

LUKE FRANCE | THE DAILY BAROMETER ASOSU Speaker of the House Mykael Moore calling the ASOSU House of Representatives meeting to order Wednesday night. The meeting included a vote to reject a controversial bill that proposed to shift the Student and Incidental Fees Committee from the ASOSU Executive Branch into the ASOSU Legislative Branch.

Four other bills pass through Congress, onto president's desk

By Sean Bassinger

Forum Editor

House member votes came in as the majority said "no" and three abstained. Applause from a full student gallery erupted shortly after.

More than 25 Oregon State University students sat in the gallery during Wednesday night's student government House of Representatives meeting when the majority of members voted against JB-07.23.

The rejection of the controversial bill comes after deliberation between the Associated Students of Oregon State University House and Senate this week. Authored by Corey Fisher, ASOSU graduate representative, and Joshua Kaufman, ASOSU senator and incoming Speaker of the House, the bill would have placed the Student and Incidental Fees Committee (SIFC) directly under the legislative branch of ASOSU.

One purpose of JB-07.23 was to separate potential powers of special interest among the executive branch. ASOSU officials who shared concerns of this include current Speaker of the House Mykael Moore, Fisher

and Kaufman.

"We wanted to try to distance those powers and distribute where those powers lie," Fisher

Some believe this shift to be a conflict of interest due to the fact that the SIFC and ASOSU House of Representatives hold a joint session each budget season to discuss continued recommendations for dollar amounts. With JB-07.23 in place, the process could have affected or disregarded decisions and discussions that have allowed parties to reach an agreement.

"The budget process has been somewhat disjointed between the SIFC and Congress, and that leads to the mediation committee more often than ASOSU might want," Kaufman said during the ASOSU Senate meeting Tuesday night. "When we say 'integrate,' we're not talking about who has power over who (...) it's to get the two bodies to work together so when budget season comes around, it moves more efficiently."

Others throughout the weeks

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LUKE FRANCIS | THE DAILY BAROMETER Jesseane Pope, a senior in sociology, spoke to the importance of student awareness



Are we representing the needs of the students?

Sami Al-Abdrubbah ASOSU Graduate Representative

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Calendar

THURSDAY, May 26

Meeting 10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Nutrition 447 Pangea Take Over

Location :Memorial Union Pangea Cafe

Come out and enjoy the exotic flavors of Vietnamese cuisine! The menu features traditional Phó, Banh Mi, and Summer

Meeting

12:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Baha'i Campus Association

Location : Memorial Union Room 1095; Talisman RoomDiscussion Topic: Travel - A Tool for Peace

WEDNESDAY, June 1

Event

5 p.m. - 7 p.m. CIA (Chemistry is Awesome) Party

Location :Gilbert Hall/GBAD Breezeway part to change the negative perception of chemistry by throwing a party. Games, prizes, demos, posters, live music, free food, and a dunk tank!

Meeting

6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Death Cafe Corvallis

Location: 26th St. Beanery, 2541 NW Monroe St., Corvallis

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MONDAY, June 6

Event 12 p.m. - 3 p.m. OSU Surplus Property

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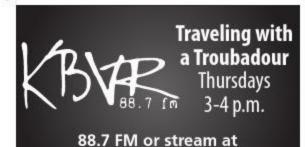
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Horoscope

Loving attention at home reaps rewards this year. Partnership provides workability. Household mprovements over late summer lead to a professional shift, trending toward a two-year family fun phase beginning this autumn. Ask for what you want this winter to perk up your career. Make heart-felt

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 7 — Friends are a big help over the next two days. Discover emotional challenges, and rely on their support. Contributions arrive from unexpected places. Love

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is an 8 — Career opportunities show up for the next two days. Expect increased scrutiny, and polish your presentation, Circumstances shake up your feelings. Someone finds you very attractive.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) - Today is a 6 — The next two days favor possibilities and explore new directions. The line blurs between friends and family. The more supportive you are, the more you

Cancer (June 21-July 22) - Today is a 6 - Changes necessitate budget revisions. Today and tomorrow favor financial planning. Work with your partner to get a comfortable edge on the competition. Love gives you strength.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — Get out of your own head and into conversation. Emotions go haywire. Work with a partner over the next few days. Find harmonious surroundings. Use your connections to get an expert's view.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is - There's plenty of work, and you can get a lot done today and tomorrow. Slow down to get more done faster (and avoid breaking something). The artistry is in the

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 5 — Romance stirs your heart over the next few days. Get creative to

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express how you feel. Dress with extra care. Relax and play with people you admire. Write love

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 5 — Home and family demand more attention today and tomorrow. Plan a project to improvement your environment. Express your love in the details. Tend your garden with

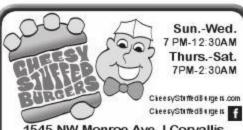
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -Today is a 7 — Remain open despite shifting circumstances. Prepare to jump for an opportunity. Your team is hot, and you're learning like wild. Discover what needs to change. You're emerging from your cocoon.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -Today is a 7 - Great abundance can be yours, over the next few days. Your morale gets a boost (along with your wallet). Follow a profitable hunch. Walk around the block to gain perspective.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is an 8 — Prepare for two days in the spotlight. Dress nicely and primp a little extra. Use your skills and confidence to help someone. Your good work comes back to

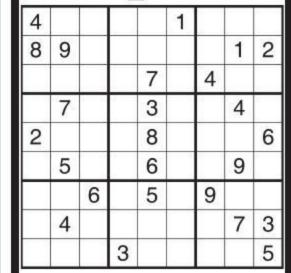
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 5 - Your dreams feel prophetic. Take extra time to meditate, get introspective and review over the next two days. Don't ignore your deadlines. Work faster and earn more. Contemplate your next move.

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ASOSU Senator Joshua Kaufmanan (TOP) and ASOSU Student Advocate Drew Desilet (BOTTOM) at the ASOSU House of Representatives meeting Tuesday night.



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Graduate Rep. Sami Al-Abdrabbuh was against the proposed bill JB-08.23.

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claim that the process was rushed.

Miscommunications, misconceptions

Sami Al-Abdrabbuh, graduate representative for ASOSU, said he was one of the first individuals to notify members of the Memorial Union advisory board.

"Everyone in the board did not know about this bill until I mentioned it to them," he said. "The SIFC members ... not all of them had known about it until very late in the process."

Al-Abdrabbuh had commended the bill for also addressing set pay rates and professional training for the SIFC bill, but remained concerned about the conflict of interests present and the lack of communication involved.

"Are we representing the needs of the students?" Al-Abdrabbuh asked.

Chip Campbell, ASOSU representative, said the notion that the bill could change how SIFC represents students seemed nonsensical.

"I don't quite see the claims of congressional overreach that have been made," Campbell said.

Krista Burrows, member of the SIFC, said the bill did not reflect the intentions and goals of the SIFC or an ethical process for student fee setting.

"There is an obvious conflict of interest already, but I think this would make it a bigger one," Burrows said."

The process, according to Burrows, was

"unorganized in general" and included information received on "with short notice."

"I heard about this bill from a friend, not by being a member of SIFC, which I think is wrong," Burrows said. "It would change the process a lot and the stakeholders should have all been included."

Quorum difficulties

During the meeting, Moore mentioned that the House of Representatives had failed to make quorum four weeks in a row, mentioning that representatives should not have tried "rushing" bills.

"It is week nine and I have six bills on my docket," Moore said. "If you're feeling frustrated, feeling guilty, that's on you."

Other Bills that passed during the ASOSU House meeting Wednesday night include JB-07.26, a bill to add the "It's On Us" sexual assault campaign within ASOSU operations; JB-07.25, a bill to move ASOSU elections to winter term instead of spring term; JB-07.24, a bill to decrease ASOSU staff pay, including within the executive branch; and HR-07.02, a bill to encourage that university administrators not remove a community garden and replace it with a parking lot.

The next major ASOSU House meeting takes place on June 1, when current members of the student government will pass their positions on to next year's staff.

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OSU Greek Week kicks off, continues through Friday

The Daily Barometer

The 2016 Oregon State University Greek Week, a time in which those in Greek life celebrates their communities, started last night and will continue with events through Friday.

Last night's event, the opening night speaker at LaSells Stewart Center featured Michelle Guobadia, the director for fraternity and sorority life at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Today's events are the BBQ in the MU Quad and the All Greek Photo. This year's barbecue will take place in the Memorial Union Quad and Plaza, and will include food vendors such as Roxy Dawgs. Tickets for the food will be \$3 and can be purchased before the barbecue, but the event itself as a whole is free.

The picture will take place at promptly 5 p.m. on the steps in

front of the MU, and the barbecue will follow.

Friday is the Day of Service and the Greek Day Baseball Game.

The Greek community is pairing with the Center for Civic Engagement for their Day of Service, and will participate in small projects that will give back to the community, the web page said.

The OSU vs. UCLA baseball game, which starts at 4 p.m., will be the Greek Day Baseball

Unlike in year's past, this year's Greek community was not broken into teams. The reasoning behind this, according to the OSU Greek Week web page, was to foster relationships among the entire Greek community, as well as pushing them to work together to donate items and money as a community rather than divided teams.

This year's main beneficiary is the Jackson Street Youth Services

Those wishing to get more involved can find items on the wish-list for the Jackson Youth Services and provide them for donation, the web page said.

According to their web page, Jackson Street Youth Services, "Jackson Street Youth Services is here to promote safety, stability, and well-being for youth. We work to prevent homelessness by showing a path to longterm success through building positive relationships and skills for self-sufficiency."

The donations received during Greek Week will help the shelter located in Corvallis. The wish-list can be found on the Greek Week webpage.

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Jonathan Hurst, the College of Engineering Dean's Professor and a faculty member in the graduate robotics program at OSU, works with ATRIAS, the bipedal robot.

OSU Robotics, a step above the rest

Program receiving national attention, continues research

By Jordan Taphouse Practicum Contributor

The Oregon State University Robotics program is stepping into the spotlight and gaining national recognition.

Currently stationed in Graf Hall, the Robotics program has ongoing research on spider robots that sense vibrations, autonomous research vessels, self-driving wheelchairs and more.

These projects, along with the dedicated staff, has led an organization called Grad School Hub to place OSU at the top of the list for robotics programs in the western United States, and at number four when the entire nation is taken into account.

"That ranking, for us, is an opportunity, as well as kind a warning' said Jonathan Hurst, the College of Engineering Dean's Professor. *There are a lot of robotics programs that are growing and starting all over the country. There are a lot of places throwing a lot more resources behind it than Oregon State can."

Hurst was one of the original members of the faculty involved in the Robotics program, and one of currently 11 faculty members in the program.

"Robotics is an enabling technology," Hurst said. "By its nature, robotics is a collaborative thing. We work the with EECS, we work with Oceanography, we work all over

These collaborations, along with the commitment OSU students and staff are what has gained recognition from outside organizations, according to Hurst.

"We've got something special here. It has to do with the culture, it has to do with the grassroots growth of the robotics program, and how all of the faculty here are engaged together in the process of building something," Hurst said.

According to Hurst, the first class of robotics students started in 2014. This program is one of only five graduate programs for robotics in the country, drawing in students and faculty from across the world.

The program is currently researching a handful of topics, according to Hurst. Hurst is personally working on walking and running machines.

One of these machines, given the name ATRIUS, has got some attention, according to Hurst. ATRIUS stands for "Assume The Robot Is A Sphere," and is bipedal. The research aims to allow for bipedal robots to

run on rough terrain, a difficult task sensors can be incorporated into for current machines.

Steph Walker, a second year Ph. D. student in the robotics program, is currently working on new, soft materials for robotics.

"We usually use silicones, I'm working in polyesters," Walker said. They're stretchy, they're plant based, and they are degradable. That's valuable in terms of if you want a temporary robot, or if you are working in a medical context."

One of the materials in the robotics lab is primarily made of three elements. Two of them are plant based, and the other is a food supplement. There are also biodegradable sensors so that researchers can gather data without having any dramatic impact on the environment.

"A lot of my work is focusing on green chemistry, integrated into the robotic world," Walker said. "The

a 'soft robot.' Soft robots you can imagine could be like an octopus, and would be outfitted with a power supply, a brain, and all sorts of sensors that, if you put it into the environment, would be able to interpret what it was seeing, make a decision, and act on it.

Kory Kraft, a Ph. D. student in personal robotics has focused research on health care. The research focuses on autonomous and semi-autonomous robotic systems. These robots would take the place of some health care workers when dealing with infectious disease.

The idea is to utilize robots' inability to catch infectious diseases to provide quality patient care while still ensuring health care protection," Kraft said.

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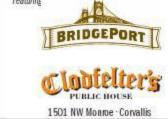
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The OSU Robotics program works on spider robots, autonomous research vessels, self-driving wheelchairs and more. The program is based out of Graf Hall.



Pac-12 robbes fanbase's fun

In my freshman year of college at Oregon State, I was able to experience something that only a few OSU students ever get the opportunity to do during their time in college.

Attend the upset of a top-10 program and be able to rush the court in celebration afterwards. I was a part of the mosh pit when a severely undermanned OSU team upset the No. 7 Arizona Wildcats, and I was one of the first people on the court jumping up and down and cheering with the Beavers

Well, thanks to the Pac-12 Conference, that joy won't be felt again, without a severe monetary cost. Earlier this week, the conference voted to have schools that rush the field/court fined as follows.

25,000 dollars for the first offense

50,000 for the second offense

100,000 for the third offense Yikes. Seems kinda harsh don't you think?

Pac-12 Commissioner Larry Scott should have not allowed this to pass. The joys of college sports come from the fan base, and essentially you've told the fan base to quiet down.

See Slaughter

Unfazed Fehmel

Two key players that have stepped up for the Beavers, Fehmel and Grenier

By Brian Rahtbone enior Beat Reporter

In arguably the biggest game of the season, Bryce Fehmel made his first career start against a Pac-12 opponent. Not only was it his first start, but it was against a daunting USC offense that had tagged OSU pitchers for 10 runs the day before.

None of that phased the unflappable freshman right-hander.

"Nothing really bothers me," said Fehmel. "I got two older brothers who always made fun of me, made me strong physically and mentally so I just learned to not let anything bother me or get to me."

With a personal cheering section of over 20 friends and family who made the hour drive from Fehmel's hometown of Agoura, Calif., to the USC campus, the So-Cal kid delivered a big performance when the team needed it most

In Sunday's rubber-match against the Pac-12's toprated offense, Fehmel allowed only one run on six hits while striking out five Trojan batters over 7 1/3 innings

"I was throwing a lot of sliders first pitch to get ahead and then I was spotting up my fastball pretty well," Fehmel said. "Then throwing the slider when I was ahead, (USC) was either swinging through it or grounding out. Everything was working pretty well."

Fehmel's performance is no surprise, he has already worn many different hats early in his college career. He started as a position player before being moved to the bullpen where he quickly made an impact, even getting the reputation amongst his fellow pitchers for stealing wins.

In his freshman campaign, Fehmel leads the team in wins (9) and has the lowest earned run average (2.66). Head coach Pat Casey said that the plan is to keep Fehmel penciled in as the Sunday starter against UCLA.

However, should the Beavers find themselves in a close game on either Friday or Saturday's game, Casey could turn to Fehmel out of the bullpen similar how he was utilized in the Beavers'

Game 2 win over Oregon two weeks ago.

"Friday and Saturday are pretty important as far how things go," Casey said

Grenier comes through

The Beavers got another boost from a freshman



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See Baseball Page 6 Bryce Fehmel leads the pitching staff with nine wins and an ERA of 2.66.

By the numbers: Down year for Bruins' pitching

By Brian Rathbone

The number of batters senior pitcher Travis Eckert faced in his complete game win against USC. One above the minimum of 27,

The number of quality starts Oregon State pitchers had against USC. They hadn't had a quality start all of May prior to UCS series.

UCLA's team earned run average. Last season, when the Bruins won the Pac-12 title, they had a 2.17 ERA

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The number of qualifying UCLA pitchers with an ERA below 3.0. Last year they had

The number of doubles UCLA has allowed this year-the most in the con-Only Arizona and California have hit more doubles than Oregon State.

The number of consecutive games Nick Madrigal has missed. The Beavers are 3-3 in those games with out their freshman second baseman.

The number of stolen bases by Kort Peterson, which leads the conference.

The number of times UCLA's Eric Filia has walked this year. Only Washington and Arizona have issued fewer walks than the Beavers.

The number of time Oregon State has beaten UCLA in their last 10 meetings.

The Bottom Line

TWEET OF THE DAY



Seattle Supersonics need to get back in business

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NUMBER OF THE DAY

Runs that first baseman KJ Harrison has batted in this season, good for second in the Pac-12.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Baseball

5/27-5/29 vs. UCLA

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It's like going to the best party in town, and then being told that it has to be over by 8:00

Before we dive into why this happened, let's look at what this is actually going to accomplish:

Nothing, If a school pulls a massive upset, 25,000 dollars isn't going to stop fans from running past security guards onto the court.

Another question to consider, when a school does storm the court, where does the money come from. There are plenty of schools in the Pac-12 who don't make a profit from their athletic department, and run deficits every year. When they pull an upset, where will the money come from?

than one coach who had to complain.

The real culprit behind this ruling is Arizona's basketball coach Sean Miller. After his team was outplayed, and out hustled by Colorado in February, Miller and his squad



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Now, why did this happen, look no further Oregon State fans storm the field against ASU on Nov. 15, 2014.

struggled to get off the court and complained that this needed to change before a player gets hurt.

He claimed that it would only be a matter of

time until a player and a fan got into an altercation that would garner national headlines, so he decided to bluntly voice his opinion.

Now, I understand the need for player

safety, but it's never the opposing players that get caught up in the crowd storming. Sure, it may take them an extended amount of time to get out of of the gym, but otherwise I don't think a court or field storming causes any immediate danger to the student athletes.

When OSU football pulled their upset of the century by defeating USC in 2008, fans were jumping over the wall before the game even ended. The clock hit zero and fans couldn't be contained. But how many USC players get hurt because of the fans?

Zero.

This rule was changed because the opposing team that gets upset doesn't want to have a big deal made when they lose.

It was the highlight of my freshman year when I got to join Wayne Tinkle's squad on Ralph Miller Court, and experience what it is like when your team is on top of the world.

It makes me sick to know that it will never happen again, without paying a hefty price

On Twitter #b_slaught



JOSHUA LUCAS | THE DAILY BAROMETER Cadyn Grenier took overse cond base against USC

Baseball

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against the Trojans. Cadyn Grenier filled in for fellow freshman Nick Madrigal at second

Up until Friday's game, Grenier had not played the position this season. Although he had taken reps during fall ball and days leading up to the series, the position switch brought its own challenges.

"You are on a totally different side of the field and it's a much different angle because you are a lot closer to the line (at third) and you are more central at second." You see the ball and pitches different, you have a couple more responsibilities at second-talking with the outfielders, com-

muting with (shortstop Trever Morrison) a lot more than I was when I was playing third."

In the ninth inning of Friday's game, Grenier came up with two key defensive plays to preserve the 3-1 victory over USC.

"He made some big plays,"Casey said. "It was impressive to see him play, I know what kind of athlete he is and what kind of defender he is, but it's hard to put a guy in a position he hasn't ever played, and he played it tremendously."

Grenier also delivered in the batter's box. Having made 43 starts this season, Grenier struggled with a bat-hitting .177 during conference play-to the point where he was scratched from the starting lineup.

It was the first time that Grenier remembers sitting out ance in Sunday's game when he

consecutive games in his baseball career. During the time off he was able to refocus on his game.

I've been making a couple of adjustments everyday with my swing that really helped" Grenier said. "Just clearing my mind, I started to feel a little more like myself again."

In the Beavers series win against USC, Grenier found his rhythm in the batter's box, contributed two runs and two RBIs.

"I just wanted to play well," said Grenier. "I felt like I played one of my best series of the

Madrigal Update

Nick Madrigal did not start a game against USC, pushing the number of missed games to six. The freshman second baseman did however make an appearwas brought in as a defensive replacement in the ninth inning.

"He looked great, he didn't have plays." Casey said with a laugh. "We didn't have to worry."

Since injuring his shoulder against Portland, Madrigal has been slowly working his way back to health. Last week he was just doing field work, this week he was taking batting practice leading up to the series against UCLA.

It is still uncertain if Madrigal, hitting a team high .314 in conference play, will be back in the lineup on Friday.

"Those decisions are made by people other than me," Casey said. "(Madrigal) is part of it, the doctor is part of it, the trainer is part of it. Nick knows how he feels more than anybody."

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Student engagement works



I want to take this opportunity to commend the students that attended the Associated Students of Oregon State University House of Representatives meeting on Wednesday.

Your views on bill JB-07.23 were clear and your presence did not go unnoticed by those tasked with representing your voices on campus.

With a ruling that ultimately seems to be in favor of the general student body, there's really no denying that your presence at these pivotal legislative moments truly has the power to make a difference in this campus community.

Sometimes I think we get so caught up in placing the blame on ASOSU for not representing the students—for not taking into consideration the student voices—that we forget to get involved

You made a different last night. and make our voices heard.

Until the student body as a whole takes a vested interest in what is going on on campus and voices their opinions and concerns, decisions will continue to be made without them

But when we as students rise to an occasion to become a part of something important to us, mountains move.

We saw it last night.

To those that showed up and stood up-I commend you.

To those that didn't-I encourage you to keep your eyes open and to be active when something important to you makes an appearance. You absolutely can make a difference.

And to all of you who read and were inspired by our news coverage- thank you for reading. Thank you for caring and for sharing our articles and your

Thank you for using our publication as a platform for sharing important campus issues.

Keep sending us your letters and remember that student voices need to be shared in order

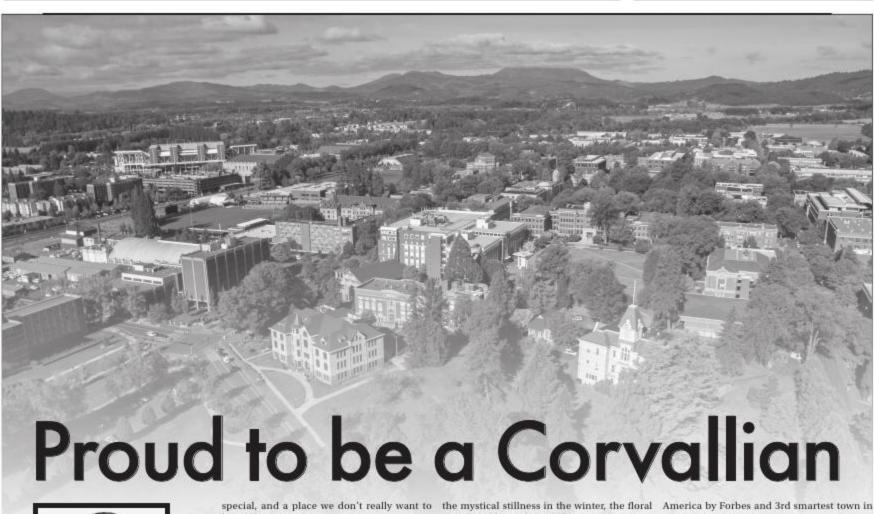
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Sometimes it can be fun to make fun of Corvallis, Oregon. It's tiny, it's quiet—the most frequent crime seems to be public urination and it takes over an hour to get to the nearest city. However, the moment someone who isn't rom Corvallis tries to join in on the bashing we all rush to our town's defense. Why?

Because the out-of-towners don't know the numerous things that make Corvallis really

leave. For instance..

1. The fact that it's not simply a suburb of Portland

Personally, I love that Corvallis is an hour from Portland.

If I had wanted to live in the middle of the squalid, loud metropolis, I'd currently be enrolled at Portland State and probably have green hair and a tattoo of a craft beer.

Instead, I live in Corvallis, which stands alone as a homey, comforting town full of intelligent people who know how to have fun, but also know when it's time to buckle down and study

Still, with Portland easily accessible, there's always the option to take a weekend visit.

2. The natural beauty

The natural beauty that Corvallis possesses is spectacular. Being surrounded by hills and forests and sitting on the Willamette River cre ate a gorgeous atmosphere that give Corvallis extra Oregonian charm.

Whether it's the bright colors in the fall,

pastels in the spring, or the temperate tem- America by MarketWatch. peratures in the summer, Corvallis remains a lovely place to live year round.

3. The quirky downtown

There's also the downtown to be thankful for. From the quirky Darkside Cinema to the wonderful riverfront park, Corvallis is a town that you could easily take your grandmother for a nice visit, or party hard with your friends (probably not both at the same time, but maybe your grandma is open-minded and energetic).

There is a plethora of family-owned local businesses, and our town lacks what almost every town in America has accepted-a WalMart. If the lack of WalMart's in Corvallis won't make you glow with pride, I don't know what will.

4. The national recognition we've received received national recognition in a number of categories.

We were ranked 4th best college town in

Although we don't need other people to tell us what we already know about Corvallis, it's nice to see that big names are also seeing what we see: a town with many upsides.

5. The people

I often can't go a whole day on campus or even in the greater Corvallis area without seeing someone I know, and I like it that way.

There are exceptions to every rule, but overall I've found the people of Corvallis to be humorous, helpful, friendly and fun.

Sure, we're all ready for summer vacation to start, but those of us who leave in June tend to find ourselves pining after Corvallis by July.

So the next time an out-of-towner gives ou a hard time about Corvallis, you can feel automatically superior because you live in a place we're all lucky to call home.

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'Neighbors 2: Sorority Rising' hazes audiences nationwide

Movie Review By Nick Sullivan A&E contributor

Seth Rogen and Zac Efron are at it again with a sequel to their very successful original "Neighbors," which only had an \$18 million budget but made more than \$270 million at the box office. The result is a disappointing pace-challenged comedy that seemed a bit light on the comedy.

Like the first "Neighbors," the sequel follows the lives of Mac and Kelly Radner, played by Seth Rogen and Rose Byrne. The couple is in the process of getting ready for their second child to be born and, as a result, seek to sell their home. Part of the sale includes an escrow period of 30 days in which the buyers are free to assess the home and decide if they still want

Unfortunately for Mac and Kelly, they are quickly becoming the unluckiest of home owners, as a new sorority moves in next door to them.

That's right-the sorority moves into the same house that the fraternity occupied in the first film. What results is a drastically escalating prank war between the two parties as the Radners desperately try to sell their home.

First, there were some aspects of the movie that I did enjoy, and one of them was the comedy. While a great deal of the humor did not land, there were so many jokes that it is next to impossible not find yourself laughing at parts of this movie. Much of that comes from Seth Rogen and the surprising amount of comedic talent Zac Efron has.

Another good aspect of the film was my favorite scene, which revolved around the stealing of marijuana from the sorority girls as part of the conflict.



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When an on-foot chase erupted, the song "Sabotage" by the Beastie Boys came on and complimented the use of grill smoke and slow motion in order to create a great action sequence that truly stood apart from the rest of the movie.

Unfortunately, aside from those few aspects, the movie had little else good to offer to audiences. One of the biggest problems I had with the film was

the terrible pacing of scenes and plot points. The movie seemed to jump from one event to another without time for a viewer to fully comprehend the events that had occurred.

Additionally, another pacing issue I noticed was the use of mini montages to express a series of comedy ideas and the passing of time. The problem is that it is unclear how long each of these sequences takes from context.

While one mini montage only shows the events of a few minutes, another spans several days and they seem way too similar for that to be the case

Next, I want to talk about the plausibility of the film and the horrifying representation of fraternity members. The sorority is led by Shelby, played by Chloë Grace Moretz, who only wants to start the sorority so she doesn't have to party at a fraternity or live by

the rules of the dorms. This begs the question—why does she need to start a sorority?

Why doesn't Shelby and the rest of her like-minded friends just rent a house together and throw parties without calling themselves a sorority? That would also help with the escrow, as buyers are likely to be much less threatened by home-renting college students rather than a Greek organization. Not calling it a sorority and being a little quieter would have solved all of the problems for the girls and the Radners.

Also, fraternity members are represented in this film as dumb perverts and scheming misogynists who only want to degrade or have sex with women. That is a very offensive brush to paint all fraternity members with, and comes across as cartoonish in

The last point about plausibility I want to make is about paying cover charge for parties, as the movie makes it seem like that is the main way Greek houses make money. In many cases, Greek houses support themselves with live-in rent payments.

Lastly, much of the comedy and dialog in this movie was less than impressive. The comedy consisted too much of slap stick and gross-out jokes. The gross-out jokes especially made some of the viewing experience very unpleasant. Also, the dialog seemed to revolve way too much around the battle of the sexes concept/feminism, and that in no way contributed to the

Overall, this movie had its funny moments, but they were overshadowed by bad plot pacing and plausibility. If you want to watch this movie, go right ahead-I just wouldn't suggest going to see it in theaters.

The score I have decided to give "Neighbors 2: Sorority Rising" is 50%

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