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Clear skies continuing today after morning clouds. Highs near 70, lows near 45.

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OSU marketing club sharpens business skills

By JEN VAN VEEN
of The Daily Barometer

As a student, you may ask yourself, "How can I be better prepared to enter this thing they call the real world?" The business department at Oregon State University holds the answer.

The marketing club at Oregon State is kicking off the 1997-98 school year with a whole lot of energy and activities.

Led by President Pete Newport, the marketing club encompasses things such as resume building, networking, goal setting and much more, helping students achieve those goals.

A new outlook, a new program and a new mission has this year's officers excited and ready to do great things.

The marketing club encourages students of all majors to take part in the experience of develop-

ing better marketing skills.

The club's first meeting was held Tuesday night. Enough students showed up to fill an entire classroom, in addition to club advisor Dan Brown and the business college's own Dean Parker.

Steve Crenshaw, co-owner of Specialty Cigars, Int'l. in Bend, gave a presentation on how his home-office company grew to an inter-

national company and the risks he had to take in his corporate ventures. "It's all about relationships," he said.

This year the marketing club at Oregon State was chosen to be

the team to participate in the General Motors Marketing Internship (GMMI).

Ellen Procnier is with Sgro Promo Associates, an educational marketing company, and will be acting as a liaison between the students and

"It's all about relationships."

— STEVE CRENSHAW,
CO-OWNER SPECIALTY CIGARS, INT'L

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Derby Days



ERIN KETTS/The Daily Barometer

The ladies of Sigma Kappa show their house spirit during role call at Sigma Chi's. The money raised from Derby Days will be donated to Doernbecher Children's Hospital.

Conversant programs offer cultural insight, experience

By BRETT LUNCEFORD
of The Daily Barometer

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to live in another country?

For an hour a week, you can save yourself a lot of money and get a lot of insights into another culture by joining the Conversant Program, put on by the Center for Writing and Learning.

There are two conversant programs for international students. One is offered through the English Language Institute, the other through the Center for Writing and Learning.

The ELI program is for only ELI students and is viewed as a stepping stone to mainstreaming international students into university classes. Many of the people in the ELI conversant program have just arrived and are struggling with English.

The conversant program offered through the Center for Writing and Learning is open to all international students. These are students who speak English fairly well, but are seeking the practice to help them to "fine tune" their skills.

Moirra Dempsey, who coordinates the program said, "Many ask, 'Is this person going to understand what I'm saying? Am I going to be able to understand them?' Half of the fun comes from trying to explain yourselves when you do run into a block."

People also wonder about what they are going to say for an hour every week, but according to Dempsey, once they're in the program, it's usually not a problem.

"While the program is intended to familiarize a foreign student with our language and society, I feel that it has also provided me with a window into Jiang's country. By its very nature of bringing together two people to communicate openly about their experiences paves

the way for meaningful, enlightening friendships," said Iain Emmons, a conversant in the program.

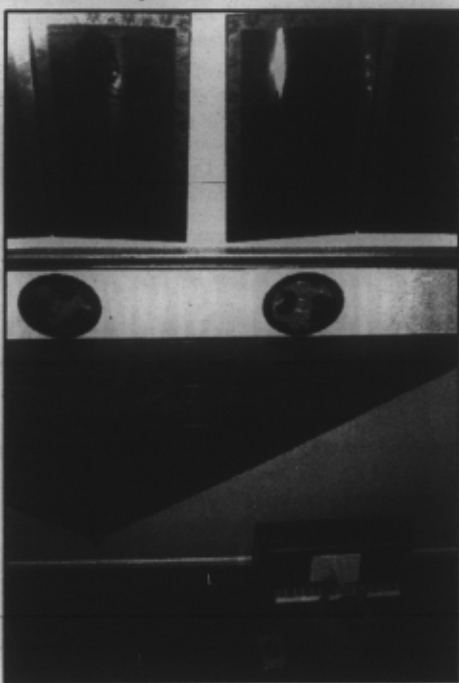
One of the challenges facing the program is a shortage of English speaking volunteers. Dempsey tries to drum up support through presentations in classrooms and living groups, flyers, and advertisements in the Barometer. Some classes require that their students become a conversant. Among the international students, word spreads quickly.

The program tries to accommodate special requests, such as being paired with a biology major. Dempsey tells the story of a visiting scholar who had children and wanted them to be a part of the program as well. She managed to find a graduate student who also had grade school children and placed them together.

About 95 percent of the program consists of Asian students. There are also some Latinos, Germans, and a mix of others. It's about half

See **CONVERSANT PROGRAMS**, page 9

We're open!



CHRISSE RAGULSKY/The Daily Barometer

The Alumni Center held its grand opening yesterday. A view from the balcony shows many of the art works inside the building. Dow Yeh, a sophomore double major in piano performance and biology, played the piano for the event

HDFS operates child development center

School focuses on cognitive, manipulative, sensory skills of children

By JENNIFER NELSON
of The Daily Barometer

Affordable, quality child care is now even easier to obtain through the Oregon State University Child Development Center.

The OSU Child Development Center is operated by the Department of Human Development and Family Sciences for the College of Home Economics.

According to its mission statement, the "Child Development Center is dedicated to discovering and disseminating knowledge that contributes to the optimal development and well being of young children and their families."

"We're trying to prepare children for a successful kindergarten," said Marc Miller, grant specialist and health coordinator for the Child Development Center.

This is done by developing their creative, cognitive, manipulative, and sensory skills through activities like finger painting, body puzzles, and blocks. The preschool also works to enhance a child's social skills by offering mixed classes of

three to five year olds.

Founded in the 1920's, the Child Development Center is what Director Joanne Sorte calls a laboratory school, or a school in which OSU students studying Human Development, Family Sciences, and Early Childhood Education can gain experience working with children while earning course credit.

The preschool offers four classes a day, Tuesday through Thursday, which are supervised by four paid faculty members, assistant head teachers, or graduate students, and teachers in training, or undergraduate students.

Currently the adult to child ratio is one to four.

Located on the corner of 26th and Orchard Streets, in the Bates Hall Family Study Center, the OSU Child Development Center is open year round to all members of the community.

"We're trying to prepare children for a successful kindergarten."

— MARC MILLER, CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

The preschool offers both morning and afternoon sessions, and tuition per term varies between \$288 for the summer session and \$418 for the morning sessions for fall, winter, and spring terms.

Free preschool classes are available to 32 children through the Oregon Pre-kindergarten program for low income families, a grant sponsored by the State Board of Education.

Although the Child Development Center has reached maximum enrollment of eighty students for this term, they are always accepting applications for their waiting list.

If you would like more information regarding the OSU Child Development Center or are interested in earning course credit through the OSU Department of Human Development and Family Sciences, please call 737-2516.

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NATIONAL NEWS

Genital herpes rates jump in young whites since 1970s

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Despite the emphasis on safe sex to prevent AIDS, genital herpes has increased fivefold since the late 1970s among white teen-agers and doubled among whites in their 20s.

In all, about one in five Americans over age 12 has the sexually transmitted infection, and most of them don't know it, the Centers for Disease and Control Prevention reported.

Dr. Michael St. Louis, who wrote the report with colleagues at the CDC, said it was surprising that herpes went up during the 1980s despite publicity about AIDS. Other sexually transmitted diseases, such as gonorrhea, declined.

He said other studies have shown that young people increased their rates of unprotected sex, premarital sex and multiple sex partners. And condoms appear to be less effective in blocking herpes than other diseases because the virus can be transmitted from parts of the body not covered by a condom.

Gray Davis, president of the Herpes Advice Center in Durham, N.C., said the study shows many people ignored safe-sex warnings about AIDS in the 1980s.

"What these numbers are telling us is that the young, sexually active white population didn't consider themselves at risk for HIV," she said. "So the HIV message, while it was very effective in the gay population, where it was targeted to, didn't reach the rest of the population."

One reason for concern is that herpes sores may make a person more vulnerable to infection with the AIDS virus, the researchers said in the study, published Thursday in the *New England*

Journal of Medicine.

Experts said it is time to get tougher on herpes. They said new steps could include screening for it in patients at clinics for sexually transmitted diseases and in pregnant women, whose newborns could die if infected.

"We're screening for HIV, we're screening for hepatitis B, we aren't screening for genital herpes," said Dr. Lawrence Corey of the University of Washington.

Genital herpes is caused by the herpes simplex type 2 virus, and much less often by the type 1 virus. The study used blood samples from about 24,000 people to reveal the prevalence of type 2 infection.

The data were gathered between 1988 and 1994 and compared with a similar study done from 1976 to 1980.

The results suggest that 45 million Americans are infected, including 18 percent of whites and 46 percent of blacks.

Among whites ages 12 to 19, the infection rate jumped from slightly less than 1 percent to 4.5 percent.

The rate among whites in their 20s went from 7.7 percent to 14.7 percent. Among older whites and all blacks, the increases in each age group were too small to be considered significant.

Genital herpes causes occasional outbreaks of sores or itching in the genital areas and around the buttocks or thighs. The sores can look like ulcers or paper cuts, and they can be painful. No cure is known.

People can transmit the virus to a sex partner even when they don't have symptoms. Only 9 percent of infected people in the study even knew they had the virus.

Report: Chinese transplanting organs of executed prisoners

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Chinese military hospitals are using kidneys and other organs from executed criminals to perform transplants for foreigners willing to pay as much as \$30,000, ABC-TV reported on Wednesday.

Working undercover, producers from ABC's "PrimeTime Live" met with a Chinese doctor in New York City who said he had already arranged for several transplants to Americans. He told the producers that a new batch of kidneys would soon be available.

Captured on a hidden camera, the doctor asks for part of the \$30,000 payment in advance.

A Chinese newspaper published in New York advertises "kidney transplant in mainland China. Don't miss the opportunity," ABC said.

ABC also interviewed Apple Yoonuch, a woman from Bangkok who said she underwent a transplant at the Nanfung Military

Hospital in China.

"Third of January, the doctor called me that there will be an execution," she said. "It means that prisoners, some prisoners, are going to be shot dead. So I have to come over and prepare myself to get the operation, kidney operation."

A press spokesman was unavailable at the Chinese Embassy in Washington on Wednesday, according to a phone message. An embassy statement issued to ABC said the organs of executed criminals are used in transplants rarely and only with the consent of the prisoners or their families.

An official with the International Transplantation Society said the practice is barbaric and "makes me cringe."

"The consent issue as far as I'm concerned is a bogus issue," said Dr. Ronald Guttman. "It's a justification for what they're doing."

ATTN.: INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

All international students registered for classes Fall term 1997 will be automatically billed for ASOSU insurance.*

If you have alternative health insurance which meets or exceeds OSU requirements, you must provide a photocopy of the health insurance identification card with valid dates and complete a waiver form. The photocopy and waiver form must be received in 317 Student Health Services by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 17.**

*Students who have already submitted waiver forms approved through Fall term by the Student Health Insurance Liaison, do NOT need to resubmit the request.

WORLD NEWS

Aftershocks keep thousands in the streets in Chile; 8 dead, 100 injured

Associated Press

SANTIAGO, Chile — Thousands of people in northern Chile sought temporary shelter Wednesday, afraid to return to their homes after a 6.8-magnitude earthquake killed eight people and injured about 100.

The quake on Tuesday night destroyed or damaged about 1,000 houses, most of them made of adobe. But even residents whose homes were spared were unwilling to return to them with aftershocks still rippling through the region.

Worst hit was Punitaqui, a town 250 miles north of Santiago, where Jaime Munoz, his wife Eliana and their three boys, ages 2, 16 and 17, died when the walls of their adobe home collapsed.

A neighbor, Jaime Ayala, told Radio Cooperativa of Santiago that he reached that family's home in the dark shortly after the quake. "But it was too late," he said. "All I found was the bodies, including the lady holding the baby in her arms."

Many other houses in Punitaqui, almost all of which are made of clay and straw, were so badly damaged they will have to be demolished.

The quake, which struck about 10 p.m., was felt along a 750-mile north-south stretch of Chile's narrow territory, including this capital

city of five million people. In addition to the family that was killed, one woman died in Ovalle, another died in Coquimbo and a man died in Punitaqui.

Reports said the quake also was felt in a large area in Argentina, across the Andes mountains from Chile, but no casualties or damage were reported.

The quake was centered near Illapel, 190 miles north of Santiago, and had its epicenter 20 miles underground, the Seismological Office of the University of Chile said.

On Wednesday, several aftershocks rocked the area, which is still recovering from three years of drought followed by heavy rains that caused severe flooding in July and August. President Eduardo Frei toured the region and said the government would widen the state of emergency declared for those disasters to allow additional aid.

Construction materials, blankets, food and medicine for the newly homeless were already on the way.

"We got a triple one here," Frei said. "First was the drought, then the storms and now the quake. Let's hope that would be it."

Figures on the number of people left homeless were not available due to poor communications. But schools were closed in several towns so classrooms could be used as shelters.

U.S. Admiral denies tension with Iranian forces in Gulf

Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Despite Iranian warnings for U.S. ships to keep their distance, a senior U.S. Navy commander said Wednesday that neither side had come close to a confrontation in the Persian Gulf.

"In no case have we had what I would call a contentious passing with the Iranian forces," Rear Adm. John Nathman, commander of the USS Nimitz battle group, said in a telephone interview.

He said the relationship between commanders on both sides in the Persian Gulf had been "courteous and professional."

Tension has risen in the gulf, through which more than one-fifth of the world's oil supplies pass, since Iranian air attacks on Iranian opposition bases inside Iraq. The Sept. 29 raids violated a no-fly zone patrolled by the United States and its allies. Iraq sent up two fighters in pursuit, again violating the zone.

In response, Washington sent a seven-ship battle group led by the Nimitz to the gulf two weeks ahead of schedule. The ships arrived in the gulf on Sunday. Since then, Iran has twice accused the U.S. Navy of trying to spy on major naval exercises it began on Saturday.

Senior Iranian navy commanders said U.S. warships and reconnaissance planes came close to its forces twice on Tuesday, but withdrew both times after being warned.

A British warship also approached the exercises Wednesday, but moved away as well, Tehran radio said.

Nathman said, however, that although ships from both sides reg-

ularly come close to each other, there had not been a single confrontation with the Iranian forces. "Many of our ships come fairly close, by that I mean several thousands of yards. We see each other, but we go about our business and they go about theirs," he said from the Nimitz.

Nathman said the Iranian government's warnings gave a false impression of tension between the two forces. He also denied Iranian accusations that U.S. forces were trying to spy on the Iranian war games.

The Iranian exercises cover 15,000 square miles and involve more than 100 vessels. The U.S. Navy has 15 ships in the Gulf. "It's absolutely not spying. We're both observing each other, that's the best description I can give. We're not being covert. In fact, we're being very overt about what we do," Nathman said.

Iran said Wednesday its forces were tracking the Nimitz and other U.S. ships in the Gulf with a new unmanned stealth plane. The government-guided Iran News daily reported that the plane could evade radar detection and was test flown during the 10-day exercises. It said the plane was built in Iran.

"We have been successfully monitoring the movements of all American warships, and especially the Nimitz, using the new stealth plane," said Ali Akbar Ahmadian, Iran's navy commander.

But Nathman said he doubted the Iranians had the capability. "We are very careful in watching the air traffic and the surface traffic, and are confident that we have a very good picture of all forces," Nathman said.

Khmer Rouge: laying land mines is an 'inalienable right'

Associated Press

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia — In a slap at the anti-land mine campaign that won the Nobel Peace Prize last week, Khmer Rouge rebels declared Wednesday that laying land mines is the "inalienable right" of all Cambodians.

"Cambodian people have the right to use all kinds of weapons for self-defense, to protect their country from being washed out by the Vietnamese communists," the guerrillas said in a radio broadcast. The Khmer Rouge guerrillas have a long hatred of the Vietnamese, who ousted them from power with a 1979 invasion.

Cambodia, with as many as seven million mines buried in its soil,

is one of the most heavily mined countries in the world. Aid agencies estimate that up to 300 people are killed or injured in Cambodia every month by land mine explosions.

Many of the mines have been laid by Khmer Rouge guerrillas in their long civil war against successive central governments, although all sides have sown the lethal devices.

"It is an inalienable right of all Cambodians," to lay mines, the rebels said.

Last week, the Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to U.S. peace activist Jody Williams and the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, a coalition of more than 1,000 private organizations in over 60 countries.

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A PLACE FOR DISCUSSION

Big words, little action with salmon initiative

The story was simple and clear, three billion dollars spent to restore Columbia River salmon runs with little or nothing to show for it. You'd think the salmon restoration project was being head up by the military. For that same amount of money we could have bought something truly useful like two and a half more B-2 bombers.

Within the price tag and the lack of results for the effort lies the deeper reasons why our efforts have failed. They will continue to fail until we get our acts together and decide that we the people of the Northwest hold our salmon as something sacred and unique to our home and we will make some sacrifices to save them.

DAVID HALL

The first thing that we need to get over is this idea of the silver bullet. I think three billion dollars of spending pretty much would have already found the magic technological solution, but it did not. For years people have been trying to restore the runs without changing the underlying causes for their depletion. The underlying causes, our way of life, are a lot more difficult to rectify than, say, building a hatchery or drawing down a dam.

This isn't the bald eagle we're dealing with here, there is no hundred acre preserve we can fence off and say "don't go near there." This is an animal whose life cycle is affected by everything we do and whose home range fingers into nearly every town and city north of San Diego.

The fact that salmon wander so far and wide has made the blame game that is now being played on the political circuit more complex and limitless than the campaign finance joke, I mean reform going through our capital right now.

Diagram A Where does the blame go?
Rancher > Sport Fisher > Dam Builder > Jacques Cousteau > Commercial Fisher > Aluminum Manufacturer > Timber Company > Department of Fish and Wildlife > Politicians > Elves

Everyone here is to blame, but at the same time they all are innocent (except of course the elves, they're still stuck in my TV). The blame is passed around so quickly that it never settles out to gain results.

Let's stop the blame game. We the people of the Northwest should decide right now whether or not we want to save our fish. Maybe the cynics are right though, perhaps it is just a matter of survival of the fittest. If the salmon can't deal with lead, arsenic, dioxin and water that ran straight over the core of the Hanford reactor ... screw 'em they're weak, let them die. At least we will be able to stop wasting money on silly excuses for answers.

Once the decision is made, we need to take the steps to start to bring back the fish. When I say steps, I don't mean trucking smolts down through the gorge, releasing them, and then patting ourselves on the back for being so caring. I mean serious steps that people and especially big businesses will not like. We need to all accept responsibility for our actions that have caused the fish to decline. We all are guilty and we all need to make sacrifices, blaming it only on the dams or the loggers gets us nowhere.

"The underlying causes, our way of life, are a lot more difficult to rectify than, say, building a hatchery or drawing down a dam."

I think the main hang up on the above scenario is "we all." We, the supporters of the fish, have absolutely no unity whatsoever. We out number those who seek to destroy the fish (even though they always say "no one wants to save the salmon more than ... insert cooperation name here). The side who seeks to protect the status, quo on the other hand, is highly organized and well funded. But we totally lack unity. Case in point.

"Yes, I fish."

"How would you like it if someone put a hook in your mouth and dragged you down the street."

"I don't think I would like it, but I'm not a fish so I really can't say."

We need to put aside these differences and focus on the common cause here. This is not about people vs salmon, or jobs vs salmon (if we truly cared about jobs perhaps we shouldn't export raw timber to be milled in Japan ... just a thought). When the salmon benefit from a clean river, people benefit.

This whole environmental problem that we face can be boiled down to quality of life. Do you want a good quality of life here? Do you want to live in an area where the mountains don't crash through your backyard every time it rains, where people can swim without fear of contamination, and where rates of cancer are lower than any other place?

What this whole issue is about is how we define ourselves as a people. Are the people of the Northwest committed? When we seek to accomplish a job do we allow our goals to be undermined for the sake of profit? The greed kills us as well as the fish. No one else is going to do this for us, let's quit screwing around and get to it.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of David Hall, columnist for *The Daily Barometer*.

Assisted suicide not the answer

Death and dying can be very scary, and something many would rather not think about. Death is the ultimate mystery — the ultimate unknown. Many are concerned, however, that their death, or the death of their close friends and family, will be filled with agonizing physical suffering — that they will spend their last moments of life attached to some sort of machine that will do little else than prolong their agony. These concerns have been central to the impetus behind the passing of Measure 16 in 1994, which according to the November 1997 voters' pamphlet, "Allows terminally ill adult Oregon residents voluntary informed choice to obtain physician's prescription for lethal drugs when physicians predict patient's death within six months..."

PATRICK WILLIAMS

I came face to face with death and dying when in March 1991 my mother informed me that she had lung cancer. She was diagnosed with cancer in January 1991, was given approximately six months to live, treated with chemotherapy, and died June 1st of that same year. The issues surrounding Measure 51, of which a "yes" vote would repeal Measure 16, are complex and difficult, with well-intentioned people lining up on both sides. However, the legally sanctioned assisted suicide of Measure 16 should be avoided for several reasons. First and foremost, the answer to the fears of death, dying, and suffering should not be doctors helping people kill themselves, but rather doctors providing acceptable pain management. Thus, terminally ill people ought to be provided with hospice care, and administered drugs to control pain even should the effort to control that pain contribute to a quicker death for the person. The distinction here is critical — caring for a person and meeting their medical needs (foremost

among them pain control) as opposed to doctors facilitating a person killing him/herself.

Under existing Oregon law (excluding Measure 16), a person can choose to refuse extraordinary medical measures to prolong their life. Furthermore, a person can through a living will direct when "pulling the plug" on life sustaining medical machines is acceptable in the event they are unconscious and seriously ill. There is a difference between a person accepting the reality of their death (because extraordinary treatment measures have little chance of success) and that person being provided by a doctor the means by which to take his/her own life through prescription of lethal drugs.

In his latest book, psychiatrist M. Scott Peck, M.D., writes, "Given the medical armamentarium available to adequately relieve physical pain, the improving climate in regard to the full use of that armamentarium, and the option for those with terminal diseases to switch from hospital to hospice care, there is no reason for anyone to die with intractable suffering" ("Denial of the Soul: spiritual and medical perspectives on euthanasia and mortality," 1997, p.56). According to Dr. Peck, the failure of people to die without pain is a result of the medical profession's not properly addressing pain management, not a failure of its capability to relieve that pain.

There are also psychological and emotional concerns involved with death and dying — namely, the understandable depression associated with the physical and mental deterioration of dying. Again, the answer to this is not to help the person kill his/herself, but rather to provide compassionate care to the individual. Suicide is a cry for help, a cry for support in a time of difficulty. Anyone who has experienced the signifi-

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LETTERS

Parking dilemma

To The Editor:

The parking situation is screwed-up around here. First of all there are 2776 student spots, costing \$65, for a population of some 15,000 students, and of course keep in mind that not all 15,000 students buy parking permits. Then there are 1960 staff spots costing \$90 for however many staff people there are. Now here is where it gets interesting: the staff can park in both staff and student spots, while the students are firmly restricted to student spots only. Now, what I don't understand is that staff are paid to be here while students pay heavily to be here. Why should staff be able to park any where they want to while students are relegated to the spots that are always farther from campus?

Now if the university experience is partly meant to break down dividing walls between us and put all people on an equal field, why are we so avidly separating something as basic as parking spots. If there must be staff and student spots, let's have just staff and just student and neither can park in the other kind of spot. Or if the staff get to nearly triple their available spots with student spots then why don't they have to pay nearly triple the fee for a permit that students have to pay? Or how about we just have parking spots and parking permits and let people park where they can. Now I do realize that staff usually live far away from campus, but so do some students.

There is nothing more frustrating than driving around looking for a student spot and passing by open staff spots but knowing that you can't park there regardless. If we are going to stress equality here at the OSU campus, how about we equalize the parking situation?

Mike Accuardi
Senior, Graphic Design

Try transit week

To The Editor:

We need to change the way Corvallis gets to work and school. The Corvallis Transit System (CTS) will hold its fifth annual "Try Transit Week" Oct. 20 through 25 to encourage use of public transit as an alternative to the single-occupancy vehicle (SOV). "Try Transit Week" highlights transit's ability to save energy, reduce air pollution, improve the environment, and improve transportation mobility for everyone. This year's event will feature the addition of bicycle racks to the city's buses, providing another transportation alternative for those who wish to combine bicycling with riding the bus.

ASOSU and OSU have contributed in a major way to encouraging use of public transit. OSU students, faculty, and staff, through agreements between ASOSU, OSU and the City of Corvallis, can ride all year just by showing their valid OSU ID

cards. Almost 30 percent of CTS ridership in 1996-97 was OSU faculty, staff, or students.

Buses serve students living on and off campus. Several routes travel through campus and on N.W. Monroe, connecting OSU with downtown Corvallis and other major shopping centers. Take the bus during "Try Transit Week '97, and begin your transit habit.

Bernadette Barrett
Transit Manager, Corvallis Transit System

Adverse air quality

To The Editor:

I am polling *Barometer* readership to see if anyone is in any way adversely affected by the air quality in ALS Agriculture and Life Sciences Building. If you have experienced any physical side effects such as headache, malaise, or have noticed strange odors while inside ALS Building please seriously consider reporting these to the OSU Environmental Health Specialist at Facilities Services on campus. Call Mr. Lance Jones, environmental health specialist, at 737-2274, or the office coordinator at 737-4038.

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R. Foster
Graduate Student, Environmental Soil Science

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cant psychological stress of losing a loved one, divorce, etc. is aware of how powerful such stress, or depression, can be. Why should dying, the ultimate loss of control, be anything less of a stressful period as one struggles with it? As such, there should be effort made to provide the person with some sort of counseling by a psychotherapist or if spiritually inclined, by a priest, rabbi, pastor etc. Just because people are going through the process of dying does not mean they should be written off — they are still people, people with needs, concerns, fears, desires. The answer to these dilemmas is not to help them kill themselves, but rather to assist them in living out the remainder of their lives as comfortably as possible.

“Just because people are going through the process of dying does not mean they should be written off — they are still people.”

Recently, a man asked me how I would vote on Measure 51. “Yes,” I told him. He responded that he would vote “no,” and proceeded to tell me about several people in his family who had died recently. They had died of cancer, in agony, and he asked me where was the dignity in dying in tremendous pain? Further, when one of his relatives in the later stages of cancer would get injected with morphine, they literally seemed to sweat out the effects of the drug within seconds. I said I had read that serious pain could be effectively managed, but it depended on the will of the doctor involved to do it. Pain management, I said, appeared to me to be the key issue and that if the pain could be controlled, I didn't understand the point of helping people kill themselves. Visibly upset, he responded, “That's a very big ‘if.’”

Later, I had the opportunity to speak with a hospice nurse. I told her of my conversation with the man, and asked for her perspective on the matter. Over the last five years, she has been involved in hospice care, and estimated having seen a little over 500 dying patients. Of those patients, there were only two where the pain could not be fully controlled. For those two patients, it was not a question of constant pain, but rather due to allergies to medication, and other reasons, there were times the level of pain would begin to rise and different drugs had to

be used in order to bring the patient's pain back under control. I asked her about the ineffective morphine shot as related by the man, and she responded that it sounded as though it was simply not enough morphine to arrest the pain. She added the hospice philosophy is to keep pain regularly under control around the clock by not letting it build in the first place. According to her, while most doctors have been good about alleviating pain, some doctors still need to learn about pain control, which is the reason some patients still suffer unnecessarily. The technology to control the pain is there, it just needs to be matched with the will to use it.

Some are reluctant to delve into an issue like physician assisted suicide because they feel it is a medical issue. However, we have the responsibility to be critical thinkers and examine the evidence on questions of societal and moral significance. Measure 51 is no exception. Dying is inherently difficult and a process of adjustment. Yet, despite the fact that to a healthy person, seeing someone with cancer and/or dying may look terrible to us, we should hesitate before we make a judgement about that person's quality of life. Thinking back, I consider myself grateful for the little amount of time I was able to spend with my mother during the last six months of her life and, as she told people who asked her how she was, there were good days and bad days. The answer to a person's fears of death, dying, and suffering is not assisted suicide, but rather to support them as best we are able, to enable them to live out the remainder of their lives as comfortably and painlessly as possible. The answer to these very real fears is better pain management by the medical community and more hospice, not helping people kill themselves at being diagnosed with six months to live. Yes on 51.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of Patrick Williams, guest columnist for *The Daily Barometer*.

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My conclusion? Oh my, yes.
 Lever Bros., makers of Lever 2000 soap and Snuggly fabric softener.
 ERIC: Do you folks do the Snuggly fabric softener?
 LEVER: Yes, we do, we are the manufacturers of that.
 ERIC: OK, the Snuggly Bear that's in the commercials: Do a lot of people hate that thing?
 LEVER: No, actually a lot of people love it. They call and ask how they can purchase them.
 ERIC: Really? People want to buy the Snuggly Bear?
 LEVER: Right, yep.
 ERIC: Can you?
 LEVER: Well, there are promotions that go on occasionally. My question is, you ask if people hate the bear — do you love it or hate it?
 ERIC: Well, see, I don't like him, just because he's so cute and he's got that voice. It's kind of annoying.
 LEVER: I'll share your comments.
 ERIC: I've heard a lot of comedians make fun of it, like they want to put the bear in the dryer and turn it on.
 LEVER: But that's good in a way, because at least they remember the product.
 ERIC: At least they remember it. Even if they hate it.
 LEVER: I'll let them know what you're saying. You're saying you don't like the commercials.
 ERIC: I don't like the bear. The bear's just too cute.
 LEVER: OK, I'll put that down.
 ERIC: The fabric softener works fine. I just don't like the bear.

Post cereal
 ERIC: I was curious about the Grape Nuts. How do they get the name Grape Nuts?
 POST: There's a story behind that. The story involves the actual maker of the Grape Nuts, who was —
 ERIC: Freddy Post?
 POST: Not Freddy Post.
 ERIC: Wasn't there a Freddy Post in history?
 POST: No, sir.
 (A little later in the conversation.)
 ERIC: How many bowls would be OK for someone to eat in a day?
 POST: Hmm. That's all based on your consumption. If you take a look on the bottom of the box, in the nutritional information, there's a daily value — that's what you should be basing it on.

ERIC: I just wonder, if you ate too much, would it be bad? Because I like to have four or five bowls sometimes. Would that be bad? Could you have too much?
 POST: Unfortunately we don't have that information available. Although that's a very good question. Myself, I eat a lot of cereal too.
 ERIC: What kind do you like?
 POST: I like the Banana Nut Crunch, Cranberry Crunch, the Golden Crisp.
 ERIC: I like the Fruity Pebbles.
 POST: There's a wide selection that I like, but my best is the Banana Nut Crunch.
 ERIC: I haven't tried that.
 POST: Oh, man, that is great.
 ERIC: Do the Post people who work on the Fruity Pebbles and the sugar cereals, are they in competition with the people who work on the more legitimate cereals like Grape Nuts? Are there arguments in the cafeteria, or fights at the company picnic?
 POST: Not at all. We pull together as a team.
 (And a little later...)

ERIC: When I was a kid, I ate a lot of the Fruity Pebbles and Cocoa Pebbles, and sometimes I'd have like five bowls of that in the morning, and then I'd be hyper until about 3 in the afternoon. And then I'd take a nap for about three hours. So I don't think that was very healthy.
 POST: Well, I wouldn't have any information in regards to the cereal actually making that happen. You may have to consult a physician about that.
 ERIC: Well, it's so much sugar. I mean, to make that "part of a balanced breakfast," you'd have to have like a whole loaf of toast to balance it out. And I'd just eat the cereal and go nuts the rest of the day.
 POST: (as if he thinks I'm crazy) Oh, OK.
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Paralyzed football player sues for worker's compensation benefits

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — In a case that could redefine the legal status of college athletes, a former Texas Christian University football player who was paralyzed in a game went to court Wednesday seeking worker's compensation benefits.

Alvis Kent Waldrep Jr., who hasn't walked since a violent tackle nearly 23 years ago, contends he wasn't just a student-athlete, but a university employee driving the big-money business of college football.

"It's time that college athletics take care of the kids who make it all possible," Waldrep said as he entered court.

The 43-year-old father of two is suing TCU's insurance carrier, saying he was an employee who should get lifetime worker's compensation benefits for a debilitating injury suffered while on the job.

A state agency already has sided with Waldrep. But TCU's earlier insurance company has refused to pay, forcing the former running back into court.

Waldrep, president of the National Paralysis Foundation in Dallas, said the case isn't about the money — more than \$250,000 in medical costs alone.

"The only way this is worth going through is to change the NCAA," he said. "We know this is going to go to the Texas Supreme Court. It's going to be a couple more years."

Waldrep's injury came in a 41-3 TCU loss at Alabama in 1974 on a sweep play late in the second quarter. Waldrep, carrying the ball, was forced toward the sideline where an attempted tackle by a Crimson Tide defender sent Waldrep flying.

"I was turned in an awkward position and came down head-first on the artificial turf," he recounted in a 1993 interview. "I tried to get up, but I wasn't getting up. It was frightening. ... I felt tremendous pain in my neck, and it was hard to breathe. It never occurred to me I had broken my neck."

At first, Texas Christian officials told Waldrep they would help. He said they did, until the costs of his continuing medical treatment got too expensive. Then the university said it was not liable.

TCU spokesman Rick L'Amie said it

would be inappropriate for the Fort Worth school to comment.

Gregory Whigham, an attorney for Texas Employers Insurance Association, TCU's former insurance carrier, declined comment outside court.

For its part, the National Collegiate Athletic Association said it has changed, covering student athletes under a catastrophic injury insurance plan begun in 1992.

Waldrep says that's not enough.

"It doesn't protect the all-American athlete whose knee is torn in his junior year and academics weren't his priority," Waldrep said. "Who's going to pay for that for the rest of his life?"

"The NCAA needs, at a minimum, to cover all scholarship athletes for worker's compensation and recognize the professionalism of college athletics."

At the heart of the dispute is whether Waldrep was a TCU employee.

He says he was getting compensation in the form of a full scholarship, room and board, traveling money, cash to pay to get his laundry washed and "money under the table we're not supposed to talk about."

Wally Renfro, an NCAA spokesman, said even if college athletics were viewed as a business, universities don't have an employer-employee relationship with their student athletes.

"We recognize that student athletes who have injuries should have insurance coverage," Renfro said. "We don't believe worker's comp is the solution."

Renfro said universities, not the NCAA, would be affected if Waldrep wins the case.

A similar case in Indiana in 1976 was decided in favor of the athlete but overturned by the Indiana Court of Appeals.

Waldrep said changing the relationship between universities and student athletes wouldn't be detrimental nor overly expensive.

In 1984, the University of Nebraska estimated worker's compensation premiums for student athletes would cost about \$55,000 a year.

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Indigenous People's Day redefines Columbus Day celebration

By AARON FRY

of The Daily Barometer

Yesterday in the spirit of campus culture, a variety of cultural groups hosted the third annual Indigenous People's Day in the Memorial Union Lounge. The theme: "On Oct. 12 we were not 'discovered,' we were colonized."

The ceremony began with an invocation by Delphine Jackson, counselor/recruitor for educational opportunities at OSU and a Native American, asking a blessing from the Creator and praising the variety and uniqueness of creation — every flower and every human. Then, with a cry from the back, the King Island Dancers signaled a dance with what can be translated as, "It is time to beat the drums!"

With that, members of the Klamath tribe and student volunteers began a series of traditional dances, each with significant meaning and symbolic gestures by both men and women. Three large drums kept a steady rhythm while singing and chanting filled the lounge. To finish, the group asked the audience to participate. People were hesitant at first, but finished with smiling faces.

After the King Island Dancers, Adrian Castro of Mexica-Tiahui walked to the podium in full headdress, complete with skull and two-foot plumage. He spoke of community, the richness and variety of culture and the groups mission to question traditions and push boundaries. Their first performance, entitled "Blessing to the Four Winds," began with steady drumming by Adrian and Jose Torres as two women slowly entered the lounge and filled the air with pungent incense. As the smoke drifted throughout the room and danced in the peeking rays of sunshine, the drumming increased in tempo until the women had completed the blessing. Then the women were joined by another and the three stood encircling the two smoking jars. The drums began again as the women spun and stomped around the incense, each with a headdress that rivaled the next. The dancing can only be described as feverish; a vast difference from the calm, subtle gestures of the King Island group.

Before any of the speakers could address the issues, before any thanks could be said to the sponsors and audience, before being filed back into the culture-at-large, the release of 500 years drifted up through the smell of burning incense and the sound of frenzied drums.

"I feel that it's my responsibility to keep my language alive through my next generation," expresses Cipriano Lopez of the Estudiantes Indigenas Benito Juarez. "For many years, outsiders have tried to eliminate our native indigenous languages and culture and impose their European culture. I would ... like to extend my invitation to our Latin American brothers and sisters to remember that we all carry indigenous blood, and to unite to support the struggle of many indigenous people against discrimination, political persecution and exploitation."

More than 500 years ago a Spaniard named Christopher



Delphine Jackson, from the Modoc Tribe of Klamath, gives the invocation at yesterday's Indigenous People's Day cultural event which was held at the MU Lounge.

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The King Island Dancers, of the Bering Strait Eskimos, gave several performances of native dances. Scott Kingston (front left) and Mark Muktoyuk (front right), a senior in mathematics, give a performance of the Walrus Dance.

The Aztec Dance Group, Mexica-Tiahui, participated in the performances in their distinct ethnic dress. Jose Torres, a sophomore studying business administration, plays the drums before the audience in the MU Lounge.



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THURSDAY

Meetings
Premed Society, 5:30-6:30pm, MU 206.
OSU Geosciences, 8pm, LaSells Stewart Center. 1997 Condon Lecture. "The Biological and Behavioral Origins of Modern Humans" by Richard Klein, Stanford University.

Collegiate FFA, 5:30pm, Strand 107. Free pizza and drinks. Convention discussion. Committee assignments.

Pre-Optometry Society, 7:30pm, MU 110. First meeting of the year. Introductions, planning, etc.

Non-traditional Students, 4:30pm, MU 209. Non-traditional students meet for conversation and to make friends.

Crop Science Club, 5:30pm, CropS 122.
Golden Key, 5pm, MU 204. All members are welcome to attend. Planning the year and activities. Questions, call 713-5003.

Circle K International, 7pm, Student Involvement Lounge, MU East. Important meeting! Info. on fall conference in Easton, Washington, and more!
PreMed Society, 5:30-6:30pm, MU 206. PreMed meeting.

Speakers
Graduate Christian Forum, 5-6:15pm, MU 209. Skip Rung, an engineer at HP, will speak on "Christianity in the workplace."

Events
Corvallis Drum Council, 8pm-1am, Willamette Park Shelter. Full Moon Drum Circle. Everyone, drummers, dancers, listeners welcome.

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Meetings
Adventist Christian Club, Oct. 17, 6-9pm, Corvallis Seventh-day Adventist Church. Social meeting to meet other students. Free meal provided. Lots of friends, fun, and singing.

Events
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MARKETING CLUB, from page 1

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CONVERSANT PROGRAMS, from page 1

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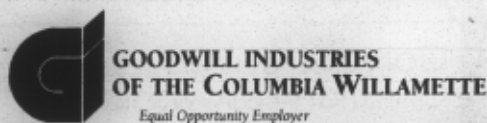
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SPORTS

UCLA gets along without stars

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Toby Bailey and J.R. Henderson are getting good at picking up the pieces.

The UCLA basketball players lost coach Jim Harick to a firing weeks before last season began and still came within a game of reaching the Final Four.

Now, in a senior season that once held the promise of a Final Four trip, the Bruins are missing swingman Kris Johnson and center Jelani McCoy.

In addition, recruit Shea Cotton won't be around at all. The NCAA invalidated his SAT score, making him ineligible to enroll at UCLA.

Johnson, a senior, and McCoy, a junior, were indefinitely suspended Sept. 29 for violating athletic department policies and team rules.

"I was upset and disappointed," said Bailey, a close friend of Johnson's. "Without two of your starters that you were depending on, especially a big man like Jelani, it's definitely going to be harder this year."

They're not allowed to participate in any team activities, but if unspecified conditions are met, they may be reinstated at some future date.

Or their college playing days could be over. That decision is up to coach Steve Lavin and athletic director Peter Dalis.

"We're not going to be as good a basketball team if they never play at UCLA again," said Lavin, who is in regular contact with both players.

"What I was encouraged by was their actions and in the conversations with them, they realize they made a mistake. At one point, Kris said, 'I let my family down, the school down, my teammates down.' That's the first sign there's a resolve in them

that they want to be part of this."

Johnson and McCoy haven't become total outcasts. They play pickup games with Bailey and Henderson and work out on their own.

"I don't make them feel guilty," Bailey said. "They know how special this team can be if they have a chance to come back. I think they just want to redeem themselves."

A sign that Johnson and McCoy may return is the fact that both are still in school. They could have transferred or gone to Europe to begin professional careers.

With Johnson and McCoy joining Bailey and Henderson in the starting lineup, along with freshman point guard Baron Davis, the Bruins were projected as a top five team in several preseason publications.

Without them, UCLA's chances of winning a fourth consecutive Pacific-10 Conference title and making a run at the national championship are dim.

"Hopefully, we can get some wins early in the season and show everybody that we're still a tough team," Bailey said.

The Bruins open practice Saturday. Their first game is Nov. 27 against North Carolina in the Great Alaska Shootout.

Johnson is an explosive scorer and solid rebounder, while the 6-foot-10 McCoy is one of the top field-goal shooters in the conference and a dominant shot-blocker. Cotton was expected to make a major contribution, too.

Henderson is a gifted player who can fill all five positions. But at 6-8 1/2, he lacks McCoy's presence in the middle and could find himself getting pummeled. The rest of the Bruins are 6-8 or smaller.

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SPORTS

Montgomerie apologizes for remarks at Ryder Cup

Associated Press

Colin Montgomerie today issued a statement partially apologizing for remarks he made about American players during the Ryder Cup and said some of those remarks were taken out of context.

Montgomerie was the verbal pointman for the victorious European team in Spain last month and came under harsh criticism from several U.S. players for some of his statements, particularly remarks about Brad Faxon's divorce.

Montgomerie, in St. Andrews for the Dunhill Cup this week, also said he had written to U.S. captain Tom Kite and a number of American players trying to explain his comments.

The controversy comes at a particularly touchy time for Montgomerie since it is all but certain that he will play full time on the U.S. tour next year.

"When I was asked to comment on the U.S. Ryder Cup team my remarks did not come out as I intended and I regret that this has occurred," Montgomerie said in a statement made available to *The Associated Press*.

"I especially regret the personal nature of remarks about members of the team," he said.

Nowhere in the statement does Montgomerie use the word "apology" or "apologize."

Montgomerie took the lead in gamesmanship

for the European team at Valderrama. He said their team had 12 guys who could beat Tiger Woods and that if the Ryder Cup came down to a 4-foot putt he'd want Scott Hoch to have to make it, a reference to the 30-inch putt Hoch missed that cost him the 1989 Masters.

But it was Montgomerie's remark that Faxon "is going through a divorce and mentally I don't think he will be with it" that created the most heat.

"Taking shots at a guy's personal life is a little too much," said PGA Tour player Loren Roberts. "You don't want to alienate guys."

Fred Funk told *Golfweek* magazine: "He is the jerk of the world as far as I'm concerned — and you can write that down because when I see him I'm going to tell him to his face."

Bob Estes, told *Golfweek*: "Who's Monty going to play practice rounds with? I always knew he was a cry-baby. I respect his skills, but when he starts with the low blows ... that's poor. I think when he comes to play over here he's going to get the cold shoulder from a lot of guys."

Faxon, who defeated Montgomerie in the World Match Play championship last week, said he didn't think Montgomerie was being mean-spirited and called on his fellow players not to snub the Scotsman.

Tyson to pay Green \$45,000

Boxer gets denied his request of \$25 million

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Mitch Green received a bigger payday Wednesday for a beating in a 1988 street brawl with Mike Tyson than he earned in a bout with the heavyweight champion two years earlier.

A jury awarded Green \$45,000 — 50 percent more than his \$30,000 paycheck for a 10-round fight that Tyson won by decision in 1986. Green had been seeking \$25 million.

The panel decided Green had provoked Tyson into a fight outside Dapper Dan's, a 24-hour-a-day leather goods store in Harlem, but held Tyson financially liable for injuries.

Green sustained a broken nose, a five-inch cut over the bridge of his nose and a swollen left eye during the 4 a.m. fight.

"This is a moral victory because Mitch Green always claimed he was sucker-punched by Mike Tyson," said Alan Rich, Green's lawyer. "Obviously, the jury didn't feel that the injury was as serious as we did."

Green, 40, said he was upset after the verdict, but he was more subdued as he stood in the hall-

way surrounded by four court officers than he had been in court during much of the two-week trial.

Green said there had been several offers by Tyson's side to settle for sums much larger than what the jury awarded. The jury deliberated for a total of about six hours over two days.

"I thought the jury would be more in my favor," Green said. "I should've got more money."

Tyson, 31, in court when the verdict was returned, left without commenting. Tyson's lawyer, Robert Hirth, said his client had no plans to appeal.

At Hirth's request, State Supreme Court Justice Elliott Wilk issued a 30-day order of protection requiring Green to stay away from Tyson.

Two of the six jurors, who declined to give their names, said they believed some of the testimony on both sides. Juror No. 2 also said Green's disruptive courtroom behavior influenced their verdict.

Juror No. 5 said she believed Green "consented" to have a fight with Tyson. "He went outside knowing that there would be a fight," she said.

The fight occurred after Green went looking for Tyson at Dapper Dan's. Rich said Green merely wanted to ask for a rematch of a 1986 10-rounder that he had lost by decision, and Tyson "sucker-punched" him.

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Strength, maturity; topics at hoops media day



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Eddie Payne displays his enthusiasm courtside.

By BRIAN SHAY
of The Daily Barometer

It was media day for the OSU men's basketball team yesterday afternoon and no matter who you talked to there seemed to be the same words floating around: maturity, speed and strength.

The Beavers enter the 1997-98 season, which will get underway with their first practice on Saturday, with eight returnees and five fresh faces that will help build on and hopefully turn around and up and down 7-20 season.

"We were on an emotional rollercoaster last year with a lot of ups and downs," said head coach Eddie Payne. "Unfortunately there seemed to be more downs."

The Beavers will return Corey Benjamin, Ron Grady, John Blair Bickerstaff, Terrill Woods, Jerome Vaden, Sonny Benjamin, Todd Marshall, Sasha Petrovic and Iyan Walker from last year's club that averaged 69 points per game.

As for the new recruits that will try to fit in, they are happy to be a part of the new look Beavers.

"I am excited to be at Oregon State," said freshman point guard Deandra Tanner. "We have a very athletic recruiting class that will help make a lot of changes in the OSU basketball program."

Other freshman include Ronnie Walton and Jason Heide along with JC transfer 7 foot 1 George Von Backstrom and redshirt freshman Nick Greene, who played with Arizona point guard Mike Bibby at Shadow Mountain High School in Arizona.

Tanner, along with Walton and Bickerstaff, will battle for the vacant point guard spot that opened up when Carson Cunningham transferred to Purdue last summer. The departure of Cunningham, who was tied for the team lead in points per game, will leave a void that will be felt, but not to the degree that some may think.

"We lose his ability to create baskets, and his creativeness," said

Payne on Cunningham. "But we have good young men here that have a great deal of character and are aggressive."

The noticeable difference though in this year's team is that they will have a year under their belts, they know each other well now and don't have to make so many drastic changes. "We've got a chance to make some noise in the Pac-10 this year," Bickerstaff said. "Everyone has gained 15-20 pounds and you can see a look of determination in peoples faces."

The Beavers, who haven't had a winning season in seven years will begin their game schedule with an exhibition against the Cairnes team from Australia on Nov. 10. Their overall schedule won't be as difficult as last years, which was rated the 11th toughest

in the country but it will have some tough challenges. The Beavers will play the highly touted Utah Utes led by Michael Doleac on Dec. 20 in the Rose Garden and will open their Pac-10 schedule at home

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— JOHN BLAIR BICKERSTAFF, OSU GUARD

against Stanford on Jan. 3.

"Losing perpetuates more losing," Payne added. "Our schedule is a little lighter but the Pac-10 had the highest power rating last year, so it won't be that easy."

As for the Pac-10, which has gotten little credit despite winning two of the last three national championships (Arizona '97) and (UCLA '95), it could be pretty wide open after you get by the top few teams.

According to Payne, Stanford, Cal and UCLA all look to be pretty good.

"After those teams, you have a lot of teams that have holes to fill," Payne concluded.

As far as the Beavers hope for the postseason, there was some talk of that as a goal, whether it be the NIT or the NCAA.

"We would like to finish over .500, and in the top half of the conference," Grady said. "It isn't unrealistic for us to look to make the postseason."

Marlins beat the odds to get to series

Associated Press

MIAMI — Despite a \$54 million payroll, a \$61 million slugger and an \$89 million spending spree, the Florida Marlins still seem like underdogs.

The role has taken them all the way to the World Series, and no expansion team ever made it faster.

The Marlins won the first pennant in their five-year history Tuesday night, overcoming injuries, illness and a .199 team batting average to surprise Atlanta in the National League championship series.

The World Series begins Saturday in Miami against Cleveland or Baltimore. Appropriately for an underdog, Florida will start a rookie pitcher — Cuban defector Liván Hernandez — in Game 1.

"People have said this team was bought with a lot of money," ace Kevin Brown said. "But I have news for you: The money is not what won against Atlanta. The heart, determination and relentless pursuit of our goal is what won for us."

Brown was unable to pitch as scheduled Saturday or Sunday because of a viral infection. He recovered sufficiently by Tuesday to throw an 11-hit complete game, clinching the series by beating the two-time defending NL champions 7-4 in Game 6.

Manager Jim Leyland will give Brown four days' rest after the veteran right-hander threw 140 pitches Tuesday. That means the starting assignment for the World Series opener falls to the 22-year-old Hernandez, who struck out an NLCS-record 15 Braves in a three-hit victory Sunday. Hernandez, who also won Game in relief, was chosen the MVP of the series.

Leyland's options are limited because No. 2 starter Alex Fernandez is sidelined with a torn rotator cuff. That has been only the most serious in a series of postseason setbacks for Florida.

Moises Alou missed two starts because of a sore wrist and went 1-for-15 against Atlanta. Bobby Bonilla battled the flu, then left Tuesday's game in the eighth inning with an injury to his left thigh.

But Leyland, who lost in the NLCS three consecutive years in Pittsburgh, kept the mood positive.

"Jim was an inspiration throughout the series," Brown said. "He said we had all the reason in the world to lay down and quit, but that's not what this team has been about all year, and let's not do it now."

Last spring, many prognosticators picked Florida to challenge Atlanta for the pennant. After all, the Marlins have the second-highest payroll in the NL behind the Braves, largely because owner Wayne Huizenga spent \$89 million last offseason to sign six free agents. Huizenga also signed slugger Gary Sheffield to a six-year, \$61 million contract in April.

Still, the Marlins are the first wild-card team to reach the World Series, and their resiliency in the face of adversity has lent a storybook quality to their postseason.

As Florida prepares for the World Series, injuries remain a factor. The absence of Fernandez means more important roles for inconsistent left-handers Al Leiter and Tony Saunders, who will start Games 3 and 4, although the order hasn't been determined.

The latest injury — to Bonilla — was apparently minor, Leyland said.

"I think he just cramped up," Leyland said. "He was pretty good on the plane Tuesday night."

The Marlins took off Wednesday, and Bonilla didn't seek treatment from team trainers.

Bonilla's availability is vital, because even with him in the lineup against Atlanta, the Marlins' offense was hurting. Charles Johnson went 2-for-17, Jeff Conine 2-for-18 and Devon White 4-for-21, and Florida's only homer was by Sheffield in Game 3.

"Everyone talked so much about experience and how many times the Braves had been here," Conine said during the clubhouse celebration late Tuesday. "But we came in on the first try and we wanted it so much. There's so much emotion going on in here — I think that's how we beat them."

Women's Golf finish sixth

By OSU Sports Information

The No. 21 Oregon State women's golf team concluded the Edean Ihlanfeldt Invitational in sixth place with a 54-hole score of 910. The Beavers shot a final round 303. No. 4 Tulsa won the event with a tournament record 881.

Andrea Hehn led OSU, tying for 13th place at 225. Hehn shot a final round even-par 72. Kathleen Tahaishi was 18th at 227, which included an eagle in her final round of 76. Anjeanette Dabbs tied for 19th at 228, Carina Olsson tied for 28th at 232 and Rachel

Borcherts tied for 46th at 237.

"I'm proud of the way the team played," Head Coach Rise Lakowak said. "We were a little tentative at the start today, but we played well down the stretch. We are in the learning process of how to play with the top teams in the country, the good news is we are in that position."

Christina Kuld of Tulsa captured the individual title with a tournament record of 211. Kuld shot rounds of 70, 69, 72.

Oregon State returns to action Oct. 24-26 at the Stanford Invitational.

Cleveland Indians join Florida Marlins

Associated Press

BALTIMORE — The Cleveland Indians concluded a magical week with their best trick yet — surviving another brilliant effort by Mike Mussina and making the Baltimore Orioles disappear from the playoffs.

The Indians claimed their second pennant in three years Wednesday, defeating the Orioles 1-0 on an 11th-inning homer by last-minute starter Tony Fernandez to win the AL championship series 4-2.

It was only the third hit of the game for Cleveland, which will open the World Series on the road Saturday night against the Florida Marlins.

The Indians managed only one hit in eight innings off Mussina, who turned in his second straight sensational performance in a losing cause. Mussina left after having thrown 108 pitches in his second successive start with three days' rest.

Armando Benitez, the third Baltimore pitcher, got two easy outs in the 11th before Fernandez slammed a 2-0 pitch over the 25-foot scoreboard in right. It was the first postseason home run in 133 at-bats for Fernandez, a late replacement for second baseman Bip Roberts, who was scratched with a bruised left thumb.

Brian Anderson got the win, pitching a scoreless 10th inning, and Jose Mesa got three outs for

the save, wrapping up the Indians' fourth one-run win of the series.

The Orioles won a league-best 98 games during the regular season, but the Indians used some splendid pitching and a liberal dose of luck to avenge last year's division series loss to Baltimore a year ago.

Cleveland won Game 2 last Thursday when No. 9 hitter Marquis Grissom hit a three-run homer off Benitez, who had surrendered a lead just once all season. The Indians prevailed in the 12th inning of Game 3 on a bungled squeeze bunt, then won again the following day, scoring twice on a wild pitch that didn't get 15 feet from home plate.

And they did it all without Albert Belle, the sullen star who left as a free agent during the off-season. The new-look Tribe has only 10 players left from the 1995 World Series team which lost to the Atlanta Braves.

"It may not be a better club, but it has far fewer distractions," general manager John Hart said before the game.

Mussina set an ALCS record with 15 strikeouts in Game 3, but the Orioles failed to score during his seven innings and lost 2-1 in the 12th. The right-hander was even sharper this time, retiring 20 of the first 21 batters while allowing only a leadoff double by David Justice in the fifth.