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## Diversity Development begins public fight

Supporters expressed need to move Office of Diversity Development into new home during open meeting in MU

By Caitlin Cagle  
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The Diversity Development Office began its fight to find a new home Monday. The Memorial Union Board of Directors as well as students and staff supporting Diversity Development met in the MU Board Room Monday at 4 p.m. to discuss possible options for a new location.

The hourlong meeting outlined reasons why Diversity Development should be moved and reasons why it should be placed in the MU. The meeting had only standing room, and some students

had to even sit on the floor. Larry Roper, vice provost for Student Affairs, was also in attendance.

Emanuel Magana quoted Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in his argument to the board of directors. He said, "A dream deferred is a dream denied."

Magana is ASOSU's executive director of diversity programs and has been fighting for Diversity Development's new office due to a lack of sufficient working space.

Magana's plan was to move the Diversity Development Office into the MU to replace Buenos Burritos, a restaurant that has been on campus for only 3 years. Employees of Buenos Burritos attended the meeting, voicing their opinions on the possibility of losing their jobs.

"I feel that our company and the team that we have built together also meet those core values

[from the MU mission statement] to a tee. Every other Friday the manager allows the students to run the restaurant; it allows us to grow and gain real world experience," said Scott Harper, a junior in business management and an employee of Buenos Burritos.

Up for discussion was also the possibility of adding a bank in the Buenos space. The bank would run in correlation with the OSU ID Center and it was argued that the bank would bring back foot traffic to the Memorial Union.

"The bank is really a partnership with the ID Center. Having a bank branch here is not the focus; it involves some significant enhancements to the ID system," said MU Business Office Manager Jerry McGuire. "It would bring in a lot of capabili-

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## Have a green idea? SSI wants to help make it reality

SSI Fee Board launches Revolving Loan Fund sustainable projects for OSU

By Eric Sepulveda  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

In a progressive effort to make OSU a more dynamically sustainable university, the Student Sustainability Initiative Fee Board has launched the Revolving Loan Fund to finance efficiency and renewable energy projects on campus to make it a greener place to study and grow.

The RLF is a contribution of the \$450,000 which is accumulated through student green fees every year. This is the first year that the RLF has been available and a total of \$100,000 is accessible to be loaned out.

"In past years we have used the full \$450,000 toward energy certificates, but last year the SSI Fee

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## OSU professor earns research award for work on super microchips

Asst. professor Patrick Chiang, doctoral student developing energy-efficient microchip

By Madeline Hoag  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

The U.S. Department of Energy has awarded an Early Career Research Award to Patrick Chiang, an assistant professor in the School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at OSU. This five-year grant was awarded to Chiang and his research partners for their development of new microchips that improve the energy efficiency of extreme-scale computing.

Only 69 awards of this type are given throughout the nation. Chiang's award was titled "Sustainable Silicon: Energy-Efficient VLSI Interconnect for Extreme-Scale Computing." The award was made possible by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which will provide Chiang with \$150,000 per year for salary and research support.

Chiang has been working on the new microchip, or the "network-on-a-chip," for about two and a half years with his doctoral student, Jacob Postman, who was inspired to aid in the research after taking Chiang's class during his senior year of undergraduate school.

"The microchip runs at the same speed while reducing power consumption four to eight times and hopefully the next generation will run 10 to 20 times better in communicat-

ing between cores," Chiang said.

After receiving the award, Chiang was able to attend workshops in Washington to understand energy efficiency issues for future super computers. He has several ideas of how receiving this award will impact his continued research.

"I will continue working with industrial partners to help expedite transfer of research to commercial usage with the help of our close relations with Intel and LSI Corporation," Chiang said. "We will work with OHSU to produce low power techniques for medical monitoring applications, like non-invasive monitoring of aging."

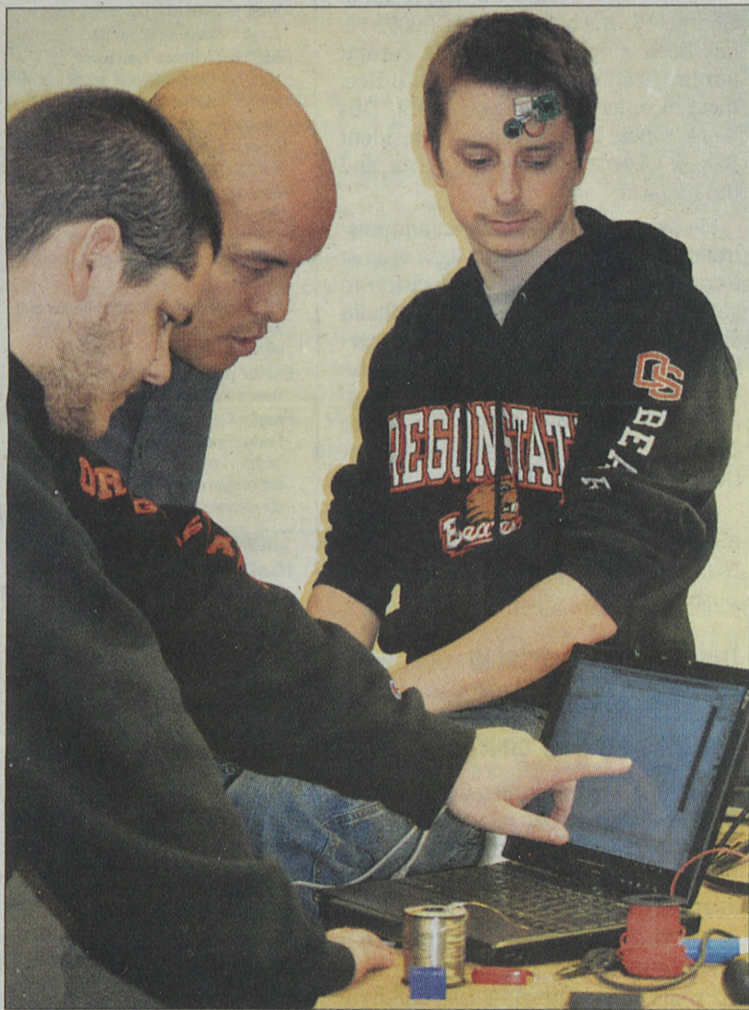
Postman has been assisting Chiang for the past two years by contributing to research, integrating circuits and enabling technologies for microchips with thousands of circuits. All of the data centers on a single chip, which Postman hopes to see used in Intel and IBM design.

"I hope to continue doing research on this microchip technology and we hope to accomplish a 20-time improvement from the current 38 percent reduced power consumption before publishing," Postman said.

The new microchips will be used in almost anything that requires computing.

"The new microchips will be used in cell phones, MP3 players, laptops and gaming. The microchip will increase battery life and use the same amount of power with more perfor-

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Assistant Professor Patrick Chiang, along with students Ryan Albright and Ben Goska, discuss their microchip project. Chiang won the Early Career Award from the U.S. Department of Energy for his research on this microchip.

## Management club teams with Solstice Cafe to promote Goji bars

Club teaming with Corvallis business owner to attract younger customer base

By Yadira Gutierrez  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

A business venture was born after Corvallis business owner Reiner Bohlen decided to take a chance on a hippie who ventured into his Solstice Cafe offering to sell him Goji berries.

Three years later, after creating Goji bars in 2007, Bohlen has teamed up with OSU's management club in an effort to expand the bars to a younger

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## Pitch of blue whales songs dropping to lower key worldwide

OSU researchers have theories to explain phenomenon, but no concrete answers

By Amy Schneider  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

A recent discovery about the largest animal in the world has scientists scratching their heads for an explanation.

Marine biologists have known for decades that blue whales emit two different types of sounds: calls and songs. Only males make songs and while research has been conducted on varying dialects of song, little has been known about the pitch and frequency of these noises.

"If you step back to close your eyes and imagine the Pacific Ocean from a male or female whale's perspective in breeding season, the largeness of the ocean makes you wonder how they even find each other," said Sarah Mesnick, a behavioral ecologist for the NOAA and coauthor of the

new paper published in the journal Endangered Species Research. "One of the uses of song is to identify where the whale is and what species it is so that all the long distance swimming doesn't go to waste."

However, the latest data throws some interesting new information into the preexisting body of knowledge.

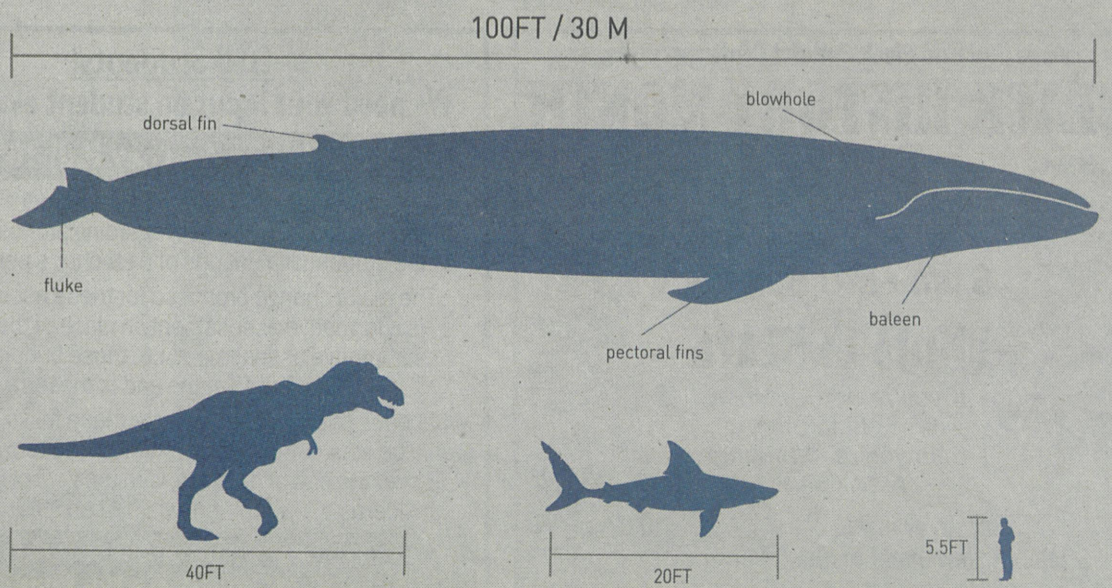
"We already possessed a long term-data set that had a variety of blue whale sounds," said David Mellinger, an associate professor at OSU's Cooperative Institute for Marine Resources Studies and a reviewer of the paper.

"For the study, we picked time periods and measured the sounds, which turned out for some reason to be dropping in frequency and pitch."

According to Mesnick, the initial discovery of the phenomenon was accidental, having emerged from the collection of data for another

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### How the blue whale sizes up



## NATO airstrike kills civilians in southern Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan — A NATO air strike on a convoy in southern Afghanistan killed more than two dozen civilians, officials said Monday.

The incident took place Sunday in the Daikondi province.

The Interior Ministry placed the death toll at 27 civilians, and said 14 others were wounded.

The president's office initially said at least 33 civilians, including four women and a child, were killed and 12 were hurt. It later put out a revised statement agreeing with the Interior Ministry that 27 people were killed.

The military told CNN Pentagon correspondent Barbara Starr they "accept" the Afghan government's death toll.

Commanders ordered the daylight NATO air strike because they had specific intelligence that a group of Taliban in vehicles was heading toward coalition forces on the ground, according to a senior U.S. official.

"Air assets picked up the movement of the vehicles and after an extensive overhead monitoring, the ground force commander ordered the strike," said the official, who declined to be identified because of ongoing investigations.

The source would not discuss what activities the convoy took that led to suspicions it contained insurgents other than its location.

The convoy of three vehicles was traveling to Kandahar province when it was struck, said Zemer Bashary, the spokesman for the Interior Ministry.

NATO confirmed its forces fired on the vehicles, believing that they were carrying insurgents.

When ground troops arrived, they found women and children in the cars, the U.S. military said in a statement.

The military did not say how many people were killed in the attack.

NATO's International Security Assistance Force said it has ordered an immediate investigation.

"We are extremely saddened by the tragic loss of innocent lives," said the U.S. commander in Afghanistan, Gen. Stanley McChrystal, who spoke to President Hamid Karzai on Sunday evening and expressed his regret.

— CNN

## TOP STORY

# Obama pushes governors to improve nation's schools

WASHINGTON, D.C. — President Barack Obama urged the nation's governors Monday to improve public education, and he offered states financial incentives to do so.

"This year, as a condition of receiving access to Title I funds, we'll ask all states to put in place a plan to adopt and certify standards that are college- and career-ready in reading and math," Obama said. Title I refers to the programs set up by the U.S. Department of Education to distribute funds to schools with a high percentage of students from low-income families.

"Once you've got those standards in place, you will be better able to better compete for funds to improve teaching

and upgrade curriculums," he said in an address at the White House.

School districts that begin preparing educators to teach to higher standards will then compete for \$4 billion in a program he calls Race to the Top.

Schools that embrace reforms, raise achievement and respond to student needs will be helped, he promised.

U.S. schools rank ninth in the world in math and 11th in science, Obama said. He lauded Massachusetts educators for having "upped their game" so that the state's students now tie for first in the world in science.

But, he said, "some states have actually done the opposite." Between 2005 and

2007, under the No Child Left Behind program, 11 states lowered their standards, he said. "That may make those states look better relative to other states, but it's not going to help our students keep up with their global competitors," he said.

Obama urged that politics not be allowed to get in the way of improving education. "We're tired of arguments between the left and the right, between reformers and teachers unions," he said. "We want to figure out what works and we want to make sure we're giving you the resources you need to implement what works."

The move would require changing the nation's Elementary and Secondary

Education Act, known under President George W. Bush as No Child Left Behind, said Justin Hamilton, deputy press secretary for the Department of Education.

"What we came out today and said is, 'Oh, by the way, unless you have these standards, you will not get any money,'" he said in a telephone interview. "It's making a move from mostly formula grants to having more competitive" grants.

"Formula" grants mean the grantee gets the money "no matter what," he said.

Under No Child Left Behind, each state set its own standards, with many of them lowering the bar of achievement, he said.

— CNN

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Portugal mourns Madeira mudslide victims

Portugal declared three days of national mourning Monday amid fears the death toll from devastating floods and mudslides on the island of Madeira could rise above 42.

Search teams have been working to find more victims after floodwaters caused by heavy rains swamped the capital Funchal, unleashing a torrent of mud that swept away homes, roads and trees. At least 120 people were injured.

Rescuers were trying to drain a two-story underground car park at a shopping center where many people are thought to have become trapped.

Rescuers feared that when rains started on Saturday, many people may have rushed to retrieve their cars but ended up trapped in the car park, CNN's Portuguese affiliate, RTP state TV, reported.

Flags were flying at half staff on government buildings in Lisbon in respect of the victims. EU Commission President Jose Manuel Durao Barroso was due there later Monday to give a news conference describing what assistance the European Union can offer to Portugal.

Madeira-born footballer Cristiano Ronaldo also paid tribute to the victims as his team Real Madrid played Villarreal on Sunday. He lifted his jersey after scoring a goal to reveal a white T-shirt with "Madeira" written on it.

Ronaldo wrote on his blog later that he was "incredulous, shocked and dismayed" by the disaster, and offered his assistance.

Rescuers were still hunting for other people believed missing in the deluge as efforts to clear up got under way.

Authorities said about 250 people had been evacuated to military bases and other safe locations.

Pedro Barbosa of the Civil Protection Agency told CNN all the damage occurred in just a few hours Saturday

morning due to "very concentrated, very intense" rains that sparked flooding and mudslides.

The mudslides and flooding damaged roads and homes in Funchal, and in Ribeira Brava, which are both on the southern portion of the Atlantic island.

Madeira, an autonomous region of Portugal, is a popular resort destination. There have been no reports of any dead or missing tourists.

Barbosa said Saturday's heavy rains were the worst in Madeira since 1993, when a storm killed eight people.

Madeira is one of the Madeira Islands, an archipelago about 600 miles (1,000 kilometers) southwest of the Portuguese mainland.

### Cheney hospitalized in D.C. with chest pains, will be kept overnight

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Former Vice President Dick Cheney was hospitalized Monday with chest pains, according to his office.

Cheney, 69, is resting comfortably at George Washington University Hospital and his doctors are evaluating the situation, his staff said in a statement.

A family source told CNN that Cheney will be kept in the hospital overnight for observation and additional tests.

Cheney has a long history of heart problems. He has suffered four heart attacks dating to 1978, when he was 37. He suffered his second in 1984 and a third in 1988 before undergoing quadruple bypass surgery to unblock his arteries. His fourth heart attack occurred in November 2000, after he was elected vice president. At that time, doctors inserted a stent to open an artery.

Doctors in 2001 implanted a heart monitoring device to keep track of his heart rhythm and slow it down if necessary. In 2008, he underwent a procedure to restore his heart to a normal rhythm after doctors found he was experiencing a recurrence of atrial fibrillation.

Cheney served under former President George W. Bush from 2001-2009. He has been a vocal critic of the current administration since he left office, most recently appearing on ABC's "This Week" where he railed against President Barack Obama's policies on terror and the Iraq war.

He has accused the Obama administration of failing to treat the fight against terrorists as war, citing the decision to give accused 9/11-mastermind Khalid Sheikh Mohammed a civilian trial, giving the failed Christmas Day airline bomber the privileges of the U.S. criminal justice system, and the decision to shut down the U.S. military prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Cheney also served in the administrations of former Presidents Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford and George H.W. Bush.

### Delaware pediatrician accused of molestation; indicted on 470 charges

A grand jury has indicted a Delaware pediatrician on 470 felony counts in the alleged sexual abuse of his patients, prosecutors announced Monday.

The Sussex County indictment accuses Dr. Earl Bradley, 56, who has had a practice in Lewes, Del., for more than 10 years, of victimizing 103 children. The charges range from rape and sexual exploitation of a child to endangering child welfare and assault.

Bradley also has medical licenses in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Florida. Authorities have said they have contacted officials in those states.

He was initially arrested and charged in December.

Calls to Bradley's attorney, Eugene Maurer Jr., were not immediately returned Monday.

— CNN

## CALENDAR

### Tuesday, Feb. 23

- Meetings**  
**ISOSU**, 6-8pm, MU International Resource Center. Leadership Council meeting.  
**ASOSU**, 7pm, MU 109A. Meeting of the 69th ASOSU Senate.  
**The Pride Center**, Noon-1pm, Pride Center. Volunteer with the Pride Center! Give back to your community! Make new friends! Help plan events!  
**ASOSU Accessibility Affairs**, 3-4pm, Women's Center. Come join and make OSU accessible to all students.  
**OSU College Democrats**, 6-8pm, MU 213. Political discussion and volunteer opportunities, followed by social hour!  
**Events**  
**Student Events & Activities Center and MU**, 2:30, 5:30, 8:30pm, MU Commons. MUVies - The Princess & The Frog.  
**OSU Chess Club**, 4pm, MU 211. Join us for chess games! Open to students, faculty and Corvallis residents. Bring a chess set if you have one!  
**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 11:30am-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd St. "Come & Go" lunch. Good food and informal table talk.  
**The Pride Center**, 9am, meet in front of Dixon Rec. Walking/jogging for the athletically challenged. No competition, no rules. Walk or jog at your own pace.  
**Campus Alliance for International Resources (CAIR)**, Noon-1pm, IRC in MU. International Lunch Bunch: Come and enjoy lunch while discussing different traditions around the world. Bring your lunch!  
**Black Cultural Center**, 6pm, MU Ballroom. Black History Month Dinner.  
**Faculty Senate Task Force for Student Evaluations**, 4pm, Kearney 305. Looking for input on major changes to end-of-term evaluations. Presentation and a Q&A.

### Wednesday, Feb 24

- Meetings**  
**ASOSU**, 7pm, MU 109B. Meeting of the 1st ASOSU House of Representatives.  
**Silent Lunch**, Noon-1pm, Marketplace West, reserved table near west entrance. A sign language social. All levels welcome.  
**Health & Wellness Task Force**, 6pm, Snell 149. Come help plan events regarding health and wellness.  
**College Republicans**, 7pm, MU 110. Come join us as we discuss politics and various current events.  
**Education Students for Peace and Justice**, 5pm, 109 Education Hall. All majors welcome to join our discussion of social justice issues in the realm of education.  
**Events**  
**Student Events & Activities Center and MU**, 2:30, 5:30, 8:30pm, MU Commons. MUVies - The Princess & The Frog.  
**Beaver Yearbook**, 1-4pm, Snell 231. Free Beaver Yearbook portraits.  
**Faculty Senate Task Force for Student Evaluations**, 4pm, Kelley 1001. Looking for input from faculty on major changes to end-of-term evaluations. Please come for our presentation and a Q&A session.

### Thursday, Feb. 25

- Meetings**  
**ASOSU Community Affairs Task Force**, 4-5pm, Snell 149. Plan upcoming ASOSU Community Affairs Task Force events for this term! Any and all are welcome.  
**ASOSU Judicial Council**, 6pm, Snell 246. Mtg of the ASOSU Judicial Branch.  
**Gamma Alpha Omega Sorority, Inc.**, 7pm, MU Talisman Room. Come learn about how you can become involved on campus and serve your community.  
**Speakers**  
**History Students Association (HSA)**, 5-7pm, StAg 132. Professionals from surrounding communities will be available to talk about utilizing a history degree.  
**Events**  
**OSU Food Group**, 5-9pm, International Forum Room, Snell Hall/MU East. OSU Emergency Food Pantry: 3-5 days of food provided to low-income individuals. Enter near Goss Stadium and Waldo Hall.  
**Student Events & Activities Center and MU**, 2:30, 5:30, 8:30pm, MU Commons. MUVies - The Princess & The Frog.  
**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 5:45-7:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd St. QUEST - Simple supper, spiritual discussion.  
**The Pride Center**, 2pm, meet in front of Dixon Rec. Walking/jogging for the athletically challenged. No competition; no rules. Walk or jog at your own pace.  
**Black Cultural Center**, Noon, Black Cultural Center. "Negroes with Guns" film.  
**Black Cultural Center**, 5-7pm, Black Cultural Center. Good Bye Uncle Tom discussion part 1.

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## OSU Students!

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Come share your thoughts with the Student Evaluation of Teaching (SET) Task Force regarding proposed changes to the student evaluations of a teacher's performance.

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# Music a la Carte breaks 40-year tradition for special performance

Usually held Thursdays at noon, event moved to Monday to accommodate renowned American Horn Quartet

By Amy Schneider  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Normally, anyone in search of a free concert around lunchtime can find just that through piano music in the MU lounge. However, Music a la Carte, a 40-year-old tradition at OSU, broke from its Thursday routine Monday when the American Horn Quartet made a special Monday performance.

The idea for Music a la Carte initially came from Marlan Carlson, department chair of the OSU music department, and his wife, Angela Carlson, a senior instructor in the music department.

"My wife and I had always felt, having come from a rather elite musical background in Europe, that Oregon State did not have a strong musical culture," Marlan Carlson said.

"We needed to expose people to a broader experience and we thought we could do that best by going to where the people are and by bringing music to a popular place," he said. "The MU came immediately to mind."

The initial concert consisted of the husband and wife duo performing together in the MU lounge around noon, a time they thought would be convenient for everyone. From there, friends and other OSU musicians joined in on the fun. The concerts soon became a weekly affair.

"From there it sort of expanded with the OSU Foundation giving us some seed money so we could pay expenses for out-of-town players," Marlan said. "We've had visits from musicians with national and international reputations who were just passing through, and occasionally we'd get stop-off concerts from groups touring to or from Portland."

Music a la Carte typically has enough funding to sponsor about 27 concerts a year, depending on the caliber and availability of performers.

"It's really important to acknowledge that the series is partially funded by student activity fees," said Erin Sneller, infor-



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The American Horn Quartet, made up of Kerry Turner, Kristina Mascher-Turner, Charles Putnam and Geoffrey Winter, perform at the "Music a la Carte" Monday afternoon in the MU Lounge.

mation publicist for the music department. "The MU also offers us the space for free, leaving us to pay only for equipment and labor."

Monday's concert was particularly notable with the prestigious nature of the American Horn Quartet, a brass chamber ensemble with internationally recognized credentials. According to an OSU press release, its members have all played in prominent European orchestras, including the Brussels Philharmonic Orchestra and the Beethoven Orchestra in Germany.

The concert featured six songs, as well as a special encore performance. One of the songs, entitled "Fandango," was composed by the quartet's very own Kerry Turner, who was inspired by a type of Spanish dance.

"I'm what you might call the composer of the group," Turner said. "I was going for a 'Sorcerer's Apprentice' sort of inspiration, with the song building gradually and resulting in a lively outburst of music."

Despite the show being on a Monday, most of the Thursday regulars still attended the performance. Among them were Don and Nancy McMorris, four-year veterans of Music a la Carte. Having both grown up in Corvallis and graduated from OSU, the

Albany couple enjoys coming for a visit each week for free concerts.

"We just love music and OSU is very close to our hearts," said Nancy McMorris, an alumna with a master's in interdisciplinary arts. "We've both been involved in music throughout our lives and this has been a good way to fit it in. In fact, we started calling it our Thursday date day because after this we go out to lunch."

Music a la Carte has its remaining concerts of the term spread out over the next three weeks, all on Thursdays at noon. The OSU Trumpet Choir will be first to perform, followed by the local Celtic group Three Fingered Jack the next week and the Andrew Kolb Cello Duo the week after that. Sneller encourages students and community members alike to take advantage of the concerts.

"It's a great opportunity to see chamber music and other types of music that people generally wouldn't be able to listen to for free," Sneller said. "We don't have as many students come as we'd like, but there has been greater attendance this term and we'd love to see even more."

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market while giving OSU students a first-hand opportunity to put their business skills to use.

"The management club was started a couple years back but fell through. It wasn't long ago that it was started back up," said Casey Anderson, club secretary and a freshman in business and restaurant management.

The management club provides students with networking opportunities, speakers and projects to work on, among other things.

"There are currently three groups in the management club working on different projects and we are working with Reiner on the Goji bars," Anderson said.

The connection with Bohlen was created by the management club's vice president, who approached Bohlen about working together.

"I was approached by the vice president of the club and saw it as a great fit and opportunity to reach out to college age students," Bohlen said.

Currently, Goji bars are popular among an older crowd and Bohlen wants to also appeal to a younger market.

"Our main customer base consists of about two-thirds of customers over 35 years of age and mostly made up of women," Bohlen said. "I also want to start reaching out to the younger crowd."

This is where the OSU management club came into the picture.

"Reiner wants to get a better hold and understanding of the younger market and that's what we are trying to help him with," said Lyndsay Toll, project manager and a freshman in business management and entrepreneurship.

As a part of the project, Toll, along with fellow club members, are in the process of creating surveys and planning a Goji



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Andy Barnes pulls out a sheet of Goji bars from the oven at Solstice Cafe in Corvallis.

bar taste testing day in the MU Quad.

"We basically want to know what students want," Toll said.

Knowledge about what a younger consumer wants is exactly what Bohlen is looking to find in order to be successful in his efforts to reach a broader market.

"I'm curious to find out what will resonate with students and figuring out what the barriers are, whether it be not knowing about the product or price," Bohlen said. "I want to know what we can do to bridge the gap."

One of the things Bohlen has done is create a Facebook page as a means to spread the word about the product.

"Once people try the bars, they come back for more," Bohlen said. "The biggest problem is getting the word out there and publicity plays such an important role."

Such was the case in 2008 when President Barack Obama was seen eating the bars during his campaign. As a result, a story was written in The Oregonian in March of 2009 and orders for the bars have since skyrocketed.

The management club is able to dedicate about two to three hours a week to the Goji bars

project and views it as a great opportunity to do hands-on learning.

"As we work on this project, we are learning how to market, contact people and [organize]," Toll said. "We are putting to use what we are learning in class."

The management club is also getting real experience with what it takes to run a business.

"They are getting to see what a small local business looks like inside and out," Bohlen said. "A chance to see the everyday realities aside from just learning it through books."

Bohlen sees the collaboration with the management club as a structure for a larger project further down the road.

"Right now we are taking it slow and seeing how things go, but I can envision possibly setting up an internship opportunity for students in the future," Bohlen said.

Currently, the Goji bars are being sold at the Cascadia Market on campus as a test run and at other locations around town.

The management club will be sampling Goji bars and conducting surveys on March 8 in the MU Quad.

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## AWARD

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mance," Postman said.

Chiang is also mentoring a senior design class group of three students. The funds from receiving the award allow the students to purchase experimental fabrication in order to build prototypes. The group is focused on health monitoring wireless systems and similar veins learned from microchip research.

"The main focus of the class is to make prototypes using a wireless vital sign monitoring system in order to work out any problems that can be solved before the first build," said Ryan Albright, a member of the design group and a senior in electrical and computer engineering. "Problems are a lot less expensive with prototype materials than when you are using silicon."

Ben Goska, another senior majoring in electrical and computer engineering and member of the design group, agrees that it is necessary to use off-the-shelf components before using silicon.

"The microchip will be useful for EKG sensing and for using low power, while being efficient and on a single chip," Goska said.

Chiang stressed that the entire project would not have been possible without the help from Postman and his senior design group.

Both Goska and Albright plan on continuing to graduate school and furthering their research in this field. They said that their efforts are definitely contributing to the efforts made to "go green" through the emphasis on energy efficiency and power consumption.

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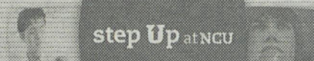
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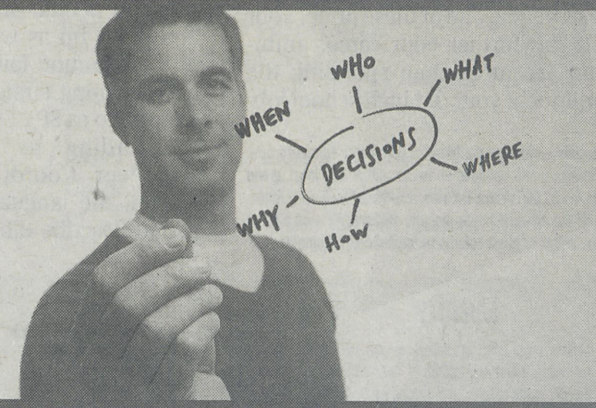
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## Editorial

# The race for internships

It may seem like the big purple elephant in the room, but we have decided to artfully avoid another discussion on LaMichael James and the continued unraveling of the Oregon Ducks into a team full of irresponsible, immature young men who have become a danger to their community and a disgrace to their university.

That said, can we talk about how difficult it is to get a job — or even an internship — right now?

This is the time of year when thousands of hopeful, bright-eyed college students are scrambling around begging for letters of recommendation, writing cover letters, perfecting their resumes and dropping off weighty envelopes at the post office (sealed with a kiss for good luck) to be delivered to all corners of the country.

Seniors are beginning to feel the wanderlust, the “big fish” effect. Over the last few years, they’ve adopted a certain swagger and style. Some have gone as far as they can at OSU and are itching to be at the bottom of the totem pole again. There’s an excess of raw, sporadic talent and unbridled energy and enthusiasm to clash with our very limited experience and young, arrogant attitudes.

What we may forget as we cry ourselves to sleep at night at the sight of another rejection letter in the mail (or, in many cases, after ticking off the months without hearing anything at all), is that we’re usually in a field of several hundred equally eager and hard-working students vying for the same internship. And, because of the economy’s lagging effects, the number of internships at any company that is even remotely suffering could be cut in half or eliminated altogether.

There is no amount of ego-stroking by our parents that can fix this, and there are simply not enough internships to go around. In a way, it’s like being a sperm on the life or death race to find an egg — not all of us will get internships. Not all of us will advance. Many of us will find ourselves back at home, working jobs that are completely unrelated to our career goals and therefore, not resume builders.

However, it’s never too late to keep applying. If you’ve missed the deadline for an internship, call directly and find out if there is any way you could still insert yourself in the running. Actual direct dialogs with employers can be extremely rewarding. Don’t be afraid to reach out.

While unpaid internships are not the most appealing option, in many cases having one of these under your belt can further your career ambitions far more than spending the summer at your old high school job.

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## LIFE IS WEIRD



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# Attn: Well-intentioned straight persons

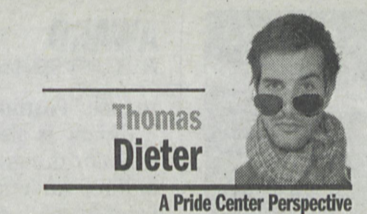
Hey there. You in the shirt. No, not you. Of course your Lady Gaga getup is amazing or whatever, but today let’s focus on your friend. You know, the straight one. Yes, I’m talking to you in the Dave Matthews Band T-shirt. Before you head down to the gorge to listen to “Satellite” in all of its glory (again), could we discuss our relationship for a moment?

You’ve probably been operating heavy machinery lately or doing something with all of those children you helped produce, right? Your life, admittedly, isn’t very queer, but for the most part, we’re okay with it and accept your heterosexuality for what it is.

Moreover, unlike some of your “brosefs,” you’re relatively hip to the idea that sexuality is fluid, people are people and it’s no one’s privilege (or business, for that matter) to tell others how to live or who to love.

We know that you want to tell us queers you’re “cool with us” and “it’s all good,” but let’s face it — you’ve been struggling to find the right words. So put down your Pabst Blue Ribbon or Sunny D (or whatever it is you people drink these days) and listen up as we discuss some of the common faux pas made by well-meaning straight folk (herein referred to as SP).

According to Pride Center Volunteer Coordinator Virginia Martin, the language that people use to describe differences in sex-



uality too often includes words like “choice,” “decision,” “preference” and others suggesting that people actively select their interests.

“I cringe when I hear people say, ‘I support you in your lifestyle’ as if I were a swinger or something,” said Martin. “My sexual identity is not a lifestyle.”

Although the differences between lifestyles and identities may seem minute, SP, a marked difference exists between, say, wearing clothing that reflects a particular lifestyle (wrapped up in a variety of situations and contexts, socioeconomic and otherwise) and recognizing that you are a man presently in a female form.

Moreover, as Steven Leider points out, the very conglomeration of the terms “homosexual identity” present an internal fallacy.

“It’s a medical diagnosis, not an identity,” said Steven Leider, director of LGBT outreach and services. “It’s a 140-year-old word and a poorly constructed one at that, coming from Greek and Latin routes kluged together.”

Another well-intentioned gaff includes failed attempts at humor. “I get ‘You’re almost like a guy but

nice and don’t stink,’” said Dave Adkins, self-identified closet tranny and Corvallis resident.

She laughed and said that the awkwardness of her buddies who say such things creates its own humor. Adkins went on to note that her “younger brother doesn’t know if he can say dyke. He’ll say, ‘I don’t mean anything by it; just, you know, that she’s a dyke.’”

Alex Nguyen, office assistant at the Pride Center and a senior in general science, sometimes hears his friend say, “That’s so gay” and upon realizing the mistake, attempt to qualify the statement somehow with “no offense,” “not like that” or “you know what I mean.”

Even our better-versed allies experience the pains of being around straight folk who don’t quite know how to navigate through such a touchy, linguistic web.

“People tell me that they can say ‘That’s so gay’ because I have a gay insert-relative-here,” said Cara Ashworth, an ally and senior in public health who also works as the internal coordinator at the Pride Center.

Mia Stier echoed. “My bros will give the fill-in-the-blank, I-have-a-gay-friend line, too,” she said. A senior in fine arts and PC publications coordinator, Stier also noted that her bros usually only make the reference after she’s “called them out on it and they’re trying to back track.”

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## RJ Friedman Guest Column

# Putting juvenile extremism in perspective: Support through dissent

I support and respect my President, but that does not mean I have to agree with him. It is out of respect for the office, in fact, that I feel I need to bring attention to the egregious errors of this administration and the Democrats who have been in control of Congress since 2006. This dissent adds a different voice to the conversation; as I’ve said before, the world would still be flat if it were not for dissidence. While disagreeing, however, I choose to address elected officials respectfully (President Barack Obama, Speaker Pelosi, etc.), but some others do not, and you know what? That is fine by me.

You see, here in America, we (still) have the freedom of speech. That First Amendment gives us the ability to criticize our government, draw cartoons of our elected officials doing silly things or even portray them as evil villains of the past.

According to a recent piece in the Barometer, this was done recently by some right-wing “extremists” who portrayed President Obama as Hitler. After pointing this out, the author then called for these “extremists” to “stop this juvenile extremism and deal with it just like the other parties do when you are in office,” apparently forgetting the countless times this was done to President Obama’s predecessor (there were about 7.7 million hits for “Bush Hitler” on Google).

I don’t have a problem with asking these students, whom I have not seen or heard of before yesterday’s article, to respect our president. We have that right — just like they have the right not to listen.

What I do have a problem with is that while calling for these “extremists” to contribute more factual accuracy to political discourse, few, if any, of said article’s facts were correct — from saying that “hundreds of thousands” of Jews were killed by Hitler (no, ma’am, it was over five million), to saying that “the debt still exists ... but it is getting better,” Ms. Hople’s article was misleading at best.

Let’s start at the top.

First, the author compared the ending approval rating of President George W. Bush with the current approval rating of President Obama. While an interesting way to make it look like President Obama is doing better than he is, most historians and political scientists don’t look at the numbers that way because, frankly, most presidents start out with a higher approval rating than they end with. When comparing, you will see that former President Bush did in fact have a higher approval rating at the same time in his career (and did even before 9/11). However the most telling sta-

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tistic, released back in December, says that only 50 percent of Americans prefer President Obama to former President Bush.

You read that correctly: Only half of Americans preferred President Obama to former President Bush in December 2009 and President Obama's approval rating has only shrunk since then.

Ms. Hopple then said that the president's "disapproval rose slightly" — that is an understatement. In little over a year, the number of those who "strongly disagree" with President Obama has gone from 15 percent to over 40 percent. That nearly 200 percent increase is far from "slight."

The author then goes into a "blame Bush" spiel. While it is true that former President Bush made mistakes, and it is true that we should carefully examine his reaction to the economic crisis we are facing, it is completely irresponsible, narrow-minded and short-sighted to blame him for all of the problems we are facing.

First, to say that our country was debt free at the time former President Bush entered office is flat out wrong — the debt was around \$5 trillion. We then saw a surplus for the first two years that he was in office. This changed, however, and former President Bush's most expensive year was 2008 when, led by a Democratic Congress, he racked up a \$400 billion deficit.

Compare that to President Obama and you will find that this year's deficit is around four times higher than it was in 2008. The 2009 deficit was over \$1.6 trillion. In our current president's first year in office, we saw national debt increase over \$4,000 per person, compared to Bush's first year when we saw a surplus of about \$500 per person.

I am also very curious about the author's claim that jobs are "gradually becoming" more available. I don't know where she got her facts, but the numbers I looked at showed unemployment has risen under President Obama, who promised that if the stimulus passed, unemployment would not go above 8 percent (it is now around 9.7 percent). Even here in Oregon, we are seeing the number of new jobless claims rise.

As for the economic crisis, economists will tell you that the problem started over a decade before we saw the effects, and the problem stems from way more than poor leadership; blaming Bush totally sidesteps the fact that while former President Bill Clinton was in office, legislation was passed that encouraged Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to give loans to people who could not afford them.

President Clinton even blamed Congressional Democrats for opposing attempts by Senator McCain and President Bush to regulate Fannie and Freddie (which, by the way, were both created by progressives in our government). These companies, because of encouragement and backing from

our government, went on to hold over \$5 trillion in residential mortgages — over half of the total mortgages in the U.S. The top beneficiaries of campaign contributions from Fannie and Freddie were Senator Chris Dodd (D), Senator Barack Obama (D) and Senator John Kerry (D).

As for Iraq, while the majority may not agree with the war now, Congress (including a 29-21 majority of Senate Democrats) voted in favor of war back in 2002, and most Americans supported their decision. Then, in 2006, President Obama and other Democrats claimed that the surge would not work. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and other Democratic leadership even claimed we had lost the Iraq War.

Now we see President Obama continuing former President Bush's Iraq policy, and Vice President Biden is trying to take the credit for the war's success. Don't forget that the president promised to be out of Iraq within 16 months of his inauguration. Tick tock.

By following the "blame Bush" mentality and ignoring all of the other mistakes we made, we will only increase the odds that this crisis will last longer than it should, as we are now seeing.

Yes, the government made some mistakes, but the thing we need to realize, as citizens, is that we had the most to do with the recession. We, the people, made the decisions that got us into this mess and elected the officials that helped.

I unfortunately need to redirect Ms. Hopple's words back to her — "get real evidence next time." This whole "blame Bush" mantra is getting old; a people are getting sick of it and are looking for our current leadership to give them answers and to do what they were elected to do, not shift blame when their policies continue to fail.

Furthermore, we as citizens need to recognize some things. Americans are addicted to spending, and so far during his presidency, President Obama has exhibited the classic signs of a spending junkie, as have the Democrats in charge of Congress (and our state legislature, where Democrats increased state spending 9 percent yet took money from our schools).

It is time for us admit our mistakes. It is time for us to stand up to our government and say no more. They stood up in Massachusetts and elected Republican Scott Brown. Here in Oregon, the Republicans are getting back to basics and as a result are fielding some great candidates.

These candidates are standing up and saying what we all are thinking: "no" to unnecessary spending, "no" to higher taxes and "no" to false hope and broken promises of change — but more importantly, a resounding "yes" to a business-friendly environment here in Oregon so that all of our OSU grads, parents, friends and family can get back to work.

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**Letters to the Editor**

**Concerning Trader Joe's article**

**Not everyone is in love with Trader Joe's**

A large crowd at Trader Joe's grand opening was mistaken for "overwhelming support by Corvallis community" in a recent front-page article.

I know just a few people who are happy about Trader Joe's move to Corvallis and all three of them have no investment in this community after they graduate. Many long-term Corvallis community folk are upset because of TJ's extremely unsustainable practices — excessive packaging (even their produce is packaged; why would we want shrink-wrapped cucumbers?), shipping products from all over the world, non-union employment, lack of local products and keeping the producers of their products a secret from their customers.

Instead, a front-page article should be devoted to covering First Alternative Cop's tremendous commitment to the health, well-being and connectedness of our community, sustainability, reducing packaging waste, recycling, social responsibility, community giving, education, member-ownership, informing customers of the source and content of their products, and the values and practices of their producers.

TODD DALOTTO,  
*Honors horticulture research senior*

**Concerning 'Keeping it male' column**

**Advice is ridiculous and immature**

Rob asked for female input, so here's mine: I could be interpreting his advice wrong, but

from what I can tell, he's encouraging men to purposefully make themselves less available in order to make women (or maybe just one particular woman) crave them.

While I can't claim the logic is false or ineffective, I do want to shed light on a point of contention he either hadn't considered or purposefully ignored.

Men and women who behave this way, who purposefully make themselves unavailable without justifiable grounds, are jerks. It's called manipulation. While it works, it's not fair to either party.

The physical motions of Rob's advice only works from an ethical standpoint if the guy actually is unavailable — work, school, friends, family, hobbies, other girls, whatever. Sure, it makes an interested party chase them. But, logistically speaking, that's because the person of interest is, well, interesting.

To purposefully withhold oneself out of pure malice (withholding positive relationship behaviors) is ridiculous and incredibly immature.

These people need to grow up and recognize that functional relationships take work and a certain amount of both give and take. Shame on the selfish and deluded men and women who resort to manipulative tactics and games to pull the string for their girlfriends/boyfriends.

And shame on Rob for prescribing such behaviors.

ROSE HANSEN,  
*Senior in recreation resource management and writing*

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Another common no-no includes asking whether we're "sure" that we're not straight or hinting at possible "fixes" or "cures."

"I've had people ask how I could know I was a lesbian," said Danielle Dyer, the PC publications assistant and a senior in liberal studies. "They'll say 'You [haven't had sex] with a guy so how do you know?'"

Of course, finally, the heteros are not the only persons who use silly logic. Stier related, "Since working as an ally in the LGBT community, I've been asked by LGBT people if I

was sure that I'm not queer or told that they could 'fix that.'"

I must admit to my own tendency to make hasty generalizations about you, SP. It was stereotypical for me to assume you love Dave Matthews Band. After all, you could love Bon Jovi equally.

It seems we could all do well, then, to lighten up on our tendency to impose identities, to project experiences and, ultimately, to obliterate the uniqueness of others.

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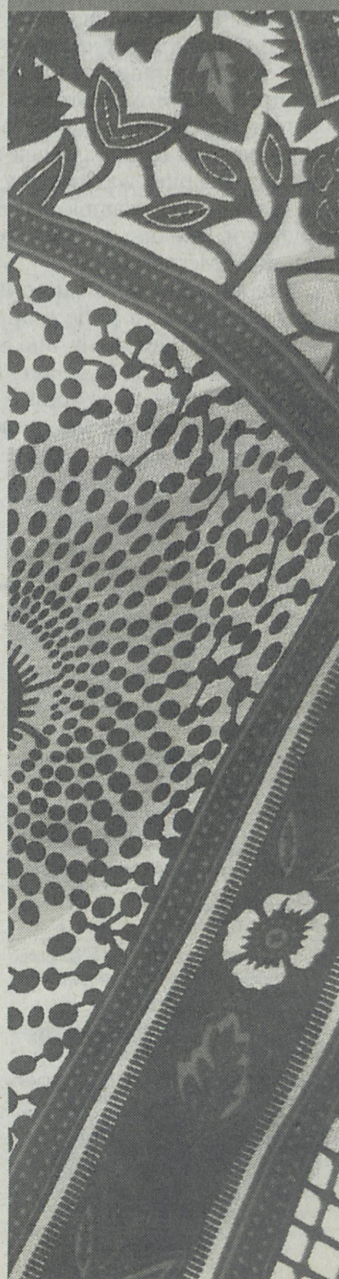
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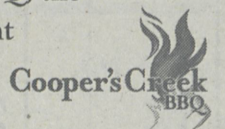
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# Sheriff's office seeks help in mystery of missing San Diego-area family

By Gabriel Falcon  
CNN

A close relative of a missing Southern California family fears they may have been kidnapped.

"My gut feeling is telling me that they are being held against their will in some way," said Michael McStay, brother of Joseph McStay. "That's my personal opinion. That's what I think."

Joseph McStay, 40, his wife, Summer, 43, and their two young children, Gianna, 4, and Joseph, 3, have not been seen or heard from since Feb. 4. Concerned relatives contacted authorities who then conducted a welfare check of the family's home on Feb. 15, the sheriff's department said in a written statement.

An SUV belonging to the family was found abandoned near the Mexican border. The McStay home is in Fallbrook, an unincorporated area about 45 miles north of San Diego.

"At this point it just seems to be a mystery,"

Lt. Dennis Brugos of the San Diego County Sheriff's Office told CNN. "There is a chance the family could have voluntarily left and disappeared, but it's unlikely."

Michael McStay said he would speak to his older brother at least once a week. "Every Friday he would call me and we'd be talking for a while," he said. "We were tight. We've always been tight."

"Evidence at the family home suggested that the family had not left on a planned vacation and that the totality of the circumstances surrounding their disappearance was quite out of character for the family," the sheriff's office said.

Brugos said the McStays' two dogs were left at the home unattended and without food or water.

"I think there were some food items left out that should have been refrigerated," Brugos added. "Those types of things sparked our attention, and on the chance that this turns

into a criminal investigation we want to be on the ground floor with this thing."

After the SUV was found in San Ysidro, two blocks from the Mexican border, "it was processed with a search warrant," Brugos said. "There was nothing in the car ... suggesting that this was some criminal act."

However, investigators are not ruling out the possibility of foul play and have assigned the case to the sheriff's homicide detail.

"There is nothing illegal about disappearing," Brugos said. "(But) in this particular case, according to relatives it would be out of character just to disappear without notifying family members."

Brugos also said it was unlikely the McStays were targeted by a Mexican drug cartel. "There is nothing in Joseph or his wife's life or background that would suggest (or) that would put them in a high risk of any criminal activity," he said.

And, he said, interviews with relatives and

friends indicate no internal signs of marital trouble or conflict.

"Everyone has issues in every family, but as far as a family just disappearing, there is nothing to suggest they would do just that," he said.

"He is fun-loving and easy-going," said Michael McStay. "He's creative, he's just, you know, people like to hang with him, both of them. Summer is very intelligent, very educated, a heck of a mom. ... This doesn't add up."

Joseph McStay is self-employed, creating and installing indoor water treatments, such as pools, Brugos said.

He called the disappearance of the McStay family unsettling and unusual. "We've had cases where there have been incidents, but relatively quickly we are able to determine what happened," he said. "In this particular case, it's been quite a while."

## SSI

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Board allocated \$100,000 for the RLF. The board wants to use student fees in the best way and surveys have indicated that students want this program because they feel it will improve sustainable practices," said Michael Koch, a graduate student in mechanical engineering who took the lead in heading the RLF.

The idea of the Revolving Loan Fund is to show students and faculty that their ideas about sustainability matter and have the potential to become reality.

"There is no shortage of project ideas from our end, but we want to know what our students and faculty

think is important and want to see changed, said Brandon Trelstad, sustainability coordinator. "We are hoping for a diversity of applicants from building managers to students with great ideas. The loan can cover direct construction costs like materials, equipment, labor and permission."

The Fee Board is now accepting applications for the Sustainable Energy Revolving Loan Fund for projects that reduce campus buildings' reliance on non-renewable energy.

The loan rate is 2.55 percent as of Jan. 29 and applications are due at 5 p.m. on Feb. 24. The minimum loan amount is \$5,000 and a maximum of \$100,000 is available for all applicants.

"We don't want students to shy away from turning in applications because of the word 'loan,'" Trelstad said. "We are encouraging applicants to work with the university to have them repay the loan while the applicants devise, lead and run the proposed projects."

The SSI currently awards grants at the beginning of each year to sustainability projects being led by students, but the RLF is hoping to build on students' interests in starting and running programs that will benefit the campus over the long run through sustainable efforts.

"A lot of our buildings are older and don't have up to date efficient things like double-paned windows," Koch said. "Changes like that can make a big impact and save us lots of money in the long run."

While most of the projects will be focused on developing more energy efficient build-

ings, the developers of the program want students to ultimately have a larger role in the development of the campus and become more educated and involved in the different projects being done in the university.

"It's exciting to hear that colleges like Cornell are interested in the projects that we are doing here at OSU like the RLF and green fees and asking how we set them up," said Daniel Force, SSI program facilitator. "Harvard is the only other university that I know of has any of these types of programs."

Students or faculty who wish to submit an application can visit <http://oregonstate.edu/sustainability/funding> or contact Michael Koch at [michael.david.koch@gmail.com](mailto:michael.david.koch@gmail.com) or Brandon Trelstad at [brandon.trelstad@oregonstate.edu](mailto:brandon.trelstad@oregonstate.edu).

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ties to the current ID card that the bank would end up funding. Any relationship that the student had with the bank would be strictly voluntary."

Students that attended the meeting seemed upset at the idea of a bank proposal and discussed possible options for both Buenos Burritos and Diversity Development to meet in the middle. The board of directors took questions and concerns from the students for an allotted 20-minute time period.

Near the end of the open question session, students and staff seemed to agree that the decision should be postponed until after the campaign and election to have Snell Hall relocated, which is scheduled to take place in two weeks.

"The timing of this is wrong. I think we should

postpone this discussion and really focus on catering to a student's [Magana's] request," said Milika Leakona Hopoi, a representative on the board for international students at Oregon State and a sophomore majoring in English.

"We should seek to our full advantage to fulfill a student's request," Hopoi argued, "And because we haven't, Emanuel has brought this problem to us today."

The board of directors, whose student members are the only ones allowed to vote on these issues, came to an agreement to postpone the decision until the issue of Snell relocation has been solved.

"I'm open to all options," Magana said, "I just want to ensure that Diversity Development receives the home it deserves."

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## WHALES

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project. "This study came out of a previous study in which we were looking at geographic variations," Mesnick said. "We get thousands of hours of acoustic recordings and use these automated computer programs to read hours and hours of recording."

When the pitch of the songs went into the program, the researchers assumed that a similar range of pitch would be maintained from recordings of different time periods. Instead, they found that they had to change their algorithm because the pitch was lowering.

"It's kind of an example of the scientific endeavor, how one question comes from another," Mesnick said.

The strangest observation is that the blue whales seem to be dropping their pitches simultaneously and all across the world, not just in solitary incidences. Many hypotheses sprang from the results of the study, but none are yet definitive.

Some of these hypotheses are that there has been growing whale size, modification of pitch in order to compete with increased noise pollution in the ocean or ocean acidification, which slightly changes the transmission of sounds through the water. However, none of these seem to adequately explain the blue whale's drop in pitch.

"Another hypothesis is that it's a cultural change," Mellinger said. "Humpback whales modify pitch throughout the mating season, changing their pitch more or less together, and it might be that blue whales are lowering the pitch of their songs in the same way humpbacks do. But, the piece of evidence against that idea is that it seems to be happening in blue whale populations all over the world and not simply as an isolated, cultural change in song."

According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services' website, the blue whale was placed on the Endangered Species List in 1978. Since then, populations have been slowly rebuilding, and researchers postulate that the gradually increasing numbers of whales may explain the drop

of pitch in the blue whales' songs.

"We thought that maybe when the populations were low, the whales had to make the loudest sounds possible because we had killed so many of them that it was difficult for them to find each other," Mesnick said. "At that time it would have been natural selection for the loudest sound possible, but now as the populations are increasing, we might be seeing a tipping point, a switching to lower sound that's geared more towards sexual selection."

Many questions remain as to why the whales are changing their songs and ultimately researchers are still looking for an answer. As in many scientific studies, the explanation could reside in a combination of reasons.

"Part of the motive for publishing the paper is to get people's ideas and input since this is kind of an odd discovery," Mesnick said. "Some people think scientists know everything but this is an instance where we're still looking at all the possibilities."

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# Beavers get rolled by No. 2 Stanford

■ Despite double figures by Haiden Palmer, it wasn't enough to pick up a win against top-ranked team

SPORTS INFORMATION

STANFORD, Calif. — Haiden Palmer hit the double-figure scoring mark for the fifth straight game, but the Oregon State women's basketball team lost to No. 2 Stanford, 82-48, Saturday night at Maples Pavilion.

The game concluded Oregon State's annual trip to the Bay Area. Oregon State lost a seesaw battle to California, 66-62, on Thursday night to open the trip.

Palmer was 7-of-15 from the field and scored 11 of her 16 points in the second half. The freshman guard now has 14 games with 10 or more points this season.

She came into the game averaging 10.9 points per game and surpassed that mark early in the second half. She scored 11 of the team's first 15 points in the second half.

Julie Futch posted seven points as she hit on three baskets from

the field, including a 3-pointer, and Kirsten Tilleman also had six for the Beavers. Brittany Kennedy chipped in with seven, while Kate Lanz tallied six points after hitting on two 3-pointers.

Overall, Oregon State (9-16 overall, 1-13 Pac-10) shot 32.2 percent from the field and collected 23 rebounds. El Sara Greer paced the Beavers with seven while Tilleman had four.

Oregon State finished the game with 12 offensive boards and utilized them to the tune of 11 second-chance points.

The turnover battle was equal, with both teams finishing with 15. Oregon State managed five steals while the Cardinal posted eight.

Stanford (25-1, 15-0) was led offensively by Nnemkadi Ogwumike, who had 17 points and five rebounds. The Cardinal also grabbed 33 rebounds

as a team, with Jayne Appel — 10 boards — pacing the way in the win. Appel also had 12 points for the double-double.

Stanford took a 46-21 lead into halftime after shooting 72 percent compared to 26.7 percent for the Beavers in the first half.

Tilleman led the Beavers with six points in the first half while Palmer had five. Both Lanz and Kennedy sank a 3-pointer apiece in the first half.

Oregon State grabbed nine rebounds in the first half, paced by Kennedy and Greer, who both had two. Stanford finished with 20 rebounds in the first half.

Oregon State returns home next week to host the Los Angeles schools, with UCLA first on the slate Thursday night. That game starts at 7 p.m. at Gill Coliseum.

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she's extremely prideful and she works extremely hard," Wagner said. "She wants to win. She has my mentality that if you're going to put this much time into something, you have to get something out of it. And [losing] is hard for her."

So far this season, Tilleman is averaging 6.3 points per game and 6.8 rebounds per game. Tilleman is also currently eighth in the Pac-10 with season double-doubles, recording four this far this year. Against Cal Poly early this season, Tilleman recorded her career game with a high of 19 points and eight rebounds.

Becoming a vocal leader hasn't been easy for Tilleman, who prefers to lead by example. But according to Wagner, Tilleman is shaping into the kind of leader that the struggling program needs.

"It's been a big adjustment for me, because I'm more of a quiet leader," Tilleman said. "I lead by example. But what this team really needs is that energy, enthusiastic, loud and demanding leader. And it's been hard and I wouldn't say I'm there. I have a lot to improve on, but I certainly enjoy trying to get things done and bringing people along with me."

Being a student athlete isn't easy, but Tilleman revels in the opportunities it provides her to be a part of her community and excel in her studies. "Montana," as Tilleman is known around the team, is a natural resource major and entered her sophomore year with a 4.0 grade point average. Tilleman takes her academics seriously and was named to the ESPN Magazine All Academic All-District 8 second team this winter.

In the spare moments of free time that Tilleman has, she loves being outdoors, hiking and camping and also

enjoys taking part in creative activities that give her a different outlet in expressing herself. Tilleman is one of three children — she has two brothers, one older and one younger. The daughter of Jim and Miriam Tilleman, Kirsten says even though they're a few states away, she knows she has their support.

In the last two years, Tilleman has shown that she has great promise to become the kind of leader that the Oregon State program needs, and she will be sure to continue to develop into a great basketball player and a well-rounded individual.

"I think what I like about Oregon State is that there are a lot of people at this university and so you get to meet someone new every day," Tilleman said. "But at the same time it has a really close-knit feel and I really feel at home here."

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with rights to free speech and being an athlete who has an obligation to represent their respective university with pride and integrity.

Elijah Fields, a former member of the University of Pittsburgh football team, was dismissed last Wednesday after several posts on his Twitter alluded to partying and alcohol references, along with the posts of images of enormous amounts of money with the headline "Never knew football was gon' get me all this money, sike I knew. Haha." Fields was dismissed from the team on account of "disciplinary" reasons.

Universities have the obligation to their student athletes to educate them about the ramifications that could come about for inappropriate comments, pictures and posts that they put out on public forums such as Facebook, Twitter, MySpace, etc. It is a common understanding that when an athlete suits up in the uniform of their school, they are representing the university and are expected to do so with reliability and sportsmanship.

However, as collegiate athletes, these students are subject to more attention than previously received as high school athletes and, as a result, become well-known throughout the respective communities surrounding their universities. Being a student athlete has become a full-time job and not all the people involved are aware of the implications.

On the side of the student athletes, are these limitations on their lives as college students fair? Should a student athlete have to be concerned about what is said or not said on their Twitter or their Facebook?

Dismissing Holland after his opinionated post could be

considered a violation of his freedom of speech. Holland was a member of the Oregon football program, and as a member he was not forced to be a part of the team. Holland was offered the chance to become a University of Oregon football player and he chose to join that team on his own free will. If he didn't like the way that Kelly was conducting the program, he was in his every right to leave instead of articulating his feelings publicly. However, voicing his opinion via Facebook was within Holland's right to freedom of speech under the First Amendment of the Constitution.

This is where the line blurs. How can you demand the respect of your team and your university if your own players are undermining you in public statements? Within the NFL, Terrell Owens exercised his freedom of speech in expressing his thoughts about the management of his former team, the Philadelphia Eagles, as well as former teammate Donovan McNabb. Owens was punished in the form of being released from his contract with the Eagles, being suspended for four games with no pay and being deactivated for the rest of the season.

However, these are not professional athletes we are dealing with. These are college students who are growing and learning and have the right to stumble and make mistakes. These student athletes are not making a living playing their respective sports; they are not signing \$1 million contracts. Not yet. It is important for them to learn the lessons and rules of the road now. Through constructive education, they need to learn about the ways their actions affect their teams, coaches and universities, but mostly the ways their actions affect their own futures.

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## SOFTBALL

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ing Cavestany to safely make it home to give the Beavers a 4-1 lead after one-and-a-half.

The Beavers tallied four hits in the next five innings with at least one base runner every inning and loading the bases in the top of the third but were held to their four runs as the game closed. Mississippi State threatened in the bottom of the seventh, scoring three runs on four hits and an Oregon State error to tie the ball game at four all.

Black was placed on second to start the eighth inning per the international tiebreaker rule, advancing to second on senior Dani Chisholm's (Boring, Ore.) sacrifice before Kutz earned her second hit of the day on an RBI single to left field to give the Beavers the 5-4 advantage.

With the tying run already at second

base in Jessie Spain, Bell walked as the go-ahead run. Both runners were sacrificed over before Ali Bainbridge tied the game with her sacrifice fly to right center with Bell on third. With two outs, Jessie Bailey hit a deep ball to right field that went in and out of Kilee Lippincott's glove to score the game-winning run.

Sophomore pitcher Paige Hall (Portland, Ore.) was charged with the complete game loss, making her record 3-6, while Misty Flesher earned the complete game win to improve to 3-1.

On a side note, Kutz hit her first home run of the season, earning her seventh RBI of the season.

Oregon State heads to the Cathedral City Classic next, facing No. 12 Oklahoma and Fordham first on Friday. The Beavers will take on the Sooners at 6 p.m. before the Rams at 8:30 p.m. Follow these games live through GameTracker or on Twitter — OregonStateSB.

## BASEBALL

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closer Kevin Rhoderick. The Rainbows won the game with two outs when Collin Bennett singled to right center on a 3-2 pitch from Rhoderick, bringing in Kolten Wong from third.

The runs were the first of the season allowed by Rhoderick and by the Oregon State relievers. They had come into the game with no runs allowed through the first 8 1-3 innings of the season.

Oregon State took the lead into the ninth after Stefen Romero hit his second home run of the season in the eighth, a solo shot that put the Beavers up 4-3.

The Beavers had battled back from a 3-2 deficit when Andy Quiring, pinch hitting for Tyler

Smith, hit a sacrifice fly to center in the seventh, scoring Carter Bell. Bell had begun the inning's offense with a double to right center, one of three hits on the afternoon for the starting shortstop.

Greg Peavey made his first start of the season and allowed three runs and four hits over five innings. Four relievers came in prior to Rhoderick — Ryan Gorton, Kraig Sitton, Dylan Jones and Sam Gaviglio — and limited Hawaii to two hits and a walk leading up the ninth inning.

Romero and Brent Warren had two hits for the Beavers, who dropped to 2-1 on the year. Hawaii, meanwhile, improved to 1-2.

The Beavers took the first lead of the game for the first time in the series. OSU led 2-0 after the fourth as the Beavers scored solo runs in both the third and fourth innings,

taking advantage of timely Hawaii errors.

The Rainbows, however, answered back with a single run in the fifth and two more in the sixth to take a one-run lead.

David Freitas and Jeffrey Van Doornum led Hawaii with two hits apiece.

Hawaii starter Josh Slaats scattered six Oregon State hits and two runs over six innings. He struck out four and walked one.

Alex Capaul replaced Slaats in the seventh and worked the rest of the game for Hawaii. Capaul picked up the win after holding Oregon State to two hits and two runs over three innings.

Oregon State and Hawaii wrap up the four-game series Monday in a 7:05 p.m. start (5:05 in Hawaii). Neither starter has been announced as of yet.

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## Tilleman focused on more than just basketball

■ Sophomore with nickname "Montana" takes school as seriously as basketball

By **Tori Hill**  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

For forward Kirsten Tilleman, becoming a Beaver wasn't just about basketball. The 6-foot-1 sophomore from Bozeman, Mont., chose to come to Oregon State because the university and the basketball program offered her something that other schools did not: the whole package.

"She was very heavily recruited," head coach LaVonda Wagner said. "And she was looking at Harvard, and she was looking at Nebraska, she was looking at Washington, she was looking at Arizona and all these other schools. And we kind of went down her list a little bit. We went way down her list. She was taking all these visits and we had had the time to talk to her about what she wanted to be involved in. Because Kirsten, her vision for herself, is bigger than basketball."

Tilleman, who is very involved in the community and her school work, made it a priority to become more than just a basketball player. She expressed her feelings early on to Wagner that there was much more to her than just basketball.

"She loved basketball and she's competitive about it, but it doesn't define her," Wagner said. "She took her other visits, she got involved with the other coaches, and once she did that she realized that she wanted to come here."

Growing up in Montana, the climate of Corvallis immediately reminded Tilleman of home. One of her many visits to OSU, she realized she felt at home in the small town and began to see herself as a Beaver.

"I came to Oregon State because it really was the whole package deal for me," Tilleman said. "I really enjoy basketball and I put everything I have into it, but that's not what I'm all about, so when I came on my visit here, Coach Wagner showed me that when I came here I would not only have a really positive basketball experience but that I would really have the academic aspect of it."

Tilleman, who played in all 32 games as a freshman, starting in 18 of those games, averaged 3.8 points per game and 4.1 rebounds last season. This season, Tilleman has been forced to step into a more demanding role. With a young team, Tilleman has had to become a leader at a very young age and is more vocal now than she's been in the past.

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**“She was very heavily recruited. She was looking at Harvard, and she was looking at Nebraska, she was looking at Washington, she was looking at Arizona and all these other schools.”**

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Sophomore forward Kirsten Tilleman focuses up for a free throw during a game earlier this season. Tilleman is currently averaging 6.3 points per game.



## Keeping athletes in check

There is a fine line between self-expression and inappropriate behavior. Within the past month, this line has blurred and become a discussion point for the University of Oregon football team as well as university athletic departments all over the country.

Monday afternoon, former Oregon wide receiver Jamere Holland was dismissed from the Oregon Football program due to his Facebook status updates that had bashed the program as well as head coach Chip Kelly's decision to, allegedly, dismiss Oregon linebacker Kiko Alonso after Alonso's charge of a DUII. Holland, who began his collegiate career at USC but became academically ineligible and transferred to Oregon, was dismissed after Kelly was made aware of his Facebook post. The post read:

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The question at hand here is where is the line — the line that is drawn between being a student

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## Blazers under pressure to finish among top 8 in Western Conference

■ After a 93-89 loss to Utah Jazz on Sunday, Portland Trail Blazers hit the road in attempt to regain their flow

By **Grady Garrett**  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Over the course of an 82-game NBA season, there's always a night or two that teams on the playoff bubble will look back on and wish they could do over.

For the Portland Trail Blazers, Sunday night's 93-89 loss at the Rose Garden to the Utah Jazz was one that could severely haunt them if they don't finish among the Western Conference's top eight teams.

Midway through the third quarter, it looked all but a lock that Portland (32-26) was going to beat Utah (36-19) for the first time this season. The Blazers started the second half on a 14-1 run and built a 64-39 lead with seven minutes remaining in the third quarter.

But over the game's final 19 minutes, the Jazz staged a furious 44-19 rally to send the game into overtime. The rally wasn't complete until Carlos Boozer's put-back tied the game at 83 with no time remaining.

The Jazz then went on to outscore the Blazers 10-6 in overtime, securing their fourth and final regular season victory over Portland this year.

Boozer led the way for Utah with 22 points and 23 rebounds. Fellow all-star, guard Deron Williams, struggled from the field (4-15) but was still able to finish with 18 points, 12 assists and seven rebounds.

The heart-wrenching loss overshadowed a rather impressive game by newly-acquired Blazer center Marcus Camby, who finished

with 18 rebounds and four blocks. Camby took the game into his hands from a defensive standpoint in the closing minutes of regulation, emphatically blocking several Jazz shots and coming away with multiple key rebounds. If the Blazers had won the game, much of the credit would have gone to the 6-11 former Los Angeles Clipper.

But they didn't, thanks in large part to a dismal 10 point fourth quarter. The Blazers shot just 2-17 from the field in the fourth quarter and missed each of their six final shots.

The Blazers were every bit as hot over the game's first 29 minutes as they were cold over the game's final 19, delighting the 20,565 fans in attendance by building a 13 point lead at the end of the first quarter. Four Blazers fin-

ished in double figures — Brandon Roy (23), Andre Miller (17), Lamarcus Aldridge (15) and Nicolas Batum (14).

Guard Jerryd Bayless, who should benefit the most (in terms of minutes) from the departure of Steve Blake, played just 10 minutes and managed to score just two points.

The loss was the Blazers' second in a row and the fifth of their last 10 games. Portland now sits 11 games back from the conference-leading Los Angeles Lakers, good enough for eighth in the West. Portland sits one game behind the Spurs and one game in front of the Hornets.

Portland now hits the road for a five-game road trip that will take them to New Jersey, Toronto, Chicago, Minnesota and Memphis.

Portland faces the Nets — the last place team in the Eastern Conference standings — Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

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## Softball wins two, loses three at Aggie Classic in Texas



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Senior outfielder Dani Chisholm slides into base during an exhibition game at the OSU softball complex in the fall.

■ OSU softball team gave up their early lead, dropped final game against Mississippi

SPORTS INFORMATION

College Station, Texas — Despite holding a 4-1 lead through most of the game, the Oregon State softball team (4-6) dropped a 6-5 eight inning game to Mississippi State (7-2) in the teams' final game of the Aggie Classic.

Ally Kutz (Mount Vernon, Wash.) earned her second multi-hit game of the weekend, going 2-for-4, while senior Tarah Black (Portland, Ore.) led the Beavers with a 2-for-3 showing. Four other Oregon State players each tallied a hit, including junior Audrey Roderfeld's (Vista, Calif.) double, the only extra base hit for

either team in the game.

The Bulldogs put a run on the board, scoring Chelsea Bramlett on an RBI single by Brittany Bell. But Kutz quickly erased Mississippi State's lead in the top of the second with her three-run shot over left center to score sophomore Mary Claire Brenner (Portland, Ore.), who led off the inning with a single, and Black, who also reached on a single.

Oregon State added another run in the inning by freshman Lea Cavestany (Pittsburg, Calif.), who reached on a throwing error by Bulldog shortstop Erin Nesbit, advancing to second and stealing third. Sophomore Ashley Sanchez (Alameda, Calif.) capitalized on another Nesbit error, allow-

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## Baseball drops game to Hawaii

■ OSU baseball team hopes to go 3-1 with final game of series played Monday night in Manoa

SPORTS INFORMATION

MANOA, Hawaii. — The Oregon State baseball team dropped a 5-4 decision to Hawaii Sunday afternoon at Les Murakami Stadium as the host Rainbows overcame a two-run deficit in the ninth for the win.

Hawaii pinch hitter Christian Johnson tied the game with a one-out, solo home run off Oregon State

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