

Corvallis walks to work today

► Mayor Helen Berg encourages the community to commute more efficiently

By CHANEL WONG
THE DAILY BAROMETER

It's time to put down those car keys and pick up your walking shoes.

Today Corvallis Mayor Helen Berg will declare the week of May 17-21 as Get There Another Way Week.

During this week, people who usually commute to work or school in single occupancy vehicles are encouraged to take an alternative mode of transportation.

"This reduces congestion and pollution and it also makes people become more active and healthy," said Lee Shoemaker, a Transportation Specialist for the Corvallis Public Works Department.

According to the Public Works Department, the activities planned are coordinated through the city's Employee Transportation Coordinator's (ETC).

Employees who participate in Get There Another Way Week are eligible to win prizes from their ETC Employers or from the city in a city-wide drawing.

Free bus rides given by Corvallis Transit on Wednesday, May 19, are just the start of numerous events planned for the week.

On Friday, May 21, OSU will be holding a Bike Commute Day in the MU Quad from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. On Saturday, May 22, there will be a Community Bike Ride at 11 a.m. in the MU Quad.

"We are trying to get as many people as we can for the bike ride," said Charla Guiwits, social advocacy coordinator for Peer Health Advocates here at OSU.

"After the bike ride people can sit back and relax and enjoy free food and music."

OSU will also be sponsoring Leave Your Car at Home Week this week.

"ETC will continue to meet as a group and plan activities that will encourage the community to continue to use alternative forms of transportation," Shoemaker said.

For more information on Get There Another Way Week, contact Shoemaker at 766-6916.

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Miss Pebbles Campbell Starr takes the stage for her fourth and final number during the Pride 2004 drag show. Friday night's show, put on by the Rainbow Continuum, drew a crowd of 600 to the MU Ballroom.

Pride '04 ends on a drag

► The annual drag show played to a packed and enthusiastic MU Ballroom Friday night

By JUSTIN RUNQUIST
THE DAILY BAROMETER

It's not easy being queen.

But it's worth it if it means performing before a capacity crowd of 600 that are all screaming for one thing — divas.

Friday evening, the OSU Rainbow Continuum transformed the MU Ballroom into a glitzy-glam drag show to culminate "Pride 2004," a week devoted to understanding and celebrating queer issues.

Members of the Rainbow Continuum recruited performers from Embers, a drag bar in Portland. The queens agreed to visit OSU for little more than the cost of transportation.

The Portland-based drag troupe made its journey to Corvallis half-in, half-out — meaning they traveled in light make-up, but not wardrobe.

Once in the dressing room it was a hurried rush to tease wigs, glue the showgirl lashes, secure the masking tape and squeeze into drag.

Then it was show time.

From the dressing room the whoops and hollers could be heard as Pebbles Campbell Starr ignited the crowd with her lack of clothing and abundance of style.

"Pebbles is getting them excited," said Chastity Frustration, a flamboyant queen with the credentials of Miss Gay Portland XXXI to prove it.

The "ladies" were impressed with the enthusiasm of the OSU community.

Tiara Desmond has strutted the catwalk at OSU many times and has always felt welcomed. For Desmond, it is the spectators' enthusiasm that makes or breaks a show.

"My least favorite part [of performing] can be the audience, but this crowd is good. But I knew they would be great," Desmond said.

After performing for 20 years, Maria — the lead queen, whose stage presence is unmistakably Aretha Franklin — still gets a charge from interacting with a lively audience.

"[The audience] has to be into it to have a good time. This crowd is awesome. But I am still waiting to find the one uncomfortable hetero," she said.

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OSU rolls up its sleeves

► Spring term blood drive begins today and runs through Thursday in the MU Ballroom

By JENNIFER MOSER
THE DAILY BAROMETER

The American Red Cross will hold the OSU spring term blood drive today through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the MU Ballroom.

Organizers hope that the four days of donation will yield close to 1,000 units of blood. "Many people look at that and think 'Wow, that's a lot of blood,'" said Nick Lawrence, a member of the student blood drive committee.

However, he added, 1,000 units of blood will provide our region's 80 hospitals with only a single day's supply.

Regional American Red Cross representative Tim Lippert said that OSU's blood drive is the largest in the region.

Lippert mentions a long-standing tradition of blood donation at Oregon State University, calling it "part of the OSU culture."

The spring drive is especially important because it helps the Red Cross stock up a good supply for the summer. During summer months the need for blood increases, but supply decreases as regular donors go on vacation.

Blood donors are essential to the success of many hospital procedures: When a patient needs a transfusion, there is no synthetic substitute for human blood.

Each unit of blood is approximately a pint and can be separated into its components of red blood cells, platelets and plasma. This means that each donated pint has the potential to help three people.

Lawrence explained that people don't need to give blood themselves in order to make a difference to the cause. He said that the two greatest challenges in setting up a blood drive are getting the word out to students and recruiting volunteers.

"Many volunteers are needed in such capacities as coat checking, serving food and drink to donors, taking names at tables, and serving as an escort, walking with donors to provide support. All blood will be drawn by trained professionals.

Lippert also emphasized the importance of volunteers. He said that, taking the Red Cross as a whole, there are 199 Red Cross volunteers for

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'Klatowa Eena' celebrates Native culture

► Oregon State's 28th annual Native American Powwow rocks Gill Coliseum to a different beat

By DAVID VASQUEZ
THE DAILY BAROMETER

A mere 200 years ago, there was no Oregon State University. In fact, there wasn't a Corvallis, or even a Portland. There was, however, a rich network of Native American Tribes living freely all across what is now Oregon.

This past weekend, Gill Coliseum played host to a celebration of Native American culture.

Oregon State's 28th annual Native American Powwow transformed the gymnasium into a lively and exciting place, full of people of all nationalities.

Dancing, drumming, socializing and selling of hand-crafted items by vendors contributed to the intensity of the evening.

The powwow is also known as "Klatowa Eena," which means "Go Beavers" in Chinook trading language.

Approaching Gill, attendees could hear the heavy drum

beats of the White Lodge, a traditional music group touring all the way from North Dakota. The rhythmic music and fascinating native dances created a level of excitement that filled the air.

Navajo, Chippewa, Warm Springs, Sioux, Yakima and many other tribes made up the event, with some of the participants traveling from such far-away places as Minnesota, North Dakota, Arizona, Idaho and Washington.

"The urban powwow is a gathering of family and friends to celebrate certain things that have happened" said Joel Bellanger, a member of the Chippewa Tribe.

Some other festivals include the Root Festival, the Salmon Festival and the Huckleberry Festival, all of which are usually held outdoors. These celebrations usually occur during the summer.

The event at Gill is put on for the Native Americans attending Oregon State University, but also with the hope of showing other students about the background of Native Americans and their culture and even helping them to experience certain aspects of it.

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Amidst the booming of drums, 2-year-old Isaac Sijohn naps in the company of his mother, Leanne, and sister, Vanessa.

WORLD

Tibet documentary footage might endanger its subjects

CANNES, France (AP) — Film-makers at Cannes took extreme precautions Sunday to make sure the people they interviewed for a rare documentary filmed in Tibet would not face a crackdown by Chinese authorities. To make sure the footage did not fall into the wrong hands, moviegoers were searched at the door for cameras and recording devices.

"What Remains of Us," playing at the Cannes Film Festival, offers a rare look at ordinary people in Tibet talking frankly about hardships of the Chinese occupation.

NATION

Massachusetts prepares for state-wide gay weddings

BOSTON (AP) — In the days leading up to Monday's deadline for same-sex weddings to begin, opponents looked to the federal courts for help in overturning the ruling. On Friday, the U.S. Supreme Court declined to intervene.

As of Monday, Massachusetts joins the Netherlands, Belgium and Canada's three most populous provinces as the only places worldwide where gays can marry, though the rest of Canada is expected to follow soon.

STATE

Two DJs fired after cracking jokes about Nick Berg's death

PORTLAND (AP) — Two Portland disc jockeys were fired from a local radio station after playing an audiotape of the beheading of American Nick Berg by Iraqi militants, and then laughing over the sounds of the grisly death.

The DJs, known as "Marconi" and "Tiny" were fired Thursday afternoon from their morning show perch at KNRK-FM, which is owned by Bala Cynwyd, Pa.-based Entercom Communications Corp. Station employees would not release the legal names of the DJs.

UNIVERSITY

San Jose State U. students simulate driving drunk

SAN JOSE, Calif. (U-WIRE) — Imagine looking in the rear view mirror of your car and seeing a police car behind you, as you drive down the road with a blood alcohol content of .04 percent.

Some 50 SJSU students experienced that scenario — without the consequences — Thursday, getting behind the wheel of an impaired driving simulator, mounted inside a 72-foot trailer, that was brought to campus by the Center for Transportation Safety.

— By Daniel Lopez
Spartan Daily (San Jose State U.)

Meetings

Wrench, 4-6:30pm, MU 206. Tired of racism? Sexism? War? Environmental degradation? Class exploitation? Join us to find just alternatives.

OSU Circle K, 6pm, MU Boardroom. A community service club open to all OSU students. Find out how you can serve your campus & community this term.

Rainbow Continuum, 7pm, Women's Center. Weekly social meeting.

Speakers

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Arrests

11:58 p.m., May 15, Friday — Colin Sair, 19, and OSU student Alexander Young, 18, were cited for setting off false fire alarms in Wilson Hall.

11:58 p.m., May 15, Friday — Bryan Weil, 22, and OSU students Ryan Pass, 25, Todd Thorsted, 24, and Caleb Yant, 23, were cited and released for first-degree criminal trespassing when they were found in the College Inn.

12:30 a.m., May 15, Saturday — Crystal Freeman, 24, was cited and released for endangering the welfare of a minor and second-degree possession of a controlled substance-methamphetamines.

9 a.m., May 14, Friday — Donna Anderson, 53, was arrested and transported to Benton County Jail on a warrant for driving under the influence of intoxicants out of Florence.

6:45 a.m., May 14, Friday — OSU student Christopher Cotta, 22, was cited and released to jail staff at the Benton County Jail for driving under the influence of intoxicants and possession of a controlled substance, less than one ounce.

7 a.m., May 13, Thursday



— OSU student Luke Toman, 24, was cited and released for driving under the influence of intoxicants.

3 a.m., May 11, Tuesday — OSU student Kenneth Munch, 19, was cited and released for possession of a controlled substance, less than one ounce of marijuana.

2:50 a.m., May 11, Tuesday — OSU students Bryan Tuttle, 18, and Peter Heinlein, 19, were cited and released for possession of a controlled substance, less than one ounce of marijuana.

May 10 through May 16 — Seven people were cited for minor in possession of alcohol.

Thefts

6 a.m., May 14, Friday — A specialized blue and silver Rock Hopper mountain bike, valued at \$800, was stolen from its locked location at

Wilkinson Hall.

12:06 a.m., May 12, Wednesday — Between May 5 and May 7 an unknown person stole a Dell hard drive, valued \$80-\$100, from a locked room in McNary Hall.

2:45 a.m., May 11, Tuesday — Two autographed footballs, valued at \$100, were stolen from an office in Valley Football Center. There are no known suspects.

Other

11:03 p.m., May 14, Friday — An unknown person pulled a fire alarm at Wilson Hall.

7 a.m., May 14, Friday — Two unidentified suspects pushed over a motorcycle and a moped on Jefferson Avenue and Sackett Way. Both vehicles sustained minor damages.

9:32 p.m., May 12, Wednesday — A false alarm went off in room 385 of Richardson Hall.

7:39 p.m., May 12, Wednesday — A false alarm went off in room 388 of Richardson Hall.

Police Beat is compiled by DD Bixby from the crime logs of the Oregon State Police and Corvallis Police Department. She can be reached at baro.city@studentmedia.orst.edu.

Drag: Crowd was very welcoming

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To Maria's surprise, she could not find a spectator that was visibly turned off by the performers. Instead, she found the crowd very friendly and involved.

By most accounts the audience enjoyed the event.

Martin Norred, a campus employee, was struck by the high turnout.

"Last year there were three or four rows in the back that were empty," Norred said as he pointed out that this year, the ballroom was packed.

Halfway through the show, organizers closed the doors to arriving spectators. But that didn't stop the curious from peeking through open windows and sitting on windowsills to get a glimpse of the queens.

Rainbow Continuum co-Director Kathy Van Wormer was thrilled with the success of the evening.

"It was such a nice finale. It's great to have 600 people, who may otherwise not be in the room together, having a good time and celebrating diversity," she said.

Given the popularity of this year's show, Van Wormer said the Rainbow Continuum expects to arrange another drag show next year, although she was concerned that this year's PG-13 request may have been breached.

As for Maria's plans of returning: "If they would ask me again, I would love to."

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Blood: Help out

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every paid staff member.

In general, 60 percent of the population is estimated to be eligible to donate blood, but only 5 percent of eligible donors actually do so. Healthy adults who meet certain requirements may donate blood once every 56 days, but the average donor only gives blood 1.5 times per year.

Why don't more people donate? According to Lippert, "people don't take the time because they don't understand the need." He said there is a great need, and every pint helps.

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Powwow: Non-Native participation encouraged

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"There are different competitions that take place, like the dancing competition," said Frank Totus, a Yakima Indian.

The main two competitions at the Powwow were a drumming competition and the dancing competition.

"Non-Natives can come out and have fun — we're not gonna take them out and scalp them," Bellanger joked during the festivities.

The event was open to all and some non-Natives even joined in on the dancing.

The actual dances were a beautiful display of

colorful costumes and traditional clothes, some hundreds of years old and passed down through generations.

Adults and children alike took part in and performed such dances as the Fancy Dance, the Jingle Dress — which originated in Canada and Minnesota — and the Grass Dance, which originated in the Great Plains.

The annual Native American Powwow was sponsored by OSU's Indian Education Office, for more information, visit <http://oregonstate.edu/dept/indianed/>.

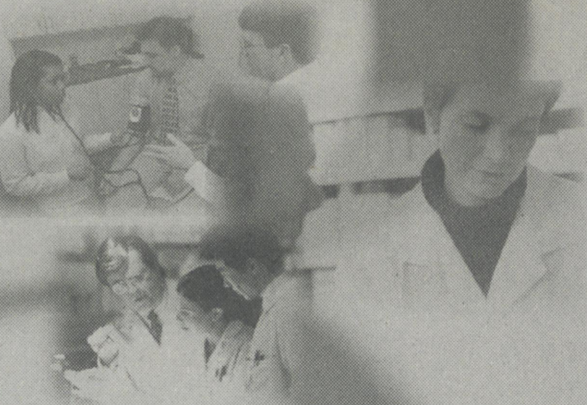
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- May 18 4:30 PM Browning Brown - The Mexican American Contribution to Desegregation of the U.S.
Speaker Dr. José-Antonio Orozco, OSU Dept of Philosophy, MU Powell Leadership Center
- May 19 11:30 AM Local Color - History of Portland's Black population
Video and discussion - MU Powell Leadership Center
- 7:00 PM Keynote Event
Featuring Shanta Driver, National spokesperson for the Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action and Integration and Fight for Equality by Any Means Necessary (BAMN). Performances by Crescent Valley High School Chamber Choir and D.I.M.E. Squad - OSU student dancers, LaSells Stewart Center
- May 20, 11:30 AM OSU Faculty of Color Share Their Experiences
Roundtable Discussion - MU Powell Leadership Center
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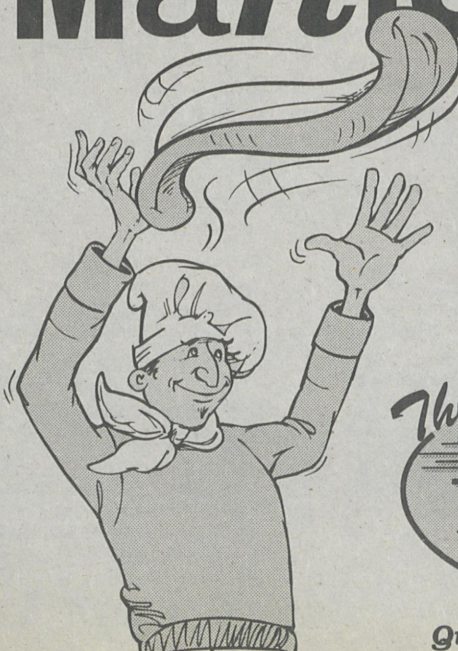
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EDITORIAL

When the going gets tough ...

On Sunday, The Oregonian's public editor, Michael Arrieta-Walden, wrote a column about the paper's treatment of Neil Goldschmidt's admitted inappropriate sexual relationship with a 14-year-old girl 30 years ago.

It turns out that an Oregonian reporter heard of the relationship in December of last year and immediately told his editor. But the story fizzled when they came up against false leads, then got busy with the big stuff: police shootings, terrorism and elections investigations.

Arrieta-Walden's conclusion? The Oregonian did not cover up the Goldschmidt scandal.

While we agree with the majority of his column — he obviously did his homework — we disagree with one part of his explanation.

In one paragraph, Arrieta-Walden explained that this type of story is hard to cover: those involved were unwilling to talk, the reporting was difficult and involved sifting through hefty documents and previous efforts to uncover the story had failed.

This may be true, but the best journalists will always find a way to get the story.

That is, as long as they — and their editors — find the story important enough.

In this instance, it seems the latter simply did not occur.

The Oregonian admits it didn't give the story the attention it warranted. In hindsight, the editors realize they probably could have done things better, and they're learning from the experience.

To be fair, we don't know what went on in the investigation of this story, but that Willamette Week found a way to report it tells us that it could be done.

The aforementioned paragraph from Arrieta-Walden's column merely defines some — but not all — of the roadblocks that exist in any type of investigative reporting.

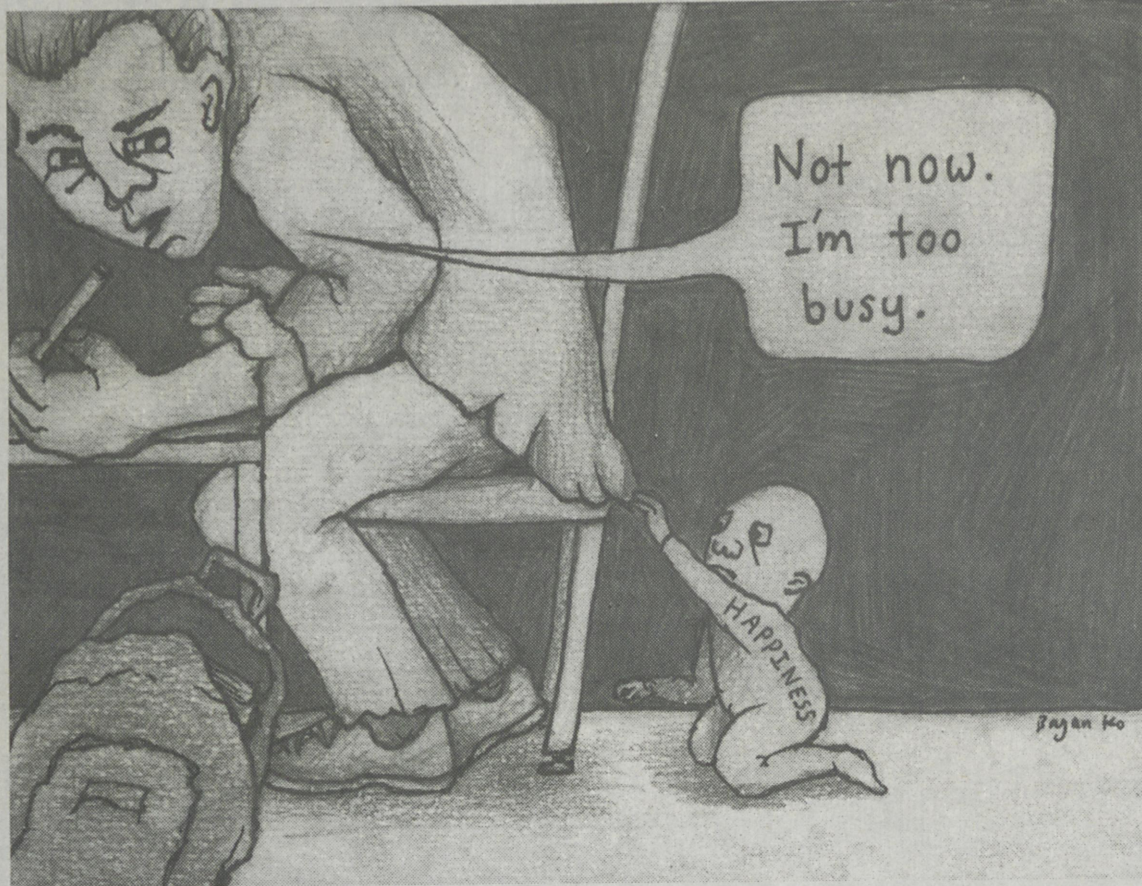
It's difficult, time-consuming and often upsets people.

But to use this definition of investigative reporting as an excuse for not doing it is dangerous because it implies the journalist failed — not the paper.

The occasional slip in news judgment is acceptable.

But quitting when the investigating gets tough is counterintuitive for a newspaper that prides itself on investigative reporting.

Editorials serve as a platform for Barometer editors to offer commentary and opinions on current events, both national and local, grand in scale and diminutive. Opinions here are a reflection of the Editorial Board's majority.



MediaFund is more like KerryFund

The airwaves are now filled with political rhetoric and character assassination, and it's only May. Both candidates have been releasing funds at an incredible rate in order to get an early edge over their opponent. Oregon is considered a battleground state and so we see as many commercials as any other state out there.

In 2003, federal campaign finance reform was passed in order to limit the influence of special interest groups and bring 'true democracy' back to the election process. It didn't work out so well. The principles of campaign finance reform are admirable, but its constitutionality is questionable.

Regardless, the reform became law and changes were made. The bill was supposed to ban (or greatly limit) soft money; ban unlimited contributions to parties; demand disclosure of donor participation; and make candidates say that "I approve" thing after each commercial they release (among many other things).

The bill passed with bipartisan support, sponsored by Sens. John McCain (R-Ariz.) and Russ Feingold (D-Wis.). Both candidates currently in the presidential race also supported the bill; Sen. Kerry voted for it and President Bush signed it into law.

Here's why the bill doesn't work and why it causes more problems than it solves. Both candidates refused federal matching funds because they could make more money by themselves.

Bush had (before the ad blitz began) approximately \$185 million for his campaign, also known as his "war chest." Kerry raised approximately \$105 million.

Even though Kerry acquired more in the last two quarters than

James Lester



Bush, the disparity of totals has many Democrats claiming the election is unfair and that the rich are getting their way.

This might be true. However, the loopholes of the aforementioned campaign finance bill are coming to light. Because there are now limitations on how much soft money can be given to a candidate, and how much individual money can be given, people are finding ways around.

We've all heard of the MediaFund, MoveOn.org, etc., etc. These are private, non-profit conglomerates that have found a way to sidestep the reform and keep soft money alive and well. It is estimated that the multiple groups working under the auspices of the MediaFund have collected nearly \$200 million.

Due to the new reforms, these groups are not allowed to promote a specific candidate or party, so that \$200 million isn't for either party. But because this is a two-party system, when a group attacks one candidate in the attempt to make sure they are not elected, they are promoting the other candidate.

It's a simple proof: If A=B AND B=C, THEN A=C. I don't want Bush elected (A). There are two candidates (B). AND, there are two candidates (B), equals Kerry is the alternative to Bush (C), THEN, I don't want Bush elected (A), equals Kerry is the option to Bush (C).

These groups are not acting in an informative, non-biased manner; they have a political agenda with one specific goal. They are anti-Bush and therefore pro-Kerry.

I wouldn't have a problem with

these groups or their advertisements if it weren't for the new reforms. But, because they are not "officially" in support of a party or candidate, they can say whatever they want.

Sen. Kerry does not need to say he approves of the slander these groups use against Bush, because he is not personally responsible (I really don't think Kerry is responsible for these groups or their messages).

They can say what they want, in any way they want, as inaccurately as they want, and there are no political reprisals. These groups can raise as much money as they want, from whomever they want and they don't have to publicly report it.

What we might as well do is tack on that \$200 million to Kerry's campaign, which would give him approximately \$305 million, a total much more than the Bush campaign.

Don't get me wrong — there are groups that are "neutral" and support the president, but they are simply not in the size or scope of the MediaFund.

All this campaign finance reform has ended up doing is protecting Democratic special interest groups. Instead of donating to a candidate with limitations and public awareness, a union can donate whatever it wants to the MediaFund.

Whereas most of the donations to the Bush fund are public and monitored, there are unlimited amounts of unaccounted funds being given to the "Kerry" campaign.

This price disparity that everyone is complaining about simply doesn't exist. Yes, Bush has more hard money, but the soft money that is floating around for the other side readily offsets it.

If parties and their supporters are

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Wars 101

"Wars not make one great." That is what Yoda told Luke Skywalker in the swamps of Dagobah. With the exceptions of George Washington, Alexander the Great and Rambo, he was right.

As long as men have walked the earth, war has been a fact of life. Many nations, like our own, were created and maintained with warfare. We all know about the Revolutionary War and the American Civil War, but some of the other battles are less remembered.

One such skirmish was The War of 1812 (also known as The Hundred Years War), in which we pitted the French versus the Indians, and then made the Louisiana Purchase when no one was looking.

My U.S. History may be a little sketchy, but I know for sure that America always comes out on top. We have never lost a war. Vietnam doesn't count because Congress never declared war. Besides, in "Rambo: First Blood Part II," Sylvester Stallone went back and single-handedly defeated Vietnam, even though the war had been over for years.

What about the war on drugs? Isn't that a losing battle? Considering that my elementary school D.A.R.E. officer showed us how to cut cocaine, distinguish good marijuana from bad and detailed the areas of town in which drugs were sold, I'd have to say yes.

Drug education walks a fine line between prevention and encouragement. I could have walked out of my sixth grade class and scored some heroin from "The Skipper" down by the train yard based on the information I learned in class.

Most kids don't actively seek out drugs; the drugs come to them. To arm us against peer pressure we were taught the slogan "Just Say No." I found this ridiculous and was ready to rebel against Nancy Reagan and say "yes" to any drug that came my way — but no one offered.

We may be losing the war on drugs, but it isn't a real war since we can't bomb or invade drugs.

However, we are involved in some real wars right now, including the war in Iraq and the war on terror. You know all about these wars from relentless news coverage, so I will inform you of a few lesser known ones.

The first, and most shocking, is the War on Scott Baio. A vast government conspiracy has been responsible for

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McNall: We need Sylvester Stallone if we ever hope to survive

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stifling the career of Baio ever since "Charles in Charge" was cancelled in 1990.

The motives remain unclear, but perhaps they feared the growing popularity of the actor would actually put Charles in charge of the world. Whether he sought global domination or simply a modest television career, Scott Baio's star will never rise again.

The second secret war is the Cold War. I know what you're thinking: the Cold War ended when Rocky Balboa defeated Ivan Drago in mother Russia. We all saw the documentary footage that showed the communist crowd chanting Rocky's name when he won the boxing match.

The Soviet Union fell, but Communism didn't die. It limped into China and North Korea and continues to spread every day. In order to protect helpless countries from communist subjugation, we have been matching wits with these world powers in a diplomatic chess game. We also frequently remind everybody we have enough nuclear missiles to recreate the big bang.

As for the home front, the Cola Wars have raged for years, dividing families and ruining teeth. Coke and Pepsi's battle for soft drink supremacy has defined life in America for several generations.

During Prohibition people were looking for refreshment without intoxication, so they turned to Coca Cola, which was loaded with cocaine. It turned out cocaine was a highly addictive stimulant, so it was outlawed and replaced with caf-

feine, a slightly less addictive stimulant.

A new drink called Pepsi challenged Coke by offering a sweeter taste that appealed to a new generation. Pepsi didn't rival Coke until the 1980s, when Michael Jackson, known for his music at the time, endorsed its product.

Coke countered with New Coke, which tasted more like Pepsi. Fans of old Coke rioted in the streets and committed mass suicide. Original Coke, which people had been using to de-grease engines, was now priceless.

Coca Cola wisely re-launched Coca Cola Classic, and it has been a bestseller ever since. The Cola Wars rage on, to the benefit of consumers and to the irritation of peace-loving hippies and celebrities.

This brings me to the final battle in America: The War on War.

The abolishment of war is a favorite cause among movie stars and college students alike. This is a tricky one, because if you fight to end war you are actually creating war, but if you do nothing, war will continue in spite of you.

Is it a no-win situation? Ask the Beastie Boys. They have been politically active for several years, concerned with everything from Tibetan freedom to the war in Iraq. As noble as these causes are, the Beastie Boys' most beloved cause is also their oldest — the right to party.

They have been fighting for this right for two decades and, despite pushing 50, they show no signs of stopping. It doesn't matter that their music hasn't evolved since the late '80s, or that the name Beastie "Boys" is rich with irony. They will con-

tinue to party and, in their spare time, try to end war.

Two questions come to mind. How can we end war; and where the hell is Sylvester Stallone? It is time for him to stop lying on the beach with Baio and instead start running on it.

We need the eye of tiger if we are going to win the War on War once and for all.

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Lester: MediaFund

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going to promote the idea of campaign finance reforms, then they need to follow the rules they create. If one party is going to preach about special interests and the corruption in Washington, it should make efforts to ensure that its own party does not suffer from the same disease. Merely hiding the way in which a candidate is funded is not reform. It is manipulation of an endemic problem people are not willing to accept.

Face it, members of the MediaFund: you're the same kind of special interest group you claim to hate — you're just too afraid to admit it.

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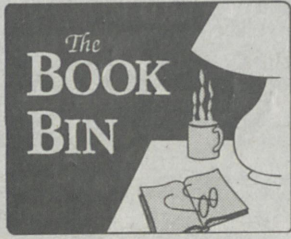
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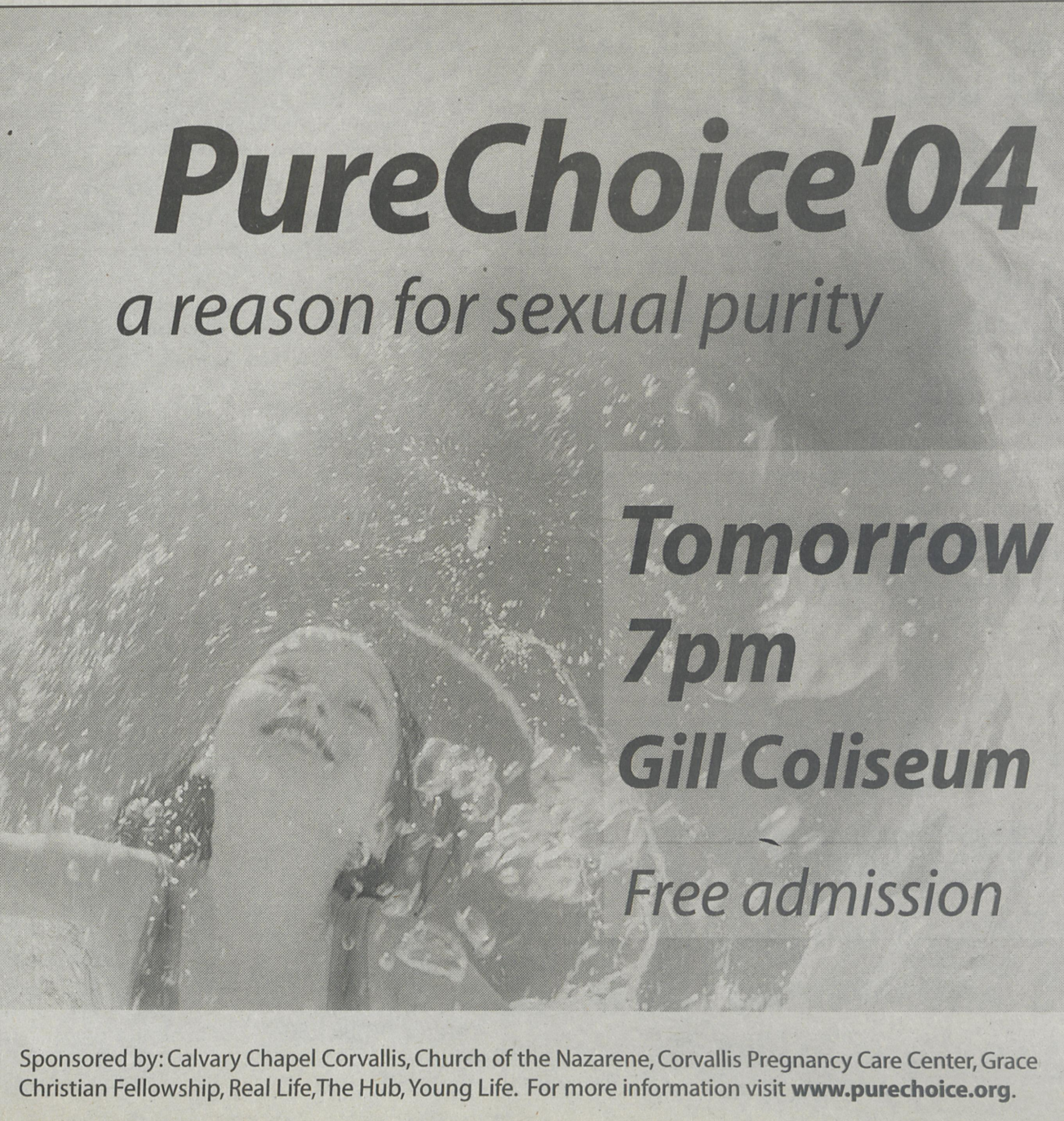
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Junior shortstop Kelly Petersen throws the ball to first base in OSU's 4-2 loss to Cal on Friday. Thursday OSU will face Bowling Green in the first round of NCAA Regionals.

Softball: Beavers No. 3 seed in NCAA Regionals

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start the frame.

However, both OSU runners were caught off base on a steal attempt, and the rally ended as quickly as it began.

"It would have been nice to get the win because we would have won the (season) series," said sophomore Lisa Allen, following her 2-for-3 day at the plate, which included her 11th home run of the year.

Saturday's senior day double-header with No. 8 Stanford (42-16, 12-8) began with a pitching duel between OSU's McGowan and the Cardinal's Dana Sorensen.

A sixth inning single by Mia Longfellow was all the offense the Beavers could muster up against the Stanford ace.

With the Beavers' bats in check, Stanford waited for someone to give their pitcher

some run support.

Catcher Jessica Allister did just that with her fifth-inning home run, which proved to be all Sorensen would need in her 2-0 win. Allister's long ball wouldn't be her last of the day.

In game two, the Stanford senior nearly single-handedly ensured that OSU would end the day winless.

Hoffman, playing in her final home game, started the game off in the dominant fashion her fans have grown accustomed to seeing.

She retired the first 12 Stanford hitters she faced en route to her nine-strikeout game, which gave her the record for most strikeouts in a single season for an OSU pitcher.

In the fifth inning, however, Hoffman served up a bomb to center field by Allister, breaking up the perfect game.

The wheels fell off for the Beavers in that pivotal inning. Stanford scored six more runs off OSU, pitching in the next three frames to finish the game with the 7-2 victory.

The Stanford catcher added another home run in the game to go along with her four runs batted in and finished 4-7 on the day. DuBois saw action in the circle for her final home appearance as well.

"It's scary to be done," DuBois said. "It hasn't kicked in, I don't know how it feels. [Softball] has been everything for me; it's been my life. I will never forget what softball has been for me."

Game time for OSU vs. Bowling Green is at 7 a.m. on Thursday.

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Baseball: Next up is Portland

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Nathan Pendley retired the only hitter he faced, Jared Sanders was brought in to face Zinicola and he homered to left on the first pitch he saw to make it 6-3. OSU would use five pitchers in the inning, and an error by shortstop Tony Calderon allowed a pair of unearned runs.

The Beavers threatened again in the eighth, getting a one-out homer from Shea McFeely — his fifth of the year — and then back-to-back two-out singles from Tyler Graham and Chris Kunda. But ASU reliever Erik Averill came in to strike out Paul Richie and end the inning with the score still 8-4.

Ellsbury was 2-for-3; Graham, McFeely and Andy Jenkins were 2-for-4 and Lissman was 2-for-5 for the Beavers. Ellsbury also had his 20th stolen base of the season, moving him into a tie for ninth place on OSU's all-time list of single-season leaders and putting him within one steal of a place on the Beavers all-time career top 10 with 34.

OSU (27-18 overall, 7-11 Pacific-10) now hosts Portland in a non-conference game Tuesday at 5 p.m. before going to Washington State for a Pac-10 series next weekend. All four games can be heard on KEJO-AM (1240).

Wrestling:

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Wrestling Club, which scored 21.

Also placing in the freestyle competition for Orange Crush were Ty Watterson, third at 264.5 pounds; Matt Ellis, seventh at 163 pounds; Dan Pitsch, seventh at 185 pounds; and Jed Lowe, seventh at 211.5 pounds.

Norman, who has completed his junior season at OSU, pinned Matt Pitts of Tennessee-Chattanooga in 2 minutes, 34 seconds in the finals.

Rakevich, who has finished his freshman season at OSU, lost his final to Tim Taylor of the U.S. Marines 8-4; Taylor also won the Greco-Roman competition at the meet.

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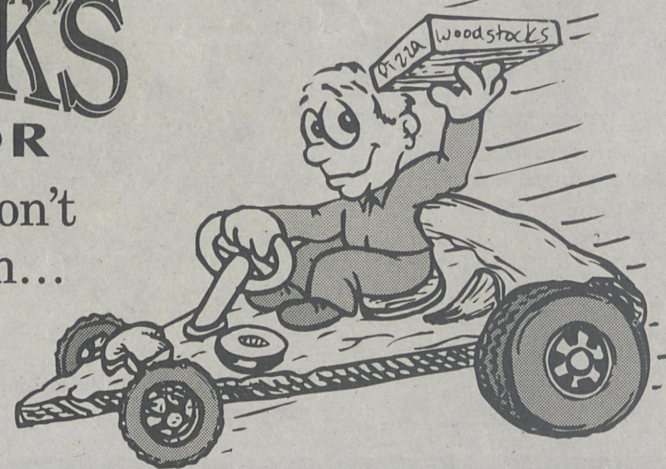
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— OSU associate head softball coach Jenny Condon on Oregon State making its sixth straight postseason appearance

Sun Devils sweep Beavers in Tempe

► ASU picked up four runs in the seventh en route to its win over Beaver baseball Sunday

BAROMETER STAFF REPORT

TEMPE, Ariz. — Oregon State miscues helped 14th-ranked Arizona State to a pair of big innings as the Beavers fell 8-4 in Pacific-10 baseball Sunday afternoon at Packard Stadium. The Sun Devils scored four times in the second inning, then broke the game open with four more in the seventh.

Against ASU (35-13, 10-8), the Beavers walked four hitters and committed a key error in the second inning to fall behind 4-1. OSU crept back within one in the middle of the seventh inning, then a hit batter, two walks and another costly error helped Arizona State to an 8-3 lead.

Freshman Kevin Gunderson gave Oregon State its chance to get back in the ballgame, allowing just one run in a season-high five innings of work.

Gunderson scattered four hits and one walk while striking out three.

Gunderson entered the game after starter Andy Baldwin faltered in the second inning. After Zechry

Zinicola led off with a double, Josh Asanovich walked; Baldwin then uncorked a pitch in the dirt to Colin Curtis and the runners tried to advance. OSU catcher Paul Richie blocked the pitch, though, and threw to third baseman Shea McFeely with the ball arriving well before Zinicola; McFeely dropped the ball, however.

Baldwin then walked Curtis and Tuffy Gosewisch to force in the tying run, gave up a run-scoring single to Joe Perischina and failed to find the strike zone on his first pitch to Nick Walsh. That brought Gunderson into the game and he allowed a sacrifice fly and a run-scoring single before getting the final two hitters to end the inning with the score still 4-1.

OSU had picked up an unearned run in the first inning, and the Beavers made it 4-2 in the top of the fifth when Mike Lissman hit his sixth homer of the season. It was 4-3 after Jacoby Ellsbury was hit by a pitch to start the seventh inning and eventually scored when Aaron Mathews hit into a double play.

In the bottom of the seventh, though, Gunderson was lifted after hitting Travis Buck to start the inning. After



McFeely: Had two hits and one RBI



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Junior first baseman Andy Jenkins accounted for two of the Beavers' 10 hits Sunday against Arizona State.



Jenkins: 2-for-4 in Sunday's game

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OSU drops three in home finale

► Softball will face Bowling Green Thursday in the first round of NCAA Regionals

By **ERIC POWELL**
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Although the outcomes of this weekend's softball games didn't turn out the way the team would have liked, Oregon State's two seniors, Monica Hoffman and Dena DuBois, still walked off the field at the OSU Softball Complex with smiles on their faces.

With their 4-2 loss to Cal on Friday and 2-0 and 7-2 losses to Stanford on Saturday, the Beavers (40-25, 4-16) ended their regular season with losses, but now know they can make it up in the postseason.

The Beavers earned a trip to the NCAA Regionals for the sixth consecutive year. OSU is the No. 3 seed and will face No. 6 Bowling Green in Ann Arbor, Mich.

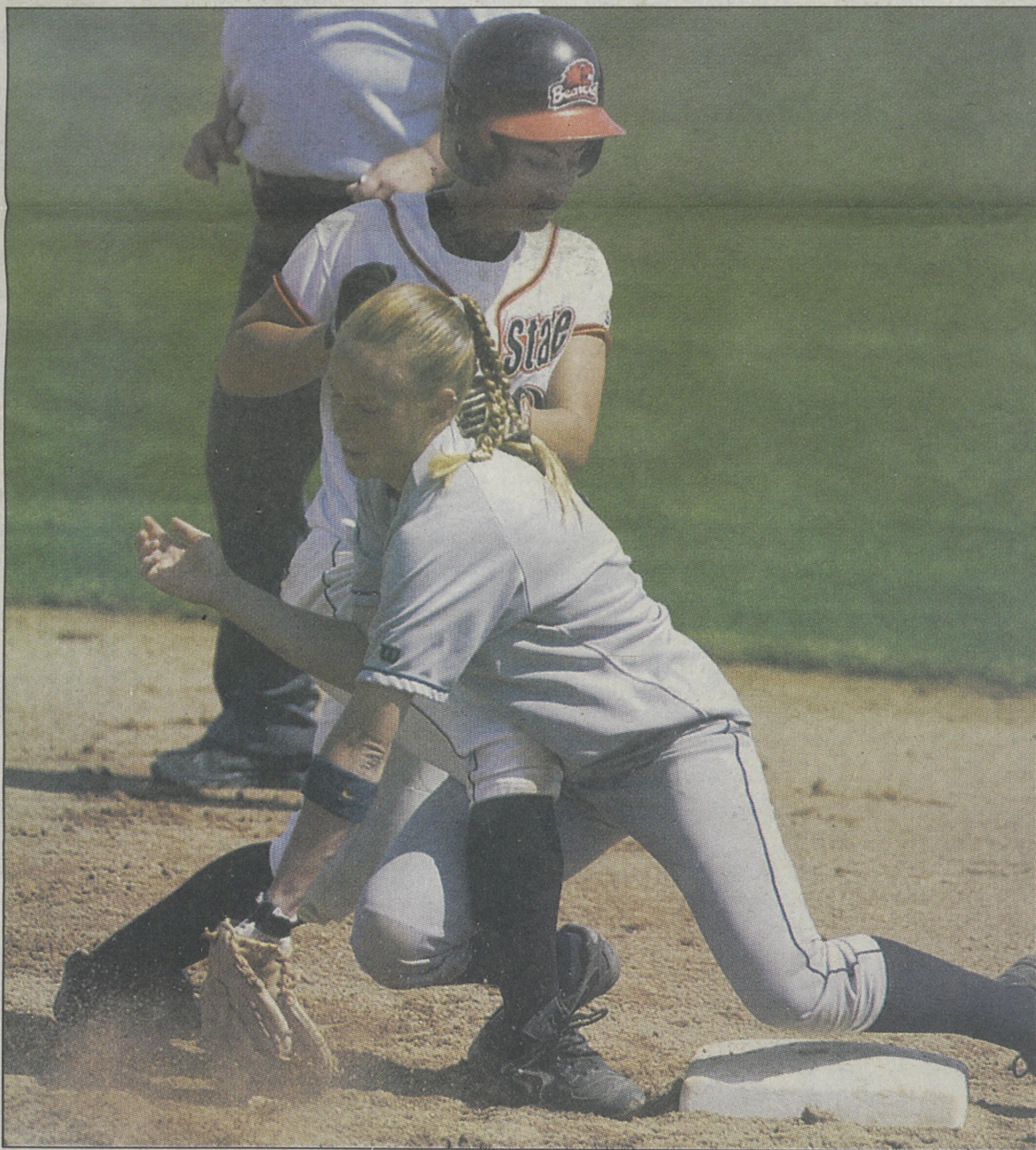
Against No. 2 California (46-11, 13-8), OSU found itself down 3-0 within the first two minutes of game play as the third hitter for the Golden Bears, Haley Woods, hit a 3-run home run in the top of the first inning.

Throughout the rest of the ballgame the Beavers were forced to play catch-up, and nearly climbed all the way back.

"Our defense played well, but we made way too many mental mistakes," OSU coach Kirk Walker said. "Monica (Hoffman) physically shut them down after the first inning."

Hoffman pitched well following the rough start, allowing only one more Cal run in the game.

With the score standing at 4-1 in the fifth inning, the Beavers had their best chance to get back into the game as both Adrienne Alo and Brienne McGowan reached base to



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Second baseman Alana Mendoza attempts to make it back to second base, but collides with a California player, in the Beavers' 4-2 loss to the Golden Bears on Friday.

OSU's Norman, Rakevich earn spots on U.S. wrestling team

► U.S. team heads to World University Championships, event will be in Poland in June

BAROMETER STAFF REPORT

Oregon State's Tim Norman and Jamie Rakevich have earned places on the United States wrestling team for the World University Championships, which will be held June 1-7 in Lodz, Poland.

Norman placed first in the 132-pound freestyle class and Rakevich was second in the 264.5-pound freestyle class at the University Freestyle and Greco-Roman Nationals that were held May 8 in Evanston, Ill.

Norman and Rakevich were competing for the Orange Crush Mat Club, which won the freestyle team title at the meet. Orange Crush scored 25 points to edge the Dave Schultz



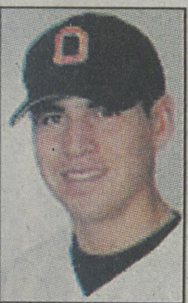
Norman: On U.S. wrestling team



Rakevich: On U.S. wrestling team

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Weekend Stars



Jacoby Ellsbury

Baseball

In three games the sophomore outfielder batted .583 (7-for-12) with two doubles, one RBI, two runs and a stolen base. Ellsbury was also hit by a pitch twice to give him an on-base percentage of .643 against Arizona State.



Monica Hoffman

Softball

Hoffman broke the single-season strikeout record during the Beavers' two losses to Stanford to raise her career total to 247. Hoffman retired the first 12 batters she faced, in order, in OSU's first game against The Cardinal.



Lisa Allen

Softball

Against California, Allen blasted her 11th home run of the season in the 4-2 loss to the Golden Bears. She also had two RBI for the game.