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## Campus fees add to student tuition dollars

■ Twenty-four percent of student tuition dollars will go to student fees passed last year

By Aleks Cherednichenko  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Student fees will make up nearly 24 percent of student tuition at OSU for full-time, undergraduate, in-state tuition paying students.

The rise in fees prompted the Oregon Student Association to take their case to Sen. Vicki Walker, D-Eugene. Walker threatened to push through a law freezing all the fees that public universities and colleges charged to students for taking specific majors and courses, said the International Herald Tribune.

Certain colleges, departments and majors at OSU assess a fee for their enrolled students that is added to the list of required general fees.

The College of Engineering requires its undergraduate students to pay \$443 in resource fees — the highest among any department or college on OSU's campus.

Ranking second, the matriculation fee costs students \$300. This is a one-time charge for all new and transfer students — it provides access to programs such as START, CONNECT, Odyssey, pre-enrollment advising, course drop/add/withdrawal and official transcripts, according to the OSU business affairs website.

"It could get pretty complicated," said Lisa Perrone, assistant director of student accounts. "A regular undergraduate will pay \$482.86 in fees per term."

The price tag includes: a building fee, counseling/health service fees, technology fee, matriculation fee, resource fees, course fees and an incidental fee — established by a committee with student representation, which allocates funds from student groups, athletics, and operation of the student union.

"Your actual tuition is called the instructional fee and for a full time in-state student, it's around \$1,500," Perrone said. "Someone will find out a piece of information, like our general tuition, and then they get a bill for \$1,900."

According to the New York Times, one of the reasons behind the rise of student fees is a lackluster support for higher education by the state. Fees can  
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## Man charged in Wilberger case pleads guilty in assault case

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — A man charged in the Oregon disappearance more than three years ago of Brigham Young University college student Brooke Wilberger has pleaded guilty to charges in a New Mexico rape and abduction case.

Joel Patrick Courtney, 41, of Rio Rancho accepted a plea agreement Tuesday that calls for a sentence of up to 18 years in prison, plus five to 20 years on parole. He will have to register as a sex offender.

Because of Oregon's agreements with other states, including New

Mexico, that allow a convict to transfer from one jail to another, Courtney will soon face charges in Oregon.

In New Mexico, Judge Kenneth Martinez ordered a 60-day evaluation before sentencing on the single charges of criminal sexual penetration and kidnapping.

Jury selection had been postponed Monday after Courtney refused to cooperate with his attorney, John McCall, and refused to change into street clothes from his orange jail jumpsuit. By late afternoon, a jury was seated and Courtney was talk-

ing with his attorney, but remained in the jumpsuit.

A 22-year-old foreign exchange student at the University of New Mexico told police she was threatened at knifepoint, forced into a car, tied, gagged and sexually assaulted on Nov. 29, 2004. She later was driven to a parking lot, where she freed herself and escaped, according to a criminal complaint.

Courtney has been held in the Bernalillo County Metropolitan Detention Center since his arrest in Albuquerque on Nov. 30, 2004.

Courtney, an Oregon native, was

indicted in July 2005 in Oregon on 19 counts of aggravated murder, kidnapping, rape and sodomy in the May 24, 2004, disappearance of Wilberger, 19.

When she vanished, the student at BYU in Provo, Utah, had been cleaning lamp poles



Courtney

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## Campus compass course



Computer science sophomore Nathan White stops to punch his orienteering course card before continuing to his next checkpoint. This point, which was the third stop from the end was located in the courtyard between Snell Hall and Student Involvement. White finished the course in 29 minutes and 35 seconds.

LAUREN L. DILLARD  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

■ A local orienteering club brings students new way to wander aimlessly around campus

By Lauren L. Dillard  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Some of the students wandering around Sunday afternoon weren't looking for their Monday classes — they were following an orienteering course.

This course, set up as part of National Orienteering Day, was facilitated by the Oregon Cascades Orienteering Klubb.

"It's a sport or activity where you find your way around," said Klubb member Dave Derlacki.

"This is a real good thing to do before school starts because you see all the parts of campus that you don't usually see," said Klubb co-founder Paula Whipple.

Orienteering maps are unlike topographical and road maps, but have similarities to each. Maps used for an orienteering course are oriented to magnetic north (unlike topographical maps, which are oriented to true north) and have specific colors and keys for different features.

Dense vegetation is dark green, open spaces are yellow. It is up to those completing the course to find the fastest path through or around the obstacles that lie ahead.

The students navigating the course did not need to use a compass, but organizers had turned a table into a giant compass by orienting a large laminated arrow to magnetic north.

Competitors raced to different locations and punched sheets of paper to identify where they had been. Not only were they required to punch

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## Freshman class/lovemaps



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Hayley Barrett, left, and Maria Bruggere, both incoming freshmen, scout the locations of their classes near Cordley Hall Sunday.

## 'Rock the Quad' features live music, message of hope

■ Making its debut, 'Rock the Quad' had big turnout from OSU, Corvallis community for support

By Nick Ngo  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Multi-colored lights flashing, sound amplifiers booming, guitars strumming, drums being smashed, people screaming and jumping — energy can be felt during the 'Rock the Quad' concert.

'Rock the Quad' was a free concert held in the MU Quad on Sept. 21 by the Antioch House.

The concert featured Christian bands Automata, from Portland, and local band In Pursuit Of. Both bands started the night off by pumping up the audience and getting the energy flowing.

Finishing the night was the headlining band Kutless, from Portland — asking the audience to jump, scream and go crazy.

"It was excellent," said Scott Gasperino, a Corvallis community member. "I try to see every Kutless concert when they come to Portland and with a free Kutless concert here — I'm not going to miss it."

Members from the Antioch House are happy with the results of the concert.

"It was awesome," said Ben Mathias, president of the Antioch House. "It was really fun to get in there and be in the middle with everyone, there was so much energy."

Mathias said the purpose of 'Rock the Quad' was to offer a free concert that everybody can enjoy.

"We didn't want to promote our name, or anything, and tote it around," Mathias said. "We didn't want to take any glory or pride for it."

The concert had a large turnout with not only students attending, but Corvallis community members as well.

"It was sweet to see that many people turn out to see a concert in Corvallis," said Ian Nelson, lead vocalist of In Pursuit Of. "I think [Friday night] was pretty unique in a way that all the performers were sharing about their faith."

Performers kept the audience involved by asking them to raise their hands and clap along with the beat of their songs. Students even had a chance to rock out on stage by participating in an air guitar competition.

A number of community members attended the concert with their children. Some parents even took their

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Monday, Sept. 24

**Meetings**  
**OSU Speech and Debate**, 6-8pm, 209 Shepard Hall. Join your fellow OSU students in learning how to publicly speak about and debate contemporary topics. Free and open to the public.

Tuesday, Sept. 25

**Events**  
**OSU Women's Rugby**, 5-7pm, 14th & Jefferson Field. Everyone welcome. No experience necessary.

Wednesday, Sept. 26

**Meetings**  
**College Republicans**, 7pm, MU 211. Come join the conservative movement! Bring a friend! Discussion of campus and national events, weekly debate topic, and various events throughout the year.

**Events**  
**OSU Women's Rugby**, 5-7pm, Peavy Field. Everyone welcome. No experience necessary.

**United Campus Ministry**, 5:30-7:30pm, 101 NW 23rd St., Westminister House. Student Gathering. Join us for food, fun, fellowship, faith formation, and friends.

Thursday, Sept. 27

**Events**  
**OSU Women's Rugby**, 5-7pm, 14th & Jefferson Field. Everyone welcome. No experience necessary.

Monday, Oct. 1

**Meetings**  
**OSU Speech and Debate**, 6-8pm, 209 Shepard Hall. Join your fellow OSU students in learning how to publicly speak about and debate contemporary topics. Free and open to the public.

**Events**  
**Pride Center**, 4-6pm, Pride Center. Fun and food and meeting new people!

Tuesday, Oct. 2

**Events**  
**OSU Women's Rugby**, 5-7pm, 14th & Jefferson Field. Everyone welcome. No experience necessary.  
**Pride Center**, 5-7pm, Pride Center. Extended Night Open House

Wednesday, Oct. 3

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**Volunteers**  
**Pride Center**, 11am-3pm, Quad. Information Table.

Thursday, Oct. 4

**Events**  
**Pride Center**, 5-7pm, Pride Center. Extended Open House  
**OSU Women's Rugby**, 5-7pm, 14th & Jefferson Field. Everyone welcome. No experience necessary.

Monday, Oct. 8

**Meetings**  
**OSU Speech and Debate**, 6-8pm, 209 Shepard Hall. Join your fellow OSU students in learning how to publicly speak about and debate contemporary topics. Free and open to the public.

**Events**  
**Pride Center**, 5-7pm, Pride Center. Extended Open House

TOP STORY

## Florida Democrats reaffirm Jan. 29 primary, despite sanctions

By Rasha Madhour  
 THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PEMBROKE PINES, Fla. — The Florida Democratic Party is sticking to its primary date and printed bumper stickers to prove it.

State party leaders formally announced on Sunday their plans to move ahead with a Jan. 29 primary, despite the national leadership's threatened sanctions.

The Democratic National Committee has said it will strip the Sunshine State of its 210 nominating convention delegates if it doesn't abide by the party-set calendar, which forbids most

states from holding primary contests before Feb. 5. The exceptions are Iowa on Jan. 14, Nevada on Jan. 19, New Hampshire on Jan. 22 and South Carolina on Jan. 29.

Michigan also has leapfrogged the national party's order by scheduling a Jan. 15 primary.

Florida's Democratic leaders say they want their key swing state to play a bigger role in choosing the party's nominee.

"The 4 million Florida Democrats will be enfranchised," Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz said at a news conference announcing the

decision. "We will make sure Florida Democrats have a voice and that voice will be heard."

The state party will proceed with its usual delegate selection process for the convention in 2008, Schultz said, "and we fully expect that delegation to be seated."

Florida Democratic Party Chairwoman Karen Thurman said the state leadership looked at alternatives like a mail-in primary or a caucus.

"But at the end of the day, we came down on the side of having a fair and open election, along with making sure

that we had a lot of representation in this state," Thurman said.

State Senate Democratic Leader Steve Geller blamed the four states that hold early nominating contests for creating problems. He charged them with being behind the national party's decision to punish presidential candidates who campaign in states that leapfrog the set order.

"I don't see how it's not a violation of the voting rights act," Geller said, because Florida voters will now only be able to hear candidates speak at private functions, which have an entry fee.

NEWS IN BRIEF



### Rice hopes Syria, key Arab states will attend peace conference

UNITED NATIONS — Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said Sunday that key Arab nations, including Syria, would be invited to President Bush's planned Mideast peace conference this fall and expressed hope they would attend.

Formal invitations haven't been issued yet but Rice said it "would be natural" for Syria, Saudi Arabia and 10 other Arab League members looking at a broad peace deal with Israel to participate despite their hostility to the Jewish state.

"It is very important that the regional players of the international community mobilize to support them," she said, referring to the Israelis and the Palestinians.

But, she said their attendance would have to reflect acceptance of international efforts to end the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and support for the ultimate goal of a two-state solution and comprehensive regional peace agreement.

"We would hope that the invitations would include the members of the Arab follow-up committee," Rice told a news conference here after a meeting of the international diplomatic Quartet on the Middle East — the United States, United Nations, European Union and Russia.

Aside from the Palestinians and Arab League Secretary General Amr Moussa, the committee members are Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia and Yemen.

Only two of the countries, Egypt and Jordan, have peace deals with Israel and some, notably Syria, remain technically at war with the Jewish state. Earlier this month, Israel is alleged to have launched an airstrike on what some reports have said was a North Korean nuclear facility in Syria.

The United States has long been con-

cerned about Syrian development of weapons of mass destruction and has harshly criticized Syria for its consistent anti-Israel stance, support for Palestinian militants and its role in Lebanon where Damascus is accused of interference.

Rice did not speak to the appropriateness of inviting Syria to the as-yet-unscheduled conference that Bush announced plans for in July and is expected to be held in Washington in November. She said that attendance "has to be a commitment to supporting a two-state solution" and agreement that the chance to end the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is one that "we should not miss."

Many Arab states have said they see no use for Bush's conference unless it has clear goals and a realistic chance of meeting them. A senior U.S. official said Rice thought she could allay those fears in her talks on Sunday.



### Years after integration battle at US school, legacy looms large

LITTLE ROCK — Fifty years after federal troops escorted Terrence Roberts and eight fellow black students into an all-white high school, he says the struggles over race and segregation still are unresolved.

"This country has demonstrated over time that it is not prepared to operate as an integrated society," said Roberts, who is a faculty member at Antioch University's psychology program in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

He and the other students known as the Little Rock Nine will help the city observe Central High School's 50th anniversary this week with a series of events culminating with a ceremony featuring former President Bill Clinton.

For three weeks in September 1957, Little Rock was the focus of a showdown over integration as Gov. Orval

Faubus blocked nine black students from enrolling at a high school with about 2,000 white students. Although the U.S. Supreme Court had declared segregated classrooms unconstitutional in 1954 — and the Little Rock School Board had voted to integrate — Faubus said he feared violence if the races mixed in a public school. The showdown soon became a test for then-President Dwight D. Eisenhower, who sent members of the Army's 101st Airborne Division in to control the angry crowds. It was the first time in 80 years that federal troops had been sent to a former state of the Confederacy.

Yet, half a century later, there are signs of progress and strife in Arkansas' largest school district, which is now 70 percent black.



### Marriage declining in Oregon, especially suburbs, rural counties

PORTLAND — New census figures show that marriage is not as popular as it used to be in Oregon and the rest of the country. Nationally, the percentage of couples who are married has declined four points since 2000. In Oregon, the drop in Polk, Umatilla, Yamhill and Klamath counties was twice as steep. The 2006 American Community Survey shows a declining trend that has become especially steep in rural counties and suburbs. The reasons vary — but it apparently is not because more young, unattached people are moving to Oregon.

Compared with 2000, a smaller share of Oregon's adults are under 35.

The state's population surge has come primarily among people ages 55 to 64.

Oregonians at that age and all other age ranges are less likely to be married than before. Researchers say marriage has changed, and many people no longer consider it the first step into adulthood.

— The Associated Press

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"A lot of these Democrats wanted to raise taxes. I said, 'No way.' Ted Kennedy, he's there, too. Can you believe it? We actually found some common ground."

Presidential hopeful Mitt Romney told a crowd gathered at a cafe in rural Newberry, S.C., recently.

"The United States is a big and important country with a population of 300 million. Due to certain issues, the American people in the past years have been denied correct and clear information about global developments and are eager to hear different opinions."

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said of American citizens in an interview Sunday.

BREAKDOWN

NEW YORK — Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki walked a fine line Sunday: confronting his American backers over what he sees as violations of Iraq's sovereignty while stressing that his relations are rock solid with the country on whose support he still relies.

"Success is shared," he said in an interview with The Associated Press, referring to his deeply intertwined partnership with President Bush and the U.S. government. "God forbid, failure is also shared."

BAGHDAD — An Iraqi official has conceded that Blackwater USA's exit would create a "security vacuum" in Baghdad.

The civilian spokesman for the seven-month-old offensive against militants in and around Baghdad says expelling the company could cause some troops to be pulled off the battlefield.

U.S. and Iraqi officials are instead working on revamping regulations governing private security companies after a deadly shooting of civilians.

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## Greenville mayor makes a pitch for defendant in slaying of pregnant woman

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GREENVILLE, Miss. — Mayor Heather McTeer Hudson is defending her decision to write a character letter for a Greenville native accused in a capital murder case in Madison County.

Hudson wrote a letter to Circuit Court Judge William E. Chapman III on Sept. 11 on behalf of Carla Hughes, who is accused in the deaths of Avis Banks, 27, and Banks' unborn child.

Avis was five months pregnant when she was shot and stabbed to death outside her home in Ridgeland on Nov. 29, 2006. Hughes has been housed in the Madison County Detention Center without bail since her arrest. Hudson is among about 60 people who wrote letters asking for bail.

Asked about her letter on behalf of Hughes, Hudson told

the Delta Democrat Times that it is not unusual for her to write character letters.

"I do letters all the time, for scholarships, letters of character on a regular basis," Hudson said.

## COURSE: Paper punch tested track

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all 13 boxes, but they had to get them in the right order too.

The location markers, seen around campus Sunday, are orange and white triangular flags with CDs attached to the top and a paper punch attached to the bottom.

Each paper punch had a different pattern of metal

## COURTNEY: rejected female counsel

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outside an apartment complex her sister managed in Corvallis, Ore., leaving behind her flip-flops and a pail of soapy water.

Her body has not been

found.

Courtney's New Mexico case was stayed in February 2006 pending the outcome of a competency hearing for him. That stay was lifted a year later.

He also rejected his court-appointed attorney because she was a woman. The case was reassigned in May 2006 to McCall.

spikes to mark the paper.

Computer science sophomore Nathan White, who chose to run the course like most competitors do, finished in 29 minutes and 35 seconds. Derlacki predicted that other students would finish in about an hour.

"As a student they are learning their way around campus," Derlacki said.

White, who competed last year, had done orienteering in the past with his Boy Scout Troop. He is also considering

joining the local Klubb.

"It's a good way to keep in shape," White said.

The maps for the course directed students from the Valley Library Quad, to as far as the Forest Sciences Lab and back to Snell Hall and the library clock tower.

13 groups started the race and most said that they learned a lot about places on campus that they don't usually go.

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Portland-based rock group Kutless performs the closing set for 'Rock the Quad' Friday, Sept. 21. The event was sponsored by Antioch House and featured Christian-based rock bands.

JEFF WICK  
THE DAILY BAROMETER



## ROCK: Many local bands excited for local performance at Corvallis mainstage: MU Quad

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kids to the front of the stage and hoisted them on their shoulders — giving them a better view and allowing them the chance to hold out their hands to receive high-fives from the performers.

"It was good," said Dane Weller, who carried his son Jaden on his shoulders during Kutless's performance. This was the second time that Weller watched Kutless perform live and wanted to share the experience with his son and daughter.

"It was a really good mix of the whole community around this area. The whole thing was positive and it had an encouraging feel to it," Mathias said.

Nelson said the concert was a success because it showed that Christians can have fun and rock out.

"It was cool to see lots of kids coming out and seeing lots of music, and yelling to get my attention," Nelson said. "It was a fun, high energy concert that parents felt safe to take their kids to."

Mathias credited the success of the concert to Antioch's house pastor Nolan Roberts. He said Roberts organized the event.

"I had a dream to do it that night before school started," Roberts said. "Other campus ministries like Real Life helped a lot as well."

Roberts said the concert was fun due to the different styles of the performing bands.

"In Pursuit Of did very well, they had a lot of local fan support," Roberts said. "They got the crowd jumping."

He said Automata was also excited to come down to OSU for a performance.

"They were excited to rock out and they loved the experience," Roberts said.

Along with having fun, Roberts wanted get a message out to the audience that God loves people.

"We weren't trying to force anything on anybody," Roberts said. "We wanted to tell people there's more than what our culture has to offer."

Nelson said the concert offered a message of hope. He said bands like Kutless tries to set a sense of moral consci-

ness that sometimes can't be found in regular music culture.

"The thing is, every life is precious in God's eyes," said Jon Micah Sumrall during the concert, the lead vocalist of Kutless.

This is the second time Kutless has performed in Corvallis. Roberts said they performed at a fraternity house five to six years ago.

"They love Corvallis and they love the people," Roberts said. "They're also a big Beaver fan."

Roberts said they might try to host another 'Rock the Quad' concert next year.

"If everything works out again, we want to," Roberts said.

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## Correction

Jessica Cardinal, an academic advisor for the OSU College of Sciences, was incorrectly quoted in the Aug. 31 edition of The Daily Barometer. All environmental science students are required to complete an "observational experience." Certain types of internships can fulfill this requirement.

The Barometer regrets this error. We strive to be accurate and balanced in our coverage. Please bring any and all errors to our attention by e-mailing editor@dailybarometer.com

## FEES: UO students will pay 40 percent to student fees

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be set by the individual campus — in an effort to avoid the stigma behind a hike in tuition rates.

At the University of Oregon, student fees comprise 40 percent of the total \$3,984 in-state tuition — an additional \$1,542. Often, the university has a hard time communicating what the fees are and what they are used for. Perrone has not been able to find a good solution for making the fees look comprehensible.

"How do you make the bill look like it makes sense?" she asked.

Lately, student fees have become a source of income for public universities because state legislatures allow schools to hold on to that money — whereas tuition goes to the state's general fund.

Relief for rising student fee rates may be in sight. During the past legislative session, Oregon lawmakers approved a large increase in the university system budget — a 22 percent increase in the operating budget and a 37 percent increase for construction and repairs.

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Editorial

## Protecting yourself online

As we buy textbooks, move into dorm rooms and get our first tastes of life on campus, we also get Facebook.

The social networking website started out as just a bare bones approach to your basic online profile of personal interests.

More recently Facebook has made a direct effort to compete with MySpace with photos, comments, groups, event invitations, current online status and applications.

As students we tend to feel invincible and grow accustomed to our bubble of university life, forgetting that the information we place online can be accessed on a grander scale.

According to a story on MSNBC, 35 percent of employers use Google to do online background checks on potential employees and 23 percent look at social networking sites — such as MySpace and Facebook — and about one-third of the potential employees are rejected because of what is found online.

The main employment-deterrent? Pictures.

So how do you protect yourself from having your social network work against you? Facebook has made considerable changes to privacy settings to make it very clear what is accessible to whom — use these wisely.

Posting pictures from parties is inevitable, but use caution with pictures with alcohol — especially if you are a minor. Beyond drinking, any other illegal activity or insinuation of such shouldn't be posted online either.

Also critical, try and keep your default picture appropriate, given that is the one element that is accessible to anyone.

You are in control of every aspect of your page, and this includes untagging inappropriate or questionable pictures from other people. It should be common sense that posting your cell phone number and address is a risky decision despite privacy settings. These pieces of information should probably just be given out face-to-face.

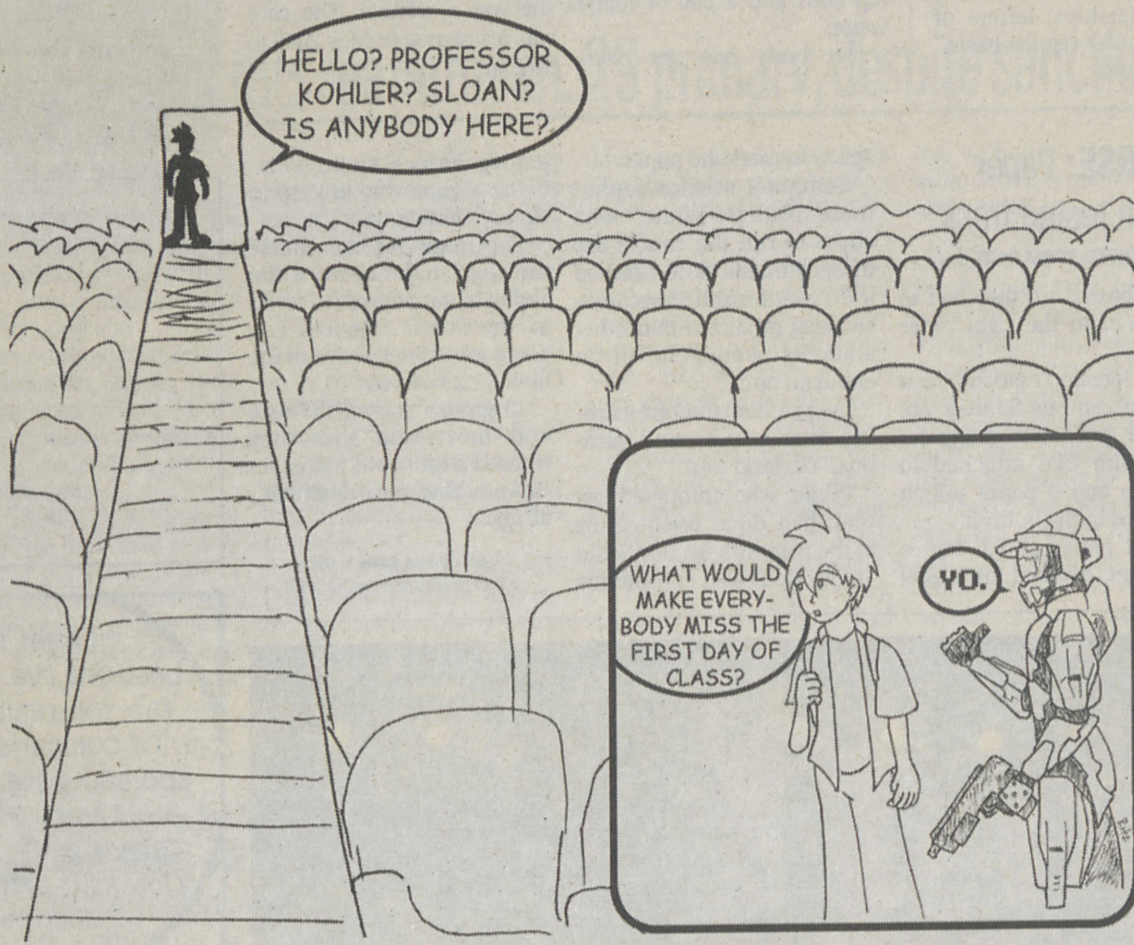
When you are writing in the 'about me' section, also use caution. Yes, this is your page, but revealing too much about yourself can also deter employment.

Even though it seems unreasonable to hold yourself back when you are unloading your life's perspective in your 'about me' section, trust us... less is more in this case.

Just take a serious look at what your settings are on your Facebook page. Social networks are great for friends and Facebook provides barriers that should keep your information safe — but use enough caution knowing that there are always people that could hack into your information if they found it necessary.

Also, be sure to log out of your profiles when accessing them on campus computers.

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## Conflicts of self: the one you feed

A Native American legend tells the story of a grandfather and grandson:

The grandfather tells his grandson, "A fight is going on inside of me. It is a terrible battle between two wolves. One is anger, envy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, lies and ego. The other is joy, peace, love, hope, humility, kindness, empathy, generosity, faith, truth and compassion. The same struggle is going on inside of you and inside of every other person."

The grandson thought for a moment and then asked his grandfather, "Which will win?"

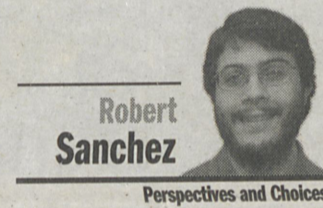
The grandfather replied, "The one you feed."

I think about these words and their meaning. The one you feed... the one you give attention to, the one that fills your ear and eye. The part of us made strong through habit and exposure to stimuli.

The battle of the wolves is the conflict we feel inside. It is the pull of polar opposites, or the subtle lack of conviction; it is the howl, and the whisper. The wolves are part of who we are; one is expansive, the other constrictive, one seeing the glass half full, the other seeing it half empty. They are, perhaps, innately equal in strength, one gaining advantage over the other only when fed disproportionately.

We are what we eat, both physically and metaphysically. The thoughts and feelings we ingest are sustenance for these wolves. I think about these words and their meaning for me. What do I eat, and how does it affect me?

Many voices feed these wolves: voices from the television, from the radio, from the people around me, from inside my own mind.



Robert Sanchez

Perspectives and Choices

Many offer me poison, telling me the ways I lack, the ways I fall short of some sort of expectation. I'm too fat. I don't have enough money. I don't deserve love. I should work harder. Some voices bring me a more palatable fare — the sweet ambrosia of holistic perspective.

What cuisine does mainstream American culture offer? Does one wolf tend to prosper while the other is malnourished? The simple answer: it depends.

Complexity and inclusive accuracy must so often be sacrificed for generalizing. It depends on who you are, what the conditions of your life were growing up, what your conditions are now and what you fill your ear and eye with. So much depends on individual circumstances, but what common threads running through society affect us all?

Our economic system has tremendous influence over our lives. Unless we are born into money, we all must focus significant energy and time on making ends meet. Even if we are highly skilled and employed at a well-paying job, how much of our attention goes into our careers and finances, and how much is left for the rest of our lives? Do our families, our hopes and our dreams receive the leftovers? When we look at our finances, do we see the glass half full or half empty?

We live with substantial social stratification. While all life is

inherently equal in worth and dignity, we are taught to attach value to people and social positions in ways that lead to people seeming to have differing values. Using certain evaluative criteria, people have different worth, but can we say these differences are real, or are they subjective and based on a system of social organization that teaches pride and egoism over humility and reverence? Does the dean have more value than the student, the president more worth than the voter, the executive more right to respect and dignity than the homeless in the alley behind the corporate headquarters? As people, as essential beings, we are all equal, but we attach meaning to status and traits that create hierarchies in which there is constant tension between people. How does this tension affect us; what sort of food does it offer?

The current War on Terror presents a generous feast, but one narrow in scope. Our deepest emotions are stirred as we are called to defend our homeland and to defend the very ideals that give our lives meaning and context. But what are we asked to do? Are we asked to strengthen our local and domestic economies, and to strengthen our ties to community and family, to pool our resources for the common good of America? Are we asked to trust that military action is the only way to ensure freedom, and to live in continual low-level fear? When politicians speak of limiting free trade and investing in America's domestic economy, they are often labeled 'isolationists' (by the 'liberal media'), yet when our response to Sept. 11 leads to increasing international isolation and mistrust we

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Renée Roman Nose

Walk a Mile in my Moccasins

## Sports and the Sexist Mind

During a recent lunch break at Pita Pit (home of the best Gyros in the valley) I overheard a conversation that was pathetic in its inanity, inaccuracy and fallacy.

Normally I expect to hear conversations like that while with my fourteen-year-old son and his friends, not from two well-dressed professional looking men whose voices are too deep and loud to ignore. It takes a great deal to make me angry, but obvious idiocy is one of my triggers.

The first gentleman (I use this term loosely) was expounding on the unfairness of having to provide an equal number of sports scholarships to women as are provided to men. After ranting for awhile on this topic, complaining additionally about how OSU had been forced to add cheerleading as a sport in order to grant more scholarships to women, he suddenly lowered his deep voice, but not enough for others not to hear him, and said, "Everyone knows that it's a proven fact that women aren't as athletic as men."

Upon hearing this last statement, I had had more than enough and turned around, facing his table and said, "I guess it would depend upon the woman. I'm a power lifter and am sure that I could out lift you in the gym." He replied, "I'm sure you could." Then he finally changed the subject.

I left, frustrated that I had not asked his name so that I could quote him more precisely as his words were stated in a public place and he deserves the credit for them. At that moment I decided to write about the conversation in this week's column. For those of you who are new to reading my column, I normally write about Native issues, contemporary and historical. For those of you who are not new to reading my column, welcome back, I missed you!

Fair play and good sportsmanship come in all colors, races and sexes. Perhaps more studies are needed in this area. I competed in cross country and track through high school and my first two years of college along with several other young women. The teamwork and strategy required for success in cross country have served me well in many other areas of my life. I am supportive of others who seek athletic activity in whatever way suits them, regardless of whether they are male or female.

According to a study by the National Collegiate Athletic Association, from 1992-1997, "...the average number of women's athletics programs at NCAA member schools generally gained in participation ...

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# Hidden faces behind YouTube bullies

As classes begin, I'm excited to see where the term will take us as a campus. Will it be fun to write about? Will it be infuriating? Will it confuse us all? Probably a bit of each, and I'll be keeping an eye out.

Since the term is only just starting, I've got to find my inspiration elsewhere. And I find that I have something I really, really need to complain about: a little boiling pot of irritation in the back of my head. Are you ready? Here goes:

What. In the flying heck. Is going on with YouTube.

I have nothing against the website itself — it's a great way to relax and escape boredom. I know that previous generations couldn't watch hilariously wrong game show contestants any time they choose. I know how lucky I am to eat my lunch to the tune of the Inspector Gadget theme beat-boxed into a flute.

But beneath these little bastions of silly entertainment lies something far less pleasant. If you've got a strong stomach, scroll down to the lower part of the page, especially under a popular video, and squint your eyes at the comments left by viewers. I'll warn you, though, it's seriously like going down to the swamp and looking under a rock.

There's a whole different culture down there. A handful of normal people say things like "Awesome!" or "I don't get it" or start debates over the video's validity, but all around them, strange, alien creatures thrash around in their own filth. They insult each other, the film, its maker and anything in the contents, in ways that will blow any sane person's neurons clean out of their heads.

Need proof? Here I am on YouTube's main page. I am clicking on the featured video currently closest to the top ... Looks like 36 minutes ago, somebody left a comment reading, "hu iz dis gay?!" Other impressive remarks include an unadorned F-you, a "dramatic.....LOLNOT!" and someone defending the piece against a detractor: "It's art you retard. He's trying to make you think ... not aping to the crappy movies that Hollywood spew



Rachel Spittler

Here's from Me to World

out yearly that keep imbeciles like you happy."

Think I'm making this up? Second video from the top. The very first comment is somebody calling down unpleasant sexual experiences on YouTube itself for daring to feature something he hates. The second comment is "go to hell." How about this one, from another video? "Did your baby die of fetal alcohol syndrome?" Or this: "UTTER CRAP!" Or this: "can i have my 8 seconds back u stinck."

And so I repeat my previous sentiment: What the heck is going on here?

I don't know. YouTube definitely isn't unique in this way — the Internet provides total anonymity for both bully and target, so that not only is the former's real-life reputation preserved, but he or she doesn't have to see or sympathize with the reaction of the latter. (No face means no feelings, and this is the same reason why we don't mind it when Storm Troopers get mowed down in the Star Wars films.)

On the other hand, maybe this isn't even all that shocking to everyone, and you're shaking your heads at what a whiner I am. I mean, I completely understand the motivation for this behavior — a lot of Internet content is terrible, and if someone checks the "enable comments" box when they upload a video, they ought to be prepared for some backlash.

I just have this weird, fanciful impression that you don't actually have to deliberately shred somebody's self-esteem to criticize their work. I don't know, call me old-fashioned.

In general we're definitely experiencing a cultural trend toward rudeness; people have been complaining about that for years, especially those old enough to remember a time when society actually expected us to treat each other with respect. And the worst kinds of verbal abuse seem to be significantly more widespread

online than in real life, which is probably because you can't punch people in the face over the Internet. But I wouldn't be surprised if the general feelings of derision, sarcasm and elitism are pretty much the same.

By coincidence, YouTube fosters many of the harshest and nastiest comments I've encountered. I have such a hard time believing those commenters are real, breathing humans that sometimes I pretend they're some kind of icky sub-species. It's immature, but it's an effective sort of emotional defense mechanism. At least I don't have to collapse in despair over the state of humanity.

They are real, though. Everyone who's ever written a "u suck" response is a walking, talking person with a physical body, a birthday and a favorite kind of pizza. They might even be perfectly friendly in real life. They might be reading this column right now.

But I don't care how cynical you are, this is ridiculous. Sure, everyone has a dark side, but you're supposed to put in at least a little effort to restrain that. Just a little! These people are making a deliberate point of being crueler than necessary, and what good does it do anyone? They're not even funny.

So what do we do? Well, if you make a habit of being a jerk, knock it off. Actively making the world a worse place is not a viable solution to boredom.

If you're not a jerk, don't start acting like one. Be nicer than you can't disagree with anyone; it doesn't even mean you can't laugh at things that are stupid. Just don't act like a creep. It's not worth it.

And if you upload a YouTube video, consider checking the box that requires your approval before anyone's comments get posted. Then, filter out the insane people. Yes, you will still have to see their abuse — but at least they aren't being published. Lack of attention won't stop them all, but it's a start.

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## ROMAN NOSE: Everyone should be encouraged to play sports

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while more women played sports in college, fewer men participated."

Other studies have also been done, including one by the Government Accountability Office, authored by George A. Scott, which stated, "While the numbers of both men's and women's intercollegiate sports teams increased from 1991-1992 to 2004-2005, women's teams showed greater gains than men's teams."

In addition to doing some research on my own, I also contacted the OSU coaching staff in an effort to interview someone willing to give me more information on actual numbers of male and female participants as well as hoping that someone would comment on the overheard conversation but received no return calls, unfortunately.

In a time when obesity is not just an occasional problem, but a national problem being called an epidemic which is affecting all of us in one way or another, I think that we as a society need to encourage everyone to get up and get moving so that the devastation on our health care system as a result of obesity and sedentary lifestyles doesn't keep hurting our own pocketbooks and shortening the lives of our neighbors, our children and ourselves.

As for cheerleading not being an actual sport, I have to confess that I am not a big fan of cheerleading; it's just not my area of interest. However, I have seen collegiate cheerleading competitions that combine such sports as weight lifting, gymnastics, dance and teamwork. In competitive cheerleading the women and men also utilize agility, speed and coordination. I could never do what they do and can only watch in awe at their athleticism, courage and trust in one another. That's a sport!

I saw a professional football game on television years ago wherein a player for the Minnesota Vikings caught a ball in mid-air and he looked like he was horizontal yet he landed on his feet. That is athleticism, that is beautiful, that is also sport in all its glory and possibility.

Whether you prefer one over the other is your own personal choice, but to denigrate cheerleading, as this man did, to denigrate the athleticism of all women in a blanket statement that is clearly unsupported by scientific fact is foolish to say the least. Show me your empirical data — show me the study that you were referring to. Where was the study done? Who did it? Give me some facts to back up your insult and then we'll have some frame of reference to work from.

So maybe I overreacted at having to overhear such a conversation, maybe so, what do you think? Do you think that women are entitled to sports scholarships equal to those distributed to men? Why or why not? I'd like to hear from you, I would like to know what you would have said, if anything.

Certainly these men are entitled to their own opinions, as am I, even if they differ from my own. However, being in a public place, such as Pita Pit, one would expect an awareness of being overheard due to the small space available. The inevitability of someone overhearing and speaking up was just a matter of time.

So, send me your two cents worth and we'll compare notes and opinions, we'll bond. Maybe we'll learn something from one another, about one another. That's what life is all about: learning, sharing space, and getting along. Welcome to university life and thanks for taking the time to "Walk a Mile in My Moccasins."

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## Internet porn ruins stripping industry, thousands of women could lose jobs

Staring at the fuzzy channels on television? Check. Helping finance and conceal the purchase of an extraordinarily revealing (read: pornographic) magazine on a middle school field trip? Check. Signing on as the high school mascot, at least in part because it gave me an all-access pass to the cheerleaders' bus? Check.

The list could go on. You won't find any soul more determined in the world than that of a young man trying to get a glimpse of the female body.

Yet despite my promising past, I have yet to experience the sights, sounds and sensations of those graveyards littered with the careers of failed models and former "Saved by the Bell" actresses that we so tenderly refer to as strip clubs.

This is why I predict that within 30 years the entire nudie-dancing industry will collapse and become nothing more than a saggy, wrinkled shell of its former self.

And why are we seeing this decline in strip club patronage? Internet porn. It's ruining our children!

Young boys don't have to work for their fix anymore!

Long gone are the days of the ragged centerfold hidden deep in little Billy's wallet that could render an entire lunch table helpless with mouths wide open and legs shamefully crossed. Long gone are the days of spending the night with the kid who gets HBO.

Imagine the consequences if we let our young men make all their discoveries online!

### Chase Stoudemire The Daily Gamecock

South Carolina's stripping industry would fail. Thousands of women would lose their jobs. Men who hang out in strip clubs would be forced to mix with the general population. By all accounts Myrtle Beach would literally cease to exist.

If we want to save our strip clubs, we need to train our young men to be a little less "American Pie" and a little more "Porky's" — because nothing says "I'm a manly-man stud, admire my heterosexual potency" like paying good money to walk into a room full of partially nude women who don't know you and won't touch you but, like grown-up versions of the pony rides at the grocery store, can be persuaded to rock back and forth for a minute or two by giving it some cash.

So do your part in the fight against Internet porn and go find a strip club. If you don't know where to find one, just drive around until you see a place that's name consists of some sort of valuable material plus a numerical modifier (Platinum Plus, Double Diamond's Double D's) or a terrible misspelling or pun on a James Bond film title (4 Your Eyez Only, Goldnipple).

Afterwards, tell me all about it. I'm terribly curious.

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## Foreign policy: a forthcoming to arms

David Ward  
Daily Toreador

I have a question for you. Do you know what to do if there is a grease fire in your kitchen?

Should you douse the flames in water, move the kitchenware outside and run like hell? Or should you take some responsibility, evacuate anyone within direct relation to the area, attempt to smother the flames and use baking soda or a fire extinguisher?

Not that I'm an advocate of the sheer power and beauty of indoor fires, but I know the correct answer is the latter.

Let's take the lesson learned through this hypothetical emergency situation and project it onto a separate topic: foreign policy.

Should the United States:

A) Sell black market weapons to groups within the borders of Iraq amid a highly opposed surge technique while initiating an Iranian border buildup and marking at least 2,000 targets? Or

B) Divert our energy toward anything else besides starting another Middle Eastern conflict.

These scenarios seems to be following a pattern because the latter appears to have some credence behind

it, and that's just a suggestion from a West Texas college student.

Yet, we are doing exactly what the former suggests. According to the United Kingdom's Telegraph, Pentagon planners have taken the liberty to organize 2,000 potential targets within the borders of Iran, including the Fajr base.

According to the article, Vice President Dick Cheney also is advocating the use of "bunker-busting tactical nuclear weapons," which would be aimed at Iran's nuclear sites.

That's correct — using nuclear weapons on nuclear sites. Because if Chernobyl taught us anything, it's when nuclear sites are destroyed, there are no lasting effects on the population or vegetation down the line.

This hardly seems to be the time to reinstate nuclear war, especially during a period in which Russian government officials are being shuffled throughout their parliament and setting the stage for a long-time fan of American-Middle Eastern affairs — your favorite and mine — Vladimir Putin, to enter office. This could happen once his term as prime minister ends, which will give him the ability to run as a presidential candidate in as early as 2012. As for our weapons, when London's The Guardian reported the Aug. 6 loss of 190,000 assault rifles and pistols, we thought we may never see them again. Well, they are still gone, but according to Gen. David Petraeus' report, we now have a fail-safe system to track weapons: receipts.

As it turns out, the United States will be selling weapons to Iraq, noting in Petraeus' report that, "In 2007, Iraq will, as in 2006, spend more on its security forces than it will receive in security assistance from the United States."

Instead of properly arming an Iraqi deterrence force — or any sort of stable system for the country to combat the threats of the fractioned Sunni-Shia groups and other aggressive forces — sales are heading toward Iraq's black market and into Sunni militant groups ownership.

According to an article by The New York Times Iraq correspondent John Burns, these weapons are going to Sunni groups whom the United States has made agreements with — agreements that they will fight against al-Qaeda.

Burns reports, "There is a risk that any weapons given to Sunni groups will eventu-

ally be used against Shiites... (There) is also the possibility the weapons could be used against the Americans themselves."

It seems the United States also is arming militant groups who are attacking Iranian territories in the Northern Kurdish sector of the Iraq-Iranian border, according to The New York Times.

The Times reported that at an Iranian diplomatic conference, deputy foreign minister Mohammad R. Baqiri warned the Iranian government was attempting to block Iraqi militants from entering the border using military force.

Baqiri also sent accusations of the United States supporting these groups with the exchange of weapons.

Yet, this is not Iran taking a direct military stand against those in Iraq. It is a warning from the government that this activity must cease before it is dragged into a conflict it wished to avoid.

Sept. 9, Baqiri said, "supporting military and political actions by terrorist elements in Iraq against neighboring countries is considered dangerous behavior that we cannot tolerate, and a major factor in the chaotic security situation and instability in the region." This results in a backhanded way to threaten Iran into conflict by supplying groups whom the United States knows disdain the Iranian government, so without us getting involved, we can backhandedly begin cracking the door open to yet another war.

With what seems to be a current underestimation of the determination of militant groups to get us out of their countryside; yes it is theirs, and underestimating the force of Iran and its level-headed approach to threats caused by American intervention, we are drenching the grease fire.

We are pouring enough water (nuclear threats, black market weapons, potential target lists) into flames we already have no idea how to control.

If this does bring us into nuclear conflict, there will be one upside, however.

I hear from anonymous sources the United States is willing to provide red, white and blue nuclear facility suits, with an eagle ripping through the front and Uncle Sam on the back covering his ears with a mushroom cloud hovering over him.

But you know why most credible journalists don't use anonymous sources — because three-fourths of the time, it's total bunk, so don't get your hopes up.

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**SANCHEZ:** The part of us we feed is the part of us that will grow, the way we see the world

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are told to stay the course.

We continually ingest stimuli and transmute them into thought and emotion. What does our daily fare consist of and how does it affect how we perceive ourselves? Context matters: We each live a different personal life context, and consequently view events in a unique manner. But we all have a shared larger context, that of being human and living with technology that has vastly changed our social systems

over the last few hundred years.

There is a part of us that is fed by positive, expansive impulses, and a part that is strengthened by negative, constrictive pressures. The one you feed is the one that will grow in power, and will color the lens we see the world through.

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## Light(en) up!

**W**anted: A slick, sleazy attorney that specializes in the defense of society's lowest life form. Apparently, I need one. I am a smoker.

That's right, I admitted it. And some of you would admit it too, except for the fear of being quarantined to the remote corners of the campus to the dreaded approved smoking areas, where the saints pass by silently scolding us sinners as we partake in our dirty deed.

The topic appears in the paper almost as often as the parking issue.

What is to be done with these smokers and how does everyone feel about it?

My recent shame-inspired anger on the issue comes from the Campus Speak section of the opinion page that was published in The Collegian on Sept. 7 wherein a reporter asked the campus at large how they felt about smoking on campus.

Shockingly enough, the eight students polled didn't feel much.

But I did. The smokers out there did too.

And I may not be an attorney, but I will definitely defend myself and those I have seen hiding behind trees desperately trying to not be seen smoking before that two-hour chemistry lab.

I am not a criminal. I am not a disease. I'm not interested in blowing smoke in your face or flicking the remains of my cigarette all over your world.

I am not luring your children into a life of corruption and I am not a burden to society.

I am smart. I am functioning. I'm self-sufficient. My parents are proud of me. And the last time I checked, the money that I have worked so hard for to pay my tuition is just as green as a non-smoker's.

So why do I feel singled out and less of a student and human being because I have a nasty habit?

Let me make it clear that I am in no way advocating smoking.

In fact, if you have never smoked a cigarette, do yourself a favor and keep it that way.

Smoking is not cool. It's not glamorous. It is an immense waste of money and time. Time meaning all the years later in life you may not be around for — the years you force yourself not to think about when you inhale.

My point is this: according to the University of Michigan's Student Life Survey in 2004, 30 percent of the students were smokers — rates that were lower than the national average. Health officials at the university also explained that cigarettes were psychologically addictive and habitual and a lot more complicated than people understood.

I don't think our university understands that and would rather deal with smokers by restricting them to areas where they don't have to deal with them.

Maybe I am just old, but I remember a time when you could still smoke in restaurants. Now, we can't even smoke outside. Maybe someday we won't even be allowed to smoke in the country.

Choice. Personal freedom. Unalienable rights. Respecting others' choices, freedoms and rights.

Ah heck, who needs democracy anyway?

# Police wrong: silencing student speaking his mind

**A**t the University of Florida, 21-year-old student Andrew Meyer was Tasered after he did not stop asking senator John Kerry why he didn't contest the outcome of the 2004 presidential election.

**E**ven though this happened at another University, it's something all campuses should think about.

Police asked him to stop. They cut his microphone and, after he refused to leave the auditorium, four police handcuffed him. They Tasered him when he continued to struggle.

A Taser is normally used when police can't control the situation. How could four police be unable to control one person? In my opinion that

## Summer Dischner The Towerlight

means there is more of a problem with those police than with this one student.

There has been talk that this guy was a known trouble maker, even having a blog saying that people should stand up for free speech and should push boundaries. So does this mean it was okay to Taser him for asking a question? Isn't that what free speech is? If we can't even ask a question at a question and answer session at a college, then what does that really say about our right to free speech?

One of the things that bothers me

most about this is that people are saying he was just a troublemaker and got what he deserved. Doesn't anyone care that this is just another example of how we really don't have the rights we think we do?

People like to say that here in America we can say what we want and we have freedom of speech, when really if you ask a question someone doesn't like, they tell you to be quiet and if you don't, they arrest you for "disturbing the peace."

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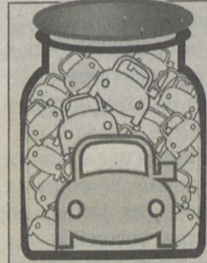
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# Congress moves to close land to development

By Jim Carlton  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Democratic-controlled Congress, stepping up a push that gained little ground when Republicans were in the majority, is on the verge of walling off as many as three millions more acres of the nation's wilderness from commercial and recreational development.

Lawmakers are moving to designate nearly as much land as wilderness area over the next year as they did during the Republican Party's recent 12-year tenure in the leadership. During that period, which ended last year, some of the party's more conservative members held key congressional posts, and blocked efforts to add much to the 107 million acres nationwide officially considered wilderness.

By declaring vast swaths of undeveloped land from Virginia to Oregon as wilderness areas, the current flurry of bills would close them to the timber, oil and mining industries. Although few of the often-remote areas involved are at active risk of development, some of them contain commercially valuable timber and others, such as the wild canyon lands of Utah, could harbor reserves of natural gas.

As a result, the bills are provoking bitter complaints from some business interests including the oil industry. They also face opposition from property-rights advocates and users of off-road vehicles, such as snowmobiles, which are barred from wilderness areas.

But many of the bills enjoy strong bipartisan support in the states affected and so are nearly certain to become law. Some even passed the Senate under Republican rule, and had the votes to pass the Republican House, but repeatedly were blocked by a powerful prodevelopment committee chairman who lost his seat in the 2006 election.

The Bush administration

hasn't taken a formal position on the pending wilderness measures. But White House and congressional aides say bills with local Republican support, which many of them have, would be likely to win President Bush's signature.

Some of the more politically contentious bills, however, are unlikely to see congressional action. Earlier this year, a bill was introduced in the Senate to designate the oil-rich coastal plain of Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge as wilderness to safeguard it from energy exploration. But Senate aides say oil exploration in ANWR is such a hot-button issue that the bill is expected to go nowhere.

In all, about a dozen bills involving wilderness designation or some other form of permanent protection from development are in the pipeline in the House and Senate, with as many as three million acres at stake. That compares with the 3.5 million acres that won similar status between 1994 and 2006, according to Wilderness.net, a partnership of academics and conservation groups. All the new land in question is national forest or other U.S. property.

"It's almost like the floodgates have opened," says Myke Bybee, a lobbyist for the Sierra Club, the San Francisco-based environmental group that has been pushing for many of the wilderness proposals.

Democrats have tended to support more environmental legislation in recent years than their Republican counterparts. And with fears about global warming, many Democrats see environmental issues like wilderness as part of a platform that can help them cement their control of Congress and perhaps even retake the White House. "The environment has been, is and always will be a top priority for Democrats," says Bill Wicker, spokesman for the Senate Energy and Natural

Resources Committee.

But more so than for many other environmental issues, there's strong bipartisan support for wilderness preservation among both voters and politicians. Among the pending measures, Virginia's Republican Sen. John Warner, Democratic Sen. Jim Webb and Democratic Rep. Rick Boucher have introduced the Virginia Ridge and Valley Act. The bill would protect from development nearly 43,000 acres of forest in the Blue Ridge Mountains as wilderness.

Other bills likely to be passed during the current Congress include Wild Sky, designating 107,000 acres of wilderness in the Cascade Mountains outside of Seattle. Another bill, affecting Oregon, would add 128,000 acres of wilderness on Mount Hood and in the nearby Columbia River Gorge; that measure is pending in the Senate.

Yet another bill calls for barring development on almost all 265,770 acres of Colorado's Rocky Mountain National Park. That bill, which is pending in the Senate and has bipartisan support in Colorado, has been hung up in Washington since 1996. More-stringent use restrictions apply to wilderness lands than to national parks. Many national parks include roads, buildings, lodges and other amenities for park visitors, none of which are permitted in wilderness areas.

Larger wilderness bills are in the works, too. Republican Sen. Mike Crapo of Idaho, for instance, has introduced a bill that would classify 517,000 acres of wilderness in his home state.

Other bills are expected to be introduced soon. Two that apply to California, for example, could sequester several hundred thousand acres. Senate staffers also say discussions are under way in Utah that could result in a wilderness bill protecting as many as a

million acres of pristine canyon lands from development under a compromise with the state's Republican delegation. Environmentalists have been pushing for a much larger area of almost 10 million acres.

But fierce opposition to wilderness designations remains. "The problem with wilderness designations is that there's no recreational access unless you can hike up there," says Greg Mumm, executive director of the Blue Ribbon Coalition, a Pocatello, Idaho-based group representing all-terrain-vehicle riders and other recreation users. "It's good for only one elite demographic."

Officials of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, meanwhile, say they are troubled that so much wilderness is being proposed at one time because potential energy reserves might be closed off. "It has now become part of the environmental activists' playbook to reduce access to almost all federal lands that could safely produce American energy supplies," says Dan Naatz, a vice president for the Washington, D.C., trade group.

Lobbying by such groups has been partly responsible for blocking passage of wilderness bills for much of the period since Republicans took control of Congress in 1994. In the 12 years prior to the Republican takeover, a Democratic-controlled Congress added 23 million acres of wilderness area — nearly a quarter of the current total.

Getting land designated as wilderness got tougher in 2003, when California rancher Richard Pombo was elected chairman of the House Resources Committee. A staunch property-rights advocate, he kept most wilderness bills bottled up during most of the four years he ran the committee. "We called him our gatekeeper," says Dave Hurwitz, chairman of the Snowmobile Alliance of Western States.

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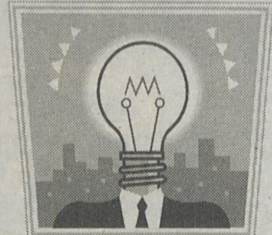
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# Lower prices don't stop matsutake mushroom pickers

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHEMULT, Ore.—Prices are down, but that hasn't stopped hundreds of people from picking matsutake mushrooms in northern Klamath County.

The 2007 picking season opened on the Fremont-Winema, Deschutes, Umpqua and Willamette national forests earlier this month and runs through Nov. 10. Most of the harvesting is done in the Crescent Lake area, where dry, sandy soils make the region ideal for matsutakes, a delicacy especially favored by the Japanese.

Over the years, prices have ranged from \$5 to \$30 a pound. This year, it's down to \$3 to \$5 a pound.

"We're fairly busy for as low as the price is," said Rick Bond, the Forest Service's Westside special forest products coordinator.

Even with the low prices, there is enough volume to make it worthwhile. Most of the mushroom buyers are in Chemult and Crescent Lake

Junction.

"It's a farmer's market atmosphere," Bond said of the buying stations visited at night by pickers. "They like waiting around to see if the price is going to change."

Southern Oregon's Cascades used to provide 8 percent or more of the world's supply of matsutake mushrooms, but the regional impact began to decline about a decade ago when Korea and China began providing huge volumes of matsutakes, Bond said.

Although fresh markets for matsutakes have developed in Portland and San Francisco, Bond estimates more than 80 percent are sent overseas.

Some pickers are staying at a concession-operated campground near Little Odell while others are on a private camp south of Chemult. Anyone picking matsutakes on national forest lands must purchase a commercial harvesting permit, which costs \$200 for the season, or \$7 per day with a five-day minimum.

# Oregon universities seek ways to prevent dropouts

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EUGENE — As classes begin at Oregon public universities, higher education officials hope to reduce a dropout rate that likely will result in the loss of 2,200 of 10,400 incoming freshmen before their sophomore year.

The percentage of freshmen who quit between fall 2005 and fall 2006 ranged from 31 percent at Eastern Oregon University to 15 percent at the University of Oregon.

After getting \$142 million in new money from the Legislature, Oregon campus leaders say they are responding with initiatives to slow the steady drain of new students from state universities.

Some of these efforts include boosting student support services such as tutoring and advising, giving students more opportunities to interact with faculty and intervening earlier when students are in trouble.

# Memorial held to mark 1-year anniversary of school shooting

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAZENOVIA, Wis.—About 250 people gathered Sunday to honor a principal killed by a student nearly a year before.

The crowd sang Lean on Me and the victim's widow Sue Klang briefly recalled that Sept. 29, 2006 was a day of two tragedies for Weston Schools.

Her husband, John Klang, was shot and killed at school by a student and student Erik Fichtel, 16, died in a traffic crash.

"The world is diminished because they are gone, but it is still a better place because they were here," she said.

Student Taylor Wermunds described John Klang as a teacher, friend and hero.

"He was the teacher of life's lessons," she said.

Sue Klang said the lessons include helping one another and lending a hand to those not so fortunate.

She said parents should remember to be role models for their children and remember the importance of small acts of heroism every day.

There was no mention of Eric Hainstock, who was convicted of shooting Klang and is in prison for at least the next 30 years.

The district memorialized Klang with a pillar near the entrance of the school, along with benches and a patio made with donated bricks.

"While we all may be at different places in our journey of healing, today is a celebration for all of us," said Memorial Committee chairman Kay Amborn.

# Michigan lawmakers racing clock to avoid partial state shutdown

By Tim Martin and David Eggert  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LANSING, Mich.— State spending on K-12 public schools and universities would stay flat, some 900 state workers could lose their jobs and funding for prisons and other state programs would be cut under a plan approved Sunday by the Republican-led Senate.

The proposed \$900 million in cuts and savings, which passed entirely with Republican votes, heads next to the Democratic-controlled House, where it's unlikely to pass. Despite the prospect of a state government shutdown a week from Monday, legislators and Democratic Gov. Jennifer Granholm didn't appear much closer to fixing Michigan's state budget mess.

"These are the tough votes that have to be taken," said Senate Majority Leader Mike Bishop, R-Rochester, adding he was proud of Senate Republicans. "It's not because we like to cut. It has to be done."

But Senate Minority Leader Mark Schauer, D-Battle Creek, said of the plan's mix of cuts and spending restrictions: "These bills move us no closer to a resolution to our state budget crisis. In fact, they move us backward."

Lawmakers were back in session at the Capitol Sunday evening for a rare weekend session, trying to avoid a possible partial government shutdown when the new budget year starts Oct. 1.

The state faces a projected

\$1.75 billion deficit in the upcoming fiscal year. No consensus on how to balance the budget has emerged despite months of negotiations between Granholm, the House and Senate.

Under the Senate plan — opposed by Granholm and Democrats as harmful to health care, public safety and education — the House would be left to start the process moving on a tax increase of at least \$600 million to balance the remaining shortfall. House Democratic leaders have tried several times in the past week and a half to raise the income tax to 4.6 percent but haven't succeeded.

It was unclear if the House would take up a tax increase Sunday night or whether it might leave it up to a House-Senate conference committee to deal with what the increase should be.

In the Senate, debate raged over the spending cuts, which Democrats noted would close secretary of state branches, raise tuition rates and stop Medicaid coverage for 19- and 20-year-olds. Republicans accused Democrats of mischaracterizing parts of the plan as cuts. They said much of the cost savings would come through rejecting funding increases proposed by Democrats.

"That's not a cut to existing funding. That's a reduction or elimination of an increase," said Senate Appropriations Chairman Ron Jelinek, R-Three Oaks. "How can you call not giving an increase a cut? It's not."

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# U.S. snipers cite program of 'baiting' insurgents in Iraq

By Josh White and Joshua Partlow  
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WASHINGTON — A Pentagon group has encouraged some U.S. military snipers in Iraq to target suspected insurgents by scattering pieces of "bait," such as detonation cords, plastic explosives and ammunition, and then killing Iraqis who pick up the items, according to military court documents.

The classified program was described in investigative documents related to recently filed murder charges against three snipers who are accused of planting evidence

on Iraqis they killed.

"Baiting is putting an object out there that we know they will use, with the intention of destroying the enemy," Capt. Matthew P. Didier, the leader of an elite sniper scout platoon attached to the 1st Battalion of the 501st Infantry Regiment, said in a sworn statement. "Basically, we would put an item out there and watch it. If someone found the item, picked it up and attempted to leave with the item, we would engage the individual as I saw this as a sign they would use the item against U.S. Forces."

In documents obtained by The Washington Post from family members of the accused soldiers, Didier said members of the the U.S. military's Asymmetric Warfare Group visited his unit in January and later passed along ammunition boxes filled with the "drop items" to be used "to disrupt the AIF (Anti-Iraq Forces) attempts at harming Coalition Forces and give us the upper hand in a fight."

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# Favre ties Marino for all-time mark in touchdowns

By Chris Jenkins  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Brett Favre goes out of his way to say he cares about winning, not going after records.

He managed to do both at the same time on Sunday.

Favre found Greg Jennings on a slant pattern for the record-tying 420th touchdown pass of his career. The 57-yard completion, erased a four-point deficit to the San Diego Chargers with just over two minutes left and rallied the undefeated Packers to a 31-24 win. Favre is now tied with Dan Marino for the most touchdown passes in NFL history.

"I could care less about the record," said Favre, who was 28-of-35 for 369 yards and three touchdowns. "Everyone's over there celebrating, cheering and congratulating me and I said look, this will mean nothing if we don't win this game."

Favre's 38th career fourth-quarter comeback came one series after the Chargers defense stopped Favre and the Packers cold on fourth-and-goal.

However, the Chargers (1-2) gave up the record-tying touchdown minutes later, continuing their early slide under new coach Norv Turner.

San Diego has now lost as many regular season games as it did all of last season.

Reigning MVP LaDainian Tomlinson swallowed hard as he stepped to the interview podium after the game, at a loss for words to describe the disappointing start.

"It's still a long season," said Tomlinson, who carried 22 times for 62 yards. "But I mean, right now we just — I don't know. I'm lost."

Suddenly facing heightened expectations in Green Bay, Packers coach Mike McCarthy said he expects more from Favre in the weeks to come.

"Every time he takes the field, he's adding another log on the fire of such a brilliant career that will continue to burn, hopefully, for a while," McCarthy said.

Marino said it was only fitting Favre tied the record in a come-from-behind win.

"To tie the record in that fashion, you have to feel good for him since he's such a great competitor," said Marino, now an analyst for CBS TV.

Favre's fireworks also spoiled a breakout game for Chargers quarterback Philip Rivers, who started 15-for-15 to tie Dan Fouts' franchise record for consecutive completions

and drove the Chargers to the lead in the third quarter.

Rivers was 27-of-36 for 306 yards, with three touchdowns and a late interception. He and Tomlinson had a heated exchange on the sidelines in the third quarter.

"It appears to be like we're arguing, but it wasn't really arguing, it was competitive talk," Tomlinson said.

San Diego took a 21-17 lead early in the third quarter on a swing pass from Rivers that Tomlinson ran 21 yards to the end zone.

Favre and the Packers threatened with a drive with just over five minutes left in the fourth quarter, but San Diego's defense stopped wide receiver James Jones short on third-and-goal. Favre then threw incomplete on fourth down.

In hindsight, McCarthy said he should have had Jones' play reviewed.

On the next possession, after an incompletion on first down, Favre zipped a pass to Jennings who was running a slant pattern from the left side. Jennings streaked into the end zone to give the Packers the lead, and give Favre yet another piece of history.

"He has many more records he

has to go get, so we're going to try to get him all those," Jennings said.

Packers linebacker Nick Barnett intercepted Rivers on the Chargers' next possession, and ran 38 yards to the San Diego 2. Brandon Jackson went in for a touchdown from the one, putting the Packers ahead 31-21.

The Chargers drove for a 44-yard field goal by Nate Kaeding to cut the lead to seven with 20 seconds left, but Donald Driver covered the onside kick attempt to preserve the victory.

Driver, Favre's favorite target, had a big day despite getting his helmet knocked off on a hard hit by defensive back Marlon McCree early in the first quarter. Driver caught six passes for 126 yards, including a touchdown pass in the second quarter.

Now Driver wants to catch the record-breaker.

"I'm just hoping that I can get in the record books as being the one that surpassed it," Driver said. "That's my goal right now."

Just a week ago, Favre led the Packers to a road victory over the New York Giants for his 149th win as a starter, passing John Elway's all-time record. Favre started his quarterback-record 240th consecutive game

on Sunday, tying him for second on the all-time list with former Minnesota center Mick Tingelhoff.

Favre closed in on Marino by throwing two touchdown passes to power the Packers to a 17-14 half-time lead.

The first went to Driver and the second went to tight end Bubba Franks, following another classic — but not-so-glamorous — Favre moment. Facing first-and-goal at the Chargers' five, Favre began to scramble and tried to pump fake, only to watch the ball pop out of his hands for an apparent fumble that was recovered by the Chargers.

A replay determined his arm was in motion when the ball popped out, and the play was ruled an incomplete pass.

It was another bad break in what is starting to look like a disappointing season for the Chargers.

"My expectations, the expectations of our players was to come in and win, we didn't get that done," Turner said.

Green Bay, on the other hand, is an unexpected 3-0 for the first time since 2001. Now the question is: Are the Packers for real?

"It's hard to luck into three straight wins like we have," Favre said.

## Angels repeat as AL West champs

By Ken Peters  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Shades of 2002.

With John Lackey starting, Francisco Rodriguez closing and fans waving those rally monkeys, the Los Angeles Angels clinched their third AL West title in four years Sunday, beating the Seattle Mariners 7-4.

"It's a lot of fun today, but it's just the beginning," owner Arte Moreno said, as champagne dripped from the championship cap he wore in the clubhouse celebration. "You've got to get here before you can go on."

"We already know where we've been and now we're excited about where we're going," he said.

After losing two in a row to the Mariners, manager Mike Scioscia's team clinched in its final home game of the regular season.

Lackey (18-9) again came up big in a big game.

He pitched the wild-card clincher in 2002, then won the final game of the World Series against San Francisco, the first rookie to win Game 7 in the World

Series since 1909.

Rodriguez was the setup man that year and now is the team's closer. He earned his 38th save in 43 chances with a 1-2-3 ninth against the Mariners.

"I guess he and I are a pretty good formula," Lackey said. "I was a lot skinnier and younger then."

Hours after Cleveland clinched the AL Central, the Angels locked up their spot. On Saturday night, Boston assured itself of at least an AL wild-card slot.

Casey Kotchman and Macier Izturis homered in the second inning to put the Angels ahead to stay.

The Angels' 91-65 record gave them an insurmountable 8 1/2 -game lead over the second-place Mariners.

Seattle was one game behind Los Angeles on Aug. 25, and two back when the Angels came to town two days later. The Angels swept the three-game series and the Mariners, who had lost five in a row at the point, went on to drop 10 of their next 12 and fall out of contention.

Seattle manager John McLaren complimented the Angels.

"That's where you want to be — right

in the middle of the field jumping on each other," he said. "That's what it's all about. We want that day to come soon for us."

The first-place finish is only the sixth in the Angels' 47-year history, and the trip to the postseason is just their seventh. Before their recent run of success, they hadn't made the playoffs since 1986.

The only players remaining from the 2002 championship team are Lackey, Rodriguez, Garret Anderson, Scot Shields and Chone Figgins. All were key contributors to the team's drive to the West title this year.

Los Angeles has one goal remaining this week — earning home-field advantage throughout the AL playoffs by finishing with the league's best record. They're currently bunched near the top with the Indians, Red Sox and New York Yankees.

Lackey allowed seven hits and struck out seven as he beat Seattle for the fourth time in as many decisions this year. He hadn't allowed a run all season against them until Jose Lopez's RBI single in the fifth.

## FOOTBALL: Carpenter, Torain respond with countless big plays in second half of game

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Oregon State (2-2, 0-1 Pac-10) led 2-0 after four plays when ASU's Jason Perkins snapped the ball over punter Jonathan Johnson's head and into the end zone, where Johnson fell on it for a safety.

Two Oregon State touchdowns and a field goal put ASU in its biggest hole of the season.

The Sun Devils didn't panic. They used two broken plays to get back in the game.

The first was a 64-yard touchdown pass from Carpenter to Jones early in the second quarter. Carpenter was flushed from the pocket, scrambled and found Jones behind safety Al Afalava.

The next big play came late in the first half, when Carpenter was hit on a blitz and fumbled at his own 23. He picked up the ball and found Tyrice Thompson for a 33-yard gain. That set up a 30-yard field goal by Thomas Weber to cut ASU's deficit to 19-13 at halftime.

The Sun Devils took a 27-26 lead on a 48-yard pass from Carpenter to Torain near the end of the third quarter. The score came one play after Nolan intercepted a pass and returned it 25 yards.

Arizona State put the game away with 17 points in the fourth quarter.

Oregon State's Sean Canfield completed 28 of 48 passes for 324 yards and two touchdowns, but was intercepted five times. He also had three interceptions in a 34-3 loss to Cincinnati Sept. 6.

Yvenson Bernard rushed for 128 yards and a touchdown for the Beavers.

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# OSU golf teams shine at home tournament

Men's program takes home team victory while women grab second place honors at Giustina Memorial Classic last Tuesday

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The Oregon State golf teams took home the championship trophy from the inaugural Giustina Memorial Classic held at Trysting Tree Golf Club.

This unique event featured 10 different teams from around the West Coast, including Oregon, Washington State, and Fresno State. Schools were paired with one man and one woman from each team to form a foursome, and team scores were combined to determine which school won.

Washington State pressured OSU throughout the round, but the Beavers edged the Cougars in the combined scoring by three

strokes, 1743-1746.

"It always feels great to win," coach Brian Watts said. "We weren't quite sure what was going to happen with the men and women playing together or how everybody was going to take that. We've had a lot of positive feedback on that from the players."

The Oregon State men's team led the competition with a score of 843, followed by Fresno State's score of 851 and three teams tied at 853. The Beavers were led by Vincent Johnson (68-67-70=205) and James Allenby (68-69-69=206), who each posted three sub-par rounds to finish second and third individually.

"To kick off the first tournament of the year this way, it's a great way to start the season," Watts said. "It was a great opportunity for the men's and women's teams to get a little bit closer and know each other a little bit better. I think it's a tournament that is only going to

get better from here on out."

On the women's side of the tournament, Washington State came out on top with a score of 886, and OSU finished second with a score of 900. Jessi Gebhardt paced the Beavers with a par-72 on Tuesday finish the tournament with a plus-5 223 to tie for fifth.

Oregon State's team victories over Oregon secured the first two points of the 2007 Northwest Dodge Civil War Series.

"It means a lot to get these two points," Watts said. "Looking at last year it came down to the very last game, and it's really important for us to get started on the right foot, so for us to pick up both points, it's huge."

Boise State's Troy Merritt (68-67-69) won the men's competition with a score of 12-under-par 204 while Felicia Eastick (74-69-74), of Oregon, earned the win on the women's side with a score of 1-over-par 217.

## WOMEN'S SOCCER: Benson begins comeback against BSU

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at this match as a stepping point in our season."

Down 3-1 at the half, Whitney Goodell started Oregon State's comeback at the 69th minute. Goodell converted on her second goal of the season after finding a loose ball after a corner kick. The goal brought Oregon State to a one goal deficit.

Boise State (3-3-1) jumped out to a quick two-goal lead in the first 12 minutes of the match. Shannon Saxton scored at the ninth minute, followed by Cheyenne Jones less than three minutes later.

The Beavers started their first comeback of the game when Holly Benson found the back of the net for the first time this season. She scored at the 18th minute on a header off of a corner kick from Rachael Axon.

The Broncos, however, could not be held quiet for the rest of the half. Saxton scored her second goal of the match at the 38th minute to give Boise State a 3-1 lead entering halftime.

Although the Beavers were able to pepper the Boise State net in the two overtimes, the team could not convert on a game-winning goal. Taylor was able to get a shot on goal in the final 20 seconds, but Boise State's Jennifer Burns was able to make the save.

Ashley Wood played the whole game for the Beavers, making two saves.

Oregon State out-shot Boise State, 22-11, led by Taylor, who had seven shots, including four on goal. Goodell also had four shots, including her second-half goal.

## Women's swimming season opens with intersquad meet

Divided into two teams, black squad swims past orange team, 148-109 at Stevens Natatorium

THE DAILY BAROMETER

The Oregon State women's swim team began its 2007-08 season Saturday by competing in an intersquad meet at Stevens Natatorium.

The swimmers were divided into black and orange teams with each team captain picking who would swim for their group. While both teams pushed themselves to win, it was the black squad that pulled out the victory with a score of 148-109.

"They all did a great job today," coach Larry Liebowitz said. "They were all in good spirits and excited about today's meet."

Competing for the black team were seniors Felicia Castaneda, Dena Lougee, Kaitlin Ringquist, junior Saori Haruguchi, sophomores Lisa Chewning, Anna Crandall, Kaylin Hutchinson, Brittney Iverson, Ashley Kerkanich, Sarah Mayzes, and freshmen Keri Holmstrom, Kelly Forrester, Karri-Ann Benthin.

The orange squad consisted of senior Erin Postma, juniors

Andria Breeden, Corrinne Burrow, Ginny Omundson, Marissa Eng, Kayla Rawlings, Agata Szwczuk, Kelsey Tannehill, sophomores Katherine Hagan, Nicole Pressprich, and freshman Rachel Polack.

The regular season kicks off Friday, October 12, when the Beavers travel to Los Angeles, Calif., to compete against Southern California.

## MEN'S SOCCER: Group of freshmen get ample playing time against Northern Illinois

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"Definitely, it's very important because it turns our entire season around and puts going into the Pac-10 on a winning note and we've got a lot of confidence now," Woodward said. "The last few games it just hasn't fallen for us and now we're going forward."

On Friday, the Beavers dominated the time of possession and kept the opposing goalkeeper on his toes with a flurry of shots only to fall due to one costly error.

In the 61st minute, NIU defender Chris Rufa was able to take a pass and head in the ball from 10 yards out after Beaver goalkeeper Packy Deenihan came forward to snatch the ball away only to come up short.

"I should have come out quicker or not at all," said Deenihan of the goal.

OSU out-shot its opponent for the third straight game, 15-

6, against NIU while somehow managing to record their third straight loss.

"I thought Northern Illinois was a very good opponent," coach Dana Taylor said. "I thought they were very organized and brought a lot to the game, they were dangerous on the counter-attacks, which was the scouting report. But yet, taking nothing away from them we've got to put the ball away. It's that simple, it really is."

Possibly the best chance to score for the Beavers came in the 41st minute when senior midfielder Mason Webb took a pass from junior forward Josh Cameron from 10 yards out, but his chip shot sailed over the goal, which was a common theme for OSU. The Beavers saw several shots sail into the blackness beyond the surrounding fence and off the mark.

Five freshmen took to the

pitch as starters for the Beavers.

"I truly look, day in and day out, at our players and there are cycles that players go through," Taylor said. "Some guys are in better shape than others and this week we had a lot of freshmen stepping up to the plate and I thought they played well tonight."

He singled out the strong play of center back, Mike Epple.

"Brilliant in the back. As far as I'm concerned he won a starting job right there," Taylor said.

Taylor also said that despite the losses, his team wasn't about to bury their heads in the sand.

"Nothing changes, it's that simple, and we're creating chances. We just need to stick to the plan and the goals will come," Taylor said. "One thing you can say about this team is that it's a blue collar group, we have a good work ethic."

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## VOLLEYBALL: Walsh reaches top 10 mark for assists in one season

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the Beavers by 10, thanks to 20 attack errors by OSU.


"Number one I saw a great team on the other side of the net," coach Taras Liskevych said. "The other is we made too many mistakes on our side with blocking and ball control. Having a better pass, a better set and a better swing at the ball, that is what cost us."

Oregon State was led by Rourke and Sawatzky on the attack with 22 kills between them. Evans added 22 digs while Walsh's 27 assists raised her season total to 580, moving her into seventh all-time for juniors at OSU.

"We really need to re-focus," Sawatzky said. "The WSU win was nice but now we have to forget about it."

This weekend OSU heads to the Arizona desert for matches against University of Arizona and Arizona State.

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## Beavers can't record victory in Montana

■ After tying Boise State on Friday, Oregon State loses heartbreaker to Detroit-Mercy in overtime

THE DAILY BAROMETER

MISSOULA, Mont. — Despite peppering Detroit-Mercy with 21 shots, the Oregon State women's soccer team dropped a 1-0 decision in overtime to the Titans Sunday at the Montana Nike Cup.

Trina Kochanski's goal nine minutes into overtime sealed the win for Detroit-Mercy. She beat Oregon State goalie Ashley Wood inside the left post from 12 yards out. The loss dropped the Beavers to 5-2-1 this season while Detroit-Mercy improved to 2-6-0.

Neither team could get much offense in the extra frame. Both clubs managed just one shot, with the Beavers' opportunity coming by Red Nixon less than five minutes in. Oregon State had another chance a minute later on a corner kick by Courtney Wetzel, but could not get a shot on goal.

The Beavers posted 20 shots through regulation, with six coming on net. Jodie Taylor led the team with four shots, including one on goal. Wetzel also had three shots for the Beavers, who controlled most of the game despite rainy conditions for most of the contest.

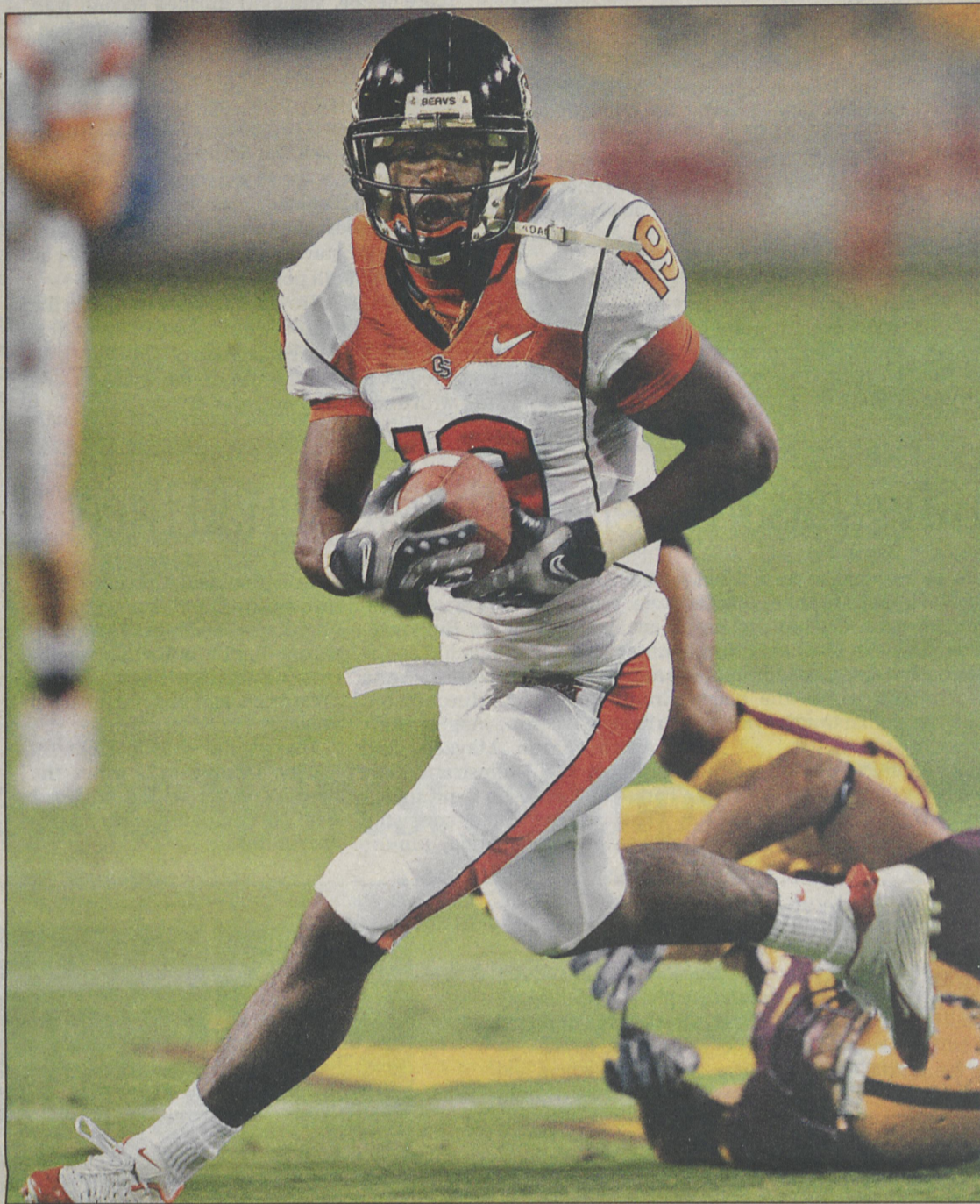
Wood made two saves for Oregon State and is now 5-2-1 this season. Detroit-Mercy goalie Katie Fortenberry posted six saves in the shutout.

On Friday, the women's soccer team opened up its appearance at the Montana Nike Cup with a 3-3 tie against Boise State. The Beavers scored two goals in the second half to send the match to overtime, where neither team could score in the final two periods.

Jodie Taylor scored her 10th goal of the season at the 83rd minute on an assist from Courtney Wetzel. Taylor's goal effectively sent the match into double overtime, where the Beavers out-shot Boise State, 6-3 — including 5-2 in the second overtime — but could not convert for the victory.

"It was a good comeback," Fennah said. "Obviously, we put ourselves in a hole we shouldn't have been in. But we stayed focused and were able to get those late goals. Down the road, I'm sure we'll be able to look

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Oregon State wide receiver Sammie Stroughter gets away from an ASU defender in the Beavers 44-32 loss to the Sun Devils.

## Lead won't hold for OSU

■ Big plays, interceptions haunt Beavers, who fall to Arizona State in Tempe for 16th straight time after leading Sun Devils 19-0 through first quarter

By Andrew Bagnato  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

For the second time in three weeks, Arizona State erased a double-digit deficit to remain unbeaten.

Rudy Carpenter threw for 361 yards and four touchdowns and the Sun Devils defeated Oregon State 44-32 on Saturday night, rallying from a 19-point first-quarter hole.

Carpenter completed 25 of 36 passes and threw an interception. He hit Michael Jones for touchdowns of

43 and 64 yards and connected with Ryan Torain for seven and 48-yard scores.

Jones caught four passes for a career-high 124 yards, and Torain ran for 91 yards and had a 41-yard touchdown.

Robert James and Troy Nolan each had two interceptions and Justin Tryon picked off one for the Sun Devils (4-0, 1-0 Pac-10).

The Sun Devils survived a shaky start for the second time in three weeks. The Sun Devils spotted Colorado a 14-point lead before rallying for a 33-14 victory on Sept. 8.

Against Oregon State, the Sun Devils trailed 19-0 after the first quarter, and they had been outgained 153-6.

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## Men's soccer splits weekend home stand

■ OSU beats Loyola of Maryland in its second tournament game after losing to Northern Illinois

By Noah Tinker  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Oregon State men's soccer came away with a split decision in the OSU Zaher/Hensor Memorial Tournament Sept. 21-22 at Paul Lorenz Field, falling to Northern Illinois before rebounding with a win over heralded Loyola of Maryland.

On Saturday, OSU made that sentiment a reality when sophomore Justin Woodward took a cross shot from Josh Cameron that was passed along from Nick Webb and headed the ball in for the Beavers to give them the 1-0 lead in the 38th minute against Loyola.

"I was coming down the back post and I was expecting Josh to flip the ball across," Woodward said. "And when he did I was just finishing my run and it popped behind Nick so I just put it right into the goal."

The Greyhounds had come to Corvallis undefeated and ranked No. 26 in the nation before falling to the Bulldogs of Gonzaga on Friday, 2-1.

Loyola showed their desperation and determination in the second half by subjecting the Beavers to a barrage of shots and unrelenting pressure, which also resulted in a pair of yellow cards. The second of which was an especially violent take down of Woodward by Conor Baranski in the 88th minute.

OSU, however, proved more than up to the test.

"I was proud of the way the guys battled," Taylor said. "Especially when [Loyola] threw everybody at us during the last 25 minutes of the game. I mean it was hectic; it was mayhem at the end. I was proud of how they kept their calm and kept the ball in the corners and killed the game in the corners which was good."

Packy Deenihan also displayed flashes of brilliance in front of the goal, as numerous times he leaped with arms outstretched to knock away potential equalizers and deny Loyola a tie.

With the start of the Pac-10 schedule coming this Friday at Stanford, Woodward was happy to end the home stand with a win.

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## Volleyball finally notches Pac-10 win

■ Playing Pac-10 opener, OSU takes down Washington State in five games to win its first conference match in two years

By Casey Grogan  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

In their first Pac-10 game of the season, the OSU volleyball team reminded everyone that there was no place to go but up from last season, and in game two the women were not able to keep the momentum going.

Opening their home season the Beavers welcomed Washington State to a tight five-game match. Despite being behind most of the night, Oregon State managed to come back for wins in games one (32-30) and five (16-14) to edge the visiting Cougars.

Game one belonged to WSU late as the Cougars went up 16-9 before OSU fought back to take a 27-26 lead. The teams exchanged points before junior setter K.C. Walsh snuck in the game-winning kill in her Gill Coliseum debut.

"It was really exciting and the fans are really supportive," Walsh said. "I tried to get

all my nerves out in warm ups."

A close victory by Washington State in game two gave them the momentum to shoot past the Beavers in the third game. OSU was able to stay ahead much of the fourth game before going on a run that took them from a 22-19 lead to the 30-21 win and forcing a deciding game five.

Wazzu went ahead quickly with a 12-8 lead before sophomore outside hitter Bree Knitter scored to help the Beavers regain momentum. While behind 14-12, Oregon State got hot, scoring three consecutive points before a long rally ended with a match-winning kill by freshman outside hitter Jill Sawatzky.

"It was really fun," Sawatzky said. "It has been really fun and I really like it here."

Sawatzky's kill gave the Beavers their first Pac-10 victory since November 25, 2005 when OSU went 3-0 against Arizona State.

"It feels very good, it has been a long time," senior outside hitter Kristin Murray said. "I think it means the same thing for everyone that was here last year having not won."

Oregon State had four women reach double figure kills as sophomore outside hit-

ter Rachel Rourke totaled 23, Murray (21), Sawatzky (18) and Knitter with 10. Walsh added 64 assists and junior libero Ashley Evans helped out with 23 digs in addition to a few great one-armed desperation plays.

"That's my job to get those balls," Evans said. "The block did a great job and forming the defense behind the block is my job."

The second match-up of the weekend was against a very tough No. 8 Washington Husky team. They took full advantage of Beaver mistakes as the closest OSU got to UW was a 30-23 loss in game one. Game two was all UW as they beat Oregon State 30-15.

"Washington without a doubt is a really good team," Walsh said. "We need to worry more about our side and not focus so much on their side. We need to just get on with the next play. We need to know we can come back and believe in ourselves."

The Beavers were unable to get anything going as 15 balls they served yielded a point for UW on every play. The momentum, Washington carried from game two continued into game three as the Huskies topped

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Sophomore Rachel Rourke tallied 23 kills in the Beavers victory over the Cougars.