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Distribution policies frustrate ticket-hungry OSU students

New ticket distribution system, tarped off areas at Reser come under fire from students with a higher desire to see Beaver football

Matthew D. LaPlante
The Daily Barometer

When the curse of the Beaver fell off the football team's shoulders, it may have landed on its fans.

So says Oregon State University seniors Sonja Louisiana and Vaughn Hultsman, long-time Beaver sports enthusiasts who are fed up with a ticket distribution system that made it difficult for many OSU students to attend home football games at Reser Stadium this year.

They're not alone.

Dozens of students camped all night outside

of Gill Coliseum Monday, hoping to pick up some of the 200 seats made available for Saturday's Civil War game against the University of Oregon. The students were unaware that the OSU Athletic Ticket Office had already distributed orange wristbands to the first 200 people who had arrived — on Monday morning.

"A majority of us were oblivious to all of the wristband action that took place," wrote Louisiana and Hultsman in a letter to The Barometer. "I don't think these wristbands should have been used at all.

"Why wasn't the distribution of wristbands ever announced? Why was the ticket office mis-

informed about the rules of ticket distribution thereby giving false information to those who inquired over last weekend? These were all questions that the ticket managers could not answer."

The duo is also concerned about the precedent the wristband situation sets for the future.

"Are the students supposed to show up for wristbands 24 hours before they can receive tickets to any major OSU sporting event from now on?" they asked.

The wristbands were just the latest in a season-long string of ticket distribution problems

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Alpha Sigma Phi comes out of a cold shower

Fraternity narrowly avoids losing house, saved by alumni

Shawna Thompson
The Daily Barometer

Two years ago, things were pretty grim for the men of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Now, after moving out of their house, narrowly missing a foreclosure and a one million dollar renovation project later, things are starting to look up.

During the 1997-98 school year, the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity, which is located on the corner of 25th Street and Harrison Boulevard in Corvallis, endured a broken-down boiler, water heater and dishwasher. The members had to live in a house where they could see their breath, take cold showers and use dirty dishes.

"This put a tremendous strain on the brotherhood. By the end of the year we had all had it," said Craig McKernan, chapter vice president.

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Photo by JOE ELLIS/The Daily Barometer

The bay window is one of the major features of the newly renovated Alpha Sigma Phi house, which was recently reopened for habitation by its fraternity members. The one million dollar renovation of the house's walls, furniture, kitchen and bedrooms was made possible by donations from alumni.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING

Risser to host fireside chats

Beginning this month, students, staff and faculty will have a chance to get comfy and cozy at fireside chats with OSU President Paul Risser.

"This will be an opportunity to meet with students, faculty and staff in the university's living room, the MU Lounge," Risser said.

Risser will be holding monthly sessions with the OSU community beginning today at 4 p.m. The gatherings will alternate throughout the rest of the school year.

At the fireside chats, students and faculty will have a chance to express their ideas and their opinions about the university. "[The agenda] is to engage in lively conversation about Oregon State University in an inviting environment," Risser said.

Sessions

Thursday, Nov. 18, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Students
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All chats will be held in the MU Lounge.

— Gibelle Vazquez

Retention hopes rest on Hilton-like Hawley Hall

The newly renovated residence hall is model for three future renovations

Shawna Thompson
The Daily Barometer

Some call it "the Marriott of Corvallis."

If anyone living in any other residence hall on campus was to pass through the shining doorway of Hawley Hall, a similar opinion may be developed.

Hawley is a step above its ordinary neighboring halls.

Located on the west side of campus, Hawley Hall opened this fall after being closed for one year of renovations.

Now, 220 students are experiencing new floors and carpeting, freshly painted walls, new bathrooms, new furniture in both rooms and lounges and new appliances. The hall also has new windows that are more energy-efficient.

The renovation cost was \$6.5 million. According to university architect Lori Fulton, students had some input in

remodeling areas such as color schemes for furniture.

"It's a very popular hall. Students have responded well to the renovations and program designs," said OSU Associate Director of University Housing and Dining Services Paulette Ratchford.

Hawley has also seen some internal changes. It is now a theme hall, with the majority of its residents pursuing educations in the colleges of agricultural science and forestry.

"We knew that Hawley would be a popular hall after renovations, so we reserved two floors for students in forestry and agricultural science," Ratchford said.

This decision was made with hopes to raise the retention levels in the two colleges.

To meet this goal, there are two academic program assistants from each college who live in Hawley.

The assistants act as tutors and sources of information as they try to link students to their industries.

"Our goal is to bring in as many resources as possible," said Michelle

Hadley, a PA from the College of Forestry. "We really strive to help them."

Through their networking efforts, the program assistants provide information about scholarships, clubs and announcements, while bringing in various speakers who speak on subjects from health to the specifics of an industry.

The next renovation UHDS is preparing for is Buxton Hall. The hall will close next fall and will re-open, new and improved, in the fall of 2001. It is the next step in the plan to renovate all four halls in the west quad complex, which is made up of Hawley, Buxton, Poling and Cauthorn halls.

The closing of the hall raises some concern about the expected influx of incoming freshman.

"We'll have to find space available so we can close Buxton down," Fulton said. Whether Buxton will be a theme hall is not yet decided, said Ratchford.

Other theme halls on campus include Cauthorn's new status as the "outdoor pursuits" hall, Wilson, the engineering hall, and McNary, a hall for honors students.

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FRATERNITY: Donations lead to renovation of house

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Last year, the brothers were left with no other choice but to move out and become an un hou sed chapter. During this time, debt on the house began to accumulate. The house was pending foreclosure.

"We almost lost our house," McKernan said. "Luckily, Nationals came to the rescue."

The National Fraternity Organization was able to stop the foreclosure on their house and reorganize local alumni, who gave the fraternity a generous gift.

According to McKernan, the few alumni who became involved were determined to not only cover the debt but to also give the current members of Alpha Sigma Phi one of the finest Greek chapter houses in the nation.

Last spring, five of the remaining members committed to the proposal, which meant planning on living in the house this fall. The brothers were able to move in during the second week of school.

The summer-long renovation tore out everything but the house's foundation, replacing old walls, furniture, the kitchen and bedrooms with brand new paint, finishing, appliances, phones and Internet access in every room. The house also was given a new roof.

Closets and desks have yet to be installed. Now that the fraternity's structure has been revived, the chapter is starting to regain strength as well, McKernan said. This fall, Alpha Sigma Phi more than doubled in size with six new members.

"Recruitment is an area we really need to start focusing on," McKernan said. "We're looking at trying to get 20 live-in members by the end of the year."

To achieve this goal, the fraternity, which has the capacity to house 60, plans on hosting several informational meetings during winter term as well as offering significant scholarships to outstanding new members in the near future.

Academic achievement is one focus of the chapter. Last year, the fraternity was academically ranked fourth out of all chapters on campus and should be among the top this year, McKernan said.

Internal details, such as house rules, have yet to be worked out.

Inhabitants seem to be hesitant about breaking in their new environment. As one member said, "It's almost too nice, like it's not a fraternity."

"We definitely aren't a dry house but we aren't a party house either," McKernan said.

TICKETS: Extra tickets available for home games

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that started even before the first OSU home game against Fresno State, wrote Louisiana and Hultsman.

Before that game, six-game ticket packages were distributed to 4,800 students. Classes would not begin for two more weeks, however, leaving many students who left Corvallis over the summer out of luck.

At the Fresno State game, approximately 1,300 seats in the east grandstand were for the first time covered with black tarps. The tarps serve as a buffer zone between students and other fans and provide vertical separation so that other fans' views would not be obstructed.

But even as students began complaining about losing seats because of partially obstructed views, others were fighting just to see the game.

Americans with Disabilities Act advocate Mitch Morse charged that the OSU Department of Athletics was

grossly out of compliance with the standards of the ADA by having disabled seating areas at Reser Stadium with partially obstructed views. Morse also claimed that the new Beaver Club parking area had come at the expense of disabled parking, and was also out of compliance with the ADA.

But, for the OSU Athletic Ticket Office, such problems are just growing pains for a football program that is being born again.

The home game ticket package — a new system for distribution this season — may be revamped next year to reflect a higher demand by students who were not able to get tickets during the summer.

"In the past, we had no idea how many students were going to the games," said ticket manager Joe Sharpe. "Giving out tickets was a way to keep an audit. Next year it might be done a

Next year it might be done a little different.

We may hand the tickets out on a game-by-game basis, starting the Monday of game week.

Joe Sharpe, OSU ticket manager

little different. We may hand the tickets out on a game-by-game basis, starting the Monday of game week."

Sharpe emphasized that extra student tickets were made available for most of the OSU home games. Next year, he said, the policy will be the same.

"For Cal and Arizona, we made 1,500 tickets available," Sharpe said. "As long as there are tickets available, we will continue to hand them out."

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Being a big beaver buddy

Young kids from around Corvallis are getting a chance to experience college with the help of OSU students

Rudolph Wilson
The Daily Barometer

Imagine the wide-eyed wonder of elementary school kids as they experience a college sporting event, live and in person, for the first time.

This is the type of experience that Beaver Buddies is all about.

Beaver Buddies is a year-old program created by Oregon State students Mary Mills and Adeline Fagan. The program is run by the University Scholars Student Advisory Board, which Mills and Fagan are a part of.

The USSAB, organized in the fall of 1997, sponsors programs to serve the community of Corvallis and recruit scholars for Oregon State University.

The Beaver Buddies program invites Corvallis community children to come on campus and experience a college event. OSU students volunteer through the USSAB to be buddies for the children and escort them to the event.

Last spring, 45 Oregon State students were matched up with 42 school children. Together, they attended an OSU baseball game. The athletic department gave the group free

This program allows students to be ambassadors for Oregon State University and also lets local children to experience college life

Debbie Bird,
OSU University Scholars Program coordinator

admission and gave the young children a coupon for a free hot dog.

"This program allows students to be ambassadors for Oregon State University and also lets local children to experience college life," said Debbie Bird, coordinator of the University Scholars Program.

This fall, the Beaver Buddies program brought children on campus on Halloween to watch a women's soccer game.

"There were less students at the fall event, probably due to the timing of the flyers that were handed out to the local Corvallis schools," Bird said.

Any student interested in being a Beaver Buddy can check for information with the USSAB. Criminal checks are done to ensure the safety of the children, which are typically from 3rd to 5th graders. Plans are being made to have events for junior high and high school children as well.

Jackson, Decatur school board file lawsuits in expelled students case

Jay Hughes
The Associated Press

DECATUR, Ill. — School officials went to court Wednesday seeking to bar the Rev. Jesse Jackson and his supporters from staging more protests near Decatur's schools, even as others from his group staged a sit-in.

Jackson countered with a lawsuit against the school district alleging administrators illegally leaked the private records of six students who were expelled after a fist fight at a football game.

The school district asked the court to bar Jackson, his top aides, the expelled students or their parents from activities which would disrupt the schools' operations.

Jackson, who has been protesting the expulsions, was arrested Tuesday at Eisenhower High School.

Jackson has pushed for the school to reconsider the expulsions, and has led several marches and protests at the city's schools. The students are black. Jackson has not alleged racism, but said the school board was unfair.

Jackson's lawsuit against school officials seeks \$5 million for each student because, he says, the district illegally released private records on the students' attendance and academic performance.

The students were expelled for two years and a seventh student withdrew from school following a brawl in the stands at a Sept. 17 football game between MacArthur and Eisenhower high schools. Three also face criminal charges.

Under pressure from Jackson and at the suggestion of Gov. George Ryan, the district last week agreed to cut the expulsions to one year and allow the students to enroll in an alternative school.

Jackson wants them eligible for reinstatement as early as January if they do well in alternative school. None has started attending alternative school classes.

Survivor pulled from Turkish quake rubble after 105 hours

The Associated Press

DUZCE, Turkey — Four days after being buried in rubble by a devastating earthquake, a woman was pulled barely conscious from the remains of her apartment house Wednesday, even as rescuers prepared to end their search for survivors.

Sefa Cebeci, 42, was buried 105 hours in a mountain of crumbled concrete that was once a six-story building. Discovered by Israeli rescuers and ferried by helicopter to Istanbul, 130 miles to the west, she faced amputation of her crushed right arm and was fighting for her life.

"Her condition is still critical due to kidney malfunction. We are doing our best," Dr. Emre Gorgun said by telephone from Istanbul's Cerrahpasa Hospital.

Despite the miraculous rescue, search teams continued packing up, saying no one else is likely to have survived amid the rain and winter cold.

Some 550 people were killed in the Nov. 12 quake.

"The estimation is now that they can't find any more survivors," said Gilad Cohen, spokesman for the Israeli Embassy in Ankara. "The work now is to take out bodies." He said an Israeli army medical team would stay.

The last time shouts of "survivor" went up was on Saturday.

Cebeci was the 22nd person pulled alive from the rubble. Twenty-one people in the complex perished, including her husband, whose body was found near hers only an hour before her rescue.

"We knew we would find people under there. We didn't know if they would be alive or dead. It was just chance," said Hasan Aksu, a Turkish translator working with the Israeli team.

Hungarians, Turks and Americans were among the volunteers digging through the ruins of Duzce, the town hardest hit when the 7.2 magnitude quake struck northwestern Turkey, killing 200 people in this town of 70,000 alone.

In August, a 7.4-magnitude quake that rocked the same region killed an estimated 17,000 people and weakened structures that went down with the latest temblor.

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FORUM

Taking pot-shots at some pointless political rhetoric

Did you ever notice that there are tons of belligerent drunks, but never any belligerent stoners?

Marijuana came up as a topic of conversation the other day, and it occurred to me that no one has ever argued for legalization from a conservative point of view. Keeping that in mind, I will attempt to do something

Barometer Commentary



NICK HEYDENRYCH

never before achieved: write an argument in favor of legalization without being stoned at the same time.

First of all, it doesn't make sense that the government, or society at large, should have a say over what an individual puts into his or her body. If we are to assume that the purpose of government is to protect the rights of the individual, it makes no sense that government should expend any effort on controlling and suppressing what individuals purposefully ingest. Surely I shouldn't need society's permission for what I can and can't consume.

What individuals intentionally ingest has nothing to do with violating other people's rights, and it is an individual's natural right to consume what he or she chooses. This is true no matter how we are to view the relationship between the human mind and body. If we regard the body as property, then surely no conservative can favor government regulation of what the individual chooses to do to it, as such property would surely be considered private in the most personal way. If we view the body as a physical vehicle for the soul, then we must consider government intervention to be even more abhorrent.

The only way we can justify prohibition of marijuana is if we start by viewing the body as a product and component of society. In this model, society has a vested interest in protecting the well-being of individuals, and is further justified because the individual is himself a component in society. If we do this, then we might as well abandon the perspective of conservatism, because this perspective assumes that the validity of a human being is defined by what he or she can contribute to society, and also that the individual has a debt and obligation to society. In terms of ideology, there is no reason that a conservative should oppose the legalization of marijuana.

Culturally it makes no sense to suppress marijuana, even from the most conservative point of view. First of all, it is necessary to address the values of the Judeo-Christian tradition in this country in relation to the law. Let us start with the assumption that consuming marijuana is a sin, and then say that just because it is a sin doesn't mean that it should be illegal. This country's religious tradition has always been about free exercise, and the idea of free choice (free license) has always been a major cornerstone of the Judeo-Christian belief system in this country.

Arguably, the whole concept behind the Christian religion is that we should be able to sin and that our only salvation is a relationship with Christ. Further, while this system doesn't purposefully promote what it considers to be "sin," the act of sinning is still necessary to the whole spiritual world view.

While we have laws against murder and stealing, which were forbidden by the commandments, realistically it is necessary to recognize that only a handful of the basic

tenets of the Judeo-Christian tradition have had an influence on our legal system. If the law coincides with religion in this country, it is out of societal necessity and not because of religious devotion. We have no laws against sacrilege, jealousy, hate, pride or gluttony, and yet these are sins. If we are going to keep marijuana illegal on the basis that it is sinful, then we must also make illegal all other things that do damage to the body — including alcohol, tobacco, caffeine, tattoos and piercings. Not many Christians would favor this.

To be fair, we must also consider the arguments for marijuana from a conservative point of view that is free from religion.

While marijuana is typically associated with a culture that opposes conservative philosophy and culture, this need not be the case in the future. The main reason why the drug culture generally opposes conservatism is because it is conservatism that generally opposes the drug culture first. This is a mistake on the behalf of conservatives.

History has shown that it is better to embrace a phenomenon and control it, rather than trying to directly suppress it. Prohibition of alcohol in the 1920s is a perfect example of this. By refusing to politically participate from within the drug culture, conservatism has created an enemy where there need not be one. If we as a society accept marijuana, we can and will do so on our own terms. By determining what these terms are we gain a greater control over drug use than by standing in direct opposition to it. The same argument can be applied in an economic sense.

Economically it makes no sense to keep marijuana illegal. First of all, the criminalization of marijuana is an enormous drain on government resources. The money spent on enforcement alone is ridiculous, especially when one considers how ineffectual police efforts have been in this area. This country has been waging a war on drugs for about 20 years and the phenomena is only becoming more ingrained into our society.

Further, criminalizing the possession of marijuana is a huge drain on our already over-crowded prison system. It makes no sense to me that a person can do more time in jail for possessing marijuana than for committing crimes such as rape or murder. Under new federal laws this is not impossible. Secondly, legalizing marijuana would provide numerous financial benefits for society. Legalizing would create the possi-

bility of industrializing the harvest and distribution of marijuana. It would create new jobs and thus promote a healthier economy. It would also provide a possible source of tax revenue.

In addition, the hemp plant could provide benefits to already existing industries such as the pharmaceutical industry, agriculture and the textile industry. Also, it is arguable that keeping marijuana illegal is an infringement on the economic rights of those who already produce, distribute, market and sell it, and surely no conservative can favor such abhorrent government intervention.

Ultimately, the issue of legalization supercedes the common political barriers of "left" and "right," and, when it comes down to it, it is an issue of personal freedom vs. societal control. At least, that's the most sober way of looking at it.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of Nick Heydenrych, columnist for The Daily Barometer.

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Joe McGuire (left) and Michelle Bothwell (right) display an ellipsometer, one of the few of its kind in the world. Many forms of new technology will be incorporated into the new bioengineering program.

New program provides new options

Orion Davidson

The Daily Barometer

Bioengineers at Oregon State University will have some help coming soon.

A three-year, \$1 million grant has been given to create and develop a bioengineering program. The grant, given by the Whitaker Foundation in Rosslyn, Va., will create a new degree program in bioengineering and a research center to further the education of the program.

"Bioengineering is an engineering discipline and it serves as the interface between engineering and biology," said Joe McGuire, an OSU professor and the co-director of the new program along with associate professor Michelle Bothwell.

Bioengineering deals with the development of advanced medical devices and implants, and the mechanical testing of biological tissues. Advancement of this technology is the goal to improving human health care.

"There are a lot of changes in bioengineering," McGuire said. "Opportunities and training programs are popping up all over the nation. Oregon didn't have any of

this until now."

The OSU faculty will be joined in collaboration with clinical partners at Good Samaritan Hospital in Corvallis and with the Corvallis Clinic to create a program for student education and also offer research opportunities. About 30 OSU faculty and physicians from the Corvallis medical community will participate in these opportunities.

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Joe McGuire,
OSU bioresource engineering professor

"[The Whitaker Foundation] is the largest source for this kind of funding in the nation," McGuire said. "Their main objective is to see that bioengineering medical education goes on in every state."

Once created, the program will include: seeking consent from the state for new masters and doctoral programs in bioengineering; hiring faculty who specialize in biomechanics, cardiovascular and tissue engineering; a Center of Bioengineering for research and education for students and the general public; graduate training; and purchasing of equipment for the graduate and undergraduate programs.

"Students will be able to get all they need here," McGuire said.

Voting for a greener government

It feels like we have just turned in our ballots and we have been hit with a barrage of political candidates for the next election. Already coffee shops, commuter lanes and college campuses are buzzing with words like candidate, issues, platform, scandal ... and we, the adults of this great nation are starting mental tally sheets for each of the potential presidents and why we should or shouldn't vote for them.

Science
Commentary



ANDREA LANE

Aside from the obvious scandals of drugs, military records (or lack thereof) and forgotten foreign leader lies, is what (I hope) is the heart of the candidate pruning process: the issues. Now I know when you hear issues you think of health care, foreign policy, gun control and a plethora of other very important topics that need to be addressed in our society. But none are appropriate for an environ-

mental commentary. Instead I will leave those issues to my very talented colleagues and instead tackle and issues in my own felid: environmental policy.

The view of environmentalism is changing from a strange tree-hugging thing that hippies do to a legitimate concern of an informed citizen. And like other concerns of that stature, it is being addressed by our government. Being that we are a republic, we elect officials to make many of our decisions for us rather than voting on very issue that comes to light. By doing so, we are giving those elected officials the huge responsibility of caring for our environment.

An example of how this system has failed us is the recent uproar in Texas over air pollution. Houston has been named as the U.S. city with the worst smog problem, beating out the long-standing "champ" of the pollution ring, Los Angeles. While any kind of pollution of that magnitude is rarely the fault of a single situation, many, including spokesperson for the Texas

Air Crisis Campaign Meg Haenn, blame the problem on Gov. George W. Bush, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission and the legislature.

Over the next year we are going to be bombarded with commercials, commentaries, sound bites and articles on the candidates running for office in the 2000 election. As voters, we are going to have the opportunity to ask some tough questions and demand real answers. Instead of asking who slept with whom, what drugs were taken before and what drafts were dogged after, lets ask our future representatives how they are going to address our environmental concerns. They work for us, so let's make sure that we are going to get all of the services we want.

The opinions expressed in this science commentary are those of Andrea Lane, science editor for the Daily Barometer. Please address comments to <Baro.Science@studentmedia.orst.edu>.

Celebrating GIS

Neil Gelsler

The Daily Barometer

Cars utilize it in vehicle navigation systems. Oceanographers find it beneficial in studying ocean currents. It helps seismologists to predict earthquakes. Companies use its capabilities in market research.

The use of Geographic Information Systems ranges far and wide, and tomorrow over one million people across the planet will celebrate GIS Day.

"It's a global event with over 2,000 groups worldwide," said Dawn Wright, associate professor in the department of geosciences at Oregon State University. Wright is the organizer of campus events planned for tomorrow's celebration.

As a major industry for the last 30 years, the development and use of GIS has increased due to vast improvements in computers and the use of satellites.

"It is a very sophisticated computer program," said Wright, who teaches a GIS class at OSU and admits it can be difficult to learn. GIS software packages are very complex, with over 1,000 commands. Most people spend six to 12 months learning to use it and still don't know everything or how best to use it, Wright said. Still, GIS is an important tool in mapping and analyzing geographic data.

"Anything you can map, you can use GIS," Wright said. The advantage of GIS is the capacity to show patterns, which helps in making decisions on future predictions. Also, GIS is able to utilize large amounts of data in great detail.

"It looks at more than just one kind of data," Wright said. GIS greatly improves the accuracy and amount of information.

"[Before GIS], you could make a map of all of the rivers in Oregon, but all you would get is a pretty picture," Wright said.

Some of this data is already available on the Internet through various GIS and map-making sites, and more data is being added all of the time. Eventually it will be possible to access detailed information on just about anyplace on the planet, creating what Al Gore calls a "Digital Earth."

Currently, most of the information collected comes from researchers and government agencies like the U.S. Geological Survey.

"We have some of the best GIS researchers in the country right here on campus," Wright said. Friday's events are a joint venture between OSU's Marine Resource Management Program, the College of Forestry and the department of geosciences.

"If you are interested in maps, you will be interested in this event," Wright said.

GIS DAY EVENTS

MAP/POSTER GALLERIES:

Richardson Hall, Room 115 (Forestry) and Wilkinson Hall Foyer (Geosciences) — 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Cognita Lab) — 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Wilkinson Hall, Room 260 (Tectonics Lab) — 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Wilkinson Hall, Room 257 (Davey Jones' Locker) — 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Digital Earth/Burt Hall, Room 178

Lab Open Houses:

Wilkinson Hall, Room 210 and Burt

Hall, Room 178 — noon to 2 p.m.

Refreshments will provide in Wilkinson Hall, Room 210

DEMOS & TOURS:

Richardson Hall, Room 115 — 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Wilkinson Foyer (Earth Design Consultants) — 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Wilkinson Hall, Room 204 (Terra

SCIENCE BRIEFS

Students tackle dairy problem

A group of concerned Oregon State University students in the department of fisheries and wildlife will give a presentation on how the OSU Dairy and Beef Unit affects Oak Creek at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 1 at the Corvallis Public Library, located at 645 N.W. Monroe Ave.

The group will discuss the 300 head of cattle that live on OSU land, their by-products and possible solutions to the problems raised.

Earth Day 2000

Wednesday the Earth Day Network announced that actor Leonardo DiCaprio will serve as the chairman for EarthFair 2000, which will be held on the mall in Washington, D.C., in April. Entertainers and musical acts from around the world will be featured on the solar-powered stage, as well. Hundreds of exhibits run by the sun, wind, earth, water and people will be displayed as models for a clean energy future.

Vertebrate origins unknown

Researches in China found vertebrate fossils, specifically jawless fish, dating back 50 million years before vertebrates were thought to have arisen. The finding is important because it changes the timeline scientists had assigned to vertebrate life by a significant amount.

An article that ran in the Nov. 11 issue of The Daily Barometer incorrectly identified the newly discovered fish as trilobites. The Daily Barometer apologizes for any misunderstanding this article may have caused.

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Campus Ambassadors, 7:30 pm, FBC, 9th & Monroe. Christian fellowship, praise, teaching. Your faith matters - we're concerned about what concerns you.

OSU Judo Club, 7:30-9:00 pm, Langton Rm. 310. General meeting.

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Speakers
College of Forestry, 4:00-5:00 pm, 130 Peavy Hall. Starker Lecture. Dr. Nancy Langston, assistant professor, Forest Ecology & Management, U. of Wisconsin, Madison; Author, "Forest Dreams, Forest Nightmares" will present a talk entitled, "Humans & Environmental History in Old Growth Forests".

OSU Department of Music, 7:00 pm, Benton Hall Rm. 303. Professor Michael Coolen to lecture on Prokofiev's "Piano Concerto No. 3 in C Major".

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SATURDAY, NOV. 20

Volunteers
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SPORTS

PAYNE: Looking at improvement on the road

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roles each player will fill?

A: I think the challenge for our team will be melding more talent overall into roles. We're not at a point where we can define those yet. We have to figure that out and the guys have to accept it. We have to come up with a particular rotation and those types of things. I think the opportunity for us to become an improved team is there because we've got all these guys back and we've added at least three guys who can do some things to help us. But even though we've improved, our style and the way we approach the game has to be the same.

Q: Last year the major weakness was not being able to win on the road. Will you focus on road-games this year as essential to a successful basketball season?

A: It's a catch-22. If you spend too much time focusing on it, it becomes bigger than life. It is a goal to improve in our away games and we talked about it some, and we have to focus on how to make it all happen. The way to do that is to get mentally tougher. One thing I think that will help us on the road is that we are better offensively. On the road the crowd gives the home team a defensive energy, and that happens here a lot. So on the road you have to be able to answer teams by making plays and scoring baskets. You don't have that emotional assist from the crowd, so you have to be better offensively. I

think we have a better chance because we're better offensively.

Q: Is postseason play a goal for the team this year?

A: We certainly want to get to postseason play. That's a challenging goal because our conference is better than ever. But it's definitely attainable and possible, and maybe we've never been able to say that before. But goals like that are interesting because if you focus on the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow you forget how to get there. Nevertheless, the guys have expectations of themselves and we realize we have a chance to be a pretty good team.

I think the challenge for our team will be melding more talent overall into roles. We're not at a point where we can define those yet. We have to figure that out and the guys have to accept it.

Eddie Payne,
OSU head men's basketball coach

coached at Clemson, North Carolina, Duke, Maryland, all those places. And I think our atmosphere in Gill Coliseum was as good as any one I've ever been in. College basketball is kind of a participating spectator experience. I think the students identified with the way our kids played, their attitudes and the way they worked. They certainly identified and enjoyed the success we had. They became a part of it and not just a spectator.

FOOTBALL: UO's Smith "very doubtful" for game

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Beavers 7-2. Oregon State won 7-6 to go to the Rose Bowl.

Even if Saturday's game doesn't rise to that drama, it's sure to be filled with intrigue, and even those who have never participated in one appreciate the seriousness of the rivalry.

"We all kind of wait for games like this, particularly in the situation it's in," said Oregon State coach Dennis Erickson, who has completed the Beavers' turnaround from 28-year losers to one of the conference's better teams. "We both had decent seasons, we're both playing to go to different bowl games; but more than that, it's just a matter of the pride of the State of Oregon, the Civil War.

"It's been going on for a lot of years. It's my first one, but I've been in a lot of rivalries and this is as good as any."

Oregon State athletic director Mitch Barnhart said Louisiana State University has not contacted him asking permission to speak with Erickson about the vacant LSU job. Erickson has been mentioned as a possible candidate to replace Gerry DiNardo, who was fired earlier this week. But Erickson has said he will complete the remaining four years on his contract at OSU.

So far, neither team has fired anything that amounts to a verbal salvo against the other. With Oregon State's confidence sky-high, Bellotti isn't about to give the Beavers any bulletin-board fodder.

"They have the respect and the attention of my football team," Bellotti said. "We'd rather talk with our pads than with our words."

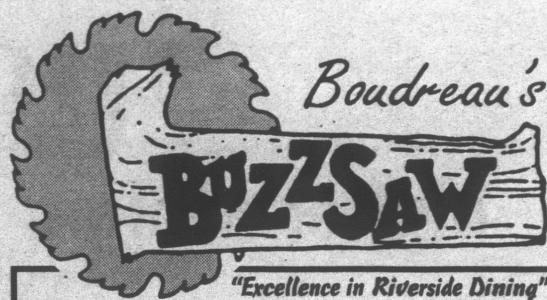
Bellotti sounded off, a little, about ABC's decision to

put the UCLA-USC game on national TV instead of the Civil War.

"With the Rose Bowl implications, this was a natural to be the featured game on the West Coast," he said. "I don't control the TV networks. Obviously, there's some decisions we could all question, but I won't go into that."

UCLA and USC have a combined conference record of 4-10, while the Beavers and Ducks are a combined 9-5.

Oregon linebacker Matt Smith is "very doubtful" for Saturday with an injured left foot, but Bellotti said he won't require surgery and should be able to play in the Ducks' bowl game. Oregon State defensive end DeLawrence Grant is questionable with a sprained ankle, and wide receiver Monjero Jones is questionable with an ankle sprain.



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Coaches say higher stakes may ease pressure of game

Mitch Barnhart has not allowed LSU to talk with OSU coach Dennis Erickson about the Tigers' vacant coaching position

Landon Hall
The Associated Press

PORTLAND — And now for something completely different: The Oregon Ducks have practiced this week without a hint of nervousness, even though there will be more at stake in Saturday's game with Oregon State than any Civil War in 35 years. "Both teams are in a position where we both have winning seasons and are going to a bowl game," Ducks coach Mike Bellotti said Wednesday. "There's not a lot of pressure. This is a game where we can truly cut it loose and go out and have fun."

Fun? This game is sure to have all the usual elements of the other 102 Civil Wars: gray skies, hordes of alums wearing orange and black and green and gold in all combinations; and stories that begin with, "Remember that rainy day in —?" What's different this year is that both Oregon (7-3, 5-2 Pac-10) and Oregon State (7-3, 4-3) are assured of postseason berths, which could take some of the drama out of Saturday's game. But consider this: The game begins 3:30 p.m. and will be aired live by Fox Sports Net, channel 25, the latest starting time of the day in the Pac-10. The other rivalry games — Cal at Stanford, Washington

State at Washington and UCLA at Southern California — begin at 12:30 p.m. That means the Ducks and Beavers likely will know the outcomes of those games shortly after kickoff. Should Stanford and Washington both lose, the Rose Bowl berth would be Oregon's for the taking. Stanford (6-3, 6-1) did not play Oregon this year, and the Ducks would go to Pasadena on the basis of a better non-conference record. The last time the two schools met and both had a winning record was 1964, when the Ducks were 7-1-1 and the

It's been going on for a lot of years. It's my first one, but I've been in a lot of rivalries and this is as good as any.

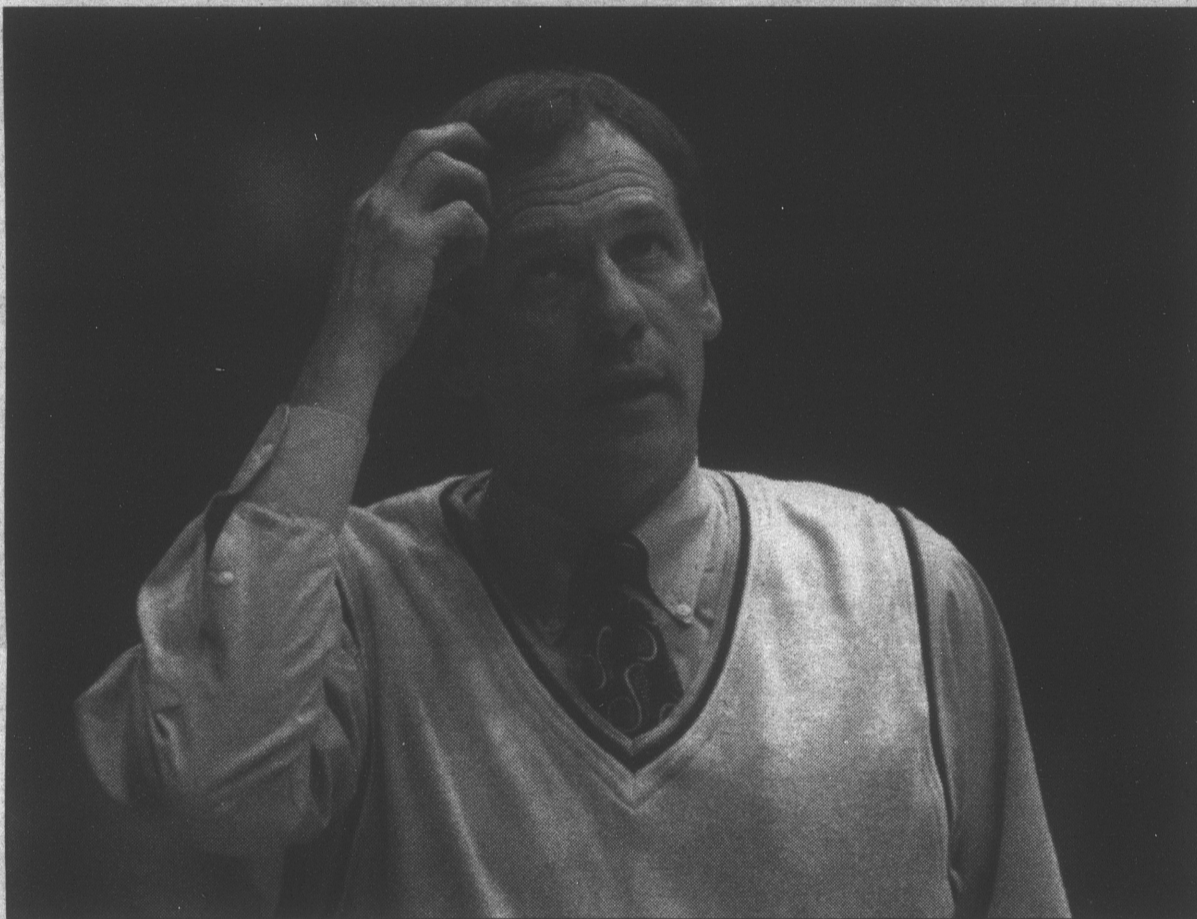
Dennis Erickson,
OSU head football coach

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Pondering the future

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Oregon State men's basketball coach Eddie Payne has all five of his starters returning as well as some top recruits. Now his job is to mold the old with the new in order to reach the postseason.



Gill set to become the House of Payne

Men's basketball head coach Eddie Payne talks about his players, their goals, his five returning starters, playing on the road in the Pac-10 and "The Power of Gill"

Sam Schwartz
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Surrounded by chewed up practice fields and an empty football stadium, Gill Coliseum sits in near silence.

Inside, new shoes squeaking on a hardwood floor and the swish of nets echo from Ralph Miller Court. A short train barreling down the tracks on the north side of Gill disturbs nothing except these new sounds signalling a transformation of seasons.

Trees are almost bare; a winter chill is felt. The 1999-2000 basketball season awaits fruition.

It's an hour before practice on a quiet Corvallis Saturday. While the football team is playing up in Pullman, Wash., Eddie Payne sits in his large square office in Gill and puts the TV on mute, but his wandering eyes are never fully distracted from it. The East Carolina football team is playing. Payne coached the ECU men's basketball team from 1991-95.

After pleasantries, Payne speaks with an accent full of obvious remnants of a southern drawl and says, "That's my buddy," of ECU head football coach Steve Logan, who is having a surprisingly good season. His

team is ranked 23rd in the country.

Payne is all basketball. Not only did he schedule practice during the football game, he chose a time to be interviewed right when the football game started.

After all, there is not a person so habitual and focused in sports as a basketball junkie. Payne has his own team to think about and prepare.

The following is a transcript from Payne's interview, including speaking on some of his players.

Deandra Tanner: "You have a returning all-league point guard, and we're going to ask him to be a different type of guy this year. We feel like to improve we have to have more diversity in our attack and that starts with the point guard. Since we can play him less minutes because we have better depth, we're going to try to get him to pick it up a notch defensively, as that relates to pressuring the ball."

Jason Heide: "Jason's a very key part of the team. We still want to get the ball into Heide a lot, but he's going to get a lot more attention from defenses, so he needs to become a better passer in order to be effective. He looks so far like he's in better condition, and overall has improved. He's always had trouble with injuries and illnesses and we need him to be as healthy as possible."

Clifton Jones: "Clifton is probably our most improved player. Strength-wise he's really improved, which has improved his overall quickness and stamina. It's made him more physical around the basket. He's also improved his free throw shooting significantly. All things considered we're look-

ing for a good year out of him."

Josh Steinthal: "His style and game are pretty much the same as it relates to his shooting and his ability to stretch defenses. He's worked real hard at getting stronger, so he's more physical and a more mature guy."

Ramunas Petratis: "Ramunas has improved his shooting. That's going to be really big for him and our team if he gets better at that. He's tough, he guards, he does all those other things, now that he's a threat to knock down more shots that's going to help him a lot."

Jimmie Haywood: "Jimmie is a freshman and I think that's his biggest weakness. But because he has quickness and speed and good basketball instincts I think he's going to have a good, solid year minus the freshman growing pains. He has a chance to be a very good player in this league over time."

Brian Jackson: "Brian's a real good player. The more you're around him and the more you watch him, the more you understand why he's a good player. He does things individually that are good, but does them within the team concept, and consequently makes the team better. So you begin to appreciate that and recognize that. I don't think he's going to come in and everybody's going to be dazzled, because he's not a real flashy player. He does all the little things that make your team better. But don't get me wrong — he can do some things."

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Assault on the Oregon Ducks: Day 3

Let's talk mascots and logos.

Granted, both Oregon and Oregon State have pretty lame nicknames, which in turn limits what you can do with your mascot.

The Beavers, in addition to being a popular euphemism that lends itself to a variety of jokes, innuendo and double meanings, can also be a mean little creature that is capable of gnawing through a redwood tree.

The Ducks — not a euphemism for anything, but easily rhymed with another, more popular word — gets its fanny shot off during hunting season, often times just for the pure hell of it.

And not only does UO have a duck as its chosen nickname, they elected to use a cranky waterfowl with a speech impediment as its mascot.

The Ducks were so lacking in creativity that they had to rip off an annoying (one of thousands) Disney creation. They didn't even have the decency to change his outfit, either. They just colored that atrocious sailor suit lemon and green and called it good. This abomination should be swabbing the poop deck aboard the USS Arrogance, not patrolling the sidelines at a football game.

Then there is the new logo for Oregon that appears on its helmets. I thought the old one, the interlocking U and O, was decent. It wasn't spectacular, but it was alright.

This new one, a "concept" design of the letter O, is allegedly supposed to feature a silhouette of Hayward Field — Oregon's home until 1967 — as the inside ring to the letter and a silhouette of Autzen Stadium as the outside ring.

The resulting creation looks more like a zero than an 'O'.

A zero as the UO logo. I'll let you go ahead and make your own jokes about how appropriate that is.

And let's not forget the retarded "RoboDuck" ad campaign for this season. Did they have an intern come up with this one? This insipid marketing slogan rivals some of the really bad ideas that the Beavers used in the early part of this decade.

Again it's the Ducks showing a remarkable lack of creativity by stealing someone else's idea ("RoboCop"), but it isn't even a current one. That "Men in Black" clip OSU runs prior to games is at least from this decade. It will be nice when the Ducks lose at home for the third time this decade to the Beavers. Maybe then Duck fans will shut their stupid pie holes.

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