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# Reduce, reuse, repair



# Repair fair "student edition" aims to restore damaged goods, reduce trash

2015 Waste Watchers Repair Fair

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Clean Up Your Act: DIY Green Cleaning By Jessie Shirley News Contributor

A special "Student Edition" Repair Fair will be held Wednesday Oct. 21 in the plaza of the Student Experience Center, beginning at 2 p.m. and ending at 4 p.m.

The event is organized and operated by the Waste Watchers, a student group consisting of members from both the Student Sustainability Initiative (SSI) and Campus Recycling, as a joint effort to reduce waste and educate students and the community on the benefits of repairing goods as

opposed to throwing them away.

"It helps us think beyond the cycle of 'Buy, Break, Buy'," said Andrea Norris, a Waste Watchers member and the marketing and development coordinator for Campus Recycling.

Norris noted that the fair not only emphasizes the importance of simple waste reduction, but also reduces student expenses by breathing new life into items that otherwise might have been replaced. She stressed the importance of teaching students to "exchange knowledge rather than money."

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Ten to 15 knowledgeable volunteers will be available to help repair and restore damaged and inoperable goods free of charge, as well as provide opportunities to learn the repair skills.

The repair volunteers accept all kinds of

The repair volunteers accept all kinds of items, from torn shoes to broken musical instruments, computers to home appliances, clothes to antique waffle irons.

The Repair Fair will focus on student

The fair works
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at OSU through
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and experience.

Cassidy Radloff
Senior SSI Employee

specific needs and will be held on campus during earlier afternoon hours for student convenience.

Student participants ca pick up a repairskills by shadowing a volunteer during a passing period or by dropping in on a demonstration.

Students can even drop items off to be repaired and then return later to collect them.

Though the event is catered to students, it also remains open to the public in order to promote more community involvement, which is a main focus of the event series.

Cassidy Radloff, a senior public health major working for the SSI, said that the

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event is offering four DIY demonstrations this year, more than have been offered in the past.

"The fair works towards fostering a sustainable community at OSU through student engagement and experience," Radloff said.

The demos address other, more specified ways to reduce waste, such as helping to create alternate transportation options specific to students and providing instruction on how to make green cleaning supplies.

The repair fair attempts to put sustainability into more aspects of everyday life and change the way people view damaged items or what it means to label things as trash.

The event aids to build a stronger community through its outreach to students, but also between the skilled volunteers.

"It's fun to see what people bring," said Kyle Reed, a biology major and the primary volunteer coordinator for Waste Watchers. "It's one of my favorite parts of the event, seeing everyone put their heads together to solve a problem."

Reed described the atmosphere of the event as being a great place for people to come together to tinker and share skills and interests.

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To reduce waste and educate students on the benefits of repairing damaged goods, volunteers help attendees make repairs at the April 30, 2015 Repair Fair at the Student Experience Center plaza.

## US, Russia sign Syria air safety deal but quarrel over war aims

By James Rosen

Mc Clatchy Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON - American and Russian senior military officials signed an agreement Tuesday spelling out safety rules their nations' aircraft are to follow in the contested skies over Syria, but the two governments continued to snipe at each other's goals in the Middle East country.

Pentagon officials said the accord was a narrow, technical "memorandum of understanding" that in no way signals U.S. approval of the new Russian air campaign to support Syrian President Bashar Assad's embattled army.

"We don't agree with what they're doing," Pentagon press secretary Peter Cook said of the Russian airstrikes in Syria that began three weeks ago. "And that has not changed. We can agree, on this limited basis, to try and promote the safety of our air crews over Syria.

Kremlin leaders, for their part, said that Pentagon negotiators had rejected opportunities to share intelligence, exchange targeting information and take other more robust steps to attack Islamic State militants from the air in Syria.

"The Russian side was seeking a more substantial agreement," the Russian Defense Ministry said in a statement. "That is why a number of specific proposals aimed at deepening cooperation between the Russian and U.S. militaries in countering international terrorism were put forward."

In addition to Russian and American aircraft, the accord covers the planes of eight other countries that have joined the U.S.-led airstrikes in Syria: France, Canada, Australia, Turkey, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. More than 90 percent of the raids have been conducted by American

Pentagon officials have repeatedly said that most of the Russian airstrikes since Sept. 30 have not targeted the Islamic State or other radical Muslim groups, but rather moderate opposition forces that are fighting the Assad government and are backed by the United States.

In the last two weeks, there have been what Cook described as "a handful of incidents" when American and Russian aircraft flew as close as 500 feet to each other. Pentagon officials first expressed concern two weeks ago when a Russian bomber flew within 20 miles of a U.S. jet.

While that distance seems far enough for safe passage, an American F-16 and a Russian Tu-95 hurtling toward each other at more than 500 miles an hour could traverse 20 miles in 60 seconds or less.

The agreement signed Tuesday covers both piloted planes and unmanned surveillance drones. The Pentagon has complained in recent weeks that Russian planes have flown close to U.S. drones in apparent attempts to get close-up views of their composition and equipment.

While cooperating in the name of air safety, Washington and Moscow continued to criticize the legitimacy of each other's air campaigns

Stressing that the aviation protocols "do not constitute U.S. cooperation or support for Russia's policy or actions in Syria," Cook added: "In fact, far from it, we continue to believe that Russia's strategy in Syria is counterproductive and their support for the Assad regime will only make Syria's civil war worse."

The rhetoric from Moscow was just as dismissive.

"The signing of the document in no way changes the Russian principled position," the Defense Ministry said. "Our military forces in Syria are operating at the request of the legitimate authorities of that country, while the projection of force by the United States and the counter-ISIL (a common acronym for the Islamic State) coalition led by Washington on the territory of Syria is without the consent of Damascus and, in the absence of any relevant U.N. Security Council resolution, represents negligence of international law."

The Kremlin provided the full Russian-

language title of the agreement: Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation and the Department of Defense of the United States of American on the Prevention of Flight Safety Incidents in the Course of Operations in the Syrian Arab Republic."

The possibility of air conflict escalating over Syria is far from just theoretical.

Turkey has scrambled fighter jets at least twice this month in response to Russian planes that it said had crossed or come close to its border with Syria. And Turkey on Monday said it had shot down an unidentified drone after it flew along the border.

Analysts said the drone was Russian, but the Russian Defense Ministry denied that claim.

"If it was a (piloted) plane, we'd do the same," Turkish Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoglu said Tuesday. "Our rules of engagement are known. Whoever violates our borders, we will give them the necessary answer."

For all the differences between Washington and Moscow, their air accord includes some sweeping provisions that will see the American and Russian militaries cooperating more closely than at any time since they were allied against Nazi Germany in World War II.

Among the accord's provisions, specific radio frequencies will be maintained by both sides so that American and Russian pilots can communicate directly with one another.

Should those communications fail to prevent a possible conflict or other potentially dangerous situation, a special phone line will be set up on the ground for military leaders from the two countries to have urgent conversations.

Cook stopped short of likening the new

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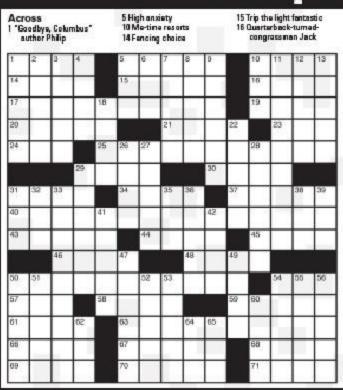
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## 'My Culture is Not a Costume' workshop prepares students for Halloween using cultural sensitivity

UHDS Community Relations Facilitators educate students living on campus about cultural appropriation

By Marcus Trinidad lews Contributor

With Halloween quickly approaching, the University Housing and Dining Community Relations Facilitators (CRF) are putting on a series of workshops called 'My Culture is Not a Costume'.

The workshops will be held at various residence halls throughout the week and will work to educate students living on campus on the potential harm caused by wearing a costume depicting or making

fun of a culture. According to West Hall CRF Raven Waldron, the main goal of the workshop is to introduce the idea of what cultural appropriation is and how it differs from cultural appreciation.

Cultural appropriation, in the context of Halloween, is dressing up as a certain culture and ridiculing it, usually with generalizations and overt sexualization. Most of the time those costumes do not recognize the history of the people of that culture.

This can be seen with revealing Geisha costumes as well as costumes with Native American headdress.

Appreciation of a culture is a recognition of their history along with respecting their tradition.

'There is this myth that when you dress up as a certain culture it is automatically cultural appreciation," Waldron said, "Even though you don't intend to offend someone we still need to be aware of that impact."

Appropriation can extend further than just race and ethnicity to gender and sexu-ality as well. An example of appropriation of gender would be costumes of Caitlyn Jenner, a prominent figure of the transgender community.

Costumes depicting cultures often draw from stereotypes and generalizations.

Wearing a costume for fun that ridicules a culture during Halloween , According to Bloss CRF Anseta Leon-Guerrero, does not consider what being an actual person from that background actually means.

Leon-Guerrero is of Chicana background, a person of Mexican descent born in the United States, and she is personally affected by the stereotypes that are accentuated in Halloween costumes.

"I feel like I have to try harder to break those stereotypes," Leon-Guerrero said, "I feel like I need to try harder in school, and I have to eliminate my accent, because if might compare me to the and as a way for students to



Junior pre-pharmacy major Karina Destine, dressed as misty from the Pokemon anime series, and sophomore computer science major Jacob Mahugh, dressed as a Jedi, discuss the appropriation or appreciation of various Halloween costumes Monday.

easy for people to forget what a cultural costume means because it is something you can take off at the end of the night. For people of color and minority backgrounds, those stereotypes depicted during Halloween have a very real impact on their life.

According to Associate Director and UHDS Director of Diversity, Initiatives and Programs Teresita Alvarez-Cortez, this workshop is not meant to shame peo-ple for what they wear on Halloween, but to create cultural understanding and awareness of what the costumes mean.

'We are doing (this workshop) hoping people don't know better. And when we don't know better, we can do better," Alvarez-Cortez said. 'There are so many options out there that you can wear; you are only limited by your imagination."

'My Culture is Not a Costume' is not meant to prevent people from wearing these kinds of costumes. there is any little slip up they It is meant to be educational

According to Waldron, it is See Costume, Page 6 discusses equity versus equality Monday in West Hall.



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# |Sports|

# Rewind: Beavers avoid scare in Boulder

Oregon State held off late Colorado surge to get their first Pac-12 win

By Brian Rathbone

Sports Editor

The Wednesday Rewind is a weekly feature that takes a look back to the last time the Beavers and their opponent faced off. This week we look at the Colorado Buffalos, who the Beavers defeated 36-31 on Oct. 4, 2014

#### What was at stake?

Oregon State was coming off a loss to USC in the Coliseum where they were look-ing to improve their offense after scoring only three points offensive points against the Trojans. Colorado came in with the goal of ending their four game slide against Pac-12 teams after falling to Cal in double overtime.

#### Offensive storyline:

The Oregon State offense turned in one of their more balanced attacks of the 2014 season. Quarterback Sean Mannion threw for 278 yards, seven Beaver receivers had at least two catches and the rushing attack chipped in 167 yards on the ground

Running back Terron Ward eclipsed the century mark, finishing with 102 yards and two scores, while running mate Storm Barrs-Woods ran for 69 yards and a score.

Mannion found great use of his tight ends in Boulder, as Caleb Smith and Conearly in the fourth quarter.

#### Defensive storyline:

The Oregon State defense started off strong, with former linebacker DJ Alexander getting a first quarter interception and nearly returning it for a touchdown in the first quarter. After only giving up seven points in the opening period, the Buffalos were able to put together two scoring drives of 12 and 11 plays to take a 21-20 lead into

In the third quarter, the defense against



nor Hamlett together had 10 catches for Former linebacker DJ Alexander hurdles Colorado quarterback Sefo Liufau on his 25-yard interceptioneturn in the 119 yards, with Smith scoring a touchdown first quarter in the Beavers 36-31 victory on Oct. 4, 2014. first quarter in the Beavers 36-31 victory on Oct. 4, 2014.

out. But when the Beavers took an 11 point son Spruce to six catches and 35 yards. lead early in the fourth quarter, the defense let up allowing Colorado to inch their way back into the game by cutting the lead to

But the defense buckled down on the Buffalos final game of the drive. Down five points with just over two minutes remaining, the defense was able to knock away passes on third and fourth down to earn the five point victory.

Cornerback Steven Nelson had a great stifled the Colorado offense, shutting them game, holding Colorado star receiver Nel-

**Turning points:** 

With the Beavers clinging to a 23-21 lead to start the fourth quarter, Mannion appeared to have thrown a critical interception on a deep throw to former receiver Richard Mullaney. Instead, a pass interference was call on Colorado's Ken Crawley, negating the turnover and giving the Beaver offense the ball. Three plays later, Mannion would find Smith to extend the

#### What happened next?

The early October victory would prove to be the only game the Beavers would win in over a month, as the Beavers would go on to lose their next four games before beating Arizona State in mid-November. Colorado took a similar path as Oregon State following the loss, they would not win a single game the remainder of the year, adding to their current 13-game conference los-

## Beaver Fever shows growth of triathalon club

Oregon State triathlon club hosts 12th annual Beaver Fever race

> By Max Braley Sports Contributor

Two hundred people, from as far as Alaska, made their way to Philomath, Ore. on Sunday to compete in the 2015 Beaver Fever Triathlon. Months of training and hard work have been in preparation for the 500 yard swim, 19.7 mile bicycle, and 3.1 mile run.

This year marks the 12th year of the event, one that has grown each year with more participants and improvements .

triathlon experience, 12 on which with the OSU Triathlon club. In Smith's early races, organization wasn't a big priority.

Back in the day there were a few cones here and there and you laid your bikes down on the ground. And you timed with a stopwatch and a piece of paper," said Smith.

Everything has changed as the Beaver Fever has evolved in its 12th year. Now there is more than a few cones, but also a crew of diligent volunteers and an intricate computerized timing system to track the participant's

Staci Partridge is the director of the Beaver Fever. This race is important to the club, for the proceeds help finance the club's future

Coach Nate Smith has nearly 20 years of races. The club got support from their spon-favorite section of the Beaver Fever was the sors PowerBar and Vertebrata Chiropractic, who donated food and prizes for contestants.

The race is the end goal for the people of the triathlon club, but it isn't every thing about the sport. People also join the club for motivation and camaraderie.

"We have about 40 people who race each year, and of those people five to ten are really competitive," Partridge said.

One of those competitive people is Sean Hunter, a graduate student studying mechanical engineering, winner of the men's overall race. Hunter was a fortunate club member who had a chance to participate in Sunday's Beaver Fever. Many triathlons today run on concrete and pavement. But Hunter's

run because all 3.1 miles were on grass and dirt trails.

"Having a cross-country run is a good throw back to high school days," he said of the final portion of the race.

On the men's side, Hunter's winning time was 1:20:05, and on the women's, Leia Tyrrell won with 1:30:00.

Up next for the the Club is the Beaver Freezer in April - the club's most popular event of the year. More than 600 people will take part in the triathlon and all the spots are claimed within the first day of registration.

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JEREMY MELAMED | THE DAILY BAROMETER John Trudt jogs the running portion of the Beaver Fever Triathlon in Philomath, Ore. on Oct. 18.

Aaron Chappell bikes the 19.7 mile portion of the Beaver Fever Triathlon in Philomath Ore. on Oct. 18.

Beaver Tweet of the day

"Just spent 5 hours to do ONE problem. Why am I an engineer?"



Utah head coach Kyle Whittingham is a top candidate for the UCS coaching vacancy.

## Whittingham to USC?

By Gary Klein Los Angeles Times LOS ANGELES – Kyle Whittingham is not coming to the Coliseum on Saturday for a job audition

But USC fans - and perhaps administrators - will be watching closely when Utah's coach brings the third-ranked Utes to town for a Pac-12 Conference game against the Trojans.

Útah's unbeaten record, and

Football Playoff hopes, will be on the line when it plays a USC team reeling from the firing of coach Steve Sarkisian and last week's loss at Notre Dame.

Whittingham has recently been prominently mentioned among possible candidates to become the Trojans' next coach.

Asked Tuesday if USC was a job he would be interested in - and whether he or his rep-

tacted regarding the opening -Whittingham demurred.

"I never make any comments on any job speculation one way or the other," he said. "Why speculate on speculation? It doesn't make sense."

Whittingham, 55, is in the USC conversation because he is a mature, defense-minded coach the antithesis of offensive whiz kids Sarkisian and Lane Kiffin – who has turned the Utes into a major Pac-12 player in Utah's fifth year in the conference.

The Utes are coming off a 34-18 victory over Arizona State that improved their record to 6-0 overall, 3-0 in the Pac-12.

The fact that Utah has won as big as they've won, I don't think anyone that's watched this team grow in the last

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## Men's soccer power rankings

By Danny Rice Sports Contributor

We have officially reached the halfway mark in the Pac-12 season, and there have already been blowouts, upsets and late minute stunners.

The Pac-12 standings are tight and competi-tive, which makes for an electrifying end to the season. Make sure to tune in to all the action and see who captures the conference title.

Stanford (11-1-1, 4-0-1 Pac-12)

The Cardinal are the clear-cut No. 1 in the conference. They are on a twelve match



unbeaten streak which has vaulted them to No. 3 in the nation. They are a near perfect 6-0-1 at home, which should prove to be helpful as three of their last five

matches are at home. Look for the Cardinal to run the table and ultimately compete for the NCAA championship.

UCLA (7-6-0, 3-2-0)

After starting off the season 1-3-0, UCLA was nowhere near the level of play they dis-



played last year when they ended the season in heartbreaking fashion to Virginia in the NCAA championship game. Since then, they are 6-3-0

and are making steady improvements to getting back to that championship form. After losing to Oregon State in double overtime, they've gone 3-1-0 with their only loss against Stanford. Don't be surprised to see UCLA go on a nice run the rest of the season, fueled by their recent 6-0 blowout victory over Cal.

Washington (6-2-5, 2-1-2)

A couple days ago, I would've had Washington at the number two spot, but with the



recent form of UCLA, I had no choice but to put the Huskies at No. 3. Washington is the only Pac-12 team thus far to get a result against Stanford, as

they tied 0-0 in Palo Alto. The Huskies boast one of the best defenses in the nation behind redshirt senior goalkeeper Ryan Herman, who is second in the nation in shutouts. If the Hus-

kies are to garner more results the rest of the season, they are going to need to score more goals, as they are last in the Pac-12 in goals per game. They travel to Maryland on Friday before finishing up the Pac-12 season.

Oregon State (7-5-1, 2-2-1)

What an up and down season it has been for the Beavers. They started off the year 5-0-0 and



reached as high as No. 8 in the polls. Then they endured a speed bump in which they lost three straight and were knocked out of the Top 25. They start-

ed off the Pac-12 season hot with two straight wins, but are now winless in their last three. With the Beavers on a bye this week, they'll look to get healthy and regain that confidence they played with early in the season. Of their last five matches, three of them are home which bodes well for the Beavers, who are 4-1-0 at home this year.

San Diego State (6-5-2, 1-4-0)

Before this weekend series, I had the Aztecs dead last in the conference as they started



off Pac-12 play 0-3-0 and were shutout in those games. San Diego State responded by beating Cal last week and putting up a strong fight against Stanford. The Aztecs,

who started off the season on a roll with a 5-1-2 record, may have started to find some momentum that can carry over to their final

California (5-5-2, 0-3-2)

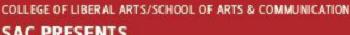
As they only winless team in Pac-12 play, I had no choice but to put the Golden Bears



at the bottom of the rankings. With the exception of their previous match where they were blown out by UCLA 6-0, their conference games all

have been decided by a goal or less. Cal's high powered offense has been anything but lately, as they have been held scoreless in their past three matches. It doesn't seem to be getting any better for the Golden Bears as they are winless on the road this season and of their last five matches, three of them are on the road.

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## Bob Santelli

## **How Country Music** Became America's Pop

More pervasive than ever before, there is little separating country. music from rock & roll in today's popular music scene. Country superstars are largely prominent in the media, selling out arenas, festivals and stadiums on a regular basis.

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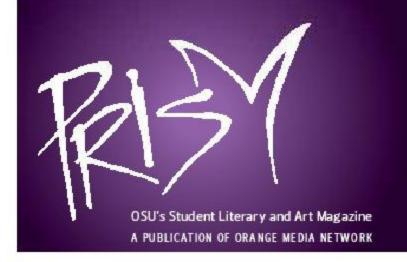


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phone line to the two countries' existing "nuclear hotline," which was established Aug. 30, 1963, at the urging of President John F. Kennedy after Moscow and Washington narrowly averted nuclear warfare during the Cuban Missile Crisis 10 months earlier.

"We have a line of communication on the ground that serves as a backup and provides the opportunity to have real-time conversations if necessary," Cook said.

Asked whether American pilots would have the right to fire at Russian aircraft that violate the new air protocols, Cook declined to respond directly.

'Our air crews always have the right to defend themselves,"

He quickly added: "Our hope, with the memorandum of understanding, is that the risk of any sort of incident in the air over Syria is reduced, at a minimum, and hopefully eliminated."

Mc Clatchy Washington Bureau

#### Costume

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what they wear has on the Oregon State University community. 'We can't tell people

you can't wear that costume' it just doesn't work. We are trying to get to the root cause," Alvarez-Cortez said.

Garett Freshman Coville appreciates that the CRFs are conducting these workshops.

"I think some people don't understand they are being offensive," Coville

said. "Their culture that's who they are and that's their life.

This is just one event of many that the CRFs will have throughout the year. CRFs look to promote intercultural dialogue, equality and inclusion on the OSU campus. The program seeks to find more equitable options and programs that allows persons of any background to participate wholly as part of the community.

To attend this workshop, check their Facebook page for dates or ask your resident hall

"My Culture is Not a Costume" is presented only once in each residence hall, this week only.

There are no public presentations of this workshop.

For more information of upcoming events that the CRFs are organizing or more information about their work in general, visit their Facebook page "OSU Community Relations Facilitators (CRFs)."

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couple of years is surprised that they're undefeated right now," Stanford coach David Shaw said. "They're a mature football team with a great coaching staff."

Washington State coach Mike Leach characterized the Utes under Whittingham as "just a tough physical outfit" in all three phases.

"They're very good defen-sively," he said, "and of course that's Kyle's identity.

USC linebacker Su'a Cravens, who is distantly related to Whittingham by marriage, offered a simple explanation for Utah's success.

"He's been there forever, so his recruits trust him into not taking another job," Cravens said. "And he's just done a great job of recruiting and running what he wants to

Whittingham, who played linebacker at Brigham Young, joined Utah's staff as defensive line coach under Ron McBride in 1994 and became defensive coordinator the next year. He worked under Urban Meyer in 2003 and 2004 before taking over as head coach in 2005.

Whittingham guided Utah to an unbeaten season in 2008, capping it with a Sugar Bowl victory over Alabama.

"Urban got it cranked up a little bit and Kyle has done a fabulous job," Arizona coach

Rich Rodriguez said. "So I think they were good before they entered the Pac-12, and they've been good ever since they got in too.

Utah finished 8-5 in 2011, 5-7 in each of the next two seasons and 9-4 in 2014, including a victory over USC at Salt Lake City.

Now the Utes are the only unbeaten team in the conference.

'We knew it was going to be a process when we joined the league," Whittingham said. "And it was going to take some time \_ four, five, six years was probably a guesstimate at a timetable we would need before we were able to be up to speed.

"We're still not a finished

product."

On Saturday, despite their record, the Utes won't even be the favorite. USC opened as a three-point favorite in the eyes of Las Vegas bookmakers.

Whittingham said USC still has the most talent in the conference.

"The biggest concern is the sheer number of players they have that are just incredibly talented," he said, adding, "I don't think there's a coach in the Pac-12 that will argue that USC doesn't have the best talent in the conference.

"That's just how it is year in and year out."

Next year, perhaps Whit-tingham will be in a position to directly benefit from USC's talent.

Not that he will talk about the possibility, as was demonstrated when he was asked about his interest.

"That's always been my stance," he said. "Any time there's speculation or conversation about openings and that I just choose not to have any comment.

"That seems the safest route

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Event: 5 p.m. Premed Society Dr. Bryan Ganter, orthopedic surgeon at the Mayo Clinic and OSU alum will speak.

#### FRIDAY, Oct. 23

Event:

2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Collegiste Recovery Community Location: McNary 125 Stop by for coffee, snacks, a screening of the documentary The Anonymous People, and meet other Beavers in recovery. Allies of recovery and all others are welcome.

#### SATURDAY, Oct. 24:

12 p.m. - 5 p.m. Philomath Open Studios Tour & Art Sale Location: Philomath Area A free, self-guided, tour of 17 unique studios with 37 artists' work, open to the public from noon to 5 p.m. during the last two weekends of October.

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10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Masque and Dagger Theatre Club Location: Withycombe Hall Halloween costume sale.

#### TUESDAY, Oct. 27:

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Society of American Foresters Job Fair Location: Peavy Hall and Richardson Hall Knuckles Meet employers interested in hiring students.

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7:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. University Eve nts Location: LaSells Stewart

Provost's Lecture Series. Leadership Under Pressure: A Historian's Close-up Look at Presidential Decision-Making.

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## **Something Phishy**



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This morning my bleary eyes focused on the top email in my inbox with the subject, "Immediate Action: Your Mailbox Size Notification."

The email was simple and to the point. "Your email account has used 23.7 GB (95%) of 25 GB.

You will be unable to send and receive messages if you do not reset your account storage space to a higher limit.

Click the link to reset and validate your account.

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This is a phishing attack, and if I took the bait by clicking on the link, I could compromise my identity, my money and my data.

Phishing is the use of fraudulent messages disguised as being sent from legitimate entities to acquire privileged information.

Phishing exploits trust, worry and desire to trick people into giving up their up their sensitive credentials such as passwords and credit accounts.

The most powerful tool for computer hacking is social engineering, which is the larger category of human manipulation into which phishing falls, and there are numerous sub-categories of phishing.

"Spear Phishing" is targeted at specific individuals or groups and may contain familiar graphics and Web addresses to trick you

"Whaling" is like spear phishing but aims at very large fish, such as a university president or corporate vice president.

"Clone Phishing" reuses a legitimate email and modifies it to contain the malicious url. Ee like the fox and the lion.

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"False Friend" is an email from someone that you know whose contacts have been hacked or spoofed and used to generate phishy emails.

"Tab Nabbing" exploits Web browser tabs to open a tab to a fake page.

"Evil Twins" are bogus wireless networks that mimic public networks in airports, libraries, coffee shop and hotels in order to harvest credit cards and other personal information.

Phishing and social engineering are "confidence games," or "confidence tricks," and can also occur in text messages, phone calls, Web pages, social media posts, Skype calls and snail mail. Confidence games are very old – read "The Iliad" for some prototypical instances.

Given that phishing is based in deception, and some of the fakes are very convincing, how may time-stressed individuals, such as yourselves, protect against the ruses? The solution comes in two parts: know what to look for, and alter your online habits accordingly.

In his book, "The Prince," Machiavelli

gave advice that rings true when protecting oneself against phishing; be like the fox and the lion. The fox to discover the traps, the lion to frighten the wolves – be both smart and strong.

Here are some clues to watch for in order to detect predatory messages:

Asks for too much: Computer system administrators never require your username, password, credit card or social security number. Even if sensitive information is needed online or by voice you are better off taking an alternate path to double-check the source.

Mismatched links: Don't click on email links, but do examine them by mousingover and you will see that phishing emails include linked text that is different from the Web address linked to.

You did not ask for it: If a warning, threat or offer comes to you without you having initiated the contact – beware.

Threats and promises: Fear, greed and pride are the nuts and bolts of confidence games and when you detect those elements in a message your phishy antennae should perk right up.

Poorly constructed: Some phishing messages are expertly done, but most are barely literate and would end up in the reject folder at crappypasta.com. You should know enough to reject them as well. This is one reason why advanced literacy is a practical part of your education.

Cultivate smart habits to protect yourself against predatory messages, see my earlier columns for techniques of habit change, including the following practices:

Slow down: Most phishing threats can be disarmed by separating action from feeling. Phishers rely upon the impulsive actions of their victims, so when an email or related message gives you feelings of

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urgency, take that as a sign that you need to step away from the mouse and give clarity time to emerge. Much of what feels like an emergency in life - for instance a midterm - is not as big as it seems.

Analyze before evaluating: Judging something as bad, dangerous, desirable or important are evaluations that will benefit from analysis. Learning to discern the relevant facts of situation before evaluating those facts is a fundamental critical thinking skill that will save you from confidence games. It is like looking both ways (analysis) before crossing the street (judgment).

Research the claims: What is the message seeking from you? What does it claim to be? What evidence do you have for these claims?

A great way to check any message for phishing is to copy the message text and paste it into a Google search. It took me less than ten seconds to do so with the email that I receive this morning and my search returned hundreds of posts identifying the fraud. This method directs analysis to a safe and useful action.

Never link from an email: Once, when I was little, I put my finger in a stapler just to see what would happen. Once, I clicked on a link in an email just to see what would happen. I've never done either of those things again.

Never reply with personal information: Todd Davis is CEO of Lifelock, a personal identity protection company. To promote his product

television and the Web claiming that Lifelock will prevent identity theft.

Within months his identity was compromised 13 times including fraudulent loans, credit cards, and gift basket purchases.

Don't be like Davis and do not give out your social security number, passwords, credit card information, and other personal information unless you are very sure about whom you are giving it to.

Be network selective: Be very careful about using personal information on public networks such as coffee shops and airports because you may expose it to an "evil twin" or "wifi sniffer."

Do not reply at all: Do not reply to phishing or spam messages because even selecting the unsubscribe link will verify your email address and invite more malicious attacks.

Use your junk mail, spam filters and security programs: get familiar with your self-defense tools and use them effectively. Look into Google Safe Browsing for Chrome and Firefox. The OSU Computer Walk-Up Help Desk in the Valley Library and the OSU Computer Help Desk at 541-737-3474 will help you become an internet ninia.

Report phishing: The OSU Helpdesk has a feedback form by which you may report phishing messages. Reporting helps the community address phishing, and makes you more aware because you become an active participant.

Stay informed: Security specialists like McAfee Labs, Symantec, Internet Storm Center,

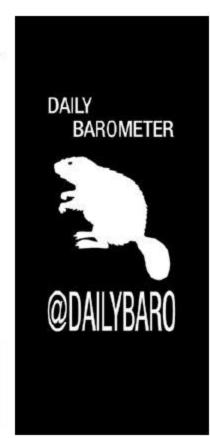
Davis give out his social security number on Facecrooks and eSecurity Planet are reliable sources for phishing threats and defensive strategies. Being aware of the threat environment and current protective measures is a source of personal power.

> OSU Computer Helpdesk has extensive online resources on Phishing including effective breakdowns of actual examples plus no-cost security software and help in using it.

> Don't be paranoid: Be smart and safe, but please do not let this information make you more fearful or cynical. With reason, knowledge and habit adjustment you can be cyber-secure. The key to a better life is learning to see a better world.

> For more depth on phishing and other malicious hacking phenomena consider two sources which I drew from for this column: "Phishing DarkWaters: The Offensive and Defensive Sides of Malicious Emails" by Christopher Hadnagy and "The Art of Deception: Controlling the Human Element of Security" by Kevin Mitnick.

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