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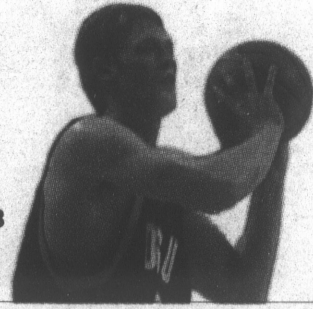
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Forums held to seek new president

► Students will have a chance to voice their concerns today

By RAJU WOODWARD
BAROMETER STAFF WRITER

A series of open forums will be held today to discuss what students and faculty want in a new university president.

The presidential search committee is seeking campus input as it continues its ongoing search to replace President Paul Risser.

Risser resigned in November to accept the position of chancellor of the Oklahoma State System of

Higher Education. Former Vice President Tim White has served as interim president for OSU since Nov. 22.

Administrators say that a permanent president is needed to represent Oregon State in the legislature.

The forums will take place in the Ag Science room at the LaSells Stewart Center. The first forum, which starts at 8 a.m., will be held for deans and administration. Professional faculty and unclassified staff will meet at 9:30 a.m., classified staff at noon, with an open session at 1:30 p.m.

The academic faculty meets at 3 p.m. Finally, at 4:30 p.m. students will have the opportunity to

meet with the committee and voice their opinions.

Committee chair Kerry Barnett plans to use the OSU community's input to draft a document that will define the new president's role.

The input will also provide the criteria that will be used to determine and interview candidates.

The search committee began meeting this month to identify and interview finalists over the next several months.

The 15-member committee is composed of staff, faculty, OSU students, higher education board members and OSU stakeholders.

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Hepatitis B a concern for students

► One-third of sexually active students are considered high-risk for the potentially fatal STI

By ERIK SORENSEN
BAROMETER STAFF WRITER

Many college students may be at a higher risk of contracting hepatitis B than they think.

Jim Koski, a staff physician at OSU's Student Health Services, has been researching the potential risk of college students getting hepatitis B for his master's of public health degree.

Factors that contribute to an individual being at high risk for hepatitis B include sexual contact with multiple partners, having been treated for another sexually transmitted infection, traveling abroad and coming into contact with blood or other bodily fluids of an infected individual.

"About one-third of the students who have been sexually active are considered high-risk based on having multiple sexual partners or possibly having a prior STD," Koski said.

According to Koski, contracting hepatitis B can lead to a chronic infection which could result in cirrhosis, or scarring of the liver, liver cancer or liver failure, which is fatal.

According to a flyer by SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals based on information from the Center for Disease Control, "Hepatitis B is 100 times more contagious than HIV."

Hepatitis prevalence is at an all-time low since the introduction of the vaccine in the 1980s, but according to Koski, there is still a push by the CDC to get high-risk groups inoculated.

People ages 15 to 39 are at the highest risk for hepatitis, Koski said. He has focused his survey and research on first-year students.

Koski surveyed about 480 students in the Odyssey and Footsteps classes. He found that about 26 percent of students had not yet started the hepatitis B vaccination shot series, 13 percent had it partially completed and 56 percent had completed it.

In addition to accumulating data on the subject, Koski also had students fill out questionnaires to get an idea of their perceptions, knowledge and reasons whether or not to get vaccinated.

Koski said that the highest risk group is heterosexuals.

"As a university health center (we) look for students who need the vaccine and encourage them to get it," Koski said.

SHS is currently offering a discount for hepatitis B vaccinations

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Getting Cozy



GRANT KAYE | BAROMETER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sarah Marie Flaningham, a sophomore in paleoanthropology, curls up on a couch in the Memorial Union lounge to study for midterms.

Housing and dining urges freshman to stay on campus

► UHDS plans to make the fee for breaking housing contracts equal to the entire contract amount for school year

By AMY KAO
BAROMETER FREELANCE WRITER

Campus housing hopes to accommodate 90 percent of all freshman by fall 2009.

Starting next fall, incoming freshman of the traditional age will be urged to stay on campus. Presently, 60 percent of all freshmen and 20 percent of sophomores live on campus.

Under a new plan, UHDS hopes to increase

freshman housing to 90 percent.

Oregon State's OSU 2007 Housing and Food Service Team is currently developing a plan for addressing the needs of OSU students for housing and food service.

Tom Scheuermann, chair of the OSU 2007 Housing and Food Service Team, said staying on campus seemed to help student retention — especially for the first year, which encourages a better connection to the university.

Scheuermann emphasized the importance of older students living on campus as well.

The plan has already started with the renovation of Weatherford Hall, with the hopes of open-

ing in fall 2004. Next, the university will be renovating Poling Hall, the College Inn and Cauthorn Hall.

To create additional housing, the university plans to work with a private entity such as the Hilton to build more housing complexes on the south side of campus. That's the approach OSU would like to take with the renovation of the College Inn.

The plan extends to rental contracts as well. Currently, the cost for terminating a rental contract is \$400. After 2007, Housing and Dining will charge the cost of the entire contract for which the

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Black History Month features lectures, dinners, even a fashion show

► Events will take place almost every day throughout the month of February

By BRENT DREHER
BAROMETER STAFF WRITER

Oregon State University will celebrate Black History Month all through February, marked with a pavilion of events.

Jerome Thomas, a junior in international business, is part of a fraternity that has helped organize some of the events. He is also an active

member of the Lonnie B. Harris Black Cultural Center.

"Our goal really is to educate," Thomas said. "Different races and creeds can learn a lot from Black History Month."

The month began with a kick-off cake celebration Monday afternoon, and continues with a free dinner tonight at 6 p.m. in the Memorial Union Ballroom. The dinner will feature a speech on economic empowerment, Thomas said, focusing on African-Americans, but including all audience members.

Throughout the month of February, there is something students can get involved with, from lectures to video presentations to dinners.

The month's events even include a joint UO and OSU event, the Alpha Kappa Alpha "Heritage Fashion Show," which will be held in UO's Erb Memorial Union Ballroom in Eugene.

Among the scheduled speakers is Dr. Robert Thompson, an assistant professor of African-American studies at OSU. His speech, "The Draft Discussion Facilitator," will be presented on Feb. 25 at 5:30 p.m.

While the annual celebration of Black History Month has been ongoing for 14 years at OSU, co-organizer and cultural center member Heather Cain said this year's is a bit bigger than the usual.

"We have an event almost every single day complete with a lot of speakers and forums," said Cain, a junior in business.

Aimed at informing and educating OSU, the events are open to everyone.

Most of the events are free; some require free

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NEWSREEL

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WORLD

Nigeria rules out terrorism as explosion toll rises to 44

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — Nigeria ruled out terrorism Monday in a massive blast that flattened a bank building in its largest city, while the death toll rose to 44 after more bodies were pulled from the rubble.

Dozens of workers piloted cranes and bulldozers in a search for survivors in the debris of a Lagos Island building containing a four-story bank and three stories of apartments above. Four more bodies were recovered Monday.

"We're informed that many people are trapped in the collapsed building, but it's unlikely there are any living people there," said Emmanuel Ijewere, president of the Nigerian Red Cross.

More than 60 injured people were recovering in Lagos medical centers, Ijewere said.

"The preliminary investigation showed it was not an act of terrorism," Lagos State Governor Bola Tinubu said of Sunday's explosion.

Lagos city spokesman Dele Alake said investigators were considering various theories, including whether the building's natural gas source ignited or a cache of explosive material stored there detonated accidentally.

Authorities began evacuating six buildings housing hundreds of people near the charred ruins to evaluate them for structural damage, Alake said. Three precariously leaning structures will be demolished.

NATION

Recovery team finds space shuttle's nose cone in search

NACOGDOCHES, Texas (AP) — Searchers found the front of the space shuttle Columbia's nose cone buried deep in the ground near the Louisiana border, officials said Monday night.

"It's reasonably intact," said Warren Zahner, a senior coordinator for the Environmental Protection Agency, which is overseeing collection of shuttle debris.

Other officials said the nose cone was buried deep in the ground. A crew was to return to the site about three miles west of Hemphill, near the Louisiana border, on Tuesday to excavate the nose cone.

The shuttle broke up 39 miles over Texas and fell to Earth as it headed for a landing in Florida on Saturday. All seven astronauts aboard perished.

By late Monday afternoon, some 12,000 pieces of debris had been collected.

Officials at the site where the nose cone was discovered described a hole about 20 feet wide in the pine forest. About 10 searchers emerged from the woods with bags full of debris, including metal objects. They filled a bed of a pickup truck with debris.

Throughout the day, investigators

went from rural schools to a college campus gathering pieces of the space shuttle strewn across a pine-cloaked disaster scene larger than West Virginia.

Search teams hunted down remains and debris in the rivers and woods of Louisiana and Texas — including a 6-to-7-foot chunk of the shuttle's cabin found in one rural county. Environmental and explosives experts, along with NASA officials, bagged up wreckage and transported it to airports now serving as evidence warehouses.

Museum officials unveil restored Rosa Parks bus

DEARBORN, Mich. (AP) — On Friday night, about 300 members and employees of the Henry Ford Museum gathered to get a look at where historians say it all began — the Montgomery city bus on which Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat to a white man.

After nearly five months of work, the once-decrepit bus was unveiled, looking as it did on the day of Parks' defiant act.

The white, green and mustard-colored bus was rolled onto the museum floor to the tune of "Lift Every Voice and Sing." It will be on permanent display at the museum.

"When you realize that a simple, mundane city bus could be a place of such importance, there's an immense wave of emotion," said museum curator Bill Pretzer, who was responsible for verifying that the bus was the one Parks rode on Dec. 1, 1955.

Parks was arrested for refusing to give up her seat, sparking the boycott. The protest led to the desegregation of public transportation nationwide and turned its leader, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., into a national figure.

The museum bought the bus for \$492,000 in 2001 at a national auction after it was discovered in a field in Alabama. The bus, a rusted shell, was gouged by bullets where it had been used for target practice.

High blood sugar in overweight linked to lost memory

WASHINGTON (AP) — Losing your memory in old age sometimes may have nothing to do with Alzheimer's and lots to do with blood sugar.

So suggests new research that found people who don't process blood sugar normally — a silent, pre-diabetic condition — are likely to suffer poor memory and even a shrinkage of the brain region crucial for recall.

The good news: If the small study from New York University is confirmed, simple diet and exercise could help many people protect their brains from the fogged memory associated with aging.

For every Alzheimer's patient, there are eight older people who suffer enough memory loss to significantly harm their quality of life yet have no dementia-causing disease, said lead researcher Dr. Antonio Convit, an NYU psychiatry professor who set out to

uncover the causes.

Blood sugar was a natural suspect because scientists have long known that diabetics are at higher-than-normal risk for memory problems, possibly because diabetes harms blood vessels that supply the brain, heart and other organs.

Unlike most other tissues that have multiple fuel sources, the brain depends on blood sugar for almost all its energy, Convit explained. The longer that glucose stays in the bloodstream instead of being metabolized into body tissues, the less fuel the brain has to store memories.

Convit's research found no specific threshold at which memory automatically worsened. Instead it was a spectrum: The slower glucose metabolism, the worse people did.

Once that metabolism reaches certain levels, it becomes a condition called "impaired glucose tolerance" or pre-diabetes, thought to afflict 16 million Americans. It strikes mostly in middle age, although people of any age who are overweight and sedentary are at risk. Without treatment, pre-diabetes usually turns into full-fledged diabetes, which in turn brings deadly heart attacks, kidney failure and numerous other ailments.

STATE

La Grande men to ride bicycles across Australian Outback

LA GRANDE (AP) — Two men plan to bicycle 3,600 miles across the southern portion of Australia's Outback this spring.

Dale Lauritzen, 62, and Bryce Young, 72, will make the trip in March and April, when the weather there is at its mildest. The Outback is sometimes called Never-Never because its barren, sun-baked landscape seems never-ending, the men said.

Lauritzen, of La Grande, and Young, a retired ophthalmologist who once lived in La Grande, hope that by crossing the Outback that they will inspire others of their age.

"You are never too old to get on a bike," Lauritzen said.

Lauritzen and Young will ride on the southern edge of the Outback from Perth to Sydney, with the wind at their backs.

"The wind is the enemy. When the wind is blowing against you it wears you down physically and psychologically," Lauritzen said.

Young and Lauritzen plan to average about 60 miles a day and will spend their nights in road houses. The cyclists will also travel with emergency sleeping bags and a tent.

Woman found dead on I-5 was shot multiple times

SALEM (AP) — A woman who was found dead on Interstate 5 after she was kidnapped from her Salem home had been shot several times in addition to getting hit by an oncoming vehicle, police said Monday.

Dion Wilks, 25, was taken at gunpoint from her home late Saturday by her ex-boyfriend, Manuel Tovar Jr., 31, said Lt. Bill Kohlmeier of the Salem Police.

Wilks, an Oregon National Guard medical specialist, had just completed a monthly drill at the Salem Armory, said Kay Fristad, a Guard spokeswoman.

Tovar forced Wilks into the driver's side of her red Toyota Corolla and the two drove off, Kohlmeier said. About 15 minutes later, the Oregon State Police received a report of a hit-and-run accident about eight miles away on I-5 near Ankeny Hill.

Wilks was found dead at the scene and her car was found in a nearby ditch, Kohlmeier said.

Wilks had multiple gunshot wounds, but officials aren't sure if she was already dead when she was hit by an oncoming car, he said.

"At least two of those gunshot wounds could have been fatal, so we don't know when those things happened," Kohlmeier said.

UNIVERSITIES

Conway convicted in Ohio State U. student's murder

COLUMBUS, Ohio (U-WIRE) — The shooter of Ohio State University student Jason Gervais was found guilty of aggravated murder and attempted murder by a jury on Friday.

According to local media, James T. Conway III, 24, admitted to shooting Gervais, 21, behind Dockside Dolls Jan. 19, but he claimed the shooting was in retaliation for the stabbing of his brother, Jeff Conway, earlier that night.

The jury in Franklin County Common Pleas Court will return this week to recommend whether James Conway will be sentenced to death or life in prison.

James Conway also shot Mandel Williams, the man who stabbed Jeff Conway outside the strip club prior to the shooting. James Conway's defense attorneys claimed Williams grabbed Gervais as a shield. Yet one witness said James Conway fired at Williams even though he saw Gervais in the way, attempting to get revenge on Williams.

Ronald Trent, a cousin of James Conway, said James tried to hire him to kill both a witness to the shooting and a Conway look-alike. According to Conway's plan, the Conway look-alike would be taped confessing to the shooting and then killed after providing the fake evidence. Trent and Conway met in county jail after Conway had been arrested for the shooting, but Trent refused to abet him, testifying against Conway about the hit-man scheme.

Conway is also involved with two other pending cases, one concerning the murder of a Hilliard, Ohio, man and the other about racketeering and conspiracy to commit murders.

— By Todd LaPlace
The Lantern (Ohio State U.)

CALENDAR

TUESDAY, FEB. 4

Meetings

Real Life Bible Study, 8:30pm, Arnold Dining Hall. Join us for worship and study through the Book of Acts.

OSU College Republicans, 6pm, MU 211. General Meeting.

Educational Activities, 5-7pm, MU 213. Ed-Act budget hearings for 2003-2004. Open to public.

Women's Center, 12-1:30pm, Women's Center. Video showing of "Killing Us Softly" with discussion on body image had by a CARV employee.

OSU Pistol Club, 7-9pm, SE Corner McAlexander Fieldhouse. First timers come at 8pm for mandatory training. Open shoots starts at 7pm. More info: fueml025@bus.orst.edu

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30-1:30, Luther House 211 NW 23rd St. Join others for delicious lunch. Always a vegetarian option. Come and go as schedule permits. Guests welcome.

Extreme Campus Ministries, 7-8:30pm, MU 110. A Woman After Gods Own Heart. Bible Study.

OSU Mountain Club, 7:30-9pm, MU 206. Weekly meeting & slide show.

Events

UCPS, noon-1pm, MU 211. Put Off Procrastination. Learn helpful strategies for overcoming and coping with procrastination.

Speakers
Sustainable Forestry Partnership, 4pm, 130 Peavy. Dr. Jerry Franklin Topic: National Forests and the NW Forest Plan in the 21st Century.

Office of International Education, 12-12:50, Richardson Hall 107. World Salmon Fisheries: Status, prospects and challenges Dr. Robert Lackey; USEPA Fisheries and Wildlife and Political Science.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 5

Meetings

Greek Life Bible Study, 9pm, bsmt of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority. Come fellowship with others in the Greek System and study the bible.

Educational Activities, 5-7pm, MU 211. Ed-Act budget hearings for 2003-2004. Open to public.

PSA, 4-5pm, MLK Board Room MU. General meeting planning for May.

Pear Theatre, 5pm, Student Health Services Rm 105. Through the use of theatre, join us in educating the OSU community on health issues facing today's college students.

American Indian Science and Engineering Society, 5pm, Native American Longhouse Cultural Center. Club meeting.

United Campus Ministry, 5:30-7:30pm, 101 NW 23rd St Westminister House. Student gathering - join us for a home cooked meal, a time of music and fellowship, and an opportunity to connect God's presence with our daily lives.

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 5:15pm, Luther House 211 NW 23 St. Informal evening prayer with communion. Newcomers always welcome.

OSU Vegetarian Resource Network, 5-6 pm, Women's Center. Come share thoughts and ideas with vegetarians and vegans.

Events
Mentoring and Networking Committee, 12pm-1pm, MU 110. Silent Lunch: Bring your lunch and practice communicating in sign language - all skill levels are welcome. Deaf and Hearing Social Hour.

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Dorms ordered closed for second night

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PULLMAN, Wash. — More than 400 Washington State University students were forced to spend a second night evacuated from their dormitory rooms because of a bomb scare.

The threat against Perham and adjoining Streit Hall had specified that a bomb would go off on Monday, and school officials decided to keep the dorms closed through Monday night even though a search on Sunday found no sign of a bomb.

"We're erring on the side of caution," said Charleen Taylor, a WSU spokeswoman.

Many of the students have been sleeping on mattresses at the Student Recreation Center on campus, Taylor said.

Students will be allowed to re-enter the dorms on Tuesday morning, she said.

On Sunday, three dog units, municipal police and investigators from the State Patrol, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms searched the complex but found no trace of explosives.

Details of how and when the threat was received have not been released by campus police, Taylor said, adding the threat was not related to international terrorism.

The dormitories, both six stories tall, were evacuated at 10 a.m. Sunday, as were administrative offices in the complex. Most of the 412 students who live in the two dorms are sophomores and freshmen, officials said.

The FBI has offered a \$500 reward for identification of the person who made the threat, Taylor said.

Bush budget says COPS program 'inconclusive'

By CURT ANDERSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON — A Clinton-era program to put 100,000 police officers on the streets did not conclusively reduce crime, says the Bush administration's budget plan for 2004, which includes no additional money for the initiative.

The budget proposal released Monday said the Community Oriented Policing Services program had exceeded

President Clinton's original goal of putting 100,000 cops on the street, providing \$7 billion in grants since 1994 for 117,000 positions.

But the White House budget office found that its "impact on crime is inconclusive" and the agencies receiving grants have been unable to account for 18,000 of the positions approved through 2000.

Fewer than 90,000 officers have been

hired or reassigned to street duty, a budget office analysis said.

The budget proposal for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1 would provide \$164 million for COPS — none of that for hiring new police officers — about the same as this year. Most of the money would go for ongoing training programs and technology grants. Last year's total of \$737 million includes money that was transferred to other programs.

Government expected to borrow record amount

By JEANNINE AVERSA
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON — The government expects to tap a record \$110 billion from the credit markets this quarter to compensate for lower than expected income-tax payments and higher spending, the Treasury Department said Monday.

Treasury's latest borrowing projection for the January-March quarter is larger than a previous estimate of \$84 billion made in October of last year. It would represent the largest amount borrowed during the January-March quarter in 23 years of record keeping at Treasury.

Treasury said its latest financing estimates don't take into account President Bush's \$674 billion plan — made up most-

ly of tax cuts — to energize the economy.

The need for Treasury to step up borrowing comes as the economy struggles and the federal government's budget picture is deteriorating. Republicans and Democrats have been fighting over the best way to turn the economic and fiscal situation around.

President Bush sent Congress a \$2.23 trillion spending plan Monday that would accelerate tax cuts to bolster the weak economy, overhaul some of the government's biggest social programs and shower billions of additional dollars on defense and homeland security.

Even though hundreds of other government programs would be squeezed, the president projects the deficit will still hit record highs of \$304 billion this year and

\$307 billion in 2004. Over the next five years, deficits would total \$1.08 trillion.

For the entire 2002 budget year, which ended Sept. 30, the government ran up a deficit of nearly \$158 billion, ending four straight years of surpluses.

Treasury has asked Congress to increase the government's borrowing authority, warning that it may hit the current \$6.4 trillion limit on the federal debt later this month.

The economy, knocked down by the 2001 recession, has been struggling to get back on sure footing. Economic growth throughout last year was uneven.

The economy grew at just a 0.7 percent annual rate in the final three months of 2002.

Celebration: Most events free

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tickets that can be picked up at the Black Cultural Center. Only two of the events will have a fee.

Many events will focus on the African-American community, but also have messages and information that can be beneficial to anyone interested in learning more.

"I want to encourage students, as well as staff and faculty, to come," Cain said. "We

may all have a lot more in common than most people think."

Students interested in attending any of the various activities can pick up a calendar from the Black Cultural Center, or call for information.

"It's important to remember, especially with Corvallis becoming such a diverse community," Cain said. "History is important."

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Hepatitis: Vaccine effective

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for students 19 and younger. Instead of the normal \$40 per shot fee for three shots, the charge is \$12 per shot.

According to Koski, the vaccine has a 95 percent rate of offering long-term immunity.

In addition, SHS has a hepatitis A and B combination shot available for \$55 a dose, and hepatitis A shots for \$33 a dose for two shots.

Hepatitis A is far more mild than hepatitis B, although it can debilitate a person for several weeks with symptoms such as jaundice and flu-like symptoms. According to Koski, less than 1 percent of hepatitis A cases end in fatalities. If that happens there are usually other liver problems present.

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UHDS: Fraternities and sororities may be affected by new policy

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student initially signed up — in hopes of encouraging students not to break their contracts.

But what about the fraternities and sororities that depend on the freshman recruitment process for funds?

According to Scheuermann, Greek life shouldn't have anything to worry about if they comply to national accrediting standards — a set of criteria for Greek establishments — to remain recognized

by the university.

Some of the standards will include life safety, alcohol use, staffing and academic support.

Fraternity and sorority leadership plan to work with the university as plans develop.

Theta Chi's Dave Zahradnik said he's excited to be able to create resolution with the university, and that the chapters are looking at this as a great opportunity to do more things with the university.

Although the plans with Greek life are still in their drafting stage, Zahradnik and Katie DeVisser of Kappa Kappa Gamma are looking forward to work in collaboration with the university to find a medium to creating recognized housing.

These standards are attainable, Scheuermann said.

Suggestions can be submitted at the Oregon State website.

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EDITORIAL

AIDS is same old, tragic story

Last week President Bush announced some new AIDS prevention initiatives, saying, "... now is the time for this country to step up our efforts to save lives."

Actually, the time was a year ago, before the disease became a worldwide pandemic. But it's better late than never.

In the State of the Union speech, Bush requested \$15 billion — tripling current funds — to help prevent and treat AIDS in Africa and Haiti.

Also, he announced federal approval for a 20-minute HIV test here at home.

It has been more than 20 years since humanity discovered HIV. It has gone from a taboo subject, to a fear-some headline grabbing plague, to the banal killer it is today.

Most of us, at least those who do not have a loved one or are themselves infected, have become accustomed to the frequent headlines and announcements about AIDS this and that.

But make no mistake — the battle against HIV and AIDS is one of mankind's premiere challenges, and we are not winning.

Current estimates have over 40 million people worldwide infected with AIDS. There are 900,000 in the United States. In this country, approximately 25 percent are unaware they are infected and contagious. The proportion is probably higher in the rest of the world.

There are new treatments but it is still a terminal illness.

The incidence of the disease in some places, notably the parts of Africa and Haiti to which the president referred, is so high that their societies deteriorate.

Life expectancy, income, gross domestic product and any progress in health, wealth or culture are lost in a new tide of people sick and dying.

The consequences of this will be felt by Americans. The modern media will continue to show us a numbing stream of news and images from abroad.

More of us will continue to get sick.

In our interconnected world, the AIDS-induced destabilization of the Third World will affect us in many aspects, from the economy to terrorism.

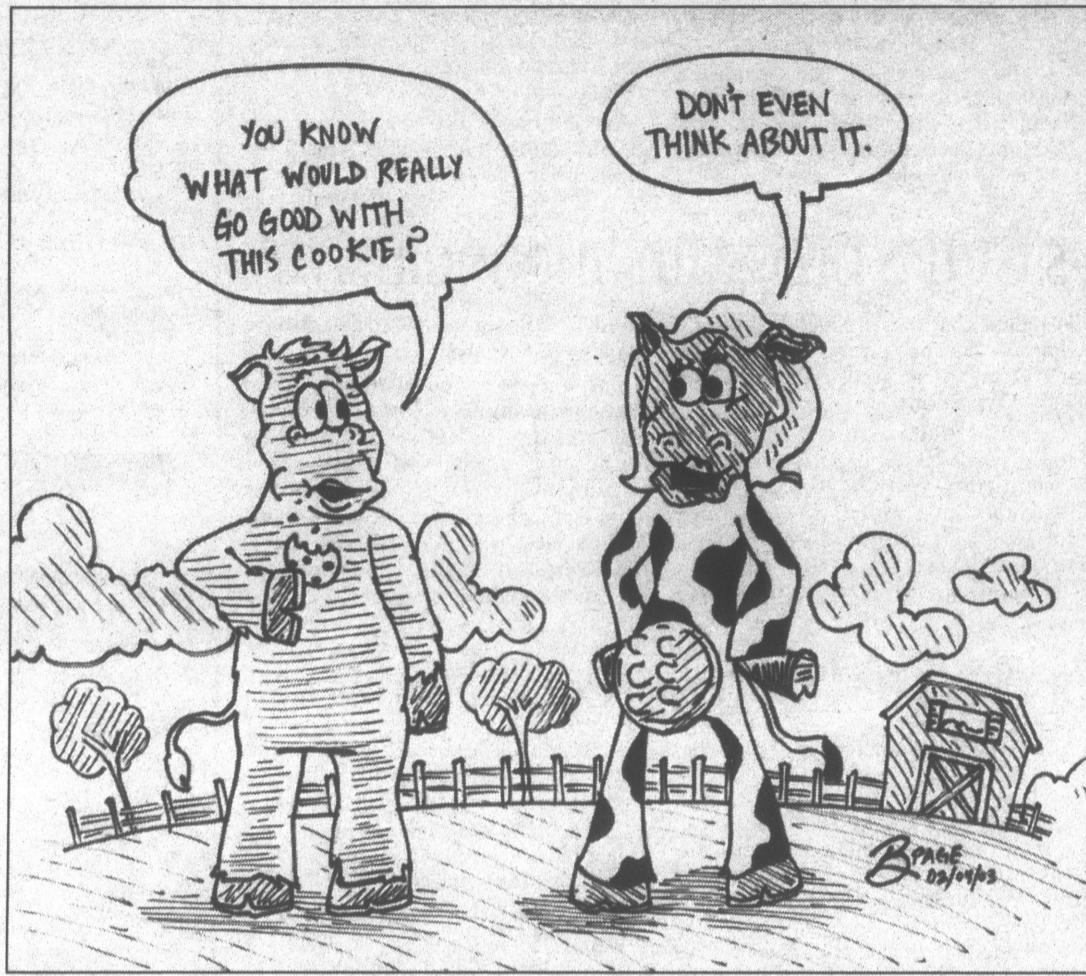
It is difficult to overstate the consequences that AIDS will bring or the need to deal with it.

The new funds will help millions treat their disease or completely prevent it.

The new test will help thousands of Americans treat their disease and keep from spreading it.

These recent announcements are a good start.

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Another side of George W. Bush

Robert Tiernan



President Bush is not what we think. Few Americans know anything about him — his leadership style in the White House or the personality quirks that define him. His remoteness towards television and the press invite misunderstandings and sloppy jokes.

The president's regular insouciance, in the form of sarcasm and in tandem with verbal stumbling, has brought on caricatures of a dunce overwhelmed by the office of presidency.

However, with members and former members of the White House now talking, the jokes about Bush's intelligence and inaptitude for the presidency no longer hold. Further, what initially appeared to be Bush's greatest weaknesses are now shown to be his greatest strengths.

Throughout the 2000 election, and many times after, Bush was criticized for his turbulent youth. Now it appears those years of binge drinking and rumored drug use have bred a man who seeks stability through discipline, and thus a better president.

A recent New York Times article presents President Bush as "a man of self-discipline, punctual, diet-conscious, religious about his gym time and a good night's sleep, devoted to simple, mind-clearing exertion, impatient when meetings dawdle." The same article suggests he turned to "rigorous routine as a safeguard against chaos."

In a popular cross-country running magazine, a story ran about President Bush's doctor measur-

ing his resting heartbeat, discovering it equal to that of a marathon runner.

In addition to rigorous discipline, another offshoot of his struggle with alcohol is his strict devotion to Christianity. According to Canadian writer David Frum, author of the "axis of evil" speech and the insider book "The Right Man: The Surprise Presidency of George W. Bush," a prayer precedes each and every cabinet meeting.

Some may fear Bush's moralistic view of the world. But at least, unlike the Clinton presidency, no one has to worry about sexual transgressions to distract the nation.

By many accounts of those who work in the White House, Bush is an excellent executive. According to the Times article, staffers find him to be "adept at focusing an issue, asking the pertinent questions, relegating distractions to the sidelines, driving on to a decision and sticking to it."

Compare this to how Clinton apparently ran the show. Another insider book by Kenneth Pollack, as summed up by the New York Times, describes the Clinton administration as "prolonging the discussions while recoiling from the big decisions, equivocating, shifting ground, always looking to keep options open."

President Bush has the confi-

dence and the humility to hire bright advisors, knows where to find them, knows how to mitigate their squabbles and knows when to fire them when he needs to. Donald Rumsfeld, Condoleezza Rice, Colin Powell, Karl Rove and Dick Cheney are considered the best and most experienced in their fields.

Unfortunately, Bush has supposedly drawn criticism for his strong coterie of talent as a man who lacks the confidence or experience to govern. Actually, quite the opposite is true. "In most of the world an executive who surrounds himself with highly competent advisors is regarded as admirably self-confident," according to the New York Times.

Bush is described as a private man who likes to think things over on his own, and who lacks the ego to care when Rumsfeld or Powell are given all the credit.

Bush has displayed prudence by pursuing the United Nations as the mechanism to disarm Iraq, and in the process displayed his independence — in particular, his ability to temper his more hawkish advisors.

Another attribute seldom given to Bush is his ability to push an agenda. Bush's messages are simple, redundant and effective. By focusing on one or two goals and beating them into submission, rather than taking on a wish list of reforms, Bush has been successful. His Homeland Security bill, tax cuts and war in Afghanistan

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THE LANTERN

Corporate America gets off easy

COLUMBUS, Ohio — We've all been taken for suckers, and because of our short attention span, Wall Street has escaped a harsh wrath.

About a year ago, major scandals such as Enron, WorldCom, and Global Crossing were slowly being revealed. The media exposure was astounding as we watched the companies fall to their demise.

However, as the summer stretched on, we slowly lost focus of the problems.

Americans were reassured by politicians that heads would roll, people would be jailed and major reforms would correct the gaping loopholes. So we went along our merry ways, slowly forgetting about the scandals and focusing our time on more important things such as "American Idol."

So what happened to all these criminals?

Come on — it's corporate America; they got a slap on the wrist. The CEOs are still living the good life. Their reputations may be tarnished, but their pocketbooks are intact. The Wall Street firms made out fairly unscathed as well. They had a landmark settlement fee of \$1.4 billion, which seems significant but it is disheartening once you find out that Citigroup made a \$65-million profit daily last year.

The Securities and Exchange Commission created new laws since the scandals broke out, but it's quite obvious they bowed down to Wall Street. Instead of making tough laws, they have softened the blow by compromising with firms. The SEC recently put the finishing touches on the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, which was passed by Congress last summer.

Don't get me wrong, I'll take any reforms I can get; something is better than nothing. The SEC has succeeded on some issues, such as tighter restrictions on auditors and what they can do.

One of the major points of the act was barring auditors from doing non-audit work for audit clients. However, the accounting industry complained and convinced the SEC to widen the definition of "audit" so it now covers some of the work that is considered "non-audit."

They also managed to provide tax services for their clients, which will defeat the purpose of regulations. If they do tax work, they're essentially auditing their own work, which is exactly where we started to begin with.

Another huge compromise from the SEC regards lawyers: the SEC originally wanted lawyers to be

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Measure 28
Thanks troopers

I would like to thank Trooper Halsey, Trooper Johnson, Trooper Schott and Trooper Hubbard for all their hard work on this campus. As a resident assistant for over 2 years they were always willing to educate as well as enforce in Callahan Hall. I will not forget all the fun we had! Thanks a lot and I wish you all the best.

JESSI LUCICH,
Senior in merchandising management

Wheeland Column
Argument self-refuting

In response to Emily Wheeland's column, "Time to 'roll back the tide' of conservatism," (Barometer, Jan. 27) we at The Liberty do not consider ourselves victims. We're perpetrators.

All joking aside, Ms. Wheeland suggests that the very existence of The Liberty cuts against our claim that our perspective is counter-establishment. We believe this, not because we are whining and complaining, but the facts of the matter are simply incontrovertible. If you investigate all the humanities classes, look at all the curriculum, and poll all professors, you will find that the opinions of The Liberty are not shared by the majority of the faculty. We started The Liberty precisely because there did not exist a public forum for rigorous intellectual discussion on politics, philosophy and economics. Our commentary paper simply filled the void of neglected ideas and has renewed discussion and debate.

As far as campus media is concerned, it is true that the Barometer is much more balanced now. However, that is due entirely to the recent leadership of Allison Pyburn and Sanjai Tripathi. Prior to Tripathi being the forum editor, the Barometer was not even close to being balanced. Pyburn and Tripathi have done much to improve the quality of the Barometer, but that just underscores the point that campus media was heavily biased in one direction.

Finally, Ms. Wheeland's argument that conservatives have a victim mentality simply because they feel their ideas are in the minority, is self-refuting. Her whole article is guilty of the very thing she is arguing

against, namely she complains about what is perceived to be the dominant and or privileged perspective. By her own criteria, she has a victim mentality.

When it comes down to it, we shouldn't be bickering over whose views are dominant, but rather we should discuss the issues themselves.

ANDREW ELSTER,
Senior in electrical engineering

Measure 28
Not a big deal for the wealthy

It's nice to see the College Republicans gloating over the failure of Measure 28. Voter demographics suggest that the majority of the CRs come from quite wealthy families. For these fortunate people, mom and dad will have no trouble footing the extra \$600 per year in tuition. The rest of us get to take that out of food and fun money, accumulate more debt, or simply leave school. You see, much of the government waste the Republicans talk about is support for you, the student. It's the state investing in the next cohort of educated workers to power our economy. This support is declining, and reducing government is at the core of Republican fiscal philosophy. If you're not wealthy, you're out of luck. Please keep this in mind next election.

MATT TRAPPE,
Doctoral student in environmental sciences

Miller Column
Reverse discrimination

I just wanted to write a letter to applaud the author of the column suggesting that affirmative action is reversely racist (Miller, Barometer, Jan. 23) and to question the letter from Mavis Tuten that was submitted in response. I do not disagree that affirmative action was based on the premise "that some people, based on such things as ethnicity, gender or skin color, are deliberately and systematically discriminated against." However, this does not necessarily mean this is how affirmative action works. It is against common sense to think that just because affirmative action was based on this premise, it actually works exactly that way. Speaking as an upper-middle class Caucasian male, I know for a fact that affirmative action is

reversely discriminatory. My father was once looked straight in the eye and told, "You are wonderfully qualified for this job, but unless you can beat affirmative action, I can't touch you." When applying to Stanford my senior year of high school, I was in contact with a student working in admissions there that had lower entrance qualifications than myself. Yet he openly told me that he was there because of a scholarship offered to him as a result of his ethnicity being considered a minority. Now I pose the question, do you agree that if someone is qualified they should not be overlooked on the premise of race? I certainly think so. Unfortunately, because of things such as affirmative action, both other members of my family and I have been subject to this discriminatory act. That is why, even though the intent may have been different, the fact is that affirmative action is reversely racist.

JEFF WOODS,
Sophomore in exploratory studies

Presidential Search
Student input sought

The departure of President Risser earlier this year left an opening in OSU's highest office. Since then, a presidential search committee has been established to advise the Oregon University System chancellor and the State Board of Higher Education on a new appointment. This group draws on viewpoints from various areas of the campus including faculty, classified staff, administration and students.

As your voice on this committee, I will emphasize the student perspective. In doing so, I invite each and every student to contact me with her or his comments and thoughts regarding the process and what we think are important characteristics for the next president. I am available by phone (541-737-6344), e-mail (asosu.pres@oregonstate.edu), or come by the ASOSU offices located in Student Involvement, 149 Snell Hall.

Another way in which you can become involved is to submit your comments to the OSU website at <http://oregonstate.edu/presidentsearch/> on the following questions that will help guide the selection committee:

— What are the primary opportunities and challenges facing a new president that should be considered in evaluating candidates?

— What skills, experiences, and traits should the new president have?

— What advice would you offer the new president (e.g., how should she/he approach the position and what should be her/his immediate and long-term priorities)?

Finally, there will be an open forum for students to contribute input on any of these issues on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at 4:30 p.m. in the Ag Science room of LaSells Stewart Center. I invite and encourage all of you to attend and voice your opinions.

BRIDGET BURNS,
ASOSU president

Measure 28
Not the cause of the problem

This letter is in response to "Inmates set free after voters reject 28" (Barometer, Jan. 30). People need to be aware of the fact that Measure 28 is not the cause of the problem. The problem lies in government overspending. If we all took the time to research it on our own, we would find that Oregon's budget has increased by more than \$3 billion since 1995. The most interesting thing is that public safety increased by almost \$600 million. In fact, the only items in the budget which receive less money than in 1995 are consumer and business services, and economic and community development. All one must do to learn this information is to type "Oregon budget" into Google and the Department of Administrative Services has it all laid out for us.

The other issue is that the article claims that other counties are having similar problems as Multnomah County. The curious thing is that The Oregonian ran an article on Jan. 30 titled "Sheriff starts releasing inmates" that claimed the opposite. In fact, Washington County claims to be "safe from cuts" because of "good fiscal management." All other county representatives interviewed claimed to have other means to fill their budget gaps.

Perhaps if Governor Kulongoski wants to stabilize Oregon, he should cut extraneous portions of government. Is a Ginseng Advisory Board (ORS 576.800-576.820) more important than keeping prisoners in jail?

KYLE PETERSEN,
Senior in computer science AND
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Senior in animal science

Lantern: U.S. should bar criminal firms from practice

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whistle-blowers if the board ignored any potential security violations. Instead, after more intensive lobbying, the rule now only requires lawyers to express concern to their clients about violations.

This is getting out of control. We were promised new, hard-hitting regulations that would change the industry. Instead, we are shown laws accommodating crooks. If I had known what Zacarias Moussaoui and his buddies were up to and didn't disclose it to the government, I would be in big trouble. Yet lawyers who may be aware of billions of dollars of fraud are only supposed to show moderate concern.

"Come on, Zacarias, maybe this isn't such a good idea. This is mass homicide and we could get in trouble."

Making that mere statement alone shouldn't be enough for me to escape liability, but this is essentially what the SEC is saying when it comes to fraud.

The meager penalties won't help the average investor regain his money. If we want to

send a message to firms and management, we should take a percentage of their profit and spread it among employees of companies like Enron. These people lost their jobs and entire nest eggs. They deserve it far more than management who still live in their multimillion dollar homes.

Also, with criminal proceedings, the United States should follow in the footsteps of foreign governments and bar firms from practicing for a certain time.

These injunctions would certainly have companies rethinking their accounting strategies. The goal was to implement massive reform that would make people think about committing a crime because of the massive consequences. Instead firms pressured the government, who conceded far too much to special interest groups. The SEC allowed them to escape with minimal damage and individual investors aren't much safer then they used to be.

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Tieman: Bush one of best presidents in two decades

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have all made it to the finishing line in Washington.

Bush, however, can always carry things a little too far, even after they are irrelevant. A perfect example is his recent round of tax cuts which, despite the hollering and misinformation of his press team, gained plenty of criticism by both conservative and liberal publications as meaningless in reviving the economy and harmful to everyone but the very rich. John McCain described them as going "a little too far."

Too often, Bush is a man flaunted by the

media as an undeserving legacy basking in nepotism — a man who won a presidential race largely through the connections of his father and the Bush brand name.

Consequently, by focusing on the superficial — such as Mr. Bush's mispronunciation of language — we overlook qualities that make President Bush one of the best presidents this country has seen in the last two decades.

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Pac-10: Stanford and OSU are on the way up, UCLA is slipping fast

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California (14-4, 7-2)

Jan. 30 at Arizona State 70-75: The Golden Bears were off to their best season start since 1957, but it was short-lived. The Sun Devils handed Cal their first conference loss. Joe Shipp had 27 points, while Brian Wethers chipped in 18.

Feb. 1 at Arizona 80-95: The Bears couldn't recover from a 20-6 Arizona run near the end of the first half, as they lost to the Wildcats by 15. Shipp led California with 21 points, while Wethers followed with 16 points. Throughout the game the Golden Bears struggled at the free-throw line with shooting 9-of-21 from the line.

Oregon (15-5, 5-4)

Jan. 30 at UCLA 96-91: In his first game since an injury to his right hand, Luke Jackson played like nothing was wrong. Jackson scored 27 points and Ian Crosswhite had eight of his 22 points in overtime as the Ducks held off UCLA, to hand the Bruins their seventh straight loss.

Feb. 2 at USC 76-91: Luke Ridnour had 21 points and Andre Joseph stepped up and scored 18. But it wasn't enough to defeat the red hot shooting of USC.

Oregon State (11-7, 4-5)

Jan. 30 at USC 83-74: In what tends to be the toughest trip of the season, Oregon State made basketball look easy at the Los Angeles Sports Arena. Led by Brian Jackson's 26 points and Chris Stephens' career-high 17 points, the Beavers ended a seven-game losing streak at USC.

Feb. 1 at UCLA 83-79: The Beavers ended a 14-game losing streak at Pauley Pavilion. The team extended their winning streak to four as they defeated struggling UCLA and handed them their eighth straight loss. Phillip Ricci scored a

career-high 26 points and grabbed 14 rebounds, while Jimmie Haywood chipped in 14 points.

Stanford (16-5, 7-2)

Jan. 30 at Arizona 82-77: It was a night for the record books. Matt Lottich scored 23 points, including a key 3-pointer with 58 seconds left to play to lift the Cardinal over No.1 Arizona and hand them their first conference loss. Julius Barnes had 14 points and 10 assists despite being 4-for-21.

Feb. 1 at Arizona State 58-57: With a little last minute luck, the Cardinal were able to stay 6-0 in the state of Arizona over the last three years as they squeezed by the Sun Devils in a one point win. Josh Childress had 21 points and Lottich added 15 points, as Arizona State extended their winning streak to 10 in a row over the Sun Devils.

UCLA (4-13, 2-7)

Jan. 30 vs. Oregon 91-96: Although the Bruins played their most competitive game of the season, they still were not able to snap their longest losing streak in more than 45 years; the team fell to the Ducks by five.

Jason Kapono led UCLA with 21 points and freshman Ryan Hollins had solid game with his second start of the season. Hollins brought in 11 points, 11 rebounds and seven blocked shots.

Feb. 1 vs. Oregon State 79-83: The Bruins fell to ninth place in the Pac-10 as they received their eighth consecutive loss to the Beavers. Although UCLA had a late second-half rally in the final five minutes, the closest they would get was within two. Kapono led the Bruins for the second straight game with 18. Dijon Thompson chipped in 16.

USC (8-9, 4-5)

Jan. 30 vs. Oregon State 74-83: Roydell

Smiley led USC with 16 points before fouling out in the final minute, nonetheless the Trojans couldn't keep up with the Beavers red-hot shooting. Errick Craven added 15 points and Desmon Farmer scored 14 points, as USC lost for the fifth time in six games.

Feb. 2 vs. Oregon 91-76: Gregg Guenther had a career-high 16 points in his first start of the season for the Trojans, as the USC ended the Ducks five-game winning streak. Craven led the Trojans with 18 points and 10 rebounds as USC out rebounded Oregon 45-28.

Washington (8-10, 3-6)

Jan. 31 vs. Washington State 81-67: After a tough weekend at the Oregon schools loosing to the Ducks by 25 and the Beavers by 20, the Huskies played a solid game against the Cougars and handed them their ninth consecutive loss. Will Conroy scored 14 points and Curtis Allen added 13 off the bench. The Huskies shot 50 percent (28 for 56) from the floor.

Washington State (5-13, 0-9)

Jan. 31 at Washington 67-81: It's been over a year since the Cougars picked up their last conference win. On Friday, nothing changed as the Huskies handed Washington State their 16th consecutive conference loss. Cedrick Hughley had 15 points, Thomas Kelati had 13 points and Milton Riley chipped in 12 points.

Performers of the Week:

Curtis Millage (Arizona State)
Brian Jackson (Oregon State)
Matt Lottich (Stanford)
Josh Childress (Stanford)
Gregg Guenther (USC)

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Gjurgovich: You're a Canadian, you're a kicker and you're not helping

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scream, I've gone over there to the offense and said, 'Come on.' They're just like 'Mike, sit down, you're the kicker.'

Maybe that's what someone should have said to Vanderjagt before he went on TV and trashed his mates — but alas, they did not. Almost immediately after Toronto got a good chuckle out of the kicker's comments, ESPN got ahold of it, making it the top story on SportsCenter. It was February and nothing good happens in sports during the month of February. There was no comment from the Manning or Dungy camps ... but after Vanderjagt's own mother probably said he sounded like a jackass, the kicker apologized for his comments.

But it wasn't over yet. Peyton Manning, in a truly classy gesture, waited for Vanderjagt to apologize before setting off his own round of blasts. Manning called Vanderjagt an "idiot" four — count 'em, four — times during a 20-second sideline interview during the Pro Bowl.

When asked about Vanderjagt's comments, Manning said live on national television, "I'm out at my third Pro Bowl, I'm about to go in and throw a touchdown to Jerry Rice ... and we're talking about our idiot kicker who got liquored up and ran his mouth off." He then hinted that Vanderjagt may not be asked to return to the team next season, but gave him some credit, adding, "The sad thing is, he's a

good kicker. He's a good kicker. But he's an idiot."

While I can understand where Vanderjagt is coming from by saying his team may not be the most passionate, I can also see where Manning is coming from saying that Vanderjagt is an "idiot." It is never cool to call your mates out, especially when you use the media to do it. What makes Vanderjagt's comments even more uncool is that he is the kicker.

Yes, they wear pads.

Yes, they wear helmets.

Yes, they ride on the team plane and even get to be in the team photo.

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Some of them don't even wear shoes!

For a kicker of all people to call out his teammates and coach is almost like the water boy getting all over the fullback because he missed his block.

It just doesn't happen, and when it does, it shouldn't. The waterboy keeps the water full, that's his job. The kicker kicks

the ball, that's his job.

When he realizes that Vanderjagt is nothing more than a soccer player with shoulder pads, he and his teammates will be better off.

As for Vanderjagt, he may want to take a lesson from all of this: just simmer down and kick the ball, buddy. It's the only way to keep your foot out of your mouth.

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Jackson: USC killer

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three-point land and 8-of-8 from the free throw line. He also had four boards and three assists.

At UCLA, Jackson put in 18 points on 5-of-8 shooting (.625) from the field. He had another perfect performance from the line, going 6-of-6 from the stripe, on top of nine rebounds and two assists.

For the week, Jackson was 12-of-18 (.667) from the field, 6-of-9 (.667) from three-point range and converted on all 14 of his free throw attempts.

Oregon State (11-7, 4-5 in Pac-10) earned road victories at USC (83-74) and UCLA (83-79) last week. Up next, it hosts California and Stanford.

It is the first weekly award for Jackson, the 34th all-time honor for the Beavers.

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OSU and Stanford pull off road sweeps

► As Arizona falls to Stanford, Arizona State tromps California; meanwhile, Beavers beat USC and UCLA in Los Angeles

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Just when things started to fall into place for the Pac-10, week five came along and painted a whole new picture. With Arizona barely hanging on for the top seed in the Conference Tournament, Stanford is slowly creeping up to the top. The Beavers continue to play better ball, while Oregon is struggling to stay consistent.

Arizona (16-2, 8-1 Pac-10)

Jan. 30 vs. Stanford 77-82: It was a disappointing night for No. 1 Arizona. The Wildcats underestimated what the Cardinal was capable of and fell to Stanford at McKale Center. Jason Gardner scored 22 points and Luke Walton had a season-high 20 for the Wildcats. The team rallied from a 14-point deficit, but couldn't hold onto it.

Feb. 1 vs. California 95-80: The Wildcats rebounded back from Thursday's loss, to take first place in the conference. Gardner scored 18 points, leading six Arizona players in double figures. Arizona never trailed throughout the game and were up by 10 at the half. The team led by as many as 18 in the second half.

Arizona State (13-7, 5-4)

Jan. 30 vs. California 75-70: Arizona State took away any hope for Cal's dreams of being No. 1 in the Pac-10. Curtis Millage came up big and scored seven of his 21 points on free throws in the final 3:22 of the game, as the Sun Devils slipped by No. 20 California. Ike Diogu added 19 points and 13 rebounds to record his second double-double as a freshman.

Feb. 1 vs. Stanford 57-58: It was an emotional night for Arizona State as they could barely hang on to defeating the visiting Cardinal. A controversial call against Millage late in the second half and a missed shot by Donnell Knight, coupled with a last minute three-point attempt by Kenny Crandall, couldn't bring the Sun Devils the win.

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Oregon State forward Brian Jackson was named Pac-10 Player of the Week for his part in the Beavers' road sweep over UCLA and USC. It was the senior's first weekly award.

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Hoops is getting fun

Let the bubble watch begin. For OSU fans, just being able to consider their basketball team a contender for a postseason berth makes the last part of the 2003 season one for the ages.

Boring, tedious statistics aside, the Beavers are finally playing like a team that is historically the 11th winningest program in NCAA history.

I'm sure jealousy has crept into the minds of any Beaver basketball fan or student over the past few years, as we watch other teams across the nation play important games with postseason implications.

OSU was lucky to have a chance to play the spoiler a few times at the end of their conference schedule.

As the Beavers sit in sixth place in the Pac-10 following their Los Angeles sweep, the student body is now thinking what if?

Before, their games against UCLA and USC, 7-4 over the last 11 games, plus a strong run in the conference tournament could have given the Beavers an outside chance to make the NCAA tournament as the Pac-10's sixth team.

But following their impressive weekend showing, OSU can make their resume even better.

It is too early to be worrying about projections — and even the postseason — but how different is the feeling about the basketball even from a year ago.

They've went from turmoil with their lame duck head coach Ritchie McKay, to contender with soon-to-be named king of Corvallis Jay John in less than a year.

What worries me about the NCAA tournament selection process is that this looks to be a down year for the Pac-10, which has easily pushed six teams into the tournament in the past but may only get five this year.

With Oregon soon to stumble their way out of the top 25 and the other

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Beavers conquer Cal Poly in last game 4-0

► The women's softball team also beat BYU, Southern Utah and St. Mary's in the Southern Utah Tournament

BAROMETER WIRE REPORTS

SAINT GEORGE, UT — The No. 23 Oregon State softball team improved to 4-0 on the season after knocking off Cal Poly, 4-0, in the final game of the Southern Utah Tournament.

Junior hurler Monica Hoffman allowed just four hits while striking out five batters en route to her fourth victory of the season.

"Monica Hoffman threw a phenomenal game in extremely adverse conditions," OSU coach Kirk Walker said. "It was probably the second coldest weather I've ever played or coached in. She did a great job keeping them at bay."

With both teams struggling offensively for the first couple of innings, the Beavers took advantage of two Cal Poly errors and a bases-loaded walk to score three runs in the third inning. Kelly Petersen had an RBI single in the

frame and Shannon Sorg scored one of her two runs on the day.

Senior Cara Maxey also singled up the middle. She eventually scored when Shelly Prochaska drew a bases loaded walk.

"Offensively we struggled a bit," Walker said. "Shelly hit the ball well and Vanessa Lapala hit the ball hard, but right at people. Kelly Petersen continued to swing an aggressive bat."

Petersen finished 2-for-4 from the plate with an RBI, while Prochaska went 1-for-2 with a double and two walks.

"Overall it was a great outing for our first weekend," Walker said. "We did a nice job of getting runners on and moving them around, and that will only get better each weekend. It's nice to start 4-0."

Oregon State beat BYU 5-3, Southern Utah 10-2 and St. Mary's 11-1 to advance to the tournament final.

The Beavers will put their perfect record on the line Friday at the ASU Fiesta Bowl Tournament in Phoenix, Ariz. OSU will meet Iowa State at 10 a.m. and face Texas Tech at 4:30 p.m.

Jackson named Pac-10 Player of the Week

► OSU senior forward Brian Jackson picks up first weekly award

BAROMETER WIRE REPORTS

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. — Oregon State senior forward Brian Jackson has been named the Pacific-10 Conference Men's Basketball Player of the Week for Jan. 27 to Feb. 2, Commissioner Tom Hansen announced Monday.

Knappa native Jackson averaged 22 points and 6.5 rebounds in Beaver victories at USC and UCLA, the program's first sweep of the Los Angeles schools since 1988. Against USC, he amassed a personal Pac-10 high of 26 points, going 7-of-10 (.700) from the field, 4-of-5 (.800) from

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You're a kicker — save it

Criticizing your teammates in the locker room is one thing. Using the media to criticize your teammates is another. Using the media to call out your teammates when you're the kicker? Wait. No kicker would be dumb enough to do that. Would they?

As a matter of fact, Colt kicker Mike Vanderjagt went on a Toronto sports talk show, probably because he thought nobody would be watching, and decided to let off a few blasts on his teammates and head coach. If anyone else on the team — besides the punter that is — dropped a few bombs on his teammate like Vanderjagt did, it would have been taken as constructive criticism. But since it was the kicker, it was a whole different story.

Vanderjagt started his confessional by saying, "I just don't see us (the Colts) getting any better."

He went on to get specific, saying that Colt quarterback and future Tennessee congressman Peyton Manning needed to show more emotion. He added, "I just don't see it in him."

As if that wasn't enough, he knocked coach Tony Dungy, saying that his mild-mannered style just doesn't work.

Now some of this may hold some water. Dungy, though a great coach in his own right, has failed to win the big ones. Plus, Manning, though a

Brian Gjurjevich

great quarterback and likely future humble public servant, has an 0-3 career playoff record. That's not very good. ... but Dungy's only had one year in Indy, and Peyton is still young, so there is certainly no need to panic.

The Colts went a respectable 10-6 this year, and made the playoffs. But the team got ravaged 41-0 by the Jets in the AFC wild-card game. After the game there was some frustration in Indianapolis. Still, the general feeling that the talent on this team would surely find a way to win eventually filled the air. That is, until the kicker got loose and cracked on his teammates' and coach's lack of passion and emotion.

The "ah, shucks" attitude Manning and Dungy have is not the most intense in the world, but surely they want to win just as bad as anyone else?

Nope, not according to kicker Mike Vanderjagt. He says that he is the guy who not only has to kick the extra points, but also pump the team up. "We need somebody who is going to get in people's face and yell and

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