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Weather forecast

Today
Rain
High 67, Low 47

Tuesday
Mostly cloudy
High 66, Low 49

Cancer awareness

A small percentage of men is also affected by breast cancer, and the warning signs are often ignored / **PAGE 4**

Ducks obliterate Cougars

Tailback Reuben Droughns sets a school record, rushing 217 yards in the 51-29 win / **PAGE 11**

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A night in the life of the police

A ride with the Eugene police Saturday shows weekend activity from their perspective

By David Ryan
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It's Saturday night. There is no rain and no breeze. It's warm enough for someone to walk outside with just a long sleeve shirt. It's a good night to go out on the town.

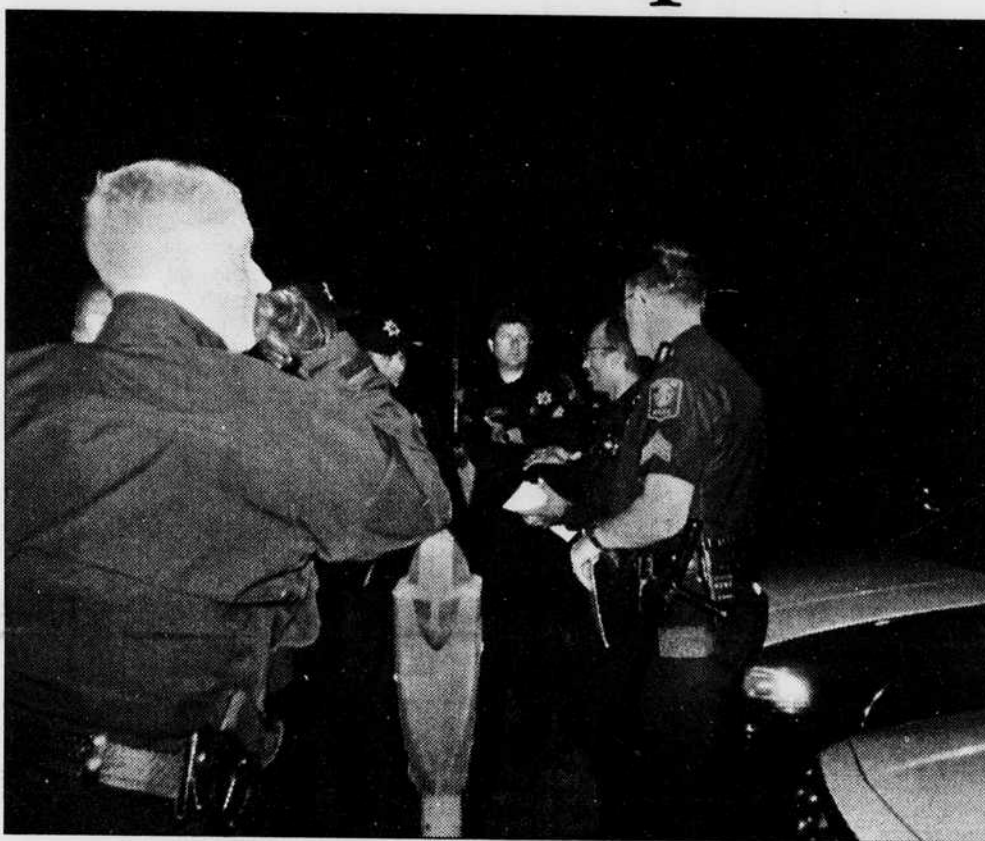
But Eugene police officer Stan Kamkar is worried as he drives west on 19th Avenue.

Good weather means more parties, he says. More parties and good weather means bigger crowds at get-togethers in the campus vicinity that spill out into yards and porches. More noise complaints. More young women becoming targets for sexual predators. It means more intoxicated partygoers walking the streets.

"I've seen people urinating and defecating on the sidewalk," Kamkar said. "People finishing their beers right there [on the sidewalk]. If you're a homeowner and you wake up Sunday morning to go out to get your paper and you find empty beer cans all over... It all boils down to one thing: alcohol is the No. 1 problem on campus."

However, many of the residents in the campus vicinity Kamkar patrols are students, not homeowners. For some students, the police are the objects of suspicion and scorn. They are targets of nervous insults shouted from across a street and confiscators of perfectly good kegs of beer.

Police, on the other hand, pledge to uphold the law, whatever it may be. They also must view every situation they encounter with caution. Kamkar said police learn procedures from trial and error — the error of officers being killed in the line of duty. Student behavior determines police reactions, Kamkar said.



Officer Kamkar instructs other officers near McArthur Court on what to do if they encounter a rowdy party.

A ride with Eugene police on Saturday night showed just what a typical night on the town looks like from the police perspective.

9:39 p.m.: Officers need assistance at a house at 16th Avenue and Alder Street dealing with possible minors in possession of alcohol. Kamkar arrives on the scene to help.

A resident claiming to live in the house is told about the consequences of furnishing alcohol to minors. According to Kamkar, two white male residents suspected to be minors were seen running out the back of the house when police arrived.

9:50 p.m.: Officer Dan Long needs assistance issuing a citation to a male resident found

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A keg of beer sits in the patrol car after being seized by Officer Kamkar from a party at a residence near 15th Avenue and Hilyard Street.

Coming Out events begin today in EMU

The LGBTA and other campus and community groups bring film showings and workshops to Eugene

By Laura Baker
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Telling your parents that you are lesbian or gay can be one of the most difficult aspects of coming out, said Peter Larson, co-director of the campus Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Alliance.

Larson said National Coming Out Day and week-long University events are important for him and other lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students.

"Coming out is one of the biggest issues that LGBT people face," Larson said. "It's important to have this event on campus so that other students can see that we're here and we're visible."

This year's events have been subdued from recent years: There will be no drag queens, and due to scheduling conflicts, there will be no keynote speakers in the amphitheater, Larson said.

However, several groups dedicated to LGBT issues both on campus and in the community will be available in the amphitheater to answer questions on Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A workshop on Tuesday will focus on the concerns LGBT people face when deciding to come out to parents. The workshop is at 7 p.m. in the EMU Maple Room.

The workshop is important for students thinking about coming out to their parents, Larson said. It will teach various ways to address the issue and give them advice on how it should be handled. The group, Parents, Family and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, will help out with the workshop.

A film, "Straight From the Heart," depicting how some families have dealt with coming out, will be shown.

"Parents no longer loving and respecting them is a huge fear," said Stephanie Carnahan, LGBT Educational and Support Services Program director. "This is a good opportunity for us to show folks that there are some supportive parents out there."

Although Sunday was the official National Coming Out Day, the University chose to host a week of events so more programming

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OLCC hires regulatory specialist to work with University, OSU

David Green says he wants to support 'people who are responsible' when they party

By Michael Hines
Oregon Daily Emerald

He doesn't have any crazy drinking stories yet.

But odds are David Green will be able to top them all in just a matter of months.

The stories won't be his own, of course, because Green is the new regulatory specialist for the Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

Green's job, a position created by the OLCC in early August, is to work with the University and Oregon State University to support and enforce the schools' alcohol policies and rules. Green's office is off campus, at the OLCC office on Country Club Road. "It is a difficult situation," Green said. "The reality that I know is that a lot of students party. Basically, what I'm looking at is that what I want to support is people who are responsible." His first step is to get to know those in charge. Included on that list are University Housing, the Office of Student Life and the Greek Life Office.

"I'm basically a resource for them," he said.

Green will be available to give presentations on safety with alcohol to greek organizations or housing residents in addition to his regular job, which often includes weekend work at football games and monitoring parties.

"Before, it was done entirely by people who were working other jobs," Green said.

With a position that focuses on student alcohol use and abuse, the OLCC, which is Oregon's regulatory agency of liquor through support and distribution, the uni-

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David Green stands in front of a wall of confiscated IDs.