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when it comes to overhauling Social Security

Jeff Burright discovers that his mom had been trying to tell him for years: "You can't fly" FORUM, PAGE 4

Men's hoops legend Ed Lewis joins former coach "Slats" Gill in the Pac-10 Hall of Honor SPORTS, PAGE 8

Three teams fall below new NCAA academic standards

NCAA's new Academic Progress Rate finds football, baseball and men's basketball unsatisfactory

By Jenna Dinsmore The Daily Barometer

The NCAA has adopted a new set of academic standards that will result in a loss of scholarship money for academically under-performing teams.

Currently, OSU as a whole is above standards, but football, baseball and men's basketball do not meet standards.

The Academic Progress Rate assesses academic performance by awarding scholarship athletes one point each term for maintaining their academic eligibility and one point for staying enrolled.

A team's APR is calculated by converting the percentage of possible points earned by a team to a 1,000point scale.

Teams lose points when athletes transfer, become academically ineligible or go pro.

Teams are required to reach an Academic Progress Rate score of 925 or they will be subject to penalty. An APR of 925 equates to a 50 percent graduation rate.

APR data from 2003-04 has been sent out to all Division I schools. According to the 2003-04 data, about 7 percent of all teams would be subject to penalties.

At OSU, the current overall APR is 930, but the football, baseball and men's basketball teams do not meet See STANDARDS / page 3

Women share experiences through art

"We conceived it as reality is, in actuality, created by many voices with many different experiences and those experiences are expressed in a lot of different ways we wouldn't traditionally consider art, but we think are artful, such as quilting, vagina purses, community art and a coloring contest," Willet said.

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A 25-foot representation of the Palestinian-Israeli barrier - a traveling display by the Stop the Wall Campaign based out of Seattle — was constructed in the brick mall next to the MU on Wednesday to facilitate thinking among the campus community about the conflict in the Middle East.

Display spurs heated debate

Touring activists want Americans to learn more about the Middle East conflict, specifically the controversial "wall" in the West Bank

By Dan Traylor

THE DAILY BAROMETER

About 13 volunteers and activists - some chanting "bring it down," dragged the 50-foot tarp off its 25-foottall frame.

Written on the tarp was a call to action: "The Berlin Wall is down. Bring down the Israeli wall.'

The traveling display - representing a real-life "wall" that separates Israeli and Palestinian homes in the West Bank - sprung up in the Memorial Union brick yard on Wednesday, prompting a day of discussion and debate that sometimes grew heated.

John Reese and Erica Kay were behind the demonstration, which they've set up in more than 50 cities since July. The United Campus Ministry sponsored the on-campus event.

Heading up the Seattle-based "Stop The Wall Campaign," Reese and Kay want to inspire discussion and alert people in the United States about what they see as a violation of international law.

The organization maintains that the "wall" - sometimes called a "security fence" - cuts off Palestinians from farmland, water, work, schools, family, friends and medical help.

The structure itself stands as high as 25 feet in some places, and includes a 10-foot-high electric fence lined with razor wire, the organization says.

"Our main message is one that is often misinterpret-See DISPLAY / page 3

Meal plan restructuring will shift cost

Housing and Dining Services has a new plan for meal cards slated to begin fall term

By Andrew D. Nealon THE DAILY BAROMETER

University Housing and Dining Services will introduce a new structure for meal cards next fall.

The change will result in increased prices for comparable meal plans.

For example, the new "supreme plan" comparable to the current "meal plan 1," will cost \$4,050 per year, an increase from \$3,162 per year for the current plan 1.

The change surfaces as a result of increased housing fees on campus, as well as the large bill UHDS pays to the Memorial Union for food costs.

Currently, students can use their meal cards at any MU restaurant. This money is deducted from their card accounts and reimbursed to the MU by UHDS. But this process is costing UHDS \$800,000 per year.

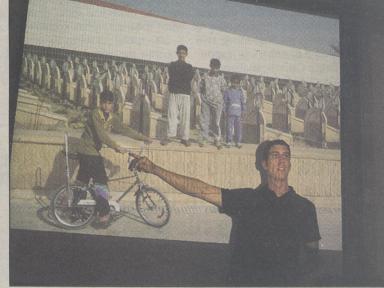
The new plan will introduce new tier levels much like the existing numbered plans - but with a few key differences.

UHDS will also be doing away with the 50 percent discount given to cardholders. As a result, list prices will lower.

"Some students liked the discount; others felt it was smoke and mirrors," said Rich Turnbull, associate director of UHDS.

The plan costs are broken down into three categories: "Dining Dollars," "Card Cash" and overhead costs. Dining Dollars will allow students See CARD / page 3









By Cindy Richards THE DAILY BAROMETER

Women's History Month

celebrated though art and

events in the MU Concourse

A red and black purse with a matching tassel on the left, its white and maroon interior encircled with curly black strands, sits in a display case. The artist, Jessie Wylie, calls the piece a "vagina purse."

In another case across the way hangs a pastel quilt. Titled "Deco 'Daptation," the quilt is made of strips and circles of multiple fabrics.

Many other accompanying pieces can also be found in the Memorial Union Concourse until March 28 as part of the annual Women's History Month Art Exhibit.

"It's like a passion, two of my favorite things: art and women," explained Awbrey Willet, a senior in liberal studies and philosophy.

Willet works at the Women's Center with Chelsea Ruediger, a junior in interior design. Both women helped coordinate the event, which has been in the works since November.

We wanted people who wouldn't consider themselves artists to get involved," Ruediger said.

State University and the local community submitted art ranging from Art Gallery. The budget for catering paintings to quilts to vagina purses.

Entry forms and supplies for the coloring contest were available in the Women's Center.

The contest winners, Rachel Castor, Kristen Lycett and Maysa Shirazi, each earned a front-row seat to "Guerilla Girls on Tour," an allwomen theater and comedy troupe, which will visit campus in April.

Along with the art exhibition, three nights of events were scheduled, including an opening night reception on Feb. 18 to recognize the artists.

The event was catered and allowed members of the community to compose a project, which is included in the display.

On March 2, an open-mic night took place with the help of the Black Poets Society.

"We chose to have events, [as well], so different types of art could be showcased," Ruediger explained.

All events were free and open to More than 20 women from Oregon the public. Supplies for the art show were provided by the MU Concourse See ART / page 3

By C.J. Conrad THE DAILY BAROMETER

Veterans Against the Iraq War

■ 24-year-old Tim Goodrich left the

Air Force to found anti-war group

As a kid growing up in a blue-collar neighborhood in Buffalo, N.Y., Tim Goodrich covered his bedroom walls with pictures of fighter jets.

He dreamed of becoming a fighter pilot — a fantasy that was condoned by his family, which has deep military roots.

Like both of his grandfathers, as well as various aunts, uncles and cousins, Goodrich wanted nothing more than to serve his country.

He would realize his dream 13 years later, when he joined the Air Force after high school.

It was shortly after Sept. 11 and, like many people, he was whipped into a war frenzy by the attacks on his native soil.

He had joined the Air Force in 1999, performing electrical maintenance on the E-3 AWAC, a huge communication plane that is used to coordinate air attacks and spy missions at extremely high altitudes.

He was deployed to the Middle East soon after Sept. 11. From the U.S. base in Oman, Goodrich saw the war on terrorism ignite over the skies of Afghanistan.

Goodrich, now 24, describes how

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Tim Goodrich is a 24-year-old veteran who left the Air Force to start Iraqi Vets Against the War. On Wednesday afternoon in Waldo Hall, Goodrich recalled his experience meeting a 17-year-old boy visibly malnourished because of U.S. sanctions that prevent Iraqi commerce.

bombers would fly missions over Afghanistan, emptying their deadly payloads all across the landscape, then return to base only to be immediately reloaded for another bombing run.

And Goodrich enjoyed every minute of it.

He recalls writing "Merry Christmas, Happy New Year" on bombs

that would soon be dropped on targets, incinerating untold numbers of people.

Like many men in his unit, he wanted to punish al-Qaida for its trespasses on America.

He returned from his deployment to Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City

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Iragi security forces find dozens of corpses, including children

BAGHDAD (AP) — Iraqi authorities found 41 decomposed bodies - some bullet-riddled, others beheaded - at sites near the Syrian border and south of the capital, and said Wednesday they included women and children who may have been killed because insurgents thought their families were collaborating with U.S. forces.

In Baghdad, a suicide bomber driving a garbage truck loaded with explosives and at least one other gunman shot their way into a parking lot in an attempt to blow up a hotel used by Western contractors. At least four people, including the attackers and a guard, were killed.

The U.S. Embassy said 30 Americans were among 40 people wounded in the blast. No Americans were killed. In an Internet statement, al-Qaida in Iraq purportedly claimed responsibility for the attack on the Sadeer hotel, calling it the "hotel of the Jews."

While Sunni Arab insurgents have repeatedly targeted Westerners in Iraq, Shiite Muslims, top Iraqi officials and civil servants, even Muslim women are no longer safe.

Lebanese legislators set to choose pro-Syrian premier again

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) - Bolstered by a massive pro-Syrian demonstration, Lebanese allies of Syria moved Wednesday to reinstate the prime minister, who recently was forced out by anti-Damascus protests. Their action ensures Syria's continued dominance of Lebanese politics.

Outgoing Prime Minister Omar Karami was virtually assured nomination after 71 legislators put forward his name during consultations with pro-Syrian President Emile Lahoud, parliament members said. Under the constitution, the president is obliged to comply with the choice of a majority of the 128-member parliament.

Syria is keen to keep its hold on its neighbor's decision-making as it pulls its 14,000 forces back to Lebanon's Bekaa Valley and negotiates with the government in Beirut on the troops' full removal at a later date. As part of the pullback, forced by international pressure, Syrian soldiers evacuated Lebanese positions in the north and central mountains Wednesday.

U.S. makes harshest criticism of Irish Republican Army to date; says it's time to disband

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) -In its bluntest criticism yet of the Irish Republican Army, the Bush administration told the IRA it should disband following the outlawed group's offer to shoot four men - including two a 200-speed system to what has recently expelled members - respon-

Patrick's Day when, for the first time in a decade, leaders of the IRA's Sinn Fein party won't be guests of the White House.

This year, the invitations are going elsewhere - to the five sisters of the IRA's most recent victim, Robert McCartney, a 33-year-old forklift operator and nightclub bouncer.

"It's time for the IRA to go out of business. And it's time for Sinn Fein to be able to say that explicitly, without ambiguity, without ambivalence, that criminality will not be tolerated," Reiss said.

L.A. mayor, Hispanic councilman to square off in runoff rematch

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Overcoming corruption allegations at City Hall and his own drab image, Mayor James Hahn survived a scare in his bid for a second term and advanced Wednesday to a runoff against the Hispanic councilman he beat four years ago.

Hahn and fellow Democrat Antonio Villaraigosa emerged as the top two vote-getters in Tuesday's election after a third candidate conceded on Wednesday. The two men will meet in a May 17 rematch of their bitter 2001 runoff.

Until midmorning Wednesday, Hahn appeared in danger of becoming the first Los Angeles mayor in 32 years to be ousted. But he shrugged off his secondplace finish, saying, "Every day is a new day.'

He said he will stick to his message that crime is down and the economy is growing. "There's not going to be a new Jim Hahn," Hahn told cheering union supporters. "I've got to do a better job of communicating with voters."

Kodak develops faster X-ray film that halves radiation exposure

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) - Eastman Kodak Co. is rolling out a higher-speed X-ray film that can halve a patient's exposure to radiation without blurring image quality. Anyone who gets the shakes around doctors, be assured: It lessens the need for retakes.

It is the first X-ray film in a generation to offer a 50 percent or better drop in radiation dosage, company researchers say. And with the rise of digital radiography, it could help Kodak slow the steady erosion of its film-based analog business, which boasts fatter profit margins.

Developed over the last 18 months and tested this winter at children's hospitals in Kentucky and South Carolina, the 800-speed, general-purpose medical film was being shipped this month to hospitals, imaging centers and doctors' offices around the United States and Canada.

"The last time a change this significant was made was about 20 years ago when the marketplace converted from become the standard 400-speed of today," said Eileen Heizyk, manager of the film systems unit in Kodak's health group.

Reiss, came a week ahead of St. Dan Rather signs off as **CBS Evening News' anchor**

NEW YORK (AP) — Dan Rather echoed a word he once used every night to sign off the "CBS Evening News" — courage — in anchoring the program for the final time after 24 years on Wednesday.

In a brief statement at the end of the broadcast, Rather paid tribute to Sept. 11 terrorist victims, tsunami survivors, American military forces, the oppressed, those in failing health and fellow journalists in dangerous places. "And, to each of you," he said.

"Courage. He seemed to savor each word of his signoff: "For the 'CBS Evening News,' Dan Rather reporting. Good night.'

Rather's reporting career spanned from the Kennedy assassination to this winter's tsunami, and he's been the public face of CBS's legendary news division since replacing Walter Cronkite on March 9, 1981.

His first newscast included a story about English girls imitating the hairstyle of Prince Charles' bride-to-be, Diana. On Wednesday, the lead story was oil prices causing a bad day on Wall Street.

Accuser faces Michael Jackson in molestation trial

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) Michael Jackson's young accuser took the witness stand Wednesday, saying he once considered the pop star now charged with molesting him "the coolest guy in the world."

The 15-year-old was not asked about the molestation allegations before court ended for the day, but described viewing adult Internet sites with Jackson present and said the singer told him to "call me daddy" during the taping of a documentary.

Health officials gather for West Nile summit

PORTLAND (AP) Warm temperatures have made it feel like summer in much of Oregon this month, and state health officials are concerned that a summertime pest might be confused.

"If I think it's summer, I'll bet the mosquitoes think it's summer, too," Emilio DeBess, the state public health veterinarian, told 100 participants in a West Nile virus "summit" Tuesday.

The meeting included county public health workers and hospital officials from around the state. If Oregon follows the pattern of other states, this year could see a large number of human cases. Usually, states experience a few cases one year and then see a sharp increase the following year. A drop-off occurs after the spike.

West Nile made its Oregon debut in 2004. It sickened five people, and killed 19 birds and 22 horses. Most of the dead birds were found in Southern

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mosquitoes to see if they harbor the virus.

Authorities arrest 11 more protesters in Southern Oregon

KERBY (AP) — Eleven protesters were arrested Wednesday near the Fiddler timber sale after they chained themselves underneath a Forest Service vehicle crossing an Illinois River bridge, officials said.

Josephine County Sheriff Dave Daniel said all 11 protesters were taken to jail. The arrests followed 11 arrests Monday at the site of the sale to salvage timber from the 2002 Biscuit fire.

John West, owner of Silver Creek Timber of Merlin, said loggers, law enforcement and Forest Service employees were crossing the bridge at around 5:45

"They stopped the truck and chained themselves underneath it," West said. They had to bring a wrecker in."

He said he thought two or three protesters were under the vehicle.

Foundation cuts grants for Oregon State

PHILOMATH (AP) - The Philomath-based Clemens Foundation, which has paid for thousands of rural Benton County high school graduates to attend college, plans to suspend grants for students who go to nearby Oregon State University.

The Philomath-based foundation cited what it considers a decline in ethics at the school.

This year, it says it provided more than \$1.6 million in tuition for 600 students. About 150 of those are at OSU.

The foundation, started by the late Rex and Ethel Clemens, notified the university Monday of their decision.

The board was upset with university and athletic department disciplinary decisions concerning football players who had run into trouble with the law.

In a news release, the Clemens Foundation said its board had "serious issues with the quality of education at OSU, ranging from a shift in academic purpose to a declining moral ethic, which has prompted the decision to suspend the grants.

The university's recent leniency toward the unlawful conduct of certain student athletes has tarnished the school's reputation as a characterbuilding institution," the statement continued.

So far this school year Oregon State has suspended eight football players.

Undergraduate Senate approves three budgets

The Undergraduate Senate followed the advice of the budget commission and approved its first three budgets on Tuesday evening. Athletics, University Counseling and Psychological Services, and Sustainability were aproved for a total of \$48.89 per student per

Calendar

THURSDAY, MAR. 10

Meetings Chi Alpha Campus Ministry, 7pm, Arnold Gold Room. Experience God

with us! OSU Women's Rugby, 10:30-12am,

OSU Baha'i Unity Club, 7pm, Cesar Chavez Cultural Center. Everyone is welcome to attend the Baha'i Unity

Club devotions and discussion. United Campus Ministry, 5-6pm Westminster House. Sisters in the Spirit: Spirituality group for women

graduate students. Graduate Senate, 7pm, MU 212.

Meeting for Graduate Senators. Alcoholics Anonymous, 8:30pm,

Women's Center. Alcoholics Anony mous Beginners meeting. Everyone welcome Graduate Senate, 7pm, MU 212.

Meeting for Graduate Senators. **Speakers**

ACM GnuPlot Workshop, 5-6:50pm,

Milne 130. GnuPlot is a portable com mand-line driven interactive data and function plotting utility. It was developed to allow scientists and students to visualize mathematical functions and data.

FRIDAY, MAR. 11

Events

Black Cultural Center, 8-11pm, MU Rec Center. Bowling Night! All invited. Come relax before finals. Free!

SATURDAY, MAR. 12

Speakers

The Christian Science Organization, 7-8pm, Westminster House. Sharing our faith, an interfaith series speaker Megha Shyam, Baha'i faith. www.corvallisinter.com

SUNDAY, MAR. 13 **Events**

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 7pm, Grace Lutheran Church. EvenSong worship with communion-for students.

TUESDAY, MAR. 15

Events

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30am-1:30pm, Luther House. Lunch- come & go as you are available. Homemade food, stimulating conversation, vegetarian option

Volunteers

United Campus Ministry, 5:30pm, 101 NW 23rd. Stone Soup- A free meal for any in need, served from 5:30-6:30pm Tuesdays. Volunteers needed. Two shifts 3-5pm, 5-7pm. Call 753-2242. Westminster House.

THURSDAY, MAR. 17

Meetings

Graduate Senate, 7pm, MU 212. Meeting for Graduate Senators.

FRIDAY, MAR. 18 **Events**

Fisheries & Wildlife Club, 12pm, Nash parking lot. Spring break road trip visiting several points of interest in northern California. Contact Victoria Cronin, croninv@onid.orst.edu

sible for killing a Catholic civilian.

Wednesday's call from the U.S. envoy to Northern Ireland, Mitchell Oregon.

Oregon counties to begin collecting first Tuesday of spring term.

term. The senate will resume budget DeBess said he has asked Southern hearings when it reconvenes on the

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New director to head Bone Research Lab

Osteoporosis expert **Russell Turner joins OSU** from the Mayo Clinic

By Jennifer Moser THE DAILY BAROMETER

The boxes are piling up in a first-floor Milam Hall office, while laboratory construction is under way in the Milam basement. Oregon State University is welcoming internationally renowned osteoporosis expert Russell Turner as a professor of nutrition and exercise sciences and director of the Bone Research Laboratories.

"I wanted to be more involved in teaching at the undergraduate and graduate level," Turner said of his decision to leave a research-only position at the Mayo Clinic and Medical School in Minnesota. "I find working with students exhilarating and I learn probably more than they do in the process.'

Turner also looks forward to the paradigm shift from working to cure diseases to working in an environment where the goal is to prevent them. "Prevention is better than the best cure," he said.

Besides teaching and continuing his own research, Turner's position will also include facilitating research efforts and being a "propoother OSU nent" of researchers.

"It's a more-than-full-time job," he joked.

grants from NASA, the Depart-National Institutes of Health. Of leaving the Mayo Clinic, with the grants, Turner said that it "happens all the time" as researchers change positions, adding, "Will they miss me? I hope so.'

Turner replaces Christine Snow as director of the Bone Research Laboratories.

Snow plans to continue work on her NIH research grant, finish work with two doctoral students, and "retire within the next year." This is also her second year chairing Corvallis' America's Walk for Diabetes.

"I'm thrilled to see the support of our college for the Bone Research Laboratory and know it will flourish under the direction of Dr. Turner," Snow said.

Turner's appointment is part of the College of Health and Human Sciences' plan to rebuild and expand the Bone Research Laboratories. In addition to the hiring of new faculty members, this expansion includes the building of a second laboratory facility in Milam Hall.

This laboratory will enable cell culture and molecular biology work in parallel with the human exercise research er said. that occurs in the Women's Building laboratory.

Anthony Wilcox, chair of the Department of Nutrition and

their data.

Turner comes to Corvallis Exercise Sciences, lauded this with \$1.8 million in research opportunity for OSU to "conduct research on bone health ment of Defense and the from the molecular to the community level, which is truly unique."

Why is the new laboratory being built in a different building than the one where its sister lab rests, albeit only a twominute walk away? Because the Women's Building is not equipped for the exhaust system requirements of a "wet lab" of active chemistry experiments.

Additionally, "some of our work involves microscopes that are sensitive to vibration ... and the Women's Building is gymnasium," Turner observed wryly.

The new research directions for the Bone Research Laboratories will examine cellular regulation of bone production while also studying the musculoskeletal system as a whole. One branch of this research focus on the aging will process, attempting to discover ways to prevent serious fractures during aging.

"It's a very exciting opportunity because we're building something new: We're integrating studies of muscle as well as bone. Our emphasis is going to be on nutrition and physical activity as a way to slow the aging process," Turn-er said. "It's a unique approach."

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An adjustment is made based on the number of scholarship athletes to account for the short-

The only OSU team to score 1,000, a perfect

The highest average APR scores nationally-

981 — were earned in women's field hockey,

An NCAA Subcommittee of Appeals has the

The NCAA Committee on Academic Perfor-

mance is producing an "academic recovery

plan" for academically under-performing

authority to waive penalties. Institutions may

women's lacrosse and women's rowing.

teams that it plan to complete by April.

score, was women's basketball.

submit an appeal online.

term fluctuation that smaller squads may see in

STANDARDS: Only OSU team with perfect score was women's hoops **CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

individual standards.

OSU's football team scored 892, baseball 897, and men's basketball 862, all below national averages for those sports.

These teams will face penalties next year if their performances do not change.

According to data available on the NCAA Web site, 28.6 percent of football programs, 23.2 percent of baseball programs and 18.7 percent of baseball programs will be impacted by penalties unless they improve their scores.

No team will lose more than 10 percent of its maximum allowed financial aid money.

The penalty data for this year is informational only; penalties will not be implemented until 2005-06, after two years of APR data have been available.

A statistical margin of error is used for smaller teams to prevent unfair penalties.

Bob De Carolis, athletic director, and Kevin Price, associate athletic director of compliance, were unavailable for comment this week. Robert Clifford, associate athletic director of academic services, declined to comment.

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DISPLAY: "The best part is taking it down. That's what our message is about," Kay said.

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is pro-peace." Kay said the display is "just stopped by the display.

ed," Kay said. "They assume ish student group Hillel, said we are anti-Israel. What we are she had a hard time getting a chance to speak when she

called the display "shocking." For Kay and Reese, the shock is intentional.

"Basically, I'm using the wall to reach people," said Reese, who has seen the structure in person.

Reese wants to convince people to, at the very least, look into the issue.

Housing survey to shed light on student-parent situation

Results expected in spring, would address childcare, housing needs

BAROMETER STAFF REPORT

ASOSU and University Housing and Dining Services is conducting an online survey of OSU student childcare and family housing needs. The survey link was e-mailed to all students' ONID accounts Monday and will be open until March 16.

Due to discrimination issues, there is no way to track how many students have children or live in family situations, so it's difficult to determine where and how large a need childcare and family housing needs are, said Stephanie Slusher, an ASOSU intern in the office of legal advocacy.

Currently, there is only one on-campus family housing option, Orchard Court, which only has 107 units. The waiting list for the complex is between three and nine months.

Results of the survey will be available at the beginning of spring term.

CARD: New system will allow cash rollover from term to term **CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

to buy items and meals at any UHDS-operated business, such as dining halls.

Card Cash applies to both UHDS dining halls and MU businesses, such as the restaurants in the MU Commons.

aforementioned The supreme plan will offer 800 Dining Dollars and 60 Card Cash Dollars per term. The extra \$490 per term goes to overhead costs of operating the meal system.

Students can add Card Cash to their account if they run out, but there is no cost benefit to this, as all MU businesses allow cash payment.

If a student wishes to have more than \$60 to spend at MU businesses in one term and does not want to bother with adding money every time he or she runs out, they can purchase the "Flex Plus Plan." This plan is the most expensive, and money is only allocated to



one of many views," and concedes that it is her own opinion. Throughout the day, Kay said some people took issue with the display and the message, sometimes raising their voices.

"They were mostly trying to engage us" in debate, Kay said. She said most of those people were willing to listen, but when they started to speak, some became "belligerent."

"People have a hard time accepting that there's a possibility that our view might be valid," Kay said.

Rachel Becker, a senior in health promotion and education and a member of the Jew-

'I didn't think there was any actual dialogue," said Becker, who stayed for about 10 minutes before giving up. She says she was cut off when she tried to speak.

differently than Reese and Kay. "I think the purpose of it is to stop having as many innocent lives taken by bombings which are still occurring," Becker said.

down, construction engineering senior Alan Stewart snapped pictures with his cell phone.

That could eclipse the sun right there," said Stewart, who

"If you have doubts about this, learn what's happening," he said.

On that note, Becker agrees. "I want people to really look Becker sees the "wall" quite at both sides of the issue. Do as much reading as possible," she said.

> After a day in the sun, Kay was ready to wrap things up by about 3 p.m.

The best part is taking it As the structure was taken down," Kay said, as she own, construction engineer- recruited passers-by to help bring the display down.

> "That's what our message is about."

> > Dan Traylor, news editor news@dailybarometer.com, 737-6376

overhead and Card Cash.

Another change will cause some students to feel relief at the end of a term.

On the current system, students' accounts are cleared every term and any remaining money is lost. This forces students to spend any leftover money in one trip at the end of the term.

The new system would allow automated rollover of meal dollars at the end of each term.

Turnbull explained that getting rid of the discount and lowering prices was beneficial to all parties.

"Overall, it makes a more price-conscious consumer," Turnbull said.

Because students will be faced with the actual cost of food, not a discounted price, they will be more conscious of what they buy, Turnbull explained.

The new plan will go into effect starting fall term and will be "nearly invisible," to students according to Turnbull.

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ART: Also in the works is a "Stitch and Bitch" craft group CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

on opening night was provided by Susan Bourque of the Craft Center, as well as the Women's Center.

'We're talking about using our wall space for ...," Ruediger began. "... women in our community, so they can have their art discussed and critiqued," Willet finished for her.

Also in the works is a "Stitch and Bitch" group, in an effort to "get crafty together," Ruediger said.

The exhibit will run through the end of the month, corresponding with Women's History Month as a "tribute to the experience and expression of those experiences," Willet said.

For more information on programs sponsored by the Women's Center, visit http://oregonstate.edu/womenscenter/.

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Editorial Get the lead out

mericans love NASCAR. The A sleek cars circling around at break-neck speed give fans nationwide the thrill of vicarious danger.

But as it turns out, the spectators themselves are in danger.

To power those high-performance automobiles, NASCAR fuels up with leaded gasoline.

Ever notice how all commercial gasoline at the pump is unleaded?

That's thanks to a nationwide cam-paign in the 1970s and '80s, spearheaded by the Environmental Protection Agency, considered today to be one of the greatest public health victories of the 20th century.

Why all the fuss? Basically, because lead is bad news. Really bad news.

According to the EPA, exposure to lead can damage the kidneys, liver, brain and central nervous system.

It is especially devastating to children because they are in critical stages of development. Studies show that relatively low blood level concentrations of lead - less than 10 parts per million — can permanently diminish

a child's mental capacity. In other words, lead causes brain damage in kids. That's why the "lead" in pencils is actually graphite, a benign carbon compound.

An important point about lead exposure is that it is quantitative. While the levels of lead at a NASCAR track at any given time may be relatively low, repeat fans are getting repeatedly dosed - and it all adds up.

Congress exempted NASCAR and the aviation industry from EPA regu-lations in 1990, but the EPA has been asking NASCAR to voluntarily switch to unleaded since 1998.

The racing industry claims lead is necessary - it serves as a lubricant to make engines run more smoothly. Leaded fuel is reportedly also resistant to explosion, reducing the risks to drivers in crashes.

NASCAR tested out unleaded fuels in 1998 and 1999, but didn't find a suitable replacement additive.

The environmental group Clean Air Watch has resurrected the debate, writing NASCAR a formal letter requesting the racing giant give up lead — now.

"By permitting the continued use of lead, your organization may be putting millions of spectators and nearby residents at unnecessary risk of suffering serious health effects," the letter asserts.

A 2002 EPA report found that airbound lead particles from auto exhaust stay aloft for as long as 10 days and travel miles from their source. As Clean Air Watch pointed out, it's not just the 3.5 million NASCAR fans in the stands every year that are at risk - it's NASCAR track communities, too. (Still interested, Portland?) And hey, what about those NASCAR drivers and pit crews? It's time for NASCAR to get the lead out. And if it really is impossible, as race spokespersons assert, is watching a bunch of cars making left turns really worth endangering the health - and intelligence - of millions?

The adventures of a sky-diving barber pole or the first five years of my life, I could fly. I had always known that, given enough persuasion, a secret spell or the right prop, my natural buoyancy would finally emerge. When I first saw "Mary Poppins," I was certain this

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was it. Forget the bedknobs and chimney sweeps, and you can keep your spoonfuls of sugar. I would give both my big toes to get my hands on that umbrella that lets her float around London. This is a dangerous influence on a 5-year-old, since naturally, I wondered at the magical properties of our own family umbrella. I took the blue collapsible wand from our hall closet, found my mom, and told her to come outside and watch this

my flying machine in one hand, the handle loop around my wrist. "I'm going to fly away now," I declared. Mom replied, "Go on, let's see it then." This proves it, I thought, she'd never let me do something stupid like this if she didn't secretly know it was true! I stepped off the roof and fell five feet to the ground. As it happens, an umbrella, when turned inside-out, serves the great aerodynamic purpose of speeding one's descent like the fins on a dart.

I sat on the barkdust, clutching sky ninjas in sleek my ankle and swearing words that a 5-year-old can't possibly know zippers, while in their arms they (another as-yet undiscovered talent) and my mom laughed long and carried me back in the house. I couldn't bear that I'd lost my childhood power, and some years later after seeing "Hook," I realized my mistake. People can't fly with umbrellas — that's just silly! The magic was inside me all this time just waiting for me to believe. I was ready this time. One morning on the way to the bus, with a happy thought clutched in my mind, I ran full-bore, took a flying leap of faith, and clobbered a mailbox.



YOU LUCKY DOG! I BET YOU WERE PRETTY

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YESSSSSSS

Day. Unaware of my past, my friends invited me to go skydiving. Maybe my problem wasn't that I had the wrong tricks, but that I hadn't fallen far enough to give them enough time to work! Brilliant!

I immediately liked the people who worked at the skydiving place. For one, they pretty much live in a hangar at the airport with couches and TVs and cool equipment, and, better yet, their job is to fly around I stood on top of a low shed with and parachute all day. They're pretty

much a cross between surf bums and the A-Team, and I was a willing sky tourist.

While our tandem jumpers went up to the loft to get ready, we fastened strap A of our harnesses into clamp B, sweating like we were defusing a bomb. The veterans returned, looking like

black jumpsuits with lots of smart held tan coveralls with big red, white and blue stripes that had obviously come from a Fourth of July air show in 1982. Sparklers cost extra.

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could think to do was grit my teeth

and make the goat sign with my

hand. I don't know why I did it; I, in

no way, embody rock and roll. With a

mighty shove, we fell into a painting

got plucked out of the sky, then we

turned back to the ground and in a

panic I said "Now THIS was stupid."

The worst part about wearing a dude on your back is if your chute

turns out to be full of rusty forks and

We turned to face the airplane as it

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he polls, they say, show people our age support President Bush's plan to "reform" Social Security.

That's crap. Forgive my incredulity, but there are two things we have to keep in mind: First, the president doesn't even yet have a solid plan, only broad statements of principle. Second: Admit it, like most people our age, you have no idea how Social Security works.

That's not your fault, Social Security is complicated. Most of us are too young to have seriously considered retirement, and we aren't all investment bankers or actuaries. Most of us don't even know what an actuary is.

Every worker in America is forced to pay into Social Security. We have all probably seen the 6.2 percent taken out of our paychecks. Our employers also pay an additional 6.2 percent of our gross income, for a total of 12.4 percent of gross income up to \$90,000 per year.

But to understand what Social Security is, we should look at what it isn't. We tend to think of it as a retirement plan, but that is only part of the story.

Most real retirement plans fall into one of two categories, dubbed "defined benefit" or "defined contribution."

A defined benefit plan pays a person a set amount each month after they retire. The PERS plan for state employees used to be exclusively of this type. The employees pay into the fund during every month of their working lives. The employer usually contributes some as well, and hires fund managers to invest the money and make sure there is enough to meet the anticipated costs of paying the employees a monthly check for however long they live after they retire.

The employer in this case assumes the risk in two ways. If the fund's investments go bad, or if their actuaries (these are people who assess probabilities and risk) incorrectly calculate projected lifespan, the employer is left to make up the difference, more or less.

In a defined contribution plan, on the other hand, the employee assumes the risk. A 401k is an example

gold doubloons, you have a front row seat to the end of your life. That has to be why it costs so much more to go tandem. For people who play chicken with the ground every day, the price of missing the view is high. Flapflapflapflapflapflap! Was it my

of the ground.

Dressed like a patriotic gardener

robbed from me by a crappy umbrella, would return when it finally hit me: I got nothing. Plan B was this parachute thing, and I

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hoped it would pan out. The sail burst open, and the sky sucked in a breath and asked us to stay a while. The natural state for a person strapped to the front of a guy in a parachute once you are no longer freefalling is to release the tension in your body and, in essence, hang loose like Raggedy Andy when he drinks. Instead I imagined that the sail above us wasn't a sail, but a big round umbrella (made with far superior construction), and as we floated I brought my heels together, straightened up, and

heart? My waving arms? My billowed cheeks? No, this was the loose strap of my rather pointless helmet slapping my jaw like an offended tortilla. I spent the first minute of freefall fiddling with the strap

and strapped to another guy like a flying kangaroo, my time of triumph was at hand.

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You know you've tried it too.

Finally, dressed like a patriotic gardener and strapped to another guy like a flying kangaroo, my time of triumph was at hand.

The airplane was the size of a Pontiac, but it didn't look near as reliable. We climbed to 10,000 feet, and my human backpack opened the door and pointed over my shoulder to a tiny camera on the underside of the wing. Now was my moment of glory to strike a daring pose, but all I

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of this type.

The employee basically just keeps an account for him or herself. In this type of plan the person also usually gets tax breaks from the government and matching funds from the employer. When they retire they get to tap into the account, which is just a lump sum, not a monthly check.

If the employee invested well, he or she gets more money at retirement. If not, then he or she has to live with less

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TRIPATHI: We have to be realistic about how we are going to pay for Social Security now

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the defined contribution plan is the time of death. If the employee dies before retirement, the money goes to his or her heirs, be they a spouse or children or whoever.

Conversely, if the retiree lives a very long time, there is a chance of outliving the savings. To mitigate that risk, many people buy an annuity upon retirement.

That is basically a financial device that converts the lumpsum defined contribution account into a regular paycheck for however long the retiree lives.

Social Security is like a defined benefit retirement plan, but it also has a disability and life insurance components. That is, if you retire or are seriously disabled, you get a monthly check for the rest of your life. Also, if you die at working age and leave dependents, they get monthly checks. It's nice that way.

between Social Security and any private insurance or pension fund is the requirement to maintain fund reserves. If a company starts a pension

fund, they are legally required to maintain a fund balance sufficient to meet anticipated future liabilities. In other words, when you pay them money, they have to hold it until you retire.

Social Security never had this requirement. It was built from scratch during

the Great Depression because people didn't like watching old people starve to death en masse.

Since that time, we have witnessed a large increase in average lifespan, from around 64 to 75 years of age. This in turn, has greatly increased the amount of time the average person spends in retirement, measured in either years of, or in proportion to total life.

That's the rub. If you are going to spend a higher percentage of your life in the retirement phase, then you should probably save a higher percentage of your income

during your working life.

However, the tax rates that we pay are set by congressional action.

They have been raised many times over the years to account for the longer lifespan, but the rate at which they have been raised has not been sufficient for each generation to pay for itself.

The way this has been possible is by having present workers for present retirees. pav Remember, most retirement funds are required to save the money past workers have invested to pay them later, so they maintain extremely large fund balances at all times. Social Security has been paying retirees more than they actually saved, even with interest added.

The baby boom generation, a wave of births that has been extremely successful financially, both allowed this trend to continue and will force it to stop. There are relatively fewer Another, major difference retirees now drawing from the system, but very soon they will all be in it together. It's sort of like how the tide drops just before the tsunami hits.

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Social Security fund entirely, **Apparently, Americans** which White House are strongly in estimates will favor of money occur in 2042 magically appearing (the Congressional Budget to pay for retirement. Office 2052). Most col-

lege age people now will retire just after that. I turn 67 in 2045.

If we do nothing until then, Social Security will still be able to pay retirees at that time (remember, that's us) with money coming in from our working children and grandchildren. It is estimated however, that there would only be enough money coming in to pay us around 75 percent of what we would otherwise expect.

So we have a shortfall, because with our increasing lifespans we don't save enough money to receive the amount of Social Security retirement payments that we expect. Basically, money doesn't grow on trees.

There are three obvious solu- cut programs to run a budget tions: Raise the payroll tax percentage to reflect the higher percentage of life we spend in retirement; lower the benefits that we get to more accurately reflect the amount we save; or raise the retirement age to shorten the percentage of life we spend in retirement.

However, polls on the issue show three things: Americans are strongly opposed to tax increases; Americans are strongly opposed to benefit cuts; and Americans are strongly opposed to raising the retirement age. Apparently, Americans are strongly in favor of money magically appearing to pay for retirement.

The president has proposed "solutions," in principle, to the projected shortfall. It is actually a two part plan, which I believe was designed to be deliberately confusing.

One part is a simple benefit cut. As stated, that would be widely unpopular by itself.

That is why he is trying to shield it as "reform" rather than a cut, by adding the investment cutaway. As part of his overall ownership society" movement, this idea would allow people to invest a small percentage of their Social Security tax in a pre-selected set of conservative stock mutual funds, with the money being converted to bonds as the person gets older. As it stands now, the Social Security trustees invest the fund balance in safe but low-yield treasury bonds.

You see, the idea is that the government forcing people to save for their retirement by investing in T-bills is a sort of communist nanny-state oppression, but forcing people to invest in T-bills while allowing them to put a small fraction in one of very few governmentapproved mutual funds is somehow allowing people to control their money, which begets the magical and wonderful "ownership society."

The investment cutaway idea is actually decent, except we don't have the money for it. If people invest their Social Security funds now in the stock market, that money won't be available to pay today's retirees. That means the government would have to borrow huge amounts of extra money to offset the difference.

This would be acceptable if we raised the income tax and

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surplus, but President Bush has done the opposite by cutting income taxes and shock-andawing the federal debt. So that won't work.

There is no free lunch. We have to be realistic about how much we want Social Security to pay us in the future, and how much we are going to pay into it now. The numbers simply have to add up. Any politician who says otherwise is blowing smoke up your too-young-toounderstand-retirement-cause-I'm-only-in-my-twenties ass.

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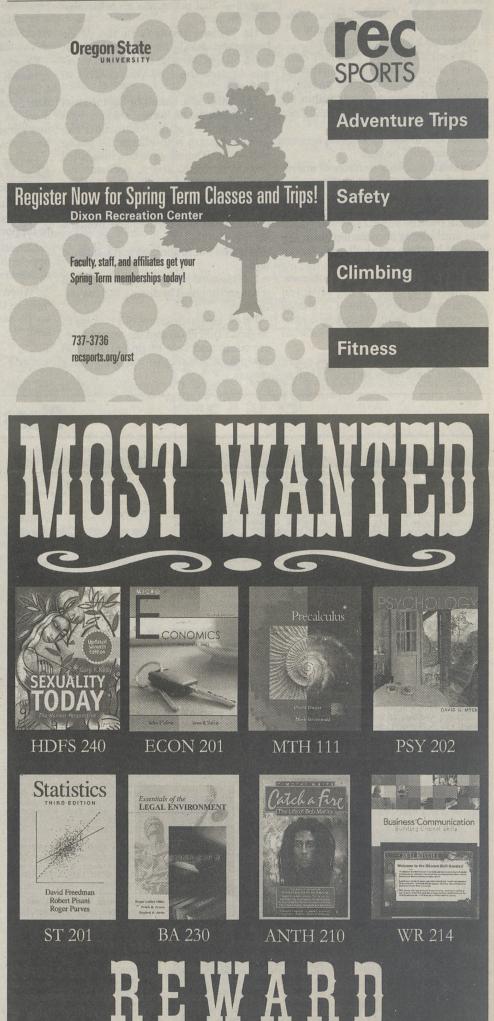
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stood tall like a floating gentleman bidding good day to the clouds, though to the people below I probably looked more like a flying barber pole.

When I reached the ground, I called my own mother to report my harrowing story of survival in spite of terrible apparel peril. The poor woman's heart left her completely and sent itself over the phone. Fifteen years later, I had the last laugh.

The moral of the story is that magic will ultimately let you down, but no amount of reason will convince you not to fall for the next fantasy that covers the same old wish. It's also a cautionary tale to all the mothers out there who allow their kids to do damn fool things like jump off sheds to prove they can fly. Those kids won't quit until they prove it. Also, buckle your seatbelt - but that one kind of got lost in there.

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GOODRICH: Adamant that protest can affect change

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It was early 2003 and the whispers of a U.S. push into Iraq were already stirring. Goodrich soon learned that he would

be deployed to Saudi Arabia in time for the start of the invasion. Before his deployment, he decided to research Iraq, hoping to educate himself on his soon-tobe enemy.

His research turned up what he calls a history of ugly truths riddled with lies, deceit and U.S. hypocrisy.

He was disgusted when he learned that the United States had actually supported Saddam Hussein during Iraq's wars with Iran. He was also critical of U.S. demands for Iraq to disband its manufacturing of weapons of mass destruction, while the United States continued stockpiling nuclear missiles.

He determined that a U.S.-led unilateral war would only lead to disaster and suffering for both Iraq and America.

"I joined the military because I came from a military family and because I wanted to defend my country," he said.

He soon became a pariah within his unit as he and two other soldiers began speaking out against the war.

"I was told to shut up because we were hurting the unit," he said.

Goodrich describes a culture of intimidation that exists within the military.

He estimates that there is a large number of active soldiers who are against the war, but because of peer pressure within units and bullying from the top brass, any outspoken critics are dealt with strictly and immediately.

"When these guys are around other soldiers, they're all gung-ho, but when you get them alone, I bet six out of 10 will tell you they don't want to return to the war," he said. "They've seen it; they know what it's like."

Goodrich tells of how U.S. forces began "softening" Iraqi forces six months before

the war began. He saw Army vehicles marshalling at the Saudi Arabia/Iraq border well before war was declared on Iraq. Goodrich continued to work on AWACs, counting the days until his discharge date, after which he would be able

to leave the military behind forever. He returned home with two medals pinned to his chest and a heart full of disillusionment. He felt betrayed by his country. He also was racked with guilt over his actions in Iraq and Afghanistan. Goodrich addressed OSU students and

faculty on Wednesday. Dressed sharply in a simple black polo

shirt and tightly pressed khakis, he described the feelings of emptiness and loss he felt after returning from the war.

He was saved from despair after discovering the teachings of Ghandi, who inspired him to seek out the peace movement in America.

"It's a weird idea that I wasn't taught in school - that peace was an achievable goal," he said.

He became involved in the peace movement during an anti-war rally in 2004. Shortly after, he co-founded Veterans Against the Iraq War (VAIW) in Boston.

The VAIW is a nonprofit organization composed of 120 former soldiers who fought in Iraq and Afghanistan. The group's mission is to inform the public about what it perceives to be a misguided war on terrorism and to persuade the government to pull U.S. forces out of Iraq immediately.

Goodrich returned to Iraq as a civilian eight months after his discharge from the Air Force.

What he found shocked and saddened him.

He showed slides depicting Iraqi teenagers hobbled by disease and malnutrition.

He took several pictures of a hospital in Baghdad that illustrated the severe overcrowding and lack of proper medical equipment that plagues many Iraqi care centers.

Goodrich travels the country, sharing his story in an attempt to rejuvenate the peace movement that has been steadily eroding as the war drags on into its third year.

He is adamant that protesting the war can affect change. He has spoken with legislators in his home state of California, who told him that the only thing holding them back from speaking against the war is what seems to be a lack of support from the American people.

"The war protesters are beat down," Goodrich said.

He understands the feelings of deflation felt by those in the peace movement when hundreds of thousands took to the streets in the weeks leading up to the invasion of Iraq, only to be crushed when the war continued as planned.

But Goodrich insists that protesting the war will work if the American people will keep their resolve.

"People don't seem to remember that worldwide protests delayed the war for six months," he said.

Goodrich is beleaguered by the demands of heading Veterans Against the Iraq War and being a full-time college student in San Diego. He spends three hours a day on the phone coordinating events and networking with other soldiers who have chosen to speak out against the war.

During a peace rally outside the courthouse in Corvallis, protesters heard jeers coming from cars passing by.

One man on a motorcycle screamed expletives at the protesters, telling them to support the troops.

Goodrich understands those who oppose the peace movement. He was one of them not too long ago.

"When I saw protesters, I used to say, 'Look at those hippies over there.' Now, I see people with their humanity intact," he said.

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WASHINGTON - A comprehensive U.S. military review of prisoner interrogation policies and techniques for the global war on terrorism concluded that no civilian or uniformed leaders directed or encouraged the prisoner abuse documented in Iraq, Afghanistan and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

"We found no link between approved interrogation techniques and detainee abuse," the review concluded.

The review led by Navy Vice Adm. Albert T. Church did cite, however, a number of "missed opportunities" in the development of interrogation policies, according to a 21page executive summary of his findings due to be publicly released Thursday. The Associated Press obtained a copy Wednesday.

Among the missed opportunities was a failure to provide commanders in Iraq and Afghanistan with specific and early guidance on interrogation techniques.

'We cannot say that there would necessarily have been less detainee abuse had these opportunities been acted upon," Church wrote.

Had that guidance been provided earlier, "interrogation policy could have bene-

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fited from additional expert ise and oversight," he wrote. The Church report also dis-

closed that the top U.S. commander in Iraq, Army Gen. George Casey, who arrived there last summer, approved on Jan. 27 a new, more restrictive interrogation policy for Iraq.

Casey's new policy, which had not previously been made public, "also provides additional safeguards and prohibitions, rectifies ambiguities" and requires that commanders report to Casey their compliance with the policy, the report said.

The probe also found, in the cases of detainee operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, that the dissemination of approved interrogation policy to commanders in the field was generally poor. And in Iraq in particular it found that compliance with approved policy guidance was generally poor.

By contrast, compliance with the authorized interrogation methods was in nearly all cases exemplary at Guantanamo Bay, where terrorism suspects have been held since January 2002, the report said.

It attributed this to strict command oversight and effective leadership, as well as adequate resources.

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where he served as an assistant coach prior to coming to Corvallis.

In his last season at UA, the Wildcats won the tournament.

The tournament is more about survival," John explained. "You have kids cramping up, and not much time to recover. We played three games in 46 hours. It's hard on the kids and it's not realistic because you don't do that in the season."

You have to be resilient and trust the kids, because there's not a lot of turnaround time," John said. "So you can't shove stuff down there throats. So you have to trust them that they will remember things.

In the other half of the bracket, Washington plays in state rival Washington State and Stanford squares off against the Sun Devils of Arizona State.

The Beavers are probably looking at an NIT bid, but winning the Pac-10 Tournament would secure a spot in the 65 team NCAA Tournament.

'We're going to take it (the Pac-10 tournament) one game at a time," said senior guard J.S. Nash. "The ultimate goal is to win the Pac-10 Championship.'

In order for the Beavers to win one game, let alone the Pac-10 Tournament, they will have to win their first conference game away from Gill Coliseum.

The Staples Center in Los Angeles, holds 18,997 fans and is a neutral court for the tournament.

But mentally, it might as well be a road

game for a squad that finished 0-9 this season on the road in Pac-10 play.

"It's definitely frustrating not being able to win on the road," said junior point guard Lamar Hurd. "One good thing is that we know why we haven't gotten a win. But we've figured some stuff out as a team.'

OSU will be led this weekend by two time All-Pac-10 player David Lucas.

The senior forward is averaging 17.8 points and 6.5 rebounds per game.

He scored 20 or more points in 10 of 18 conference games, including four straight of at least 20 points.

Alongside Lucas is Dewitz, who received honorable mention All-Pac-10.

The transfer from Iowa State has averaged 13.3 points and 5.3 rebounds in his first season with the Beavers.

Receiving honors for the Bruins were Dijon Thompson, who made the All-Pac-10 team.

Freshman guards Jordan Farmar and Aaron Affalo made the Pac-10 all-Freshmen team, while guard/forward Joel Shipp received honorable mention.

Overall, the Beavers are looking forward to playing on a neutral court where they have fared much better this season.

"It's going to be another battle," DeWitz said. "We are not here in Gill where we are comfortable. But I think it's advantage for us that we aren't playing at their home site. Its going to be a good game."

Tip off is scheduled for 2:50 p.m. at the Staples Center. The game can be viewed on Fox Sports Northwest and KEJO 1240 FM.

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BASEBALL: Hope to educate people on dangers of steroids **CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8**

sentatives, and certified by a U.S. attorney. If that happened, Brand said the fight over the subpoenas would head to U.S. District Court.

Canseco, Fehr and Manfred have agreed to testify. Manfred would speak on behalf of baseball commissioner Bud Selig.

"The remaining witnesses, however, made it clear — either by flatly rejecting the invitation to testify or by ignoring our repeated attempts to contact them — they had no intention of appearing before the

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committee," committee chairman Rep. Tom Davis and Rep. Henry Waxman, the ranking Democrat, said in a statement.

"The committee will conduct a thorough, fair, and responsible investigation. It is important the American people know the facts on baseball's steroid scandal," Davis and Waxman said. "And it is important that all Americans, especially children, know about the dangers of drug use. Consistent with our committee's jurisdiction over the nation's drug policy, we need to better understand the steps MLB is taking to get a handle on the steroid issue, and whether news of those steps - and the public health danger posed by steroid use - is reaching America's youth.'

LUCAS: Honed his skills at Dixon every day during his freshman year CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8

was always saying, 'you should come out for the team.'

Potter wasn't the only one who was impressed by Lucas' play.

Jason Tyrus, an assistant coach under then OSU head coach Ritchie McKay, often played with Lucas.

Tyrus began working with the raw freshman and eventually invited Lucas to work out with the Beavers following the 2001-02 season.

Soon, McKay himself began to see the potential in Lucas, asking Lucas to work out with the team every day.

Also, by that time, Lucas had grown to 6-7.

And all of Lucas's hard work and determination finally paid off that summer.

"Coach McKay told me to keep lifting weights and working on my game," Lucas said. "So I did that all summer, and one day I came into the locker room and my name plate was on a locker."

Even then, things didn't go as smoothly as Lucas had hoped. His lack of maturity and experience held him back.

"Making the transition (from high school to college) was definitely hard," Lucas said. "I had so many priorities. There was practice, conditioning, weightlifting and study hall."

As a result, he saw limited playing time during his first season with the Beavers.

To make matters worse, McKay was difficult coach to play for.

"Coach McKay was a bitter old guy," Lucas said. "He wanted everyone to be his way. If you didn't abide by his rules (such as no do-rags and earrings around Gill Coliseum), you didn't play."

So it's no surprise that Lucas welcomed the hiring of Jay John after McKay left for New Mexico in 2002

John had a reputation for developing post players as an assistant under Lute Olson — and sure enough, Lucas responded with a bang.

He came out of nowhere during his junior season, leading the Beavers in scoring with 17.2 points per game and grabbing 6.9 rebounds per contest.

Those numbers were good enough to earn David a spot on the All-Pac-10 first team.

'You just don't see that, it doesn't happen," said John about Lucas' rapid development. "More kids score less points when they go to college. David is a compete 180 reverse of that."

Perhaps it was because of Lucas' pedigree - he's the son of former NBA All-Star Maurice Lucas.

And while Lucas credits his father with helping

him develop his style of play around the basket, Lucas is more thankful for the support his father gives him.

"My Dad never forced me to do anything," Lucas said. "He said, 'If you want to dedicate yourself to basketball down there, I'll support you. But if you don't, I'll still be there for you.

"He's proud of me. He comes to all my games and he would even if I wasn't playing.

In addition to maturing physically, Lucas grew mentally and emotionally, too.

"I have seen David grow a lot," John said. "He's matured into a competitor and I think he's just starting to get into shape. It's time for him to really elevate.

His teammates have also noticed Lucas' maturation.

"Everything that David's been doing the last few seasons he was doing when I first got here," said junior point guard Lamar Hurd. "The difference with David then and now is that he used to not be mentally tough enough — David has really grown up."

With all the success he's had lately, it would be easy for a guy who loves being around the basket (he dreams about executing perfect moves in his sleep) to be selfish.

Lucas, however, could not care less about the number of touches he gets or baskets he scores.

He simply wants to help his team win and was proud that he played such an instrumental role in helping the Beavers to their first winning season in 15 years.

"It means I actually contributed and helped the team be successful," Lucas said. "Last year, I got first team All-Pac-10, but we still finished ninth.

'So it feels like I have done something, especially this season, getting all those wins.

As far as following in his father's footsteps and playing in the NBA, Lucas isn't sure what the future holds.

John believes that in order for Lucas to get a shot, he will have to keep growing as player.

"People are going to pay attention to him," John said. "But he's got a lot of developing left because he's so young to the game and in his conditioning. So you just don't know.

You know the skills are there, he's just got to make some changes.

As his storybook college career nears the end, Lucas looks back on his remarkable emergence as a person and an athlete with fondness.

It's an experience I'll never forget," Lucas said. 'I have been through a lot, and for it to end up like this, it's been great.'

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David Lucas' storybook career has taken him from the courts of Dixon to the All-Pac-10 first team in four short years

By Raju Woodward & Steven Masters

the floor again

som into one of the top players in the Pac-10. Last week, the 6-8 forward was named to

He was only 6-3 at the time and was coming off a less-than-stellar high school career at

"My high school career wasn't a career at ," Lucas said. "I only played varsity one

schools. In fact, he wasn't even planning to play basketball at OSU.

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It also helped that he ended up living across the hall from Derek Potter, a center for the

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Men's hoops ready for postseason Former center earns honor

Ed Lewis, who played for OSU from 1931-33, is inducted into Pac-10's Hall of Honor

BAROMETER STAFF REPORT

Ed Lewis, a 6-foot-5 center for Oregon State basketball from 1931-33, was inducted into the Pacific-10 Conference's Hall of Honor on Wednesday night at a ceremony prior to the start of the Pac-10 Tour-

He earned All-American and All-Pacific Coast Conference honors in 1933 after leading Oregon State to the league title.

The Oregon Journal named Lewis the top player in the Pacific Northwest between 1900-1950. He is a member of the State of Ore-

gon, OSU Athletic and Portland Interscholastic League halls of fame. OSU's annual basketball leadership award is named in his honor.

■ Beavers will face UCLA for the second time in a week in the first round of the Pac-10 tourney

By Steven Masters THE DAILY BAROMETER

The Oregon State men's basketball are playing them team returns to postseason play when it faces UCLA today in the first round of the Pacific-10 Tournament. OSU (16-13, 9-9) earned the fifth ing reports are fresh in

Despite playing against the Bruins the right to play in the champirecently, the Beavers aren't con- onship game.

vinced that that gives them an advantage. They, however, said it won't hurt them.

"I think it helps we again so quickly," said junior forward Nick DeWitz. "So the scout-

The scouting reports are fresh in our minds and we know what they do and they know what we do.

In the other half of the bracket, Washington plays in-state rival Washington State, while Stanford squares off against Arizona State.

In order to win the Pac-10 Tournament, a team must win three

nament.

Amory "Slats" Gill.

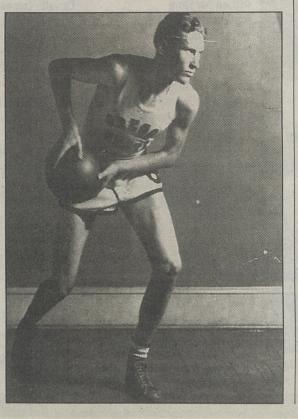
The Beavers' previous inductees Lewis played for legendary coach are Gary Payton (2002), Slats Gill (2003) and Mel Counts (2004).

Ed Lewis was inducted into the Pac-10 Hall of Honor Wednesday night. The center helped the Beavers to a league title in 1933. For his efforts, he earned **All-American** and All-Pacific Coast Conference honors that season. The team's annual leadership

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Last Thursday, the Beavers fell to UCLA (18-9, 11-7), 69-61, in Los Angeles.

know what they do and they know what we do. So it'll be interesting."

winner of Arizona and Cal game for

games in three days. OSU head coach Jay -NICK DEWITZ,

forward, men's hoops John has lots of experience with the tournament from his The winning team will play the days at the University of Arizona, See MEN'S HOOPS / page 7

Major League Baseball stars subpoenaed

Eight players to testify before Congress about new steroid policies and drug abuse in baseball

By Ronald Blum THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK - Jose Canseco, Jason Giambi, Mark

the way to court.

McGwire and four other current

gating steroids policy, a move base-

ball's leadership vowed to fight all

Curt Schilling, Sammy Sosa,

Rafael Palmeiro and Frank Thomas

also were subpoenaed to appear at

the March 17 hearing of the House

Government Reform Committee



Sammy Sosa

along with players' association head Donald Fehr, baseball executive vice presidents Rob Manfred and Sandy Alderson and San Diego gener-

al manager Kevin Towers.

Stanley Brand, a lawyer for the baseball commissioner's office, criticized the committee for "an absolutely excessive and unprecedented misuse of congressional power." He said the committee was interfering with the federal grand jury investigation in California into illegal distribution by subpoenaing Giambi, a grand jury witness who might have to testify at a trial.

'Not even the Iran-Contra committee attempted to do that," Brand said.

Gene Orza, the union's chief operating officer, declined comment.

Brand and Manfred said baseball will attempt to fight the subpoenas. If the subpoenas are not complied with, the committee could vote contempt citations, which would have to be approved by the full House of Repre-

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