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# Going green: it's not just a fad for OSU

Students have practiced environmentally friendly lifestyles for the past decade

#### By Lauren Sigel

Before going green emerged as the latest fad. OSU has been implementing environmental friendly initiatives for the past decade.

With the ASOSU Environmental Affairs Task Force being in place for at least 10 years and the Student Sustainability Initiative tracing its beginnings back to 2003, they easily predate the "go green" trend that is sweeping across the nation.

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# Student sustainability movement focuses on transportation issues

OSU works closely with CTS in campus-wide sustainability initiative outlined by Governor

#### By Corey Murphy THE DAILY BAROMETE

Gov. Ted Kulongoski wants students to ride the bus.

The governor outlined his goals for advancing Oregon's public transportation in a Jan. 16 press release, including how it could serve the economy and keep the state at the forefront of the climate change issue.

Kulongoski intends to expand on his previous successes, namely biofuel standards and energy efficiency goals, during the 2009 legislative session.

Turningtotransportation, Kulongoski focused on the link between keeping Oregon's food processing industry globally competitive and the diversification and development of the transportation

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At dusk on Tuesday, crews worked to repair the power line that feeds Snell Hall and McAlexander Fieldhouse. Power was restored to the affected buildings late Tuesday evening.

# **Power back on line for affected buildings**

When the line restored some power, a piece of

#### All nine affected campus buildings online after delayed reopening of Snell Hall, McAlexander Fieldhouse

#### THE DAILY BAROMETER

As of just after 9 p.m. Tuesday, Snell Hall and McAlexander Fieldhouse have regained power, after an extended stint in the dark.

Snell, McAlexander and seven other buildings suffered power failure early Tuesday morning. Snell and McAlexander were in the dark the longest. The other buildings regained power around noon on Tuesday.

Kerr Administration, the Pharmacy Building, Langton Hall, Snell Hall, Gill Coliseum, the Women's Center and McNary Hall were also affected.

Originally thought to be caused by a small fire in the Pharmacy Building, a power outage affected nine buildings at 8:30 Tuesday morning.

The east side of campus was affected by a main power line that shut down unexpectedly.

smoking, according to university spokesman Todd Simmons.

Classes held in the Pharmacy Building, the Education Building, Langton Hall and Snell Hall were displaced or cancelled until power

was restored just before noon. The Pharmacy Building was evacuated until the fume hoods were reactivated shortly after the power was restored.

Shortly after crews from Pacific Power and Light arrived, they assessed that a piece of equipment needed to be replaced, according to Simmons.

There were doubts that repairs could be made by the beginning of the working day Wednesday. "And it's much more complicated than they origi-

nally bargained for," Simmons said.

#### **Timeline** Time of shut down: 8:30 a.m. Tuesday

**Time repaired:** -12 p.m. Tuesday for Kerr, the Pharmacy Building, Langton Hall, Snell Hall, Gill Coliseum, the Women's Center and McNary Hall (3.5 hours without power) -9:30 p.m. for Snell Hall and McAlex-

ander Fieldhouse (13 hours without power)

According to ASOSU President Greg Purdy, the equipment near the Pharmacy Building started ASOSU Internship class was cancelled on Tuesday. ASOSU's staff was also sent home.

"They can work from home but we can't force them to work if they don't have a work environment,' Purdy said.

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Escape and ROTC programs were unavailable until power was restored.

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The cost of the parking meters in front of Fung's Chinese Restaurant on Monroe Street is increasing, along with other meters in the city of Corvallis.

# wn metered parking rates increase

**Prices** 

24 minute: \$0.25

1 hour: \$0.50

2 hour: \$1.00

4 hour: \$2.00

10 hour: \$1:50

Increase is attempt by Corvallis Public Works to cover expenses, keep up with inflation in U.S. economy

#### By Dominique Smith THE DAILY BAROMETER

The cost of metered parking in Corvallis has gone up.

The process of updating approximately 580 parking meters in Corvallis began on Monday, Jan. 28, and will take about two weeks, as each one must be reprogrammed to recognize the new parking costs. Meter

The last update on the parking meter rates for downtown Corvallis took place in the year 2000, while elsewhere in the city, the last update was in 1992.

This time the Corvallis City Council hopes to keep things consistent throughout the town, and there won't be another rate increase for at least a few years.

Parking is extremely important in Corvallis, especially for downtown businesses, and the city wants to make parking as convenient as possible for everyone.

The new parking meter rates are significant because turnover for parking must be ensured. In other words, the city wants to ensure that parking spaces are filled and emptied at an even rate.

"If there are never enough parking spaces, chances are that the meter prices are too low and the time allotted to each car is too high," said Joe Whinnery, the program specialist for the transportation division of Public Works.

"If there are always a ridiculous amount of empty spaces, the prices are probably too high."

The money collected by parking meters is placed in a parking fund that pays for the maintenance and replacement of parking meters, the cost of collecting the money from each meter

and any projects that might be done on a parking lot, such as expansion or the development of a parking structure.

The revenue coming in from old parking meter fees was not keeping pace with the rate of inflation.

The land cost to find and maintain parking is close to \$8,000 per parking space or, in the case of a parking structure like the OSU parking garage, the cost is \$35,000.

With the old meter rates, the parking fund added up to about \$20,000 - not enough to cover costs for any significant parking project that might come up.

The transportation division of Public Works

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#### **ELECTION 2008** Florida Primary



D - Hillary Clinton R – John McCain

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#### **Democratic party results**

Hillary Clinton, U.S. Senator (NY)	50%
Barack Obama, U.S. Senator (IL)	33%
John Edwards, Fmr. U.S. Senator (NC)	15%

#### **Republican party results**

John McCain, U.S. Senator (AZ)	36%
Mitt Romney, Fmr. Governor (MA)	31%
Rudy Giuliani, Fmr. Mayor (NYC)	15%

Note: Both national parties have punished Florida for moving their primary elections forward, revoking all delegates for the Democrats and half of the delegates for the Republicans.

In primary elections, registered voters choose which candidate they would want to represent their party. The Democratic Party uses proportional representation to award delegates to a candidate. The Republican Party uses a winner-take-all system.

Information from vote-smart.org and CNN.com



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#### OUOTED

"My attitude is, if he (Petraeus) didn't want to continue the drawdown, that's fine with me, in order to make sure we succeed. I said to the general, if you want to slow her down, fine: it's up to you."

President Bush, in a conversation with Gen. David Petraeus regarding troop reductions in Iraq. The meeting happened in Kuwait on Jan. 12.

#### BREAKDOWN

KANSAS CITY, Mo. Margaret Truman, the only child of former President Harry S. Truman and a concert singer, actress, radio and TV personality and mystery writer, died Tuesday. She was 83.

Truman, known as Margaret Truman Daniel in private life, died at a Chicago assisted living center after a brief illness, according to Susan Medler, a spokeswoman for the Harry S. Truman Library and Museum in Independence. She had been at the center for the past several weeks and was on a respirator, the library said.

Her father's succession to the presidency in 1945 thrust her into the national spotlight while a college junior.

"I feel that I've lived several different lives, and that was one of them," she said in 1980. "Some of it was fun, but most of it was not. It was a great view of history being made.

"The only thing I ever missed about the White House was having a car and driver," she once said.

NAIROBI, Kenya - Just hours after an opposition lawmaker was gunned down in his driveway, the fury that has swept over this country since last month's disputed presidential election arrived in his middle-class neighborhood.

The repercussions from the killing Tuesday morning of Mugabe Were, cast by opposition supporters as the first political assassination of Kenva's month-old post-election crisis, began in front of his house on a street of squared hedges and high gates. Mourners gathered there by the hundreds until police arrived and fired tear gas. The scene turned into an angry, tire-burning demonstration.

MIAMI --- John McCain had 31 percent.

edged Mitt Romney Tuesday in Florida's Republican primary, while Hillary Clinton won a convincing but largely symbolic victory in the Democratic vote. Voters also approved a constitutional amendment to provide statewide property tax relief.

Miami-Dade County voters authorized Las Vegas-style slot machines at three existing pari-mutuel facilities in the state's most populous county, after rejecting them at the ballot box three years ago.

In the GOP race, with 74 percent of the expected vote counted, Arizona Sen. McCain had more than 35 percent to 31 percent former Massachusetts Gov. Romney

McCain, Clinton win Fla.; property tax plan ahead

Former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, who skipped earlier contests to focus nearly all his energy and money on Florida, was third with 15 percent and former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee had 13 percent.

In the Democratic race, Associated Press The declared Clinton the winner just as polls closed in Florida's western counties at 8 p.m. EST. With 76 percent of the expected vote tallied, Clinton had nearly 50 percent to Barack Obama's more than 32 percent, and former North Carolina Sen. John Edwards was a distant third with 14 percent.

The Democratic outcome

amounted to little more than \$9 billion over five years, the a beauty contest because the national Democratic Party stripped Florida of its convention delegates because the primary was moved to an earlier date. The Democratic candidates took a pledge not to campaign in the state, although they did raise money.

The amendment, a top priority of GOP Gov. Charlie Crist, doubles the property tax homestead exemption for primary homeowners, enables homeowners who move to take their "Save Our Homes" tax protections with them and gives tax reductions to businesses, owners of second homes and other properties.

Expected to cut taxes by Course horse track.

Stimulus package slides through House, will see Senate floor

**TOP STORY** 

House, seizing a rare moment of bipartisanship to respond to the U.S. economy's slump, overwhelmingly passed a debate, would send at least is facing economic uncer-\$146 billion (\$99 billion) aid some rebate to anyone with tainty that some fear could

(\$406-\$812) to most taxpayers. The plan, approved 385-35 Tuesday after little debate, would send at least is facing economic uncer-

WASHINGTON - The rebates of \$600-\$1,200 income, with more going to turn in decades, brought families with children and less going to wealthier tax-

on by a steady drumbeat of bad news. The market for payers. The United States risky housing mortgages collapsed creating a credit crisis with banks reluctant to lend.

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amendment needed at least 60

percent approval to pass and

easily surpassed that threshold

at 64 percent with three-fourths

Opponents claimed that the

tax amendment's meager pro-

jected savings - about \$240 a

year - were too small to risk

cuts in government services

including schools, fire protec-

Miami-Dade County vot-

ers shot down a slot machines

referendum in 2005, so

Tuesday was their second

chance to decide whether to

install the devices at Miami

Jai-Alai, the Flagler Sports

and Entertainment Center

dog track and the Calder Race

tion and law enforcement.

of the expected vote tallied.

**Events** Women's Center, all day, MU Concourse Gallery. Art Show - "Back to Basics: Celebrating Women's Stories and Lives.' In honor of Women's History Month in

#### **Events**

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 7pm, Grace Lutheran Church, 435 NW 21st, corner of

#### Monday, Feb. 4

Meetings

ASOSU, 5pm, ASOSU, Snell 149. Women's Affairs Task Force Meeting.

vices & Early Childhood, 6pm, Milam 319. Learn about the Parent Enhancement Program, opportunities to get involved, and much more!

#### Tuesday, Feb. 5

- ASOSU Multicultural Affairs, 4:30pm, SLI. If you want an opportunity to get involved in ASOSU, this is it! Come join
- Force, 4-5pm, Snell 149. Come work on environmental campaigns and help plan Earth Week 2008

ASOSU State Affairs Task Force, 6-7pm Snell Hall Lounge. Want to make a difference? Join us in the fight to reduce the cost of education and amplify the student voice. Evervone is welcome!

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30am-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd

CALENDAR

#### Wednesday, Jan. 30 Meetings

**ASOSU Non-Traditional Affairs Task** Force, 5pm, MU 209 (25+ Lounge). Join non-traditional students in campaigning for positive change on campus!

Recreational Sports, 5:15pm, MU 212 (MLK). Recreational Sports board meeting. College Republicans, 7pm, MU Journey Room. Discuss national and local events with like-minded students.

**SIAB (Student Involvement Advisory** Board), 6-8pm, MU 211. Budget meeting.

#### **Events**

United Campus Ministry, Noon-1pm, Westminster House, 101 NW 23rd St. University Learning Community. Join us for conversation. Our book focus is, "Jesus and the Disinherited" by Howard Thruman. United Campus Ministry, 5:30-7:30pm, Westminster House, 101 NW 23rd St. Student Gatherings. Come for a homecooked meal, followed by a time of study. We will explore our understanding of the nature & practice of prayer.

#### Thursday, Jan. 31

Meetings ASOSU Queer Affairs Task Force, 5pm SLI Main Lounge (Snell 149). We are dedi cated to creating campaigns that increase the awareness of LGBTQQIA issues on campus. Please join us. Bring your ideas!

Allies welcome! Student Health Services, Noon, MU 206 Open budget forum for Student Health Services.

#### International Women's Coffee Hour (ISFS), 3-5pm, Women's Center. Take a break from your busy day to relax over a cup of coffee or tea and meet some of

the extraordinary women from around the world who have come to OSU to teach, research and study. **Events** 

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 6pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd Street. Quest: mple supper and discussion.

Music, Noon, MU Lounge. Music å la Carte: Sirens - oboe, flute and piano trio. Volunteers

Society of Physics Students, 2-6pm, Wngr 383. SPS will offer tutoring for lower division Physics and Math students.

#### Friday, Feb. 1

February. Through 3/3/08. Sunday, Feb. 3

### Kings & Harrison Streets. Taizé Prayer.

## Student Association of Human Ser-

#### Meetings

- us for lots of fun and participation.
- **ASOSU Environmental Affairs Task**

#### **Events**

### **House passes** surveillance law

WASHINGTON - The House and Senate Tuesday approved a 15-day extension of an expiring intelligence surveillance law and the White House backed off a threatened veto allowing more time to resolve a dispute over the administration's proposal to immunize telephone companies from lawsuits stemming from their cooperation with warrantless wiretaps.

Both chambers passed by unanimous voice votes the temporary extension of the Protect America Act and then left town for a one-week break. The White House gave its blessing Tuesday night to the short-term measure rather than allowing the surveillance law to expire Friday.

President Bush had insisted that Congress act immediately to approve a new surveillance measure that includes the immunity provision. "We've had ample time for debate. The time to act is now," Bush told Congress in his State of the Union address Monday, the same day he threatened to veto a 30-day extension.

Bush remained mum when asked Tuesday if he would sign the House's 15day extension, but Tuesday night aides released a statement indicating that the president will "accommodate this request."

for a vote.

last year shepherded a surveillance bill through the House without immunity provisions, again urged the Senate to resist Bush's lobbying. "Congress must update the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act by passing a bill that protects both our national security and our civil liberties," she said in a statement.

#### **Powerful storm passes through** Denver, Colo., spawns heavy snow, numbing cold, thunder

DENVER - A powerful storm system pounded a large swath of the nation Tuesday, spawning everything from heavy snow and numbing cold to thunderstorms and possible tornadoes Forecasters warned more bad weather was on the way.

High winds associated with thunderstorms may have killed two people in Indiana, authorities said. Snow forced the closure of schools and highways in many areas, and avalanche warnings were issued for some Western mountainous regions.

Authorities received phone text messages from at least two snowmobilers lost in the mountains west of Denver on Tuesday but weren't sure whether a third

About 3 feet of snow has fallen in the Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., who area since Sunday morning, said Kyle Fredin of the National Weather Service. Snow began to taper off Tuesday, but up to a foot more was expected before the weekend, Fredin said.

The system also dragged bitterly cold air across the northern Plains, with the Weather Service reporting a midday temperature of minus 24 at Glasgow, Mont. North Dakota registered wind chill factors of minus 54 at Garrison, with an actual low of minus 24 at Williston.

"Now's when you need to have your winter survival kit," North Dakota Highway Patrol Sgt. Aaron Hummel said.

Heavy snow Monday pummeled mountain areas from Washington state to northern Arizona as two storms converged, one from hard-hit California and another from the Gulf of Alaska, meteorologists said.

#### **Oregon's gasoline** average drops below national average

PORTLAND - Oregon's average price of a gallon of gas has dropped to its lowest level since mid-October.

Triple-A Oregon spokeswoman Marie odds says Oregon's average has dropped almost seven cents this week, falling to \$2.95 per gallon. That's still 46 cents higher than it was this time last year, but it is lower than the national average. Most analysts expect further increases in U.S. oil inventories this week, so retail gasoline prices might head lower in the

—-The Associated Press

## package that would speed at least \$3,000 (\$2,000) in lead to the sharpest down-**NEWS IN BRIEF**

15-day extension of

The anger spread quickly to a vast slum a few blocks away, where Evans Silingi, a shop owner from the Luo tribe of opposition leader Raila Odinga, soon picked up a heavy gray rock. "They have just killed the MP of Embakasi!" he shouted, referring to the district that elected Were last month.

The Senate has not acted yet on a surveillance bill because of two related disputes: one among Democrats over whether to approve the legal immu-nity, and another between Democrats and Republicans over whether amendments are to be allowed when the proposed measure is brought to the floor and avalanche danger, Horr said.

missing man was with them.

Summit County sheriff's spokeswoman Paulette Horr said searchers believed they were closing in on the men's location but were having trouble deciphering the shorthand language used in the messages.

"They're really close," Horr said. Efforts were delayed by bad weather coming weeks.

able. Homemade food (vegetarian option) and stimulating conversation. Academic Success Center, 5-8pm, Waldo 114. Study night at the ASC. Join the Academic Success Center in a great studying opportunity. Free popcorn, free coaching United Campus Ministry, 6:30-8:30pm, Westminster House, 101 NW 23rd St. The Way of Prayer – An ecumenical small group designed to help people expand their understanding of the nature and practice of prayer

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The distance you should

provide between heaters and

burnable items depends on the

According to the CFD, it is

recommended that students

follow the clearance identified

by the National Fire Protection

Association, which is 36 inches.

be treated as a potential danger

and kept a good distance from

smoking habits," Patton said.

"Another concern is careless

Students and staff should

dispose of cigarette butts and

ensure that they are smoking in

For more information,

please contact the Corvallis Fire

Department at (541)766-6961.

Regi Seitz, staff writer

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other household objects.

appropriate areas.

Heating units should always

model of your heater.

# WSJ's Web Site Adds Facebook Function

#### **By Seth Sutel**

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK - The Wall Street Journal has just accepted Facebook's request to be online friends

Hoping to tap into the growing buzz of online social networks, the Journal is adding a feature to its website that will allow readers to see which Journal stories are popular monly feature lists of the most among that user's Facebook friends.

The feature, which goes live early Wednesday morning, is called "SeenThis?" and is powered by a company called were read by viewers who Loomia Inc. Financial terms weren't disclosed.

Loomia already provides WSI.com with another feature called "People who read this ... also read these stories" which appears on the right-hand side of the text of a story.

News websites will compopular stories on the site, as measured by the most views, most e-mailed or most recommended or blogged about.

But by showing articles that apparently had similar interests, the Journal is hoping to harness some of the magic of successful shopping sites like Amazon.com Inc., which will make recommendations to shoppers based on what other buyers also bought.

Addingthelinkwith Facebook takes the idea a step further, by letting viewers see what stories their own friends are interested in, not only those of the general WSJ.com readership.

#### GREEN: Styrofoam ban, reduced ecological footprint part of goal to be green on campus CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

it's important in the health of our planet," said Christie Dell'Accio, a sophomore majoring in human development and community. family sciences.

The EATF is one of ten task forces within the ASOSU, and is responsible for organizing campaigns and events that promote environmental awareness - making OSU a more sustainable community.

"Last spring we conducted surveys of a number of restaurants in Corvallis to see how many of them were using Expanded Polystyrene - EPS or Styrofoam," said Shayna Rogers, the director of ASOSU's environmental affairs.

'We handed out informational pamphlets about EPS to these restaurants and made a formal presentation to the city council on Nov. 19, 2007 to ban the use of Styrofoam.'

"I would hope that going with the Student Sustainability green is a movement because Initiative. The mission of the SSI is to create a sustainable community at OSU, and reduce the ecological footprint of the OSU

> The funds for the SSI come from student fees - \$1.85 per student per term.

The amount was determined in a proposal decision package submitted by student Justin Fleming to the Student Incidental Fees Committee in April, 2003.

The SSI was created by Fleming in Feb., 2006 to help manage the budget and the growing list of sustainability related projects.

"Sitting on the SSI's Fee Advisory Board is also included in the job description of the ASOSU Environmental Affairs Task Force Director," Rogers said.

"The SSI also provides grants to students who have innova-The EATF also works closely tive sustainability projects.'

Carly Johnson is the most recent recipient of one of these grants, and in February she will invite hundreds of students, faculty and staff to participate in the Campus Carbon Challenge via an online survey and vari-

Johnson is among many students at OSU who practice

said Sydney Ziel, a sophomore majoring in marine biology. "I've been doing that even before it was popular to do

Upcoming events for the sustainability movement include Focus the Nation — a national teach-in on global warming solutions for America.

There is also the 2008 Recycle Mania Tournament going on from Jan. 27 through April 5, a 10 week recycling competition between 200 universities across the country.

For more information regarding the events, the SSI or the Environmental Affairs Task Force, visit http://recycle. oregonstate.edu/ssi and http:// asosu.oregonstate.edu/.

### Beefing up local fire safety when using electric baseboards, days from the written notice

#### **By Regi Seitz** THE DAILY BAROMETER

As colder temperatures roll in, the number of fire fatalities increase and the Corvallis Fire Department (CFD) is urging residents to reevaluate their heating habits throughout the winter.

Resident halls and co-ops ban the use of coffee pots and microwave ovens and students are urged to leave tempting candles at home.

Unfortunately, too many students are unaware of possible fire dangers and believe accidents won't happen to them.

Some students admit that following fire safety instructions can be a hassle, and rules are commonly broken.

"I don't really know very much about fire safety," said Stephanie Holland, a freshman in exploratory studies.

Students off campus should

#### PARKING: Fund pays to replace parking meters, install lots CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

doesn't expect any problems to arise due to the rate increase. It will be a challenge, however, to update all the meters in Corvallis with only four workers.

to repair or replace the smoke wall fan heating systems and portable space heaters. alarm.

Especially in the winter, dorm residents and students living off campus should not leave combustible items too close to heating units.

According to fire prevention officer Jim Patton, although the CFD attempts to inspect housing annually, fire safety training is not required, and residents should take the initiative and educate themselves.

"Most fire fatalities happen where people live and happen this time of year, when people are trying to stay warm," Patton said.

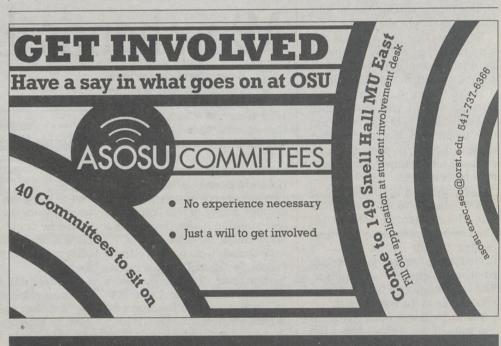
Students should also check all smoke alarms and replace batteries if they are over a year old and consider installing smoke alarms in every bedroom of their house.

If your smoke alarm stops also take safety precautions working, your landlord has 10

> "There are always people that are unhappy with change, especially when it comes to an increase in money being charged," said Jeff Katz, chair of the Downtown Parking Commission.

> Questions should be directed towards the Public Works Department at (541) 766-6916.

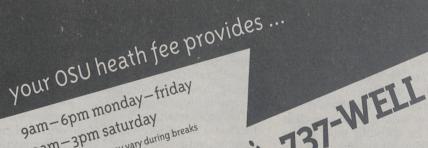
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#### SUSTAINABILITY: Next step is to encourage community to ride CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

infrastructure.

"The climate change issue is the most visible thing the public has become aware of," said Brandon Trelstad, campus sustainability coordinator.

'Transportation is one of the biggest public factors.

According to Trelstad, OSU is making headway through agreements with the City of Corvallis and the Corvallis Transportation System.

OSU represents about half of all Corvallis Transit System riders.

"CTS buses run on 20 percent biodiesel," said Andrea Norris, student sustainability initiative coordinator.

"I think a lot of the infrastructure is in place. We try to encourage people to use them."

In addition to CTS buses, the Beaver Bus and campus shuttles provide students with public transportation

#### and Albany

Bicycling is encouraged as well. Corvallis is one of four cities in the U.S. to receive a gold rating for bike friendliness from the League of American Bicvclists.

At OSU, there are plans to install bike lockers in the next six months. According to Trelstad, the lockers would have 24 spaces and be rented out for a small fee. The student sustainability initiative also holds bike maintenance workshops.

The Alternative Transportation Advisory Committee at OSU advises the university on alternative transportation issues and promotes various methods of alternative transportation.

Trelstad believes that the state of Oregon does a lot to support sustainable transportation at OSU.

"But we could all do more," Trelstad said.

"A couple of years ago, the support wasn't there.'

Trelstad mentioned the newly-created Oregon Global Warming Commission, which consists of several OSU faculty members.

"The fact that they're drawing people from the university says that they're serious about climate change," Trelstad said. "Compared to other states,

ous on-campus events.

#### sustainability. "I recycle and return cans,"

The Beaver Bus operates from 8:45 p.m. to 2:45 Oregon is far ahead.' a.m. Thursday through Saturday, and the Linn-Benton Loop provides service between Corvallis

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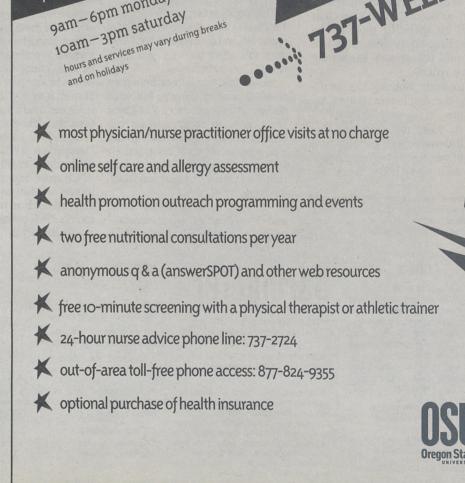
#### **Department of Design and Human Environment** RSYMP E **Thursday, January 31** CH2MHill Alumni Center • 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 n.m.

The annual DHE Career Symposium introduces students to employers in the industries they will join and issues they will face as they graduate with degrees in Merchandising Management, Apparel Design, Housing Studies, and Interior Design.

The keynote address by Tom Kelly of Neil Kelly Company Additional speakers from the industries.

> **Recent graduates of the programs** will discuss their career entry experiences.

> For more information, contact DHE: 737.3796



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#### **Editorial**

# Yeas & Nays

Yea to the yeas and nays coming to you from the MU this week. We sort of jumped the gun on the annex plan.

Nay to having to produce a newspaper from a boardroom in the MU thanks to a power outage affecting nine campus buildings.

Yea to power quickly being returned to seven of those buildings, leaving only the McAlexander Fieldhouse and Snell Hall in the dark. Oh, they chose us, that's great.

Nay to the power line's subjective act of destruction. We're on to you Shredder, we know you're in the sewers eating through our power lines!

Yea to a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles reference, because really, there isn't that much to yea right now.

Nay to guards preventing anyone from entering Snell Hall. But, but, we forgot our sunflower seeds! And the MU is too spendy... we're melting, melting... er, we mean, starving.

Yea to ... what? Oh, we're still writing these... striking, yes, striking sounds good right about now.

Nay to writing relevant yeas and nays instead of bitterly commenting on the state of our affairs, but we can try, for you, our lovely readers.

Yea to the current weather combination of rain and snow, which makes walking to campus a bit less of a death trap. If it freezes over tonight, hopefully people will be ready for death trap 2.0 and leave their heels at home.

Nay to this weather refusing to be serious enough to close our campus. The elementary schools got Monday off... what happened to looking out for us, Ed Ray? In a related story, we are looking into whatever happened to naptime. Word on the street is linking its disappearance to the Hamburglar.

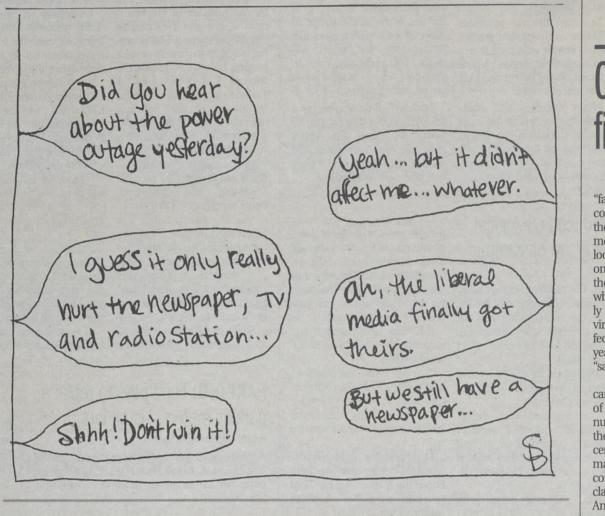
Yea to President Bush giving his last State of the Union address last night. We're one step closer, people.

Nay to the president, however, for using most of his time to say, "Ahhhh, yeeeah, you'll do what I say, eh..." as crickets abounded.

Yea to Bush bringing up the proposed bill that would send hefty checks to everyone in hopes of boosting the economy. Free money? We're so there!

Nay to the reality that this bill and free money are no guarantee at this point. We'll stick with selling our possessions on eBay.

Nay to Bush not mentioning New Orleans or Katrina in his speech at



# Many hands, broader reach

How important are freshwater habitats and how important is biodiversity to you? What is it? Why is it important that we revive freshwater habitats or care about biodiversity?

Kim Carson, the regional educational coordinator for Oregon Trout, defines biodiversity as "issues of plants and organisms that depend upon a complex system of relationships. It's also related to system diversity, it's a very complex web of associations."

Biodiversity is many things to many people. To Jansen Correa, a marine biology major, "biodiversity creates [increased] efficiency and productivity within ecosystems. The cleaner the watershed, the less money and effort we have to do to make it clean for us to utilize."

Oregon Trout, with an office in Corvallis, is a very active participant in this field. The Oregon Trout website puts it very succinctly: "Our goal is simple: return health to every stream in the state, while inviting every student in Oregon to act as stewards of their home waters." Oregon Trout actively reaches out to schools and community members to become stewards of their own water. Through outreach, networking, and education, Oregon Trout works to ensure the safety of our water supply.

This organization was founded in



vital to the future of our water systems. They are doing what each of us should be doing: being concerned, being involved and being a part of the effort to preserve water resources for the future.

Gail Woodside, an arid land water resources student, says that "reviving freshwater habitat is important in many different ways. It helps build our groundwater, enhances diversity of plant structure, gives fish a place to spawn and develop and naturally nurtures entire ecosystems. The most important part is that it recharges our ground water systems, but that's contingent upon watershed health, which comes from the upper regions which feed the natural water systems."

One student said anonymously, "Some people think that not washing your hands after going to the bathroom is part of water conservation. This is a fallacy!"

There are three things which are vital to the future of our water system: capture, store and safe release. Nature does all of these on her own, but our human interference in the process has resulted in pollutants. litter and habitat destruction, thereby impairing the web of biodiversity on different levels. The resultant damage on any of these levels can interfere with the interrelationships of the entire ecosystem. One of our community members, David Eckert of Willamette Watershed Productions, creates documentaries which emphasize the need for community activism and active participation and holds an open meeting each month. He is concerned about reviving biodiversity in Corvallis and works

with Oregon Trout. He feels that our efforts so far fall short of our goal of biodiversity, as freshwater habitats are "completely neglected in terms of action. The real work hasn't begun on watersheds."

So, there are things we can do locally to make a difference in the quality of water that we all have. Christine Bagby, a recreation resource management student, suggested we work on "litter control, staying within the rules and guidelines as established for protection of rivers and streams (sometimes it is posted that you must stay 500 feet away, etc.) Be careful of being in the water, be careful of what's on your clothes and shoes before entering a river, stream or lake system. Recreation around water is important, don't tear up banks near water with your ATV and don't leave dead carcasses in the water. It's important to respect the environment. Ride your bike more often because oil leaking from cars finds its way into our stream systems. When you change the oil on your car, do not flush it into the drain system."

Victoria Burton, a wildlife and animal science major, has the following suggestions: "You need to monitor your water usage. If you have knowledge of where your watershed is, and how it affects you directly, you'll probably take more initiative respecting and protecting it. Don't pollute the water system that you're in. Use organic fertilizers on your yard, avoid harsh chemicals and volunteer to help with tree restoration in order to protect riparian zones which are natural buffers that serve as the kidneys of the earth.' When asked why biodiversity was important, Jeanna Ramos, a senior in natural resources, said, "Biodiversity and freshwater habitats are the two most essential parts of the environment which impact our ecosystem services including wildlife, human

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# Clearing up and finding strength

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Dr. Sex

Dear Readers,

In last week's column, I made the "fanciful" claim that if individuals used condoms consistently and correctly, they were "safe" from HIV. That statement was based upon research that looked at monogamous partners where one partner was infected with HIV and the other was not. In the instances where the couples reported consistently and correctly using condoms, the virus was not transmitted to the uninfected partner over the course of FIVE years. One reader took issue with that "safe" comment, suggesting that:

"Though many studies show significantly low or non existent incidence of transmission, there are an equal number of studies that continue to put the transmission in the low 1 to 2 percent range. Now that may be due to many factors... but there is not a single condom company in the world that is claiming 100 percent HIV protection. And both the CDC and the WHO do not make such a fanciful claim, nor does any research consistently back up this claim."

He was right. So, I retract my previous statement and suggest that if individuals consistently and correctly use condoms, their HIV risk when participating in sexual activity with someone who is HIV positive is 1-2 percent. In this scenario, no one is completely safe.

My point really was to show that all the abstinence-only propaganda about the ineffectiveness of condoms focuses on the erroneous assumption that the ineffectiveness is due to the condoms themselves. The reality is that the ineffectiveness of condoms is much more about user error. What I probably also should have said was that if our sexuality education programs actually taught students how to properly use a condom instead of telling students that condoms can't be trusted, maybe condom user error would go down and overall effectiveness by fallible humans would go up. What a concept.

Dear Dr. Sex,

My girlfriend and I want to have sex, but every time we do I can't keep my penis hard. It is hard for me to get it erect and also hard for me to orgasm (even from masturbation). This started fairly recently, although now that I'm in school I have very little time alone since my roommate is always in the room. Now, I've never had intercourse before nor do I have any experience using a condom, so this is all new to me and I'm unsure of why it is happening. I'd like to know, is it all in my head? Ou is there something that maybe I should go to my doctor about? I'm open to suggestions on what to try to make it work, as my girlfriend is also.

all, and for spending most of the time talking about Iraq. Not like that would rub anyone the wrong way, or anything.

Yea to Bush. Nothing like focusing on the important issues for Americans.

Nay to really, really obvious sarcasm. Bitterness and sarcasm feed the sunflowerseed-less newspaper staff stuck in an MU boardroom.

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We all talk about how important water is here in Oregon, but what do we actually do about it? Oregon Trout offers an opportunity for volunteers to make a difference in our own community. Kim Carson actively seeks volunteers each year to help with the Oregon Trout Salmon Watch Program.

The work done by Oregon Trout, and many other conservationist groups that they are allied with, is

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Signed, Softy in Small Town Dear Softy in Small Town:

Well, at your age, it probably isn't physical, but it may not be just psychological. Sometimes socio-cultural factors can play a role as well. Chances are what's going on here is that you feel some level of guilt or anxiety participating in any sexual activity, including masturbation. In these instances,

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# FCC goes overboard with censorship

s of this past weekend, the Federal Communications Commission has proposed a \$1.43 million fine on ABC for a 2003 episode of NYPD Blue. The show's crime? According to the FCC, "it depicts sexual organs and excretory organs - specifically an adult woman's buttocks.

Really? The butt is a sexual organ? If that is so, then I guess we can no longer show mouths on television as well. Skin is an excretory organ, so that's out, too. Let's not forget that breathing is part of the excretory process; though I'm not sure how the networks will find their way around that one. On the other hand, there is always the option that the FCC could admit it is overreacting.

I was in London for two weeks this past summer and attended a performance of Shakespeare's "Love's Labour Lost" at the Globe. For anyone not familiar with the play, it is one of Shakespeare's raunchier endeavors to say the least. During the last act, one of the actors mooned the audience as a part of the play. I had noticed previously that a field trip group

was present in the yard - from what must have been a boys' elementary school. I was surprised that their teachers had brought them to see this particular play, for after even a few minutes, it was easy to tell that Shakespeare did not have children in mind when he penned "Love's Labour Lost." In the United States, children would not have been permitted into the theater.

Then again, Britain is much more lax in their indecency laws than the United States, and I think we could stand to learn something from that little island across the pond. During the

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Bush administration, this country has seen an increased effort by the government to legislate morality. I have never seen any attempt to do so succeed. Every single American has his or her own set of morals; ethics is what the government should focus on enforcing. Not everyone follows religious morals and they should not be forced to.

Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., has been one of the leading forces in censoring our free speech and the media. In 2006, he and the FCC teamed up to create a task force to keep the media from making children obese. Before that, Brownback sponsored a bill that increased the maximum fines for violation of the FCC's decency regulations tenfold, to \$325,000. The Broadcast Decency Enforcement Act of 2005 packs the power to bankrupt small, independent television and radio stations for a single offense while barely denting the media conglomerates.

One person's rights end where someone else's begins, and this includes free speech. I understand that perfectly. What I disagree with is the FCC's decision that it will consistently err on the side of the moral "majority." I may consider many comments by Pat Robertson and Ann Coulter to be indecent, but the FCC is never going to slap a \$325,000 fine on them. Well, maybe, but only if Ms. Coulter decides to moon her audience.

> Cait Costello The Daily Gamecock (University South Carolina)

# Bush's ... awkward ... goodbye

Veryone could see the raincloud over George W. Bush's head during last night's State of the Union Address.

Sure, he went through every bit of pomp and circumstance that these things demand. He put on a suit, walked to the "rostrum" (his word, not mine) and defended his legacy as best as a man in his unenviable situation could. Bush managed to maintain his trademark "my way or the highway" style, for example, in threatening veto after veto should the Democratic Congress not cut earmark spending.

He made some strong policyspecific demands to lower taxes. He touted the recent bipartisan decision to hand out free money, and he managed to take a cute little shot at Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, whom he roundly despises.

But frequent references to, and defenses of, his past policy made most of the speech feel like an awkward cross between heartfelt farewell and "Hey, I tried, don't blame me," apology.

Bush defended the No Child Left Behind Act, one of the most controversial and utopian pieces of legislation ever concocted,

### **Chuck Lippstreu Daily Nebraskan**

as a major reform for which he should be remembered. He lamented the fact that his fantastically conservative nominees to the judiciary are being "unfairly" stalled in Congress.

The president invoked 9/11 not so much as a call to action, as in past years; he spoke of the war on terror in a more philosophical tone, seemingly as a reminder to America that he has had a lasting impact on terrorism. The president wants to be remembered for all of these things and more. This is not historically unprecedented for an American president, nor is it unusual to human nature.

But everyone knew Monday that Bush's time in the spotlight has passed. As he wrapped up his address with a call to the "confidence in freedom's power and trust in the people" summary statement of the neoliberal policy that has shaped his administration — it was impossible not to think of the people who have already wrested American politics from this

president's arms with a year left in his tenure.

Sen. Teddy Kennedy and Rep. Patrick Kennedy made more political waves at American University on Monday morning than Bush could have done with a three-day State of the Union speech.

Sens. Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton, whose ongoing feud has spelled an incredible and dramatic rift in the Democratic Party, will likely take back every headline from the president by Wednesday morning. Perhaps most telling of all, Sen. John McCain skipped Bush's final State of the Union address to campaign as a frontrunner in Florida for a nomination that should have been McCain's eight years ago.

Bush's political capital is squandered. His approval rating continues to hover just above 30 percent. He faces a hostile Congress for the last few months he'll enjoy in office.

The 2008 State of the Union address was a heartfelt goodbye from one of the most polarizing individuals America will ever see.

**Chuck Lippstreu** Daily Nebraskan (Univeristy of Nebraska)

#### GREAVES: When facing roadblocks with a partner, figure out how you feel emotionally about sex CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4

won't cooperate if the mind isn't on board. For example, individuals who experienced a very religious upbringing and are trying to participate in rather than the concrete. They now sexual activity might be really inter-ested, but that "baggage" is interfering aren't as easily viewed as a black/white, with basic performance.

I have had so many students come talk to me about a pledge they made in high school to remain a virgin until they got married, but now they want to have premarital sex. The notable express our love for another. For many,

unfortunately, sometimes the body change here is that as a college student, their cognitive thinking has developed more. Higher order cognitive thinking allows us to view things in the abstract right/wrong, or moral/immoral issue. This becomes even more apparent when a dating relationship becomes a monogamous love relationship. Sex is one of many ways in which we can

sex just seems like the normal progression of things, married or not.

My suggestion to you is to figure out how you really feel about participating in sexual activity now, today, as the person you are currently. Obviously you want it for the sake of physical satisfaction, but how do you feel emotionally? Once you figure that out, everything should fall into place, or should I say, rise to the occasion?

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habitat and vegetation. This impacts our food, water and the resources we depend upon every day. Detergents are bad, herbicides are bad, pesticides are bad and birth control pills are bad because they get filtered through urine which then goes into the sewer system, which drains into the rivers, lakes and oceans, which in turn sterilizes our marine life. Everything you ingest, including medications, eventually ends up in the water system."

I hope that you're as astonished and

motivated as I am by all this information. I hope that you make a commitment to make some changes in your life and help make our watersheds cleaner and safer for our children and ourselves. So you can make a difference in your own community by being a volunteer for local conservation groups such as Oregon Trout, try to use less water when you shave, shower, wash your car or brush your teeth. Don't do it for me, do it for you. Let's use our many hands to make a broader reach.

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# Hostage standoff ends in Venezuela; gunmen arrested after fleeing in ambulance from scene

#### **By Christopher Toothaker** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ALTAGRACIA DE ORITUCO, Venezuela - Police let four gunmen get away in an ambulance after a more than 24-hour hostage standoff at a bank, but the fugitives soon found there was no escape.

Followed by a helicopter, the gunmen and five hostages they brought along were tracked down by police who stopped the ambulance on a roadside. First, the men let three hostages go. Then, after a bit of negotiating, they tossed down their guns, freed their last two captives and stepped out.

"They're turning themselves in," Guarico state Gov. Eduardo Manuitt said excitedly, narrating the scene on television by phone as he followed along with police. The men were ordered to the ground as police arrested them.

The hostages are free," Manuitt said. "This nightmare is over.

The arrests meant freedom for the last of the 52 hostages whose ordeal began Monday morning during a botched bank robbery in this town don't want them to shoot ... We

southeast of Caracas. The hostage standoff at the Banco Provincial branch was the longest in at least a decade in Venezuela, and every twist and turn became a spectacle in TV and radio news across the country and in neighboring Colombia.

As the standoff dragged on, the gunmen accepted a package with diapers and a bottle for a 2-week-old baby who was among the captives. In the final hours, some hostages inside the bank held up signs in the windows with desperate pleas for help and used cell phones to call their relatives.

Under the deal with police, the gunmen were permitted to leave with five hostages who agreed to accompany them, freeing the rest of the captives at the bank. Police allowed the gunmen to flee because "they threatened to start killing the hostages in 20 minutes," Manuitt said.

One of the hostages who later left with the gunmen, Vanessa Saavedra, spoke quietly and haltingly to Colombia's Caracol Radio by cell phone from inside the bank, saying: "We Please.

Saavedra's mother, Jasmin Gonzalez, said her daughter a 25-year-old teller - volunteered to leave with the gunmen. "She's very brave. I know she's going to come out of this fine," Gonzalez said through tears outside the bank.

A total of 52 people were taken hostage at the bank on Monday, including five who were released during the standoff and two who managed to escape, Rodriguez said. After another five left in the ambulance, 40 were left behind and freed, he said.

Other officials had earlier given lower estimates of about 30 hostages inside the bank.

Relatives and onlookers massed at the front door while the former hostages were led to waiting ambulances.

Those freed included a 2week-old infant, at least three other children under the age of 10, and a woman who is eight months pregnant. She was wheeled out reclining on a stretcher.

One man emerged with a bandaged hand, carrying a girl

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don't want them to open fire. in his arms, and got into an ambulance.

The standoff began after the gunmen entered the bank Monday morning and a uniformed police officer pulled up to use the cash machine and surprised the would-be robbers, said Amanda Saldivia, a reporter for the local Guarana Radio FM.

"After five or six hours, they began to let down their guard saying, 'You aren't going to die," freed hostage Juan Carlos Gil told The Associated Press of his captors. "They were nervous, but it was all an atmosphere as if they were everyone's friends."

His account differed from that of Justice Minister Ramon Rodriguez Chacin, who said during the standoff that the gunmen had been taking drugs, making the situation volatile. Gil said he never saw any of

the gunmen use drugs and they appeared sober.

Saavedra said she was terrified when the men pointed a gun at a security guard and threatened him. "He went out running and they shot at him" but missed, Saavedra told Caracol. "It was truly horrific."

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# Santana traded to New York, not Yankees

#### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Johan Santana is a contract extension and physical from joining the New York Mets. Beating out the New York Yankees and Boston Red Sox, the Mets reached a tentative agreement Tuesday to acquire the two-time Cy Young Award winner, two people familiar with the deal said, speaking on condition of anonymity because no

announcement had been made. Minnesota would receive speedy outfielder Carlos Gomez, and pitchers Philip Humber, Deolis Guerra and Kevin Mulvey.

"If it's true, obviously, you're getting arguably the best pitcher in the game, Mets third baseman David Wright said.

What originally appeared to be a bidding war for Santana early in the offseason turned into something more akin to a negotiation of attrition in which first the Yankees and then the Red Sox appeared to lose interest and decide they'd rather hold onto their top prospects.

Minnesota Twins pitcher Johan Santana shows the Cy Young Award, for being the best pitcher in the American League in 2006, that he received prior to the Twins baseball game against the Tampa Bay Devil Rays, in this April 14, 2007 file photo, in Minneapolis. The Minnesota Twins reached a tentative agreement Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2008, to trade Johan Santana to the New York Mets. After months of deliberation, the Twins agreed to send the twotime Cy Young Award winner to the Mets for outfielder Carlos Gomez, and pitchers Phil Humber, Deolis Guerra and Kevin Mulvey, a person familiar with the deal said.

The Mets emerged as the top candidate after December's winter meetings, when the Yankees withdrew their offer, which included pitcher Phil Hughes and outfielder Melky Cabrera, and the Red Sox refused to improve their proposals, which would have sent pitcher Jon Lester or outfielder Jacoby Ellsbury to the Twins along with other prospects.

Santana can become a free agent after this year's World Series, and Minnesota offered him an \$80 million, four-year extension that he turned down early in the offseason.

Twins general manager Bill Smith called 1-3 with a 3.97 ERA teams last weekend and asked them to

make their best offers. Smith informed the Mets on Tuesday that he was accepting their proposal. ArrivingattheannualBaseballAssistance Team fundraising dinner Tuesday night, New York general manager Omar Minaya

wouldn't say much. "It's out there, but the bottom line is that we're trying to look at ways at improv-ing our club," Minaya said. "That's all I'm going to be able to say about it right now."

Preparing for their final season at Shea Stadium and their 2009 move to Citi Field, the Mets landed the top available pitcher on the market. The trade is one of the two biggest of the offseason, along with Detroit's acquisition of third baseman Miguel Cabrera and pitcher Dontrelle Willis from Florida.

Minnesota will receive New York's Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 7 prospects, according to Baseball America's ranking. The Mets did not include their top farmhand, outfielder Fernando Martinez, or their top young pitcher, Mike Pelfrey.

The next step is for the Mets to negotiate a contract extension with Santana. The three-time All-Star is owed \$13.25 million this year and likely will seek an extension of five-to-seven years worth at least \$20 million annually.

New York and Santana have until 5 p.m. EST Friday to reach an agreement, a baseball official told The Associated Press, also on condition of anonymity. If the Mets and Santana strike a deal, the players would have to pass physicals and the pitcher would have to formally waive his no-trade clause

A left-hander who turns 29 in March, Santana gives the Mets a replacement for Tom Glavine, who left New York to return to the Atlanta Braves. New York, trying to bounce back from a record-setting September collapse last season, has a projected rotation that also includes Pedro Martinez, John Maine, Oliver Perez and Orlando Hernandez or Pelfrey.

Santana is 93-44 with a 3.22 ERA in eight major league seasons, winning the AL Cy Young Award in 2004 and 2006. He has been less successful in the playoffs, going

Santana had a subpar season in 2007, going 15-13. He lost seven of his last 11 decisions as his ERA rose from 2.60 to 3.33 ERA, his highest since 2001, and he allowed a career-high 33 homers, the most in the AL.

For the Mets, the hope is that he will be the next in a long line of aces behind Tom Seaver, Dwight Gooden, Glavine and Martinez.

'For our younger pitchers to develop under a guy like Pedro, a guy like Johan, you can't ask for any better situation," Wright said. "He's going to go out there and he's going to give you seven or eight innings every five days and he's going to get you a win. That's just what it comes down to. I've gotten a chance to get to know him a little bit the past couple years. He seems like a great clubhouse guy. He's going to fit in perfectly with the chemistry that we have.'

With Santana gone, there is a big opening in the Twins' rotation. Francisco Liriano is on track to return after missing last season following elbow surgery, but Carlos Silva signed with Seattle as a free agent, leaving youngsters Scott Baker, Boof Bonser and Kevin Slowey as the starters with the most experience.

"Joe Mauer's job, and my job, just got a lot tougher," backup catcher Mike Redmond said. "We're going to have to work a lot harder to help these guys out the best we can.'

Humber, a 25-year-old right-hander, has made one start and four relief appearances for the Mets during the past two years, and went 11-9 with a 4.27 ERA last season for Triple-A New Orleans. The 22year-old Gomez batted .232 in 125 at-bats with New York last year and .275 with 19 steals in the minors.

Guerra, who turns 19 in April, was 2-6 with a 4.01 ERA at Class A St. Lucie, and Mulvey, who will be 23 in May, was 12-10 with a 3.20 ERA in 26 starts at Double-A Binghamton and one at New Orleans.

AP Baseball Writer Mike Fitzpatrick in New York and AP Sports Writer Dave Campbell in Minneapolis contributed to this report.

# Go big blue, or maybe not

#### **By Tom Canavan** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Plaxico Burress looked through his wraparound shades and pointed to two choice midfield seats at Phoenix Stadium.

"If my mom and her were living now, they would probably be sitting in that first row right there, seats 15 and 16," the New York Giants' big-play receiver said. "They would have the best seats in the house.

And watching his every move, no doubt, in Sunday's Super Bowl against the New England Patriots.

The words from Burress' heart said a lot about the women who shaped his life, particularly his grandmother, Louise Elliott, whom he honored by wearing a special T-shirt under his jer-

Burress has never been afraid to speak his mind, and Tuesday was no exception.

Five days before the biggest game of his career, Burress predicted that the Giants would spoil the Patriots' bid for a perfect season with a 23-17 win.

"It was the first thing that came into my mind," said Burress, sporting bling galore - a diamond in each ear, a silver cross hanging from his neck and a huge gold watch wrapped around his wrist.

He then downplayed the obvious blackboard material for the Patriots.

"I am going to say it again, the goal is to win the football game," Burress said. "It is not to come here and just play. The goal is to come here and win. That's why we are here."

# Lanz named Pac-10 gymnast of week

Following her impressive performance against Arizona last Friday, Eugene native earns conference honors

Jami Lanz has been named Pac-10 Gymnast of the Week for Jan. 22-28, Commissioner Tom Hansen announced Tuesday.

Lanz, a native of Eugene, had by far her best meet of the Beavers 2008 campaign to date. She posted season-best scores on each of her four individual events and, consequently, in the all-around. The 9.95 Lanz earned on beam is the highest score of her career on the apparatus. A junior, Lanz earned three individual titles - beam, all-around and





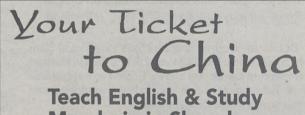
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sey during games at Michigan State.

"My grandma was sort of a rock," Burress said. "Everyone leaned on her. She was a quiet one who walked with swagger though, walked with a swagger. I think my mom got a lot from her. I think I learned from them a quite confidence."

Throughout his college and pro careers that confidence has crossed the line at times.

When pressed, Burress would not back down, noting if the Giants do what is necessary "... we will win the football game."

Giants coach Tom Coughlin was stunned to hear that one of his players guaranteed a win, a la Joe Namath poolside in 1969.

"That's not the way we have done things all season," Coughlin said. But that's Burress' way

vault (tie) — and shared second place on both floor and bars.

Lanz's efforts helped the Beavers notch season-high team scores on bars, beam and floor, launching the team to a final score greater than 196 for the first time in 2008. Only seven teams in the nation have tallied scores greater than Oregon State's 196.275 this season. The impressive result gave the No. 11 Beavers a 2.225-point victory over No. 14 Arizona.

#### LILJA: With four minutes left against UCLA, Gill Coliseum sounded more like Gill Mausoleum, according to Lilja CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8

open heart surgery on the men's basketball team? They are dying. The men lost by a combined 45 points this weekend (one more point than they scored against USC). Even osu-beavers.com couldn't find a good way to showcase the men. Next to the game recap they ran a picture from a past game at UCLA.

With about four minutes to go against UCLA, fans started towards the door. With two minutes left in the game Gill Coliseum sounded more like Gill Mausoleum. Asking Beaver fans to pay for games like that one is highway robbery. How about this: instead of marketing this team as "good" and charging fans to see a "good"

can someone show up and perform team, just follow fans out of their office and car jack them in the parking lot. At least that would be more honest. The only other time I have seen that many disheveled Beaver fans in one place, it was on pure-orange.net.

Interim Coach Kevin Mouton can only do so much. Without a Ph.D in astrology or at least a mail-away tarot card degree, this team is in for a world of hurt down the stretch.

Marcel Jones doesn't even look like he is interested in playing. During the game against UCLA there were times when he moved about as fast as Argon-40 escapes from a Potassium-40 laden rock. He stood in the corner beyond the arc and watched

the team play. He looked more like an offair camera man than a forward.

I hate to quote Carlos Mencia but, MOVE MAN, MOVE! It's called running an offense for a reason. You are supposed to run. Don't quote me, but if you were to move around you might end up better than 1-17 from the floor over the course of a weekend. Lollygagging, meandering and playing patty-cake with the defenders, a-la Sasa Cuic, isn't part of the game plan.

Seth Tarver runs. Lathen Wallace runs. Even the slimmed down Calvin Hampton runs. Jones? Well, he primadonnas the game and stands waiting for a pass only to take his man one-on-one and miss. But, with this kind of play, he'll be an NBA star.

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Even though the Beavers will be without Mitch Canham (Middle) this year, OSU still finds itself right in the mix to be serious contenders for another National Title.

# **Baseball Papé Grand Slam** scheduled for early March

Defending two-time national champion Oregon State will play Georgia at PGE Park in Portland

Tickets for Oregon State baseball's Papé Grand Slam, which will be held Feb. 29-March 2 at PGE Park in Portland, have been on sale for over a week. Tickets can be purchased at all Ticketmaster outlets - including www.ticketmaster. com – and by calling (503) 224-4400.

Single game tickets for the Papé Grand Slam are ten dol-

outfielder Jacoby Ellsbury, who is coming off a 2007 Major League World Series Championship victory with the Boston Red Sox. Tickets must be purchased in advance of the first game on Feb. 29 and must be through www.ticketmaster. com or phone only. Bobbleheads will be available just prior to the series. Ellsbury bobbleheads will not be for sale.

The Southeastern Conference's Georgia Bulldogs are slated to be Oregon State's opponents for the three games. The series opens Friday, Feb. 29 with a 6 p.m. contest. The second game of the series, on March 1, will start at 1 p.m.

# No. 10 Oregon State hits road for Tempe

#### Beaver gymnastics will travel to Arizona to take on No. 20 Arizona State today in Tempe

#### By Sami Redmond THE DAILY BAROMETER

No. 10 Oregon State, fresh off the competition floor in Gill Coliseum last Friday, prepares to take on No. 20 Arizona State this Wednesday at the Wells Fargo Arena.

Last Friday the Beavers hit 24 for 24 routines against Arizona, not having to count a fall or step out of bounds. A final score of 196.275 was the first time Oregon State hit the 196 mark this season.

"The fact that they went out there and they went hard event after event, I was really proud to see that," coach Tanya Chaplin said.

The Beavers have had only one day of practice since their last meet, but will attempt to improve on their best performance of the season against Arizona. Despite only four days of rest, the team is confident they will perform to their potential.

"During the next couple of days we do have a weird travel schedule,' Jami Lanz said. "We do have a meet in the middle of the school week, which will be tough, but our focus will be keeping healthy, keeping rested, taking care of ourselves. Also making sure that we are very productive in the gym and classroom.

During their last meet, the team's depth was tested when all arounder Tasha Smith was pulled from the beam and floor lineups due to illness. Alternates Claire Pierce and Becky Colvin stepped into her place earning high scores for the Beavers.

"Even our alternates are hitting routines," Mandi Rodriguez said. "We

have no problem putting them in. It gives us confidence going into the next meet."

Oregon State will continue to clean up details in an attempt to increase their scores.

'We are looking for those sticks, cleaning up floor routines and things like that but we want to go down there and have a similar performance that we had here and have a solid performance," Chaplin said. "We want to know that no matter who goes on or who goes out, we can make the 196's happen, and that's what we want to do, that way we can be strong and healthy at the end of season."

Oregon State has seen solid performances so far this season from Rodriguez, Lanz and Smith. However, the gymnasts will continue to compete for spots in the event lineups throughout the season.

Arizona State is coming off a loss last weekend to Utah 196.7-195.625. The Sun Devils' final score was their highest of the season so far. Arizona State competed three gymnasts in the all around including Tiana Jean, Francesca Mercurio and Nicole Harris. Harris was the Sun Devils' top all around performer with a season best score of 39.35.

Oregon State is currently ranked 15th on the floor, 14th on the beam, 10th on the bars and 9th on the vault.

"It's definitely going to be about quality," Yuki Lamb said. "Just going in there and taking it one thing at a time, and making sure that you're leaving that day knowing that you did everything in your power that you could do to improve on this last performance."

The Beavers and the Sun Devils are set to compete at 7 p.m.

> Sami Redmond, sports writer sports@dailybaro



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three game series, those making the purchase will receive online, as are photo galleries from the team's five games at a free bobblehead of former Oregon State All-American the 2007 College World Series in Omaha, Neb., in June.

while Sunday's affair begins at 12 p.m.

For more information on the Oregon State baseball program, visit www.osubeavers.com. Photos from the team's For every ten tickets purchased to any game during the trip to Washington, D.C., and the White House are available

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Mandi Rodriguez (Above) wraps up her routine on the floor against the University of Arizona at the Pink Out event last weekend.

#### Week in review for OSU Beaver Athletics Tee time, anybody?

reat win for the Beavers last week. On Friday. Oh, you weren't there? Too bad.

The Oregon State gymnasts dominated the opposition like a bad S&M video. The shellacking was inevitable and the Arizona women weren't sure whether they should defend themselves or, as Bob Knight once said, relax and enjoy it. If you are like me and revel in the humiliation, pain and suffering of Beaver opponents, make your way to Gill for a gymnastics meet.

The final score was 196.275-194.050. For a comparative margin of victory, see Super Bowl XXIV. It's a good thing for the Arizona staff that there wasn't a rope and shower rod handy. I haven't seen that many



picketed outside the Arizona campus waving signs with artwork of disparaged cats.

Then again, I was looking for the shower rod when Tasha Smith was pulled from the beam and floor. So were a few fans who joined in on the "We want Tasha" chant. Watching the floor routines with no Smith, to quote Eminem, is like mustard without the Heinz and Busta without the Rhymes.

But how bout them Beavers? Went disappointed wildcats since PETA into Friday's slaughter ranked 11th in the country and came out at number ten thanks to the combined efforts of Jami Lanz, Mandi Rodriguez, Yuki Lamb, Claire Pierce and the freshman Jen Kessler. Now the women sit only .009 behind Arkansas and the number nine spot. Pig Sooey anyone?

Props to Pierce. She made it back into the line up on happenstance but she isn't complaining. Tasha Smith was pulled due to stomach issues and Pierce was dropped in. A little less than a year ago she was under the knife for knee surgery and Friday, with five minutes of warning, she was thrown into the beam rotation to fill in for Smith and walked away with a 9.725

Speaking of under the knife, when

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The Oregon State men's golf swings into gear with the start of spring practice earlier this month. The Beavers had a great fall season winning two of their four events, including the inaugural Giustina Memorial Tournament hosted by OSU.

The Beavers, led by senior James Allenby, start the spring season by travelling to the Aloha state for the University of Hawaii-Hilo Intercollegiate, Feb. 6-8, 2008.

Another 2007-08 NW Dodge Dealers Civil War Series point is up for grabs when the Beavers travel just down the freeway to compete at the Oregon Duck Invitational March 24-25. The Beavers took home the first of the two men's golf points earlier in the fall season.

The Pac-10 Men's Golf Championship will be held in Fairfax, Calif. where the Beavers took sixth place at the Alister MacKenzie Invitational during the fall. The previous experience on the course should give them an advantage going into the championship. They look to improve on last year's eighth place finish.

The NCAA West Regional is being held in Bremerton, Wash., where the Beavers took home the first place prize at the Husky Invitational in October. They look to learn from a tough loss in last year's West Regional where they missed out on advancing to nationals by losing a tie breaker.

With Oregon State's two wins during the fall, the spring season looks to be promising.