# Oregon Daily Eugene, oregon TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1991 Pine Mountain a place to reach for stars

#### Almanac

Today is the first issue of the summer Oregon Daily Emerald. The paper will be published Tuesdays and Thursdays until the end of the term.



!\* @#, a comic strip drawn by University students A.C. Smid and Wayne Shellabarger, makes its debut in today's issue on Page 19.

The Incidental Fee Committee is taking applications for the seat left by Mike Colson, who was voted off the committee on June 1; an Asian-American studies course will be taught at the University for the first time in 20 years.

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ASUO president and vice president Jennifer Bills and JoSonja Watson say they have started their terms in office by working to make their office more accessible to incoming freshmen.

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Spike Lee's Jungle Fever and the Billy Crystal comedy City Slickers are

## Dark sky makes for stellar views

By Christopher Blair Emerald Editor

A thin crescent moon is setting to the west behind the Cascades as Kelsey Cloud steps gingerly up the small, creaky stepladder and looks through the telescope's eyepiece.

Cloud, 13, who is vacationing in Eastern Oregon with his family, views the gray image of the moon's craters and mountains. After a minute, he asks Pine Mountain Observatory tour guide Lynn Carroll just which moon he's looking at.

"Well, that's our moon," Carroll says. Cloud utters a bewildered "Oh," and steps down the ladder, letting the next person in line have a look.

It's all in a night's work for Carroll, a volunteer at the University-owned observatory, who answers visitor questions and points the observatory's three telescopes at various celestial objects.

Carroll said Pine Mountain gets 3,000 to 4,000 visitors a year, mostly during the summer

On a Saturday night, the observatory can get 50 to 60 visitors, most of whom stand in line to view Jupiter's moons, a globular star cluster or a distant galaxy. The Pine Mountain staff says viewing by large



Venus, the brighter object, and Jupiter set with the sun behind the hills of Eastern Oregon, the home of the University's Pine Mountain Observatory.

groups will be easier later this summer when video monitors are hooked up to the telescopes.

"When we only have two telescopes operating, and we have a line of 20 people, and you have to take a minute to look through the telescope, that's 20 to 30 minutes just to look at one object." Carroll said.

"Of course, (a monitor) is not the same as looking through the telescope visually, but it would be a lot quicker."

Telescopes are measured by the diameter of what is called the primary mirror, which gathers and focuses light. Pine Mountain has three such telescopes, at 15, 24 and 32 inches

Although Pine Mountain's 32-inch telescope is not working due to a computer problem, views through the other scopes are more than sufficient. The 24-inch reveals Jupiter's four largest moons some 500 million miles away and cloud bands in the planet's atmosphere. Even a glance through the 15-inch at Earth's moon (240,000 miles) reveals craters, plains and other details in the lunar landscape.

And although the telescopes at Pine Mountain are smaller than those at bigger observatories — some of which have mirrors of 100 inches or more staff members say the site com-

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# Bookstore criticized for selling magazines

Are *Penthouse*, *Playboy* free speech or pornography?

By Troy Anderson Emerald Contributor

The University Bookstore's rack of partially hidden *Playboy* and *Penthouse* magazines probably hasn't caught the eye of most students. But for many members of women's groups and other students, the sale of those magazines has heated up a controversy over pornography and censorship at the bookstore.



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The report, made by the Unwanted Sexual Behavior Task Force, cited 34 incidents of sexual harassment and 12 rapes that occurred between Jan 1 and April 30. Statistics by the Rape Treatment Center show that only one in 20 rapes committed on campus are reported however.

Dr. Sterling Ellsworth, a local psychologist who specializes in rape and sexual assault cases, said that these types of crimes are linked to pornography.

"After 30 years of personal

worth your money and your time, but *Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves* doesn't match up to the original Errol Flynn classic.

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### Sports

Joe Falcon will attempt to break the world record in the two-mile run at Friday's Prefontaine Classic at Hayward Field. See story. Page 13 The cards left in the suggestion box and the notes on the bulletin board at the bookstore tell the story.

"Freedom of speech is a very important issue, but I am afraid that it is not the main reason the bookstore continues to insist upon selling hateful, violent propaganda against women," one suggestion said. "Why do you carry materials that are insulting (at best) to half the student body?"

"Pornography is about silencing women." another suggestion said. "Please remove it " The University Bookstore has recently come under fire for selling Playboy and Penthouse magazines.

A May 1 protest march against pornography at the bookstore, consisting of about 125 students during the 14th Annual Women's Symposium, fueled the fire even more.

Bookstore directors say that removing the magazines would constitute censorship, and would oppose the basic principles of book sellers. On the other hand, a Women's Center group stands behind the removal, citing sources who say pornography is linked to rape and sexual assault.

"Twenty-one percent of women subjected to abuse knew the harm was a direct result of the perpetrators use of pornography." said Susan Hunter, director of the Council for Prostitution Alternatives in Portland. "Police investigators said pornography is used directly or imitated in 41 percent of sexual assaults."

Wendy Curran, co-director of the Women's Resource and Referral Center said materials showing women dominated contribute to sexual assaults.

According to rape statistics released by the Office of the Dean of Students, incidents of sexual assault are not uncomexperience doing psychotherapy and working with sex offenders at the state penitentiary, I know there is a connection between these magazines and violence against women." he said.

"Pornography aids sexual addicts in carrying out their problems." he said. "Sex addicts have told me that they have gotten their ideas from pornography and it is a factor

that exaggerates their problem. *Playboy* and *Penthouse* are no exception and these women are right about it."

However, bookstore Manager

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