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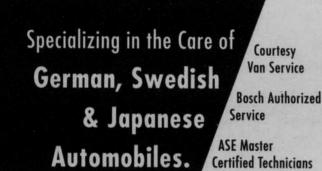
The Erb Memorial Union is launching a web survey to solicit feedback about our food and services. A random selection of UO students will be invited to participate in this survey.

Those who submit a completed survey by June 1st will be eligible to win **one of 5 silver mini iPods** with a \$10 iTunes music store gift certificate.

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needed to do for my team."

Oregon recovered from an offensive slump to score one run on six hits. The Ducks had baserunners in every inning but one.

"Anytime you can score one more run than the opponent, it's a good thing," Oregon head coach Kathy Arendsen said by phone after the victory. "It was awesome to have Kayleen back. She really stepped up. Ann Marie Topps had a couple hits too. Our freshmen really stepped up."

Another newcomer, although not a freshman, also performed well. Junior transfer Ani Nyhus, who has played postseason games in Florida the past two years as part of the junior college championships, threw a six-hit shutout.

Nyhus struck out seven Wildcats to break teammate Amy Harris' singleseason strikeout record. Harris struck out 180 batters last season. Nyhus' total is up to 184, including Thursday.

"I had to struggle through a couple innings, but our defense was flawless today," Nyhus said by phone Thursday. "It was an all right outing."

Nyhus, who was named to the All-Pac-10 First Team on Wednesday, is 22-12 this season. The win was her 10th shutout of the season.

"As long as we had the lead, I knew we were going to win," Arendsen said.

The Wildcats left seven runners on base, but never got a runner past second. They scattered their six hits throughout the game.

"Oregon is a great team," Bethune-Cookman head coach Laura Watten said in the postgame conference. "I Right fielder Kayleen Hudson, seen here earlier this season, scored the Ducks' lone run in Thursday's 1-0 win.

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really wasn't worried about what Oregon did; I really wanted us to try to take care of business."

Three of the Ducks' six hits were of the extra-base variety — Hudson's triple and a double each by Topps and third baseman Ashley Richards. Oregon left five runners stranded, include ing three on third base.

The Ducks also scattered three singles, Topps' RBI hit, a single by catcher Jenn Poore and a single by Hudson.

"We only scored one run," Nyhus said. "We were a little frustrated with that, but we're hitting the ball well."

South Florida, Oregon's opponent today, is in the winner's bracket after a 2-0 win against No. 6-seeded Ohio State.

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Aside from organizing transportation, sponsorships and figuring out team expenses, Karlson-Martini, a German major, has had to deal with some internal conflicts within the team as well.

"I have had to deal with some problems from a few teammates," Karlson-Martini said. "If someone takes things the wrong way or if they don't like how I've done things, they will let me know. I have had to learn how to be tactful and how to respond to these things."

Senior team member Dan Goettsch said Karlson-Martini "took on a little too much" and in turn found that practice time needed to be more productive.

"Sometimes our time was not used efficiently," Goettsch said. "We wasted time going over things we already went over."

When Karlson-Martini needed guidance and advice on how to deal with these types of situations, she turned to her boyfriend and racquetball teammate Andrew Milkes. Milkes and Karlson-Martini have been dating for three years. He has seen the emotional highs and lows that come with being a leader, and said Karlson-Martini has juggled her responsibilities remarkably well.

"I've seen her deal with the Club's problems as well as their successes and I think she is personally responsible for growing the sport of racquetball within the state of Oregon," he said.

"I have really enjoyed having all the responsibilities put on me and being able to do things for the Club. I really like helping people and getting things done."

Alexis Karlson-Martini Club racquetball coordinator

Karlson-Martini will be passing the reins of racquetball coordinator to someone else next year, and she will try to give the future coordinator as much information as possible about what she has learned. Karlson-Martini said she feels the hard part is over, and that keeping the Club afloat should be the easy part as long as there is continued interest in the sport and the team has committed members.

For now, Karlson-Martini can only hope that the Club "is still existing" in a few years. Taking pride in what she has done for the sport and for the Club is what Karlson-Martini would like to take away from this experience.

"I have really enjoyed having all the responsibilities put on me and being able to do things for the Club," Karlson-Martini said. "I really like helping people and getting things done."

Karlson-Martini is thankful the Club had the chance to attend both local and National tournaments as a team. The team even placed 12th at the 32nd National USA Racquetball Intercollegiate Championships in Fountain Valley, Calif., held March 24-28.

With half of the Club's members being freshmen, Vaughn said that Karlson-Martini has laid out solid guidelines for next year's team and the future coordinator to follow.

"She is incredibly enthusiastic, or-

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1917 Franklin Blvd., Eugene www**.euro-asian.**com ganized and she knew how to pull together community resources and how to supplement what the University could provide."

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replacement. In the spring of 2003, when Montgomery briefly spoke to UCLA after the Bruins fired Steve Lavin, Leland commissioned a report to rank the best options should the coach leave.

It is widely believed that Nevada's Trent Johnson, whose Wolf Pack knocked off Gonzaga en route to the Sweet 16 this past season and is a former Montgomery assistant, is the top choice for the newly opened position. Johnson pulled himself out of competition for the vacant Utah position in recent months.

Names also being mentioned in media reports include Gonzaga's Mark Few and Rice coach Willis Wilson, a former Stanford assistant. Oregon head coach Ernie Kent also has ties to Stanford, serving as an assistant coach under Montgomery during the 1990-91 season, the year the Cardinal won the NIT Championship.

Kent left to become the head coach at St. Mary's (Calif.) in 1992, a post he served at until 1997 when he took over the Duck program in 1998.

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