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Science Pub explores threats to seals



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Marine Mammal Institute assistant professor and Steller sea lion researcher Markus Horning presents his lecture on the threats facing seals and sea lions at Monday night's Science Pub.

Markus Horning fascinated Monday night's crowd at Old World Deli with sea lion facts

By Amy Schneider

What are pinnipeds? Where does the word "pinniped" come from? How deep can a pinniped dive? These questions and more were posed to a gathering of science enthusiasts at Science Pub yesterday evening, a monthly seminar sponsored by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, the Downtown Corvallis Association and Oregon State University.

Marine Mammal Institute assistant professor and Steller sea lion researcher Markus Horning gave his presentation, "Consummate and Consumed Predators: Threats to Seals and Sea Lions in a Changing Ocean," at Old World Deli with a talk that focused primarily on the fluctuating numbers of pinnipeds, a term which refers to seals, sea lions and walruses. Horning's talk also addressed current research to investigate strange increases and decreases in the population.

OSU affiliates and Corvallis residents alike attend Science Pub, making it a diverse conglomeration of professionals and citizens.

'We come because of all the interesting subjects," said Mark Tucker, a Corvallis local and Science Pub regu-

lar. "They've all been good, and it's also nice to eat dinner while we learn about the topic of the month."

The evening started with a trivia game about pinnipeds, and winners were awarded small prizes for their display of marine mammal knowledge. Once the audience sufficiently warmed up, Horning was introduced and an evening of tales from the sea

"My academic career has been a story of rags-to-riches in a way," Horning said. "As an undergraduate, I started out as a physics major, but by chance I got a job as a pool cleaner for an aquarium and became interested in pinnipeds, which is what I've been studying for quite a while now."

Horning said that the topic of his lecture was inspired by recent events having to do with sea lions, including the sea lion capture cage installed in Newport that serves to free entangled sea lions and the death of a rehabilitated and released Steller sea lion that had been raised for most of her life in captivity. Horning's research ties into the question of how to determine population stability in the wild and how to decide the amount of human interference that should take place.

He also expanded on a few incredible facts about pinnipeds.

Weddell seals can dive to depths of 1,700 meters," Horning said. "Imagine holding your breath and

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Veterans return home to classroom

Number of veterans enrolled at OSU increased by more than 150 from fall to spring terms

By Rebecca Johnson

Veteran enrollment has increased at OSU over the past year, and it is expected to continue to grow into

According to Tracy Bentley-Townlin, director of disability access services, the number has gone from 466 veterans in fall term to 630 this

"We usually see a dip in the number of veterans on campus during winter term, but that hasn't been the case this year," said Gus Bedwell, the veteran service officer on campus.

There are several reasons for the increase in veteran enrollment, including the large number of troops who have returned from Iraq and Afghanistan and also the new Post-9/11 G.I. Bill, which was implemented during fall term of 2009. Veterans in Oregon are also reporting unemployment rates of 43 percent.

"With the new Post-9/11 G.I. Bill

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Groundbreaking abdominal wall study published by OSU team

■ The team pinpointed a gene that controls the formation of the mammalian abdominal wall

By Ryan Gunderson

Two years of research and experimentation led to a major breakthrough at OSU last month.

Researchers identified specific genetic mechanisms that control the formation of the abdominal wall in mammals, which begins during the first trimester of pregnancy in

specific gene, Pitx2, is deleted from laboratory mice, their abdominal wall completely fails to form and enclose internal organs, according to Chrissa Kioussi, an associate professor in the OSU College of Pharmacy. The gene "T-Box" also plays a critical role in the formation of the abdominal wall.

Humans have about 20,000 genes, of which about 1 percent are homeobox genes. A homeobox gene is one of a group of genes that are involved in specifying what cells

If all the cells know where to go and know what to become, then a human, or any mammal, will have everything they require. But that process can often times become misdirected, and it results in the abdominal wall forming incorrectly, which can lead to hernias and other problems that can only be solved by

"We're learning more about the regulatory networks that control the formation of organisms, including humans," Kioussi said. "Much of this occurs during what's called gastrulation, or the very early periods of gestation where genes direct cells to become different things, such as

parts of the nervous system, soft tissues or muscles."

The research team is made up of Kioussi, Professor Michael Gross and Traci Hilton, a postdoctoral researcher. They study the genes and transcription factors that are involved with organ development.

A transcription factor is a protein that binds to specific parts of DNA and is part of the system that controls the transfer of genetic information from DNA to RNA, according to the Medical Dictionary.

The research paper the team The team discovered that when a wrote of their findings was published in the Journal of Biological Chemistry as a paper of the week. So far they are the only group of researchers to publish these findings, according to Kioussi.

"Our long-term goal is to understand how cells know what to become and where to go in order to form a tissue or organ," Dr. Kioussi said. "In this study, we found that by eliminating one factor, the gene network is also changing within one cell that leads to a malformed tissue. This process is universal ... we will continue to identify more gene regulatory networks involved in organ development."

As more of these molecular processes are identified, researchers will have a target in pursuing tissue regeneration, which is their ultimate goal. Work in this area for Parkinson's disease and diabetes has already begun, according to information from OSU.

OSU scientists believe that a broader use of tissue regeneration is possible. According to Kioussi, they plan on beginning work in that field soon.

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Lube Olympics celebrate strength of gay community



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Seniors Danielle Dyer, left, and Emily Marré aim for a strike during a game of lube "Body Bowling" in the MU Quad Monday. "Body bowling" was one of several "Lube Olympics" games presented on campus as part of Pride Week at OSU.

Pride Week offers students an open forum to discuss and be comfortable with sexuality

By Eric Sepulveda

The Pride Center and Rainbow Continuum began Pride Week with a bang by hosting their annual Lube Olympics and cookout.

The event, which was meant to highlight the presence and strength of the gay and gay-friendly community, drew a large crowd for a free barbecue and what the directors of the event labeled a Lube Trifecta.

'We really wanted to create a welcoming atmosphere to let people become aware of who we are and what we are about," said Danielle Dyer, who was in charge of coordinating the Lube Olympics. "We have been hosting the Lube Olympics for almost as long as the Pride Center has been around. It's kind of stereotypical, but it lets people know we

The Lube Olympics, which included "Glam Slam," or lube wrestling; Thube, or thumb wrestling and "Body Bowling" were held in the MU Quad Monday, with participants slipping and sliding as they competed with one another and learned more about what they had labeled Queerology.

You don't have to be gay to participate in these events," said Nina Gassoway, a member of the advisory board. "We want those who are interested and allies of the gay community to feel free to come and find out

After the free meal and games, a group meeting called Coming Out 101 was held as a "Safe Space" for people who were considering coming out to gain support.

'It's hard to be something you aren't," Gassoway said. "We want to help people be comfortable and con-

fident in who and what they are." While the event was meant to be

are here, we are queer and we want lighthearted and fun, the Student Health Services and MARS Programs also took the opportunity to inform students about taking safe steps within their sexual identity and sexual

We want people to take the time to go get themselves tested for STDs and STIs," said Scott Garrell, a representative from MARS. "People should go to the Student Health Center if they want to get themselves tested.'

Events planned for the rest of this week include an ice cream social tomorrow, drag racing in the MU Thursday, and the famous drag show Friday night.

"This is meant to be a week of celebration and acceptance," said Angie Tissey, the lead coordinator of yesterday's event.

For a list of all the events and times for the rest of Pride Week, please visit http://oregonstate.edu/pridecenter/

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Multiple tornadoes strike central Plains, cause severe damage

A severe weather system spawned multiple torna- Allen Poston. does in the central Plains region Monday evening, including a massive twister recorded on video over Norman, Okla., that caused severe damage and

Another tornado snaked through the sky above Yukon west of Oklahoma City, and other residents in nearby states were being advised to seek cover as the storm system moved through the area.

A third tornado was confirmed on the ground southwest of Wichita, Kan., and was heading toward the city, according to CNN meteorologist Chad

Other twisters were reported in Medford and Shawnee in Oklahoma, according to Albert Ashwood, director of the state emergency management agency.

Brenda Finkle, director of corporate communications for Norman Regional Health System, said the company's hospitals in Norman and Moore received 20 patients with minor injuries related to the storm, including some with head lacerations.

OU Medical Center in Oklahoma City received two patients with broken bones, according to spokesman in the metro Oklahoma City area — nearly 15,000

There were no immediate reports of fatalities.

Ashwood said crews were working to assess the damages, adding that "numerous" homes had been

Video out of Norman, south of Oklahoma City, showed overturned cars, snapped utility poles, downed trees and severely damaged homes. Several mobile homes were blown to pieces in one neighborhood where debris littered yards and streets alongside large trees ripped straight from the ground.

A truck stop east of Oklahoma City was demolished, taking a direct hit from one of the tornadoes, according to a spokeswoman for Love's Travel Stops and Country Stores.

Motorists pulled off Interstate 40 and sought shelter in the truck stop's large cooler and restrooms before the tornado tore the roof off the building, blew out car windows and overturned tractor-trailers, spokeswoman Christina Dukeman said.

Video showed people outside the truck stop receiving treatment for minor injuries.

More than 31,000 homes were without power

in Norman alone, according to Oklahoma Gas & Electric.

Ashwood said preliminary reports out of Norman indicate the damages are "similar to what you would see with an EF3" tornado, referring to the Enhanced Fujita Scale for measuring the strength of tornadoes. An EF3 is capable of producing winds up to 165

'We're very concerned about future damages, because this storm is far from over," Ashwood said, as his agency continued to get reports of tornadoes on the ground across the state.

Meteorologists warned throughout the day Monday of the potential for tornadoes.

Severe thunderstorms were expected to "explode rapidly into severe super cells across Kansas and Oklahoma," and produce hail larger than baseballs, according to a forecast from the Storm Prediction Center in Norman.

CNN iReporter Rebecca Barbato said tornado sirens were going off in her neighborhood in Moore, just north of Norman, when tennis-ball-sized hail began raining down on her roof.

-CNN

NEWS IN BRIEF



Turkey opposition leader resigns amid sex scandal

ISTANBUL - Turkey's main opposition leader, Deniz Baykal, resigned Monday as party leader, blaming the government for a videotape allegedly showing him having an affair with a female party deputy who had been his

Both he and the woman are married to other people.

The 71-year-old chairman of the Republican People's Party (CHP) told reporters that the secretly shot tape could not have been made without the approval of the ruling party.

"It is impossible to organize such a plot within such a short period of time without the knowledge of the ruling party," he said in a televised address. "One who gives credit to unlawful and unethical plots cannot defend law and ethics.

At its convention May 23 and 24, the CHP is to elect a new leader. Baykal has said he wouldn't be a candidate, but that won't stop members from trying to elect him again.

Numerous CHP members are gathering signatures from party delegates to renominate him as a candidate for party leadership, telling reporters they do not believe the accusations.

And Baykal said, "My resignation doesn't mean I will give in to this conspiracy, or will stop the fight."

Members of parliament, men and women, could be seen weeping openly during the speech by Baykal, who is a representative from Antalya.

Afterward, Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan said on television that Mottaki as saying.

he had ordered distribution of the tape halted. He added that he found Baykal's statements "just as ugly and worthless as the tape" and noted that Baykal had not denied the authenticity of the tape.

The resignation of the secularist party leader comes as the government is preparing to take a package of proposed constitutional changes to a national referendum. CHP opposes

The chief prosecutor's office in Ankara has initiated a criminal investigation, according to Turkey's semiofficial news agency Anadolu Ajansi.

Hikers' families allowed to visit Iran, state media reports

Families of three American hikers detained in Iran will be allowed to visit them, Iranian state media reported Monday.

State-run Press TV did not indicate how it obtained the information, and the U.S. State Department said the families of Shane Bauer, Sarah Shourd and Joshua Fattal have not yet received visas that will permit their travel to the country.

The semi-official Fars News Agency quoted Iran's foreign minister as saying the decision to issue the visas was decided on a humanitarian basis prior to President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's visit to the United Nations last week for a conference on nuclear nonproliferation.

"The three mothers can go to the Iran's Representative's Office (at the United Nations) and obtain their visas and then come to Iran," Fars quoted Foreign Minister Manouchehr

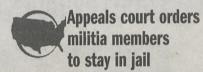
Laura Fattal, mother of Joshua, told CNN Monday that the families had yet to receive official word about the visit, but said "we're willing to leave at a moment's notice.'

"We're excited. We're happy. We're delighted," she said.

The families applied for visas six months ago.

Shourd, 31, Bauer, 27, and Fattal, 27, were detained last July and sent to Evin prison in Tehran after their families say they accidentally strayed across an unmarked border into Iran while on a hiking trip in Iraqi

They have not been formally charged, although Tehran has said they will face trial on espionage charges.



An appeals court panel Monday extended an order requiring that nine members of the Hutaree militia remain in jail pending the outcome of the government's appeal of a lower court order freeing them until their

All nine members of the Michiganbased militia are charged with seditious conspiracy, attempt to use weapons of mass destruction, and possession of a firearm in relation to a crime of violence. Additionally, two of them are charged with teaching and demonstrating the use of explosives.

The district court concluded that defendants had produced sufficient evidence to rebut this presumption in favor of detention," the circuit court wrote in issuing its temporary stay of the release order. "Yet, the district court's opinion fails to identify what evidence produced by the defendants was deemed sufficient to rebut the presumption."

The three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit asked for transcripts of the Detroit, Mich., district court proceedings, saying it appeared that the lower court may have considered "whether the evidence would satisfy the elements of the charged offenses, rather than as bearing on the extent of actual danger posed by defendants."

The judges were perplexed that "the apparently undisputed evidence of defendants' violence-threatening speech and actions" would not lead to their further detention.

"How this factor was deemed to weigh in favor of defendants' release - in the face of apparently undisputed evidence of defendants' combat training exercises, stockpiling of weapons, and discussions of intentions to kill law enforcement officers and judicial officers 'pretty soon' in a putative effort to incite a 'revolution' — is not persuasively explained. Again, access to the transcript should shed light on the premises of the district court's analysis."

The judges also questioned the district court's consideration of the prior history of the defendants without noting that one held officers at bay for two days before surrendering or the "undisputed evidence" of their membership in "an extremist of violence to resist law enforcement and government."

— CNN

Student Events & Activities Center and MU, 5:30pm & 8:30pm, MU Pan gea Cafe. MUvies - The Adventures of Priscilla: Queen of the Desert.

CALENDAR

ASOSU Senate, 7pm, MU 109A. 69th OSU Linus Pauling Users Group, 6-

8pm, Dearborn 212. Presentation and

Tuesday, May 11

hacking social with food.

Meetings

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30am-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd St. "Come & Go" lunch. Good food and informal table talk.

OSU Chess Club, 4-6pm, MU 207. Join us for chess games! Free and open to

Peer Health Advocates, 10am-2pm MU Brick Mall. Women's Health Week at OSU Day 1: Mental and social health for young women today. Games, food, information and fun!

ISOSU, 4-6pm, International Resource Center, ISOSU Coffee Hour.

Wednesday, May 12

ASOSU House of Representatives, 7pm, MU 109. 1st ASOSU House of Representatives

Pride Center, 2-3pm, Pride Center. Volunteer Meetings. Informational meetings for prospective/current Pride

OSU Pre-Law Society, 5pm, Kelley 1001. Meet other students interested in law and participate in opportunities that will help prepare you for law

OSU Relay for Life, 6-7pm, StAg 323. OSU Relay for Life, 7:30-8:30pm, StAg

323. Committee meeting. Everyone Active Minds, 6pm, 5ht Floor of Snell

Hall. Join us at our meeting to discuss different ways to reduce the stigma surrounding mental health!

Childcare & Family Resources Parent Lunch & Learn, noon, MU 109A. Come and enjoy your lunch with other OSU parents while we discuss valuable parenting topics. This week's topic: Pregnancy and birthing options, presented by OSU Reproductive Health

Student Events & Activities Center and MU, 5:30pm & 8:30pm, MU Pangea Cafe. MUvies — The Adventures of Priscilla: Queen of the Desert.

Silent Lunch, Noon-1pm, Marketplace West. Sign language social hour, all skill levels welcome. Look for reserved table near windows facing 30th St.

Peer Health Advocates, 10am-2pm Dixon Recreation Center (outside front entrance). Women's Health Week at OSU Day 2: Focus on nutrition and physical health. Games, giveaways,

Thursday, May 13

Meetings

ASOSU Judicial Council, 6pm, Snell 246. Regular meeting of the ASOSU Judicial Branch. Educational Activities, 4pm, MU

Council Room. Open House

Speakers

History Department, 4pm, MU Journey Room. Lecture: "The Future of Translation" by Burton Pike, City University of New York.

Student Events & Activities Center and MU, 5:30pm & 8:30pm, MU Pangea Cafe. MUvies - The Adventures of Priscilla: Queen of the Desert.

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 5:45-7:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd St. Quest – Simple supper, spiritual discussion

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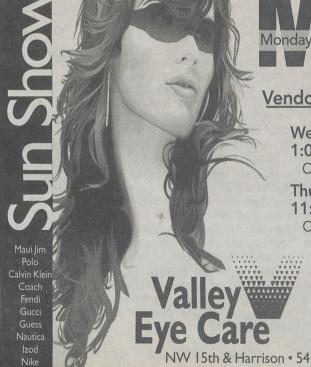


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The Aviv String Quartet performs tonight in LaSells

■ The group includes Corvallis in their newest members' first United States tour

By Michelle Ofelt

The Aviv String Quartet will perform at the LaSells Stewart Center tonight at 7:30 p.m. as the final concert in the Chamber Music Corvallis 2009-2010 concert season.

"I'm glad we made it here," said Sergey Ostrovsky, one of the violinists in the Aviv String Quartet. "I had to cancel a concert in Israel because of the volcano eruption. The airspace was closed for five days. It happens in the

The members of the quartet are from Israel, where the quartet was founded in 1997. The two violinists are Sergey Ostrovsky and Evgenia Epshtein; Nathan Braude plays the viola and Rachel Mercer plays the cello.

"Every year we try to have a mix of new and established groups, and we're always interested in international groups," said Carol Fischler, secretary for Chamber Music Corvallis. "Younger groups are fresh, bright

The Aviv String Quartet has performed at Carnegie Hall in New York and the Kennedy Center in Washington. They have also performed in England, France, Germany, Spain, Brazil, China, Australia, Ireland, the Netherlands, Italy, Sweden, Croatia, Portugal, South Africa, Canada, Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania

Despite earlier performances, this is their first tour entirely on American soil.

"Like all quartets, they change members. This is their first U.S. tour with these group members," Fischler said.

The past members of the quartet played in Carnegie Hall, among other prestigious con-

Chamber Music Corvallis prides itself on bringing the best classical music available to

"These musicians are incredible," said Marilyn Miller, the board chair at Chamber Music Corvallis. "They are some of the best musicians in the world.

Tonight's concert will not only feature some of the best classical music in the world, but it's free to OSU students.

"Students can come for free and have an incredible experience," Miller said. "Part of OSU student fees cover these concerts because ASOSU gives us \$3,000."

The quartet will play Schulhoff Quartet No. 1, Shostakovich Quartet No. 4, Op. 83 and Beethoven Quartet Op. 59, No. 2 Rzaumovsky.

"Some of the organizers chose these pieces, and we just love to play this music," Ostrovsky said. "In Corvallis we'll be playing Schulhoff and Shostakovich. We love to play Shostakovich. In the second half we'll play Beethoven."

The music is connected to their latest album

"The music we'll be playing just came out on our CD with Naxis, so it's nice to play it at the concert," Ostrovsky said. "It came out at the end of April and there are three pieces by

The album was unfortunately held up they sell music."



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO | COURTESY OF ROMAN MALAMANT

Founded in Israel in 1997, the Aviv String Quartet will perform tonight at LaSells Stewart Center, hosted by Chamber Music Corvallis. The concert is free to all OSU students.

because of the recent volcanic eruption.

"It was a little bit held up in Europe, and you cannot take more than 20 CDs over the border the concert," Ostrovsky said. "However, the CD Ernö Dohnányi. is available online on every official site where

The Aviv String Quartet will play eight concerts in their U.S. tour and will end their trip in a studio in Toronto, where they will record because of customs, so they won't make it to another album of compositions from the late

Michelle Ofelt, staff writer

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then not breathing until you get home tonight, and that's a pretty good representation of the one-and-a-half hours that these seals can stay underwater without surfacing for air."

Delving deeper into the subject matter, Horning addressed the unusual decline in the population of Steller sea lions near the Aleutian Islands in Alaska. In the 1970s their numbers were estimated to be around 170,000. But by 2007, the population dwindled to only 45,000 sea lions. Meanwhile, populations along the west coast of the United States seem to be increasing.

Horning and his team of researchers are looking to answer some of the questions that these statistics pose, such as determining how the Steller sea lion population fell so rapidly and if it has anything to do with predation.

"We're using something called a life history transmitter,' Horning said. "It's a device that's been specifically developed for the purpose of assessing predation on Steller sea lions and we can use it to record data throughout the entire life of an animal.'

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Bedwell said.

school this fall.

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The transmitter was implanted into 27 young Steller sea lions, and of the eight that have died so far, seven have succumbed to ocean predators possibly via transient killer whales. Taking a closer look, that fact means 70 percent of weaned Steller sea lions, which are an endangered species, die before reaching the age of five.

A variety of pictures from the research that Horning conducted near the Aleutian Islands illustrated the process of collecting the sea lions and safely implanting them with the tracking devices, which collect valuable data. Particularly popular among the audience was a picture of a diver surrounded by the curious noses of Steller sea

After an evening full of marine mammal education, Science Pub fans left satisfied.

'I never regret coming to these talks," said Corvallis resident Dean Cobo. "My reason for attending is that I've learned something fascinating at every single one I've been to, and it's always great to learn something

> Amy Schneider, staff writer 737-2231, news@dailybarometer.com

Colleagues remember Kagan as student

Kagan is pictured in a judge's robe and holding a gavel.

Next to the photo is a quote from former Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter that says, "Government is itself an art ... one of the subtlest of

Now Kagan herself is a candidate to join the nation's highest

Friends from her past say the 50-year-old Kagan's successful career and possible lifetime Supreme Court appointment came as no surprise.

"There are always those people that want to be the class president or the student organization president and make the place better for everybody," said Ellen Purtell, who took the yearbook photo. "She was one of those people."

The daughter of a lawyer father and schoolteacher mother, Kagan always had a judicial temperament, said John Barrett, who went to Harvard Law School with her.

'She's alistener, areader and thinker," Barrett said. "She's a

"We are trying to make it as stress-free as

Some of the initiatives underway are facul-

ty training on how a veteran can contribute to

the classroom and also issues that may arise

from soldiers who have just returned from a

deployment. A forgiveness policy will be in place in which a student will not be charged

late fees for any delay in receiving benefits

not require any special services, but that it is

pivotal to have resources available for those

who are having difficulties with the transition

Blake Gordon, president of Veterans and

Families Student Association, says the cam-

pus has made a lot of progress toward helping

veterans, but hopes that OSU will keep mov-

being met," Gordon said. "Hopefully the VSO

can become a full-time position ... and there

should also be a counselor on campus who

questions can contact Bedwell at (503)-559-

3284 or by e-mail at bedwelg@odva.state.

or.us. Bedwell will also be on campus every

Thursday to meet with students either by

Rebecca Johnson, senior reporter 737-2231, news@dailybarometer.com

Any veteran or dependent of a veteran with

can handle issues specific to veterans.

appointment or walk-in.

There are still a lot of needs that aren't

ing forward in improving services offered.

Price pointed out that most veterans do

from the Veterans' Association.

to the classroom.

possible," Price said, who is in the process of

creating a veteran's lounge on campus.

In the Hunter College High person who engages, and she's School yearbook of 1977, Elena always had a broad spectrum of friends, of colleagues, of interests, and has always been very popular and successful across a wide range.

> Before Harvard, Kagan was an undergraduate at Princeton University, where she majored in history and was editorial chairwoman of the Daily Princetonian, the campus daily

Under her direction, the paper published unsigned editorials that criticized President Jimmy Carter. In February 1980, one editorial called on students to participate in a rally against Carter's proposal to reinstate a draft requirement.

The rally is not just for the 19- and 20-year-olds recently pinpointed for registration," the editorial said. "We should also demonstrate against the proposal because it is a manifestation of a growing militarism in which politically motivated bravado plays too large

She wrote her senior thesis, "To the Final Conflict: Socialism in New York City, 1900-1933," about the history of the socialist movement. Although some critics have cited the paper as evidence of sympathy with the Socialist Party, her thesis advisor Sean Wilentz said that wasn't the case.

"Because you study something does not mean you endorse that thing," Wilentz told CNN. "You are trying to figure out a large historical

Along with her reputation as a serious academic, Kagan also has a fun-loving side, say those who know her.

"She's really a down-to-earth,

unpretentious person," said Harry Litman, who co-clerked with Kagan for Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall. T've been to baseball games with her. She's the kind of person you'd like to go to a baseball game with."

Kagan also plays poker and drinks beer, according to Litman, who described her as "someone who from early on has focused on the law's impact on people's lives.'

"I think she may grow to be a leader on the court in time," he said. "But first and foremost, she's someone who is not going to be afraid to mix it up, and listen hard, and try to take account of the other views, but she'll really, I think, be thinking hard about the consequences of her decisions on people's

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Ben Price, ASOSU veterans affairs task force

and medical, can be complicated and says he will be there to not only answer questions, but also walk the student through the entire "I will sit down and go over what benefits

and a scarce job market, veterans are seeing it

is in their best interest to go back to school,"

To effectively deal with the jump in veteran

'The Oregon Department of Veterans'

enrollment, universities are creating positions

Affairs and the Oregon University System are

working together to provide space and fund-

ing for a veteran service officer at Oregon uni-

versities and community colleges," Bedwell

from Iraq just this last month and it is antici-

pated many of them will be returning to

(about benefits)," Bedwell said.

Oregon saw the return of 2,700 soldiers

They are going to have a lot of questions

Bedwell says researching and applying for

benefits, including educational, employment

like Bedwell's at campuses across the state.

they are eligible for," Bedwell said. "Based on their need, I will help them fill out and file any necessary documentation.'

director, wants to make the campus as welcoming a place as possible for veterans.

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Editorial

Quad Manners

nybody ever turned onto one of the corners of the Aquad, taken a quick glance at what was in the middle, turned around and walked the other way?

There's a reason for that, and we all know what it is. Don't even lie. Someone's got to say it. It's because of the people that walk around the middle, trying to get you to buy, attend or sign something, right?

You know what we're saying. They hold clipboards or are dragging large amounts of merchandise with them. They have posters and layouts. They put up tents in the rain. They don't put up tents and just stand in the rain. They are one word: Relentless. Let's just call them that from now

Sure, we've got to give a little respect to the "relentless." Hey, it's America, right? Free country — you can try to sell what you want to whom you want. If you believe in something, we'll give you big props for putting yourself out there to try and sell people pointblank, face-to-face, whatever.

But these people are really "out there" sometimes, and forget that "no" really does mean "no." There are so many vendors that you sometimes feel like you're on a beach in Cancun. A girl tried to sell one of us on her new underwear line two years ago. That was a weird one.

So there you are, taking that step down one of those pathways of the quad and you immediately regret your decision. There are two things that can happen:

A: You think quick, make a passive move backwards and re-route your path, avoiding the "relentless."

B: You step too far, and you're so deep that it would just look terrible for you to flip around - not only would you look totally weird in front of all the other people around you, but you know by that time, a "relentless" has spotted you. Game on.

So you keep going. On the inside you're hating yourself for screwing this one up. You frantically pull out your iPod and headphones, or even better, your phone, and totally fake dial your

I've seen this. It's real.

Or maybe you go with the starestraight-ahead-and-don't-dare-tomake-any-move-that-will-grab-theirattention tactic.

But of course, those don't work either. The "relentless" are good. They position themselves right in front of you, and when you take a step to move around them, they also make a move. They grab your arm or give a little whistle. They even play the guilt card, like, "Hey, I'm so-andso, and I know you're really busy, but I was wondering if I could talk to you for 30 seconds. I would really appreciate it.'

So you do it, and soon enough, 30 seconds turns into 10 minutes and 10 minutes turns into you signing a petition to destroy all buildings on campus to replace them with igloos.

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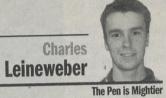
Honoring Ag Day and our agricultural roots

der why I decided to come to Corvallis. Times when I think maybe I should have gone to the University of Oregon after all.

I'm no engineer or science major; I don't fit into what Oregon State is famous for academically. The liberal arts bastion that is Eugene may have been a better fit for this psychology

But then something happens that reminds me why I chose Oregon State over the competition. In this case, that reminder happened last week when Oregon State hosted Ag day in the quad and Future Farmers of America from around the state swarmed campus in their fetching blue coats.

I didn't grow up on a farm or in the country, but I always thought farm life would be so cool. I knew some people who lived out in the boonies, and I was always awed by their knowledge of mechanics, their hard work and their adorable affinity for country music.



feel too much like a poser listening to it. I don't know about driving a tractor and hunting with my dog down at old man Jackson's place, so just can't relate to it. But it sure can

Seeing tractors and farming equipment parked out on the quad was not only a refreshing break from the usual Greenpeace hippies who frequent the area, but it also gave the majority of the student body a chance to see how Oregon State got on the map.

We all know that OSU was originally Oregon Agricultural College, and it was good to see that the school hasn't lost its roots.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, less than one I dabble in country music, but I percent of the American population that would be cool too) is something

with the number of farms standing at approximately 2 million.

The peak number of farms in the US reached 6.8 million in 1935. But as the total population of the country has increased, the number of farmers has dwindled, due in part to increased large-scale mechanization of labor and the ever-alluring urban

There aren't many Steinbeckesque characters to toil in the fields and edge out a living for their family anymore, but they're still out there and they're doing work. Ag Day in the quad served as a nice reminder

I was getting ready to crank up some Alan Jackson, throw on some flannel and do some work, but I had to go to philosophy. I felt like quite the city slicker. Good thing I didn't tell any of those cool farm kids where I was going, I would have lost all my farm-cred.

Considering the lack of farmcred, being a farmer (or rancher,

claims farming as their occupation, that is appealing, but most likely not in my future. I don't know anything about it. I would probably get kicked by a cow and die on my first day. Or eaten to death by a sheep — they're

And while it is often called "the simple life," I can't imagine that lifestyle is simple. The long hours of hard work for low monetary gains doesn't seem like a simple way to live. And those that do it get nothing but respect (and slight envy) from me.

While I'm off sitting inside all day, they get to work in the mud, drive big rigs and use their hands for something other than pushing pencils.

So thank you, Oregon State, for providing us with Ag Day. Because I know I wouldn't have gotten to enjoy that in Eugene.

Those guys and gals out there are doing the work that made Oregon State possible and helps make a lot of our lives possible too.

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Culture shock: One Haka to rule them all

This past week at school we saw the small and proud Native American community come together and share their culture by sharing their food, dance and music.

We were gifted with a display of colorful culture that most of us who live in America unfortunately have never experienced and have very little knowledge of.

I myself cannot claim to be very knowledgeable about the people who lived here prior to our murderous arrival on this continent.

I was sad to see people casually walking by this beautiful display and not even pausing to watch for a few brief moments as Native American men danced to the melodies vocalized by their nearby brethren.

The performers were decorated in colorful paint, large headdresses and adorning bushels of pine branches that were flapping upon their backs as the metallic bells around their waste jingled with every rhythmic lunge they took.

and beautiful, and yet we don't



Brad

3-D format. America is not the only country that has ushered our natives into the category of black sheep — there are others. There are also some countries that have embraced their native people and shared the land with

and blending it with their own. While studying abroad in Australia I was keenly aware of the Aboriginal people who were dressed in their original attire near the Sydney Opera House: They were playing the didgeridoo and asking for money.

them while absorbing their culture

It was bothersome and it reminded me of America. Very few of the Our native culture is different original land dwellers have merged into the Australian society. In fact,

team has an Aboriginal player on

Their way of living has been made into a tourist destination, and the pieces of their culture have been made into cheap touristy knickknacks that can be purchased at the

A group of friends and I visited Uluru (Ayers Rock) in the center of will undoubtedly be on the cover of began to dominate the local people. 'Visit Australia" pamphlet found in a travel store.

The giant red rock is a sacred destination for the Aboriginal tribe who have lived in that area for thousands of years, yet the government has taken it over and — against the will of the Aboriginal people — allows people to climb it. This is rather similar to the disrespect our country has shown our original inhabitants.

Just across the Tasman Sea you will find New Zealand, a country boasting a rich mix of Maori and European cultures. The country, known for its beautiful scenery

it is a big deal when a footy (rugby) (displayed in "Lord of the Rings") is clearly dominated by its 100 million sheep, a fact that the neighboring Aussies will hilariously point out at any chance they get to poke fun of

The most interesting part of New Zealand is how the Maori culture has impacted the country. In several countries — many in the South Pacific and Americas - explorers the Aussie outback. It is known as arrived at the shores of the "undisthe largest monolith in the world and covered" land and immediately

> Having more warfare technology than the scantily clad natives, it was not a difficult fight to win. It has been said that when some explorers arrived on the shores of New Zealand and attempted to take over the local inhabitants, the Maori people performed their Haka and demolished their opposition — and were even said to have eaten them after they won the battle.

The Haka is a war dance, done in unison, involving many aggressive shouts, angry facial expressions and

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Drowning out the voice of Music City

Tt's been a heavy couple of weeks for the media.

Reigniting the nationalistic fervor, the New York City bombing attempt has been all the rage.

Before that, the public, bent on playing the blame game, enjoyed pointing fingers at the big oil giant, BP, for the recent spill.

And what would news be without political bickering: The Arizona immigration bill has stirred up angst on both sides of the aisle—left and right throwing their own spin on the truth of the bill.

So many stories, so many issues; let's get to the debate! Oh, and one more thing, the city of Nashville is under water.

Somehowslipping by the media's ever-dramatic gaze, the Music City hasn't made much noise in the past week.

The southeastern part of the country has been battered with torrential rain recently, causing the Cumberland River to flood the city of Nashville and the surrounding area. Much of the city was submerged in several feet of water, with some areas reporting depths of up to 12 feet.

Multiple deaths have been reported, and the damage costs are already into the billions of dollars, and the floodwater has not even fully receded yet. Seems pretty significant, yes? So, where's the coverage been?

Between the new Arizona immigration bill and the NYC bombing attempt, I guess the media just can't seem to find time to report on the natural disaster. Or, seemingly, the blind eye is due to business interests.

The media will only report on what sells, and selling to our shallow society is no difficult matter. When an immoral athlete's sex scandal can hold front-page headlines for weeks, it's obvious our society values controversy over circumstance.

But this inane reporting is not country is unaware of the situa-

Armand Resto

The Daily Barometer

only apparent through the useless gossip; it's the basis of all media

Even though the Arizona immigration bill could have nationwide influence, more importantly, it has brought about weeks of attractive political debate for the media outlets. With all of the constituent rage and unique spins the stations throw on the bill, the story will continue to fuel ratings for quite some time.

The Times Square bomb situation has renewed the sense of hostility toward our terrorist enemies. Some stations showed sympathy for the unsuccessful bomber, while others continue to use it to put pressure on our current administration's defense policies. Once again, the story has turned into another ideological brawl.

The media has yet to report consistently on the ecological impacts of the BP oil spill, deciding to only focus on the administration's slow reaction, thereby inciting political disdain.

All the top news stories have what the flooding of Nashville does not: argumentative value. With no debatable aspect, the story lacks the endurance for continual monetary gain. It needs to have controversy and depth if the media is going to draw in the larger audience.

One could argue it's unfair to blame the media, since they are only catering to the public demand, but doesn't the media have a duty to report on the significant?

Dozens of lives have been lost, hundreds of homes have been destroyed and thousands are still in evacuation, yet the media continues to air political bickering over exhausted headlines. If our country is unaware of the situa-

tion, how can Nashville receive support?

Earlier this year, Americans shelled out millions of dollars and hours of aid for the citizens of Haiti after the devastating earthquake. Granted, the Nashville flood should have nowhere near the impact that the Haitian earthquake has had, but these are Americans here at home who need our assistance.

The media devoured the situation in Haiti and in turn brought on a flurry of support programs. On the contrary, the media has essentially ignored the disaster in Nashville, yielding no positive results in terms of aid.

The bottom line is the media has not done its job. It has been made obvious by the choice in story coverage that it is purely a money-making business.

The mediums — television, newspapers, magazines — have become nothing more than vehicles to drive out ideology and cater to specific classes of society. The profits have brought about dishonest and unfair reporting.

I can only respect celebrities such as Kenny Chesney and Taylor Swift for using their social status — through generous donations — to draw attention to the natural disaster. I'm amazed that country musicians can do what the media cannot: inform the people.

I should hope all of society sees the tragedy in holding such value in scandal, because diverting the media's attention to the meaningful is not a fruitless endeavor. The media will follow the money: the demand that we supply.

So, I challenge the public to

So, I challenge the public to search for honest and respectable reporting. Follow what is important to you; follow the significant.

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violent slaps (again, in unison) to one's own body. It is fascinating to watch, and frightening to oppose.

Have you watched New Zealand's national rugby team, The All Blacks, play rugby before? Most of the players are massive, having a much larger natural frame than most Europeans, especially those who have been stuck on a boat for several months prior to their arrival.

I spent three weeks in New Zealand, driving around the South Island in a camper van with five of my closest friends. The Kiwis were some of the oddest people I have met in all of my travels, but they have a lot of respect for the Maori traditions and people who live upon their shared island.

The national sport is undoubtedly rugby union. There are several teams scattered around their small country, each team having several Maori players. Some of these Maori athletes are very popular with everybody in the country and their posters certainly grace the walls of countless hopeful teenagers.

The beautiful Maori culture and traditions have many similarities to the Native Americans who originally inhabited the land that we call our own. They value and respect the land and ocean and all of the living beings that live upon the earth.

They are emotionally in touch with whales and often tell stories of their ancestors' relationships with the giant creatures. In my eyes, the familial Maori greeting of touching foreheads while holding each other's heads is one

of the most intimate and meaningful ways to embrace a loved one.

The people from the European culture and native Maori culture have had their feuds in the past and will likely continue to in the future, but that is representative of any two distinctly different cultures that live near each other.

The way they have learned to accept one another and live amongst one another — although it has proven to be challenging at times — is still an important example to the countries that have virtually shunned the native cultures and replaced them with their own.

What would our country look like if we had learned to live with the native people who originally inhabited this land? I bet it would have spiced up our salad bowl of cultures!

The expression "proud to be an American" would have an entirely new meaning and value.

It felt good to see the way the Maori people adapted to society while still maintaining their own culture and even influencing the overall culture around them.

Perhaps the Native American story would have been different if they had naturally been bigger and better able to defend themselves. The fact still remains: It is in the past and there is nothing we can do to correct that.

Yet, it must also be said, the Native American culture is still alive and extremely interesting. But first, you have to stop blindly walking by; open your eyes and observe it.

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The insanity!

It's getting so bad that the "relentless" have moved venues. They're catching on. They've gone to the quad's corners to snag victims. They've hit up the MU for a little prey. They are everywhere!

Case in point: These people are doing what they believe in, and that's their right, and we're okay with that. But when you come up to us, ask us to talk and we tell you our house is burning down and we have to hurry, please for the love of Billy Mays let us go.

If we're interested, we'll stop. Until then, we're avoiding all sidewalks and sticking to the roads — relentlessly.

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Wind shift threatens Louisiana coast with oil slick, governor says

push more oil from BP's Deepwater Horizon gusher into the Mississippi Delta and areas west of the river, which is "bad news for Louisiana," Gov. Bobby Jindal said Monday after-

Louisiana has been mostly spared since the oil rig exploded April 20 and sank two days later about 50 miles (80 kilometers) off the southeast coast of Louisiana. The catastrophe is sending 210,000 gallons of crude into the Gulf of Mexico each day. Most of the slick has been centered in an area east of the environmentally sensitive

"We've said all along that the oil coming west of the river would pose a whole new set of challenges," Jindal said at a news conference.

He detailed efforts to place booms and other restraining devices into four passes near Grand Isle to prevent the oil from reaching land.

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration forecasters had warned over the weekend that the Mississippi Delta and areas to the northeast of it, including Breton

mainland behind them, could see oil hit the coast by Tuesday.

Further east, scientists were analyzing tar balls found on a beach on Dauphin Island, Ala., to determine whether they were caused by the oil spill, Coast Guard spokesman Erik

The tar balls are "pieces of emulsified oil" shaped like pancakes, ranging in size from dimes to golf balls, Swanson said, adding they can sometimes occur naturally.

Coast Guard Rear Adm. Mary Landry confirmed the presence of tar balls in some areas, but said they were "easy to clean up."

She said booms were being moved toward Grand Isle in anticipation of oil reaching the area soon.

In addition to the use of dispersants on the surface and controlled burns, weather allowing, officials were carrying out a third test of subsea dispersants to determine their impact, said Landry. She said officials were trying to do in a few weeks what normally would take a few years.

So far, the spill has had little impact

Sound, Chandeleur Islands and the on wildlife, said Mark J. Musaus, deputy director of the southeast region for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Only a few birds have been taken to a wildlife rehabilitation center at Fort Jackson, La., he said.

Two of them, a gannet and a pelican, were released Monday back into the wild. Another oiled pelican was still in the treatment center, as was a green heron, he said.

The stakes are high for residents of coastal Louisiana who make their living from fishing in the Gulf of Mexico.

The government has closed parts of the Gulf to fishing. The affected area, which is east of the Mississippi Delta, comprises about 4.5 percent of the Gulf of Mexico, NOAA said.

Hundreds of thousands of feet of boom and large volumes of dispersants continued to be deployed in an effort to capture or break up the spilled oil moving toward the Gulf

Thousands of workers and volunteers also have been skimming the water's surface.

A BP executive said Monday the energy company is working "parallel

paths" to fix the oil well blowout that the situation seems to be stable. is dumping 210,000 gallons of crude into the Gulf of Mexico per day.

The failure over the weekend of a four-story dome to cap the leak has led BP to move on to other options, including the use of a smaller chamber over the leak and shooting garbage into the gaping hole to try to plug the gusher, said Doug Suttles, BP's chief operating officer for exploration and production.

The company also is considering placing a valve or a new blowout preventer on top of the existing one, which is not functioning as well as it should, Suttles told CNN's "American Morning" program. As the name suggests, a blowout preventer is a device that is supposed to clamp shut over a leaking wellhead.

David Nagel, executive vice president of BP America, said the blowout preventer may be working better than some people believe, limiting the gusher to 5,000 barrels of oil a day.

We have a blowout preventer that we think is mostly shut," Nagel said in an off-camera briefing with reporters Monday in Washington, adding that

He said remote-control inspection machines had not been able to check how the blowout assembly was working but "something is constraining the leak" from what would have been a flow estimated between 40,000 to

60,000 barrels a day. Suttles said BP is drilling a relief well to try to divert the flow to another pipe. "What we're going to do is keep developing options until we get this

flow stopped," Suttles said. On Friday, BP lowered the massive containment vessel over the well to cap the larger of two leak points. But that plan was thwarted Saturday after icelike hydrate crystals that formed when gas combined with water blocked the top of the dome and made it buoyant.

BP has built the smaller dome and it is already available, Suttles said Monday. That device would keep most of the water out at the beginning of the capping process and would allow engineers to pump in methanol to keep the hydrates from forming, Suttles said. Methanol is a simple alcohol that can be used as an antifreeze.

Global treasurys fall directly after \$1 trillion European rescue package

By Blake Ellis

NEW YORK — Treasurys fell on Monday as investors regained confidence in the global economic recovery following the announcement of a \$1 trillion European rescue package.

What prices are doing: The benchmark 10-year note dropped 31/32 to 100-22/32, pushing the yield to 3.55 percent Investors were pulling out of

from 3.43 percent on Friday. Bond prices and yields move in opposite directions.

The 30-year bond was down 2-16/32 to 103-16/32 with a 4.41 percent yield. The 2-year note lost 3/32 to 100-8/32 with a 0.88 percent yield. The 5-year note slipped to 101-3/32, yielding 2.27 percent.

What's moving the market:

Treasurys and turning to riskier assets on Monday.

Stocks rose sharply following the European Union's approval of a \$1 trillion rescue package, created in an attempt to stabilize the euro and to aid debt-rid-

The largest provision, valued at \$570 billion, will be government-backed loans, while the second part of the package is the expansion of a \$77 billion stabilization fund. The International Monetary Fund will contribute an additional \$284 billion.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Federal Reserve announced plans to join other central banks in reestablishing a program aimed at improving lending conditions.

What analysts are saying:

caused a push back into risky assets," said Michael Cheah, a bond fund manager at SunAmerica. "The market no longer needs Treasurys as a place to put

But Cheah said that the European rescue plan is not a cureall, and the market's rally could ease as investors realize that global debt problems remain.

"It's like if a person is sick and you give them a whole bunch of balloons," said Cheah. "They'll have a smile on their face, but they'll still be in pain."

This is like Greece," he added. "The problems are still there.

Cheah said investors will be looking at the euro's movement lend money and is used as a

the rescue package's effective-

'Right now, the EU is trying to arrest the decline in the euro to show that confidence is restored," he said. "And for now, Treasurys are being traded as a flight to quality."

Lending rates: Bank-to-bank lending rates for three-month loans eased slightly on Monday amid the renewed investor con-

The London interbank offered rate, or Libor, edged lower to 0.421 percent after jumping to 0.428 percent on Friday.

Libor is a daily average of interest rates that 16 London banks charge each other to

"The European bailout has in upcoming weeks to a gauge benchmark to calculate adjustable-rate mortgages. Higher Libor rates indicate less lending among banks, while lower levels signal an increasing willingness to lend.

Lending rates are still relatively low compared to record highs near 5 percent in the aftermath of Lehman Bros.' collapse, but Libor is trending upward, and Friday's rate was nearly double what it was in March, said Marc Ostwald, a fixed-income strategist at Monument Securities in London.

'We had slight easing today, without a doubt due to the relief in the asset market, which had a massive bounce on the euro area rescue plan," Ostwald

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BISHOP

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Bishop is the ultimate competitor, friends and coaches admit.

"He is one of the most competitive guys I have ever met in my entire life,' fellow receiver and good friend Obum Gwacham said. "In anything — and I'm not saying it's a bad thing - he's definitely a guy, I think, that hates to lose more than anything else. But he can handle it, for sure. He can definitely handle it.'

Bishop's competitive spirit was challenged, though, when he arrived at OSU. The football coaches redshirted him for the 2008 season. His track dreams were dashed, too, at least the first year, because there had not been a men's track team since 1988. An entire year passed, and for the first time since he was a toddler, Bishop wasn't competing for a team.

"Here's a kid who is a star football player, MVP of the all-star game his senior year, an outstanding basketball player and one of the premier high school track kids not only in Oregon, (but also) the country, coming off of (five) years of three sports. Then all of a sudden (he comes) in redshirting," OSU's head women's track coach Kelly Sullivan said.

"So he didn't have football, he wasn't playing basketball and (he didn't) have the opportunity to do track, because Oregon State doesn't have a track program."

Bishop's situation can only be likened to a jungle cat being force-fed in a cage.

"For five years doing three sports, and hitting college and taking a year off — not competing in any one of them, like officially — it was kind of like a downtime period in my life to know that other guys were out there and I'm just hanging out watching," Bishop said.

Steadily, the reality of the situation ate away his happiness. The coaches, Mike Riley, Jay Locey, offensive coordinator Danny Langsdorf and Kelly Sullivan and his friends and family saw he wasn't a satiated freshman when spring arrived — spring without track makes

Bishop a sad man.

The countless talks and meetings about Bishop that ensued kept emotions amongst everyone at an all-time high.

'We had lots of conversations," Stanley said. "We had (his) mom's calls with tears, and football coaches' calls and talks with Jordan. He really loves track. He's had a lot of success with football, but I think the instant gratification for him is a big deal, you know, not in a bad way. Track is so measurable — I either clear the bar, or I don't.'

Oregon was one of the top schools recruiting Bishop for track his senior year. Unfortunately for them, Bishop had already verbally committed to OSU his senior year when the Ducks offered him a spot on the team. But it wasn't the last time people at Oregon would try leading him to Eugene, a place nationally recognized as "Track Town, USA."

"I have a real good friend who jumps for (Oregon), and during that time he kind of (tried) persuading me to go there a little bit," Bishop said. "That first year when I wasn't competing he was out there, and I was thinking, man, I could be out there, too."

Bishop, raised by his mother, Julie, didn't grow up favoring the Ducks or the Beavers. Wherever he felt the best opportunity to further his academic and athletic career, that's the school he wanted to attend.

This kid could have gone anywhere (in) Division-1 and just done track and been a superstar," Sullivan said. "You hear comparisons all the time to Ashton Eaton, the world-class decathlete at Oregon.'

Coaches and family reacted quickly to Bishop's reaction to the situation. A year ago, coach Riley talked with Bishop and made sure his future starting receiver was staying in Corvallis.

"At one point I was about fifty-fifty, just missing competing in both (sports) so much," Bishop recalled. "But after I talked with (Mike Riley), he made sure I wasn't going anywhere, and luckily I stayed, because I got the opportunity to start half the games (in 2009).

The Ducks were never hot on Bishop for football in high school, and the Beaver-tobe was pulled more towards the gridiron.

"I told the guys down the road, in Eugene, they're going to regret (not recruiting him)," Stanley said.

After helping solidify Bishop's commitment to OSU, Riley gave the go-ahead for him to compete in the 2010 track season. Sullivan and the athletics department found a way to give him, the young man who pestered them about track since he arrived on campus, a chance to represent the Beavers.

The one thing I've learned about Jordan is he's not shy," Sullivan said. "He wasn't afraid to come in and keep asking (about track). It was just tugging at my heart all the time; I was like, we have got to figure this out."

On Feb. 13, 2010, Bishop and five other football players competed in the Husky Indoor Classic at Washington — the first event for OSU men since 1988.

The end result? A one, two victory in the high-jump for OSU with Bishop and Gwacham taking first and second place, respectively.

"I think it was just a stage of my life where I was missing the track atmosphere so much, and I'm not thinking about the football side," Bishop said. "Then, when I got involved in being a part of the game situation, that whole mentality was

Just like he did at West Salem, Bishop has started making a huge impact on OSU athletics. He's set to take a starting receiver role this fall and is one of the best high-jumpers for a school without a "formal" track program in the Pac-10.

"Twelve months later, here we are," Sullivan said. "He's looked at as one of the premier guys on the football team, a great upside, and he's as happy as you

can get.' Between everyone that's been involved, we've all kind of taken Jordan's passion and concern. That's leaving a mark. That's definitely leaving a mark.

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BASEBALL

just wish we could have gotten the win.'

But with two outs in the. bottom of the sixth, Meador doubled to center to break the 16-consecutive streak, and Strazzara followed with his second RBI single to give USD a 2-1 lead.

"They're good hitters, but I just left the ball up and they hit the ball hard," Sitton said. "I made a couple of a mistakes, and they took advantage of them."

In the top of the eighth inning, San Diego capitalized on a leadoff walk by string-

once again, courtesy of Meador (who finished the game 3-4) and Strazzara (3-4, as well). By the time Oregon State got out the inning — an eventual 5-4-3 double play helped prevent further damage — the Toreros had scored two and extended their cushion to three. OSU sophomore Ryan Gorton pitched to the first two hitters of the inning and was charged with both runs; junior Tyler Waldron came in to clean up the

San Diego starter, junior Chris Jensen, pitched six innings of four-hit, onerun ball. It was just the sec-

Jennings, who came in with a 3.98 ERA in 17 appearances.

Oregon State's only run came in the bottom of the fourth, when junior Stefen Romero knotted things at one with his 12th home run of the season. The hit, a shot that reached the parking lot in left-center, was Romero's third home run in four days.

It wasn't that Oregon State's offense was non-existent they managed seven hits to San Diego's eight — it was the fact that Oregon State's hits were scattered, and San Diego's came at the right

Regardless, Casey was not

ing together two consecutive ond start of the season for happy after the loss.

"After having a great weekend, it's extremely disappointing to come out and have a lack of that intensity like we had tonight," Casey said. "No excuse for it. That doesn't take anything away from San Diego, they're a very good club; their pitching is very good, but for having somebody come in and dominate us in our yard is very disappointing.

"It had nothing to do with baseball. It had to do with a lack of character and the lack of the things we try to build our program on."

Grady Garrett, sports writer

TRACK

clearing 6 feet and 11.75 inches. His personal best is over 7

"I was happy with the mark," he said. "I thought for sure I was going to get over 7 (leet) I (inch).

It was the second time this season Gwacham won in Eugene. Even more impressive, he was only able to train for a week prior to the meet — spring football kept him more than busy.

"Obum tends to steal the show when he's down there," Sullivan said. "I think he likes that a lot."

Three younger women, freshmen Taylor Hunt and Ashley Mayfield and junior Ashley Berry, raced the 800meter. Unfortunately for the team, the final results were

"Our three girls in the 800 were a little disappointed," Sullivan said. "I wasn't disappointed in their efforts; they just didn't get a chance to get in a race that went out at the pace it needed to go at, so that's a little frustrating. It was probably our fault. Maybe we should have had a different strategy and have them go out and run hard from

Hunt, Berry and Mayfield finished 10th, 11th and 12th, respectively.

The women who competed in Gresham showed improvement. Botti and O'Connor won their events - 1500m and 10k, respectively. Freshman Kristin Oenning cleared 4 feet 11 inches in the high jump, matching her mark from the previous weekend.

"Botti ran a 4:46 (1500m), and that's a personal best for her. Both Ariel Clark and Lauren Graebner ran season-bests in the 1500," Sullivan said. "All of us were really pleased with how they did.

More track action continues Saturday in Berkley, Calif., where both OSU men and women will compete in the conference championships.

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opportunity for the fans. Coach Riley has been quoted on more than one occasion as saying he would prefer just another day of practice.

Football is a dangerous sport, regardless of the setting. But when putting teams in scrimmage situations in front of packed stadiums, it ups the adrenaline and competition that may or may not be there in a regular practice. Some say this is a great thing, and it allows the team to play in similar circumstances to a game situation. However, in normal games, the two teams do not practice day in and day out with one another, do not share the same locker rooms and do not know the opposing offense the way that they do when it's an inter-squad scrimmage.

The Eastern Oregon University program found this out the hard way.

Last Saturday, the EOU football program had its annual spring contest in front of fans and students. The scrimmage was just like any other spring scrimmage until freshman transfer wide receiver Dylan Steigers was involved in a collision that knocked him to the ground. Steigers walked off the field on his own following the collision, but later began to vomit on the sidelines, a symptomatic response to a concussion.

Trainers took Steigers to a nearby hospital where he was later flown to Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise. He was found to be suffering from acute subdural hematoma as a result of the head trauma he'd suffered. After doctors diagnosed his condition, Steigers passed away Sunday afternoon.

Spring games offer a taste of the coming football season, and give football fans a chance to experience the football atmosphere long before the first season kickoff. At Oregon State, the Spring Game is considered a tradition, and, usually falling on OSU's Mom's Weekend, students often attend with their mothers as a part of Mom's Weekend festivities.

But are the spring scrimmages worth the risk of injury, or even death? Every sport comes with its own set of risks, but are pre-season games a good idea when teams haven't fully developed their players and players haven't fully learned the respective systems? It's a tossup, but ultimately the health of the players is what should take priority.

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ishop can do it all

A life as a multisport athlete continues for Oregon State's Jordan Bishop, as he follows his doublepassion in football and track for the Beavers.

By Anthony Casson

ollege life is often filled with a tumultuous blend of twists and turns that test our emotional being. For sophomore athlete Jordan Bishop, the tests nearly drove him from Oregon

Bishop, who begins his second season as wide receiver this September, entered Corvallis fall of 2008 with two specific hopes: He wanted to play football, and he wanted to compete in track.

The 19-year-old from Salem began competing at an early age. In eighth grade, Bishop was already showing talent in three sports: basketball, track and football. His dreams of becoming an NBA star burned upon his arrival to West Salem High School.

"You know, his freshman year, he wasn't even sure he wanted to play football - he was going to be a basketball star," Bishop's high school football coach Shawn Stanley said. "We talked to him and said, 'you know, just give us a chance.' His freshman year might have been basketball, track and then

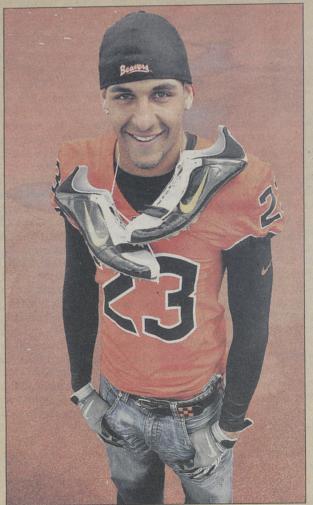
football, maybe not even football. Lucky for me and the Beavers, he stuck it out."

During his tenure at West Salem, Bishop grew into one of the school's best-ever competitors. In football, he lettered four years and played in the 2007 Oregon All-Star game in Portland, where he was named MVP. In basketball, he lettered three years and was a firstteam All-Valley selection. However, a majority of his success came in his four years lettering

'He's just a gifted athlete," OSU receivers coach Jay Locey said. "In basketball, he was the leading rebounder. In the weight room, you can see all his records — power-cleans and squats. Who was on top? Jordan Bishop bench-press. Okay, who was the leading rebounder? Jordan Bishop. Who had the most points? Jordan Bishop. Who was doing it in track? Jordan Bishop, Jordan Bishop, Jordan Bishop. He was on the record-board in every

As a junior, Bishop was Oregon's track leader in total points. He placed second in high- and long-jump at State. His senior year, he won the long-jump at State and placed second in the

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Sophomore Jordan Bishop is not only a break-out wide receiver for OSU; he has proven he is valuable in track spikes, too.

Baseball dropped by No. 17 San Diego

After sweeping rival Ducks, Oregon State falls in a midweek, non-conference matchup

By Grady Garrett

Well, that one wasn't quite as dramatic as the fans at Goss Stadium have gotten accus-

After three thrilling walk-off wins against Oregon, Oregon State never led in Monday's non-conference, midweek contest against No. 17 San Diego. The visiting Toreros (31-16, 15-0 West Coast Conference) used stifling pitching and a strong performance from the middle of their order to defeat the Beavers 4-1.

It may have been a nonconference game, and it may have been a Monday, but it was still an extraordinarily important game for the Beavers (24-18, 7-11 Pac-10), who need every win they can get at this point in the season, especially against notable, ranked opponents.

But, as head coach Pat Casey went on to point out, Oregon State simply didn't treat Monday's game with the same intensity as they treated the weekend games against

"Tonight didn't have anything to do with baseball, it had to do with a lack of intensity,

lack of coming out here and playing the game the way they played it during the weekend," Casey said. "They were kind of going through the motions; I guess a midweek game wasn't important enough to them."

Casey didn't know why his team came out flat, and neither did his players.

"We're not sure, either," junior Stefen Romero said. "Just coming off a high the past three days, walk-off wins, and tonight we just came out lackadaisical, lethargic. We need to come out with more intensity and play like every game is our last.'

The combination of San Diego junior James Meador, the team's leading hitter (3.78 average), and junior Tony Strazzara (3.67) punished the Beaver's pitching staff all game

cara, San Diego's clean-up hitter, singled in the top of the first with one out and runners on the corners, delivering the first Torero run of the game. For the next 5.1 innings, OSU LHP Kraig Sitton, making his first career start at the collegiate level, was brilliant, retiring the next 16 hitters he faced.

Sitton was one of the few to earn praise from Casey after the game, as Casey described the southpaw's performance as "great."

"I thought it went well," Sitton said. "I just

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Freshman Tyler Smith attempts to roll up a double play Monday night during the Beaver's 4-1 loss to San Diego.

Strong success for track at Oregon Twilight

Victories are had and a record is broken as Oregon State track comes back home happy with their performances

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The Oregon State women's track team competed at two meets last weekend: the Mt. Hood Invitational in Gresham, Ore., and the Oregon

Twilight in Eugene. Four Beavers returned to Corvallis with big accomplishments. Redshirt sophomore Laura Carlyle reset the OSU 1500-meter record at

Oregon, with grayshirt freshman wide receiv-er Obum Gwacham taking another victory in bump teammate Casey Masterson from the top the high jump. Senior Jenny O'Connor won the 10,000-meter at Mt. Hood, and freshman Audrey Botti, who raced unattached, won the 1500.

"Overall, Laura accomplished what she needed to do," head coach Kelly Sullivan said. "And I think it was good for Obum to get a chance to jump one more time before we go to (the Pac-10 Conference Championships).

Carlyle's goal entering the event was setting a personal best to qualify for the NCAA Regionals in Austin, Texas later this month. Her final time of four minutes and 24 seconds was three seconds

bump teammate Casey Masterson from the top spot on the record board. More than anything, though, Carlyle is just happy to have qualified for another competition.

"It feels good. I couldn't even sleep after, I was just so happy," she said. "It was such a good feeling — everything actually went right for once.

It's like a relief to qualify for Regionals, because I wanted that really bad; it's just one of those things where you want it so bad. The record was just kind of like a bonus.'

Gwacham was pleased with his winning jump,

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No excuses, play like a champion

Spring Game dilemma

ootball programs all over the nation have annual "Spring Games" which are open to the public. The games are usually set up in the form of a controlled scrimmage, and give the students, fans and donors a chance to preview the team that will suit up for the season

Oregon State's annual Spring Game took place over Mom's Weekend on May 1. The game was like a practice, allowing for the first-, second- and third-string offenses and defenses a chance to play.

At head football coach Mike Riley's request, running back Jacquizz Rodgers only took part in warmups, sitting out for the competitive scrimmage in order to avoid injury. Other Beaver returners experienced limited play time as well, in order to ensure a healthy lineup come time for fall camp.

Universities across the country engage in Spring Game festivities, ranging from pre-game team autograph sessions to carnival-like celebrations. For schools such as the University of Alabama, the spring scrimmage is considered a regular kick-off to their football season, this year being aired live on ESPN with a packed stadium of 91,312 fans.

At the University of Oregon, the football program used their Spring Game as an opportunity to recognize U.S. troops overseas, as well as unveil a new camouflage style uniform. However, the idea of the Spring Game is acknowledged as mostly an

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