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SETTLING DOWN AFTER THE SHOCK

Ian Van Ornum hosted benefit concert to help pay legal fees, reflected on the year since his arrest

EMILY E. SMITH | NEWS REPORTER

Tasered, arrested and found guilty of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest, former University student Ian Van Ornum faces court fees of about \$700 nearly a year after his arrest.

On Sunday, Van Ornum held a benefit concert in his honor at Cozmic Pizza, where about 35 supporters turned out to listen to music and donate to assist with his fines. He was scheduled to perform with his own band, The Mossy Top String Band, but did not play at the event because his bandmates were unable to make the engagement, he said.

Before the public and select media for the first time since his arrest at a rally he organized in May 2008, Van Ornum spoke of his experience during the past year.

"I'm going to take this opportunity to say some things that I've wanted to say for a long time, but haven't been able to because I've been summoned not to by various attorneys," he told his audience of supporters Sunday evening. "The reason I live in this town is the number of wonderful people that live in this town. No matter how much police beat up 18-year-old hippie kids, when need be, people



DAVE MARTINEZ | PHOTO EDITOR

make things work because they can. This town has shown me we can do it together."

Originally from Minnesota, Van Ornum has been in Eugene for only 18 months, but said he had heard of long-standing tension between police and protesters. He said tension came

to a peak when Eugene police stunned him twice last year during his arrest. "This was a kind of breaking point for folks, it seems," he said.

An internal affairs investigation into police conduct during the arrests of Van Ornum and two others at the rally is underway. Van Ornum has

appealed his conviction and is moving forward with a civil suit against the police, he said.

Contrary to what his defense attorney, Laura Fine, told jurors, Van Ornum told the Emerald he's not

Former University student Ian Van Ornum hosted a benefit concert at Cozmic Pizza on Sunday night to help offset his legal fees. Van Ornum was found guilty of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest following his Taser at an anti-pesticide rally nearly a year ago.

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Things to do this week

TUESDAY

WHAT: ASUO Executive Transition. Outgoing ASUO officers will meet with the new executive and executive staff.
WHERE: EMU Maple Room
WHEN: 6 to 8 p.m.

WHAT: Campus Debate. The UO Debate Team goes up against three University professors about environmental sustainability.

WHERE: Gerlinger Hall Lounge
WHEN: 7 to 9 p.m.
COST: Free

WEDNESDAY

WHAT: Lecture, "Time to Abandon Darwin? Evolution and the Battle for America's Soul." The sixth and final installment of the Darwin Bicentennial Lecture Series will feature Kenneth Miller, professor of biology at Brown University.

WHERE: 150 Columbia
WHEN: 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

WHAT: EMU Lost and Found sale
WHERE: The Break, EMU
WHEN: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FRIDAY

WHAT: First Quarter Fridays Star Party. The Eugene Astronomical Society provides telescopes for public use.
WHERE: College Hill Reservoir
WHEN: Dusk

CAMPUS

Exploring perceptions on lesbian culture

Rutgers professor begins lecture series on lesbian studies; aims to shed light on identity politics

ANNA HELLAND | NEWS REPORTER

For Arlene Stein, lesbian culture is not something to suppress — it should be embraced.

Stein, a professor of sociology at Rutgers University, will host the Women's and Gender Studies department's first Sally Miller Gearhart Lecture in Lesbian Studies this week. She has spent years focusing on the subject that she believes "everyone should take an interest in."

Ellen Scott, director of Women's and Gender Studies at the University, says Stein is fully qualified to be the first lecturer in the series.

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AT A GLANCE

WHAT: "The Incredibly Shrinking Lesbian World and Other Queer Conundra," the Women's and Gender Studies department's first Sally Miller Gearhart Lecture in Lesbian Studies

WHO: Arlene Stein, associate professor of sociology at Rutgers University

WHERE: Gerlinger Alumni Lounge

WHEN: Wednesday at noon

Q&A with ASUO President EMMA KALLAWAY



DAVE MARTINEZ | PHOTO EDITOR

The ASUO's new president takes office today, having been elected promising an administration that reaches out to students like none before.

University junior Emma Kallaway has been involved in the ASUO since her freshman year, an eternity in a candidate pool constantly drained by graduation and transfer. That insider status throws in stark contrast the accession of her predecessor, senior Sam Dotters-Katz, who said he did not even know the then-ASUO president's name when he applied for election.

What will that experience bring to Kallaway's presidency? She sat down with the Emerald on Monday to discuss her plans.

— ALEX TOMCHAK SCOTT

ODE: Could you tell our readers something about you that they still probably don't know, even after all we've written?

EK: Hmm. (Long pause) Well, on a personal level, I come from a first-generation Italian family on my mother's side and I'm second-generation Irish on my father's side. So growing up, there was a very interesting mix of culture and loud family reunions, and it's very important to me to continue those cultures.

So I'm an Irish dancer. All my cousins are on my dad's side. And my mom taught me how to cook when I was real young, so I've just been increasing my

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HIGHER EDUCATION

USSA meets to address student issues

Three University students on 61-member national board help select issues to support

ALEX TOMCHAK SCOTT | NEWS REPORTER

The United States Student Association held one of its semi-annual board meetings at the University this weekend to nominate the legislation USSA will push for in the upcoming Congressional session.

USSA is a national advocacy organization that lobbies for student issues in Congress. This year, it received \$10,000 in membership payments from ASUO student fees, and the ASUO budgeted a further \$7,569 to register board members at meetings.

The University traditionally has a strong presence in USSA. Of the USSA's 61-member Board of Directors, three are from the University — seniors and former ASUO officers Jory Card, Carina Miller and Chii-San SunOwen.

USSA employees ascribed the University's prominence in USSA to the ASUO's and student body's tradition of political organizing.

"Because the campus is so big and because this is a college town we have the opportunity to organize and politicize (students)," USSA President Carmen Berkley said.

Berkley and USSA Field Director Bill Shiebler said the University also has a tradition of activism and has been involved in student

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IN MY OPINION | ALEX CONLEY

CONFESSING OUR SINS

"Open confession is good for the soul."

— Scottish proverb

Media commentators have been atwitter these days with excellent metaphors for the like-clockwork arrival of new scandals from the Bush administration practically every week. My personal favorite was from the New York Times' Frank Rich, who invoked "The Godfather Part III": "Just when we thought we were out, the Bush mob keeps pulling us back in."



THE EAGLE'S EYE

With the latest revelation that Democratic Speaker Nancy Pelosi may have known about the CIA's waterboarding practice as early as 2002 and done nothing to expose or stop it, the torture debate has come crashing back full force. Despite Obama's best attempts to simply leave it in the past, bits and pieces have consistently leaked out from various sources. Like it or not, we are going to face this entire sordid history one way or another.

Many are worried that a fact-finding commission to determine exactly how this was allowed to perpetuate for so long, and who is directly responsible, will result in a lot of public outrage and a distrust in government not seen since the Watergate scandal.

Unfortunately, that is exactly what we need. It's a fact that we are more often prompted to act out of anger than contentment. You don't see people parked outside of city hall chanting about how much they love urban renewal nearly as often as you see people taking to the streets to protest anything from environmental destruction to police brutality.

Others worry that focusing on torture that happened in the past is going to distract from the manifold problems

plaguing the United States today. But current problems are not solved by trying to ignore past ones that remain unresolved. It would be far better to get this over and done with than let new revelations continue causing increasingly shocking firestorms-of-the-week.

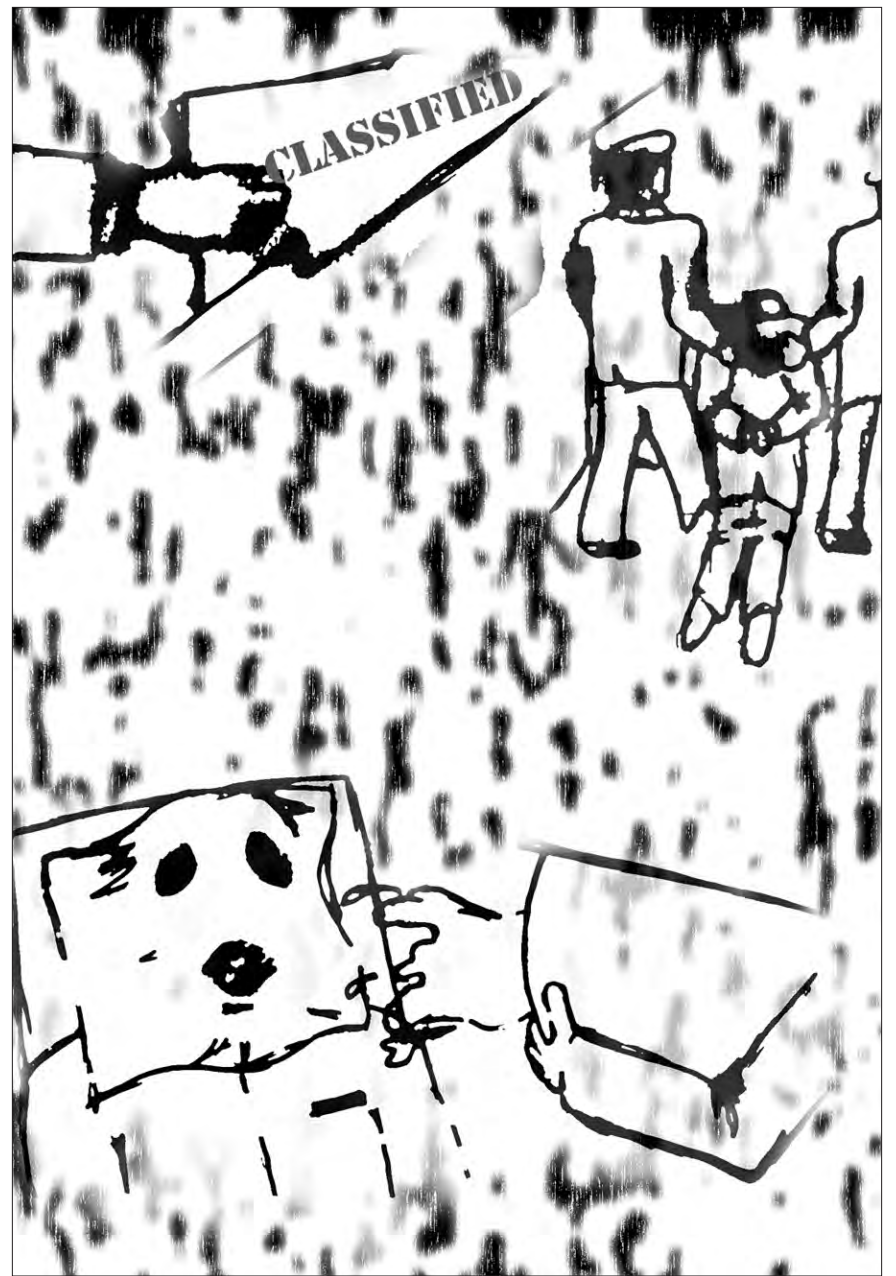
Right now, the Republican side seems to be under the impression that if there is any investigation, it will be solely focused on what Pelosi knew and when. This would be a mistake. While I make no attempt to minimize the seriousness of her hypocrisy if it turns out Pelosi knew what was going on so early in the game, she is very obviously not the end-all of this debate. There's already been enough finger-pointing aimed at the top of the heap.

A March article in The Washington Post quotes many ex-intelligence officials who claim the authorization to use waterboarding and other "enhanced techniques" came from the upper echelons of government. Many say that the pressure came when their star prisoner Abu Zubaydah didn't give hard evidence or intelligence after his initial confession of involvement with al-Qaida.

"They couldn't stand the idea that there wasn't anything new," an official said. "They'd say, 'You aren't working hard enough.' There was both a disbelief in what he was saying and also a desire for retribution — a feeling that 'He's going to talk, and if he doesn't talk, we'll do whatever.'"

What lies at the core of this debate is acknowledging the sins of the past. Then, only then, will we move past them; confronting a rough chapter in one's history is far more healing than simply ignoring it. If we get our past mistakes out in the open and hold those responsible accountable for them, they will no longer be something of which we must be ashamed. Instead, they will become an example of how Americans can learn from their mistakes and ensure that they aren't repeated.

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IN MY OPINION | TRUMAN CAPPS

THE MACBOOK MANDATE

My MacBook has been an invaluable educational asset. I do research on it, use it to communicate, write my columns on it and play games on it during class. I don't know where I'd be without my laptop, but I do know I wouldn't be nearly as good at Tetris.

However, while I strongly recommend a MacBook to any college student who likes stylish design and cute names for applications, several universities have gone even further. The journalism departments at Eastern Illinois University and Missouri University, along with the University of Maine's College of Education and Human Development, have begun requiring incoming freshmen to purchase MacBooks or, in the case of Missouri University, either an iPod Touch or an iPhone. These schools argue that students who own personal computers have easier access to information, that proficiency with newer computer software is essential in the working world, and that as so many students already own their own computers, the new policy will affect relatively few people.

This is all well and good. Schools are modernizing to keep up with the information age, which means they're attempting to reconfigure their teaching to 21st-century standards to give students as much bang for their educational buck as possible. These schools likely have all the best intentions in requiring their students to buy laptops.

But seriously, Missouri University — iPhones?

In response to research suggesting

students are more successful if they can listen to a lecture multiple times, MU has begun digitally recording lectures and posting them on iTunes U, where students can download lectures about journalistic ethics free of charge and listen to them over and over again to their heart's content. Brian Brooks, associate dean of MU's journalism school, pointed out that the requirement will not be enforced — if they choose, students can simply listen to the lectures on their computers. The only reason the school will require students to buy iPhones is so they will be included in their financial need estimate for loan purposes. However, if students can just as easily download and listen to lectures on their computers in the first place, why is MU even bothering to tell incoming freshmen to spend an additional \$229 to buy an iPod Touch from the bookstore?



GOODNIGHT AND GO DUCKS

EIU issued a statement on its laptop requirement, saying the university is merely "attempting to assist students in getting the computer that best serves their academic and professional needs." Requiring students to buy a laptop bundle that runs between \$1,900 and \$2,700 (which includes the \$160 discount the school provides) does little to "assist" them in getting the computer that they need. If I were to point a gun at an old lady and force her to cross the street, I wouldn't be helping her, would

I? I certainly wouldn't get a merit badge. If that old lady wanted to cross the street, she'd cross it; if the students wanted and could afford the computer that best served their academic and professional needs, they'd have bought it already. Requiring students to buy a computer effectively targets the students who can't afford one, and EIU's statement is vague as to how much financial aid will be available for these purchases, saying "(An educational expense) budget increase does not necessarily result in funds to cover the cost."

College students should definitely be technologically prepared for their educations, which in nearly every case means owning their own laptops. However, this is simply not possible for all students. I know a few people who have made their way through college using library computers or outdated desktops at home for lack of funds — requiring them to buy laptops might make their education somewhat easier but it would also make the payment portion much harder. I also know students who prefer Windows over Apple operating systems — so long as they're taking care of software compatibility issues on their own, why force them to change?

Students should not be required to drop hundreds to thousands on new technology on top of the tens of thousands they're already paying in tuition and fees. If they can afford a laptop, they'll buy it. If not, they'll make do one way or another. Forcing students to buy a MacBook is only helping Steve Jobs.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Abortion, death penalty are completely different issues

I take exception to Mohamed Jemmali's commentary ("Respecting the Choice," ODE, 5/21/09). I will say for the record that I am pro-choice and I share Jemmali's sentiment about Obama's inclusive nature and Bush's divisive nature.

Having said that, Jemmali suggests that being anti-choice and pro-death penalty is inconsistent, and I could not disagree more. If you believe abortion is murder, that viewpoint is no more inconsistent than being anti-homicide and pro-death penalty. In fact, if one believes abortion is homicide, I fail to see how they could be for abortion being legal and homicide being illegal.

I am anti-homicide and pro-death penalty. One can easily make the point that abortion kills an innocent human while the death penalty gives justice to murderers and worse. With the death penalty, the person has been exhaustively tried, convicted, and sentenced. With homicide, one person is unilaterally deciding to end the life of the other with no proper trial or any form of justice. In short, the question regarding the death penalty is simply that if you criminally and intentionally take an innocent life, have you forfeited your own?

That is completely different from the question of whether the embryo is a living human being. Again, I am pro-choice. I just felt a need to make clear that abortion and the death penalty are fundamentally different issues and that people can be consistent in being anti-choice and pro-death penalty.

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CITY CRIME

EUGENE POLICE DEPARTMENT WEEKEND WRAP-UP

From midnight Friday, May 22 to noon Monday, May 25.

47 Theft incidents
21 Loud noise incidents
31 Disorderly subject incidents
13 Burglary incidents
12 Assault incidents

THE WEEKEND POLICE BLOTTER

INCIDENT: SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT

Location: 1968 Brittany St.
When: Friday, May 22

Time: 8:10 p.m.

What: A tech specialist at McCormack Elementary School called police to report a suspicious man in the school building. She believed the man was casing the classroom for electronics.

INCIDENT: DISORDERLY PARTY

Location: East 15th Avenue and Mill Street

When: Saturday, May 23

Time: 2:07 a.m.

What: A caller reported about 20 intoxicated males at the northeast corner of the intersection trying to start altercations with passersby. The caller also reported witnessing a male pushing a female who was also at the party.

INCIDENT: ASSAULT

Location: East 15th Avenue and Patterson Street

When: Saturday, May 23

Time: 4:28 a.m.

What: After witnessing his friends beat up a "bum," a man called to report assault because he said he was tired of his friends committing this crime.

INCIDENT: DISORDERLY SUBJECT

Location: East 19th Avenue and Emerald Alley

When: Saturday, May 23

Time: 11:44 a.m.

What: A man walking southbound on Emerald Alley was growling, throwing bottles, trying to start fights with passersby and pulling down his pants, a caller reported. From there, the man headed eastbound on East 20th Avenue and the caller lost sight of him.

INCIDENT: ROBBERY

Location: 545 Highway 99 North

When: Sunday, May 24

Time: 6:15 p.m.

What: A caller reported that someone had beaten him up along the train tracks and stolen his guitar. He was willing to press charges. The dispatcher noted that the caller sounded inebriated.

— EMILY E. SMITH

EDUCATION

SMART funding cut from state budget

Start Making a Reader Today, a state program that matches K-3 students with local mentors who help them learn to read and enjoy doing so, had its funding cut from the state budget Wednesday.

SMART CEO Terry Shanley said in a statement that she is disappointed in the state's decision to cut educational programs

when money gets tight.

According to the statement, SMART receives 93 percent of its funding from individual donors, businesses and grants, and the state provides the remaining 7 percent of its funding.

SMART requested \$263,000 from the state for the 2009-11 biennium, but will not receive any funds.

The program planned to use the money to purchase take-home books for more than 7,500 K-3 students in the program during a two-year period.

Shanley said SMART has already made significant cuts and reduced expenses in 2008 by cutting \$1 million from its operating budget.

Already this year, SMART has reduced staffing levels at its headquarters by 30 percent, and the executive team chose to take voluntary pay cuts.

Shanley said that without the money, SMART will be forced to cut its services to more than 500 children.

— LAUREN FOX

USSA | Board recommends USSA advocate for tuition equity and financial aid grants

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legislative advocacy organizations since it began in the 1960s. Berkley also praised the quality of student leaders produced at the University.

"There's this history that we've had with student leaders," SunOwen said.

However, some on campus criticize USSA's role. In particular, fiscal conservatives have decried the expense of travel for USSA board members. ASUO President Sam Dotters-Katz pushed to eliminate money set aside for out-of-state travel next year. Former ASUO Chief of Staff Athan Papailiou accused SunOwen of "gouging students' wallets" when she travels to

USSA meetings.

"I'm disappointed (at) how, in the past, from what I've seen, that student leaders have obtained student money to advance their interests and build their resumes," Papailiou said.

At its meeting, which took place in the Living Learning Center on Saturday through Monday, the USSA board designated two policies it will recommend the USSA lobby for. The USSA will decide whether to adopt those issues at its July 21 organizational congress, where representatives from USSA-member schools will vote on them.

In Eugene, the board recommended that USSA pursue advocacy on behalf of the

federal DREAM Act, which allows students who are not legal residents to become U.S. citizens after going to college and enables states to pass tuition equity laws. The board also recommended that USSA push Congress to put more money toward financial aid and use the same procedures to allocate money for financial aid grants as it does federal Social Security and Medicare programs.

Miller said she also pushed the board to lobby against American Indian college athletic mascots, but that the board did not support putting the issue on its legislative agenda.

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LECTURE | Stein to discuss possible decline in lesbian culture; previously taught at the University

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"Arlene Stein is a great person to bring in because her entire career has been focused on lesbian life and communities, anti-gay movements and resistance to them, here in Oregon and elsewhere, and the politics of sexual dissidence in the United States," Scott said.

Stein said her lecture, "The Incredibly Shrinking Lesbian World and Other Queer Conundra," will call into question whether there is actually a decline in lesbian culture, and why people think there is. She said she will try to understand what is at stake for anyone involved in this "supposed decline."

Women's and Gender Studies major Abby Diskin doesn't plan to attend Stein's lecture, but is interested in her theories.

"When I hear that there is a decline, I feel it reflects the climate for people who are coming out, not that people have

stopped becoming lesbians," Diskin said. "It's important to have awareness on this subject and to have a dialogue for this marginalized community."

Stein has taught courses on the sociology of gender, sexuality, culture, religion and identities. She has written three books and edited two essay collections, including "Sex and Sensibility: Stories of a Lesbian Generation." She serves on the graduate faculty of the Women's and Gender Studies program at Rutgers, and previously taught at University of Oregon and University of Essex.

"It is an honor to be asked to be the first Sally Gearhart lecturer in Oregon," Stein said. "I worked at the University from 1993 to 2000, so I have a great deal of respect for everyone there."

In 2008, an endowment was established in Gearhart's name to fund students in the Women's and Gender Studies program. The endowment is intended

to promote lesbian studies by enabling the program to bring guest scholars to campus and support faculty and student research in the field. One of the first self-identified lesbian professors to be granted tenure in the United States, Gearhart was one of the founders of the Women and Gender Studies Program at San Francisco State University. There, she taught some of the first courses in America with "homosexuality" in the title.

Gearhart is a model activist, Scott said.

"Sally is the kind of lesbian feminist leader for social change who made no distinction between her work within the university, the source of her livelihood, and her work on the streets, marching, yelling, sitting and generally protesting for change," Scott said. "She was one of the feminists who appealed to academia to include women."

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BENEFIT | Van Ornum grateful for community support

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working at the local grocery store Sundance. Although he knows a manager there and may work in the future, he's currently not employed.

Van Ornum said for the time being he's trying to grow all his own vegetables, play music and work on his own form of activism by "being able to do it all myself."

Once co-director of the UO Survival Center, co-founder of the student group Crazy People for Wild Places and an avid activist, Van Ornum said he has ceased his outright activist work since the May 30, 2008 rally.

"I've pretty much stopped," he said. "It's kind of sad."

A freshman when he was tasered last year, Van Ornum had already made an impression on the campus community because of his extracurricular involvement. The impression left after his arrest, however, may be the one that lasts.

Day Owen, the self-proclaimed forest-dweller and founder of the Pitchfork Rebellion — a label bestowed by the Eugene Weekly on the anti-pesticide movement that began in the woods surrounding the city — spoke about the rally last year where he rushed to Van Ornum's aid during the arrest.

"Before he was famous as the kid who got tasered, I knew him as the kid who borrowed my Beatles CDs," Owen said.

Van Ornum became interested in and supportive of



DAVE MARITNEZ | PHOTO EDITOR

Ian Van Ornum spoke to the crowd of 35 about his case. He reflected on the year-long legal process and the community issues it has raised.

Owen's cause and invited Owen to speak at the anti-pesticide rally. Department of Homeland Security agent Tom Keedy monitored the rally because of Owen's participation, Owen said, and placed the call to Eugene police that led to Van Ornum's arrest.

Owen was also arrested at the rally, but the charges brought against him were dropped.

"This is a positive example in that if Ian didn't get arrested and tasered, the community wouldn't know that Homeland Security is spying on them," he said. "We call it Operation

Flame of Truth."

Van Ornum said positive results have come from his ordeal. Chief among them, he said, is finding himself in a city where residents carefully weigh his testimony against that of the police.

"I'm very grateful for the community I live in," he said. "I'm so grateful to be in a community where community members are behind me and not trusting of everything the police say."

Van Ornum said that while he has received an outpouring of support, he has also heard some criticism. He's never been

met with criticism personally, but he said he sometimes reads harsh comments about himself online.

Van Ornum said he hasn't let the critical opinions get to him.

"It's going to happen," he said. "That's their reality. It's not something I can take personally. Those aren't my issues — that's their issues."

While he's living in Eugene, Van Ornum said he feels he "should get a degree." He plans to return to the University in the fall and major in environmental studies.

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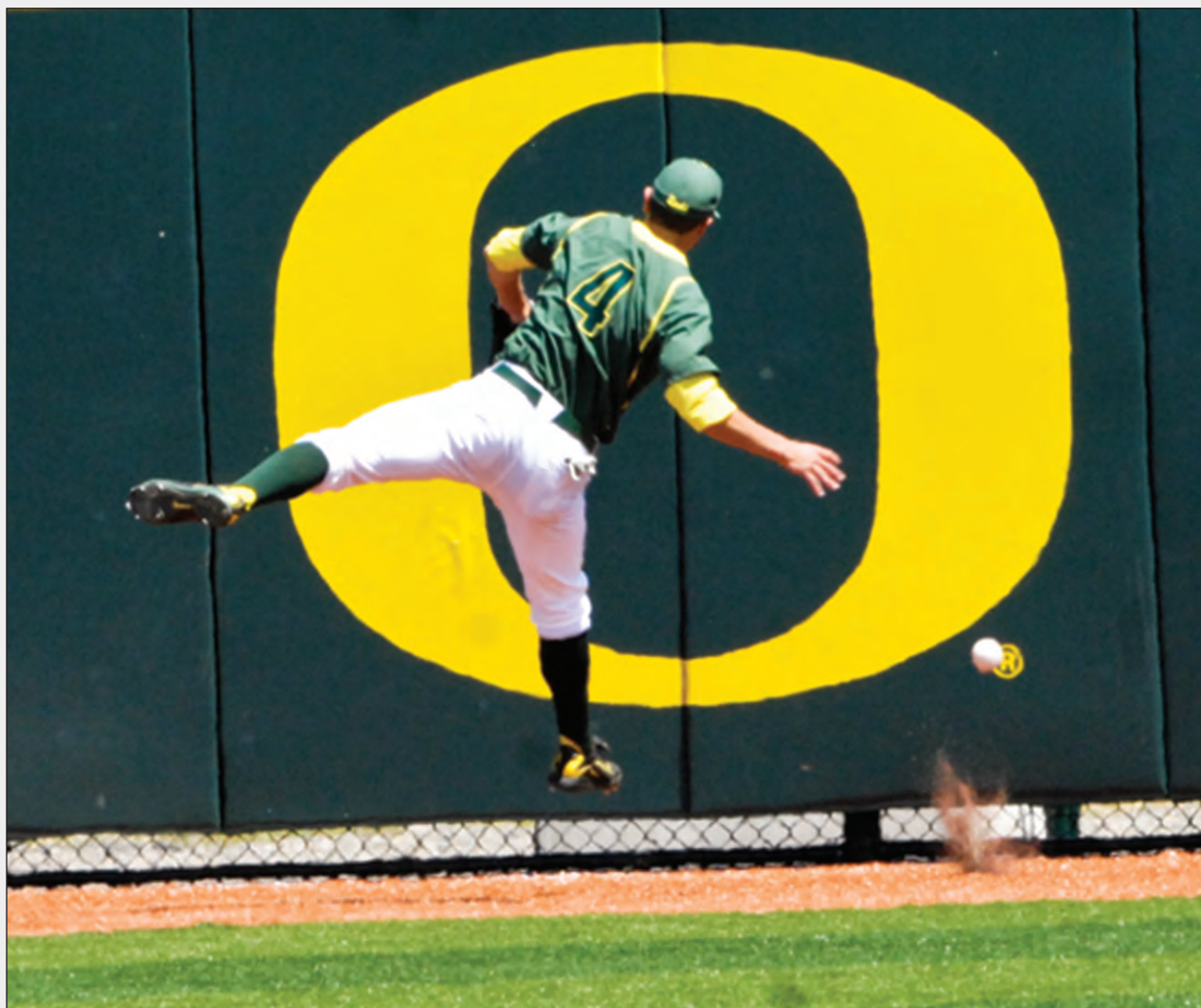
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BASEBALL



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Oregon finished its season 14-42 after a three-game sweep by Arizona over the weekend at PK Park. Curtis Raulinaitis (above and left) had the best weekend for the team, hitting .600. In the end, Oregon's bats couldn't overcome the Wildcats' offensive or defensive power, however.

Limping to the finish

Oregon baseball ends its season losing 12 in a row and 26 of 28

BEN SCHORZMAN | SPORTS REPORTER

Another loss. That's how the inaugural season of Oregon Duck baseball finished Sunday in front of a sold-out crowd at PK Park when the team lost 5-2 to the Arizona Wildcats.

It wasn't a complete shock; the team had lost 12 in a row coming into the game and 26 of its last 28, but the Ducks (14-42 overall, 4-23 Pacific-10 Conference), wanted to end 2009 on a good note.

"I don't think it was a must-win, it was more 'let's go do this to give our fans something to keep cheering about for next year,'" left fielder Curtis Raulinaitis said.

It didn't happen, as the Wildcats (30-25, 13-14) swept the team by scores of 3-1, 14-5, 5-2.

"It was like Groundhog's Day," head coach George Horton said as phase two of construction at PK Park started behind him.

The Duck skipper was right. Oregon has lost quite a few games of the 5-2, 6-3 variety this year. The team never

DUCKS VS. ARIZONA

FRIDAY: 3-1 ARIZONA

SATURDAY: 14-5 ARIZONA

SUNDAY: 5-2 ARIZONA

got over the top and connected with clutch base hits over the weekend and season.

"We had so many games where two or three more hits would have slipped us to .500," senior Caleb Tommasini said. "There were a lot of close ones that we let slip away."

On Friday, starter Erik Stavert (5-6) saw another quality start go to waste after his offense scored just one run for him. Stavert went eight innings, giving up six hits and

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FOOTBALL

Sun Bowl hero to leave football program

Quarterback Justin Roper was released from his scholarship during the weekend by head football coach Chip Kelly. Roper intends to transfer.

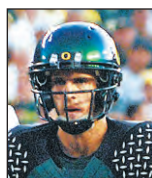
Despite a performance in the Spring Game in early May where the Georgia native completed 22 of 34 passes for 301 yards and three touchdowns, redshirt junior Roper asked Kelly for

his release late last week. He will have two seasons to finish his two years of remaining eligibility. Because he has already redshirted, he cannot use a redshirt to protect his eligibility if he transfers to a Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly known as Division I-A) school.

"Justin is a true competitor just like any other high-caliber athlete who wishes to be out on the football field as much as possible," Kelly said in a media release. "I certainly can't fault him for that. I wish him nothing but success

wherever he decides to go."

Roper, a 6-foot-6, 204-pound right-handed thrower, was pressed into emergency playing time as a sophomore in 2007 after injuries to Dennis Dixon, Brady Leaf, Nate Costa and Cody Kempt. He finished that season with a 17-of-30 performance for 180 yards and a Sun Bowl-record four touchdown



JUSTIN ROPER

passes in Oregon's 56-21 win over South Florida.

He started the Ducks' first three games last season, but after a knee injury in overtime against Purdue Roper never regained his job as UO's top quarterback.

The man who took his job, Jeremiah Masoli, is now followed by sophomore Darron Thomas and junior Nate Costa on the quarterback depth chart. Former quarterback Chris Harper, who practiced with the wide receivers, and running backs on occasion during the

spring season, could be used at the position as well.

The depth questions now presented to Oregon come only weeks after wide receiver Aaron Pflugrad departed the team for a transfer, leaving that unit similarly shorthanded with only one player returning with experience.

Roper finishes his three-year Oregon career with 952 career yards on 52 percent passing, with nine touchdowns and six interceptions.

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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (MAY 26). You set the bar high this year and the challenge invigorates you. You imagine yourself getting to a new place in your career and will quickly progress along the lines of your vision. There is an important commitment you make in June. August brings travel, new faces and adventure. An investment pays in November. Pisces and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 19, 3, 23, 6 and 17.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're serious about doing business and your professionalism is unparalleled. You still have to win over the other people involved, though. It's through a bit of silliness that you'll make a connection.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). One of life's quizzes has been canceled. The pressure is off. And here's another relief: You won't have to fight for your principles. All you have to do is live them, which is so much trickier than it sounds.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll wield all kinds of power today -- sensual, intellectual, political... your presence is definitely respected. However, what makes you the most proud will be the power you wield over your own thought process.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It's easier to start over at square one than it is to fix a problem. You'll get a "do-over" in a relationship. This time, let your defenses down and show up just as you feel, no pretense. You're loveable.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You can lean on your loved ones. You should lean on them. Otherwise, they don't get a chance to support you. A support system that doesn't get used will atrophy. Ask for help.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You like a chal-

lenge. You need a chase. If a goal is too easily accomplished, it's a bore. That said, you need to get a few of those "boring" goals out of the way before you tackle the big ones today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Opportunities are fleeting. Move fast to catch up to where you know you need to be. No need for fond farewells. No need for graceful movement as you transfer. Simply gather yourself and go.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Even though you are midstream, you get to begin again! This time around, integrate the ideas of those with whom you are traveling. When everyone's say is validated and incorporated, you will achieve success.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Romance is mysterious. When you seek to create passionate scenarios, they often elude you. And then out of the blue when you're no longer trying, a certain smile rocks your world.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Recent events, some of them unpleasant, were essential for your success. And now you understand in certain and simple terms what you must do next. It's like you are standing barefoot, feet in the dirt ready to bloom.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Follow your heart and hire the happy person to assist you -- even if this person is your friend. The skills you have cultivated over the last seven years enable you to do the work you want. Delegate and achieve.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). For a project to hold your attention, its end reward must include more than money. It must engage your talent and your imagination. Focus only on projects that attract you on many different levels.

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TRISTAN COOLEN | PHOTOGRAPHER

Oregon head coach George Horton (second from left) started the season at home with a win over defending national champion Fresno State, but the team's final acknowledgement of the PK Park crowd Sunday was grim as the Ducks were swept. Oregon did not win a Pac-10 season series this year.

BASEBALL | Phase two of PK Park launches with concert

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three runs while striking out 10 batters.

But the Ducks couldn't figure out 2007 Pac-10 Pitcher of the Year Preston Guilmet, who gave up just one run on seven hits while striking out 12 batters in 7.2 innings. At one point Guilmet retired 16 hitters in a row.

Then on Saturday, the Ducks jumped out to an early 2-0 lead, but saw the Wildcats outscore them 14-3 in the last seven innings. Tyler Anderson (2-9) received the loss for Oregon.

And on the final day of the season, the Ducks hung around until the sixth inning when Arizona broke a 1-1 tie by scoring two. Alex Keudell (0-6) earned

the loss in relief of Drew Gagner, who left the game in the top of the fifth with two outs with the score tied at one.

From the plate, Raulinaitis went 6-for-10 in the series with a run scored to lead Oregon. Right fielder Antony Kreitz added an RBI double in game three.

"We hit the ball pretty well," Tommasini said. "We hit it hard at people, though. That's baseball. If it were easy everyone would want to play."

Now begins the final stage of construction of PK Park. With local band the Valley Boys playing by the beer garden, Senior Associate Athletic Director Joe Giansante and Athletic Director Pat Kilkenny were on hand to break ground on phase two of construction.

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CALEB TOMMASINI
SENIOR OUTFIELDER

It will include adding the final dugouts, a clubhouse connected to the home dugout, covered seats and a press box, along with suites, a terraced beer garden and working lights.

"We're pretty darn close to completing fundraising," Kilkenny said. "I think it's like a diet. The first five pounds come off pretty quick, but the last 10 come off a little bit

slower. We still need raise a few million dollars, but we have \$18.5 million leveraged and raised for phases one and two. That's pretty amazing considering the economy and what we've done for the arena, and what other alumni and fans have given to the campus."

All Horton is concerned with is that he will finally have a park to call his own starting next fall.

"The stuff Joe Giansante and Pat Kilkenny are doing on breaking ground on phase two of the construction will just make it a more cozy bed to lie in," Horton said. "We will have our own bed now and I'm really looking forward to going to work in our own facility."

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WOMEN'S GOLF

Bristow finishes NCAAs tied for 96th

Oregon senior golfer Cathryn Bristow completed her last tournament in a Duck uniform Friday afternoon at the 28th annual NCAA Women's Golf Championships, hosted by Georgetown University at the Caves Valley Golf Club.

Bristow finished the tournament in a tie for 96th after recording a final round score of 8-over 80, and a four-round total of 316.

Southern California's Jennifer Song played a nearly flawless tournament until the last hole during the fourth round. The freshman led Purdue's Maria Hernandez by two strokes before Song recorded a double bogey on the 18th to give Hernandez the individual title. Hernandez recorded a four-round score of 289, while Song finished in second at 290, and Oklahoma State's Pernilla Lindberg finished in third at 291.

No. 1 Arizona State captured its first team title since 1998, while No. 2 UCLA finished eight strokes behind to take second. USC -- the defending national champion -- fell to third place with a team score of 1191, just one stroke behind UCLA.

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KALLAWAY | President hopes to create 'welcoming space' in ASUO for students

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culinary expertise. I made spaghetti and meatballs for (ASUO Vice President) Getachew (Kassa) last night.

ODE: Name one issue that will arise while you're president.

EK: I think one of the most important things during our presidency is going to be the development of younger students on this campus to involve them in organizing and involve them in the ASUO, involve them in a variety of elements of our executive staff, and also coming up with a different way to expand our internship program.

We are not technically in a legislative session this year, and we need to make sure that, when we have a bigger vote drive next year and we have a legislative session, it really needs to be hit hard and address the tuition increases, we need to have a body of students that have the skills needed to be able to address those frustrations next year.

ODE: How will you address the tuition increase?

EK: Well, we'll be having an emergency legislative session in February. We've hired two legislative affairs students for executive staff, as opposed to the original one, because we honestly feel that there'll be issues on the federal level and on the state level that need to be addressed and it's most important that we have two students do that. And we chose very capable individuals (senior Rachel Cushman and freshman Robert Greene) and I'm excited.

ODE: Will you be doing anything to lower the cost of attending the University other than legislative advocacy?

EK: Yes. On campus, we'll be addressing the cost of books by working within the generosity of the bookstore to increase the number of books we have in the course reserve. Very often, when students don't have to buy very, very expensive books, they can use them in the course reserve. That lowers the cost of education.

We're also looking at what can be done from the (incidental) fee level. This year, we saw a buy-down in the i-fee to lower the over-realized amount and I think that you need to do that within reason. You need to always have a fund of money for a rainy day, but also addressing the pocketbooks of students means looking at continuing the buy-down process.

ODE: Your opponents in the election called your campaign dirty and underhanded. What will you be doing to include them in your government?

EK: We had a very large hiring process. We asked everyone from all the campaigns to be included. We had the greatest turnout of applicants that any ASUO executive has had on campus that anyone can remember in the ASUO office. And

that really meant for us meticulously going through at least 40 interviews and a large number of students above that even applied that we weren't able to give interviews to.

And we're hoping that we can find a way to include students outside of just the executive staff, whether that means creating a new type of executive member, maybe a junior executive member that works with our executive staff, or whether that means putting a different number of students on student-faculty committees and trying to outreach to them.

I think it's really important to be finding new ways. We can't always pay students, which is unfortunate, but I think what we can do is always give students the opportunity to expand their skills and their passions on campus and give them the position and the tools to make what they need happen.

ODE: How will you change the way the internship program works?

EK: We saw this year that ASUO had a Graduate Teaching Fellow for the internship program, and we will also now be hiring (an Oregon Student Association) campus organizer, so we'll be having either two positions in the office or working on finding a way to make sure we have an internship program. At the same time, the campus organizer can expand students' interest in legislative issues and federal affair issues to bring students in, to teach them how to organize, to teach them to run large campaigns and also have that internship program, so we'll have multiple ways of providing leadership opportunities for students.

ODE: What are the effects of Dotters-Katz's curtailing the Oregon Student Association?

EK: Well, I think during the legislative session, it would have been very beneficial to have a campus organizer on campus because there could have been more lobbying done. Sam (Dotters-Katz) did a great job of lobbying with the administration and working on his own ability to lobby. And then I think there could have been more students going up to Salem and lobbying if we had a campus organizer, so if we had an emergency legislative session in February and we are looking at a vote coalition needing to be re-addressed, not during my administration, but during the next, then I think a campus organizer is important to have if we are going to be developing the skills of students in order to address those issues.

At the same time, I think it's always appropriate to critique how outside influences work within the ASUO. Although, I think that you can maintain a really professional and honest relationship with a campus organizer who works for the executive. (It is) about

emphasizing that relationship and saying, "We really need you to work on these things that we're prioritizing." And then you're not just succumbing to outside influences, but you're really out there working as a team.

ODE: How will you ensure the Knight Library is open 24 hours next year?

EK: We've seen the trend of different ways of funding that and I think that, if something is a priority for students, then we have to continue to creatively find ways to fund it. So we will be doing a number of things.

We will be talking to the administration, specifically the student affairs office to say, "Here's the data for how many students think this is important," and really outreaching to find out that students really desire that service and then working with the administration to partially fund that.

We will also be, then, looking for outside fundraising sources like I mentioned through the fundraising coordinator. And then the third avenue would not be ideal but (it is) looking at the surplus funding. We have had a surplus funding for the last 10 years. And would it be appropriate to work on an earmarked amount of money out of the surplus for the next couple of years if we need to do that while we are moving out of this recession? So there are a number of ways of doing that and we'll be working on all those avenues.


ODE: How will you summarize your administration when it's over?

EK: The ideal summary that I would like to have is to be able to come here and say to you, "We worked really hard to create an ASUO whose culture is based in the service of students."

So, it's important that the ASUO is a welcoming space. It's important that the ASUO has people inside that office that are working hard for students, that smile and ask if you need anything when you walk through the door, that work very closely if students ever have a question. And working on changing a culture is very challenging but it will be important to us because students said during the campaign, "I don't know much about the ASUO and I feel uncomfortable walking in the office." That's not acceptable. We need to work on that. We also need to address the funding issues of this university. So, like I said, we've hired a fundraising coordinator. We need to look at our budgets closely. We're going to be identifying criticisms from other students and working towards bringing those in to our administration.

We will not be without a fault and I will never say that, but I'll have the opportunity to take that criticism and move forward and, if we can look at that professionally, then we will have achieved success.

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