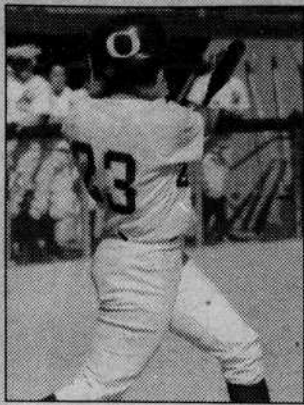


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Almost does not count

The No. 22 Oregon softball team can't find a way to capitalize on offensive opportunities Tuesday, losing a close contest with Oregon State, 2-0. **PAGE 7**

The Flash

Asian-American author speaks

Journalist Helen Zia made a stop while on a national book tour at the University to discuss her book "Asian American Dreams: The Emergence of and American People."

Zia presented her memoirs, which chronicle the stories of under-represented Asian-Americans in American history, at a reception at the Law School on Tuesday. **PAGE 6**

Judge denies 'Dolphin-safe' decision

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge struck down a government decision Tuesday to allow the use of the "dolphin-safe" label on canned tuna even when some of the tuna are captured by huge encircling nets that often harm dolphins.

U.S. District Judge Thelton Henderson, in a ruling handed down in San Francisco, said the Commerce Department improperly concluded that the change would not have any significant adverse impact on dolphin fatalities.

DEQ cites Mitsubishi Silicon America

SALEM (AP) — The Oregon Department of Environment Quality announced Tuesday it has cited Mitsubishi Silicon America for a spill of sulfuric acid last month into Pringle Creek that killed thousands of fish.

The department issued a notice of noncompliance to the company for violation of hazardous waste and water quality statutes.

The violations are considered "Class One" violations because of their threat to human health and the environ-

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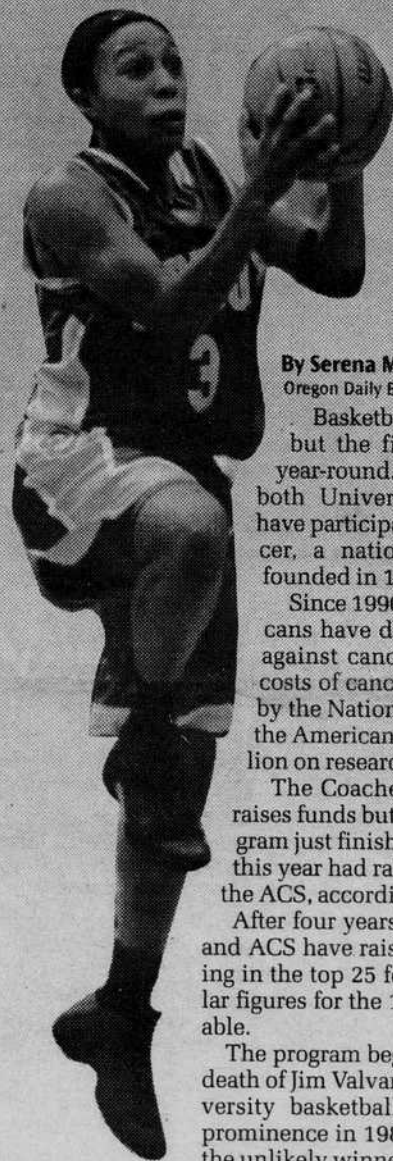
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Coaching cancer awareness

University basketball coaches and the American Cancer Society team up in an effort to raise funds toward the fight against the disease



By Serena Markstrom
Oregon Daily Emerald

Basketball season may be over, but the fight against cancer is year-round. For the past five years, both University basketball teams have participated in Coaches vs. Cancer, a national fund-raising effort founded in 1993.

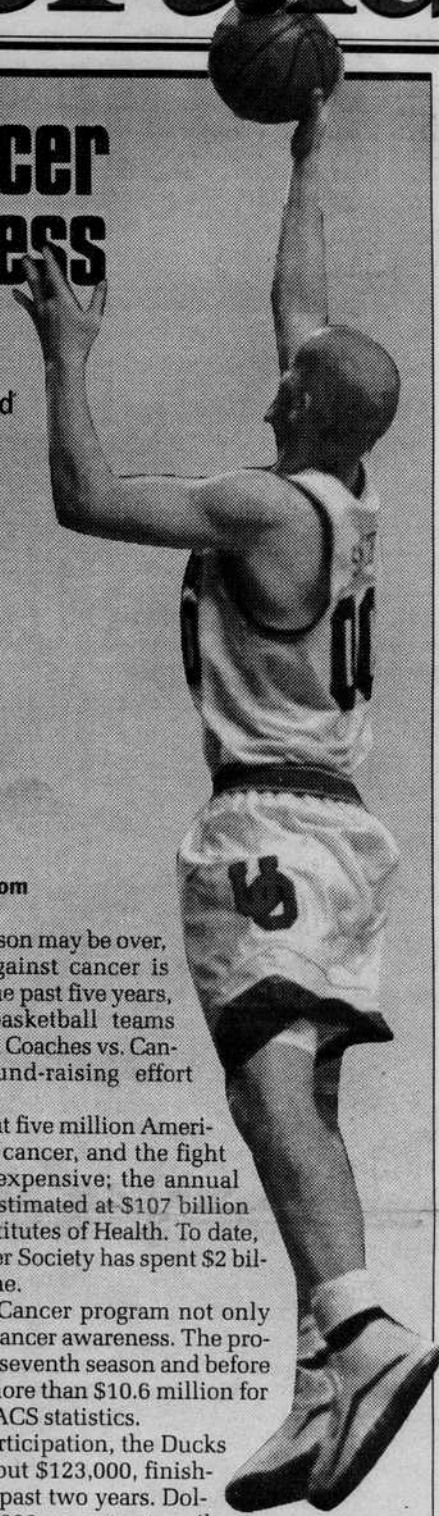
Since 1990, about five million Americans have died of cancer, and the fight against cancer is expensive; the annual costs of cancer is estimated at \$107 billion by the National Institutes of Health. To date, the American Cancer Society has spent \$2 billion on research alone.

The Coaches vs. Cancer program not only raises funds but also cancer awareness. The program just finished its seventh season and before this year had raised more than \$10.6 million for the ACS, according to ACS statistics.

After four years of participation, the Ducks and ACS have raised about \$123,000, finishing in the top 25 for the past two years. Dollar figures for the 1999-2000 are not yet available.

The program began around the same time as the death of Jim Valvano, the North Carolina State University basketball coach who gained national prominence in 1983 when his Wolfpack team was the unlikely winner of the NCAA tournament.

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Senate weighs WRC decision

■ Frohnmayer has indicated he'll join the Worker Rights Consortium if the University Senate approves the recommendation

By Jeremy Lang and Emily Gust
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The tents and posters outside Johnson Hall may come down, and the protesters may finally get to go home today.

At 3 p.m., the University Senate will meet in 177 Lawrence Hall and decide whether the University should join the Worker Rights Consortium, which monitors working conditions in factories that manufacture University products made by licensees such as Nike.

In a meeting that packed the EMU Fir Room full of students on Monday, University President Dave Frohnmayer agreed he would sign on with the WRC if the senate recommends that he do so.

The senate and the Licensing Code of Conduct Committee, which has already voiced support to sign, are advisory bodies only. Frohnmayer has the final decision whether to sign on.

However, Monday's meeting did not result in compliance with the protesters' demands. Frohnmayer is considering joining the WRC for only one year, not the five-year contract that protesters have demanded he sign.

Another meeting between Frohnmayer and students is tentatively scheduled after the senate meeting at 6 p.m. in 177 Lawrence Hall.

Tuesday marked a full week of night-and-day student occupation of the lawn surrounding the administrative building. In the past week the number of tents on the lawn has continued to grow, and police have arrested a total of 14 students on trespassing charges for refusing to

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“I'd like the administration to take more seriously our concerns about democracy and recognize that some students are not as complacent as our media spokespersons are.”

Devin Dinihanian
member
HRA

A month of events shows Queer Pride

Organizers hope to forge ties within the LGBT community and raise awareness in the community at large

By Simone Ripke
Oregon Daily Emerald

Students who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgendered have a reason to celebrate throughout the month of April. Members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered Alliance are sponsoring the annual Queer Pride Celebration and have organized activities and events to celebrate their sexuality.

"It's an important time for students and staff and faculty and LGBT and their friends and families to come together and celebrate who they are," said Brooke Lather, intern director of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered Educational and Support Services Program (LGBTESP).

Gabrielle Hendel, a senior psychology major and director of the LGBTTA, said she hopes members of the LGBT community and heterosexual students will participate in the celebration in an effort to educate themselves on LGBT issues.

"It's important to the cultural diversity on campus," Hendel said.

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Initiative seeks to ban school support of gays

■ Previous measures sponsored by the OCA were rejected by voters, but the group keeps gathering signatures

By Darren Freeman
Oregon Daily Emerald

Oregon voters might see another bout between gay and lesbian rights activists and the Oregon Citizens Alliance and its supporters during the months leading up to the Nov. 7 general election.

The OCA, a citizen lobbyist group, is collecting signatures to place an initiative on the November ballot that would prohibit public schools and community colleges from encouraging acceptance of homosexuality and bisexuality.

If the initiative passes, schools would be barred from enforcing anti-discrimination policies regarding sexual orientation, offering support organizations geared for non-heterosexual students, and teaching tolerance for homosexuals and bisexuals. Schools that don't comply

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