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# Greek Summit addresses important OSU issues

# Dry housing popular topic at conference

By JENNIFER NELSON of The Daily Barometer

ver 200 OSU students, administration, and faculty gathered terday at the CH2M Hill Alumni Center for Greek Summit II, a conference aimed at "providing the Greek community with an opportunity to focus on our strengths and weaknesses, while looking at ways to improve our Greek community," said Jessica Per-

sons, coordinator of the event. The conference, which was built around the theme "Building a New Foundation," focused on topics that were both relevant to maintaining and developing OSU's Greek community.

Following the keynote address by OSU First Lady Les Risser, the participants attended four educational sessions that lasted approximately one hour each.

Sessions covered a wide range of topics, including marketing, conflicts of virtues, substancefree housing, ice-breaking activities, attitude, public relations,



recruitment, the role of resident advisors, alcohol education and scholarship development.

For the second year in a row, the hottest topic covered was that of substance-free housing. It was so popular, in fact, that the session was offered three times.

Facilitated by Phi Kappa Psi alumni Tom Pennington, the sessions on substance-free housing were met with some opposition from students.

"There's a time and a place for

alcohol," said John Seethoff, a junior double-majoring in business and science and president of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

There needs to be a healthy balance. Taking away alcohol could mean the end of the Greek system," said Alison Kliener, a freshman in pre-medicine and member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority.

Pennington argued these concerns by pointing out that although some dry campuses JOE ELLIS/The Daily Bai

Left: Meadow Clendenin of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority shares her beliefs on recruitment with other Greek house representatives at the Greek Summit.

Right: John Seethoff of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity talks in a forum on rush and recruitment at the Greek Summit, held Sunday at the CH2M Hill Alumni Center.



did initially suffer cuts in numbers, they eventually went back up, along with grades

Other concerns included an increase in use of false identification, drinking and driving, sexual misconduct and fights.

Despite these concerns, several students felt substance-free housing is the future.

"Substance-free housing is going to eventually be a reality,"

Following the educational sessions was an awards banquet which highlighted those Greek students and chapters that were not only forwarding the progress of their own chapter, but the Greek community as well.

Winners included Kappa Delta for outstanding sorority new member education; Theta Chi for outstanding fraternity new member education; Pi Beta Phi sorority for outstanding

community outreach; David Stahl, of Phi Kappa Psi, for outstanding fraternity new mem-ber, Stacy Meltebeke, of Chi Omega, for outstanding sorority new member; Annelisa Smith, of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority for outstanding individual community service; Ryan Oliver, of Theta Chi, for outstanding fraternity chapter member; and Meadow Clendenin, of Kappa Kappa Gamma, for outstanding

# Payroll for top student body officials nearly

By MICHAEL THOMAS

of The Daily Barometer

As student fees and the cost of education are expected to increase next year, so are the salaries of those who work for the Associated Students of Oregon State University.

Under the current pay scale, the ASOSU president earns \$7,485 during the academic school year and \$4,940 for being on the job during the summer months, amounting to a total of \$12,425 while in office. This total amount is scheduled to increase to \$12,978 for the upcoming school year.

The salaries for the ASOSU vice president, vice president for the senate and graduate senate chair are also expected to increase from \$3,632 currently to \$3,772 for the upcoming school year.

Comparatively, the Black Student Union Program will receive only \$10,710 for the 1998-1999 school year.

One of the primary reasons for the increases is the fact that the cost of education at OSU will be rising \$333 up to \$11,694. Those who work for ASOSU are paid by the Educational Activities Committee, which receives money from eight percent of student

The primary reason that the ASOSU president makes nearly

four times as much as the vice president and senate chairs comes from the required responsibility of staying on the job during the

"I was working 50-60 hours a week during the summer learning the job," explained current ASOSU president Matt DeVore.

You're giving up one year of your education to ASOSU. - MATT DEVORE, ASOSU PRESIDENT

DeVore went on to explain that residing as president for one full year took a lot of time out of his schedule from fulfilling responsibilities as a student. As president, he was also required to work at least 35 hours per week during the school year.

"Some of the issues that we are working on must be worked on for 12 months," DeVore said. "You're giving up one year of your education to ASOSU."

ASOSU President-elect Mike Caudle also expressed support for the pay scale.

"I think that we get paid quite a bit, but it allows us to take our

job seriously," Caudle said. "It legitimizes our role in the university and makes our seat real."

However, some students do not quite share the same opinions as DeVore and Caudle.

"As a student, that seems like a lot of money to me," explained Justin Peeler, a senior in exercise and sports science.

"I know a lot of people who do part-time school and work a full-time job who don't get paid that much money," Peeler said. "It also seems kind of outrageous for the president to be making four times as much as the vice president.'

Kevin Smith, a senior in botany, disputes the notion that student government should be a paid position.

"Being a student position, I don't think they should get paid at all," Smith said. "They're doing it for the school, not for the

"They're digging deeper into our pockets every year," Smith said, adding, "When you see something like this it pisses you off."

Both students agree that the president's pay should be more comparable with that of the vice president and both senate

"I think that the president's pay should be brought down to the others' pay," Peeler said.

# Controversy over priority registration for athletes continues

**ASOSU** sending recommendation to Hashimoto today By ANDREW McCORD

of The Daily Barometer

To join eight of the of 10 PAC-10 schools or not?

Today the Associated Students of Oregon State University will send their recommendation of whether or not they approve

Hashimoto, associate provost for student affairs. A discussion amongst ASOSU was held Friday, and a verdict that has not yet been disclosed was found.

"The other universities that give priority registration to athletes also take other activities into consideration," said Melanie Spraggins, ASOSU vice-president elect. "Students that are involved in band, clubs and stu-

"It's not a cut and dried answer," said Saji Prelis, ASOSU vice-president. "I understand that the student athletes work very hard, but students who work equally hard and put in just as much time, like those is ASOSU, aren't being given the option of priority reg-

"I definitely feel that the athletes on campus are not given

of student athletes receiving pri- dent government are also consid- the proper credit. Some faculty better, thereby improving the manner, and that's a cultural and societal issue that we have to look at and change," Prelis added.

Proponents for priority registration argue that athletes have hard time getting into classes that they need due to conflicts with practices. They also argue that by getting into the classes they need at the times that work for them, athletes will perform

program.

Opponents of priority registration say that athletes should not receive any "special treatment" on campus because it would be discriminatory. For instance, there are many other students on campus who also hold down various commitments, including jobs, parenting or heavy involvement in school

Spraggins said. "Our concern is that there are over 500 student parents at OSU. They are the people with the biggest time commitments along with the students who work to put themselves through college.

"What if a person is financially strapped? Do we give them priority registration?" Prelis asked. "Why do we need to give preferential treatment?"

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# NATIONAL NEWS

# Teacher killed at school dance; 14-year-old charged

It was pretty horrible. It was like

a nightmare. We were all

# A middle school student opens fire on classmates in auditorium

**Associated Press** 

EDINBORO, Pa. - A 14-year-old boy was charged Saturday in a shooting at an eighth-grade graduation dance with the theme, "I Had the Time of My Life." A science teacher was killed and two pupils and a teacher were wounded.

Andrew Wurst, a pupil at Parker Middle School, shot teacher John Gillette on a patio outside a banquet hall, walked inside and fired several more shots, left the building through a rear exit and was arrested shortly thereafter, police spokesman Mark Zaleski said.

Teen-agers were dancing to "My Heart Will Go On" from the movie "Titanic" on Friday night when the first of several booms rang out at Nick's Place, near Edinboro about scared and crying and praying. 100 miles north of Pittsburgh.

Sobbing girls in satin dresses and terrified boys in neckties huddled outside the hall. Some hid in a closet.

Adam Sarren, 15, said the noises sounded like a cap gun. "It was pretty horrible. It was like a nightmare," he said. "We

were all scared and crying and praying. Gillette, a teacher for 27 years who had organized the dance, died. The 48-year-old father of three was shot in the head.

Two 14-year-old boys were wounded by gunfire; one was grazed across the abdomen and the other shot in the foot. Both were treated at a hospital and released. A female teacher was grazed by a bullet and did not need medical treatment.

Wurst, who carried a .25-caliber handgun and a small amount of marijuana, was caught in a field behind the hall just after the shooting by Nick's Place owner James Strand, who carried a shotgun.

Wurst, of nearby McKean, was charged as an adult with

criminal homicide, three counts each of aggravated assault and reckless endangerment, as well as drug and gun charges. He was jailed without bond. School officials did not know what moti-

Sarren, who said he knew Wurst, described him as a loner who never smiled and dressed sloppily with untucked T-shirts and untied shoes. He said he often wore the same pants for sev-

"He looked like he was dead. He never had his eyes all the way open," Sarren said. "I never liked him at all."

Gillette was a teacher and student council adviser, said his neighbor, high school principal Donald Ickes. He was also a former high school football coach. As a youth he starred in football and was a champion discus thrower in Erie County.

Band teacher Kitchen said Gillette had

recently considered retiring.
"He was really dedicated," band teacher Dennis Kitchen said. "He's the one that started these dances in the first place." - ADAM SARREN, 15

On Saturday, hundreds of parents, students and teachers gathered at the school to meet with counselors. Outside the school, the district superintendent

"The sad part of this whole thing is I don't have any answers," Therese Walter, superintendent of the General McLane School District, said. "We lost John because he was doing what his life

In the past six months, five students were fatally shot at a middle school in Jonesboro, Ark., three students were killed in a shooting at a high school in West Paducah, Ky., and two students were killed and seven wounded at a high school shooting

Too many of us believe that violence is unique to urban areas. The tragedy Friday in Edinboro proves that belief false," David Gondak, president of the Pennsylvania State Education

# Mrs. Clinton questioned by Whitewater prosecutors

WASHINGTON — Whitewater prosecutors questioned Hillary Rodham Clinton on videotape Saturday about her work as a private lawyer for the failed savings and loan at the center of the investigation, sources familiar with the testimony told The Associated Press.

Her testimony was expected to be presented to the Whitewater grand jury.

The lengthy session at the White House, held in lieu of a formal grand jury appearance by Mrs. Clinton, was still ongoing late Saturday. It began about 1 p.m. EDT, the sources said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

It marks the sixth time since June 1994 that the first lady has been questioned by prosecutors in the wide-ranging Whitewater probe. Saturday's testimony was negotiated over several days after Whitewater prosecutors contacted Mrs. Clinton's private attorney, David Kendall, the sources said.

The questions, according to the sources, were expected to focus on Mrs. Clinton's legal work in the mid-1980s for Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan, which was owned by her Whitewater business partners and eventually failed.

Prosecutors are trying to determine whether Mrs. Clinton misled regulators or tried to conceal documents at her firm about the nature of her legal work back in the mid-1980s for the failed S&L, which was owned by James and Susan McDougal.

The first lady has steadfastly denied any wrongdoing.
The videotaped testimony comes as Independent Counsel

Kenneth Starr must decide soon whether to end the Arkansas phase of his investigation, which has focused on the Clintons' business dealings and the first lady's legal work dating to the

1980s, or ask a judge to empanel a new grand jury.

The grand jury that prosecutors have used to gather evidence in Little Rock, Ark., over the last two years is set to expire May

In recent weeks, that grand jury has spent substantial time collecting evidence and testimony from witnesses about Mrs. Clinton and her former Arkansas law partner, Webster Hubbell.

Recent witnesses before the grand jury in Little Rock, Ark., say prosecutors have questioned whether Clinton supporters tried to shape the testimony of key witnesses or conceal documents after the Whitewater investigation began.

Among the documents was Mrs. Clinton's law firm billing records, which were missing for the first three years of the probe only to be found mysteriously in the first family's living quar-

That discovery resulted in prosecutors subpoeniing Mrs. Clinton to appear before a federal grand jury in Washington to explain why the records were missing for so long after they were subpoenaed.

Federal regulators alleged in a 1996 report that Mrs. Clinton, as a private lawyer in the mid-1980s, helped create a legal document that was used by the S&L to deceive regulators. Two years ago, prosecutors identified the first lady in court documents as someone who could be indicted.

# GOP urges women to become politically active

WASHINGTON — Republicans are planning a national forum this week to bring women to Washington to discuss a range of social and financial issues. The event is designed to ncourage Republican women to become more politically

Rep. Jennifer Dunn, R-Wash., a host of the gathering in the nation's capital, said Saturday she expects more than 600 women from 41 states to attend the Republican Women Leaders Forum, scheduled for Tuesday through Thursday.

"Republicans in Congress recognize that women face challenges every day — as moms, as working professionals and as managers of the family budget," Dunn said in the weekly GOP radio address.

The women will discuss retirement security including a bill to set up a commission to consider the future of Social Security, she said. The House is to vote on the measure next

The issue is important to women, Dunn said, because "women outlive their husbands 75 percent of the time and they know how fragile their retirement security can be."

Republicans also used Sunday's radio address to criticize President Clinton, who threw a party Thursday to say the economy vindicates his 1993 budget, which included some tax increases, even though it cost fellow Democrats their jobs in Congress. Democrats credit that \$500-billion package, divided about evenly between tax increases and spending cuts, with turning federal deficits into a projected surplus this year — the first since 1969.

"Hardworking men and women would have been appalled to see the president hold a party at the White House the other night to celebrate having passed the largest tax increase in history back in 1993," Dunn said.

# STATE & REGIONAL NEWS

# Girl's family curses suspect at arraignment

**Associated Press** 

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McMINNVILLE - An ex-convict has been arraigned on charges of aggravated mur-der, rape and sexual abuse in the slaying of a 12-year-old girl whose body was found just blocks from her home in

Jeffery Dana Sparks, 41, appeared at his arraignment Friday via video monitor. Family members of the slain girl erupted in curses and threats

when his image appeared.
"You're a dead man!" a woman yelled.

When Judge John W. Hitchcock asked Sparks' attorney when the next scheduled court appearance should be, spectators yelled, "Tomorrow!"

Sparks

Lacey Renee Robancho was last seen about 8:30 p.m. Monday, walking home along Oregon Highway 99W with

her green mountain bike. Her body was found the next morning near a railroad trestle at the edge of town. The bicycle

lay nearby.

Neighbors living near the faded double-wide trailer where Sparks had lived for the past month described him as a menacing loner who rarely spoke.
"He looked like bad news

from the get-go," said Wayne Ellis, who lives directly behind Sparks. "We never had any real run-ins, but in my opinion, that's only because I chose to mind my own business and not get mixed up with him."

Sparks has criminal convictions in California for burglary and petty theft that go back to the 1970s, according to court documents.

Oregon Department of Corrections records dating back to 1977 show burglary, drug possession and drunken driving

In 1984, Sparks was convicted of third-degree rape of a 16year-old girl and sentenced to six months in the Yamhill

In June 1991, Sparks pleaded guilty to fourth-degree assault for hitting his then-girlfriend, Melanie Tester. That same month, Tester asked for a restraining order to prevent Sparks from coming near her or

Sparks hit her, threw things at her and "threatened to put me in the hospital," Tester wrote in her petition. Two months later, Tester asked the court to dismiss the restraining order.

Gail Hintz of Carlton, who attended the arraignment, said she grew up with Sparks and knows his family. She said he has been in trouble with the law for as long as she can remem-ber, but said it was hard to fathom that he would be accused of something like this.

# Public concern rises over reduction in surprise visits

PORTLAND — Work overload has forced the state to cut back unannounced inspections of Oregon day care centers, a practice some say is crucial to ensuring the safety of the 66,000 children in the system.

Some child care advocates are also concerned about state response to complaints against family child-care homes, where another 47,000 children

"It really highlights the failure in the system," aid Wendy Willet, executive officer of the Oregon Child Care Commission.

Officials with the state Child Care Division say they are aware of the problems and are working on improvements.

As workloads increased, child-care certifiers have decreased the number of unannounced inspections, said Tom Olsen, who took over as division administrator in December. Fourteen certifiers are now responsible for regulating the state's 1,165 child-care centers and about 10,500 family care homes, he said.

While surprise visits continue in some parts of the state, Olsen said they were stopped in the Portland area about a year ago.

Chuck Sheketoff, a former member of the child-care commission, called the visits a "fundamental principle of regulation" and said he was stunned they'd been reduced.

There also are growing concerns about how well the state responds to complaints against family child-care operations, which aren't subjected to the annual inspections that day-care centers must

Carolyn Morrison, an administrator with Metro Child Care Resource and Referral, said the division doesn't respond quickly enough to serious complaints against family care operations. Providers who have been proved to offer poor services continue to care for children illegally, she

"It's serious enough that we may have to make our complaint process separate from the state," Morrison said.

The division is considering various solutions as it puts together in its budget, including asking for more staff for the first time since 1995.

That would enable the division to do on-site inspections for about half of the complaints it receives about family care — up from about 10 percent of complaints that now trigger inspections, Olsen said.

And the Oregon Legislature's Emergency Board recently approved a request for three additional certifiers for the division's Portland office,

Willet said she hopes real change is on the way. "We need to see some progress and we need to see progress now," Willet said. "We can't wait for years because there will be more children injured."

# City Council may ban public urination

PULLMAN, Wash. - The City Council may ban public urination and reinstate a ban on loud outdoor noise, in part to curb raucous parties at Washington State

The City Council and student senate of WSU met jointly on Wednesday as the city presented its proposals.

The joint meeting included a resolution from the

Associated Students of Washington State University asking

for student support of city efforts.

The council lifted the city noise ordinance last year for the first Friday and Saturday nights of the school year. That action resulted in a "hue and cry from members of the public," said Pullman Police Chief Ted Weatherly.

On Tuesday, the council will hear a proposal to reinstate the noise ban, as well as a proposal to outlaw public urina-

City officials have received many complaints about public

urination, Weatherly said.

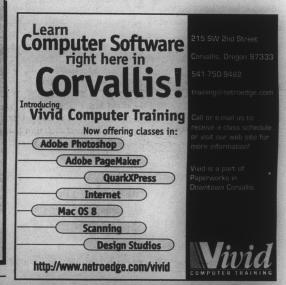
Police officers are "reluctant" to discourage outdoor urination because the only tool they have is a state sex crime law that could brand a student a sex offender, he said.

The proposed ordinance would allow police to ticket for urinating in public view.

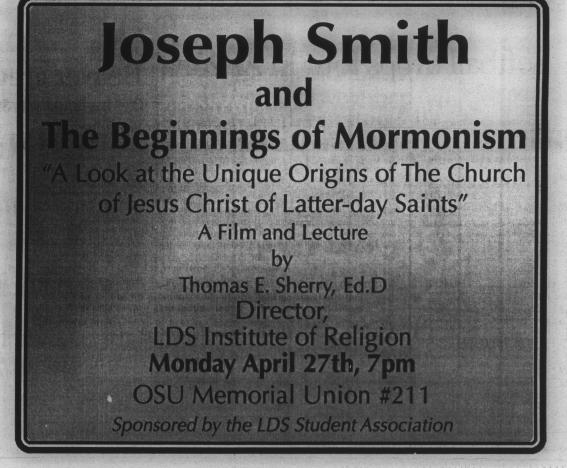
Student senator Patrick McAdams asked council members to keep the noise exemption for the first weekend of the

"One weekend a year is not too much to ask," he said.

More than half of complaints about excessive noise come from apartment complexes occupied by students, Weatherly said. Noise "is a community problem, not a students vs. residents problem," he said.







# **SPORTS**

# Bailie bails out Beavers in series finale

# Beavers take the needed 3 of 5 wins to stay alive

By ROBIN McFETRIDGE

of The Daily Barometer

On a sunny Sunday afternoon at Coleman Field, Oregon State baseball, before a crowd of 1,015, took the third straight win in a five game league series against

Washington State (22overall, 11-9 Pacific-10 Northern Division).

out winning, so we did," rightfielder Rob

Colley said. "It's a little bit scary to win one this way, but it's kinda the way we've been all year.'

OSU (31-11-1 overall, 14-6 Pac-10 ND) dropped the first two games of Friday's doubleheader in a disappointing loss of 4-6, and lost 6-10 in game

Game two of the doubleheader was highlighted for the Beavers by back-to-back-toback homeruns for second baseman Corrie Willkie, centerfielder Jason Stranberg and shortstop Troy Schader.

Saturday's sweep of WSU kept the Beavers tied for first place in the Pac-10 North, with the Huskies, who swept PSU at Civic Stadium this weekend.

"We feel better when we earn it," Colley said. "The only way to do that is to drop a few

Game one of Saturday's

From here on out every game is going to be the "We had to come biggest game we play. - Infielder Brian Duerr

> doubleheader (12-2) was sealed by pitcher Andrew Checketts (10-1). In seven innings, he only allowed two runs off of seven hits, and walked one while fanning

"I got lucky today. We didn't have the wind blowing," Checketts said. "It was the luck of the draw."

"If there is a Purple Heart for baseball, he deserves it," head coach Pat Casey said of

Checketts. "Every time our backs are against the wall, he has the ball and he finds a way to give us a lift. The guys are confident when he's on the bump.

In game two on Saturday, first baseman Matt Bailie came out and drove in the tying and winning runs with his single in the eighth inning, giving the Beavers a 7-4 victo-

"We knew we had to come out and get a sweep today," Bailie said. "We know where we are and what we have to do. We were able to get it done today.'

Game five in the series on Sunday start-

ed out close with the Beavers and the Cougars tied at three runs, each in the first inning.

The designated hitter Joe Gerber drove in the three runs with his homerun.

Willkie hit a three-run double in the bottom of the third inning to put OSU ahead 7-4.

The Beavers were down 10-11 going into the eighth inning when Bailie stepped in as a relief pitcher, closing down the



Matt Bailie takes a swing against the Cougars during Saturday's doubleheader. Bailie went 5-13 hitting and picked up the pitching win on Sunday with four strikeouts in the final two innings to close out the weekend.

Bailie then drove in the winning run with his double.

Bailie really picked us up these last couple of days," third baseman Ryan Lipe said. "He got the winning RBI yesterday, and today he did it all."

Bailie then went on to strikeout the next three batters in the top of the ninth inning while collecting a Beaver win of 12-

The first strikeout flared emotions from the Cougar side when head coach Steve Farrington argued the called third strike. Homeplate Kendall Snyder then threw Farrington out, at which point Farrington went after Snyder physically and had to be restrained by several people.

"I felt it was right down in the middle of the plate thigh high," Bailie said. "I knew it was a strike and we wrung them up, and every one went crazy, I don't feel there was a reason why they went crazy."

"Emotions got wrapped up

in it," Casey said. "You can go to any call, ball or strike and there are going to be close calls throughout a game anytime you score 12 and 11 runs."

### OSU 31-11-1, 14-6

SUNDAY: OSU 12, WSU 11 SATURDAY: game 1: OSU 12, WSU 2 game 2: OSU 7, WSU 4 game 1: WSU 6, OSU 4 game 2: WSU 10, OSU 6

"It was a big call," Willkie said. "With these umps you never know what you're going

Everyone has their ups and down. Umpires try not to let things get to them just like ball players try not to let things get to them," Bailie said. "But every once in awhile someone might get into your kitchen and might influence your calls or your playing one way or anoth-

Practice makes

JOE ELLIS/The Daily Baron

Right: Jake Cookus (13) and Greg Brown-Davis (52) lay a hit on wide receiver James Battle during the football scrimmage on Saturday at Ropes-Fetrow practice field.

Below: Coach Mike Riley (center) talks with the football team after the full contact scrimmage on Saturday.



Corrie Wilkie tags out short stop Shawn Stevenson in the fifth inning of Sundays final game versus the Washington State Cougars. The Beavers won three of five games during

# Softball drops four in Arizona

The Daily Barometer

The Beavers have found life on the road rough in the Pac-10.

The 22nd-ranked Oregon State softball team dropped all four of its games this weekend to top-ranked Arizona and No. 13 Arizona State. The Beavers (25-20 overall, 6-12 Pac-10) were swept in a doubleheader Saturday night by the Wildcats, 14-2 and 12-3. Friday night, the Sun Devils won two games, 2-1 in nine innings and 10-2.

Oregon State is now 1-7 in conference road games, and 1-9

against Pac-10 teams away from Ropes-Fetrow Field.

Arizona (51-3, 17-1) simply had too much power for the Beavers. Tarrah Beyster hit three home runs for the Beavers, but the Wildcats hit six home nins in the doubleheader.

Senior Allison McCutcheon had five hits against Beaver pitching to break current Arizona assistant coach Amy Chellevold's all-time NCAA hits record. The centerfielder picked up her 372nd and 373rd hits in the nightcap, breaking

Chellevold's record of 371. She also had four stolen bases and ended the second game with a three-run homer. Beyster was the only bright

spot in the opener, hitting two solo homers off of Evans. However, the Beavers only picked up one other hit, a single by freshman Jenni Jodoin. Arizona State (34-16, 6-10)

took two games from the Beavers Friday night, the first one behind pitching, the second with offense. The Sun Devils took the first

in the bottom of the ninth inning

Kim Herman accounted for the only Beaver run with a solo homer in the fourth inning.

ASU won the second game, scoring 10 unanswered runs after OSU had two unearned runs cross the plate in the first.

The game ended with the mercy rule, 10-2, in the fifth inning.

# **Beaver crew sweeps Cardinals**

# OSU has its way with Stanford

The Daily Barometer

Oregon State University men's and women's crews teams took the broom to the Stanford Cardinals in all six crew races on

The Beaver men's varsity and second varsity eight boats had easy four second wins over Stanford. The varsity eight boat got a little help from the Cardinals when the Birds ran into a buoy with only 500 meters left in the

The novice men's eight A team beat Stanford by a posting nearly an eight second win. The men's four A team had a victory over the men's four B team inspite of having no competition from the Stanford Cardinals.

Beavers coach Dave Rieschman was happy with the effort put forth by the men.

"It was a real good day for the men's crew," Rieschman said. "A good solid performance."

The varsity eight women also preformed well, beating the Lady Cardinals by over seven seconds with the second varsity eight boat finishing ahead of the Cards by five seconds.

OSU's novice eight A team beat Stanford's novice eight team by over seven seconds with the OSU novice eight B team following far

The Beavers women's varsity four A team lost the Beavers B team by over nine seconds but was able to beat Stanford by over sixteen seconds.

Though women's head coach Charlie Owens was happy with the sweep, he was a little put off by their effort in the race.

"I was looking for a little more of an aggressive race from the varsity crew," he said.

But he did realize that the crew may be tired from competing three weekends in a row.

Both the men's and women's crew will partake in the Opening Day Regatta in Seattle next weekend.

### Men's Results:

Varsity Eight: OSU, 5:53; Stanford, 5:57.83 Second Varsity Eight: OSU, 6:08.59; Stanford, 6:12.83

### Women's Results:

Varsity Eight: OSU, 6:49; Stanford, 6:56.3 Second Varsity Eight: OSU, 7:12.06; Stanford,

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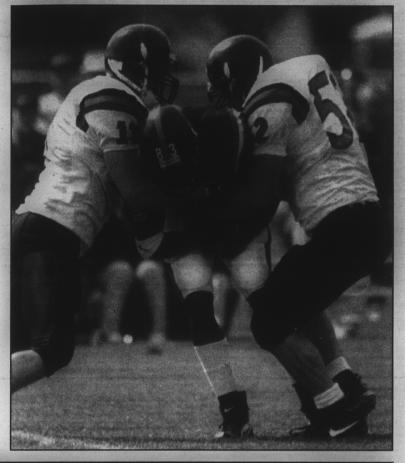
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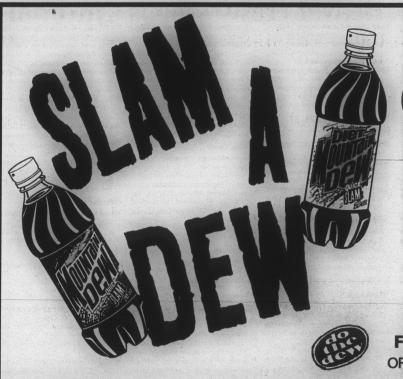


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his brother and sister when he saw the head bob-

After overhearing the hotel had called 9-1-1,

"Had it not been for him, the jumper would

Portland police and fire officials have nominated Johns, who runs an auto repair shop in Coos Bay, for the city of Portland's hero award for his April 9

Johns saw the man in the river flailing his arms as if he were trying to swim to shore. The man

rolled over on his back and kicked his feet to stay afloat, Johns said, then he stopped moving.
"I ran down the bank," Johns said. "At that

point, I found a piece of wooden debris on the side,

and I jumped in and swam out. But the wood just

have definitely drowned. There's not a doubt in my mind," said Sgt. Dennis Fitz of the Multnomah

Johns rushed to the numbing 46-degree water and dove in to rescue an apparently suicidal man who had jumped into the river from the nearby

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Johns, 41, swam back to shore to find something

buoyant, and found an old life-saving ring that was hanging outside a mobile home nearby. "I used it

to paddle out to the guy," Johns said.

Portland police Officer Michael Leonard was

on the bridge and said he was unable to spot the

jumper through his binoculars.
But Fitz and Deputy Sheriff Lisa Swanson, who

were on a 27-foot river patrol boat, saw Johns in

"Had it not been for this witness being there

Johns swam more than 150 feet in the cold

Columbia to reach the jumper.

"He was starting to sink," Johns said. "He was starting to lose consciousness. But the guy wanted

to live. He was saying 'niline-onnne-onnne.'"

Johns helped lift the jumper onto the river patrol boat. The jumper, a 30-year-old Washington man,

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temperature had dropped to 86 degrees. But the

man was released four days later and Johns has

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pointing out where the jumper was — we defi-nitely would have missed him," Fitz said.

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I have always liked these guys. They get the door slammed in their faces, they get cussed out, and yet they remain endlessly courteous, with bounteous good humor.

Mormons are famous for their good-neighborliness, hearty

cials that take a stand for decency and compassion, and they comb their hair. They they remain endlessly courteous, make our nice Catholic kids look rather scruffy by compar-

not too long ago. One day in late autumn, our two oldest daughters — teenagers at the time — were at home alone. Two Elders came to the door, and our daughters engaged them in conversation for a considerable time. The Elders said they would come into the house only when we, the parents, were at home, and indeed they did.

In the parlance of the girls at the time, these guys were stud-muffins. Hunks. And the nicest guys you'd ever hope to meet. Of course, as Elders, they had serious business, and they with ner time, and we invited them to dine with the family. They

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fter dinner, the Elders went downstairs counsel with our teen-aged daughters. unded sometimes like kids just having

t by, our daughters told us several things, knew. They said that the Elders had they were on Mission, they refrained from didn't listen to rock records, stuff like that teen angels, they did play footsie under the

lanced youths, those.
came around, we invited the Elders to ir family for Christmas dinner, and our daughters—
ng full well the mischief they were making—bought
ders a Christmas present: a record, Billy Joel's Uptown

Bad girls, we said. Very bad girls. These guys aren't supposed to listen to pop music; you are very wicked! The Elders opened their present in the family room, and shortly we heard Billy Joel ime: UP-TOWN- GIRL! (BOOM! BOOM!). out that the Elders expressed concern that our kids might spent their hard-earned allowances on a record that was ps defective, and they had better test it. They tested it 20 times, just to be sure, and everybody danced. To do wise, explained the Elders most soberly, would be to dis-

Then one night, the session in the family room was going on longer than usual, and the voices were muffled. Suddenly, our eldest daughter flew up the stairs, whooshing into the kitchen as quietly as she could, but very agitated: "MOM! DAD!

When the Elders come

upstairs, just agree with EVERYTHING THEY

"WHAT? WHAT?"

"Well," my daughter whispered, breathless and fast, "the guys said that they had been wondering for a long time why we were all so nice to them, and we told them that actually, we are

They get the door slammed in

they remain endlessly courteous,

"Yeah, we told 'em that we are a Mormon 'Test House' to be sure that the Elders are behaving themselves on Mission, and that this is a big secret, nobody ever tells the Elders about the

Test House."

Before we could gather our wits, our other daughter and the two Elders romped up into the kitchen, laughing hysterically. "WOW," the Elders said, "WOW, WOW, WOW!"

They pumped my husband's hand energetically, beaming, and before they left, we shook hands all around, saying things like "So how about THAT!" and "Oh, MY!" and "Well, well,

"WELL!"
"WOW," they said as they left, laughing, and still laughing.
The visits continued throughout their Mission, with nothing more said about our being a Test House, and we all hugged when it was time for them to leave Corvallis.

A couple of years later, one of the Elders returned with pictures of his wife and baby, and I didn't ask if they had really believed our very bad daughters. All I know is, it was a lovely episode, and when I saw those two guys on the sidewalk this

morning, I really meant it:

"GOOD morning, Elders, great good morning!" Just watch out for those Test Houses with the very bad girls.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of Judy Ringle, columnist for The Daily Barometer.

# Don't blame the fans for OSU's poor record

Men's basketball program heading downhill because of players, not fans

In response to Troy Foster's well-written article titled "What happened to all the fans?" I feel it just to quote Foster himself when he said, "It's about time people noticed this problem." Of course he's talking about supporting our athletes at Gill Coliseum. Unfortunately, I'm not sure if I agree that it starts with the fans, contrary to the article and what many of us would like to think. The reason Gill is feared by opponents "about as much as they fear a baby's cradle" isn't because there is no fan involvement; it's because we don't have a good team.

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A hostile and loyal crowd starts with winning, not the other way around. We need good players who understand their roles and can play as a team. I am a huge Beaver fan, and I do all I can to try and help the Beavers win, and if that means showing up two hours early to make sure I get a courtside seat for the sole purpose of laying into opposing players, I'll do it. At times I am shocked at some of the words that come out of my and my friends' mouths just as much as the players are. My fellow verbal assassins and I feel like we rattle players out of their game; we even take credit knowing that Jelani McCoy quit his promising basketball career and played his last game here in the Valley (that may be a little stretch). But no matter how vicious we were, and there were plenty of us on both sides of the coliseum raising hell, it never seemed to have helped our conference record. This leads me into my point. For a short time during the end of the Arizona game the crowd at Gill actually felt some "Beaver Pride" that us die-hard fans feel every game. The crowd was watching impatiently, hoping for a Beaver victory, proud to be supporting the team, and ecstatic that we were enrolled at a university with such a good basketball team. This was the feeling instead of just watching the game to see future NBA players from Arizona play, because there was nothing better to do, or maybe to get a cameo on national television. Unfortunately the Beaver Pride that the 9,000+ fans shared together was short-lived, and all was forgotten moments after the game. It was just another Beaver loss, for

So after a long-winded explanation, here is my conclusion: cating isn't the answer to our problem — it has a little to do with it - not having a good team is the problem. It is ridiculous to think great teams such as UCLA, Stanford, and Arizona wouldn't be so great if their home court was Gill Coliseum. Unless we get players that will give everyone something to uncontrollably stand and cheer for, something to take pride in, we're not going to make much progress. We need players to take us to the post-season, whether it is the NCAA tourney, or the NIT (we'll take what we can get right now!). If our players don't stay longer than one season, we will never get out of this cycle of losing, and therefore we'll keep spiraling down towards less attendance and less involvement.

The opinions expressed in this op-ed are those of Jeff Heim, sophomore in business.

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# SPICMACAY presents classical Indian concert

By SHREEKAR BHATTARAI

of The Daily Barometer

As many students enjoyed the sounds of spring outdoors, others took advantage of a free concert to hear classical Indian music indoors. SPICMACAY (Society for the Promotion of Classical Music and Culture Amongst Youth), presented Dr. Natesan Ramani to perform a concert in Milam Auditorium yesterday.

Natesan, a renowned flute maestro, has been in the field for over 50 years. This veteran performer gave his first public concert at the age of seven and has since been performing for the last five decades all over the world.

Natesan was joined by Srimushnam Raja Rao and Srikant Venkataraman in the diversely attended performance. Rao has played the mridangam (drum-like instrument) since an early age. He comes from a family that has been dedicated to music for the past four generations. Rao also started performing at the age of seven and has been at it for over 35 years.

The third member of this group, Srikant Venkataraman, received his early training on the violin in the Chicago area. In 1987, at the age of 15, Venkataraman, accompanied by his sister, gave his first full-length violin performance. This extremely talented, experienced trio gave the audience a performance unlike any other.

While concerts of today are predominantly a stage show, full of explosions, lights, and dancing, these three allowed their music to entertain the crowd. A smooth blend of flute, violin and drum beats created a unique, soothing sound. The atmosphere of the performance was very personal, as Natesan interacted with the crowd in his native language. A great aspect of this performance was the strength of all three members. Each individual showed their skills with solo performances on their respective instruments. However, the performance was at its best when all three unique sounds were integrated to achieve a harmonic sound.

SPICMACAY, the organizers of the performance, has been a part of Oregon State University since 1991. The organization originally began with a poorly-attended concert organized by four people in New Delhi, India in 1977. Since then it has grown, with more then 30 university-based chapters in Canada and in the United States. SPICMACAY is a non-profit, voluntary organization whose existence is critical with the the volunteer efforts of their young members. It has received several awards from universities for being a "model cultural organization" run by students. If you would like to participate or contribute to SPICMACAY, you may email them at:

<choodamo@engr.orst.edu>.

# European Fashion Show



Vicka Shurgaia, a representative of Kazakstan, performs at European Night as part of the East European fashion show. The event, held Saturday, featured several other acts as well as dessert and coffee.

# 'The Big Hit' stinks up the silver screen

The Big Hit

STARRING: Mark Wahlberg, Lou

Diamond Phillips, Christina Applegate

SHOWING AT: Whiteside Theatre

DIRECTOR: Che-Kirk Wong

Lela Rochon, China Chow

RATED: R

By KEVIN STOLLER

of The Daily Barometer

Let's cut to the chase: "The Big Hit" is such a stupendously awful movie that suffering through it with a friend could serve as the basis for a life-long

relationship. It's so howlingly bad it might become a cult classic. Anything is possible.

As for the story, well, if you insist, here goes: Hitman Mel (Mark Wahlberg) has the misfortune of having Christina Applegate as a fiancee and Lela Rochon as a gold-digging girlfriend who is actually sleeping with another man. But Mel just can't break up with her. You see, good ol' Marky

Mark isn't one of those mean types of killers; no, he's actually neurotically hung up on having everyone like him. Right.

So, after one outrageous mur-der featuring Mel breakdancing while slaying villainous henchmen, our hero reluctantly joins up with his pals under the command of Cisco (Lou Diamond Phillips) to kidnap a Japanese

industrialist's daughter, Keiko (China Chow). Unfortunately for them, this millionaire went bankrupt making a horrible, bigbudget movie starring himself, and, more importantly, he's bosom buddies with Mel and the gang's boss, Paris (Avery Brooks).

Paris is pretty miffed, so he unwittingly puts Lou in charge of finding the kidnappers (ain't it ironic?) and exacting a grisly vengeance. Lou, nasty fellow that he is, foists the blame for the whole scheme on Mel and goes roaring off in a squad of minivans to get him.

Meanwhile, on the homefront, Mel is meeting his fiancee's parents who don't like him because he isn't Jewish, keeping Keiko captive and fending with a rabid video store clerk hounding him to return a copy of a King Kong film his mistress stole from him when she decided to run off, something that, incidentally, happened along the way. Of course, I hardly need mention that Keiko and Mel have fallen in love by now.

Believe it or not, at this point things have only begun the great plummet into the improbable

Anyway, Cisco shows up at Mel's house with his thugs and everyone chases everyone to the video store after Mel recovers the missing tape and decides that he needs to return it. The conclusion s so painful that I can't even bring myself to describe it. Nothing could adequately convey the gross accumulations of stupidity which gradually heap up on the screen.

I suppose I should give credit where credit is

due. "The Big Hit" is trying to be a parody. But it seems like three quarters of the way through filming, the makers realized what they had wrought and decided to offer a nervous, "Just kidding!" in the hope of hiding behind winking satire. But to no avail. "The Big Hit" has the rare distinction

of flopping twice.

Writer Ben Ramsey could pick up some tips about clever-

ness on a daytime soap. As an added bonus, the miserable dialogue is often difficult to understand due to poor miking. Or pity. Whatever. Did I mention that this movie has decided to take the insulting-stereotype-only approach? Yeah, we think "characters" are overrated too.

Maybe Mark Wahlberg thought he was still supposed to pretend he was a bad actor in porno movies because the film this movie was printed on probably has more depth than his performance. He's really terrible! The other actors take his cue. Lou Diamond Phillips is supposed to be making a comeback with this role? Go directly to Jail, do not pass Go, do not collect \$200. Back to the drawing board, Lou.

So, in all seriousness, basically the film stinks. You've been advised.

# Lou Reed beats strong in 'Rock and Roll Heart'

**Associated Press** 

NEW YORK — As Lou Reed says in one of his songs, he's a mirror reflecting what we are. And he does it now as vividly as ever.

This makes him a natural for "American Masters," whose latest installment is "Lou Reed: Rock and Roll Heart." Produced by Timothy Greenfield-Sanders, it airs on PBS Wednesday at 10 p.m. EDT.

Here is a bracing look at the man who formed the Velvet Underground as part of Andy Warhol's Swingin' 60s arts scene and now, at the new millennium, still raises his brawny voice in the service of the avant-garde.

Even more to the point, Warhol superstars Holly Woodlawn and Joe Dallesandro do a campy turn singing the verses they inspired in the Reed anthem, "Walk on the Wild Side." And reflecting the unabashed joy of the film, famously glum

singer Patti Smith is captured ... laughing.

Meanwhile, Reed has plenty to say for himself, often with wry humor. For instance, he recalls a studio session for the Velvets' 1967 album, "White Light/White Heat," when their engineer groused, "I don't have to listen to this. I'll put it in 'record,' and I'm leaving. When you're done, come get me."

There are still those who choose not to listen to Reed. But those who do can savor a Reed-ing rainbow within a single album — say, the 1996 "Set the Twilight Reeling." There's his caustic nostalgia in the song "Egg Cream." His romantic bent in "The Proposition" ("The way AIDS needs a vaccine, somewhere a vaccine needs AIDS ... We were meant to be"). Not to mention his sly explanation for arch-conservative values in "Sex with Your Parents."

For an artist who has prospered as a testy out-sider, irony resounds at his being lionized on public television, somewhat of a safe haven more readily identified with British drama, Ken Burns epics

"It's odd being on PBS," Reed admits, "but I don't have any problem with it. Besides, I like the film. A lot of the footage I'd never seen before, and it was really interesting."

Dressed in his usual black, he has welcomed a

reporter to his spanking white office on lower Broadway. Now he shuts the window against the perfect day and cranks up the air conditioner.

The timing of "Rock and Roll Heart," he says, has no valedictory overtones. Far from retiring at age 56, he has a new album, "Perfect Night: Lou

Reed Live," and he's writing the next.
"I'm pawing the ground," he says, "ready for a sprint down the track, just with experience from

So the artist who long ago helped define the edge keeps re-defining it. How? "I haven't a (doggone) clue," Reed replies,

his adjective saltier, his face wearing a whaddayawant-from-me? grin.

"For me, the edge is in the writing," he says in a voice barely audible above the AC's hum. The edge is in his effort to join the company of writers who inspired him, like Burroughs and Ginsberg and Chandler—"to try to grab the tail of that comet."

But after all these years and 30-some-odd albums, isn't it increasingly hard to be as good

today as yesterday?
"Not as good as," says Reed, upping the ante— "better than.

Meaning pressure?

Way beyond pressure."

And yet, when it comes to popularity, he has always kept his expectations in check.

"I never really figured on much," he says, fixing the reporter with seen-it-all eyes. "Who knew this would be a career? Who knew people would listen with such interest? Certainly not me."



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