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Missing woman's body found

Police believe they have recovered the body of Linda Bovee, who has been missing since Oct. 11. Police believe that she took her own life. **PAGE 3**



Duck defense getting stingy

The Oregon football team's defense has put together good back-to-back performances in home victories over Arizona State and Washington State. **PAGE 7**



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Alaskan native Erin Pursell opposes the opening of ANWR for drilling by the oil companies. The drilling could have a negative impact on the environment.

Development threatens Alaskan wildlife

■ With the Alaskan economy in a slump, congress has come under fire to open the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil drilling

By Jeremy Lang
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The oil industry isn't merely the main resource of the Alaskan economy — it has shaped every aspect of the state.

Alaska is a place where the rays of a six-month-long sunset bounce off oil wells owned by British Petroleum, Exxon and other companies, where almost every part of the state has been leased, drilled or influenced by the pres-

ence of fossil fuels.

But there is one part of Alaska that has remained relatively untouched: The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge or ANWR.

Located in the state's northeastern corner, ANWR is home to a variety of animal species ranging from migratory birds to polar bears and caribou. It is currently divided into 8 million acres of protected wilderness, 9 million acres of wildlife refuge and 1.5 million acres the oil industry wants to open for drilling.

Alaska's governor, senators and a large portion of its residents want to open the area, known as the Coastal Plain, in hopes of finding oil and stabilizing Alaska's slumping economy. Doing so will

require the U.S. House, Senate and the president passing a bill into law.

Environmental activists, however, are pushing Congress to keep the largest undeveloped part of the United States intact.

One activist, Erin Pursell, a junior at the University, is an Alaskan native fighting to keep all of ANWR protected.

An environmental studies and political science double major, Pursell moved to Alaska when she was five years old and describes herself as "growing up in the lap of the oil industry." Her step-father worked on the Trans-Alaskan Pipeline System in 1974 and she went

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Rape drug present in victims

■ Local officials warn women to beware of drinks potentially spiked with date rape drugs as multiple reports arise in Eugene area

By Ben Romano
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In the last two weeks, three separate incidents of sexual assault in the Eugene area were reported by women. In all three cases the women tested positive for Rohypnol, the so-called "date rape drug."

The assaults were first reported to the Eugene Planned Parenthood, which then passed the information on to the Student Health Center, said Annie Dochnahl, peer health education coordinator.

The Eugene Planned Parenthood wanted to alert people that a predatory drug is being used in the area, Dochnahl said.

These assaults are the first reports of the date rape drug in the Eugene area in the last year, said Byron McCrae, assistant dean of student life.

After Halloween of 1998, two separate incidents of predatory drug use were reported to the Office of Student Life, McCrae said.

Rohypnol, also known as Roofies, Rope and Ralph, is used in many countries as an anesthetic or to induce sleep. The drug is illegal in the United States, said Annie Weinsolt, a peer health educator who recently gave a presentation about the drug at the Walton Housing Complex.

"It's a small pill that can be dissolved in any drink," said Weinsolt, a junior general science major. "It tends to knock you out and makes it so you can't remember things in the morning — that's the most dangerous part."

The drug makes both women and men vulnerable to violent crimes such as rape, assault and robbery.

"It creates an effect which is very similar to how you would feel when you're drunk. You're slowed down and your inhibition is low. You're weaker," she said.

Protecting yourself from the date rape drug involves a lot of common sense things that college students know to do, but forget

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Ordinance proposes landlords, tenants pay for police action

The Eugene Police Department has proposed to fine tenants and their landlords if they are called to the same residence more than once in a 60 day period

By Darren Freeman
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Much to their dismay, tenants and landlords may soon have to foot the bill for repeated police responses to disorderly parties, if the Eugene City Council passes an ordinance proposed by the Eugene Police Department.

The ordinance would require tenants and landlords to pay a "special response fee" if police are called more than once within 60 days to an address where more than 10 people are gathered and at which police issue more than one citation, said EPD Sgt. Rick Gilliam, who co-wrote the proposed ordinance. The fee could run as high as \$5,000, he said.

After the first visit to an address, police would issue a warning to both the tenant and landlord. After the second response, the tenant and landlord would be jointly required to repay the cost of the police action, including officers' wages, injury to officers and damage to vehicles.

Gilliam said the ordinance, which would apply to all rental properties including houses, apartments and taverns, is in response to an increase in alcohol abuse and disorderly parties.

"We're issuing more MIPs this year than we ever have," Gilliam said. "We generally issue anywhere between 75-125 citations for alcohol-related offenses on any weekend."

On typical Friday and Saturday nights, about 25 police officers patrol Eugene, Police Chief Jim Hill said. As many as 10 of those officers, all paid overtime wages, work the areas surrounding the University and respond to mostly party-related disturbances, he said.

"When almost half the entire staffing of the city is going to the University area to manage the party scene, the community is at risk," Hill said.

Though revenue generated from the special response fee would not put more police on the street, Hill said he is confident the ordinance would encourage ten-

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The ordinance would require tenants and landlords jointly repay the city the cost of police response to disorderly parties if:

■ Police respond more than twice within 60 days to an address

■ More than 10 people are gathered at the address at the time of the response

■ Police issue more than one citation at the first-offense site

SOURCE: Eugene Police Department