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**Carolina on their minds**

Seven members of the Oregon track and field teams aspire to finish their seasons on a high note at this week's NCAA Championships in Durham. **PAGE 11**

**The Flash**

**Thesis project focuses on Moroccan women**

Graduate student Rose Armour spent several months shadowing women in rural Moroccan villages to document their lifestyles and study ways to improve living conditions in the western African nation. Armour's findings were presented at a Geographic Society meeting for the planning, public policy and management department. She found that women thrived more in villages where a New York-based program which promotes sustainable development was in practice. **PAGE 4**

**Boaters beware, waters pose danger**

Summer means the peak of boating season on Oregon's riverways, lakes and coastlines. It also means an increased risk for accidents and injuries resulting from debris in the water and boater negligence. Officials from the Lane County Sheriff's Department and other authorities suggest a series of precautions that could prevent potentially serious injuries during the summer. **PAGE 5**

**DDS searches for permanent home**

Apparently, two's a crowd for DDS and the ASUO Executive. After some frightening incidents earlier this year that prompted a move from the broom-closet of an office to the ASUO Executive's suite, DDS longs for a home of its own. Sharing a space with the student government is getting a little too close for comfort and the shuttle, which operates from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. is looking for its own space or a shared arrangement with some other group. **PAGE 7**

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**Bodging the draft**

Nearly 20 percent of draft eligible men are not registering, but there are repercussions

By Lisa Toth  
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Evan Gordon comes from a military family. His grandfather was a colonel in the Air Force during World War II, was shot down and survived a prisoner of war camp. Gordon's oldest brother fought in the Army in Operation Desert Storm. Currently, his other brother flies FA-18s in the Marines.

This military pressure was one factor that led Gordon, a freshman majoring in accounting, to register for the draft. "The main reason I registered was because it is the law, and it obviously has negative repercussions if you don't," Gordon said.

However, there are more young men around the nation and in Oregon who don't have Gordon's initiative to register for the draft.

Nearly one in five young American men are failing to register for the military draft as required by law, risking fines and jail time, as well as ineligibility for benefits including student loans and government jobs, according to the national Selective Service Administration. Oregon's registration rate is 84 percent.

Agency officials said ignorance rather than willful resistance appears to be behind the lower compliance numbers, which were at 93 percent nationwide a decade ago.

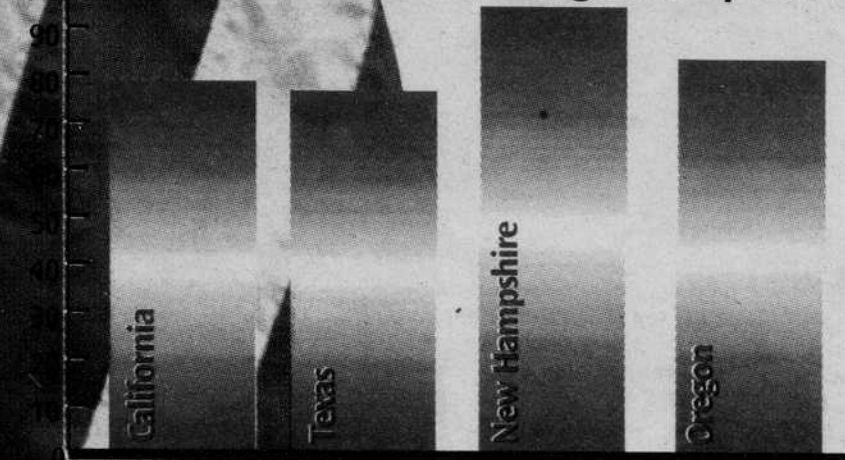
"Since 1990 we have seen an erosion of about 1 percent a year," agency spokesman Lewis Brodsky said.

Selective Service Director Gil Coronado said research has consistently shown that the biggest barrier to young men's compliance is a simple lack of awareness.

"It's tragic to see young men potentially missing out on future opportunities because they just do not know they are required to register," Coronado said.

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**Registration levels among men by state**



**Animal rights activists take jab at teacher**

Protesters began the day handing out flyers about animal research on campus, and then 11 of them went to a professor's home

By Darren Freeman  
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A protest on campus against the University's use of animals for scientific research spilled over into a residential neighborhood in the southeast hills of Eugene late Tuesday afternoon.

Eleven animal-rights activists left an afternoon protest on campus, piled into two cars and lined the curb opposite the home of psychology and neuroscience professor Richard Marrocco, who has used monkeys and mice in his research.

When Marrocco's wife and daughter pulled into their driveway at about 6 p.m., the activists heckled them, shouting, "Hey Marrocco, what do you say? How many animals have you tortured today?"

The activists, all wearing masks, also placed two signs on Marrocco's front yard, one sign reading: "Murderer's House This Way."

"When he goes home to his family, has dinner, watches TV or whatever the hell he does, he gets a break," Geoff, a Eugene activist at the protest, said. "His monkeys get no breaks, and he shouldn't get a break, at least not from people's outrage at what he's doing."

Five members of Eugene's Human Rights Commission were also present outside Marrocco's home observing the protest. Commissioners serve as impartial observers and mediators at protests.

Marrocco, who wasn't home during the protest, said that he wasn't surprised by the activist's confrontational tactics.

"I expected it," he said. "They're jerks. They're anarchists and just not nice people."

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“Animal models are the only way to find the type of information we want to get at. No treatment of humans has been discovered without animal research.”

Tom Dyke  
Vice Provost for Research

**Rental deals abound as summer approaches**

As students depart until fall, vacancy rates go up and rents go down

By Josh Ryneal  
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The best deals are yet to come for students looking for off-campus housing.

While some may complain about the lack of vacancies and high rents in the University area, the Eugene rental market is surprisingly soft compared to other cities with universities, and now is the optimum time to start searching for summer or fall housing.

In a 1999 report issued by Duncan and Brown, Inc., an appraising firm that tracks rent and vacancy rates in Eugene, the vacancy rate is soft in the spring and summer as students move out.

The construction of upscale housing units like Hilyard House and University Commons have also contributed to the soft rental markets, the report stated.

Dan Puffinburger, an appraiser for Duncan and Brown, Inc., said that the best deals for students looking for off-campus housing will happen in the next couple weeks, after spring term ends and occupied properties begin to open up.

In the fall, the Eugene campus vacancy rate hovers around 8 percent, Puffinburger said, but that rate increases substantially when spring term ends.

"In the summer, some management companies report a 50,

60, or even 70 percent vacancy rate over the summer," he said. "It's dead in July around here, but starts to pick up in late August."

This spells good news for students looking to secure an apartment or house, Puffinburger said, and those who can make the trip to Eugene in late July or early August will have the pick of apartments and favorable leases.

"The early bird gets the worm," he said.

Property managers in Corvallis and Portland, both cities with major universities, said that while rents in those cities are fairly comparable to those

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“There will be a lot more deals and a better selection out there.”

Kent Jennings  
owner of Jennings Property Management Co.