

LOOKING AHEAD

The Lady Beavs hope to bounce back from a heartbreaking loss at Oregon with a win over WSU Thursday night

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City plans speaker for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

► Citizen Memorial award winners will be announced on Thursday at LaSells

By KARRI PASTERIS
 BAROMETER STAFF WRITER

The City of Corvallis will celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day with the help of Cheryl Brown Henderson, who will deliver a keynote speech at the LaSells Stewart Center on Thursday, Jan. 15.

Brown Henderson, the sister of Linda Brown of the famous court case *Brown vs. The Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas* in 1954, will speak about the impact of the court decision.

"She will talk about how things were and how far we have come," said Linda Weaver, City of Corvallis human resources administrator and member of the Commission for Martin Luther King, Jr.

According to Weaver, the Commission has been planning this speaking event for months in advance.

"We don't often bring in (famous) speakers," she said. "We hope everyone comes out and listens to what she has to say."

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the *Brown vs. the Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas*, which helped to revolutionize the United States' education system.

In addition to appearing at LSC at 7 p.m., Brown Henderson will speak at Hewlett Packard for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast, sponsored by the HP People of Color Network, and at Corvallis High School in the afternoon.

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KACY KIZER | BAROMETER PHOTO EDITOR

Richard Burke, director of the Libertarian Party of Oregon, speaks against Measure 30 at a debate held Tuesday night in the Corvallis Public Library. A vote on the measure will take place Tuesday, Feb. 3.

Forum gives insight

► Controversial measure debated by opposing parties

By PETER CHEE
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The Corvallis-Benton Public Library is usually quiet, as most libraries are. But on Wednesday it was quiet for a different reason. OSU students and Corvallis residents were silent, listening intently to a forum on Measure 30, a discussion

on the fate of \$800 million dollars and where it will come from.

State senator Frank Morse was the chief advocate supporting Measure 30, while Richard Burke, executive director of the Libertarian Party of Oregon, was the main speaker against it.

Morse argued that passing the measure is necessary to maintain key state functions. He said that after the failure of Measure 28 last year, the Legislature was forced to borrow

\$450 million additionally to balance the budget.

Settling a state budget shortfall led to the longest legislature session in Oregon's history this past year. Morse said that the result of the session was a fair solution.

"We did what we could do," Morse said.

However, Oregon citizens petitioned against the largest proposed tax increase in the state's history,

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Humane Society honors OSU professors

► Three faculty members receive 2003 Animals and Society Course Award

By AARON HOUGHAM
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Three Oregon State University faculty members received national praise last month for their role in implementing a course taught in the Animal Sciences Department.

Professors Steven Davis, Candace Croney and Kelvin Koong, all of the Animal Sciences Department, were honored by the Humane Society of the United States for their course, "Ethical Issues in Animal Agriculture."

The faculty members received the 2003 Animals & Society Course Award, presented annually by the Humane Society of the United States.

Each year, the award recognizes an outstanding college-level animal sciences course

designed to introduce students to the ethical concerns of the use, treatment and management of animals.

In addition to the honor, the award includes a \$1,500 reward that will be given to the OSU Animal Sciences Department.

According to its Web site, the Humane Society of the United States is "dedicated to creating a world where relationships with animals is guided by compassion."

Candace Croney, an animal sciences professor specializing in animal cognition, has been the primary instructor of the course since 2002.

"I see the award as a sign of progress," Croney said. "It shows the impact of making our students more aware of different philosophies of animal use."

She also noted the importance of receiving the award from the Humane Society, a group primarily connected with animal activism. She sees the award as a sign animal agriculture can coexist and benefit from other branches of study, such as philosophy.

"This course is a crucial component of the education we deliver to animal science students because it helps them look at society's use of animals from another point of view," Croney said in a recent news release. "The ethics course helps students broaden their outlook on how other members of society see and value animals."

"Ethical Issues in Animal Agriculture," or ANS 420, began in the late 1990s. Since its inception, it has developed into a requirement for all animal sciences students as their writing intensive course.

According to the OSU course catalog, the goal of the course is to provide students an "opportunity to discuss, debate and write extensively about current, relevant and controversial issues dealing with modern animal agriculture."

The course also focuses on a vari-

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"Deepsea Dawn" maps the ocean floor

► Oregon State University professor and geographer Dawn Wright recaps her experiences above and below the surface

By MERISSA COUNTS
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An important part of OSU professor and geographer Dawn Wright's career involves traveling to the land down under, and we're not talking Australia.

"It's very exotic, making maps of places people have never been," Wright said.

Wright's career requires a large array of disciplines — documenting the Earth's submerged land is a large part of her research.

"When people ask me what I do I just say, 'I make maps of the ocean floor,'" Wright said.

Wright's interest in the ocean blossomed while growing up in Hawaii.

"I knew I wanted to work in the outdoors and with the ocean, so I started reading books about the ocean," Wright said.

While in high school, Wright discovered that she would need to get a general degree in one of the sciences, then attend a graduate school in a specific area of science.

"I chose to go to a college in Illinois that my mom attended, and then went on to U.C. Santa Barbara for my last degree," Wright said.

After finishing school, Wright spent three years working on a ship comprised of 100 specialists in the field of oceanography, only ten being women.

"We would poke holes in the ocean floor and take sediments to study," Wright said.

The distribution of cracks in the ocean's volcanic rock is especially interesting to Wright.

These cracks are formed when hot water containing metallic minerals of over 100 degrees Fahrenheit is released from a volcano. The hot water hits the freezing water, and the rock bursts and forms cracks, Wright said.

After college, Wright was also given the opportunity to dive in the Alvin research submarine.

"I was very excited because there is at least a two-year waiting list to go aboard the Alvin," Wright said.

The submersible "Alvin" was made popular in the 1960s when it was used to locate a hydrogen bomb in the Atlantic Ocean. In the 1970s the Alvin aided in the discovery of oceanic hot springs.

The 21-foot long submersible transports one pilot and two scientists 1 1/2 to 2 miles deep to reach the ocean floor.

In order to save energy, weights are used to pull the submersible to the floor, a process that takes approximately two hours.

"Once on the ocean floor, the other scientist and I will talk into microphones describing what we see," Wright said. "These tapes are taken back to the lab to be transcribed and are used as data."

When the submersible's energy begins to wane, the pilot will drop the extra weights, also known as "Alvin turds," and the crew begins a two-hour ascension to the surface.



Wright: Teaching GEO 103 this spring

"Most people ask me how I go to the bathroom in such a tiny space during the eight hours inside of Alvin ... the answer is that I don't," Wright said.

Before being eligible to dive aboard Alvin, potential crew members are asked a series of questions, one important one pertaining to the possibility of claustrophobia.

"You can't even think about fear when diving," Wright said. "If you are claustrophobic or fearful at all, you could flip the wrong switch and cause serious problems."

Oceanography is an evolving field because of the abundance of area yet to be discovered.

"The topography we have acquired of Mars is better than what we have of the ocean floor," Wright said.

With 70 percent of the Earth's surface covered in water, there is much to be seen.

"There are mountain ranges that rival the sizes of mountains on land," Wright said.

One not-so-scientific experiment Wright and the Alvin crew enjoy involves styrofoam cups.

"We would let kids decorate normal styrofoam cups which would be put into a plastic sack and attached to the outside of Alvin," Wright said, "The pressure at that depth is close to two tons per square inch, so the cups shrink to less than an inch."

To learn more about geology and its relationship to the ocean, a four-credit class will be offered spring term. GEO103 is titled *Exploring the Deep: Geography of the World's Oceans*, and taught by Wright.

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NEWSREEL

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 14

Meetings
OSU Students for Howard Dean, 7 p.m., MU 211. Weekly meeting. Open to students and staff.
OSU Rifle Club, 6 p.m., McAlexander Rifle Range. Club/Team practice. Shooting matches this term.
OSU Men's & Women's Tennis Club, 7-9 p.m., OSU Tennis Pavillion. First practices of the term. All skill levels welcome.
Pre-Law Club, 6 p.m., MU 212. Come Learn about the LSAT. Test Prep company Kaplan is coming to speak.
Campus Action of Tobacco Coalition, 4pm, Student Health 322A. Planning for Big Tobacco Social Change Conference.
United Campus Ministry, Noon - 1pm, 101 NW 23rd St. Brown bag lunch & book discussion focusing on the book, "The Powers that Be: Theology for a New Millennium" by Walker Wink.
United Campus Ministry, 5:30pm, 101 NW 23rd St. Home-cooked meal, a time of music, fellowship, and to connect God's presence with your daily life.

Events
Beaver Yearbook, 12:30-3:30 p.m., Valley Library 4062. FREE photo portrait session.
Lutheran Campus Ministry, 5:15 p.m., 211 NW 23rd. Evening Prayer — casual worship with communion.
Bone Marrow Donor Registration Drive, 1-7 p.m., MU Ballroom. Register to become a living donor TODAY!
OSU Women's Center, 1-2 p.m., Women's Center. Learn techniques that will help you beat the winter blues and boost your mood.

THURSDAY, JAN. 15

Meetings
Friends of the People's Park, 5:30 - 7, Student Involvement Lounge. The new People's Park is coming together. Join us to decide the direction of your green space.
OSU Men's & Women's Tennis Club, 7-9pm, OSU Tennis Pavillion. First practices of the term. All skill levels welcome.
Student/Incidental Fees Committee, 6-8pm, MU 213. General Meeting.
Events
Beaver Yearbook, 12:30-3:30, Valley Library 4062. FREE portrait session.
Bone Marrow Donor Registration Drive, 9am-1pm, MU Ballroom. You could be the missing piece.
Career Services, 4pm, Kerr room 8. Orientation to Beaver Recruiting (including on-campus interviewing). This seminar will prepare you for your job search.
OSU Baha'i Unity Club, 7pm, Asian Pacific Cultural Center. Prayers and study of the Baha'i Writings.

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WORLD

Britain to investigate "Dr. Death's" apparent suicide

LONDON (AP) — The once-respected family doctor who became Britain's worst serial killer was found hanged in his prison cell Tuesday, cheating his victims' relatives of the one consolation they had hoped for — an explanation of his 23-year murder spree.

Officials are investigating why there was no suicide watch on Dr. Harold Shipman, who was convicted in 2000 of killing 15 patients and later was found to have murdered at least 200 more, mostly by lethal injection. He always maintained his innocence.

Guards found him hanging from bedsheets attached to the window bars of his cell at Wakefield Prison in northern England at 6:20 a.m., the Prison Service said.

He was pronounced dead about two hours later, a day before his 58th birthday.

Many believe Shipman, labeled "Dr. Death" by tabloid newspapers, killed because he enjoyed the feeling of control it gave him.

Some of his victims' survivors said committing suicide allowed him to maintain that power.

In a statement announcing an investigation of Shipman's death, Prisons Minister Paul Goggins did not say whether officials believed someone else could have harmed the doctor.

Stephen Shaw, the new prisons ombudsman named to head the inquiry, focused on suicide as the likely cause of death.

Two years after Shipman's conviction for the 15 murders, High Court Judge Janet Smith, appointed to determine the true number of victims, reported that he had murdered at least 200 more between 1975 to 1998, when he was a trusted and beloved physician in West Yorkshire and then in Hyde,

outside Manchester.

Smith said there were also 45 deaths for which a "real suspicion" fell on Shipman, and a further 38 lacking insufficient evidence to form any conclusion. Prosecutors had ruled out further trials.

Smith's count makes Shipman the worst serial killer in British history.

NATION

Suit claims largest U.S. meat packer dictated price of cattle

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — The nation's largest meat packer used contracts with a "favored few" ranchers to dictate the price of cattle, causing thousands of other cattlemen to lose billions of dollars, attorneys argued Tuesday in federal court.

Lawyers for IBP Inc., which merged with Arkansas-based Tyson Foods in 2001, countered that the contracts are based on the open-market price of cattle and do not undermine the forces of supply and demand.

Tuesday marked the first day of testimony in a class-action lawsuit accusing Tyson of violating a federal law designed to protect competition in the livestock industry. The plaintiffs claim to represent as many as 30,000 cattlemen who sold cattle to IBP or Tyson Fresh Meats from February 1994 to October 2002.

David Domina, a lawyer for the plaintiffs, said the contracts amount to a captive supply of cattle and allow Tyson to enter the open market when prices are low and pull back when prices rise.

STATE

Internet friend turns out to be a lifesaver for injured woman

GRANTS PASS (AP) — For a year now, John Lowe and Patricia Humphrey have been playing regular

rounds of gin rummy.

From Lowe's home in Grants Pass and Humphrey's in Newport News, Va., they played just about every night via the Internet, and developed what turned out to be a lucky, lifesaving friendship.

The two were playing online Sunday evening when Lowe got a note on his computer from Humphrey; she had gone to the kitchen, she said, and would be right back.

Lowe waited, then heard groaning. Then he turned up the speakers on his computer and heard crying.

When he called through the microphone to ask Humphrey if she was all right, she called back that she had fallen and thought she'd broken something.

"She lives by herself, and she's disabled," Lowe said.

So Lowe contacted Newport News police and explained the situation. Because the Lowes had sent Humphrey a Christmas present, he was able to give emergency crews her address.

And by turning up his speakers and microphone as high as they could go and shouting back and forth a dozen times, Lowe pieced together the phone number of Humphrey's neighbor, who had a spare key, and called her for help.

Lowe learned from the neighbor late Sunday night that Humphrey will be all right, he said this week.

She broke an arm and tore ligaments in both her shoulders, but she was treated at the hospital and able to return home to her own bed, the neighbor told him.

UNIVERSITY

U. Oklahoma student task force investigates cozy classes

NORMAN, Okla. (U-WIRE) — Dilapidated desks, poor projectors and crowded classrooms are just a few of

the things being investigated by the Classroom Renovation Task Force.

Senior Vice President and Provost Nancy Mergler said she authorized the task force last summer.

The group is composed of 13 faculty members, staff members and students.

Since then, they have solicited input through two online surveys — one for students and one for faculty — designed to identify the major areas of concern.

Paul Bell, College of Arts and Sciences dean and chairman of the task force, said the need for more classrooms came up repeatedly in analyzing the survey data.

Deborah Trytten, associate professor of computer science and task force member, said the task force received hundreds of suggestions, which will be taken into account as new buildings are constructed.

The surveys break the data into four categories: equipment, technology, environmental maintenance and physical, Bell said.

Faculty members' primary equipment concern was lack of in-class computers, while their main technological concern was Internet connectivity.

Their top physical concern was the need for movable tables and chairs, as opposed to the old-fashioned tablet armchairs found in most classrooms, Bell said.

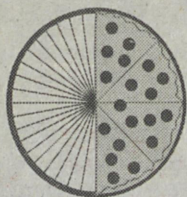
He said students were more concerned with comfort than technology. Their main requests were for comfortable chairs, light dimmers, temperature control and other comfort-related issues.

Bell said 352 instructors and 626 students responded to the survey.

He said the task force should be able to make its final report before spring break.

— By Eric Miller
Oklahoma Daily
(U. Oklahoma)

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Three OSU professors received national praise last month for implementing an ethics course in the Animal Sciences Department.

Professors

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ety of issues involving varying attitudes of animal use and the moral standing of animals. This includes practical topics on balancing ethics and economics, as well as tricky ethical issues such as animal cloning and the use of animals as entertainment.

"We try to do some problem solving to see what we can do as alternatives to what has been done historically," Croney said.

The course is offered each term and is open to seniors studying animal science.

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 IN THE MU COMMONS

Measure 30: State deeply divided on issue of proposed tax increase

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prompting the upcoming Feb. 3 vote on Measure 30.

Morse outlined key issues on why the measure should be allowed to pass. The senator explained that certain costs cannot be met by cutting additional budgets.

Morse said that one of the main reasons that prompted him to step forward to support Measure 30 was that the Federal government is granting \$2.5 billion in tax cuts to Oregon.

Morse argued that the increase in taxes would be countered by tax breaks from the Federal government.

The senator said that the tax increase in Measure 30 would be graduated. This means that families would pay propor-

tionately less, and poor families would have no tax increase at all.

Morse concluded by saying that there has been a long "deep-seeded cynicism" dividing the state on this issue and that passing Measure 30 would "bridge the gap."

Richard Burke argued against the passing of Measure 30. He argued that the solution to Oregon's budget problems lies not in a tax increase but in spending reform.

Burke described Oregon's need for money as "infinite".

Burke accused the Legislature of not using what money the state had correctly, giving more money to less important programs.

Burke said that fear has been a large factor in many of the decisions and claims

that the failure of Measure 30 would force the Legislature to streamline spending. He described the Legislature's action as a "lack of political courage".

"Remove fear from the equation and focus on reform," Burke said. "It is possible to care without raising taxes."

When asked what advice he would have for students at Oregon State, Senator Morse said that he encourages students to vote "Yes" on Measure 30 because its failure would lead to budget cuts to Oregon's entire educational system, resulting in additional budget cuts for OSU.

"It is in your own interest," Morse said.

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MLK: Commission plans celebration activities and advises city council

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City of Corvallis representatives will also announce the Citizen Memorial award winners at the evening presentation.

"The Citizen Memorial awards are given to outstanding community members or organizations that help to promote diversity," Weaver said.

A number of community groups will be represented,

including the Heart of the Valley Choir, which will sing at the evening event.

According to the City of Corvallis Web site, the Commission for Martin Luther King, Jr. was established in 1987 to plan MLK memorial celebrations with special events and activities, to advise the Corvallis City Council on matters pertaining to the holiday, and to serve as the Affirmative

Action Advisory Committee.

"Members are appointed by the mayor, Helen Berg," Weaver said.

Weaver fills the one city employee position while the rest are filled by community members.

The Commission meets every third Thursday of the month at Hewlett Packard at 11:30 a.m.

The meetings follow an

agenda, but are open to the public.

There is currently one vacant position on the Commission. More information on becoming involved or applying for the position can be obtained from Mayor Helen Berg at 766-6985.

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 4:00 pm, Living a Life of Social Change: Integrating Community Work with Academics - GILM 234
 8:00 pm, Study Break - Let's Talk Leadership - Sponsored by the National Residence Hall Honorary - McNary Dining Hall (Timberline Room)

Tuesday, January 13, 2004 Hot Topics!
 Noon Study Break - Pizza and Consequences - Sponsored by Dean of Students and Student Conduct and Mediation Programs - McNary Dining Hall (Timberline Room)
 2:00 pm, Sex and the Campus - Healthy Relationships and Your College Success - KIDD 237
 3:00 pm, How to Read Your Winter Term Bill and other Useful Financial Information - NASH 214
 5:00 pm, Professor Panel - Everything You Want to Know but are Afraid to Ask - MU 208 (LaRaza Room)

Wednesday, January 14, 2004 Faces of Success
 2:00 pm, High Performance Studying: Getting the Most Out of Your Time - ROG 440
 4:00 pm, Student Success Panel - OSU Students Share Tips For Success - KIDD 237
 8:00 pm, Study Break - Meet and Greet: Faculty in Residence - Candy Pierson-Charlton (West) and Drs. Bob and Dale Pherrson (Halsell)

Thursday, January 15, 2004 Celebration of Success
 Noon Food For Thought - (Take a Professor to Lunch) - Arnold Dining Center, McNary Dining Center or Marketplace West (Go to UHDS.oregonstate.edu for more information)
 3:00 pm, Success With the Centers - KIDD 236

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EDITORIAL

Yeas & Nays

Yea to all the folks discovering Dixon lately. It's so nice to see all your chubby, glistening faces, two whole weeks into your New Year's resolutions. Now, if only you newbies would take your glistening asses off our treadmills and onto those dusty rowing machines. Next year, resolve to take up croquet.

Nay to all the new people at Dixon. Waiting four hours for 15 minutes on an elliptical machine hardly seems aerobically effective. Kind of like ending your daily run by eating a pound of lard. Fried lard. Elvis style.

Yea to "Lord of the Rings: Return of the King" for having the longest-running credits in motion picture history. When a movie has its own "wrangler manager" listed, you know it's a good one. What is a "wrangler manager," you might ask? Why, it's the guy who manages the wranglers, silly! Wrangler butts drive us nuts! (There you go, College of Ag.)

Nay to "Lord of the Rings" having the world's longest credits. You know it's a little ridiculous when "Orc 478" played by Petey McBoggs is being mentioned.

Yea to the Supreme Court ruling Tuesday that police may set up roadblocks to collect tips about crimes, rejecting concerns that authorities might use the checkpoints to fish for unrelated suspicious activity. All we have to say is: Don't bother looking in the trunk, we already ate the donuts. And smoked all that meth.

Nay to Academic Success Week. Wouldn't Academic Unsuccess Week be more fun? There could be sumo wrestling tournaments in the Quad, a beer garden, temp agencies handing out brochures and sugar ... lots of sugar ...

Yea to George W. Bush for announcing a manned expedition to Mars. W, dawg — the people of Mars do not need liberation. And Osama's not there. Or is he?

Nay to David Hyde Pierce explaining how he and the cast of "Frasier" are "heartbroken" about their show's end coming up in May. "Heartbroken?" Wait, Niles, didn't you mean "disconcolate?"

Yea to a Seattle steakhouse for introducing coffee-flavored steak. We've never wanted to scream "DIE, YUPPY SCUM" more in our lives.

Nay to the kid who tried to set McNary on fire this last weekend. Dude, the frat houses are on 25th St., just begging for some of your handiwork. That, and loose women.

Yea to setting fires in dorms. Hey, if you can't drink beer, and you can't vandalize your RA's door, what are you supposed to do? Learn? Never!

Nay to couples already making Spring Break plans. We hope you break up a day before Valentine's Day like you deserve. Jerks.

Yea to donating bone marrow. It may hurt, but not as much as Satan poking you in the ass with a septor because you couldn't spare a teaspoon of blood and \$25 while alive.

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No oil on Mars

It has been suspected for a long time, but now it's official. President Bush is a big government liberal.

Today the president is expected to announce the long-term plan for new missions to the moon, with a permanent base and the eventual goal of putting a person on Mars.

These have to be delineated to be effectively analyzed. The moon and Mars are both technically "in space" but they aren't very close to each other.

The distance to the moon is about 240,000 miles, while Mars, on a good day, is about 130 million miles away. The difference isn't literally light-years, but it is light-minutes.

The first question we should ask of course, how much will this cost?

The first President Bush thought that putting a person on Mars would be a good "vision" issue. He asked for an estimate in 1989, NASA came up with \$400 billion, and Congress laughed.

The current estimates floating around the press are anywhere between \$50 billion and \$1 trillion. These, however, are just theoretical plans. When developing a new technology, there are often unanticipated costs and setbacks.

For example, when the idea for International Space Station was tossed around, also as a "visionary" idea for unifying the world's nations for the purpose of discovery, its cost was estimated at \$8 billion.

Today, \$100 billion has been spent on the project, which still isn't finished. In fact, it recently started mysteriously leaking air. Ouch.

Then there is the space shuttle program. Two of the five orbiters have exploded, killing all aboard. And these vehicles don't even really venture that far from Earth.

The track record with Mars missions is similarly not stellar. Two thirds of the probes humans have sent to Mars were lost. NASA was just able to successfully land the Spirit rover, which is basically a remote controlled car packed with sensors.

But before that the Japanese Nozomi, the European Beagle 2 and the American Mars Polar Lander all were somehow lost or crashed in their journey.

So we can only imagine the cost estimate for a Mars mission will be huge, and the actual costs far greater, with a significant probability of lost lives.

The next question, which will be asked and presumably answered today, is of course, why do we want to go there?

One possible reason, which is tossed around by astronomy "enthusiasts" everywhere, is that Mars could someday be colonized.

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Good, bad, two for price of one

Dear Dr. Sex:

Does sex get better as you get older?

Signed, Young and Hopeful

Dear Young and Hopeful:

I have good news and bad news. The good news is that the quality of sexual experiences increases with age.

The bad news is that the quantity decreases with age. What that means is that while you are getting less of it, what you are getting is better than it was when you were younger.

One of the main reasons it gets better is that as you get older, you have a better sense of what feels good to you. Second, you have a better sense of what feels good to your partner as well. Finally, it is typical that as we get older, our relationships increase in duration.

For example, if you marry at 25, then when you are 50 you have been having sex with the same person for 25 years or more. Don't see that as a bad thing. It means that you are more in sync with each other.

As opposed to that awkward first time, you know exactly what to do, how to do it and how long to do it. Think of it as making beautiful, synchronized music together.

The reasons why the frequency declines with age are numerous as well.

First, life takes over. You have work and family obligations that take precedence. The most dramatic

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decline in the frequency of sexual activity occurs soon after marriage and the birth of the first child. Many of you may be familiar with exhaustion as a method of birth control.

Second, as you age, you realize that sex is only a small part of a relationship.

Finally, as we get much older, health factors and side effects from medication for age-related health conditions affect the ability to participate in certain types of sexual behaviors.

But I would have to say that, all things considered, life really does get better as you get older. Trust me on this one.

Dear Dr. Sex:

Are orgasm and ejaculation in men the same thing?

Signed, Two for the Price of One

Dear Two for the Price of One:

Orgasm and ejaculation are actually two different bodily functions, yet they are connected in many ways.

Ejaculation is the release of fluids from the body via the urethra. Therefore this function can be seen as part of the excretory system. That is why many men see a urologist when experiencing sexual dysfunction of some sort.

When a man becomes sexually aroused, neurological reflexes in the spinal cord cause the ejaculatory centers to send out nerve impulses causing scrotal muscles to raise the testicles, and the epididymis and the vas deferens begin contracting.

At the same time, the seminal vesicles, the prostate and the Cowper's glands (these provide 95 percent of the fluid that is the ejaculate) begin pulsating. This is referred to as the emission stage where semen is forced into the urethra.

The neck of the bladder shuts off, ensuring no semen goes into the bladder and no urine goes into the semen.

At this point the man experiences what is referred to as ejaculatory inevitability. Ejaculation is on its way quickly and he couldn't stop it even if he wanted to.

Expulsion is the second stage of ejaculation where the contractions of the prostate and the urethra force the semen out of the body through the urethra.

Orgasm, on the other hand, is usually described as the release of sexual tension and is therefore more related to the muscular system.

In the vast majority of men, these two separate bodily functions occur in conjunction, but there are instances where you can have one and not the other. Maybe I'll address those situations next week.

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How I learned to stop worrying and love the 'stache

LINCOLN, Neb. — The thick annals of world history, not to mention the film industry, have taught us one simple and indisputable fact.

Exactly two males, and two males only, have ever worn a good-looking moustache.

- 1) Tom Selleck
- 2) Magnum P.I.

Jake Muhleisen, Nebraska basketball's captain and a man with the moustache potential of Ned Flanders, could be No. 3 on the list. Everybody else? Ya'll just sportin' peach fuzz, baby.

See, the moustache creates a number of problems. It's the square peg and round hole scenario, like trying to chrome up your Skylark.

If it's too thick, you look like a high school guidance counselor. Too thin and you're lumped in with the restaurant maitre d' in "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" and all his snooty (or snotty?) cronies. How do we stereotype child molesters, besides the lavish SoCal playland home and multi-platinum music career? That's right — their wiry moustaches and propensity to gravitate toward KB Toys Stores.

The moustache is a facial-hair minefield that's best left unexplored by amateurs. Leave it to the pros, like the U.S. law enforcement community and Sam Spide (see "Tombstone" and Lebowski, the Big).

Still, Cliff Clavin and all his moustache minions try. The allure of passe upper-lip fashion intoxicates America's

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middle-aged population. In today's bustling suburbs, the Dockers-to-Whiskers ratio is astounding and tragic. Forty- and fifty-somethings need to listen up. We can't all look like Geraldo, nor should we try.

Few positive, or believable, justifications exist for letting your face fur run wild. Job mobility, perhaps, is one.

A plus: All the Christmastime fun. It's great when the rugrats want to see what the moustache feels like for the 936th time that day, petting and staring like it's some sort of rare jungle rodent.

Little nephew: Oooh, wow Uncle Roger, that tickles.

Roger's wife: You bet it does!

Beyond that, moustache manifestation motivations are murky.

Perhaps men think partial facial hair is a good idea simply because they can grow it. I'm not so sure. Just because women can procreate doesn't mean they should — I'm looking in your direction, Joan Rivers. The same logic should apply to used-car salesweasels and their moustache and procreation tendencies.

Moustaches certainly aren't there to attract hot, young women, or they'd be part of the standard fraternity getup. But wait. Think how cool all your frosted-tip hair would look with a kick-ass frosted tip 'stache to accent it. Maybe if Abercrombie did it first ...

But methinks only one good reason exists for early twentysomethings to grow moustaches.

Complete Jackassary. Enter Mr. Muhleisen.

It's about time Nebraska basketball's scoring guard and captain followed the path of great mustached college hoopsters before him like, umm ... uh ... Well, Jake, you could be the greatest mustached basketball player of all time.

It's obvious as a sonic boom Muhleisen can grow a full beard during a TV timeout, so why not?

Jake, you can even go one better. Because coach Barry Collier's rule requires facial hair to remain above the lip, you could go for the "Joe Dirt" moustache and lamb-chop combo. You know, whatever you want, but whatever drives the ladies wild.

We all saw the carnage Teen Wolf unleashed on the hardwood. A direct, causal relationship clearly exists between hair and assist-to-turnover ratio. We're not asking for full Michael J. Fox fur either, Jake, just a little shag carpet for the lip.

Imagine the stardom and the fans. Imagine an entire Red Zone decked out with fake moustaches. Imagine Bill Self's embarrassment as some kid who lost his razor torches the Jayhawks for 30. The Fab Five had their baggy shorts and shaved heads.

Good luck and Godspeed, Jake, as you lead college basketball's moustache revolution.

Magnum P.I. will be proud of you.

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Sanjai Tripathi: A gee-whiz sort of moment hardly justifies the expected cost

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The theory is that Mars' atmosphere could be made suitable for Earth-like life by producing engineered microbes and raising carbon dioxide levels. They call it terraforming.

Unfortunately, this isn't possible. The planet is too cold for liquid water needed for life, and there isn't enough water. There isn't enough carbon dioxide to create the greenhouse effect, and there is too much solar radiation to support life in any case.

So while it is unlikely, I really hope the President cites terraforming and colonization as mission goals. For the President, who doesn't believe

in evolution or global warming, to say that we can alter Mars' environment with microbes and greenhouse gases would be a tragically beautiful irony.

Unfortunately, he will probably cite the same "inspiring" three reasons that made the original moon landing so popular.

The first is the simple boost to industry and technology that would result from the mission. This, of course, leads to "jobs," that wonderful thing that all politicians must promise.

Although simply spending that much money on anything would create jobs, that simple fact doesn't give every expenditure purpose. In the old days, just a few years ago, real conservatives would get really angry about the idea of big govern-

ment spending tax money just to give people jobs. They called it Socialism.

The second reason that will be carefully alluded to is that we want to be the best. The implicit purpose of the moon landing in 1969 was that it was a race with the Soviets. We had to win the battle of space and technology to win the Cold War.

There was some truth to the idea then, but that war ended a long time ago. We really don't need to keep fighting it.

The third and most politically powerful reason likely to be cited is that such an event would be inspiring, and the President wants to appear visionary.

The first moon landing was indeed a tremendous moment in history. But that was a different event in a different time.

Back in '69, most adults had grown up without televisions, and many without telephones. The idea of traveling to a celestial object, even the nearest one, was a technological marvel. Many people hadn't even been to another country on an airplane, and those who had got dressed up in nice suits to do so.

Now, people wear pajamas to fly internationally and we can see flashing color digital images of anything imaginable at the push of a button. We know we could put a person on Mars, and that sort of takes away from the wonder of it all.

It would be a gee-whiz sort of moment,

but that hardly justifies the expected cost. The nation doesn't have that much extra money lying around to play with.

The federal debt is now about \$7 trillion dollars. This number is difficult to comprehend. To illustrate: if you lined up that many one dollar bills, at 6 1/8 inches each, they could reach Mars, go around it, and come back.

To better illustrate: that much debt is over \$23,000 for every person in the country, even counting children, the elderly and the otherwise unemployed. About 16 percent of every tax dollar goes just to pay interest on our nation's past overspending, most of which occurred only in the last 20 years.

The current year's budget is expected to show a deficit of another \$500 billion dollars. They say it is because of the economic cycle, even though the recession technically occurred in 2001.

So, today we will hear about some grand visionary plan to create government jobs, keep winning the Cold War, and produce a consciousness-altering experience for the whole nation.

I have a better idea. The Bush administration can buy everyone in America a dose of LSD and we'll all pick a day to do it together. That would truly be historical and unifying, and the President would have codified his transition to that which real conservatives hate most; a big budget, big government, crazy hippie liberal.

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Jury selection begins in ex-Nets star Jayson Williams' manslaughter trial

► Prosecutors have said Williams recklessly handled his shotgun

By JEFFREY GOLD
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jayson Williams was introduced to a pool of potential jurors Tuesday, the start of the NBA star's manslaughter trial for the death of his limo driver two years ago.

Defense attorneys say the shooting at Williams' estate was an accident.

Prosecutors say Williams was showing off his shotgun, then tried to make the death of Costas Christofi look like suicide.

More than 300 potential jurors were sworn in and filled out questionnaires after

being introduced to the former New Jersey Nets center, who rose and said "Good morning."

The jury pool is triple the regular size because of the difficulty of finding people who will be able to serve through a two-month trial.

Questioning of individual jurors is to begin later this week, and Judge Edward Coleman said it will take several weeks to choose a panel.

The 35-year-old Williams faces seven charges.

Those charges include aggravated manslaughter and witness tampering, and could carry up to 55 years in prison.

Williams and his wife did not respond to questions from reporters when they arrived at the courthouse.

Christofi was killed Feb. 14,

2002, after driving Williams' friends to the player's 65-acre, 40-room estate in Alexandria Township.

Prosecutors have said Williams recklessly handled the 12-gauge shotgun, opening it and snapping it together in one motion. It fired and hit Christofi, who was about 3 feet away.

Two of Williams' guests pleaded guilty to tampering with evidence, one for wiping down the shotgun and the other for hiding Williams' clothes.

Both agreed to testify against him.

Williams retired from the Nets in 2000 after a decade in the NBA, unable to overcome a broken leg from a year earlier.

He was suspended from his

job as an NBA analyst for NBC after the shooting.

The 6-foot-10 Williams was known for his affinity for guns, and wrote in his 2000 memoir that he almost shot New York Jets wide receiver Wayne Chrebet by accident at a range at the Williams estate.

In 1994 Williams was charged with reckless endangerment and possession of a weapon after shots were fired at an unoccupied security vehicle outside the Nets' arena.

He entered a pretrial intervention program and spent a year preaching gun safety to kids.

An ad he placed in a local newspaper in 1995 read: "Shoot for the top. Shoot for your future. Shoot Baskets, not Guns."

Bryant sidelined with sprained shoulder

► The Laker guard is expected to miss two to three weeks of games

By JOHN NADEL
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kobe Bryant joined Shaquille O'Neal and Karl Malone on the sidelines Tuesday, leaving Gary Payton as the only healthy Los Angeles Lakers superstar.

Bryant is expected to miss a minimum of two to three weeks with an injured right shoulder, the result of a collision with Cleveland's Kedrick Brown on Monday night, the team said.

An MRI exam taken Tuesday confirmed Bryant sprained his surgically repaired shoulder.

Lakers coach Phil Jackson said Bryant won't need surgery, but will probably be placed on the injured list, meaning he'd have to sit out at least five games.

"I don't think there's any long-term effects to something like this," Jackson said.

It's also possible that Bryant could miss a game in February and two in March because of hearings regarding the sexual assault charge he faces in Colorado.

Bryant, the NBA's seventh-leading scorer with a 22.0-point average, was injured with 5.7 seconds left in the first quarter of an 89-79 victory over the Cavaliers when

he faked Brown into the air outside the 3-point line and Brown landed on Bryant's shoulder.

In obvious pain, Bryant made three free throws, but left after the period ended and went to the locker room for X-rays, which were negative.

Bryant played a little more than five minutes in the second quarter, but was clearly not himself, running with his right arm hanging at his side. His only shot was a left-handed jumper from outside the foul line that didn't come close, and he was removed from the game shortly thereafter.

Bryant had surgery on his shoulder June 12 — four weeks after the Lakers were eliminated from the second round of the playoffs by San Antonio. He had an inflamed bursa removed and a frayed labrum trimmed in his shoulder during the operation.

"You never imagine it, that's why you have 12 men on your roster," Jackson said of the glut of injuries. "We'll have to change somewhat. Personnel makes a big difference in how we play."

Jackson said the Lakers will probably add a guard to their roster.

"We have some people in mind," he said.

O'Neal strained his right calf Jan. 4 and has missed five games, while Malone

sprained a ligament in his right knee Dec. 21 and has sat out nine games.

The three stars are averaging 56 points and 26 rebounds between them.

O'Neal could return as early as Wednesday night against Denver, although he didn't practice Tuesday. No timetable has been set for Malone's return.

"I think he understands we definitely need him out there to play," Jackson said of O'Neal, who has received medical clearance to return. "He knows if he comes back and he's not right, it's not going to do any good. It's up to him."

O'Neal said before Monday night's game he hoped to return this week.

Rick Fox, a starter for the past three years, hasn't played since undergoing surgery on his left foot eight months ago. He figures to start when fully healthy, which the Lakers hope will be soon.

"He's close, but he's been close," Jackson said, adding he believes Fox is within a week of playing.

Payton understands what lies ahead. "That's just something that happens," he said of the injuries. "Now, we're going to struggle a little bit more. I've just got to go out there, get everybody involved. We're OK, we've got some players who can play. We're going to have to step it up."

"We're going to have to play a perfect game to stay in games."

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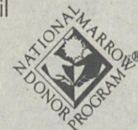
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Oregon State releases 2004 football schedule

► OSU has bumped up its game against ASU for a bye weekend later in the season

BAROMETER STAFF REPORTS

Oregon State University and Arizona State University have agreed to switch dates for the 2004 football season, officials at both schools announced Tuesday.

The Pacific-10 Conference opener for both programs will be played Sat., Sept. 25 at Sun Devil Stadium in Tempe. Both schools had a bye that Saturday of the season and both desired to move their bye date back to Sat., Oct. 9, the original date of the game. The change in dates also makes the game attractive for television purposes.

"When you look at the date and the schedule within the Pac-10, this game becomes an attractive choice for ABC or FOX Television," OSU Director of Athletics Bob De Carolis said. "This also benefits both programs from a standpoint of pushing the bye week back toward the middle of the season."

The only other conference game scheduled for Sept. 25 is USC at Stanford. The rest of the Pac-10 schedule includes Washington at Notre Dame, California at Southern Mississippi,

2004 Football Schedule

Sept. 4	vs. Temple
Sept. 11	at Boise State
Sept. 18	vs. New Mexico
Sept. 25	at Arizona State
Oct. 2	vs. California
Oct. 9	Bye
Oct. 16	at Washington
Oct. 23	vs. Washington State
Oct. 30	at Arizona
Nov. 6	vs. USC
Nov. 13	at Stanford
Nov. 20	vs. Oregon

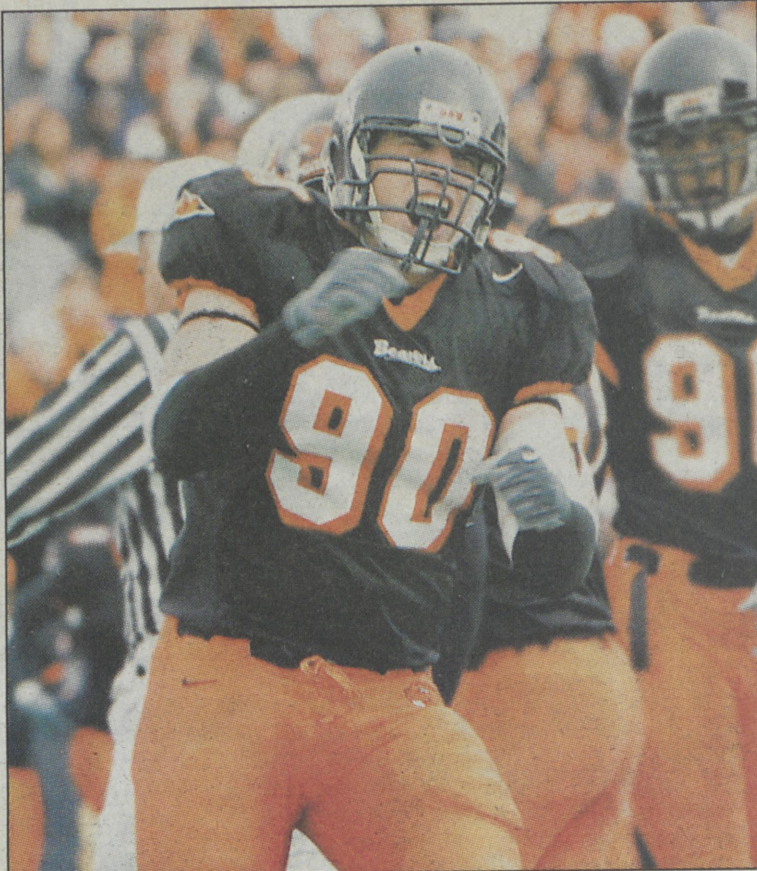
and Idaho at Oregon.

Oregon State is tentatively set to open the season Sat., Sept. 4 at Reser Stadium against the Temple Owls.

The rumor that the Beavers might play a larger BCS opponent is still circulating, with national champion LSU still a possibility.

In order for Oregon State to play a new school for their 2004 season opener, the Beavers will have to find an opponent for Temple.

De Carolis told the Oregonian in Tuesday's paper that he has given himself a deadline of Jan. 31 to find the Owls an opponent or continue with the regularly scheduled game.



KACY KIZER | BAROMETER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Bill Swancutt and the rest of the 2004 Oregon State football team will open their Pac-10 season up at Arizona State on Sept. 24.

NFL postseason showdown continues

► Four teams are left battling for the Lombardi trophy

By JAKE SCHUBERT
BAROMETER SPORTS WRITER

The regular season in the National Football League lasts 17 weeks and each of the 32 teams plays 16 games.

After this Sunday, only two teams will have a shot at that coveted Super Bowl ring.

Both games to be played this Sunday are rematches of games played back during week 13 of the season on Nov. 30.

First, the Indianapolis Colts travel to Foxboro, Mass. to face the New England Patriots at 12:00 p.m. on CBS.

The Patriots won the first match-up of the season 38-34 on a late goal-line stand.

New England quarterback Tom Brady completed 26 of 35 passes for 236 yards and threw two touchdown passes and two interceptions. Indianapolis quarterback Peyton Manning completed 29 of 48 passes for 278 yards and threw for four touchdowns and one interception.

That game marked the eighth win in a row for the Patriots, a streak they have since run up to 12.

Both teams exhibit different strengths, resulting in a great match-up.

Bill Belichick, the Patriot head coach, is a defensive genius. He is known for changing defensive schemes by the week and led New England to the league's best record, 14-2.

Brady is a solid quarterback who rarely takes what is given to him by the opposing defense. He can beat a team over the top or underneath, and has been doing it all season. Brady is also the only one of the four remaining quarterbacks that already has a Super Bowl ring.

As for the Colts? Well, the Patriots have won 12 straight games, and New England just might be the hottest team in the playoffs.

Manning is the co-MVP of the league and is showing why right now. Through two playoff games — Manning's first two playoff wins — the Colts have yet to punt. In those two games Manning has completed 44 of 56 passes for 681 yards, eight touchdowns and no interceptions.

Carolina travels to Philadelphia to face the Eagles for the second time this season at 3:45 p.m. on FOX.

Back on Nov. 30, the Eagles traveled to Charlotte and beat the Panthers 25-16. The Panthers outgained the Eagles 336 net yards to 283, but it was the usually reliable kicking game that let down Carolina on that late autumn day.

John Kasey has hit all seven of his field goal attempts in the last four games of the season and has hit 8 of 10 in the postseason. Although Stephen Davis is nursing an injury, this is the playoffs — and he'll be ready to run all over the Eagles defense.

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Beavs need to put loss behind

► With the NCAA tourney still in reach, the Lady Beavs will need to pick up some wins

By RAYMOND WICKS
BAROMETER SPORTS WRITER

After losing a heartbreaker at Oregon on Saturday, the Oregon State women's basketball team is looking for a way to get back on track.

From the get-go, the Beavers (9-5 overall, 3-2 Pacific-10) led the Ducks, that is until with a little more than six minutes to go, when Oregon guard Brandi Davis hit a 3-pointer to put the Ducks up 48-47.

Then, with 4.9 ticks left on the clock, Davis drained a game-winning 19-footer, beating OSU 56-54, giving Oregon (9-6 overall, 1-4 Pac-10) its first conference win.

"They made shots down the stretch and we didn't," OSU assistant coach Todd Corman said.

Simply put, in order to win, OSU needs to finish out their games strong.

This includes putting the ball in the hoop — especially games in which they never trailed going into the final seven minutes of the game.

Beaver guard Shannon Howell continued her exceptional play, scoring 15 of her game-high 24 points in the second half, and shot 9-of-20 from the floor.

The junior transfer has scored 20 or more points in four of her five games as a Beaver.

"Howell is a great player, but she had to earn every single one of her points," Oregon coach Bev Smith said.

Brina Chaney recorded another double-double, with 14 points and 13 rebounds, adding three more blocked shots to her career total, putting her just two shy of becoming the OSU all-time leader.

As a team, the Beavers shot only 35 percent for the contest, and only 1 of 11 from behind the arc.

One is left to wonder what happened to Krystal Turner, as she shot only four times during the game.

And who knows what was bothering Leilani Estavan, as she went 0



WENDY VOLLMER | BAROMETER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Oregon State's women's basketball team will travel to Washington State Thursday to face the Cougars. The Lady Beavs are looking for a win to keep their hopes of making the NCAA tournament alive.

for 7 without a single point in her 40 minutes of playing time.

One thing is certain, the Beavers need to put this tough loss behind them and come out with pistols blazing at Washington State (4-11

overall, 0-6 Pac-10) on Thursday.

The Cougars may not have a conference win, but just a reminder — neither did Oregon.

The Beavers lead the all-time series with Washington State 25-18,

with OSU winning its last eight games vs. the Cougars.

Tip off in Pullman is at 7 p.m.

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