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Harmon said. "It's really dry and the air is really dusty and dirty, but everybody has to compete in it. I wish I would have felt better."

Harmon was not happy about her race despite adding points to Oregon's team score. She said it was really difficult to remain hydrated during the heat of the day.

"I did definitely push the fluids a lot," Harmon said. "I just didn't feel that great. Going into the race, I was mentally prepared. Physically, I knew I was prepared, but I wasn't feeling it after awhile."

The Oregon women took seventh overall for the second straight year after scoring 58 points. UCLA won its eighth consecutive conference championship after accumulating 174.5 points. The Bruins are ranked No. 1 in the nation,

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according to the Trackwire 25. Harmon said afterwards she felt her team was much better than what they showed.

"I definitely knew we wanted to do better than that," Harmon said. "Given what we were expected to do, I guess it was good. But I think we set expectations a little bit higher than that."

#### **Good times**

As her final year at Oregon culminates, pole vaulter Kirsten Larwin is determined to leave with a stamp on her four-year career.

Larwin finished with her highest ever Pac-10 placing in the pole vault when she cleared the bar at 13 feet, 6 1/4 inches. The mark beat her prior personal best by nearly three inches, achieved in April at the Texas Relays. Larwin placed fourth, right ahead of teammate Emily Enders, who cleared 13-2 1/4.

"I was really happy," Larwin said. "I couldn't be happier actually. I couldn't wipe the smile off my face. It's been a long time coming. It was my third attempt, so it was do or die."

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> Laura Harmon Oregon runner

Larwin admitted to being a little rattled toward the end of the competition. At her last two heights, she cleared the bar on her third and final attempt. Larwin credited Enders and pole vault coach Mark Vanderville for keeping her focused.

"They knew I could do it," Larwin

## Club baseball allotted \$6,400 for Florida trip

SPORTS BRIEFS

In order to fund their trip to the National Club Baseball Association World Series in Bradenton, Fla., Oregon's Club baseball team members Tory Caputo, Travis Chock and Jon Loomis presented their request for \$6,400 at the Student Senate meeting on Wednesday.

The Club was granted the full amount of their request after it passed unanimously by a 13-0 vote.

"This is a once and lifetime opportunity for us," Caputo said while addressing the Senate.

The team began the 2003-2004 school year with \$3,800, which was allotted to them from Club Sports. Loomis explained to the Senate that the baseball program's operating budget is \$15,000 and that was calculated before a trip to the NCBA's Regional Tournament in Kaysville, Utah, and to the World Series.

The team has been contacting team alumni to fund raise for other costs.

Loomis said any money raised before the tournament — which runs from May 26 to 31 — "will go to relieve personal player costs to attend the tournament."

## Women's Club lacrosse takes 11th at Nationals

A Northwest Region conference title. A winning record. A berth in the US Lacrosse Intercollegiate Associates National Championships.

The Oregon women's Club Lacrosse team wanted just one more thing to cap off a stellar season — a win at the National Championships in St. Louis.

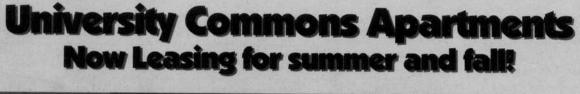
Following two close losses, to No. 5 Texas A&M and No. 9 Pittsburgh, the Ducks won their final game against No. 11 Texas at the Anheuser-Busch Sports Center on May 14.

With four seconds left in the match and with No. 12 Oregon behind 9-8, senior Traci Geist scored a goal in the last seconds to tie the game. With her goal forcing a three-minute overtime, Geist scored again 11 seconds into sudden death play to give Oregon its first win of the tournament, 10-9. With a 1-2 tournament record, Oregon captured 11th place.

"There was no way we were going to end a great season on a loss," junior Marissa White said.

For Oregon's six seniors — Mary Beebe, Louisa Dorsch, Geist, Liz Harrison, Anya Janowsky and Tara McGann — the win was a fitting end to a better-than-average season.

- Kirsten McEwen







said. "Mark just seemed so calm about this whole thing, and he wasn't worried when it came down to it and that gave me confidence. Emily just told me I was ready and it was time to do it and jump high. "Washington's Kate Soma won the event over heralded UCLA sophomore Chelsea Johnson with a mark of 14-2. Despite being competitors, Larwin said all of the women pole vaulters supported one another throughout the day.

Larwin said Soma is a very good friend of hers and they gave advice to each other along the way.

"Pole vault is unique and it isn't like any other event," Larwin said. "Of course, you're out there to do the very best to try to win every single time, but the best girl wins on the day. I'm just really happy with how I did and (Soma) was cheering for me and I was cheering for her."

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