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plished much, with even more kudos to come, but what about their female students?

"If you go to any physics class above a freshman level, you will find no women in there," Richmond said. "I don't think that's so much a reflection on physics as a reflection that women undergraduates don't recognize the fabulous career opportunities that you can have if you get a degree in science."

Other areas don't fair much better. Richmond said the Chemistry department has many talented women undergraduates, but few of them pursue graduate school and a career in science.

It was an eye on the career opportunities in science, combined with a love of science, that kept Richmond a science major.

"I didn't see many fields offering me a job when I got out," she said. "I figured that if I was good at science, I could do basically anything."

Role models can also make a big difference in whether female students pursue the sciences, although these women persevered with no women science faculty to look up to.

Hawley said she grew up with three brothers who shared her love of science and the U.S. Space Program, and that as a student she was oblivious to the absence of women faculty in her major.

"For some reason, that I don't understand now, it didn't discourage me," she said. "Now I look back and it seem strange to me that it didn't occur to me at the time."

Although Richmond also got past not having a female role model as a student, she said there are still few women she can emulate. And the numbers of women in science aren't changing rapidly enough to make a significant dent.

"I think the University of Oregon is unusual in the number of women it has," she said, "so female students should be taking advantage of it."

Douglas said role models come on two levels: first, knowing it is possible to suc-

ceed in a certain field because of the presence of the same race or gender who have made it; and second, forming a supportive relationship with one of these people.

Hawley said she has noticed a lack of mentors. Mentors can help young scientists get speaking engagements and opportunities to publish in scientific journals.

"I can't think of any women in the field at my stage who's been promoted in that way, but I can think of a number of men who have," she said. "Maybe it's a coincidence, but I doubt it."

Douglas said the absence of women scientists says something socially more than everything.

"I think the presence of women in the field is not just simply so that women who want to be scientists will be able to be scientists, I think it's for the good of the society," she said. "Any kind of person should be able to be what they want to be."

Not only have women science faculty been able to flourish in a male-dominated field, but some of them are successfully juggling families as well.

Richmond, who wanted children but could not abandon her research group, used her clout to combine the best of both worlds. She takes her 6-month-old son, Brian, to work with her.

Richmond did the same with her 2-year-old, but said an assistant professor struggling to get tenure would not be able to pull this off.

"The child care on this campus for faculty and staff is awful," she said. "I've been able to piece this together because I wouldn't accept anything less. I also have the power to say I wouldn't put up with anything less."

Richmond, 39, said she would not have had kids if she did not have the option of having them cared for at work. Or, she might have done something illegal like sneaking them in the back door.

"I would have worked it out in some way, but there would have been a lot of bloodshed in the process if I hadn't been able to bring them in," she said.

ET ALS

MEETING

Student Health Insurance Committee will meet today at 4 p.m. in EMU Century Room D.

MISCELLANEOUS

Japanese-English language table will be in the Yamada Language Lounge tonight at 5:30.

Poetry and Fiction Reading will be tonight at 7 in the EMU Gumwood Room.

Gay/Lesbian and Still Catholic Support and Discussion Group will be tonight from 7 to 9 at the Newman Center, 1850 Emerald St.

Bible study will be today from noon

to 1 p.m. at the Wesley Foundation, 1236 Kincaid St.

Chi Alpha Christian fellowship will be tonight at 7:30 in Room 112 Willamette.

Deadline for submitting Et Als to the Emerald front desk, EMU Suite 300, is noon the day before publication. Et Als run the day of the event unless the event takes place before noon.

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Perot lacks needed votes

SALEM (AP) — Write-in votes for Ross Perot on presidential ballots in Oregon's May 19 primary election will not be counted, the state Elections Division said today.

The division said overall write-in vote totals were not high enough to require a tally of write-in votes for individuals based on write-in tallies from 32 of the 36 counties.

To determine whether write-in votes must be counted for a specific office, state law requires that county election workers first tally the total number of ballots cast in that race which had write-in votes.

If the total number of write-in votes exceeds the second-place finisher's total, individual write-in votes are counted.

Pat Buchanan received a total of 57,461 votes in the 32 counties, finishing second to President Bush on the Republican ballot. There was a total of 33,668 write-in votes.

Former California Gov. Jerry Brown received 109,312 votes in the 32 counties, finishing second to Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton on the Democratic ballot. There was a total of 30,825 write-in votes.

State Elections Director Colleen Sealock said the four counties where write-in votes remained to be tallied had about 17,000 total votes cast in the GOP presidential primary, so there's virtually no chance they could have enough write-in votes to change the outcome.

Those counties are Benton, Hood River, Klamath and Wheeler.



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