

Calendar

Friday, April 21

Humanities Work-in-Progress Talk: Jeffrey Hurwit, Art History, discusses "Paradigms of Greekness: Men, Myth and the Chigi Vase." Noon-1 p.m. Room 241, Lawrence Hall. Free. For information, browse <http://darkwing.uoregon.edu/~humanctr/> or call 346-3934.

Architecture Lecture: Architect Robert Dupuy speaks. 5:15 p.m. Room 177, Lawrence Hall. Free. For information, call 346-3656.

EMU Cultural Forum Lecture: Dr. Drew Pinsky, co-host of MTV's "Love-line" program on relationships and sexuality, presents a frank conversation about sex, love and healthy relationships. 7 p.m. McArthur Court. Free. For information, browse <http://darkwing.uoregon.edu/~cultural/> or call 346-4373.

The International Coffee Hour will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. in the International Lounge.

The Pacifica Forum: "Update on Guns" will be held at 11:45 a.m. at the Wesley Center, 1236 Kincaid.

Saturday, April 22

Representative Peter DeFazio will speak at Eugene's Earth Day Celebration at 11 a.m. at Willamette Plaza.

Colorado students honor victims

Students, families and strangers gathered Thursday to remember the Columbine school shootings

By Robert Weller
The Associated Press

LITTLETON, Colo. — A father fell to his knees and kissed the grass on his son's grave. A mother watched 13 white balloons soar into a brilliant blue sky over the cemetery where her son now rests. And at 11:21 a.m. — the precise moment two teenagers opened fire inside their high school on April 20, 1999 — Coloradans fell silent as a church bell tolled 13 times in memory of the victims of the Columbine High massacre. At private ceremonies and public remembrances all day and into

the night Thursday, students, staff, survivors and strangers came together to mark the first anniversary of the nation's deadliest school shooting.

"Today is about the angels who are watching over us — helping us to heal and helping us to remember," Gov. Bill Owens told a crowd at the state Capitol in Denver.

Owens presided over the moment of silence that marked the moment Dylan Klebold and Eric Harris began the bloodbath, killing 12 students and a teacher and wounding 26 before taking their own lives.

There was little mention of the gunmen Thursday, and the acts of remembrance — the 13 balloons, the bell tolling 13 times, 13 crosses erected — were meant to recall the victims and not the killers. The

victims' families had even asked the news media to avoid any references to Klebold and Harris.

The killers' parents apologized again last week for their sons' actions. Their whereabouts Thursday were not clear.

As a lone bagpiper played "Amazing Grace," the governor and his wife planted columbines, the state flower that gave the school its name, beneath a flagpole.

In Littleton, families and friends of slain students Rachel Scott, Corey DePooter and teacher Dave Sanders embraced and wept during a memorial at the cemetery where all three are buried.

"Today can be a new beginning, not just for our community but for our nation," pastor Billy Epperhart said.



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Men's group

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productive to have a group that looks at sexism to really debunk all that."

The group also provides an opportunity for men to get involved in the annual Take Back the Night event, which raises awareness to create a sexual assault-free campus and is sponsored by the Women's Center. Gutstadt said men previously lacked an outlet to get involved, but now the Men Against Sexism group provides just such an outlet.

Jonathan Davies, a senior staff

psychologist at the University Counseling Center, has worked with group members as a facilitator for their support group meetings. He said a group such as Men Against Sexism was highly needed on campus to educate men about dangerous behaviors.

Davies also agreed with Gutstadt that the group's efforts are important in providing a vehicle for men to get involved in Take Back the Night and women's issues overall.

"More and more men are coming out for that evening and want to support and express their concern for women," he said.

Investors

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and downs.

The Investment Group of about 20 students invests in the stock market after analyzing different industries and companies using money provided by Portland brokerage firm DA Davidson. Students started out with \$50,000 and had earned a profit of almost 25 percent before last week's turmoil in the market.

The group has to return the first 5 percent of any earnings to DA Davidson, and then the two parties split the remaining 95 percent.

Now the group is down by 5 percent from its initial \$50,000 investment, but members are confident that stocks will recover soon. And some already have.

Kosovich said InFocus System stock went down dramatically last week, but is on its way to recovery now. Although students met briefly on Friday to discuss the stock market plunge, senior finance business major Steve Zogas, the group's director of operations, said there was no panic and no stocks were sold in the heat of the moment.

"We like what we hold a lot," Zogas said. "There was no reason for us to sell anything."

Phil Richman, a first-year masters of business administration student, is the president of the Canvasback Investment Club, which differs from the University Investment Group because students invest their own money.

Richman said that his club took a hit as well, but students remained calm and many considered the drop in stock prices a good buying opportunity rather than a crisis.

John Chalmers, assistant professor of finance, who works closely with Zogas and Kosovich as the Investment Group's advisor, said members in that group reacted exactly how he had expected them to react.

"Basically we didn't do any-

thing — we didn't panic," he said. "I think they did an excellent job."

And the group's calmness seems to have paid off.

"We're back up now within two days," Zogas said.

Kosovich said a common perception about student investors is that they are playing the stock market game only with short-term goals in mind. However, he said that is not true for the group.

"I don't think that's the reality for student investors," he said. "We're in it for the long run."

Zogas and Kosovich said that pursuing long-term goals helps overcome short-term crisis and that investors always know they are taking a risk.

"With that upside risk, there's always a downside risk," Kosovich said.

To avoid too much risk, and to help students keep a well-rounded portfolio of stocks, the investment group cannot invest more than 20 percent of its money into one stock.

Kosovich said that just a couple weeks ago student investors jointly decided it was time to sell some Webtrends stock they owned since it represented more than 20 percent of their money.

"We don't want to hold too much of our portfolio in one stock, so we rebalanced our portfolio," Kosovich said.

Zogas said that the decision to sell the stock was not out of foresight, but simply an effort to retain a well-diversified stock portfolio. The move turned out to be a sensible one when Webtrends took a big hit last week.

Just like the other events upsetting the stock market last week, that drop did not take the group by surprise.

"We realize that things can't go up forever," Zogas said.

Chalmers said the market chaos last week provided an educational experience for the investment group.

"I guess it was a good lesson for all of us," he said.

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