



Photo by Mark Ylen

Fifth-year University architecture student Tom Kittle (right) explains the design and construction of his contest-winning bench to community education student Charlie Munger near the southeast corner of Johnson Hall. The bench, made of red cedar, took three weeks to make.

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"I didn't mind putting everything on hold to do this," said Kittle of the bench, located behind the southeast corner of Johnson Hall. "It'll be nice to come back years from now and see something I had a hand in."

University alumnus Brian Sandy decided to resurrect University Day last year because he believes individuals should have a hand in the University.

The event originally began in the early 1900s as a constructive alternative to what was then known as "class rush," which involved class battles on top of Villard Hall, Sandy said.

Eventually, University Day evolved into Junior Weekend and Parents Day, becoming a lost tradition until last year.

"People often forget their commonalities, so when groups interact and focus on a goal, their differences are often overlooked," Sandy said.

The common goal of University students Tara Carpenter and Jimmy Lee was perfecting the fine art of sludge running, hoping to clean the fountain in front of the Knight Library.

The two found themselves running buckets along the bottom of the fountain to scoop up garbage and drain the water. Together, Carpenter and Lee said they turned this drudgery into a perfected skill.

"It's fun and it's a great stress relief," Carpenter said. "This is my favorite day of the year. It's fun to get out and work and meet people."

"I can't believe this event ever died out," Lee said. "I think it really does build campus unity."

Besides, Lee said "You haven't lived until you've been knee-deep in sludge."

Outside the Law School, eight of the 11 third-floor law school staff members could be found hauling barkdust.

"It's a good, fun thing to do, and it feels good to be a part of the University," said Connie Trapp.



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University students Scott Lemon (clockwise from top), Janet Gueck, Heather Wright and Jennifer Risk revived the lost art of communal lamppost painting on Thursday during University Day.

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MEETINGS

Philippine Student Organization monthly meeting is Sunday at 11:30 a.m. at the Koinonia Center, 14th Avenue and Kincaid Street.

Oregon Voice magazine informational meeting for new staff and interested people is at 5:30 p.m. in Room 44 Columbia Hall.

Student Health Insurance Committee meets at 2:30 p.m. in the EMU Board Room.

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SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

"The Politics of Reproduction in Romania" is the title of a lecture to be given at noon in Room 333 Gilbert Hall. The lecture is sponsored by the anthropology department.

An audition for University Theatre's fall shows "God's Country" and "Tales of the Lost Formicans" will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Robinson Theatre.

Professor David Perkins, from Stanford University's biological sciences department, will speak on "Incest, Misogyny and Fratricide in Neurospora" at 3:30 p.m. in Room 110 Willamette Hall.

Student parents organization meeting to plan for a student parent center is from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the Amazon Child Care Coop in Amazon Family Housing, 2312 Patterson St. Call 346-2962 for more information.

The film "Maria's Story," about a woman in the FMLN in El Salvador, will be shown at 7 and 8:30 p.m. in Room 180 PLC.

Members for an epileptic support group are wanted. Call 344-5068 for more information.

Weekend Masses at the Newman Center, 1850 Emerald St., will be Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 9 and 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. The 9 a.m. Mass will be signed for the deaf community.

Muslim Student Association of the University of Oregon will hold a speech and prayer session at 1 p.m. in the Koinonia Center, 1414 Kincaid St.

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