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Brady to leave post at UO



JIM BEAN
FORMER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS DEAN



LINDA BRADY
CURRENT PROVOST

Former College of Business dean Jim Bean will fill the vacated position for the next two years

JESSIE HIGGINS | NEWS EDITOR

The University's second-in-command, Senior Vice President and Provost Linda Brady, announced June 12 that she will be leaving her current position next Monday to become the new chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. University President

Dave Frohnmayer, who recently announced his plans to retire in spring 2009, has appointed the former Dean of the Charles H. Lundquist College of Business to serve as provost for the next two years while the search for a new University president is underway.

Brady had been participating in the confidential search for the UNC chancellor position, which is the North Carolina University System's equivalent to a university president, since February 2008.

"I wasn't out looking for a new job," Brady

said. She was contacted by a search firm trying to find qualified candidates for the chancellor position sometime in February.

Brady received official word that she had been selected as the new chancellor on June 12. "Because it was a closed search, I could not announce anything until this time," Brady said.

Frohnmayer announced that Jim Bean, Dean of the School of Business, will take over as

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—OPTICAL SCIENCE DISCOVERY CAMP—



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ABOVE LEFT: Two students were able to construct a functioning fan by connecting the fan to a miniature solar panel with a wire. ABOVE RIGHT: A camp participant holds out a piece of liquid, light, and pressure sensitive plastic that was part of a demonstration at this week's Optical Science Discovery Camp, hosted by the Oregon Center for Optics. ABOVE: With a bit of plastic wrap and some green tape, a length of rubber tubing was turned into a giant fiber optic cable that glowed orange.

An EYE for learning

The Optical Science Discovery Camp uses hands-on techniques to teach students about optics

EMILY GILLESPIE | FREELANCE REPORTER

Have you ever calculated the speed of light by microwaving chocolate? Or sent a Morse code message with a laser?

These experiments are just the beginning of the fun to be had at the Optical Science Discovery Camp, a camp organized by the Oregon Center for Optics for grades six to 12.

Meeting every day this week from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., the camp is designed to introduce young students to the concept of optics — an area of physics that studies the properties of light.

"Students are able to explore on their own," said Shannon O'Leary, a physics graduate student who helps lead the camp's classroom projects. "You kind of want to lead them, but when they learn things on their own, it makes it more meaningful."

The camp emphasizes hands-on learning where students learn about geometric optics, such as lenses and prisms, and imagery used in camera technology. They also explore fiber optics and diffraction using lasers as well as the solar energy concepts. The camp utilizes state-of-the-art laser and research equipment housed in the

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COUNTY BUDGET

Lost timber payments leave gaps in budget

Lane County Commissioners need to make up for \$50 million or the county faces drastic cuts

JASON REED | NEWS REPORTER

Lane County Commissioners are set to approve the county's budget today without nearly \$50 million dollars in federal timber money.

Lawmakers did not renew a funding package of \$238 million to rural counties in Oregon, which has left two-thirds of the state's county governments looking to replace the funding.

And state officials have released a report only offering alternatives that may not be feasible.

Gov. Ted Kulongoski presented a report that offered 54 recommendations to the 24 counties facing critical conditions, including Lane County, which has cut numerous jobs, programs and public safety services.

According to the report, issued by a Kulongoski-appointed task force, Oregon counties will face bigger financial woes than experienced during the state's 2001-03 recession, and possibly the worst since the Great Depression of the 1930s.

The 24 counties affected are predominately rural, but they also include the fourth and sixth most populated counties, Lane and Jackson. And help is hard to find for many of them.

"We have made progress toward developing a long-term plan in the absence of federal forest payments, but we need more time,"

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percent increase in property tax rates would raise \$15.1 to \$45.2 million per year for Oregon counties.

percent retail sales tax would yield about \$54 million each year for Lane County.

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Activists will take advantage of the area's increased media coverage during Eugene 08.

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An anti-hate group staged a demonstration against recent hate crimes.

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SLEEPING 101

'Eveningness' may be more than an 'unwholesome lifestyle choice'

CAMERON JOHNSON
THE DAILY MISSISSIPPIAN

Our night-owl culture is officially under attack. There's no denying it now. The evidence is solid. We can no longer pretend there isn't a problem. Reading, playing on the computer and drinking and smoking all night with friends does in fact have a negative impact on our academic performance. A new scientific finding illustrates unequivocally what we already knew or suspected intuitively: Night owls get lower grades.

Armed with the dull hypothesis, researchers at the University of North Texas split 824 students into two categories: the good (high GPAs) and the bad (low GPAs). In the survey, the good students mostly identified themselves as "morning people." The bad students griped about trouble staying focused and sleep irregularities such as difficulty falling asleep, sleep walking, restless kicking ... and most likely an inordinate fondness for potato chips and "The Craig Ferguson Show." Most of them fell asleep during the survey before they got that far, though.

That's not all. Last week, some other scientists somewhere else presented yet another attack on our sunlight-challenged vampire-wannabe brethren. At the annual meeting of the Associated Professional Sleep Societies, politically correct and sensitive researchers presented their findings that "eveningness" was associated with the various sleep irregularities and disorders the bad students complained about in the academics performance study.

All this time, I thought it was a chicken-egg thing. My early morning urges to grab the shotgun when my ears are violated by the foul and discomfoting notes of those insidious song birds is in fact a result of my staying-up too late, and not at all the inherently annoying

So there you have it. The world must accommodate the night owls. Let us sleep in, and we're just as functional as the morning people. And most importantly, it's not a lifestyle choice; it's not our fault, and it's not really wrong.

reality of avian mate-selection itself or some sort of inborn sleep problem.

And still, that's not all. Two articles do not a coordinated attack make. There's more.

Just when I thought all this demagoguery was merely a blip on my media radar, Deepa Ranganathan, writing for the online magazine Slate, had the gall to suggest we can fix this problem. Ranaganathan provides a litany of bizarre quackery, which we can embrace in order to realize our hidden inner morning person. He ridiculously suggests things like getting up and walking in the morning, time-management, keeping the lighting to a minimum in the evening, forcing yourself to get up earlier and wearing yellow-tinted glasses in the evening. He even has the nerve to conclude that getting up in the morning has an "allure."

As if we don't get enough bad-mouthing and knowing glares when we show up late for everything, now the very core of our identity — that obstinate nocturnal artifact of our childhood you-can't-make-me-go-to-bed-trauma — is under attack. We're no longer veiled with a social mystique by virtue of the hours we keep. It's undeniable: Something is wrong with us.

And not only is there something wrong with us, but we can supposedly

do something about it. I feel like a social pariah now, like a smoker unwittingly lighting up in a bar on the Square. Now even the most chipper, latte-toting morning type can reasonably resent our deviant ways and cast judgment on us.

We night owls are now left with only one option. This is cultural diversity, and if it's cultural diversity, then it must be preserved. We will not be quietly assimilated by the hyper-productive Borg. We also have science on our side.

Researchers at Norwalk Hospital for Sleep Disorders recently found that high school students fared better when their school hours started later. They stopped falling asleep in their classes. Go figure!

That's not all. "Eveningness" may in fact be something more than an unwholesome lifestyle choice.

Several years ago, researchers at the University of Surrey isolated a gene associated with preferences for night and day. The gene is called Period 3. Never mind that they also concluded it's a lifestyle thing for most people, so long as we have the benefit of the doubt. Am I right? We can now blame our parents for passing us a bad circadian clock.

So there you have it. The world must accommodate the night owls. Let us sleep in, and we're just as functional as the morning people. And most importantly, it's not a lifestyle choice; it's not our fault, and it's not really wrong.

So if you can crawl out of bed before the rest of the world closes shop, call your senators, call your representatives and demand accommodations. In the meantime, it might not hurt to get some school work done if you're up anyhow. Like listening to the BBC, you might also inadvertently find that you have no problem falling asleep.

THIS COLUMN ORIGINALLY RAN IN THE THE DAILY MISSISSIPPIAN AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

Regular sleep schedules, healthy snacks ensure you get the most out of your rest

MUAYYAD KARADSHEH
DAILY EVERGREEN

I am sure there are many people, including myself, who have problems getting sleep or have trouble sleeping. This seems to be especially prominent as college students, and in turn is a hot topic for many studies today.

One such study, published in the Journal of American College Health, concluded that of more than 300 students sampled, it took a third of them more than a half an hour to fall asleep. The study also found that 43 percent of the students woke more than once a night. Something also mentioned in the study was the impact of inconsistency in the students' sleep patterns on the weekends versus the weekdays, as most went to bed and woke up later on the weekends. This was found to be detrimental to the quality of all sleep, weekend or not. The findings suggest that keeping a regular sleep schedule, no matter what day of the week, ensures that you are getting the most out of your sleep.

There is a whole list of physiological effects poor sleep has on the body such as diabetes, lack of concentration and focus, and symptoms that are similar to ADHD and alcohol intoxication. To avoid and/or resolve these issues, you should follow a list of things that can help you get a good night's sleep. Activities like relaxation through classical music and sitting quietly with your eyes closed while breathing slowly can help reduce mental activity to help you fall asleep faster. Other things you can include in your lifestyle to relax are exercise and eating healthy, low-fat small snacks before heading to bed. Something that most people might not think about is your diet's impact on your sleep — especially the foods you eat before bed. Consuming foods high in tryptophan help your body produce serotonin, which in turn can trigger sleep. Foods containing tryptophan have been shown to help you in the first phase of sleep — the falling asleep part. Other aspects of sleep, such as the amount of deep sleep reached during the night, are actually harmed by supplemental tryptophan. The main key in getting the right amount of tryptophan is moderation. If you're going to eat a snack one to two hours before bed, a small carbohydrate-based snack that includes some protein and some fat would make the most sense. This snack could be a slice of whole grain bread with a little almond butter, or a 1/2-serving of oatmeal. The carbohydrates found in oatmeal and almonds actually help you release tryptophan.

Other foods high in tryptophan include dairy products: cottage cheese, cheese, milk; soy products: soy milk (warmed up), tofu, soybean nuts, whole grains, beans, rice, hummus, lentils, hazelnuts, peanuts, sesame seeds and sunflower seeds. Bananas are my favorite and I call them "sleeping pills" because they are loaded with tryptophan. These foods should be eaten four hours before you go to bed so that tryptophan has time to be released by the time you are ready to sleep. It is important to keep in mind that many animal foods are relatively high in tryptophan and might sound like logical candidates for improving sleep because they contain tryptophan. But in reality, these animal foods are also fairly high in other amino acids (like tyrosine) that could be used to produce other regulatory substances (like adrenaline) that would usually decrease the onset of sleep. I would recommend choosing foods that are rich in carbohydrates such as oatmeal or bananas and a balance of protein and fat would also be good for a restful night sleep.

THIS COLUMN ORIGINALLY RAN IN THE DAILY EVERGREEN AT WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

POLL: WHAT'S YOUR TAKE ON THE UPCOMING EUGENE 08: U.S. OLYMPIC TRACK & FIELD TRIALS?

- A. I'm really excited, I can't wait to see go! I bought my ticket months ago!
- B. I'm not happy that the Trials are disrupting my parking and transportation.
- C. The increased attention will be great at drawing new people to the area.
- D. Trials? What Trials?

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Eugene's political culture finds a stage during Eugene 08

Free speech zones will give activists a way to demonstrate

ROBERT D'ANDREA
NEWS EDITOR

Eugene's track and field culture will meet its political culture this weekend when activists vie for some of the national media spotlight that will come with the Olympic trials.

The Beijing 2008 Olympics are expected to draw political demonstrations against the Chinese government for its relations with Tibet, the Sudanese government and a variety of other issues, and Eugene's trials may present a microcosm of the similar grievances.

The EMU Amphitheater will serve as the primary location for demonstrations during

the 10-day festival. The EMU's East Lawn will be available for exhibitions that require sound amplification and other amenities, and an area between Walton Complex and the University Health Center will also serve as a designated free speech zone for individual demonstrators with signs or banners.

University spokesperson Julie Brown said the designated areas are "centrally located" and will foster free speech and give organizations a chance to present their messages without disturbing the trials.

"We're anticipating that we are going to have a lot of visitors taking tours of campus outside of the Hayward Field area" that would pass the designated areas, she said.

Signs are banned from the festival area outside of Hayward

Field and visitors will have to pass through metal detectors, Brown said.

The largest event scheduled so far is Camp Darfur, "an interactive educational exhibition depicting five different genocides, including Darfur," which will be displayed in the amphitheater "to create awareness of China's compliance with the genocide in Darfur," according to a press release.

The Lane County Darfur Coalition, Amnesty International and the Survival Center are organizing the event, volunteer Kailyn Knight said.

Organizers will also distribute blue armbands with the words "China Please."

"The armbands represent a call to China to embrace its new role as a world power by fulfilling its obligation to promote

human rights," Knight said.

"We hope to be really visual and affect some of the fans that will be going to Hayward Field," she said. "We want everything to be peaceful. We support the athletes. We just want to bring attention to what's going on and China's involvement."

Another group, Tibetan Youth Congress, will host a peace walk from the East Lawn to Downtown Eugene and back on June 28, followed by a peace concert and candlelight vigil at the amphitheater at 6:30 p.m.

Kyizom Wangmo, a Tibetan community member involved with the event, said the walk will be silent and peaceful.

Jessi Steward, the University scheduling manager, said all events for the amphitheater and the lawn need to be scheduled a couple of days in advance.

Steward said the same restrictions that would apply during the academic year will apply to the festival, such as not scheduling events in the middle of the night, but there are "no content issues we would try to stay away from."

Cody Anderson of Lane County Students for a Democratic Society said he is planning to schedule an event that is already being advertised around campus as a "day of action" to draw attention to "the impact of the Olympics on poor and homeless communities locally and globally."

Anderson said the event came about as a response to "police oppression to the homeless because of the trials."

"The reason we decided to mobilize was because there's been a total media blackout. There's been no recognition

that this is happening to the homeless," he said.

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FREE SPEECH

CAMP DARFUR

When: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday through Monday
Where: EMU Amphitheater

TIBET PEACE WALK

When: 10:30 a.m., Saturday
Where: EMU East Lawn
A concert and vigil will follow at the amphitheater at 6:30

LANE COUNTY STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY DAY OF ACTION

When: Noon, Sunday
Where: EMU

OPTICS | The camp has an emphasis on opportunities for underprivileged students

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Materials Science Institute in Willamette Hall.

O'Leary is part of the University's GK12 Science Outreach Program which aims to improve the science and math programs in Oregon schools.

"(The program) encourages teachers to do more hands-on science in the classroom," O'Leary said. "They learn a lot more that way."

Eleven-year-old Nathan Shepherd, one of the camp's 15 students, will attend Crow Middle School next year. "It's really neat to mess with stuff — taking stuff apart and make different things," Shepherd said. "I want to be an engineer; I like math."

Shepherd said his favorite activity they have done thus far is working with Jell-O to learn about the diffraction of light. "I liked bending the light; that was pretty awesome."

Brandy Todd, research administrator for OCO, hopes this camp spurs more scientific literacy in elementary education. "It's been pretty hectic so far, but it's going pretty well," Todd said. "They

really like the explosions."

Also running the camp is physics associate professor Miriam Deutsch and OCO Director Hailin Wang.

"This is the first time we've done this camp," Deutsch said. "I really enjoy it. I have kids and I just really like to teach."

The camp, and the University's Summer Academy to Inspire Learning, have an additional emphasis on the opportunities available to underprivileged students. "We want the kids to know that they can go to school and get paid to go to school," Deutsch said. "We seek kids who come from lower incomes but who have potential."

The week-long camp will end with a financial aid speaker who will inform the campers about options available in financing their education.

The camp is rather competitive, only accepting 15 participants. The application process includes an essay on what makes one a good candidate and has an optional letter of recommendation from a science teacher.



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ABOVE LEFT AND BOTTOM RIGHT: Participant waits for a shadow image to develop on her piece of light-sensitive paper. ABOVE: Two students at the Optical Science Discovery Camp examine the way that polarized plastic sorts light and reduces glare.

"(The program) encourages teachers to do more hands-on science in the classroom. They learn a lot more that way."

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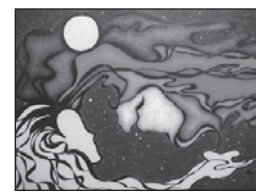
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"White Buffalo Calf Woman" by Melissa Muir, November 2006



The photograph is a blow-up of an antique photograph of a Native-American woman holding a papoose and is hanging on a wall, and this image is the photograph's reflection in the glass front of another exhibit. Seen in the Heard Museum in Phoenix. ("Reflection in Glass" by Ray Earle, 2007)

The insider perspective

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BRADY | Though she is excited for her new job, Brady says she is sad to leave the UO

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provost on July 1.

"Under Jim's guidance, the Lundquist College of Business has grown, prospered, and upheld the highest of academic ideals," Frohnmayer said in a University press release. "I am confident Jim will provide the same stellar leadership as senior vice president and provost."

Bean said that he will have a lot of work to do in both continuing projects that began during Brady's term and tackling new University issues once his term begins.

One of these issues involves the lack of state funds provided to the University, coupled with the very large freshman class that has enrolled for next fall. Bean said that he will be working to find the funds to accommodate these freshmen.

Bean said he is impressed with what has been done to handle the situation thus far, however.

"People have really gotten out in front of this one," Bean said.

Brady said that the state of North Carolina has a much stronger commitment to funding higher education than the state of Oregon does. This influenced her decision to take the chancellor position at UNC, she said.

"The funding issue is a real problem at the University of Oregon," Brady said. In North Carolina, she said, the increased state funding will make it easier to take the university in the direction she wants to take it.

Brady said that 36 percent of UNC's budget comes from state funds, whereas state funds only represent 13 percent of UO's budget.

Brady said on Monday that she will be spending the week meeting with Bean to give him a sense of where the University is at and where some of the main challenges lie.

Bean said that he plans initially to meet with faculty and student groups to get an idea of what is needed in the various departments.

After serving as dean of the School of Business since 2004, Bean said he has a detailed understanding of how schools interact with the Provost's Office.

Bean's appointment was designed to be most beneficial to the new University president who will take over after a year-long search in fall 2009.

Bean said that it will be beneficial to the new president to have a provost who has been in the position for a year. His second year in the position will allow the new

president time to head his or her own search for a new provost.

"It's not uncommon for both these positions to turn over at the same time," Brady said.

Brady said that this will give the new president the ability to both choose his or her own provost and possibly redefine the position.

Brady is both excited to

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LINDA BRADY
SENIOR VICE
PRESIDENT AND
PROVOST

begin her new position in North Carolina and sad to leave the University.

"It's really hard to leave because I feel like we've got some good things going here," she said.

Robin Holmes, the vice president of student affairs, said she is excited for Brady. "It's something that she really wanted, and it's going to be a good fit for her," Holmes said.

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Group holds protest vigil in reaction to hate crimes

The gathering in the EMU Amphitheater was a 'peaceful protest'

LAURA FONG
FREELANCE WRITER

About 60 people attended a protest vigil in the EMU Amphitheater Tuesday night in reaction to a string of recent hate crimes in Eugene.

The recent surge of hate crimes began May 8 when Spencer Butte Middle School was vandalized with racist and homophobic graffiti. A 59-year-old black man was beaten by three young white men June 9, and the Peter DeFazio Bridge was tagged with neo-Nazi symbols June 23.

The Community Alliance of Lane County (CALC) held the vigil during a lecture in the EMU Walnut room, hosted by the Pacifica Forum.

CALC Coordinator Sally Sheklow announced to the group of attendees: "We're here in peaceful protest. We don't have speakers. We're just having a vigil."

Protestor John Saemann said he has attended Pacifica Forum lectures in the past, but stopped in recent years because he believed the forum has "gone in the direction of bigotry."

Sheklow said that CALC has been monitoring the Pacifica Forum, and the group has "an escalating message of hate."

CALC members handed out fliers that protested the Pacifica Forum's Tuesday night speaker, Dr. Tomislav Sunic.

Sunic, a former Croatian diplomat and former professor of political science at several U.S. universities, presented his most recent book, "Homo Americanus: Child of the Postmodern Age." He told the group of about 30 lecture attendees that he resented being "categorized" and wasn't going to talk about "controversial" issues, which he said was a euphemism for "things that shouldn't be talked about."



LESLIE MONTGOMERY | DESIGNER

In the EMU Amphitheater Tuesday, Maya Rios (left) and John Saemann participated in a free speech vigil in response to a string of hate crimes and the Pacifica Forum's lecture featuring Dr. Tomislav Sunic.

The Pacifica Forum has lost sponsorship in recent years because of "opposition" to the speakers, said Jimmy Marr, an organizer and participant of the Pacifica Forum. He said the group puts an emphasis on free speech and provides a forum for "politically incorrect" subjects. "As long as they're peaceful, they don't need to justify their views," Marr said of Pacifica Forum's speakers.

The Pacifica Forum makes its lectures "look academic," but they bring speakers who are mostly anti-Zionist, anti-Israeli and anti-Jewish, said CALC advisory board member

Irwin Noparstak. He is also a member of the CALC program and the Anti-Hate Task Force, which reunited about two years ago in reaction to controversial Pacifica Forum speakers.

Vigil attendee and '06 alumna Maya Rios said she wanted to raise awareness that hate crimes affect the Eugene community. She said the Pacifica Forum is a group that supports white supremacy leaders, such as David Duke, known to be a Holocaust denier. "University campuses are a good way to build power for these groups," Rios said. "It's not something I want in my community."

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COUNTY | Suggested solutions include increasing lobbying and property taxes

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Kulogoski said in a press release.

The task force, which was commissioned to address the impending loss of federal revenue, offered three main solutions to make up for the missing money: increase property taxes, increase logging and persistently lobby federal lawmakers to renew the funding.

However, all three options fall on the less-than-possible side of hopeful.

In Lane County, voters have rejected increased tax measures more than a dozen straight times, and county commissioners have given up any initiative to propose a new tax.

During the last few months of the county's budget process, commissioners said they would definitely not impose any new tax unless it came from a grassroots citizen level, which hasn't happened yet.

"I agree that the citizens have to step up to the plate, but so far they are in the dugout," Lane County Commissioner Bill Dwyer said in an e-mail.

From 1997 to 2007, only 38 percent of ballot tax measures passed in Oregon counties.

"A tax is absolutely unacceptable," said Jason Williams, executive director of Taxpayer Association of Oregon. This is the third plan to fix a problem with a tax proposal by the governor in the last year, Williams said, referring to a proposed increase in the

tobacco tax to aid uninsured children and a gas tax to provide for road repairs.

A second major alternative calls for an increase in logging.

The lost \$283 million in federal funding was part of an annual payment plan by the federal government. The plan was meant to offset the falling timber revenues that threatened Oregon counties in the 1990s when production declined by 90 percent by the end of the decade.

The task force called for double or triple the current level of logging, which could make up around one-half of the lost revenue in some counties.

However, one local conservation group is calling the logging plan a "wish list of the timber industry." "What the task force is looking for is the same thing the logging industry wants," said Steve Pedery, spokesperson for the conservation group Oregon Wild. "The public will not stand for logging on the scale experienced in the '70s and '80s of over-harvesting that led to endangering the spotted owl and salmon."

The task force's logging plan calls for timber thinning to create a "healthy forest," which would reduce the risk of wildfires. The task force and governor assert these fires contribute to global warming.

Pedery, however, said that argument doesn't hold water. He said under some of the task force

recommendations, old growth trees would be cut down, which combats global warming more than a reduction in forest fires.

The most discussed option recommended by the task force was to keep lobbying federal legislators to renew the funding with at best a four-year plan and at least a one-year renewal.

That outlook is bleak as the House recently defeated a four-year renewal bill sponsored by Oregon Rep. Peter DeFazio. Last year, the Senate could not get a similar bill to President George W. Bush's desk either.

Oregon counties faced losing the timber payments in the spring of 2007, but federal legislators granted them a one-year renewal, which was tied to the Iraq War appropriations bill. President Bush, however, has made it clear this year he would veto any bill stuffed with domestic spending.

The House recently approved its version of the war spending bill without any county aid.

The only federal-based hope for counties could come from the Senate if it approves a war-spending bill with the timber renewal, but it would have to be able to sustain a presidential veto.

Lane County lobbyist Alex Cuyler said there is another hope in the form of a tax credit bill that includes a four-year county payment plan; however, he said, "it's a long shot."

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ANDREW
WHEATING

Just like Acosta and Eaton, Andrew Wheatling finished his second year of classes at Oregon last week. Unlike all but a handful of University students, however, Wheatling spent his finals week running for a national title — and came .01 of a second away from doing just that.

After Wheatling became the first Vermont native to ever run a sub-four minute mile at the Oregon Relays, he went on to upstage a visit by Barack Obama by running a then-U.S. leading 3:38.60 1,500 meters, sixth all-time at Oregon. Wheatling is entered in the 1,500 and 800 meters and says he will definitely run the 800.

His latest feat, a 1:45.32 personal best in the 800m at the NCAA Championships, leaves him third all-time at Oregon. It's also the fifth-fastest entry for the Olympic Trials, and leaves him in position to make his first Olympic team.

"I can't wait to get out here and race," Wheatling said. "I'm 20 years old, I'm shooting at a shot on the Olympic team. It's a bonus. Four years later would be more pressure, but I'm just looking to have fun."

The men's 800m quarterfinal begins Friday night at 8:20 p.m., with a final at 8:25 on June 30.

Wheatling possesses a finishing kick that has dusted more than a few would-be winners in the 2008 outdoor season.

At the NCAA Championships, the 6-foot-5 Duck went from third to a photo finish in less than 30 meters. During his 3:38 1,500m, Wheatling ran the final 200 in an unofficial 26.1 seconds.

You can be sure Hayward Field will be as loud as it's ever been if Wheatling is in the mix with 100 meters to go in the 800-meter final.

Home crowd favorites



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ASHTON EATON

It took Ashton Eaton almost a day after his win in the NCAA decathlon to realize he wouldn't be returning to Eugene just to relax.

After sorting through dozens of text messages and missed calls to his cell phone, he realized his season would be extended by at least two weeks.

"I got that ('A' standard) and I was like 'Wow ... I actually get to compete at these Trials.' That's crazy to me," said Eaton, who set a personal best by scoring 8,055 points two weeks ago in Iowa.

Last June, Eaton placed third in the decathlon and second in the long jump at the U.S. Junior Track and Field Championships in Indianapolis. He entered the 2008 season with a personal best of 6,977 before winning the Pacific-10 Conference decathlon with

a score of 7,604. He is also an NCAA Championships qualifier in the long jump, 4x100 and 4x400-meter relays.

At the Nike Elite decathlon held at Sacramento State University in March, only 18 months after first learning the decathlon, Eaton put together the second-best performance ever by an American in the decathlon's four running events, scoring 3,590 points. Fellow Oregonian Dan O'Brien holds the record of 3,656 set in 1991.

Even in Eugene, he believes, or at least hopes, he'll be out of the professionals' spotlight. "I guarantee they don't know who I am yet," Eaton said. "But that's the position I like to be in."

Third place at the 2004 U.S. Olympic Trials was 8,312 points.

The decathlon begins Sunday at 10 a.m. and finishes Monday night around 8:30 p.m.

Five Oregon track and field athletes — Andrew Wheatling, Ashton Eaton, Galen Rupp, Nicole Blood and Rachel Yurkovich — may be joined by two others 'on the bubble'

ANDREW GREIF AND BRYN JANSSON
SPORTS EDITOR AND SPORTS REPORTER

As the countdown to the U.S. Olympic Track & Field Trials reaches two days, Oregon students and Eugene residents will have their own hometown favorites to cheer on. For the first time since the likes of Bill McChesney Jr. and Leann Warren stole the show in 1980, a group of Oregon Ducks will be competing at Hayward Field for the right to go to Beijing as a member of the U.S. Olympic team.

Five Ducks — Andrew Wheatling, Ashton Eaton, Galen Rupp, Nicole Blood and Rachel Yurkovich — have already been accepted into the meet, with two more — A.J. Acosta and Jordan McNamara — on the bubble. Oregon head coach Vin Lananna said Monday he thought Acosta would get in. McNamara is unlikely to be selected.

The athletes will try to become the first Ducks to make a U.S. Olympic team as students since McChesney, Tom Hintnaus and Alberto Salazar in 1980.

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RACHEL
YURKOVICH

The javelin thrower from Newberg just finished her best campaign yet for the Ducks. After sweeping the Pac-10 and West Region championships for the third year in a row, Yurkovich broke through two weeks ago at the NCAA Championships, winning her first national title with a throw of 185 feet, 7 inches.

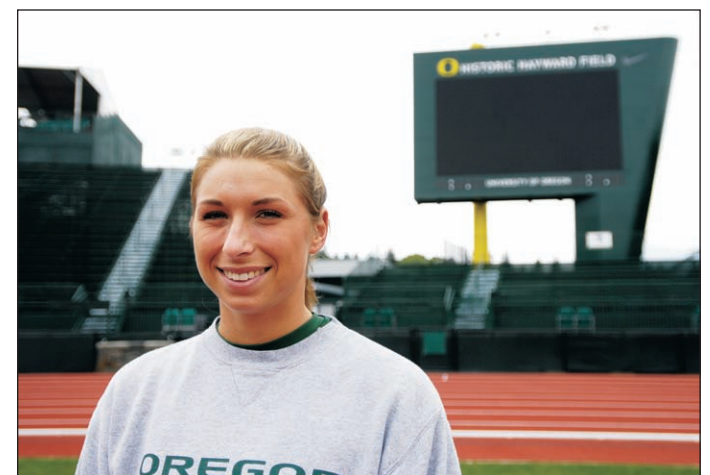
She will enter the Trials with confidence knowing she can be competitive with the best, but knows that the Olympic Trials will be different from the NCAA meet.

"Knowing I can beat people that are ahead of me, that made me a little more comfortable, but other than that, it's a completely different atmosphere, it's completely different people and a different level," she said.

Yurkovich, the school and Pac-10 record holder in the javelin with her mark of 191-1 from the Oregon Relays this year, has the fourth best throw in the U.S. this year.

In order to make the Olympic team, Yurkovich will need to meet the Olympic 'A' standard of 198-6.

"I hope it works out and I hope that everyone in the stands and the atmosphere



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can help, but what happens happens," she said.

She has had many of her best throws at Hayward Field. Both her Oregon and Pac-10 record of 191-1 and her national high school record of 176-5 from 2005 were set here.

The women's javelin competition starts with the qualifying rounds Saturday at 12:45 p.m. The final will be Monday night at 8:20 p.m.

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- Across**
- 1 Judy Garland or Liza Minnelli
 - 8 Sushi covering
 - 15 It began in 1968, for tennis
 - 16 Targetable
 - 17 "Family Ties" family
 - 18 Football coaching figures
 - 19 Combustion product
 - 20 Slice, say
 - 22 An end to peace?
 - 23 Behind
 - 25 Bashkir's close cousin
 - 26 Station
 - 27 Weapon for Wonder Woman
 - 29 TV shopper's option
 - 30 Undertake
 - 31 Dancer's guider, for short
 - 33 Shallow
 - 35 Big name in notebooks
 - 37 Chips-in-a-can brand from Lay's
 - 38 Silicon Valley city
 - 42 Top of a slope?
 - 46 Hill of law
 - 47 Milieu for Katarina Witt
 - 49 Old Testament patriarch
 - 50 Romance, e.g.
 - 51 Female demon
 - 53 People's 1999 Sexiest Man Alive
 - 54 City ESE of Utrecht
 - 55 Botched salon job
 - 57 OB, e.g.
 - 58 Lagged
 - 60 1970 western named for a fictional Texas city
 - 62 Virtuoso
 - 63 Ethnic conflict
 - 64 Jacket option

- Down**
- 1 Some four-wheelers
 - 2 Popular costume party costume
 - 3 "Groovy"
 - 4 Undesirable result of making a pass?: Abbr.
 - 5 High-ranking suits
 - 6 "... then again, maybe I'm wrong"
 - 7 Market for Microsoft
 - 8 Bodybuilders' prides
 - 9 "Scandalized Masks" painter, 1883
 - 10 "But hark! comes gently to the door": Robert Burns
 - 11 Weak
 - 12 What a superscript in a text might refer one to
 - 13 Chanel fragrance for men
 - 14 Place for a trash can
 - 21 Some four-wheelers, for short
 - 24 Episcopal leader
 - 26 Warning about people moving from side to side?
 - 28 Speedy express

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- 40 Bit of cocoa?
- 41 Fool
- 43 55-Down with fiddles
- 44 Flipper
- 45 2003 sci-fi disaster film featuring a subterranean team of "terranauts"
- 48 Bimonthly magazine for environmentalists
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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (JUNE 25). There's an enticing air of intrigue around you. You're not trying to be interesting, it's just that your dignified instinct is not to talk about the minutia of your decision-making process, and so you're imbued with silent power. Continue to trust your private process. September brings a windfall. Leo and Sagittarius are mad about you. Your lucky numbers are: 48, 20, 52, 37 and 31.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Silent power is not having to say everything you think. Holding opinions back shows restraint, maturity and intelligence. Your subtle approach is appreciated by classy people.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your plan for the future might not have been conscious, but now it's unfolding and you realize that it was a plan, nonetheless. You've saved the best for last in some regard. Now you get to enjoy it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're noticing how everything moves, and also noticing that it doesn't necessarily move forward. Just as planets in retrograde give the illusion of going backward, progress sometimes looks like regression.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Stellar opportunities drop from out of the blue. The only thing that can keep you back is a historical precedent set by you. Perform a physical act of symbolic meaning geared toward starting fresh.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You can procrastinate no longer. Identify any action you take that leads you away from your goal as "dangerous." Tonight, you're an astute observer of life. Consider using your findings to create art.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Life is always in flux, although it's not always as obvious a state as it is right now. Your personal expansion is a process, not having to do with one decision, but a series of small, inspiring events.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Not every battle is won through aggression. Sometimes all you have to do is ask for what you want and it's willingly given. Tonight, examine the role that feminine energy plays in your life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Enthusiasm is the key ingredient to motivate your team. Be the morale booster. Show up in the center of the action -- that's where you're needed. Keep a high profile and stay positive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You can't change other people, only your reaction to them. Use your best manners with everyone you come across. Being available for the unexpected gets you a lucrative opportunity.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Whatever or whomever you'd like to add to your life is within the realm of possibility. Clearly define this request to the universe, keeping in mind that you'll probably get exactly what or whom you ask for.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Good taste is admired by those who share it. If activities feel draining, something is wrong. Figure it out. The only way to come out ahead is to put your health first.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Everything you do is in fast motion. You get right to the point. Extra work will be offered to you. You can use this to advance career interests. Tonight, you don't have to spend much extra to get from here to there in style.

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NBA



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Malik Hairston has been projected to be a second-round pick in tomorrow's NBA Draft. "We just hope that all three of us will get drafted or at least have a chance to make a team so that we can make our dreams come true," Bryce Taylor said in a media gathering following a workout with the Portland Trail Blazers in June. "It's an exciting time for all of us, and I'm just hoping all of us do well."

Flock of former Ducks eagerly awaits Thursday's NBA draft

Bryce Taylor is considered the most likely player to be drafted

JEFFREY DRANSFELDT
FREELANCE WRITER

The day the Oregon basketball players find out their future destination has nearly arrived.

Bryce Taylor, Malik Hairston and Maarty Leunen will be waiting to see if an NBA team calls their name at Thursday night's NBA Draft. All are expected to be second-round selections if they are chosen.

Since their final college season ended in the first round of the NCAA Tournament, the trio have been working out with goals of being picked.

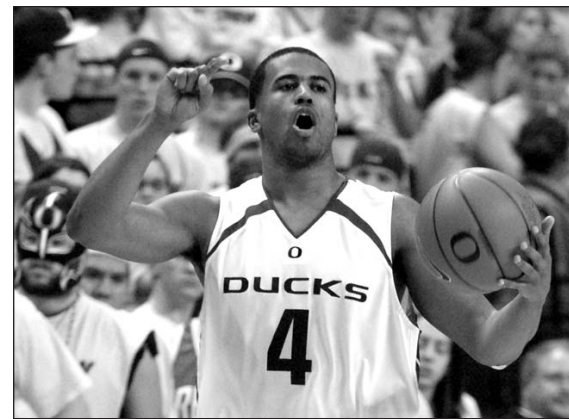
The draft kicks off at 4 p.m. at Madison Square Garden in New York and goes through 9 p.m. in the two-round draft.

Mock drafts have listed the three Oregon players all over the draft board. Some have listed one or two of the three drafted.

It's a drastic change from last spring when mock drafts, following Oregon's run to the Elite Eight, had the 6-foot-4 Taylor listed in the first round, as Taylor was brimming with confidence going into his senior season.

The senior season failed to live up to the team's high expectations. The team struggled to make its way into the NCAA Tournament, where the Ducks lost in the first round to Mississippi State.

Taylor needed to build up his draft



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Teammate Bryce Taylor, a projected first-round pick had he declared last year as a junior, is still expected to be picked somewhere in the second round.

stock once again. Individually, his statistics fell from his breakout junior year to his senior year in scoring, rebounding, assists and shooting percentage.

After the season ended, the trio went into individual workouts, before going to the Orlando Pre-Draft Camp. Orlando, remember, is where former UCLA point guard Jordan Farmar put together a strong performance that launched him from a likely second-round selection into a first-round pick with a guaranteed contract.

"We just hope that all three of us will get drafted or at least have a chance to make a team so that we can make our dreams come true," Taylor said in a media gathering following a workout with the Portland Trail Blazers in June. "It's an exciting time for all of us, and I'm just hoping all of us do well."

Taylor has spent much of the last month crisscrossing the country for individual workouts and trying to leave a good impression.

"You want to put your best foot forward and give your best effort," Taylor said. "This essentially is a job interview and you want to make the best impression possible 'cause this might be the only time they see you (before the draft)."

In looking at a variety of Internet mock drafts, DraftExpress has Hairston going No. 45 to the San Antonio Spurs and Taylor going No. 56 to the Seattle SuperSonics. NBADraft.net has Taylor joining Aaron Brooks in Houston with the No. 54 pick. ESPN NBA Draft guru Chad Ford has the Dallas Mavericks picking Hairston with the No. 51 pick.

Ford writes under his choice that "Hairston is solid in virtually every area of his game and is one of the few players left in the draft who could come in and contribute immediately."

Maarty Leunen has been listed as a second-rounder in earlier mocks but is likely to go undrafted.

PREVIEWS CONTINUED

GALEN RUPP

The collegiate record holder in the 10,000 meters and seven-time All-American returns to Eugene to race for the first time since the mile of the Oregon Relays. Although he's been in the spotlight of the running community since his time at Central Catholic (Portland) High, this week's trials mark the first time he'll run for a shot at the Olympic team.

He chose the perfect place to do it — even if he's stopped by Hayward Field only a handful of times since he left Oregon in the winter to train with Nike coach and longtime friend Alberto Salazar.

Rupp hasn't raced for Oregon since taking second at the NCAA cross country championships and leading the Ducks to the team title in November.

His seed times — from 2007, as he barely raced during the 2008 season — have Rupp ranked 10th in the 5,000m. Although he has the second-fastest 10,000m time, he is yet to declare whether he will run in the event at the Trials.

A year ago, Rupp was the

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runner-up at the U.S. championships in Indianapolis, earning a berth on the U.S. national team at the World Championships in Osaka.

The men's 10,000m final will be run at 9:20 p.m. on July 4.

NICOLE BLOOD

Nicole Blood has been looking forward to this moment for years.

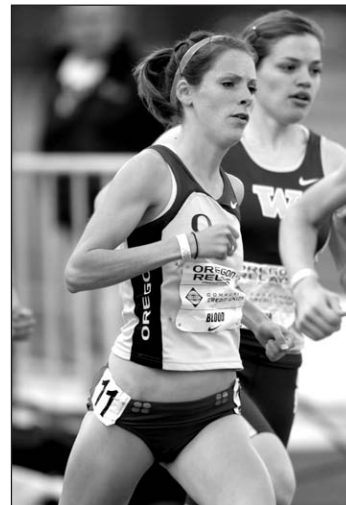
"I remember running as a sophomore in high school," the Duck sophomore said. "My 1,500 was a 4:24 and I was like, 'Oh, I only need seven seconds to take off,' and you never knew. It was a dream, really, and for this dream to become a reality is just huge. It's so exciting and I can't wait for the opportunity to race out here."

Having met the qualifying standard in both the 1,500m and 5,000m, Blood has a choice of events, though she said she's leaning toward the 5,000m.

Her personal best in the 5,000m of 15:43.82 is the fourth-best in school history and the fastest by a Duck in 20 years. Her 1,500m time of 4:14.73 also ranks fourth and is the best in 24 years.

She placed third at the NCAA Championships two weeks ago with her second-fastest time of the year and is bringing that confidence into the Olympic Trials.

"I'm ready to run a faster time, I think I'm capable of it," Blood said. "NCAAs, I was relaxed the whole race, but I pressed too much that last lap, so I

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learned another lesson."

The women's 5,000m semifinals are June 30, with the final scheduled for July 4. If all goes according to plan, Blood hopes to be in that field.

"The goal is to make the final, which is no easy task," she said. "I think if I run what I'm capable of running I think I can make the final and gain a great experience from it."

TRACK AND FIELD

Steele named Pac-10 men's track coach of the year

Oregon associate director of track and field Dan Steele was named the Pacific-10 Conference men's track and field coach of the year Monday, an award voted on by conference coaches.

Steele led the Oregon men to the Pac-10 men's team title this season, their second consecutive championship and fourth in six years.

It is the second straight year an Oregon coach won the award, after Vin Lannanna won it last year. It is also the third such award for the Oregon program in four years.

In 2005, the award went to the entire Oregon coaching staff, of which Steele was a member.

Arizona State's Greg Kraft won women's track and field coach of the year, and Sun Devil heptathlete Jacquelyn Johnson was honored as the conference's field athlete of the year. Cal's Alysia Johnson was the track athlete of the year.

USC athletes won both men's awards. Sprinter Lionel Larry was the track athlete of the year, and Corey White was the field athlete of the year.

— ANDREW GREIF

A.J. ACOSTA

Life on the bubble has become something of a specialty in the past two weeks for the Oceanside, Calif., native.

Two weeks ago at the NCAA Championships in Des Moines, Iowa, Acosta wasn't sure whether his time was fast enough to make the 1,500 meter final, a race he eventually made and finished ninth in, good enough for All-American honors. It is Acosta's third All-American award since he enrolled at Oregon in September 2006.

This week, Acosta is once again left wondering whether he'll make the U.S. Olympic Trials field. His time of 3 minutes, 40.52 seconds is the 13th-fastest in the U.S. this year, but ranks

21st for Olympic Trials seed times, which can include times from 2007.

Preliminary heats for the 1,500m begin Thursday, July 3, at 8:25 p.m., and end on the meet's last event at 5:50 on July 6.

For events that have both the Trials' 'A' and 'B' standards, athletes with 'B' standards who are provisionally accepted can only be entered if there aren't enough athletes with 'A' standards to fill the field.

In or out, Acosta's keeping his focus the same.

"I kind of have the mindset that I'm in the meet, and if I'm not then I'm not," Acosta said.

Acosta's goals is to make the 1,500m final, meaning he'll have to shut out his "awe factor"



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and beat runners he idolized growing up.

"A couple years ago in high school I was the geeky nerdy kid looking up to guys like Alan

Webb and Bernard Lagat and those guys," Acosta said. "That 'awe' factor will still be there a little bit but at the same time I guess it's time to race."

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