social change. This panel included Home Garden program manager Rodney Bender, landscape designer and consultant Heiko Koester, and permaculture designer and teacher Rick Valley. The panel discussed the issues of gardening education, food, nutrition, farmers markets and food regulation.

"An ideal urban food system is one where fresh food is available to anyone who wants it," Bender said.

Other speakers included Anthony Perl, director of the Urban Studies Program at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, B.C., and author of "Transport Revolutions: Moving People and Freight Without Oil." Perl

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Jessica Dunlap, public relations coordinator and HOPES logistics coordinator, could not say exactly how many attendees were at the conference, but she estimated that it was between 400 and 600 people.

The HOPES event is the only ecological design conference developed and managed by students, according to the HOPES Web site. One of the founders, Kevin Harper, addressed an audience of AAA students in Lawrence Hall about their role in the future of design.

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TRACK & FIELD

Starting off on the right foot

Oregon's men's and women's track teams both emerged from Hayward Field victorious on Saturday in their first team meet of the season

ROBERT HUSSEMAN | SPORTS REPORTER

Jordan Hasay's Hayward Field debut as a collegian was an unqualified success, and Amber Purvis swept the 100 meters and 200 meters as the Oregon women won the Pepsi Team Invitational on Saturday with strong performances across the board.

The No. 2 Ducks won their 16th Pepsi women's title with 212 points, overtaking No. 1 Texas A&M (179.5), Missouri (141) and No. 13 Washington (135).

Oregon started the meet off on the right foot, with a win from Sara Cole in the women's hammer throw and a 1-2 finish for Claire Michel and Taylor Wallace in the women's 3,000-meter steeplechase. The Ducks finished 2-3-4 in the women's 1,500 meters (scoring only accommodated the highest two for each team in each event), as Nicole Blood, Alex Kosinski and Becca Friday were overtaken by Washington's Katie Follett.

Purvis began her day with the 4x100-meter relay, running the second leg with Mandy White, Keshia Baker and Jamesha Youngblood. The Ducks took second to Texas A&M, who swept both sprint relays and both hurdles events.

But in the 100m, Purvis ran 11.38 to take down the Aggies' Porscha Lucas (11.57), the reigning 200m champion. In the 200m, Purvis ran a wind-aided 23.00, beating Dominique Duncan of Texas A&M, a member of the school's collegiate record-holding 4x100m relay team. (The record was set at the 2009 NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships.)

"This was a pretty exciting day," Purvis said. "I'm happy that Texas A&M came out here today, gave us good competition to run today. It gave me a lot of motivation."

The day's most anticipated event, the women's 5,000 meters, saw Hasay set a blazing pace early. With the assistance of Lauren Zaludek as a rabbit, Hasay distanced herself from the field by as much as 150 meters after the first mile of the race. Blood eventually distanced herself from the pack and slowly reeled Hasay in, but the freshman from Arroyo Grande, Calif., couldn't be caught. She won her first-ever 5,000m race on a track in 16:16.02. Blood finished second in 16:20.60.

"It was great. The crowd was really, really helpful," Hasay said. "I didn't really have a



IVAR YONG | PHOTO EDITOR

Decathlete Ashton Eaton lands in the pit after one of his long jumps. Eaton won the long jump and the 110-meter hurdles, as both the men and women won the Pepsi Invitational over Texas A&M.

great time out there. It felt pretty bad. It was just hard being out there by myself. Just not having raced that distance before — the other girls were like, 'I can't really give you any advice. You just have to kind of go out and do it and see how it is.'"

Oregon also received a pleasant surprise from freshman Anne Kesselring in the 800

meters. The Nurnberg, Germany, native bested the Missouri duo of Layne Moore and Shannon Leinert to win in 2:06.90.

The Oregon men also took home the Pepsi team title, scoring 186 points to Texas A&M's 151. Washington took third place with 132 points, Illinois was fourth (109) and Missouri was fifth (103).

Struggles in early distance events left the Ducks in a potential bind. Texas A&M's Kevin Burnett shocked the field with a win in the men's 5,000m (14:08.06). Oregon's Kevin McNally had a strong performance in the men's 3,000m steeplechase, taking second to Illinois' Kyle Engnell, but A.J. Acosta was a disappointing fifth in his

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FOOTBALL

Williams struggling with Ducks' no-huddle offense

The former NJCAA All-American is in the running to replace Ed Dickson's production next season at tight end

LUCAS CLARK | SPORTS REPORTER

Through two full weeks of spring practice, the Oregon football team clearly has some questions in need of answering before next fall. With the departure of arguably the most physically gifted player on the team last year in tight end Ed Dickson, the Ducks will have a big hole to fill in his absence.

Dickson corralled 42 receptions for 551 yards and six touchdowns last season with his backup, junior David Paulson, seeing the field for limited minutes throughout the year. Paulson, however, now looks to be the early favorite to replace his former mentor.

But if there's one person standing in the way of Paulson holding down the starting spot next season, it's junior college transfer Brandon Williams. But despite having all the physical tools — his 6-foot-4-inch, 226-pound frame has drawn comparisons to Dickson — Williams still has to battle learning Oregon's complex offense on the fly.

"The only way for those (new) guys to learn is to get reps at something," tight end coach Tom Osborne said. "In the process, when guys

TOP RETURNERS

David Paulson: 12 catches, 185 yards

Brandon Williams: NJCAA All-American, 908 yards and seven TDs

Malachi Lewis: Two receptions, 30 yards

are learning, there's going to be a lot of mistakes made and sometimes it's because they're not totally confident into what they're doing until they can get to that point."

Osborne went on to say that Williams in particular has made more mistakes during the first two weeks of practice than he normally would, though the blame is not entirely his own.

"It's new," Osborne said. "And the difference is the pace we go, we don't have time to call a play in the huddle."

In Oregon's no-huddle offense, players look to the sidelines for the upcoming play. A coach with a red wristband on each arm uses a variety of hand signals to relay the play onto the field. But when you've only been working with the playbook for two weeks, things can get confusing, leaving Williams often times lined up in the wrong position.



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Tight end David Paulson backed up graduating senior Ed Dickson in 2009, but this year the Ducks will rely on Paulson to block and catch passes with the same proficiency as his former teammate.

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SOFTBALL

Home runs guide Oregon to sweep of Golden Bears

Included in Oregon's six weekend homers is a walk-off on Sunday

LUCAS CLARK
SPORTS REPORTER

Monique Fuiava belted a two-run home run in the bottom of the ninth inning to push No. 21 Oregon past the No. 15 California Golden Bears for the third time in as many days Sunday afternoon at Howe Field.

After freshman Samantha Pappas was intentionally walked for the second straight at-bat, Fuiava drove a 2-1 pitch over the center-field fence to seal the Ducks' 8-6 victory. Fuiava found herself in almost an identical situation when Pappas was intentionally walked with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning, but Fuiava was unable to drive her in.

"It feels good," Fuiava said of her home run. "I don't mind if teams keep on doing that because (Pappas) is a good hitter, so she deserves all the respect she gets. I just need to come through for my team."

The Ducks (29-6, 5-1 Pac-10)

extended their perfect home record to 11-0 this season, using a plethora of round-trippers to do so.

Oregon jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first when senior center fielder Nee-na Bryant sent her third home run of the year sailing over the left-field fence. Cal responded with two runs of its own in the top of the second before Pappas put the Ducks back out in front with a three-run homer.

The Las Flores, Calif., native is now tied for eighth all-time for single season home runs by an Oregon player with 11.

With Cal then trailing 4-3 heading into the top of the fifth, sophomore Jamia Reid, the Pacific-10 Conference leader in hits and stolen bases, scored from first base off teammate Jace Williams' double that reached the left-field fence to tie the game. The Bears then retook the lead when starting pitcher Valerie Arioto crushed her 10th home run of the year with a two-run shot.

"You don't try to hit home runs — they happen," Oregon head coach Mike White said. "I think we hit the ball very hard

yesterday and we only had two hits, but at least we hit it hard. Today we got the ball lifted a little bit and they went out."

Oregon junior catcher Kaitlin Vitek led off the next inning with a single before being driven in by sophomore shortstop Kelsey Chambers' sixth home run of the season to tie the game at six. Following scoreless innings in the seventh and eighth, Cal came to bat in the top of the ninth at the top of its order, but Oregon freshman pitcher Jessica Moore recorded three straight ground ball outs to send it to the bottom of the ninth.

Oregon found itself at the top of the batting order as well, but freshman Allie Burger and Bryant both went down quickly, bringing Pappas back to the dish. At this point in the weekend, 23-year Cal head coach Diane Ninemire had seen plenty of Pappas and elected to put her on first base, leaving Fuiava with another opportunity to win it.

"I think Mo really took it to heart and said, 'Hey I'm going to make you pay this time,' and she did," White concluded.

Vitek, who replaced regular starter Ashley Kivett behind

TOP PERFORMERS

Monique Fuiava: 6 for 12, one HR, four RBI

Kaitlin Vitek: 4 for 6, one HR, one RBI

Samantha Pappas: two HR, six RBI

the plate following a shaky performance Friday night, had the biggest breakout weekend for the Ducks. Her solo home run on Saturday afternoon — her first of the season — was one of only two hits for Oregon on the day, though it proved pivotal in the Ducks 1-0 win. She also recorded a timely hit late in the game on Friday night in Oregon's 6-5 victory that also lasted nine innings. For the weekend, Vitek batted 4 for 6, while Fuiava went 6 for 12.

The series sweep was monumental for a team that went just 3-18 in conference play a year ago, and should give Oregon a boost of confidence as it heads into another key matchup when No. 1 Washington comes to town on Thursday.

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First baseman Monique Fuiava hit a game-winning home run in the ninth inning against the Cal Bears to sweep Cal 3-0. It was Oregon's first Pac-10 sweep in five years.

FOOTBALL

FROM PAGE 5

Williams was a first-team NJCAA All-American for Joliet Junior College following the 2009 season, leading his team with 56 receptions for 908 yards and seven scores. He collected more than a handful of honors during his time at Joliet, and also played on the school's basketball team.

"He's a great competitor. He wants to get better," Oregon head coach Chip Kelly

said. "He's been a model kid for everything he does. He's early to everything he's at. He's exactly what you want in a football player, it's just a matter of getting him some quality reps."

Getting reps has come easily for Williams during the spring with the projected No. 2 tight end senior Malachi Lewis going down with a hamstring injury. Lewis' career has been a quiet one at best for the Ducks, leaving the door wide open for Williams.

"(He's) very impressive,"

senior quarterback Nate Costa said. "He's one of those guys who when you come in you kind of freeze up when you want to learn things, but he's one of those guys who goes full-go."

"You'll see him knock guys on the ground; he'll knock his own offensive players on the ground. I think I saw him knock a coach on the ground."

The question of understanding the offense isn't one that will be answered overnight for Williams, but as

"You'll see him knock guys on the ground; he'll knock his own offensive players on the ground. I think I saw him knock a coach on the ground."

NATE COSTA
QUARTERBACK

long as the effort is still where it needs to be, he'll be in contention for the starting job come September.

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MEN'S GOLF

Weather delays U.S. Intercollegiate

Heavy rains suspended the first round of play at the U.S. Intercollegiate, held at Stanford Golf Club in Stanford, Calif.

Eugene Wong and Andrew Vijarro were the only Ducks on the course at the time of suspension. Both stood at even par.

Play resumes at 9 a.m. today, with both the first and second rounds slated for completion.

The third and final round begins Tuesday.

The U.S. Intercollegiate has a stacked field, with five teams ranked in Golfstat's top 10. No. 4 Oregon is competing against familiar foes in No. 2 Stanford, No. 3 Washington, No. 6 UCLA and No. 8 Arizona State.

An automatic exemption to the 2010 Reno-Tahoe Open, held on July 15-18 at Montreux Golf & Country Club, will be awarded to the medalist of the U.S. Intercollegiate.

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TRACK

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steeplechase debut. The Aggies also swept the sprint events, winning eight in all.

Ashton Eaton was a driving force behind the team victory, as the senior from Bend, Ore., did anything and everything he could. Eaton long-jumped 25 feet, 6 inches to win that event despite taking only three attempts, and he took the 110-meter hurdles in a wind-aided 13.64. (Illinois' Andrew Riley, the race favorite, was disqualified for a false start.)

"It's unfortunate that kid had a false start," Eaton said.

Oregon looked strong in the middle distances, as Matthew Centrowitz outlasted Washington's Colton Tully-Doyle to win the 1,500m and Mac Fleet made an impressive Hayward Field debut. The

freshman from San Diego won the 800m in 1:49.19, his first venture under 1:50 in the event.

"It was a little frustrating, so it's nice to finally get under (1:50)," Fleet said.

The field events were also good to the Ducks, helping them secure the team title. David Klech and Danny Marconi tied for first in the high jump, each clearing 6 feet, 9-3/4 inches, and Jordan Stray won the hammer throw with a 213-foot, 8-inch mark on his third attempt.

"A season best by a foot," Stray said. "I knew it was a solid one."

James, Jackson debut at Hayward

Running back LaMichael James and cornerback Talmadge Jackson III made their debuts at Hayward Field by competing in the 4x100m

TOP PERFORMERS

Amber Purvis: 1st in 100m (11.38), 1st in 200m (23.00)

Ashton Eaton: 1st in 110m hurdles (13.64), 1st in long jump (25 feet, 6 inches)

Jordan Hasay: 1st in 5,000m (16:16.02)

relay for the Ducks.

Jackson ran the third leg of the relay, while James ran the anchor leg (Vernell Warren and Eric Hersey started off the race). Oregon finished fourth in 41.95, behind Texas A&M, Illinois and Washington.

"We didn't have good marks," James said. "Racing against Texas A&M, you've got to have good marks, and we didn't."

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Jordan Hasay's first event at Hayward Field was a success, as she won the 5,000m over teammate Nicole Blood.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Oregon loses to Stanford, finishes season with one conference win

The Oregon women's tennis team was swept by the No. 11 Stanford Cardinal, 7-0, to close Pacific-10 Conference play with a 7-15 record (1-7 Pac-10). Stanford is 17-1 overall (6-0 Pac-10) with two more matches remaining in its season.

The Cardinal won all three doubles matches to secure the doubles point. Freshman Patricia Skowronski and junior Emmanuelle Cor managed to square their match against Mallory Burdette and Stacey Tan at 7-7, but fell in the tie-breaker, 7-4.

In singles play, the Cardinal did not allow the Ducks a single set. Freshman Julia Metzger challenged Stanford's Lindsey Burnette at the No. 2 singles spot, but eventually fell 6-4, 6-4.

Skowronski fell behind to Tan quickly in the No. 4 singles position, dropping the first set 6-1, before fighting back in the second set. Tan eventually took the set and the match, 6-4.

The Pacific-10 Conference Championships, held at Ojai, Calif., begin on Tuesday, April 22.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). There are days when you can get away with less attention to detail -- just showing up is enough. Today is not like that. Bring your best to the events of the day. Show up and be impeccable.

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A huge project may technically be over, but there are still many loose ends to wrap up. In some ways, you are not ready to move on. Be gentle with yourself. It's perfectly acceptable to linger in this space for a while.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Match the intensity and tone of your partner. Work when the other person is working, and play when the other person is playing. Relationship harmony paves the way for good fortune.

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BASEBALL

Ducks take first conference series win in nearly 30 years at Stanford

The Oregon Ducks baseball team did for the first time what it couldn't do for the past 11 Pacific-10 series since being reinstated: win a conference series.

The Ducks did it in dramatic fashion, scoring eight runs in the final two innings in the first game of Saturday's double-header to clinch the series against the No. 22 Stanford Cardinal (14-13, 4-5).

It started Friday, with Oregon (21-11 overall, 4-5 Pac-10) winning 5-2. Sophomore starter Tyler Anderson (5-3) earned the win, giving up two runs in five and two-thirds innings of action. Reliever Scott McGough pitched the rest of the way, holding the Cardinal at bay by allowing no hits over the final three and a third innings. From the plate, second baseman Danny Pulfer hit a two-run home run in the third inning, and KC Serna went three for four with two runs scored and walk.

Then Saturday, Oregon managed to win its first Pac-10 series since sweeping Washington at home on April 25-26, 1980. Oregon starter Justin LaTempa lasted three and one-third innings, giving up five runs on six hits. Reliever Zack Thornton pitched the next four and two-thirds innings, giving up another run, and the Ducks entered the eighth inning down 6-1. Oregon scored three runs on one hit in the eighth. That was followed by another five in the ninth, thanks to clutch hitting by freshman Jack Marder. Marder finished with three hits, two runs scored and four RBI in the 9-6 win.

Oregon nearly pulled off another comeback in the ninth in game three, getting a bases-loaded walk with two outs to draw within one run at 2-1, but Serna popped out to second base to end the game with the bases loaded. Pitcher Alex Keudell earned the loss, giving up two runs on seven hits in six innings of action.

Oregon now heads to Los Angeles to play the UCLA Bruins this Friday.

— BEN SCHORZMAN



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Sophomore Danny Pulfer and the Ducks won their first Pac-10 series since the program was reinstated. Pulfer hit a two-run home run Friday in a 5-2 win to help the cause.

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We will be discussing changes made to the service plan and review a proposed increase in monthly bus pass fares.

Open Houses	Time	Location
Monday, April 12	7 a.m. - 4 p.m.	LTD Customer Service Center

Public Hearing	Time	Location
Monday, April 12	5:30 p.m.	Eugene Public Library, Bascom/Tykeson Room

Fare Increase Under Consideration
Monthly adult: \$48
Monthly EZ Access half-fare and youth: \$24
Three-month adult: \$130
Three-month EZ Access half-fare and youth: \$65

If adopted, these changes will become effective with the sale of the July 2010 passes.

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