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· CAPS won't join student groups in SEC

CAPS searches for a new location along with the Food Pantry, the Craft Center

By Kayla Harr

Counseling and Psychological Services at Oregon State University has yet to secure a location to move to upon the demolition of its current building, Snell Hall, in 2013.

"I feel confident that the university will find a good home for us, we're just not sure where that is yet and we're working actively to find that place," said Jackie Alvarez, director of

The Student Experience Center Space Allocation Policy Committee decided last Wednesday that the SEC, destination for many programs located in Snell Hall, will not

"The location and placement of CAPS is really in the hands of university Facilities (Services)," said Eric Alexander, co-chair of the SAPC and director of Student Leadership and Involvement. "They're in a place of needing to figure out where CAPS goes and so one of the options that CAPS had was appealing to this group to be in the SEC, and after a lot of really heartfelt discussions and decision making over the last couple weeks, the group just came to the consensus that the current amount of money we have for this building, the budget for the building, was originally set without including CAPS, so in order for CAPS to locate in that building, it would have to dislocate student programs.

According to Alexander, other problems surround housing CAPS in the SEC. Because

the SEC was originally planned as a 100,000square-foot building but was downsized to 64,000 square feet to be more financially supportable, space is an issue that must be considered when determining which programs will and will not be housed in the SEC

Alexander said CAPS is an especially difficult program to place because it has experienced growth in the last two years that complicates finding a long-term location for it.

"I think that was our other concern with CAPS; even if they landed in the SEC, we wouldn't be able to give them enough room just with all their growth in the last couple years, so the space would very quickly become cramped for them," Alexander said. "We're trying to think 50-year vision instead of three- to five-year vision.'

According to Alvarez, CAPS staff has expe-

rienced a 44 percent increase in the number of students they serve through the program, jumping from serving a typical 6 percent of the student body to 9 percent this year. Alvarez said this increase may be due to both higher stress levels that can be observed nationally in students as a result of economic pressures, as well as advertising and outreach that has been done by CAPS staff.

The CAPS program currently occupies between 6,000 and 7,000 square feet, according to Alvarez, and has outgrown that space. Alvarez said she expects the number of students served by CAPS to continue to increase with growing enrollment. CAPS staff is working with Facilities Services to find a suitable space.

"Right now they don't know where they're

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Reducing the campus footprint

\$2,100 was saved in the Building **Energy Challenge last February**

By Amy Schneider

During the cold Corvallis winter, students living off-campus cringe as they open their horrifyingly high electric bills. Whatever the cost may be, it's nothing compared to Oregon State University annual utility bill of \$10 million and current efforts are being made to lighten the load.

On-campus sustainability was discussed in a Jan. 28 meeting as participants in the Second Annual OSU Building Energy Challenge prepared for energy conservation in the month of February.

The Building Energy Challenge is a campus-wide initiative to reduce energy output for an entire month. Ten OSU buildings and all of the residence halls are participating in the challenge this year, in comparison to last year's six contestants.

"A lot of people think that energy conservation is expensive, or that it requires a lot of effort

like funding and planning," said Greg Smith, to over \$13,000 in a single year. sustainability program assistant for the OSU Sustainability Office and coordinator of the event. "My supervisor and I wanted to create a campaign that focused on doing small things, something that showed how significant amounts of energy can be saved daily.

The Building Energy Challenge pits building against building in a competition to use as little energy as possible. Not only are buildings trying to conserve energy, but are also trying to beat their previous records.

According to Smith, historical baselines are created from meter readings of the past three Februarys. This data outlines the daily averages for each building. Throughout the month of February, daily meter readings will show whether a building has lowered or raised its energy output based on the average, and the building with the highest average energy reduction becomes the winner.

In the meeting, Smith mentioned that the overall energy savings of last year were noteworthy. Over 2,100 kilowatt hours were conserved, which amounts to \$2,100 a month. Smith pointed out that if these numbers were achieved every month, savings could amount

The main way we're having people save is by reducing energy consumption by doing the small, basic things," Smith said. "These include primarily behavior modification, things like turning out the lights or turning off

Ann Leen, office manager of the English department and co-representative for Moreland Hall, mentioned that her building finds these methods useful. Moreland Hall won the challenge last year, reducing its energy consumption by an average of 30 percent

throughout February. We encouraged people to put their computers into sleep, or turn off monitors and lights when they're not being used," Leen said. "We've had a sustained 12 percent reduction of energy usage in Moreland since the challenge, and that's why we decided to do it again this year, to reinforce the things we've learned and save even more energy."

All participants are encouraged to spread the word of the event and try to involve everyone who can make an impact. Smith expanded

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Sustainable **Cooking with** Iris Briand



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How to find healthy foods on campus

A breakdown of what students and dieticians say are the best meal options on campus

By Madeline Hoag

For many students, trying to balance school, work, and social life, along with healthy eating can be challenging.

Students and University Housing and Dining Services are educating and providing healthier choices, enabling students the opportunity to make smarter decisions when it comes to grabbing a snack on campus.

Erin Dooher and Michael Etzel are senior dietetics majors who are excited about nutrition and helping students understand complex concepts. The duo hosts a KBVR Radio Show that airs at 7 p.m. on Mondays called

"We are not specialists and we don't tell people what to do," Etzel said. "We are hoping to get students interested in nutrition so they can feel empowered and make healthful, constructive decisions to implement good eating

Etzel points out that places on campus, like Pangea Café in the MU, offer nutritional sheets in binders on tables and posters throughout the restaurant that were written by the Student Dietetics Association at Oregon State University, which is helpful when making decisions about

Dooher says that her top three healthy options to eat on campus include Pangea Café for veggie-based dishes, West Dining Center for cultural variety and Dixon Café for inexpensive wraps on whole wheat tortillas with brown

rice.

"My advice to students looking to make healthy eating choices on campus is to choose lean meats like turkey

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OSU's Healthy Foods

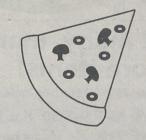
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Pho Soup or Curry Bowls made with brown rice and tofu

Pixon Café's inexpensive wraps on whole wheat tortillas with brown rice

Pangea Café

for veggie-based dishes



Tomassito's vegetarian pizza on wheat crust

Cooper's Creek tofu jambalaya

Clubhouse Peli's roasted portabella vegetarian Panini on a whole grain roll

ASOSU House meeting becomes heated

A disagreement over campaign funds results in an aggressive argument between members

By Eric Sepulveda

A yelling match erupted at the ASOSU House meeting Wednesday night over rules about limitations on campaign funds for candidates vying for student body leadership roles.

Currently, candidates are limited to fundraising \$1,000 for their campaigns.

An argument ensued after Rep. Max Patterson proposed that the limit should be increased to \$10,000.

In response to Patterson's proposition, President Andrew Struthers explained the history of campaign

Members of the House opposed Patterson's proposition, stating that OSU has taken pride in modest campaign limitations because it does not prohibit students from running based on their economic situation.

"It should not be moved it should stay where it's at," said Rep. Michael jab. Robb. "If it was moved even \$500 above, it would be ridiculous. By keeping it at \$1,000 it keeps it legitimate. One, if you have it at \$10,000, then who ever has 10k will win, and that's' not what we're trying to get out, vote this down...

A motion was put before the House to close the discussion, which Patterson would not consent to by offering several rebuttals.

The discussion became heated and term is complete.

limitations on fundraising from years within seconds several members of the House began yelling out of turn.

Speaker of the House Drew Hatlen pounded the gavel several times to restore order and the situation calmed. A voice vote ended the discussion and a hand vote rejected Patterson's proposition.

After the vote, Patterson took a final

"I think everyone is truly pathetic for not setting a \$10,000 limit," Patterson said of the House.

Tensions rose earlier in the meeting over the grade point average requirements for candidates, which states that students have a 2.0 to run for office. Eligibility is determined based on the GPA for Fall term, because the grade checks are performed before Winter

Toward the end of the meeting, Speaker Hatlen gave senators an opportunity to retract any of the comments they made and Rep. Patterson declined the opportunity.

In response, Pro Tempore Kevin Dunn expressed his frustration.

"I think that if someone who says the body is pathetic, we should move to censor them and remove them from the House," Dunn said.

After the meeting, several representatives said they weren't pleased with the comments and the tone of the

"This is not the way that congressmen are suppose to represent students," Struthers said.

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Powerful storm brings record snowfall across the country

A massive winter storm bringing blizzard conditions and record snowfall to the nation's heartland has affected one in three Americans, emergency officials said Wednesday.

A mix of snow, sleet and freezing rain blanketed 30 states and is now sweeping up into the U.S. Northeast.

The brutal weather made for treacherous traveling on snow-choked roadways and runways, forcing airlines to cancel thousands of flights again Wednesday.

The huge demand for information caused sporadic outages for the National Weather Service's web servers, which struggled to handle a deluge of 10 million to 20 million hits per hour, officials said. The site normally experiences an average of 70 million hits per

Chicago's O'Hare International Airport received a record-breaking 19 1/2 inches of snow, according to the

At a Wednesday morning news conference, Chicago emergency management director Jose Santiago said there would likely be 15 to 20 inches of snow on the ground - 25 inches in some by the time the storm leaves

"There were no cars or people on the street and you couldn't see the buildings nearby because of the thick snow," said city resident Sruthi Swaminathan. "The only thing you could see clearly were the lights from the Chicago

zard warnings for northeastern Ill. including the Chicago metropolitan area, were called off, according to the National Weather Service.

Forecasters say wind chills will range from 5 below in downtown Chicago to 20 below in the coldest outlying areas, and are expected to drop to 20 to 40 degrees below zero later Wednesday

"The wind on the lake shore is beyond belief," said Chicago resident Anni Glissman. "It almost knocks you

"Reports from media and local law enforcement officially indicate that hundreds if not thousands of vehicles have gone off the roads," the weather service said early Wednesday morning.

Raymond Roscoe, chief of staff for Chicago Mayor Richard Daley, said many motorists remained stuck in their cars throughout the night, while others abandoned their vehicles. Police, fire department and sanitation crews spent much of the night pulling people out of their cars, he said. Roscoe said there were no reports of injuries.

"We know that hundreds of people were very inconvenienced and we apologize for that," Roscoe said. "While city personnel worked as quickly as possible, we certainly understand people's frustration.'

Elsewhere, Illinois State Police carried out a rescue operation in Kankakee County after 20 cars were stranded in the snowstorm, where snowdrifts were

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But by Wednesday afternoon, bliz- measured at about 3 feet, the agency said.

The rescued motorists were taken to temporary warming centers in Manteno or Peotone, said state police Sgt. Angie Kinstner.

In Wisconsin, the Department of Transportation reported that Interstate 42 and Interstate 94 were impassable south of Milwaukee. The National Guard was making a sweep of the interstates for stranded motorists.

Air travel was just as difficult across the region. O'Hare was expected to have limited or no flight operations on Wednesday, said Karen Pride, a spokeswoman for the Chicago Department of Aviation. More than 2,200 flights were canceled. At Chicago's Midway Airport, airlines canceled most flight operations

Nationwide, airlines canceled more than 4,000 flights Tuesday, with thousands more grounded on Wednesday. Delta Air Lines announced the cancellation of 1,175 Delta and Delta Connection flights for Wednesday.

In Boston, 496 flights were canceled at Logan International Airport, said Phil Orlandella, a spokesman for Massport, which manages the airport. The airport's two runways were temporarily closed while a deicing treatment was applied, Orlandella explained.

Jet Blue canceled all its flights out of Logan for the day.

In Philadelphia, 221 flights had been canceled by 6:45 a.m., said Victoria Lupica, an airport spokeswoman.

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More than 1,000 flights were canceled at New York's JFK International Airport and La Guardia, and New Jersey's Newark Liberty International, according to Port Authority spokeswoman Sarah Joren. Continental Airlines said it was suspending all operations at Newark's airport through noon Wednesday.

In Massachusetts, a number of roofs collapsed under the weight of rainsoaked snow, including the roof of a large commercial building in the town of Easton, according to fire captain David Beals. Up to 100 employees were evacuated prior to the collapse, he said. There were no injuries reported.

Smack in the middle of the storm track is Punxsutawney, Pa., home of a certain groundhog, who has been forecasting the end of winter for more than 100 years. When Phil emerged from his hideout early Wednesday, he saw no shadow — meaning, according to tradition, that spring will come early

The far-reaching storm brought needed rain to much of the South on Tuesday, but also unwelcome ice and hard freeze warnings, which remained in place on Wednesday in most of eastern Texas and southwestern La.

"If you're traveling your certainly going to have troubles," said National Weather Service forecaster Bruce Sullivan. "Tomorrow we're looking at potential icy conditions across the Gulf

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CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 3

Meetings

College Republicans, 7pm, MU Council Room. Join in our meeting where we discuss and debate hot topics in the news and grow in friendships

Student Health Services, Noon-1pm, cal 2012 Rudget

Educational Activities, 6pm, MU Board Room. Budget hearings

Speakers

History Department, 4pm, MU Journey Room. "History and Ecology" work-shop: keynote address by Eric Higgs, 'History and Novelty in Ecological

Pre-Med Society, 5-7pm, Pharmacy 350. Panel of OHSU Medical and Phar-

College of Forestry, 3:30-5pm, Richardson Hall 107. Starker Lecture Series "Will Tropical Forests Survive the 21st Century?" by Gary Hartshorn, President/CEO, World Forestry Center

Student Events and Activities Center and the Memorial Union, 7:30pm, MU Trysting Tree Lounge. MUvie – The

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 5:45-7:30pm, Luther House. Q.U.E.S.T. - Simple supper, spiritual discussion

Friday, Feb. 4

Meetings

Student Diversity Budgeting Board,

Student Diversity Budgeting Board, 2:30-4pm, MU 211. Budget hearings

History Department, 9am-3:30pm, MU

Journey Room. "History and Ecology" workshop includes presentations by five speakers.

Student Events and Activities Center and the Memorial Union, 7:30pm, MU Trysting Tree Lounge. MUvie - The

OSU Music - Music å la Carte, Noon, MU Lounge. Free lunchtime concert - bring your lunch and enjoy! Featuring: OSU Trumpet Choir.

Women's Center, 1-2pm, Women's Center. Tips and tricks for crocheting and knitting. Yarn and hooks or needles provided, just bring the willingness to learn. There will be tea, coffee and

Country Western Dance Club @ OSU, 7-10pm, MU Ballroom. Beaver Believer Boot Scoot Dance! Show some school spirit and wear your favorite orange and black attire! Lesson starts at 7pm.

Monday, Feb. 7

Meetings

OSU College Democrats, 6pm, MU democrats as we talk and discuss the topics of the day.





Sustainable Cooking Series with Iris Briand **Pad Thai**

Ingredients (serves 3:) 8 ounces Thai rice noodles

1-2 tablespoons fish sauce

2-3 teaspoons of vinegar or 1/2 lime 2 tablespoons tamarind paste (reconstitute with a little water)

3 cloves garlic, minced

1 shallot, minced

(Ground white pepper to taste) 2 tablespoons unbleached sugar

2 tablespoons sunflower oil (you may need more to make sure the noodles don't stick)

1 cup broccoli (optional) — just to add another veggie

1 cup Chinese chives, (or green onions are a substitute)

1.5 to 2 cups bean sprouts Roasted peanuts or sunflower seeds

You can make this recipe with tempeh or chicken by cooking it beforehand and then folding it in with the noodles in the last step (see below):

Directions:

1. Follow the directions on the package about how to soak the noodles. This should take just about 5-10 minutes when added to lukewarm water.

2. Cut up Chinese chives into 1 inch long pieces. Set aside a few fresh chives for a garnish. Rinse the bean sprouts and save half for serving fresh. Mince shallot and garlic

3. Heat a large pan or wok to medium-high and add oil. Add shallot and garlic and stir them until they start to turn golden brown. In another pan sauté the broccoli.

4. Examine the soaked noodles: They should be flexible but not expanded now. Drain the noodles and add to the pan or wok. Stir quickly to keep things from sticking.

5. Add tamarind paste, sugar, and fish sauce. Stir. The heat should remain high. If your pan or wok is not hot enough, you will see a lot of juice in the pan. Turn up the heat, if it is the case. Make room for the egg by pushing all noodles to the side of the wok. Crack the egg onto the wok and scramble it until it is almost all cooked. Fold the egg into the noodles. Add bean sprouts, chives, broccoli, and protein ingredient (tempeh or chicken works well). Stir a few more times. The noodles should be soft and very tangled.

6. Pour onto the serving plate and serve with raw Chinese chives and raw bean sprouts on top. You can also add some roasted peanuts or sunflower seeds at this point. Enjoy!

Iris Briand, a junior studying nutrition, hosts a weekly cooking class on Wednesday nights in the Snell Kitchen. For information about the class, or to reserve a spot, contact Briand at briandi@onid.orst.edu.

on how interested students can help out in the month of February.

"For students that are living on campus, there are some easy ways to promote the challenge and do things to conserve energy in a resident hall or co-op, like using the stairs instead of the elevator," Smith said.

Students living off-campus can contribute by visiting participating buildings and spreading the word about efficient energy use, just as executive assistant to the vice president Carol Spinney is doing.

"I'm trying to help get everyone going on this challenge and on the floor of this par-ticular building," said Spinney, who works in Kerr Administration Building. "We're trying to provide helpful suggestions and ideas to keep people motivated throughout the

The challenge will end on Feb. 28, after which the winner will be determined. Daily updates on the status of energy savings can be found at OSU's Building Energy Challenge website, http://oregonstate. edu/sustainability/bec.

Amy Schneider, staff writer

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going to put us, but I trust that they're going to work with us and find a location that will meet our needs and be the best fit for us," Alvarez

According to Alexander, the SEC may not have been the right building to serve those

"When we thought about what this program building is going to be, we thought of some of the vision that CAPS has, with rooms with sprung floors and places to do tai chi, as needing a lot of private space that wouldn't work in all that open space, so we thought there might be better partners on campus for that type of program," Alexander said. "It is critical, it's a core service for students, it's something that's necessary for the health and well-being of our campus, and it should be a priority placement, it really should be, and it should be housed in a location that makes sense for the long-term future of the program, and we will support it in helping to find that."

Alvarez said she has looked into the possi-

bility of CAPS partnering with Student Health Services to build a new building to house both programs, but such a project would not be completed for seven to 10 years, leaving CAPS without a home during the interim time.

Alvarez said some buildings have been considered as possible new locations, but those buildings either have programs currently occupying the space that may or may not move out, or require renovation that funding would have to be secured for.

"There are many possibilities but no commitments to any of that," Alvarez said.

According to Alexander, current plans suggest breaking ground on the SEC in July 2013

Alexander said space decision making is to be completed by the end of this month so a plan can be presented to the architect who will design the building. Those interested in news about the SEC can view the blog chronicling its progress at http:// blogs.oregonstate.

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or chicken and low-fat dairy products," Dooher said. "If you're vegetarian, eat lots of beans and my personal tip is to eat salad several times a week to keep your GI tract

In the past couple of years, UHDS has made strides toward enhancing their vegetarian and gluten-free options, along with providing online menus containing nutritional, facts, ingredients and allergy information, allowing students to make informed decisions about their meal choices.

When UHDS's dietitian, Tara Sanders, is asked what foods are healthy in the dining centers, she responds by saying healthy diets are so varied that it depends on if "healthy." refers to vegetarian, foods packed with nutrients and low in calories, or Mediterranean foods that are plant based and

rich in healthy oils.

"The truth is, all of these diets can be healthy," Sanders said. "According to the USDA, a healthy diet is based on fruits and vegetables, whole grains, lean meat, legumes, beans and vegetable protein sources as well as low-fat, calciumrich options and we strive to weave these options into each restaurant."

At Marketplace West, healthy options can be found in Ring of Fire's Pho Soup or Curry Bowls made with brown rice and tofu, Tomassito's vegetarian pizza on wheat crust, Cooper's Creek Tofu Jambalaya and Clubhouse Deli's roasted portabella vegetarian Panini on a whole grain roll.

We want the healthy choice to be the easy choice and we strive to provide a variety of fresh fruits, vegetables, whole grains, lean proteins and calcium-rich options within each restaurant," Sanders said. "Additionally, we strive

to make the healthy choice affordable.

Arnold Bistro also offers an expansive salad bar, fresh sushi and Japanese noodle bowls packed with vegetables. Bing's Café in Weatherford offers whole wheat sandwich bread or calzinis with healthy toppings like marinated and grilled chicken, fresh spinach and sweet bell peppers.

"A few easy ways to make healthy choices at the dining centers include eating more fruits and vegetables, choosing whole grains and eating more plant-based proteins like beans, lentils, nuts and seeds," Sanders said. "All foods can be part of a healthy diet; it is just moderation, balance and variety."

To view nutritional information for food available at the dining centers, go to http://oregonstate.edu. uhds/dining/menus/.

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9:30-10:15 a.m. David Glassberg, University of Massachusetts

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10:15-11:00 a.m. Hannah Gosnell, Oregon State University "Saying Sorry: Pathway to Socio-Ecological Restoration?"

11:15 a.m.-noon Tina Schweickert, Oregon State University

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Editorial

Frontline journalism

AC360 down, I repeat, AC360 down. OK, maybe Anderson Cooper didn't get knocked to the ground, but he was one of several reporters attacked while covering the uproar in Cairo. The CNN journalist, host of his self-titled show AC360, was walking through the streets of Cairo, Egypt, trying to push through the hundreds of protestors standing between him and wherever it was he was heading.

According to CNN, "Demonstrators who appear to support Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak are targeting journalists for attacks," which means they got exactly what they asked for — to be right in the action.

It's easy to report on the events of Egypt from the roof of a tall building overlooking the city, but to be on the ground among the chaos is another story. Only then can viewers experience just how messy the situation

Over the past several days, the protests in Egypt have gone from revolution supporters taking to the streets to Hosni Mubarak supporters fighting back and having their voices heard.

Can we really blame them for the attacks on journalists? Ever since this Twitter spark fiasco started, American media has strongly fought for the revolution to succeed, or so it seems.

This kind of depiction of the story should certainly draw some sort of response from the supporters of Mubarak because as much as American reporters have picked the revolutionaries as the good guys, it is definitely a two-party matter — and the other party, the Mubarak party, isn't happy.

It was also reported by CNN that an Egyptian journalist was captured and "severely beaten" while a Belgian reporter was "arrested, beaten and accused of being a spy by men supporting the Mubarak regime."

TheCommitteetoProtectJournalists is accusing the crumbling Egyptian government for organizing the attacks in a sort of "blanket censorship" said, Mohamed Abdel Dayem, the Middle East and North African program coordinator of the committee.

It's a very sensitive time in Egypt and for many it will be a major life change, presently and for generations to come. To have this sensitive time documented and broadcast for the world to see should spark some anger among the people, especially if you're a person supporting the wrong end of the stick.

The current Egyptian regime is in a desperate time, and as the saying goes, desperate times call for desperate measures.

And as much as journalism is suppose to report the facts, without bias, can we honestly say the slant of this story hasn't gone against President Mubarack?

Maybe Cooper and other journalists should begin to think about traveling with a larger entourage in Cairo, and not just a cameraman carrying a 50-pound camera.

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Dissecting university 'jobification'

In universities around the United States, there exists a vast schism between the empirical and non-empirical studies. Although some fields manage to incorporate some pieces of both empirical and non-empirical studies, the fact is that most fields stand at two ends of a spectrum.

At one end, students are trained in history, the fine arts and/or political science; at the other end, students are trained in technical fields, such as engineering, physics and earth science. This has led to the stratification of ideas and knowledge, such that studies in empirical versus non-empirical fields is divided not just by training, but ideology.

In many cases, students and experts alike tend to be functionally literate and effective only in their field of study. Two significant impacts of focused training in universities are the "jobification" of university education, and the schism between empirical and non-empirical fields of study.

In this case, "jobification" may be defined as the shift from a wellrounded education or set of studies to a situation in which the field of study becomes all encompassing, overwhelming all other forms of education.

While it is correct to assert that universities should prepare their students for life in the work-place, the fact is that universities should be places where students may gain a well-rounded education, not simply a set of job skills. Otherwise, a university becomes a glorified institute, in which a well-rounded education is given but a brief nod, and the rest of the time is spent on developing vocational skillsets

This can lead to a situation where students possess excellent



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skillsets for their particular field of expertise, but have no supplementary knowledge in other fields which otherwise could make them a more well-rounded individual.

For instance, many people do not know the full history, poetry, culture or political foundations of their nation-states and of the world. Moreover, those who have such skills often lack training in the scientific method and in higher-level mathematics.

The vice versa is often true as well: Those who are technically trained often lack the understanding required to grasp the impact of their inventions and creations on society.

Such narrowly trained individuals often develop along two lines of thinking, in which the particular skillsets that are learned as a part of their training and education form ideological belief structures that often influence the decision-making behavior of such individuals.

These two lines create schisms in the thinking of individuals on both sides, empirical and non-empirical, such that they lack understanding in both empirical and non-empirical fields, but instead only master a subset of one field.

For instance, those who focus in fields of empirical study often have a narrow understanding of the regulatory and societal environment surrounding the outputs of their efforts. Moreover, many technical-focused and science-focused individuals lack an understanding of

the geopolitical structure of their nation-state, the laws and regulations which govern their state, and the complex sociopolitical issues which surround their lives.

In some cases, such individuals lack a grasp of relevant but complex subjects, such as economics or international relations.

By contrast, those who do not take courses in higher mathematics and science, or who study such materials in their own time, simply do not understand the society in which they live.

Microcomputers, such as smart phones, desktop computers, laptop computers, tablet computers and even the computer systems of vehicles are simply magical blackboxes. You plug it in, it turns on. It breaks, and you pay to have an expert repair it in a reasonable timeframe.

Such individuals likely find that most analytical tools are a mystery, and most mathematical models are as if they were written in a foreign tongue — difficult to grasp and nearly impossible to interpret.

Moreover, such individuals may also fail to understand complex subjects, such as economics, international relations or societal behavior — all of which depend on both quantitative and non-quantitative inputs, such as economic output, consumer behavior and rule of law within the society.

In short, a narrow-minded focus on either empirical and nonempirical fields of study results in a reduced worldview which fails to account for events, subjects or topics of greater complexity than their field of study.

The lack of cross-training and cross-education leaves gaps in

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Vaccinations taking undeserved, fraudulent criticisms

A fter 13 years of debate over the possible vaccine-autism link, the British Medical Journal officially announced that Andrew Wakefield, the scientist behind the anti-vaccine, had committed an "elaborate fraud."

Exposed for his unethical professional conduct, Wakefield has not only lost his medical license in the United Kingdom, but is now awaiting possible prosecution for fabricating data and falsifying patient histories in order to promote his "research."

According to the Centers for Disease Control, one in 150 U.S. children will be born with an Autism Spectrum Disorder. The rate of autism prevalence in America has indeed elevated since the early 1990s, raising concern over potential risk factors for the disorder.

After Wakefield's studies came about in the '90s, he claimed that thimerosal, an ingredient found in some vaccines, increased the likelihood of autism in children. This



"evidence" spurred parents into a panicked uproar; kids did not receive crucial vaccinations, and more research on

the matter was funded.

While Wakefield was busy getting rich from private donors, anti-vaccine activists like Jenny McCarthy entered the scene and spun personal stories and seedy information to the public.

Evidence from several scientific studies found that there is no correlation between autism and vaccine use. Moreover, the Institute

of Medicine officially produced a scientific review stating that vaccines containing thimerosal did not link to autism.

Science is telling us loud and clear that vaccines pose no risk for acquiring autism, but we aren't listening. When Diane Sawyer of ABC's Nightly News broke the story to the world that the vaccine-autism myth had been officially debunked, she followed up

with, "...we asked Jenny McCarthy, the activist and actress for a response."

Great. Instead of asking some of the nation's top autism research experts for advice, we look to a former Playboy Bunny with no formal medical educa-

tion for answers. Are we seriously listening to the actress from

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Sarah Hule

The Women's Center

Stopping sexual violence starts with an education

Then asked why sexual violence education is important, many answers come to mind, and none is less relevant than the next. I'll narrow it down to three key elements: prevention, hope and resources for those affected.

Even if these were the only benefits to sexual violence education, I feel this would be enough to support it and by the end of this article, I hope you feel the same.

The number one reason for sexual violence education is, without a doubt, prevention of sexual violence. The manner in which prevention is achieved isn't intuitive and is actually through the education of the bystanders to sexual violence and not the actual perpetrator.

When an individual is able to recognize the signs of sexual violence, they become more likely to step in.

This may seem like a strange approach to education, but an important fact to know is that the vast majority of sexual assault survivors know their perpetrators. Debunking the myth that sexual assault is only perpetrated by strangers gives people the information they need to believe that there is something they can do to end the violence

Alcohol is the number one drug used by perpetrators of sexual assault. To help prevent sexual assault, you can refuse to leave a friend behind at a party, make sure that your friends are never separated from your group and regulate how much each other has had to drink.

Sexual violence education also gives hope for the future. The current national statistics are that one in four women and one in 13 men will experience sexual assault in their lifetimes. I am not okay with these numbers, are you?

Having education can change the future. As stated before, it will educate people on how to not be a bystander and it will educate everyone that the only acceptable form of consent is verbal consent without the use of coercion. Education will also give hope to survivors and let them know that they are believed and not alone.

By providing education on sexual violence, our community will have more resources with which to combat this problem. These resources will allow survivors to access support and help individuals in supporting survivors.

Benton County is fortunate to have some outstanding resources available to survivors. Oregon State University has Sexual Assault Support Services, which is located in 500 Snell Hall.

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one's knowledge, which may have the effect of narrowing one's perspective and reducing one's worldview to an overly simplified model.

This tendency to focus in a specific field type, combined with a focus on the methodologies of that specific field, has led to a deep schism in university education, in which one group focuses on empirical and quantitative skills, and the other group focuses on non-empirical and qualitative skills.

This has increased the narrow-minded thinking among experts and in groupthink, or mindless agreement, among

trained members of a particular field.

One example of this schism in thinking is the creation of technocrats and culturists, which are two very common ideological perspectives for empirical and non-empirical experts, respectively.

Each of these perspectives, by themselves, tend to create barriers to synthesizing systems and information, which can create both economic and societal costs through both unintended consequences and misguided behavior.

Technocrats tend to believe in the superiority of heavy technological dependence, and more importantly, dependency on the decisions and analysis of the technically gifted and trained.

This perspective can blind an individual against the consequences of applying new technologies and inventions, which can create societal inequalities, environmental hazards or result in personal, economic or social harm due to unforeseen consequences of widespread

application of a particular technology, or just the technology itself.

By contrast, culturalists, whether they are multiculturalists, ethnocentric culturalists or socioeconomic culturalists, tend to value philosophy, irrational human behavior and societal devel-

opment over technological development or scientific endeavor.

This is especially pervasive in multicultural fields of study, in which fairness and societal equality are held above the absolutes of economic and productivity limitations, the scope of industrial projects, the capabilities of current scientific endeavors, or even the focus of scientific endeavor into inefficient or ineffec-

tive technologies or techniques. An improved understanding of tech-

nology, science and mathematics would assist culturalists of all training, educational and vocational backgrounds in making their decisions and in their analytical work.

While it is correct to assert

that universities should

prepare their students

for life in the workplace,

the fact is that universities

should be places where

students may gain a

well-rounded education, not

simply a set of job skills.

It would ensure undermaximal standing of the consequences of their theories, practices and policies. Similarly, an understanding of societal memes, activities, social contracts,

behavior and the impact and reaction from technologies by society would assist technologists, scientists, inventors and engineers in designing, creating and manufacturing new tech-

nologies and inventions that are both technologically appealing and with maximal benefit to society.

Most importantly, an understanding of both empirical and non-empirical fields would maximize both technologists and culturalists in making decisions as citizens within the society, and as residents in the world scene and participants in the global economy.

It is important to understand both the foundations of math and science, as well as the aspects of society, human behavior and the needs and desires of other human beings. This is because without understanding of math, science and engineering, technology and science may have unintended consequences, and without understanding how people feel and behave, misunderstandings, error and even tragedy can result from interactions with people and with society in general.

However, unless people choose to educate themselves more widely, or unless there are systematic changes to the education system, then the schism between

experts in empirical and non-empirical is likely to widen further over time, and "jobification" will only grow worse in educational institutions.

And, if the global economy requires greater synthesis of empirical and non-empirical concepts, "jobification" may not be an improved solution to assisting new hires in staying hired but only as a stumbling block in learning new skills built on previous

foundations.

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For students and individuals in the community, the Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence has many support services including a 24-hour hotline which is available for anyone to call - not just survivors themselves, but also concerned friends, family members, community members and partners.

These resources can lend assistance to individuals supporting a friend, but education on the matter also gives

people solid background in order to provide support to survivors. Educating individu

als about always believing the survivor, being an empathetic listener and knowing available resources can greatly help the survivor.

Our current survivorblaming society makes it difficult for many individuals to come forward with their experience. In fact, many survivors won't tell anyone about their experience. Being educated and able to support a survivor is one of the most important things you can do.

So what can you do to prevent sexual violence? To start with, you can educate yourself and the people around you. Knowing real facts about sexual violence and being able to debunk myths when you hear them can help reshape society's view of sexual violence.

Through education, soci-

ety can change its ways and become supportive of survivors rather than blaming survivors. One way to get involved on campus is to become an Everyl peer education leader.

This group of students is dedicated to bringing awareness about the realities of sexual assault and, through education, is trying to reshape the minds of students and community members.

Oregon State University is also bringing Green Dot training to campus in order

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student and faculty leaders in effectively educating others about sexual violence. If you are interested in

this training, you can visit greendot.com to learn how to register and get involved.

Although we cannot change the world overnight, we can start here in our community. We can begin to educate ourselves and others in order to reshape societal views of survivors. We should strive to make our campus a safe space for everyone.

Only if we begin to change ourselves can we begin to change our world. If you are interested in more resources, call CARDV at their main office at 541-758-0219, or their hotline at 541-754-0110 or OSU Counseling and Psychological Services at 541-737-2131.

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Bad Santa and ignoring real doctors?

know exactly what causes autism. What's even scarier is we are losing precious time and limited resources on studies that show no scientific truth. While we're wasting time listening to pseudo-scientists and hyped-up movie stars, innocent children are getting sick and even dying from illnesses that could be easily prevented with a simple vaccination.

Our nation's children deserve to lead healthy and productive lives, and this means receiving safe and appropriate vaccines against preventable illnesses.

Parents want answers — we all do. Autism affects millions of children and families, and if we can prevent it, we want their well-being.
to know how. Some activists, According to the CDC, 10 Jenny McCarthy included, evidence to back up their claims.

After Sawyer asked her shot. Children are more likely preventable disease.

opinion on the recent find- to die from a preventable disings that the vaccine-autism link does not exist, she dismissed the scientific research as "worthless." McCarthy The scary fact is we don't claims that different "treatments" — like a strict diet and dressing a child in a certain color - can cure kids from autism.

She says that different remedies can cure certain children from their autism, but this declaration is neither helpful nor sound. Instead of following modern science, are we just supposed to give parents a list of random things that may help their child despite a lack of evidence?

If parents don't trust scientific data, that's their opinion. But when it comes to their children, it is far too risky for a child to deliberately not receive preventative medicine that can only promote

infants died last year from rely on personal stories and Whooping Cough — an ill-

ease than from a negative reaction to a vaccine.

Polio, the disease common in the early 1900s, and the culprit behind President Franklin D. Roosevelt's paralysis, was eradicated from the United States during the past century thanks to the polio vaccine administered to children and adults.

Though no polio cases have been reported in the last 20 years in the United States, the disease remains prevalent in other areas of the world. All it would take for a polio outbreak to occur in the United States would be for one foreign case to infect an unvaccinated person. If parents refuse to vaccinate their child, it doesn't just put that child at risk, it puts our whole country at risk.

When we hear about a parent that vaccinates their child and experiences a rare negative reaction, all chaos breaks loose; however we don't hear about the kids whose parents

Sure we hear about autism, but we don't hear about babies choking to death from diphtheria or kids living with brain damage because their parents didn't get them vaccinated against measles. Infants and children rely on their parents to make smart healthcare choices for them; when they don't, someone

We have the scientific research to prove that vaccines don't cause autism. We know the doctor behind the vaccine-autism claims is a fraud. It isn't fair to our nation's children to deny basic preventative medicine just because unqualified extremists like Jenny McCarthy claim that immunizations cause autism.

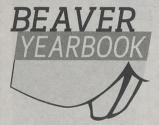
It's time for Americans to make educated decisions about vaccinating children based on proven medical data, not the ramblings of self-proclaimed activists.

Sarah Paeth is a sophomore in pre-nursing. The ness that can be prevented opted not to vaccinate and opinions expressed in her columns do not necessarily represent those of the Daily Barometer staff. by administering a booster then got sick or died from a Paeth can be reached at forum@dailybarometer.

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MEN'S HOOPS

Oregon State's defense in the past, and has been dubbed the Huskie's best player, but Robinson doesn't think it's just Thomas they have to deal

"If I say that, then I'll make somebody mad on the inside, and they'll kill us on the inside," Robinson said.

aspects of the game."

Losing 84-70 to the Cougars nearly a month ago, the Beavers will host Washington State (15-6, 5-4 Pac-10) Saturday in another redemption game.

'We're up against a team that is a bit more experienced than we are," Robinson said. "You've got a potentially next level player in Klay Thompson.'

Robinson said the Cougars "The key is to play well in all aren't as deep as Washington,

but that didn't matter since Washington State beat the Huskies anyway.

Although they may be behind in record, Oregon State is confident they can pull out wins against the farnorthwest schools, especially at home.

"For me, either team's

going to be a hard team to beat," McShane said. "Either team's going to be competitive. Either team's going to come at us like we're the worst team in the Pac-10 and they're going to come in here and kick our butts, but we just got to come out and say, 'No, we're going to win. This is our home court. We're going to give it to you."

> Colin Huber, sports editor sports@dailybarometer.com

SEVERSON

things, is seeing people walking around wearing

your jersey. It's a good thing, at the same time, I don't know how to react to it," Rodgers said. I take pride in having my jersey at the MU, and having people wearing my jersey," Haynes said.

"It's a great feeling, but you never want to keep it for granted,"

For me, it's a good day to log onto Facebook and just see a picture comment or have somebody comment on my status that I thought was funny. On Jan. 2, in a game against Arizona, Cunningham had a highlight-reel put-back dunk that became known as the "Kiss the Sky" slam. Afterwards, he felt the change on his social networks.

'On my network things like Facebook and Twitter I got a lot of hits," Cunningham said.

While they don't have to fend off paparazzi like Lindsay Lohan, the athletes at OSU have realized they don't live the same life as their average college student counterparts - no matter how badly they wish they could.

"I just want to fit in. I don't want to be different. I don't want to be the jock, I want to be a regular student just like everybody else," Haynes said.

"I would rather have them come say 'What's up?' instead of acting differently," Katz said about fans who seem too nervous to approach him. "I'm still who I am, just because what I do, I don't want that to effect who people think I am. It's kind of weird sometimes because the person will know who you are and won't want to come say anything so it's just an awkward moment."

"It took me a while to get used to, but I had to embrace it. It's something I'd have to live with if I want to play football," Rodgers said. "I'm a quiet person, but I'm also a people's person. If somebody talks to me, I'll talk back."

They are not Greek gods. They are normal college students. They go to class. Katz is a big Lakers fan - does that change what you think of him? Rodgers plays video games and plays basketball at Dixon. It just so happens that they are very good in their respective sports and have to accept an unusual request every so often.

"One little kid had me sign his forehead, that's the craziest thing I've had yet," Cunningham said.

Man, nobody ever asks me to sign their

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WOMEN'S HOOPS

winner's circle.

In Oregon State's last outing, the Beavers fell to the No. 4 Stanford Cardinal at Gill Coliseum, 74-44. But in a positive light, Oregon State held the Cardinal to their third lowest scoring game of conference play, and junior forward Earlysia Marchbanks scored a personal best of 19 points in the game.

'To be honest, that was a little bit of a victory," Rueck said. "The fact that that's their third closest game in Pac-10 play and we can say we held them to their third lowest point total of the year.'

Just as hungry as the Beavers are for a win, the Cougars are sure to come out with a similar mentality after losing to cross-state rival Washington on Sunday night, 64-52. In Washington State's loss, junior guard April Cook led the Cougars with 11 points while fellow teammate junior guard Jazmine Perkins added 10 points.

Washington State, they go a little bit deeper. But they're satisfied shooting a quick three. They're a little more up-tempo no turnovers. In the Huskies win against

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said. "What I like about both teams is that I see a real competitive spirit. They believe that they belong. We're gonna have to be that team that goes up and knows that we can win and want it more."

After facing the Cougars on Thursday night, Oregon State will travel to Seattle where they will play the University of Washington Huskies (5-16 overall, 3-6 Pac-10). The Huskies have found success against the Beavers, California and the Cougars thus far against Pac-10 opponents. In Oregon State's last meeting with the Huskies, Washington came away with the win, overcoming a 13 point OSU lead with five minutes left to play. The Huskies went on a 16-0 run stunning the Beavers and taking the game 55-52.

Washington has an elite shooter," Rueck said. "And they have a really solid man defense. I think they're third in the Pac-10 in defense right now."

In Washington's win over the Cougars last weekend, junior guard Kristi Kingma scored 29 points and recorded 6 steals with and they zone most of the game," Rueck Oregon State early in the season, Kingma

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led all scorers again with 15 points, while adding 11 boards. After last week's performance against Washington State, Kingma was named Pac-10 player of the week.

"We match up fairly well with both teams. That's why we were in both games before," Rueck said. "So we just need to do our thing both nights and handle the road environment."

Before Oregon State marks up against the Huskies, Washington will play host to the University of Oregon on Thursday night.

"This is a group that I feel like is embracing where we're at. We're not satisfied. We're encouraged by the fact that we've been in almost every game." Rueck said. "There are no surprises this weekend. It's just going (there) and seeing who's gonna want it more and want to compete and execute their stuff

In the Beavers' quest for a win, they will play Washington State at 7 p.m. Thursday in Pullman and will then travel to Seattle on Saturday to play the Huskies at Alaska Airlines Arena at noon.

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FOOTBALL SIGNING

Signing day is always an exciting day and obviously a very positive, optimistic day," said Riley. "We are excited about this group. This is the culmination of at least a year's work, and then sometimes for some individuals that we've known longer than that, it stretches into a year or two years where we've known about guys, and so to get to this day is a major

Riley said they made a big push to fill the position areas that became empty when players left or graduated. The largest area in need is on the defensive

"If you look at our deal, we're going to be heavy in the D-line, and there's a lot of names here, and I wish I could have them here right now and line them up," Riley said. "It's a great looking group of guys.'

Out of the 24 signees, 10 of them are defensive lineman. Names leading the pack are Dylan Wynn and Akeem Gonzales, not to mention the three junior college transfers (the only three) Riley brought — all defensive ends. Riley spoke highly of Wynn, from Concord, Calif., who verbally committed in the summertime with the Beavers.

"This guy is talent," Riley said. "He has one of the highest motors we've ever seen. (He) plays offensive line and defensive end — another guy we saw early and loved him."

As far as filling a role, the obvious vacancy is at running back now that superstar Jacquizz Rodgers has decided to test the NFL waters. To help with the loss of playmaking ability, Riley and company brought in Malcolm Agnew and Storm Woods to improve the position.

"We really like both their ver-satility and their production," Riley said. "For us, they're going to be bona fide contenders

Riley said Agnew and Woods were selected from a large pool of running backs they evaluated. They were stars for their respective teams, and are both excellent at running and catch-

ing the football.

Speaking of Rodgers, multiple players from Oklahoma and Texas committed to Oregon State this year, and Riley says it was the notoriety the Rodgers brothers, James and Jacquizz, had created for themselves. It has been helpful in recruitment.

"Everybody in Texas for sure knows the story of the Rodgers brothers and it's a factor for us when we go down there," Riley

Oregon State also added talent in the receiving core.

"We wanted to find some guys - some play makers, some guys that would impact our program perhaps immediately at wide receiver — (they) are that group, and I'm very excited about that," Riley said.

Riley recruited the receivers, all four, with "versatility" in mind, hammering home that three of the four of them played both ways in high school, and that the fourth could have played both ways if they want-

ed him to.

Richard Mullaney, from Thousand Oaks, Calif., set the state record in receptions with 122 his final season. One of his earliest commitments — after Mullaney's junior year — Riley said the Beavers were fortunate to hold on to him.

"I appreciate him because we did find him early, and by the time everybody else realized it, he had already committed to us, and I appreciate him staying with his commitment all through that time," Riley said.

The head coach raved of Mullaney's athleticism.

"The other night in a basketball game, he blocked eight shots," Riley said. "I mean, this

guy is an athlete. You catch 122 balls at the level of competition that he plays at, that's pretty impressive. He's just a football player all around.

Oregon State picked up one quarterback this year in Peter Ashton from Keller, Texas. Ashton came to Corvallis for a regular football camp, just passing through, and the coaching staff took notice of his arm, accuracy and ability to run.

"He's got great feet ... If he wasn't going to play quarterback, which he is for us, he would be an outstanding prospect at safety, because he can really run," Riley said. "I think he can really run in the 4.5 category.'

The Beavers did get a subtle surprise from Jabral Johnson, an outside linebacker from Lawton, Okla. Originally, Johnson had verbally committed to Arizona, but jumped ship and recommitted to Oregon State.

We liked him a lot and when

it got into December, we frankly didn't think we were going to be in the picture anymore," Riley

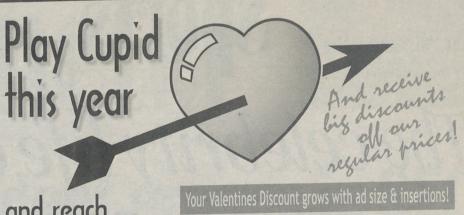
But Johnson changed his mind and came potentially as a package deal with wide receiver Tyrequek Zimmerman, also from Lawton.

Overall, Riley was happy with the 2011 class, and has high hopes for the future of OSU's football program. He made it clear, however, that it's not just about the athletic side of things

'You're basically taking their son at a very, very unique time (in) their life," Riley said. "This becomes more of a visit about life — where they're going to go and what we're going to try to help them do while they're at Oregon State."

A full list of the 24 players signed, including statistics, can be found at osubeavers.com.

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The celebrity life of Beaver athletes

Tobody ever asks for my autograph.

The OSU Bookstore isn't selling replicas of my 1950's Buddy Holly style glasses. I am, for all intents and purposes, just a nobody. Sorry mom, but it's true.

However, there is a select group of people around campus that must live the life of a celebrity in a population of just over 50,000. They are the people that attract attention just by walking in the room.

"Check it out," you will say, nudging your friend. "It's James Rodgers."

"Guess who's in my class. Jared Cunningham," you will brag to others.

For the star athletes of Oregon State, the constant attention has become just an average part of their lives. Even if sometimes, it comes at the cost of mistaken identity.

"They ask if I'm Quizz first," James Rodgers laughed.

People will come up to them. Some ask for autographs, some wish them luck in the next game and others just want a picture. Rodgers says there are many times when people ask if they can take a picture – of just him. No, no, he will insist, you can have someone else take the picture and you can get



"That's one of the weirdest things, and that always happens," Rodgers said.

When Beaver quarterback Ryan Katz had his parents up to Corvallis for the first time, they went out to dinner and he was approached by someone seeking an autograph.

"My dad looked at me like, 'Who are you to be giving autographs?'" Katz laughed.

On Sept. 4 of last year, Katz made his starting debut in front of 46,138 people in Cowboy Stadium in a nationally televised game against Texas Christian on ESPN. To put that in perspective, during my Intramural basketball game on Monday, our team had one fan a devoted girlfriend of one of our players.

But having games televised for (sometimes) the entire country to see, has become just part of the job for the Beaver players.

"To tell you the truth, I'm still trying to get used to it," Katz said. "Especially

when I go back home, and I have people saying, 'Yeah, we saw you on ESPN.' Sometimes I just sit and think, 'Man, I've come a long way."

"Growing up you see all the NBA players and college players on TV, and it's a blessing — you never thought you'd make it that far," said senior guard Calvin Haynes. "It's a shell-shock when you first do it, but I've been here for four years so it's a common thing now. You see the cameras, you see the lights and you see the people, and it's like it's just part of your life."

Just like every kid grows up watching their sports heroes on TV, most also wear the jerseys of their favorite stars. Katz had a John Elway jersey. Rodgers, growing up a Cowboy fan, had an Emmitt Smith jersey. But when the OSU athletes grew up, they found out that they switched roles into that of their childhood idols.

They can walk through the OSU Bookstore and see their jersey on sale. During games and strolling through campus, fans are proudly wearing their number.

"It's pretty cool, once you think about it, that people want to wear your jerseys," Katz said.

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When you're a star athlete like Calvin Haynes or James Rodgers at a Division-I university like Oregon State, people tend to notice you — a lot.

Beaver football adds 24 to the Nation

 National Signing Day concludes with success for Riley, inks multiple 'versatile' athletes

By Colin Huber

For players, teams and coaches all across the country, it was National Signing Day in college football. A time dedicated to the first Wednesday of every February, it is a day when high school football seniors can pen their John Hancock on a letter of intent to the school of their choice. And like every other Division-I school, Oregon State welcomed their own class to Beaver Nation.

Head football coach Mike Riley addressed the media Wednesday, announcing OSU had landed 24 official commitments from players around the country. Since the start of the current term, the Beavers have added 31 new names to their roster.

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Head football coach Mike Riley addresses the media at press conference time Wednesday for National Signing Day, a day designated for high school seniors to sign their official letters of intent.

Back at home: Men's basketball gets another shot



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Head men's basketball coach Craig Robinson instructs players during a

 Kevin McShane describes the Husky's cutthroat style, Beavers get set to face athletic Washington schools

By Colin Huber
THE DAILY BAROMETER

It's Pac-10 reset time for the Oregon State men's basketball team, who will swap playing venues with each conference team, and play them again.

The Beavers (8-12, 3-6 Pac-10) host the Pac-10 co-leader Washington Huskies tonight at 6 p.m. at Gill Coliseum. Arizona, the other conference leader, left Corvallis with a loss in January, and Oregon State hopes to continue the leader-beating trend.

OSU head coach Craig Robinson tagged the Huskies as "the best team in the conference."

"They're supremely athletic," Robinson said. "They shoot the ball well from the 3-point line—very physical, and to top it all off, they're deep, so when one guy isn't playing

But Washington (15-5, 7-2 Pac-10) will be a handful for OSU. The last time the teams played, the Huskies put up 103 points on what looked like a helpless Beaver squad.

"I think they're one of those teams that when they smell blood, they go for your throats and try to kill you and I think that last minute of the first half when we were in

Seattle, they saw that blood dripping and they went straight for our throats and they took us out," said OSU forward Kevin McShane.

In the matchup, Washington's big man Matthew Bryan-Amaning posted 24 points, leading a balanced offensive attack to an easy victory

The Huskies are coming off a loss to instate rival Washington State, which may make for an angry Lorenzo Romar coached UW team headed into Gill. Never short of honesty, OSU head coach Craig Robinson tagged the Huskies as "the best team in the conference."

"They're supremely athletic," Robinson said. "They shoot the ball well from the 3-point line — very physical, and to top it all off, they're deep, so when one guy isn't playing well or gets tired, the person they bring in to replace him is just as good as the guy who was leaving the game, which is why they're ranked in the top-25."

Washington's floor general-type point guard Isaiah Thomas has wreaked havoc on

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Women's hoops hits the road

The Beavers visit Washington State and Washington for conference rematches

> By Tori Hill THE DAILY BAROMETER

Thursday night, the Oregon State women's basketball team will be suiting up to play the Washington State Cougars at Beasley Coliseum in Pullman Washington, kicking off the second half of Pac-10 play.

"That Washington State game, the first time around," said head coach Scott Rueck. "We were in it. We had a chance to win it and then we just started thinking. Credit to their defense, I thought they did a good job down the stretch. They kept their intensity up (and) when they started scoring, it put pressure on us and we got tight."

In their first meeting with the Cougars (5-16 overall, 3-6 Pac-10), Oregon State (7-13 overall, 0-9 Pac-10) suffered a 58-50 loss at Gill Coliseum after battling for the lead the majority of the game. Washington State's victory over the Beavers was their first win in conference play, and they went on to defeat California and Arizona State to round out their three Pac-10 wins thus far.

Starving for success, Oregon State is still looking to get a win in the conference and looks to this weekend as being a prime opportunity.

"Going into this weekend we do have a little bit of pressure, but I don't think it's any more than normal," Rueck said. "We're excited to go up and see if we can get one."

The last time these two teams met, the Cougars held Oregon State to a low 31 percent completion from the field and 7-32 from beyond the arc. However, defensively, the Beavers held their own, out-rebounding Washington State 42-36 while recording nine steals and five blocks.

Holding it down for Oregon State offensively against the Cougars was senior forward El Sara Greer, who recorded a double-double of 15 points and 14 rebounds, while sophomore guard Sage Indendi added 11 points. For the Cougars, freshman forward Sage Romberg had a season best against the Beavers, scoring 21 points to boost Washington State into the

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