

Birds

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Wisner said. "But I do get out when opportunity knocks."

Wisner has traveled to Australia, the Galapagos Islands and Costa Rica to observe different species of birds.

"In Galapagos, the birds don't get out of your way, and you can get really close to them," he said.

Many birds that spend their summers in the Eugene area spend their winters down in the islands, Wisner said.

Wisner is also a member of the Lane County Audubon Society and said that the chapter is an offshoot of the Oakridge chapter.

The society meets at 1645 High St. on the fourth Tuesday of every month and is concerned with birds as well as environmental issues at large, said society publicist Alice Dugan.

Dugan said the society came about in the late 1800s because women's hats were often being

made out of birds' feathers.

"It originated to tell women not to wear feathers on their clothes," she said.

The meetings for the society often consist of a guest speaker with slides, a lecture and a question-and-answer session, Dugan said.

Fred Ramsey, Tuesday's speaker, is a member of the Corvallis chapter of the Audubon Society and a professor at Oregon State University.

Ramsey recently traveled to Perth, in western Australia, and shared his observations with the Eugene society.

Coincidentally, next month's speaker will feature observations made under the waters surrounding Australia, Dugan said. The Society changes topics with each meeting.

The society is trying to be a source of public information, he said. "We try to educate the public about the wide world of birds."



The University's Museum of Natural History showcases some of the common birds found in the Eugene/Springfield area.

Nick Medley/Emerald

U.S. planes attack northern Iraq

The action comes amid threats of retaliation by Saddam Hussein

By Vijay Joshi
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Vowing his people's blood "will not be shed in vain," President Saddam Hussein threatened Tuesday to retaliate against the United States. American aircraft attacked Iraq yet again, trying to knock out more air defense sites.

U.S. warplanes fired missiles and precision-guided bombs near the northern city of Mosul, a day after Iraq said errant U.S. missiles killed 11 people and injured 59 in and around the southern city of Basra.

Tuesday's strikes by a Marine Corps EA-6B Prowler and an F-15E strike aircraft patrolling the northern "no-fly" zone were to neutralize threats by Iraqi radar or anti-aircraft defenses, the U.S. military said.

The Pentagon acknowledged Tuesday that one of the U.S. missiles fired Monday over the "no-fly" zone in southern Iraq had gone astray and hit a neighborhood in Basra. In Washington, spokesman Kenneth Bacon said U.S. officials

had "no independent confirmation" that it killed any Iraqis.

"We regret any civilian casualties," Bacon added.

National Security Adviser Sandy Berger said President Clinton has told the U.S. military to respond more aggressively to Iraqi challenges in the "no-fly" zones, set up to protect Iraqi rebels from Saddam's forces.

Saddam, meanwhile, stepped up his defiance.

"Your blood will not be shed in vain," he said in a speech Tuesday to commiserate with those affected by Monday's missile strikes.

The developments further raised tensions in Iraq, already high since the Dec. 16-19 airstrikes by U.S. and British forces. That bombardment targeted military and communications sites following Saddam's refusal to cooperate with the U.N. commission set up to oversee the elimination of Iraq's weapons of mass destruction.

Until the commission completes its job, the United Nations will not lift economic sanctions imposed after Iraq's 1990 invasion of Kuwait, which triggered the 1991 Gulf War.

Saddam, in his speech, invoked

the sacrifices of Basra's residents, who were on the front line in the Gulf War as well as Iraq's 1980-88 war with Iran. The speech was carried by the official Iraqi News Agency.

"Be patient, our beloved and brothers. Victory will be with those who are patient," Saddam urged the 1 million people of Basra, a city 340 miles southeast of Baghdad.

"Your blood will blossom ... in the tree of freedom, resistance and victory," Saddam said. He did not specify what action he might take in response to the Basra attack.

One of the U.S. missiles fell Monday on Basra's working-class neighborhood of al-Jumhuriya, where officials said five people were killed and 42 were injured. Another missile hit the village of Abu Falous outside Basra, where six people reportedly died and 17 were injured.

Three other missiles fell around Basra but caused no casualties, Iraqi officials said.

Residents of Al-Falous were in mourning Tuesday. The sounds of prayer from a mosque filled the air. Women gathered in a house to beat their chests and wail in traditional expressions of grief.



(Reported from Jan. 19 to Jan. 25)

■ Jan. 21, Driving While Under the Influence of Intoxicants, East 15th Avenue and Ferry Street.
■ Jan. 23, Delivery of a Con-

trolled Substance, 1400 block of East 20th Avenue: marijuana.

■ Jan. 23, Criminal Trespass II, 1600 block of University Street.

■ Jan. 24, Criminal Mischief III, East 15th Avenue and University Street: vandalizing parking meter.

■ Jan. 24, Harassment and Resisting Arrest, 1400 block of East 19th Avenue: individual confronting officers at a party.

News Brief

Students, employers meet at Main Event

Students, faculty and potential employers will be gambling and rubbing elbows at the American Marketing Association's third annual AMA Main Event tonight from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Casanova Center.

Blackjack tables and roulette wheels will create a professional and personal atmosphere for students, faculty and potential employers to share insights and personal experiences in a variety of fields, association president Nick MacIlveen said. Representatives

from 25 to 30 companies will attend.

"It's definitely unique and we want to invite all students," he said. "It's much more personal and very professional because everyone will be all dressed up nice — kind of like the Las Vegas casinos."

Winning gamblers will be given door prizes and tickets that can be exchanged for gifts.

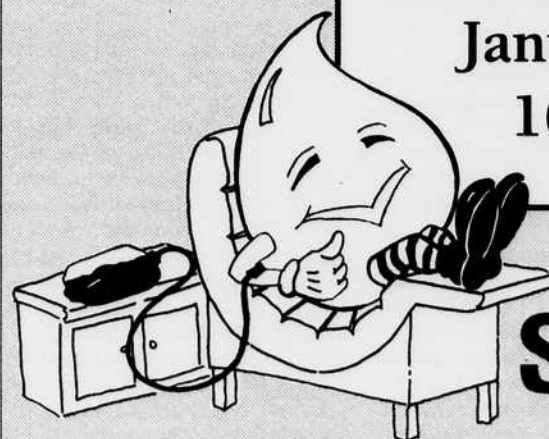
Tickets are available on the second floor of Gilbert Hall today from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for \$10.

Tickets will also be available at the door for \$15.

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