

A unique perspective

Oregon football player Michael Fletcher gives his thoughts after taking a class and an internship in sports journalism

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Taking summer inventory

The Oregon men's basketball team enters the winter season with a strong mix of experienced veterans joining a heralded group of freshman and transfers

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The Southeast Asian Lecture series continues at 7 p.m. in 115 Lawrence tonight

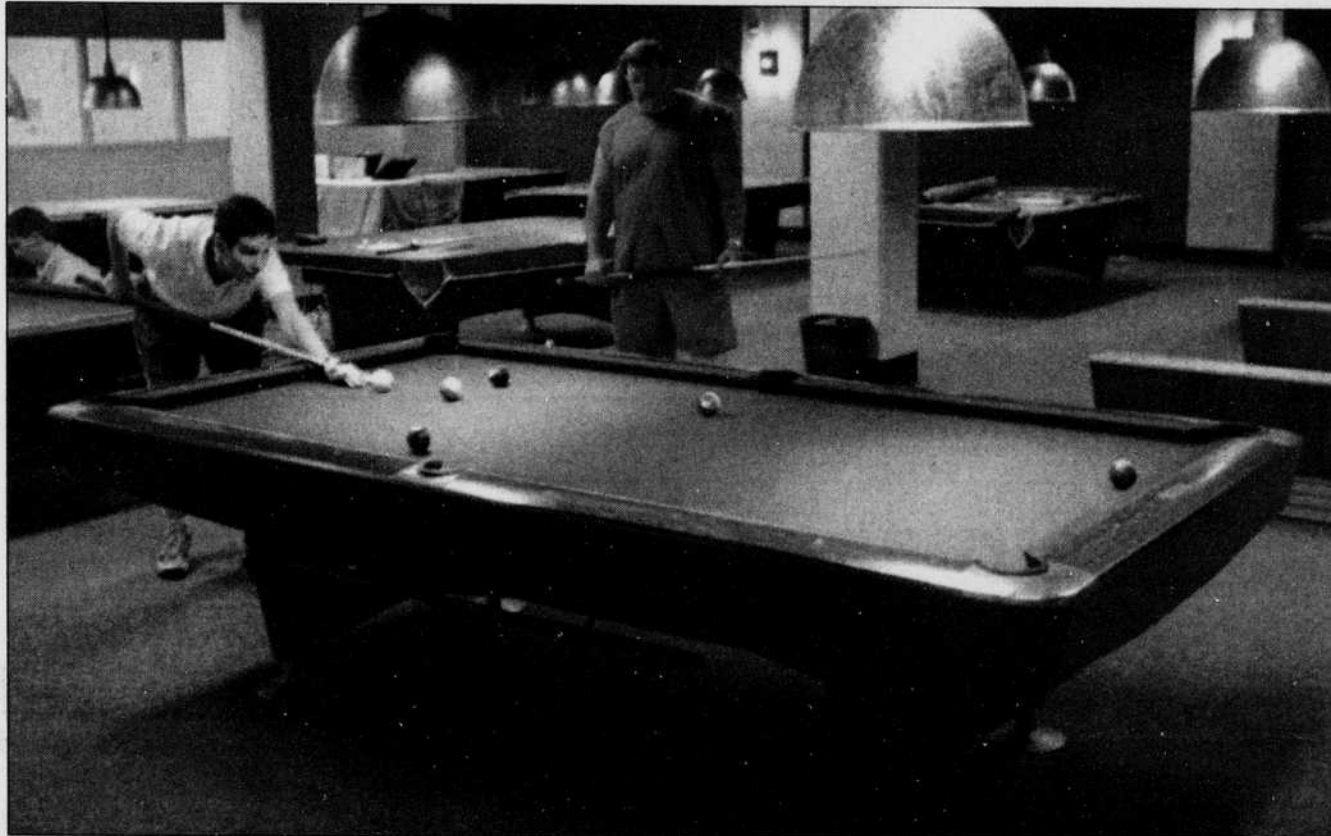
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Today
Partly cloudy
High 86. Low 54.
Wednesday
Sunny
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Peg Rees, a physical education instructor, and Jon Bellino, a future billiards instructor, take aim on opening day.

EMU basement, Fishbowl reopen

Everything from coffee to tofu to billiards can be found in the long-awaited, newly renovated areas

By Amy Goldhammer
Oregon Daily Emerald

Holy Cow! The EMU renovations are almost done! After more than a year of construction, noise and planning, some of the newly renovated areas of the EMU opened for business Monday.

The Buzz coffeehouse, in the EMU basement, and The Grateful Bread bakery, which is in the Fishbowl, are in full swing, producing java and pastries. Holy Cow and Subway are also now serving in the Fishbowl.

"We anticipate being very creative with the cuisine," said Kathleen Ehli, Holy Cow manager.

The Marketplace, snuggled between Holy Cow and Subway, will open next Monday and will feature a different local vendor each day of the week. The Marketplace will include Bento Brothers, Samurai Duck,

Noodles etc., India House and Ritta's Burritos.

Project manager and EMU Director Dusty Miller said the project stayed on budget and on time. The projected opening date was Aug. 3.

"The customer reaction — not only to the food and coffee, but to the environment — has been great," said Theresa Coleman-Kaiser, food service manager of the EMU. "It's been fantastic to listen to the customers ooh and ahh."

The old Fishbowl has been transformed into a comfortable eating area and lounge for customers.

"It's a far cry from the food fight scene in 'Animal House,'" said Zak Johnson, a Holy Cow employee. "It was kind of snarly before. Now it is an attractive place to work and eat."

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Factory worker from Mexico visits Eugene

Fernando Flores, a striking worker of a Hyundai plant, spoke about labor conditions

By Peter Breaden
Oregon Daily Emerald

A Mexican factory worker asked a group of 60 people Monday for monetary support in a strike at the Han Young maquiladora, an assembly plant owned by Hyundai in Tijuana, Mexico.

The title sums up the subject matter: "The Union Struggle at Han Young: A presentation by workers from the Hyundai truck chassis plant in Tijuana, Mexico, who are fighting for their own union, independent of government or corporate control." The event was sponsored by the Tijuana-Hyundai-Eugene-Coalition.

Fernando Flores, the factory worker, spoke through an interpreter in EWEB's Training Room, listing the grievances of his fellow workers. The workers at Han Young have been pressing for higher wages, safer and cleaner working conditions, proper maintenance for machinery and several bonus programs that had previously been denied.

"Everything inside is disorganized and dirty," Flores said.

Flores worked in a factory that welds chassis for a nearby tractor trailer assembly plant. Worker wages, Flores said, were equivalent to \$3 to \$4.50 for 10-hour days.

Workers at Han Young have been striking for more than two months, beginning when their negotiations were refused by factory management. The latest effort by Han Young workers comes after several bargaining tries through state and company organizations.

"These types of unions are the type that cover up all the injustices and are working with the companies," Flores said.

He also said that company representatives made several death threats to the workers.

Promoters for the presentation urged international solidarity.

"People understand that the answer to this is not to go into a mental block and say, 'Buy

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Relay for Life raises money for cancer research

Proceeds from a new stamp unveiled at the relay will also be used to combat the disease

Stefanie Knowlton
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Relay For Life participants set up camp at Hayward Field early Friday morning for a 24-hour event that rallied both survivors and supporters in the fight against cancer.

It had the appearance of a festival with live music, food and booths for face painting and massages, to name just a few. There were also informational booths about cancer awareness to remind the participants of why they were there.

The first lap of the relay, which started at noon, was for cancer survivors and served

as inspiration for all those who would follow.

1,250 participants and volunteers received pledges for each mile that they ran, walked or strolled around the track during the event. The relay originated in Eugene seven years ago and has now spread to 20 cities throughout Oregon.

Charelene Murray, a volunteer for the American Cancer Society and the committee chair of the Relay For Life explained that the relay "is about a community taking up the fight against cancer."

During the ceremony, Eugene Postmaster John Hardin unveiled the new breast cancer research stamp. Hardin gave an enlarged

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Eugene Postmaster John Hardin presents the new fundraising postage stamp