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Hundreds take part in candlelight vigils

Support: Community responds to shooting at Temple Beth Israel

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University junior Yohanna Kinberg realized one of her worst nightmares had come true when she saw bullet holes through the walls of her father's synagogue.

Two Skinheads shot a semiautomatic rifle at the Temple Beth Israel in South Eugene at about 7 p.m. March 21, according to police. Bullets flew through brick walls, a stained glass window and doors of the vacant synagogue.

Kinberg, the daughter of Rabbi Myron Kinberg and co-director of the Jewish Student Union, was at her parents' home near the temple when the shooting occurred. She was the first member of the synagogue to see the temple after the shooting.

"I started crying hysterically. I freaked out," Kinberg said. "This has always been my fear growing up."

Kinberg said she has always been scared of attacks on her father's temple and on her home. She remembers receiving hate mail from white supremacists and said she believes her family will always be the victim of hate crimes.

"This is her home. She felt her home had been violated," Kinberg's mother, Alice, said after the shooting.

The Temple Beth Israel shooting has been described as the most serious attack against Jews in the Pacific Northwest since the bombing of a Boise synagogue in the mid-1980's. During the past week, the attack has received national media coverage and thousands of people in the Eugene community have offered their support to the



Leanora Merwin, 6, laughs with a friend during a candlelight vigil held at Temple Beth Israel Monday. Vigils have taken place daily since Thursday, when 1,200 people attended.

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UNIVERSITY

Member of athletic staff to be tried for assault

Sports: Assistant Athletic Director pleads not guilty to striking domestic partner

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Assistant athletic director Steve Hellyer will be tried on June 15 on charges of assaulting and harassing his former domestic partner. He has pleaded not guilty on both counts.

As sports information director, Hellyer, 45, is the University's face outward in athletic matters. The *Emerald* tried to obtain his job description Monday, but the Department of Athletics failed to respond to numerous requests.

According to the custody report, Hellyer admitted to striking his partner in the face on the night of March 19. Hellyer, who was arrested and jailed under the Domestic Abuse Prevention Act, was released from Lane County Jail Sunday.

Hellyer and his partner, who have known each other since July of last year, had shared a residence since October. According to the report, the woman claimed that they had had an argument the day before. Hellyer asked her to leave the bedroom and then struck her twice in the face with his fist clenching a television remote control, the report said.

Hellyer's 42-year-old former partner suffered a contusion on her right cheek, the report said.

Hellyer told the police officer that he had tried to keep a distance from the woman, but that she followed him from the bedroom to another room.

Upon his release from jail, Hellyer signed a form ordering him to stay away from the alleged victim.

In an interview with the *Emerald*, Hellyer's former partner said he had displayed a violent tendency before, though he had not actually committed any acts of

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GOOD MORNING

► (AP) — The University Museum of Natural History possesses hundreds of American Indian remains, and the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation want them back.

"The medicine men tell me the bones cry out, that they want to be safely put away," said Prosanna Williams, 66, a spiritual leader who has served as an undertaker for the tribes for the past 20 years.

The Warm Springs, Wasco and Paiute tribes hope to put their ancestors to rest, she said.

"I take buckskins and I wrap the bones. You don't know if they are female or male. But the way I put it in the services, I sing that 'He is journeying back to the

HIGH
65°
LOW
40°



resting place," Williams said.

Even the prospect that the Indian remains might end up in the wrong burial ground is better than leaving them in museum boxes, she said.

Four years ago, Congress approved the Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act, which requires all federally funded museums to return the remains and sacred objects of American Indians.

The act also requires that the

nearest tribe be contacted any time Indian remains are unearthed, either by natural or human-caused circumstances. Oregon has had such a law since 1979.

But it is difficult to get the remains back where they belong, said Don Dumond, director of the natural history museum. In many cases, no one is quite sure where that is.

"I hate the word 'repatriation,'" Dumond said. "That implies we know who they are and we can give them back. We would like to do that, to have this controversy over with. But in all honesty we have no idea where some of them belong."

Each of the 200-some remains stored by the University is anonymous, Dumond said. Many are only fragment remains, meaning they may consist of only one or two bones or bone fragments from a single person.

None are less than 150 years old. And some of the remains came to the museum not as a donation but as a part of the institution's designated role since 1935 as repository for all of the state's anthropological collections.

"It's not as if we know we have someone's grandfather in there and we're not giving it back," Dumond said. In some cases, scientists are not even sure the remains are American Indian.

Safer Sex Week activities help raise awareness

Education: Local businesses lend support to HIV/AIDS campaign

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If you flash your condoms to a waitress at Rennie's, you'll get a surprise: a two-for-one deal on breakfast or lunch.

Rennie's Landing and several other area restaurants are helping educate students on safe sex during Safer Sex Week, which lasts through Friday.

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