

# ENTERTAINMENT

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## Calendar

Tuesday, October 10

**City Council meeting.** Council Chambers, City Hall, 777 Pearl St. 7:30 p.m. Councilors will discuss an ordinance that would require tenants to repay the city for police response to disorderly parties.

**Paul BJORBY**, University of Bergen, Norway, discusses "Ibsen's 'When We Dead Awaken' and the Classic Greek Notions of Form and Matter." 4 p.m., Room 117, Fenton Hall. Free.

**Judith Musick and Dan Giffillan** present "The Feminist Humanities Project - Gender and History: A Database of Texts and Images." 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Room 330, Hendricks Hall. Free.

**International Film Series:** Brazil's "Pixote" is part of a "Coming of Age" series of films shown in their original language with English subtitles. 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Room 122, Pacific Hall. Free.

## Kayaking makes big splash

■ The Outdoor Program offers kayaking sessions for beginners and experts alike

By **Monica Hande**  
Oregon Daily Emerald

When kayaking through white water isn't an option, a swimming pool could be a safe alternative.

The University's Outdoor Program offers kayak sessions in Gerlinger Pool on Wednesday nights. The pool sessions are a way for people to learn or practice their rolls (moving themselves upright after the boat has been tipped) in still water, and during a season when kayaking is not so popular, said Chris Taylor, a University graduate and a former Outdoor Program employee.

Taylor initiated the Gerlinger kayak sessions three years ago, modeling them after kayak sessions offered at Echo Hollow Pool, a community pool at 1655 Echo Hollow Rd. Taylor said the pool became

very busy during the winter, so he wanted to offer a similar service for students closer to the University.

The Wednesday sessions are held from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. The cost is \$5 for general admission and \$3 for Outdoor Program members. Every University student is an automatic member of the Outdoor Program, said Tina Johnson, the program's outreach coordinator, and non-students can join for a \$12 fee.

Kayaks can be rented for \$3 from the Outdoor Program, but only five are available, said Analee McBee, a program employee who regularly attends the kayak sessions. She said some people choose to bring their own boats, but kayaks can also be rented from places such as Oregon River Sports, which charges \$25 to \$30 a day.

Most people attend the sessions to perfect their rolls, which can be practiced most easily in still water, said Brenda Tincher, who attends most of the sessions.

"It's a great way to get your kayaking skills down before you get to the river," she said. "You can't really kayak on a river unless you have certain skills."

Experience is not necessary in order to take advantage of the pool sessions. The people who attend are of mixed skill levels, Johnson said. While some people are just learning, she said, others are perfecting stunts, such as cartwheels, or various balancing strategies.

Instruction is not provided during the pool sessions, but people who are just starting to learn often bring more experienced kayakers along in order to get appropriate attention, McBee said. Sometimes, she said, people come in pairs simply to share a kayak.

This year's kayak pool sessions began Oct. 4 and will continue through Nov. 1. For next term, Taylor said, the Outdoor Program is considering kayak polo.

## A & E Brief

Author to give free reading and book signing

Mark Salzman, author of the memoir "Iron and Silk" and the novel "The Soloist," reads tonight from his newest novel "Lying Awake."

"Lying Awake" tells the story of Sister John of the Cross, a Carmelite nun and poet. Sister John has the gift of extraordinary visions, but the question arises whether these are truly spiritual in nature or are manifestations of a physical illness.



SALZMAN

The reading begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Browsing Room of the Knight Library. A book signing will follow and attendance is free to the public.

## Many voices raised against Measure 9

■ Soromundi Lesbian Chorus plans to combat Measure 9 with a music performance

By **Bennett Lacy**  
for the Emerald

With only a few weeks until the big election on Nov. 7, a select group of Eugene residents will be raising their voices to fight Measure 9, which would prohibit Oregon public schools from encouraging, promoting or sanctioning

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homosexuality and bisexuality.

The Soromundi Lesbian Chorus, which has been singing in Eugene for 12 years, is fighting Measure 9 with its music. Since September, Soromundi and the Eugene Peace Choir have been planning and practicing for a benefit concert called "Voices Against Measure 9" to support the fight against the ballot measure.

"I think Measure 9 is very dangerous and will end up hurting children and schools," choir member Peg Morton said. "If this measure passes, there will be nowhere for homosexual students to turn."

The concert will start at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Central Presbyterian Church, located on 15th Avenue and Patterson Drive. The event is free, though a \$5 to \$15 donation is encouraged to help support the battle against Measure 9.

"At a time when schools are struggling financially, Measure 9 would only hurt schools further," choir member Myeba Mindlin said. "We feel that if Measure 9 passes, a witch hunt would start targeting homosexuals."

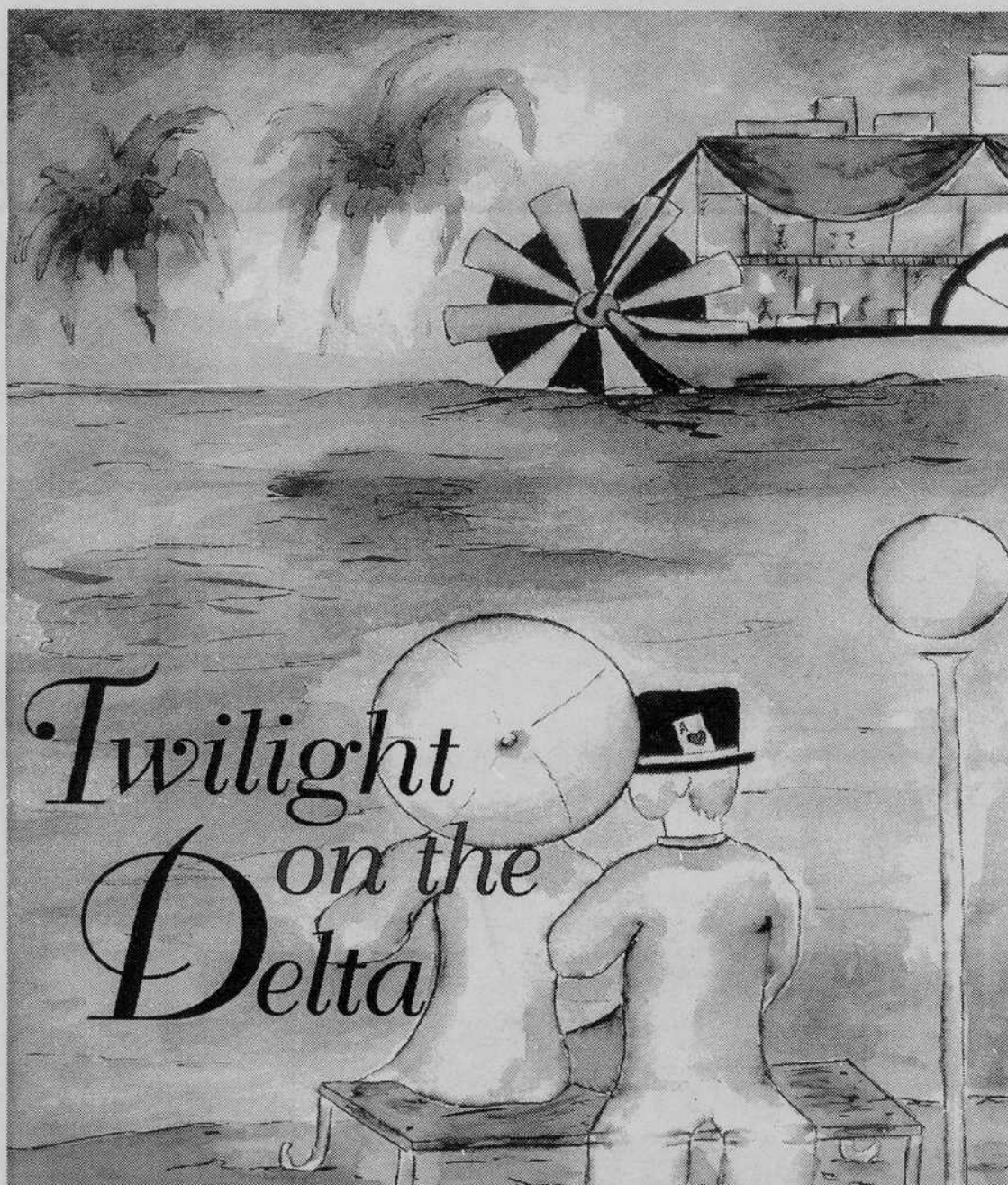
Nikki Fancher, coordinator for Bridges, the University's gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and allies speaker's bureau, said she's excited about the musical event. Fancher has heard the Soromundi Lesbian Chorus perform and is pleased that it's supporting the "No on 9" campaign along with the Eugene Peace Choir.

"It's a really nice fusion of two groups for this cause," she said, and it shows how important it is to be tolerant and speak against prejudice.

Fancher said the concert will continue the effort much of Eugene has shown in support for the fight against Measure 9.

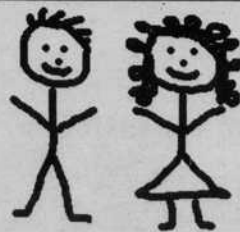
"In Eugene," she said, "especially the University community, there's a lot of support against the measure because of what it means for education."

But there's still a lot of work to be done, she said.



2nd Annual Oregon Homecoming  
October 20, 2000, 8:30 pm  
EMU Ballroom

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Tomorrow, tables will be set up at the University Inn.



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