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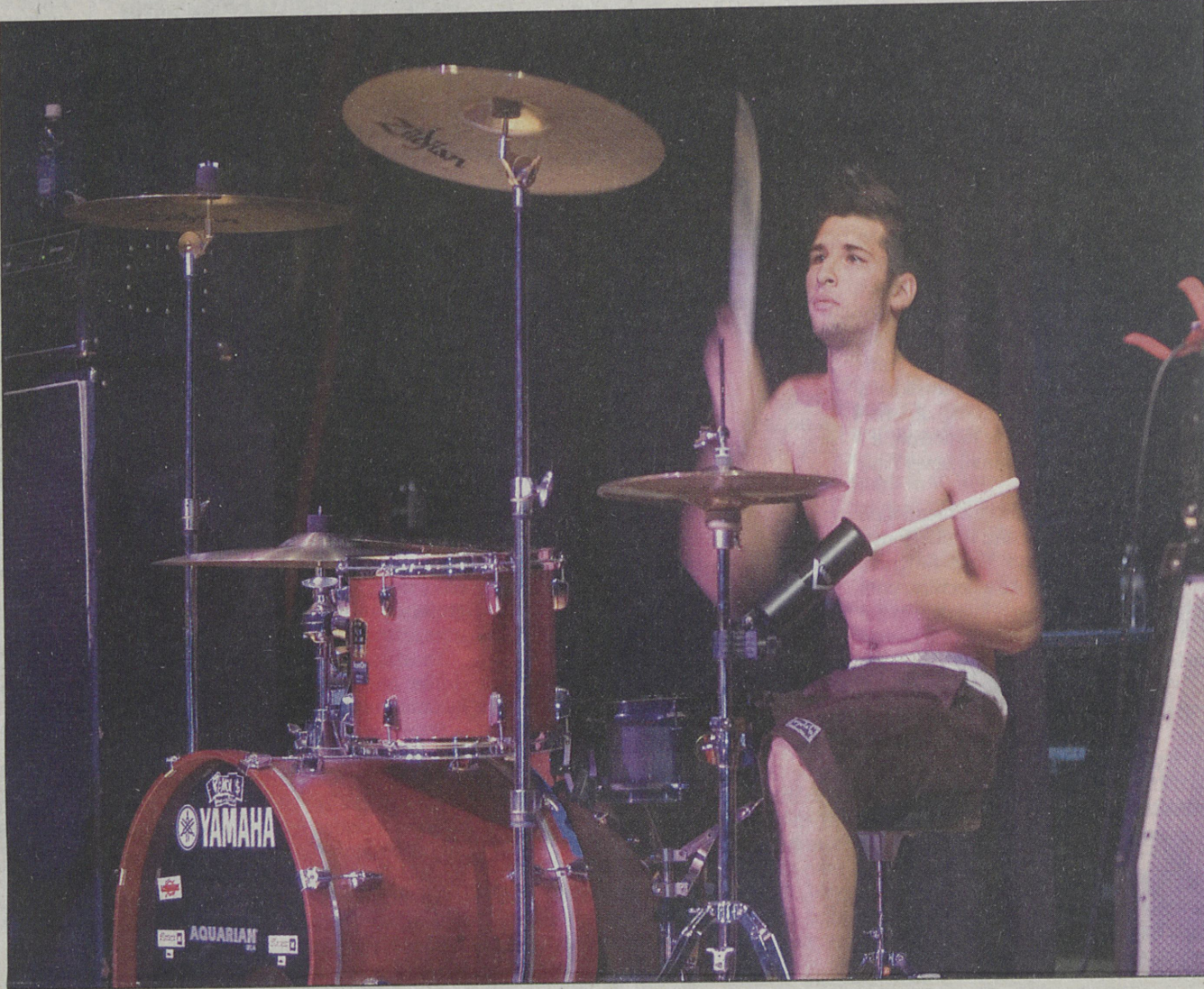
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Smile for Charity

Mark Dilson, drummer for This Just In, performed along with nine other bands on Friday night at the Rockin' November concert. The event was put on as a benefit for The Smile Train charity

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Class project prompts charity fundraiser

Project management class looks to raise money for charities; one project came to fruition Friday

By Katie Thorn
THE DAILY BAROMETER

From heavy metal music to \$10 T-shirts and a beer garden, hundreds of people came together on Friday night to support The Smile Train charity during Rockin' November, a special one-night concert benefiting those in need.

"The Smile Train delivers free surgeries to children who suffer from a cleft lip or palate disorders," said Steven Lewis, one of two project managers. "A lot of people in our group had a personal connection to the cause, so we decided it would be for the best."

The group of 14 students in charge

of the event is a part of Prof. Erik Larson's Business Administration 462 project management class that meets twice a week. Seven people from each of Larson's two classes joined together to create this one-of-a-kind concert event.

"With this charity, you actually see the results," said Kari Butler, a senior in business administration and a member of the project's core. "I'm excited to make a difference."

The fundraiser estimated 400 to 500 people in attendance Friday night.

After selecting a charity, the group decided on a concert event because it included several elements different members were interested in. Plus, some members also had prior music experiences.

"The concert incorporated all of the ideas from the group," said

Chad Anderson, a project manager. "Someone wanted a concert, someone wanted to sell T-shirts, someone wanted to sell something in the quad, someone wanted to design something. We all came together and it turned out great."

The group's essential goals for the fundraiser included to "raise money for a worthy cause and to provide an opportunity for all team members to practice project management skill and techniques," according to their written executive summary.

The 10 bands that were chosen to play, Lewis said, were mostly from personal contacts and word of mouth.

"We knew a lot of the bands already," Lewis said. "They all were extremely open to playing for a charitable cause."

"Playing music for a charity just

makes it that much better," said Alex Herder, guitarist and singer for Corvallis rock band It Doesn't Matter. "It's a great cause — I completely support it."

The 10 bands performed included: Wheelchair Renegades, Rental58, It Doesn't Matter, We rock ROCK!, This Just In, Azeral, August, Quandy, Myndescent, Short Fuse and DJ B-Rock.

In addition to the concert itself, vendors such as Pizza Pipeline, Big Town Hero and Papa's Pizza donated their time and money to help out the cause. Rogue Brewery also provided all security, bartenders, bouncers and beer for the event, in addition to \$1,100. Rouge Brewery, according to the event's funding statement, invested well more than \$4,000 for

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An inside look at prison life

Student group visits maximum security prison in Oregon, builds new bridges of understanding

By Amanda Robbins
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On Friday, the Polynesian Cultural Club visited the Oregon State Maximum Security Penitentiary, a tri-level prison with 3,000 inmates.

"This is a bi-annual event where we present in front of the Asian Family Group at the prison," said Anna Fai, the co-president of PCC. "We give a short presentation which focuses on the outreach of Pacific Islander inmates."

The inmates the students were visiting had privileged visiting, which means that they have had six months or more of good behavior. Most of the people in this group are either going to get out of prison soon, but some will be there for life.

On the drive up to Salem, most students were a little apprehensive but excited as well.

"I don't even know what to expect," said Nora Ludgate, the vice president of PCC. "I'm psyched."

Fai has been going on the trip for three and a half years.

"We want other students to not be afraid to talk to inmates," she said. "They are just people who made mistakes. Our freedom does not justify us to judge them."

Once at the prison, students were not allowed to carry anything in that was metal. Students were asked prior to leaving campus to not wear metal in their clothing — including underwire bras.

The Asian Family Group is the smallest clubs in the prison. Once inside the recreation room with the prisoners, the students were welcomed with smiles.

The first thing Fai did was play an ice-breaker game. She asked certain questions, and if the statement was true for the individual, they were asked to stand up.

"I play that ice breaker to show the other students that the inmates are

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Outspoken hosts showcase

Campus a cappella groups kick off their seasons with friendly concert held Saturday in Milam

By Lauren L. Dillard
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Nov. 18 marked the first annual Fall A Cappella Showcase on campus.

Organized by OSU's all-male a cappella ensemble Outspoken, the showcase featured OSU's all-female ensemble Divine and Southern Oregon University mixed group Dulcet. Outspoken performed as well.

Divine was the first group to perform, after an introductory piece by Outspoken. The members of Divine were introduced as "lonely, lovely ladies" by a member of Outspoken.

Most notably, Divine performed an a cappella version of "Video

Killed the Radio Star."

Dulcet, the only co-ed group in Oregon, opened their set by performing "She Will be Loved" by Maroon 5.

Another ensemble, Rhapsody Blue from Cleveland, Ohio, did not appear due to scheduling difficulties.

All three groups will be competing at the International Championship of Collegiate A Cappella West Quarterfinal on Jan. 27.

Outspoken member Kenneth Ray Lowe Jr. believes that Saturday's concert was a small preview of what is to come for competition.

"I'm really excited, it will be our first time at ICCA," said Aubrey Peterson, member of Divine and sophomore in music. "I think we will give a strong showing."

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Students play international games 'After Hours'

New campus program seeks to offer alternative late-night fun

By Azumi Nishikawa
THE DAILY BAROMETER

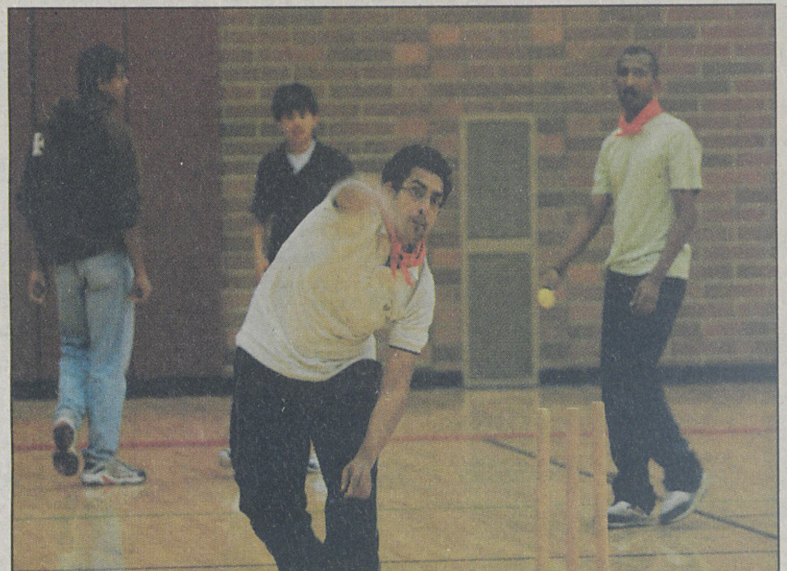
An International Sports and Games event was held Friday night, Nov. 11 from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. at Dixon Rec Center as a part of International Education Week.

The event was organized by a new program called After Hours, the International Students of OSU and Dixon Recreation Center, said Cory Eklund, late night activities coordinator and a student leader of After Hours.

After Hours was created to give students alternative forms of entertainment at night.

"The main focus of After Hours is to provide residents with Friday

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Rama Sarangapani, an international student from India and a food science and technology major, plays a game of cricket with other students and visitors on Friday night at the International Sports and Games.



Meetings
Rainbow Continuum, 7-9pm, Women's Center. A student-fee funded organization to meet the social needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, and allied students.
Sol, 5:30-6:30pm, Women's Center. A multicultural support network meeting the social needs of LGBTQQA students.
American Indian Science & Engineering Society, 5pm, Native American Longhouse. Weekly meeting. Everyone welcome.

Speakers
ASOSU Veterans Affairs Committee, 12:30pm, MU Ballroom. Forum held to explain how OSU veterans and beneficiaries can utilize available benefits.

Events
Queer Affairs Task Force, 8pm, MU Quad. Trans Day of Remembrance Candle Vigil.
ESSA, 5-7pm, MU 206. Come and watch the movie "Edge of America" and enjoy free food.
Asian & Pacific Cultural Center, 10am-8pm, APCC. Origami Day: Learn how to fold origami. Supplies and light snacks will be provided.

Speakers
ASOSU Veterans Affairs Committee, 12:30pm, MU Ballroom. Forum held to explain how OSU veterans and beneficiaries can utilize available benefits.
OSU-PVMA (Pre-Vet Club), 7pm, Magruder 102.

Events
Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30am-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd St. Lunch - Homecooked meals, vegetarian option. Come and go as schedule permits.
Native American Longhouse, 5:30pm, Native American Longhouse. Make a Movie Night: Discuss the issues that go along with Thanksgiving and how they make Native and non-Native students feel. Free food.
ASOSU, 11:30am-1:30pm, Escape Night Club. Escape Hunger will be holding a Thanksgiving-style meal.
Native American Longhouse, Noon, Native American Longhouse. Come learn about some traditional native methods. There will be an acorn soup making demo, basketweaving demo and munchies!

Nearly 50 people die in Iraq, 22 killed by a suicide bomber

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A suicide bomber in a minivan lured day laborers to his vehicle with promises of a job Sunday morning then blew it up, killing 22 people and wounding 44 in the mainly Shiite southern city of Hillah, police said.

Attacks by suspected insurgents in other areas of Iraq killed 27 people and wounded 50, raising the day's death toll to 49 by midday Sunday.

In the capital, Syrian Foreign Minister Walid Moallem was to begin a landmark visit, officials said. He would be the highest-ranking Syrian official to visit since U.S.-led forces ousted Saddam Hussein in 2003.

"Syria and Iraq broke diplomatic relations in 1982, although trade ties have been restored.

The Bush administration is under growing pressure to ask adversaries such as Iran and Syria for help in trying to avoid the collapse of an increasingly violent Iraq.

Negotiating with the two countries would entail a major policy shift by President Bush, whose reluctance to talk to them — and U.S. adversaries in general — has come under increasing criticism.

Sunday's car bombing targeting day laborers occurred in Hillah, a mostly Shiite city 60 miles south of Baghdad.

Unemployment is high across Iraq, and men often struggle to feed their families by working jobs such as the construction work the Hillah residents were seeking. Sunday is a working day in mostly Muslim Iraq.

"The sudden explosion shook the whole area and shattered the windows of a store I was standing outside of nearby," said Múhsin Hadi Alwan, 33, one of the wounded day laborers. "The ground was covered with the remains of people and blood, and survivors ran in all direc-

tions."
 "How will I feed the six members of my family when I return home without work and without money?" Alwan said.

Another survivor, Mohammed Abbas Kadhim, 30, said: "I was thrown a few meters by the blast and I couldn't see or hear for a few minutes as I was lying on the ground. People were racing everywhere looking for their missing sons, brothers, friends — all of them shouting 'God is great.'"

Kerry says Iraq joke won't be factor in '08 presidential run

WASHINGTON (AP) — Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry insisted on Sunday his "botched joke" about President Bush's Iraq policy would not undermine a possible White House campaign in 2008.

"Not in the least," Kerry, the Democratic presidential nominee in 2004, said when asked if the furor over his comment had caused him to reconsider a 2008 race. "The parlor game of who's up, who's down, today or tomorrow, if I listened to that stuff, I would never have won the nomination."

One of the GOP politicians mentioned in a crowded field for the White House, former House Speaker Newt Gingrich, said he would not make a decision until September — a relatively late date in the campaign cycle — to focus in the private sector on trade policies.

"We have lots of time for personal ambition," the Georgia Republican said. "And I think an awful lot of this early energy is wasted, and we ought to be focusing on, you know, how are you going to compete with China and India, how are you going to solve the problem in Iraq?"

Gingrich said Arizona Sen. John McCain and former New York mayor Rudy Giuliani, both of whom have set up presidential exploratory committees,

Several Fox affiliates will not air O.J. Simpson interview

NEW YORK (AP) — Several Fox affiliates have chosen not to broadcast "If I Did It," the two-part special where O.J. Simpson talks in hypothetical terms about his role in the 1994 killing of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend Ronald Goldman.

Lin Broadcasting and Pappas Broadcasting, which own a combined nine Fox affiliates, have said they won't air it. Fox has scheduled the Simpson interview for Nov. 27 and 29.

The television special precedes the Nov. 30 publication of a book where Simpson talks about how he would have committed the murders "if he were the one responsible."

"After careful consideration regarding the nature of the show, as well as the feedback we received from the viewers of northeast Wisconsin, we determined that this programming was not serving the local public interest," wrote Jay Zollar, general manager of WLUK-TV in Green Bay.

Woman, 19, killed when Jeep hits downed tree

ELKTON (AP) — A 19-year-old woman died late Saturday after her vehicle struck a downed tree that was blocking an unlit portion of Highway 38 in Douglas County, the Oregon State Police said.

Jaimie Ticen of Oregon City was alone when her Jeep Cherokee hit the tree that was lying across the entire westbound lane and part of the eastbound, police said. After striking it, the vehicle skidded off the road and the driver's side slammed into another tree. Ticen died at the scene five miles west of Elkton. She

were the likely GOP front-runners. But

Gingrich said voters are yearning for a clearer conservative voice.

Ethics panel votes to dismiss complaint against Frohnmayer

EUGENE (AP) — Members of the state ethics panel voted unanimously this week to dismiss complaints filed against University of Oregon President Dave Frohnmayer and retired Provost John Moseley by an economics professor at the school.

Professor William Harbaugh charged that Frohnmayer and Moseley improperly failed to list certain property transactions and ownership on required state disclosure forms.

But the Government Standards and Practices Commission voted to drop the matter after hearing the results of a preliminary investigation.


Harbaugh said he doesn't see why the commission would reject the complaints.

He alleged that Frohnmayer did not properly list the sale of one house and subsequent purchase of another and had improperly claimed the homes as his primary residence even though he lives in a university-owned house and the others were rented out.

The complaint against Moseley alleged similar omissions regarding real estate income and ownership.

State law requires certain high-level state officials to file forms known as statements of economic interest. The forms require disclosure of income sources, business relationships and investments, paid appearances and certain real estate holdings.

Frohnmayer, a former state attorney general who helped write state ethics laws, said Harbaugh misinterpreted the reporting requirements.

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College to start wind energy program

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THE DALLES — Wanted: Technicians willing to climb to the top of 250-foot towers and spend 12 hours there. Resistance to vertigo required. Interest in alternative power sources a plus.

The Columbia Gorge Community College is planning to train technicians for the wind energy industry that is growing rapidly in the region.

Curriculum Director Susan Wolff said interest in the new program is high, but it may not be for everyone.

"They may look and say, 'Gee, I don't think I can climb 250 feet,' and they may self-select out," she said.

The program is expected to start in full in September, with a shorter training period in January.

Current and proposed wind farms in Oregon and Washington are expected to require about 365 "wind turbine technicians" over the coming decade, according to a paper on the college wind program. The need for technicians rises at a rate of about eight jobs per 100 megawatts of installed power generation capacity.

"Bonneville Power Administration estimates new wind power capacity growing at the rate of 300 to 400 megawatts annually," the abstract notes, with about 2,600 megawatts expected in Oregon and Washington by 2011.

The closest training facility for wind technicians is in Minnesota. As a result, current wind farms can expect a shortage of trained technicians, which will escalate as more wind farms are built.

INMATES: Football or baseball team requested for future visit

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people just like us," Fai said. "You would never be able to pick out the person in that crowd who has something in common with you."

One of the inmates said it was a real treat to have students visit and next time they want the

football or baseball team to come also.

After the visitation, students' views had changed greatly about meeting inmates.

"They are nice people," said Jessica Ludgate, a natural resources major. "It is just what they did and not who they are."

"I feel we broke down a barrier and built a bridge," said Iris Wong, a liberal studies major.

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SMILE: College Democrats also helped make event success

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the cause.

"The College Democrats really stepped up for us," Lewis said. "They helped us out in so many ways."

In addition to vendor donations, other contributions were made through T-shirt sales,

campus donations from both students and faculty, as well as additional vendors.

"If it's for charity, we'll gladly play," said Jon Shubin, 21-year-old drummer for August. "It brings people together for a great cause."

"I'm glad they're playing for charity," said Catherine Freeland, a freshman in business who attended the event. "I like the mixture of the bands. They should do this every year."

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SHOWCASE: Members remain optimistic for upcoming competition, new Outspoken CD

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Dulcet was invited to OSU by members of Outspoken.

"Me and a couple of other guys kind of jumped on the ball," Lowe said.

The event location — Milam auditorium — was selected by members of Outspoken.

"LaSells is a little bit too big," Lowe said. "Milam used to be used for this kind of thing."

"We're just now getting into our groove," said Jason Taylor, founding member of Outspoken and senior in music education. "We want to keep our guys moving forward, not back."

"I would totally come back to OSU," said Austin Richardson, member of Dulcet and sophomore in anthropology. "There's a great audience and

great people."

Other groups that will be performing at the ICCA competition in January include UO's Divisi, UO's On The Rocks, the Whitman College Testosterone and the University of Arizona Vocal Ease. The competition will be held at the University of Oregon.

Profits from Saturday's performance go to Outspoken. The money is then used to produce the group's next CD and purchase performance apparel. The new CD, titled "02 Sing Responsibly," will be available some time in December.

"This year, we should do well," Lowe said, "though it is a transition year."

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AFTER HOURS: More events scheduled for rest of year

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night activities, from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.," Eklund said.

Residential Life, Recreational Sports and the Memorial Union did a survey last year and received a large student response that there is nothing to do on campus, organizers said.

After Hours events are planned so that they are low cost, easily accessible, social, active, cultural and unique.

"Something you can't get anywhere else," Eklund said.

"The biggest challenge was getting the word out," said Caitlin Donlon, office manager of Student Orientation and Retention and a student leader of After Hours.

Before the event, Eklund said he was not expecting that so many people would show up.

"I guess I had low expectations," Eklund said.

The event was alive with music, Dixon facility manager Maki Kato said. Kato said

the event preparation went well.

This event was primarily targeted toward residential and Greek life students — especially students 18 to 20 years old, Eklund said.

He said the program is especially for people who are new to the university and looking for something to do.

Eklund said it is important to create programs to provide alternative activities for students on weekend nights so they will not engage in risky behaviors such as drinking.

Some students who said they usually study on Friday night said they decided to come to the event because it was on campus.

After Hours is planning four more events this year — Jan. 19 sponsored by Student Involvement, Feb. 16 sponsored by Greek Life, Apr. 13 sponsored by UHDS and May 18 sponsored by MUPC, Eklund said.

"We are still experimenting, but energy is high," Eklund said.

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Abortion opponents try to recoup

By Julia Silverman
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PORTLAND — Reeling from an exceptionally disappointing Election Day, Oregon's anti-abortion movement faithful are left to plot out their future course in a state that places essentially no restrictions on the abortion procedure, and where voters show no inclination to change the status quo.

Anti-abortion advocates thought they had a winning issue in parental notification, which would have required doctors to notify parents if their 15, 16 or 17-year-old daughter was seeking an abortion without their knowledge.

The issue, after all, came equipped with a TV-ready sound bite — your daughter needs your permission to get her ears pierced, so shouldn't you at least know about it if she's getting an abortion?

The measure also looked carefully tailored to appeal to Oregon voters: Parental notification is far milder than the parental consent laws in place in 23 other states, where abortions are available to teens only with parental permission.

Oregon Right to Life, the state's most prominent anti-abortion group, poured about \$725,000 into the parental notification campaign, only to see a spirited campaign waged against it, spearheaded by the local Planned Parenthood chapter, which argued that the initiative could place young girls in danger.

The measure was soundly defeated, with 54.7 percent of Oregonians voting against it. Even in conservative-leaning counties like fast-growing Deschutes in Central Oregon, only a bare majority of voters supported the measure.

Anti-abortion groups also lost their staunchest allies at the Capitol when House Republicans lost control of the chamber. Victorious Democrats have spoken magnanimously of bipartisanship, but that apparently does not extend to any legislation designed to curb abortion rights.

"It looks like this is not an issue that is going to be heard from in at least the next session," said Rep. Dennis Richardson, R-Grants Pass, who sponsored a parental notice bill in the last session which passed the House but stalled in the Democrat-controlled Senate. "But this is still a make-or-break issue for a lot of people on all sides of this issue."

Gail Atteberry, the executive director of Oregon Right to Life, also acknowledged that her group does not expect to gain any traction in the upcoming session, which starts in January.

The group will consider whether other possible ballot measures could find favor with Oregonians, she said, including the 24-hour period that women in 22 other states must wait out between first seeing their doctor and getting an abortion.

But beyond that, Atteberry

said, her priorities will likely be to look ahead to the 2008 elections, to see if some of the Republican-held seats lost in the Oregon House can be won back, and to continue what she terms the "hearts and minds" campaign — an effort to educate the state's residents about their position, and perhaps inspire future generations of activists.

"This is one election, one legislative session," Atteberry said. "When you get a bigger perspective on it, focusing for the future is not a bad thing."

Melody Rose, an associate professor of political science at Portland State University, who has researched the politics of abortion, said anti-abortion groups in Oregon can take heart from national progress on their issue. The U.S. Supreme Court recently heard arguments in a later-term abortion case that wind up as a victory for anti-abortion groups, thanks to the presence of two new, conservative-leaning justices appointed by President Bush.

Rose predicted that anti-abortion groups will also reach out to growing populations of Oregonians, like Hispanic immigrants, many of whom are devout Catholics who oppose abortions.

And frustrated anti-abortion groups could also return to a form of protest that's fallen out of favor lately, Rose said: protesting at clinics, whether silently holding up signs or trying to hand out literature to potential patients.

News Briefs

Bakesale has social message

A bakesale called "Taste of Equality" is set for today and Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the MU Brick Mall.

Stating that women only make 73 cents to every \$1 men make in the same job, a press release said the baked goods will be priced in a similar manner. Proceeds from the event will support a local charity. Students can learn about the male-female wage gap in America at the sale.

Forum set on veteran benefits

ASOSU's Veterans Affairs Committee will hold two forums in the MU Ballroom for OSU Veterans and beneficiaries to explain how to utilize available benefits. The forums slated for today and Tuesday at 12:30 p.m.

Attendees can learn about eligibility for health and education benefits, work study programs and other information.



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Editorial

Don't be a statistic

In 2005, eight people died in six car accidents on Oregon highways during the four-day Thanksgiving holiday break. In 2004, there were seven such deaths. As OSU students, staff and faculty hit the road beginning Wednesday, they should think about these statistics.

As they do, they should remember to wear seat belts (almost half of those killed in 2005 were not wearing safety restraints, according to the Oregon State Police). They should also remember not to follow too closely, a dangerous and annoying habit that can lead to tragic accidents or road rage. And as always, they should take care not to drink and drive.

For good measure, they should also remember that they're probably on a tight budget and most likely can't afford a ticket. Don't be surprised to learn that there will be extra patrols on the road this week. These public safety officials aren't out to make you late for turkey dinner. They're there to keep your name out of the paper as another Thanksgiving highway death.

The state police will be participating in a national campaign called Combined Accident Reduction Effort, beginning Wednesday and ending on Sunday.

In a pre-holiday press release, the state police stress that seat belts can save lives.

"But unfortunately too many dangerous drivers and unbuckled folks still need a tough reminder, so OSP troopers will be working with a strong 'Click It or Ticket' enforcement message to help save more lives on our highways," OSP notes in a press release.

Seems like a reasonable campaign for what the state police term "one of the most dangerous and deadliest times of the year."

Higher traffic levels, bad weather and impaired or aggressive drivers fuel the problem.

Instead of being a part of the problem, be proactive. Be smart. Be sober.

Planning ahead for driving treks is easy. Know where you're going. Using www.tripcheck.com on the Web or 511 on the phone, check road conditions before you depart.

If you're heading over a mountain pass, make sure the vehicle is ready for winter with good tires, a solid battery and a full tank of gas.

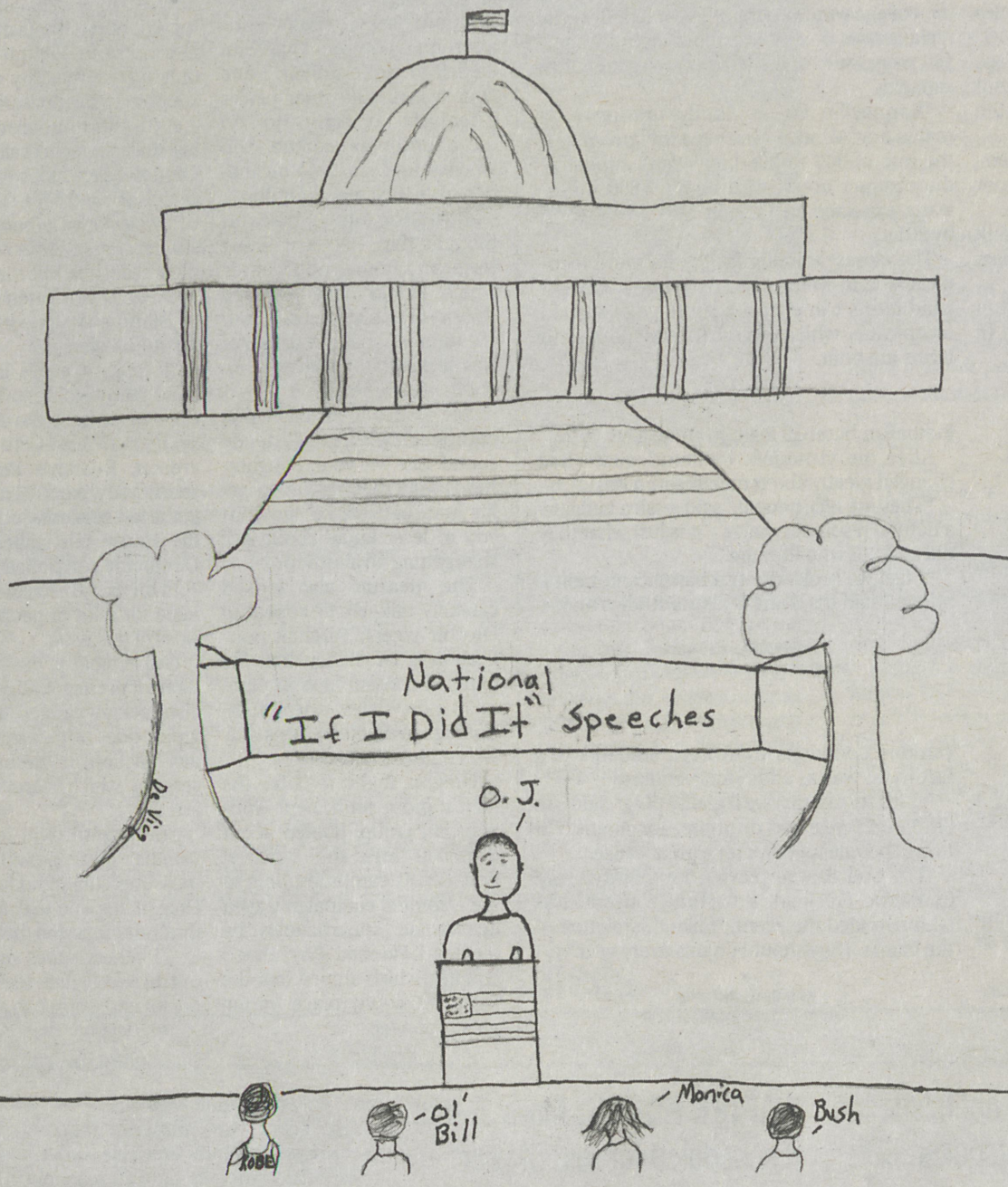
Officials also recommend carrying an emergency kit, chains or traction tires, snacks and water and a map.

When you get on the road, remember to slow down and increase following distance in wet, snowy, icy or foggy weather. In the same conditions, cancel the cruise control.

In addition, remember that the highways will be busier than usual, and patience is much smarter than being aggressive.

If you stay smart, you'll have a good holiday break. If you screw up, anything can happen.

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Darrin Crescenzi

Lining Your Bird Cage

The battle begins for the hand of Darrin

I think my hand is going to fall off.

I've never lost a body part before. You know, besides things like fingernails and eyelashes and the occasional stray tooth-part that disappears after a particularly fierce encounter with a several-day-old pizza crust. At least, that's what I tell my parents (it was actually an overzealous chug from a beer bottle, but lets just keep that between us). It didn't fool my dentist, who seems to be familiar with such mishaps.

That, and I apparently don't floss well enough.

Missing tooth-chunks aside, everything else I've got; 10 fingers, 10 toes, and all of the requisite extremities with which to attach them to the rest of my body.

All my parts. Until this hand falls off, that is.

Of course, I have only trace evidence that my hand is actually going to detach itself from my arm — but the worst must be assumed considering the copious amounts of torture of which I am currently enduring. It's not really an acute pain; more like an ever-present discomfort that takes a turn for the excruciating whenever I attempt to use the phalange. Which, I'm discovering, is quite often.

You remember that scene in "Running Man," when Arnold cuts Buzzsaw in half with his own chainsaw? I imagine something like that going on inside my wrist.

The weirdest thing, though, is that I don't know what I did. Generally, when you do something dumb, there is a negative consequence. That's why pain exists in the first place: to protect us from our own idiocy. Sure son, go ahead and touch that hot stove. Hurt? Yeah, you probably won't do that ever again.

But I didn't touch the stove. I didn't fall down, or even engage in a spirited contest of that childhood game where you slap somebody else's hands while they try to dodge. In fact, I have done absolutely nothing that should result in the removal of one's primary grasping member. I just woke up one day, and ouch. And if this is my punishment for grabbing a couple hours of shuteye, then I will be a composing a letter to one Mr. Claus of the North Pole requesting a year's supply of Jolt Cola under the sad little fake tree that I'll put up eventually. Maybe. When my hand stops hurting.

Perhaps I'm being a little theatrical.

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All bent out of shape over cliches

Chris Mueller
Daily Collegian

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (U-WIRE) — As a sports fan, nothing makes me angrier than the gross overuse of cliches during telecasts of sporting events. There's no love lost between me and cliches.

The problem with cliches is that they're a dime-a-dozen. I feel like this trend needs to be put to a stop. With that in mind, I'm going to suggest that all broadcasters, writers and others of their ilk be taken to task on this issue.

I feel passionately about this, so I'm going to give 110 percent and write the best column I'm capable of. This is going to be an uphill battle, but I feel like I've got one great column left in me.

On any given sportscast, one assumes that there is an assemblage of great minds there to analyze the game, along with one slick linguist to paint a picture (if it's on the radio) or lend that perfect extra touch to a great moment on TV.

Think of the call of Kirk Gibson's Game 1-winning home run in the 1988 World Series. It was arguably the most dramatic play in baseball history, but the call was gloriously simple. Jack Buck, one of the greatest men of the microphone who has ever lived,

just said, "I don't believe what I just saw!"

And you knew he didn't. No awful cliches, just emotion and passion and simplicity. These days you'd have some moron spewing forth things like "They never stopped believing" and "He got his pitch, and he hit it" or some other hackneyed garbage. Sadly, the garbage is starting to take over.

You'd think with all this material, pounding out this story would be a slam dunk. It hasn't been. This column is proving tougher to write than I thought. It's turning into a real nail-biter as my editors eagerly wait to see what I dump on their desk.

It's becoming clear to me as I write that I simply haven't brought my "A" game to the keyboard tonight. I'm just going to have to do the little things and grind out a decent column.

I tried to forge ahead on this thing alone, but I finally realized that there is no "I" in T-E-A-M and enlisted the help of my roommates. Luckily, they all stepped up, I got some contributions off the bench from a few

friends on AIM, and I got some more ideas.

The whole cliché movement is so pervasive that a guy like Dick Vitale, who actually knows a good deal about basketball, is reduced to yelling "He's a diaper dandy bayyybeeeee" and "Oh now that guy is a PTP'er!"

Does that last quote confuse you? Are you unsure as to precisely what a PTP'er is? Don't be ashamed. Vitale is one of many announcers who pepper their commentary with so many cliches that they have to make up their own just to keep up.

For the record, a Diaper Dandy is a talented freshman player, and a PTP'er is a Prime Time Player, which is either a variation on the crunch-time cliché, or an odd homage to Deion Sanders.

It's do-or-die time. If we as a people don't rise up and stand as one, cliches will dominate all facets of life. Right now it's sports, soon it will be business, and before anyone realizes it, cliches will take over the world. They have a killer instinct like that.

Maybe I overreacted. I guess if we're really going to get down to brass tacks, I'll admit that I'm not terribly worried about cliches taking over the world. I am, how-

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Can we really trust generic brands?

Tucson, Ariz. (U-WIRE) — It seems like an easy way for a cash-strapped student to save money: Buy store-brand versions of brand-name products. After all, whether we're talking Safeway brand mac and cheese or CVS brand Tylenol, what's inside the generic package is probably just the same as what's inside the brand-name box, right?

According to a Gallup study, many shoppers seem to think so. Seventy-five percent of consumers think that store brands have just the same level of quality as name brands. Eighty-three percent of consumers said they buy store brands regularly. In fact, store brands make up one fifth of products sold at supermarkets and drug stores.

The concurrent boom of store brands has become quite apparent in recent years, as spartan-looking generic packages have made way for store brands that are attractively plastered with your supermarket's name.

But a week ago, the FDA announced that 11 million bottles of acetaminophen — the generic name for the medication we know as Tylenol — are being recalled because they contain miniscule pieces of metal. These pills were sold under the store brands of giants such as Wal-Mart and Safeway.

Could it be that generic-brand medications aren't as similar to name-brand products as we seem to think?

The FDA argues vehemently that generics are just as good as brand-name drugs. In fact, generic versions of drugs (both OTC and prescription) are basically required to be carbon copies of their brand-name siblings: "the same as a brand-name drug in dosage, safety and strength, how it is

Lillie Kilburn
Arizona Daily Wildcat

taken, quality, performance and intended use," as the FDA explains. It estimates that around 50 percent of all generic drugs are actually made by the manufacturers of brand-name equivalents — they just look different because the law requires that they do. As for the manufacturing process — the FDA regulates manufacture of all drugs with equal scrutiny.

So, would I take a generic drug? Usually, I'd be more than happy to.

Firstly, by buying a generic drug, I'd be getting the exact same product at a cheaper price. That's made possible because with a brand-name drug, I'd be paying extra for the cost of developing and marketing the drug.

Secondly, I'd feel a little more secure because my drug was generic. Why? A brand-name drug is protected for 20 years under its patent — meaning that for those 20 years, no generic imitations may be made. Many of the 20 years are taken up by development and approval before the drug is actually on the market, but a drug still usually has about seven to 10 years of use before its patent runs out.

So, if there's anything wrong with a drug, it's probably going to show up before the manufacturer's period of protected use ends. Vioxx, for example, was released in 1999. It was 2004 when Merck withdrew Vioxx — that's five years.

Therefore, I'd feel a little more certain that my drug didn't have unknown and dangerous side effects.

Perrigo is the largest maker of generic OTC medications in the U.S., but it seems to have a bad track record for

recalls — 32 product recalls since 1993: In 1997 and again in 2000, Perrigo received warning letters from the FDA about its manufacturing practices.

The letter in 2000 recounted six points of failure and followed up this criticism by saying, "the above identification of violations is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of deficiencies at your facility ... the continuing pattern of the lack of complete investigations and resolution of failures and deviations by your Quality Control Unit must be addressed."

Yet since 2000, Perrigo had to issue three more recalls of acetaminophen-related products alone (not including this most recent one), including a product that contained 30 percent more acetaminophen than it was supposed to and pain medication that contained "acrylic mirror" particles.

Perhaps Perrigo's large number of recalls is simply proportionate to the large number of medications it produces.

Of course, your decision about what medications to take and whether to save money on them or not is up to you.

But this is why I said I'd usually be more than happy to take a generic version of a brand-name drug.

If I were thinking of taking a generic version of a drug, even an OTC-one, it might be wise for me to do some research first. And if I found that the manufacturer of my drug was as sloppy as Perrigo, it might change my mind.

I just don't like foreign objects in my pills.

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CRESCENZI: Doc should be able to return hand to operable state in time for finals

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cal. Honestly, I just haven't made a "Running Man" reference in a couple of weeks, and I was getting a little twitchy about it. The realist in me says that my condition is probably just a severe case of tendonitis. Put some heat on it and pop a few Advil, champ. But the over-exaggerating pansy in me says that it's more likely cancer of the forearm and wrist, and that I will need to have it removed before it metastasizes and other parts start to inexplicably fall off.

I've never even broken a bone, and not for lack of trying. Over the years there's been football and basketball and pole vaulting and skiing and skateboarding and a dozen other activities that should have resulted in injury leading to dysfunctional extremities. But no, I survived all that unscathed.

Today, I will go to the doctor and find out why my hand/wrist/forearm hurts so much. I fear that he will say the following: The tendonitis is the direct result of devoting your entire life to sitting in front of a Macintosh computer.

Between school, work and writing these columns, I spend like 80 percent of my waking life facing the soft glow of a computer monitor, clicking the mouse and typing on the keyboard. The other 20 percent is generally spent nursing a pint of Hammerhead and weeping over my lot in life (sitting in front of a computer). That, or watching "Running Man."

Really I'm just venting because it's a bit inconvenient to have a burning pain emanating from my wrist, especially given the timing. It's almost the end of the term; I've got projects to do. Papers to write. Midgets to toss.

Who can toss midgets with a dysfunctional arm?

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MUELLER: Cliches can spread beyond sports, so be wary

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ever, worried about their ruining televised sports for all eternity.

When I watch my beloved Pittsburgh Steelers, I do not want to hear about a quarterback "managing the game" or a player having a "nonstop motor."

It's now or never. If we as couch potatoes don't rise up from the ashes and stand together against the overuse of cliches as one, these played-out sayings will take over broadcast completely, and then conquer print. That would be a real shame too, because everyone knows that reading a column full of cliches is like pulling teeth.

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Letters to the Editor

OSU 'Gay Sheep' scandal

Not ashamed of research

I would say that I am not ashamed in the least of my school's research of rams. Animal testing has provided cures for many harmful diseases, and though homosexuality is not a disease in any form, it is something that makes people more diverse from each other — just as if you had a certain hair, skin, or eye color. We know why we have different colors — it's all genetics. Why wouldn't we inquire of what makes people prefer a certain gender?

I think it tells us a lot about people!

And don't even get me started on that inane "animal rescuing" organization. On Nov. 13, a trial concerning PETA members has been pushed back for the seventh time. Witnesses from animal shelters confirmed that these PETA employees had collected animals earlier that day on the promise that they would find them adoptive homes. All of the animals were found dead in trash bags in the employee's van.

If PETA insists on wasting money on shoddy criminals, at least they should design programs that don't harm animals. Perhaps they should also have to justify wasting such money killing animals for no reason, when there are vast avenues of animal research directly benefitting people waiting to be explored.

EMMA WEBB
freshman, business

Facciuo letter

Animal research can be beneficial

In taking a brief moment to examine your letter, I deduced the following from your writing and logical style: You graduated OSU believing something along the lines that agriculture is the source of world problems, and all lines of research that do not directly benefit the human animal in your world view is a waste of money.

That being said, I would like to point out that one, if you eat, you are surviving off food that is a product of agricultural research that you would probably have seen as a waste of money; and second, that there are countless medical advances that have benefited human animals that were first researched in non-human animals.

Sometimes we get very beneficial by-products from mapping the testicular vasculature of a camelid, and sometimes we run into a dead end when injecting anti-cancer drugs into mice. The point is, the research must be done to see what is beneficial and what is not, and to learn from what is not beneficial so that we can stop focusing on it.

It saddens me to see someone that has spent so much time in school could have so little education about the world.

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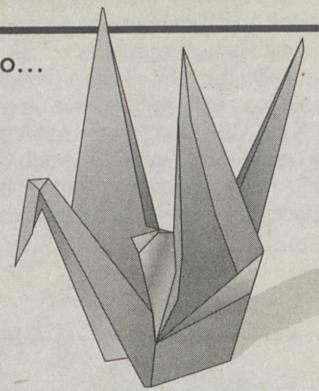
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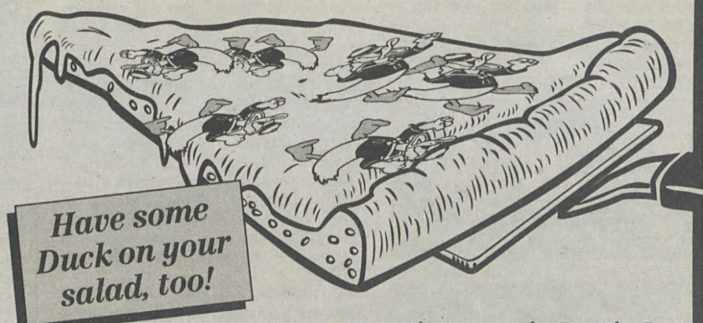


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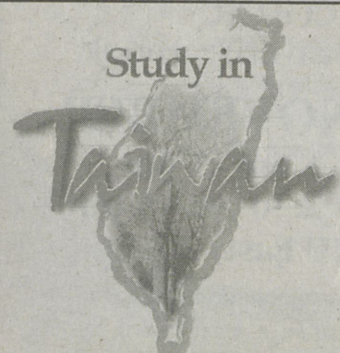
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Bush gets warm greeting in Vietnam

By Terrence Hunt
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HO CHI MINH CITY, Vietnam — President Bush paid tribute to new symbols of capitalism in this struggling communist country Monday and offered encouragement for Vietnam's battle against bird flu and other public health challenges.

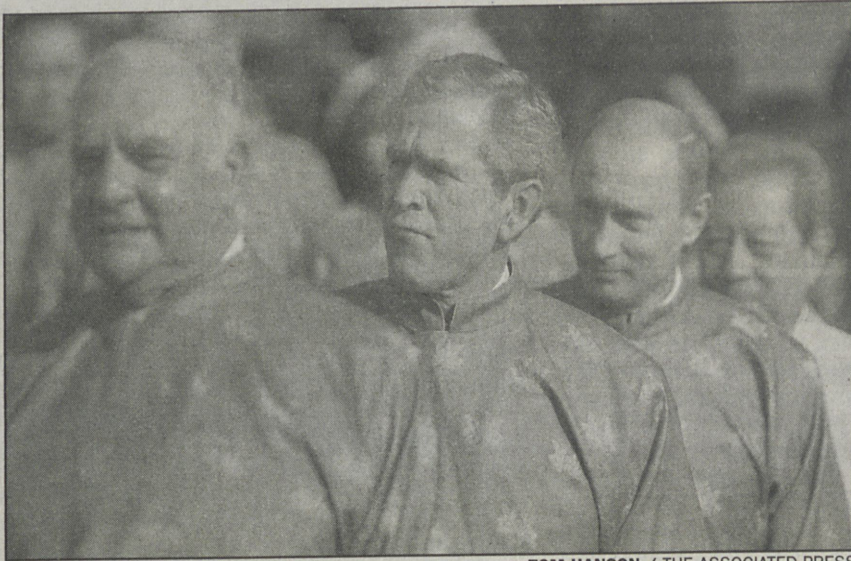
The president was quickly touring this city, once known as Saigon, before flying to Indonesia, the world's most populous Muslim country, where thousands angrily protested America's policy in the Middle East and wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The White House said it was confident about security precautions for Bush's visit despite police warnings of an increased threat of attack by al-Qaida-linked groups.

The president was to spend just six hours in Indonesia, most of it at Bogor Palace, a presidential retreat outside the capital of Jakarta and far from the scene of protests where Bush was denounced as a "war criminal" and "terrorist."

While President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono is a close U.S. ally in the war on terror, Bush is highly unpopular in Indonesia where security forces were probing unconfirmed reports that a suicide bomber was planning to attack during Bush's visit on Monday. Bogor Police Chief Col. Sukrawardi Dahlan said authorities were investigating a report that a man wearing a suicide vest would infiltrate the protests.

Initially, the White House thought Bush would have to fly to Indonesia on a backup Air Force One. There was a problem with a tire upon landing in Ho Chi Minh City, said White House spokesman Tony Fratto. But a replacement tire was found, and the presi-



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Wearing traditional "ao dai," President Bush, center, and Russian President Vladimir Putin, right, look on Sunday in Hanoi, Vietnam.

dent is scheduled to fly his regular Boeing 747 to Indonesia.

In Ho Chi Minh City, Bush visited the Vietnam stock exchange, where trading began in 2000 and expanded to Hanoi last year. The exchange initially listed two companies and two bonds. Now, there is trading in 56 stocks and funds on the combined exchanges with total capitalization of \$3.5 billion.

The president, wielding a red-handled mallet, struck a gong to open the day's trading. Bush hit it three times, shook hands with traders on the floor and met with a group of American and Vietnamese busi-

ness leaders.

"I am very interested in hearing what the opportunities are like and the obstacles you face," the president told them. "Perhaps the United States can help foster the market economy that is growing here."

"When I read about the recent economic history of Vietnam," he said, "I am amazed at the size of the growth and the fact that people are beginning to realize dreams." Last year, Vietnam's economy grew by a robust 8.4 percent.

He also was visiting the Pasteur Institute for a briefing on its research on HIV/AIDS and other public health problems.

Rangel will introduce bill to reinstate military draft

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Americans would have to sign up for a new military draft after turning 18 under a bill the incoming chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee says he will introduce next year.

Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., said Sunday he sees his idea as a way to deter politicians from launching wars.

"There's no question in my mind that this president and this administration would never have invaded Iraq, especially on the flimsy evidence that was presented to the Congress, if indeed we had a draft and members of Congress and the administration thought that their kids from their communities would be placed in harm's way," Rangel said.

Rangel, a veteran of the Korean War who has unsuccessfully sponsored legislation on conscription in the past, has said the all-volunteer military disproportionately puts the burden of war on minorities and lower-income families.

Rangel said he will propose

a measure early next year. While he said he is serious about the proposal, there is little evident support among the public or lawmakers for it.

In 2003, Rangel proposed a measure covering people age 18 to 26. It was defeated 402-2 the following year. This year, he offered a plan to mandate military service for men and women between age 18 and 42; it went nowhere in the Republican-led Congress.

Democrats will control the House and Senate come January because of their victories in the Nov. 7 election.

At a time when some lawmakers are urging the military to send more troops to Iraq, "I don't see how anyone can support the war and not support the draft," said Rangel, who also proposed a draft in January 2003, before the U.S. invasion of Iraq. "I think to do so is hypocritical."

Sen. Lindsey Graham, a South Carolina Republican who is a colonel in the U.S. Air Force Standby Reserve, said he agreed that the U.S. does not have enough people in the military.

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BASKETBALL: OSU point guard Fox-Griffin has 10 assists, 5 steals

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ished with 14 points and 17 rebounds.

OSU led comfortably most of the second half, but MSU cut the lead to 12 on a free throw. Nash then missed two shots at the other end and the Bobcats had a chance to get within 10, but Julie Futch got a steal and scored on a step through to put OSU up 63-49.

MSU got two late steals and converted on a 3-point attempt in the last 30 seconds, but OSU held on for the win.

"I'm very happy with the win but I'm not satisfied with how we ended that game," Wagner said. "We have to learn to put people away when we have a lead like that."

Nubia Garcia led MSU with 13 points and 10 rebounds, and two other Bobcats also scored in double figures. OSU guard Ashley Allen also had 13 points, and point guard Mercedes Fox-Griffin had 10 assists and five steals, both career-highs.

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FOOTBALL: Moore now has longest active streak in nation for attempts without INT

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Getting past Stanford was the first test.

"We know anything can happen," strong safety Sabby Piscitelli said. "We don't overlook nobody. We expected to go to a big bowl this year. It's a good feeling."

Sammie Stroughter and Brandon Powers each caught touchdown passes from Moore and Oregon State's blitzing defense made things tough for Stanford quarterback T.C. Ostrander, sacked five times—all in the second half. Ostrander also was picked off in the end zone by Coye Francies early in the fourth quarter.

Anthony Kimble ran into several blockers before finding an opening to the right and going 36 yards for a touchdown on Stanford's second offensive play 3:21 into the game that put the Cardinal on the board first.

But Oregon State tied it 2 1/2 minutes later on Moore's 28-yard TD pass to Stroughter and Moore hit Powers on a 15-yard strike 11 seconds into the second quarter—one of six catches by Powers. Moore has the longest active streak in the nation for passes without an inter-

ception at 117.

Kimble's TD marked the first time all season Stanford has scored first.

Kimble, Trevor Hooper and Brandon Harrison all sat in silence afterward in Stanford's subdued locker room. The Cardinal couldn't win in the final home game for 18 seniors who were honored beforehand.

Stanford (1-10, 1-7), which shocked Washington last weekend at Husky Stadium in Seattle for its first victory to snap an 11-game skid, was trying to salvage one victory in its sparkling new stadium that underwent a \$90 million facelift during the offseason.

"It's hard for the senior class to go out like this," said Kimble, a junior. "Every year I've been here, the seniors have gone out with a down feeling. It's hard not to win a game at home for our fans—a brand new stadium and we can't get a win in it."

Stanford freshman Richard Sherman caught five passes for 90 yards. The Cardinal now have two weeks before playing rival California in the Big Game in Berkeley to end a most disappointing season under second-year coach Walt Harris, which has raised ques-

tions about his job security with new athletic director Bob Bowlsby.

"It's real difficult," Harris said of going 0-5 in Stanford Stadium. "It's as difficult as anything I have ever personally had to experience and I'm sure for our players it's the same way in the area of football. We have a lot of work to do and we are committed to getting it right."

Oregon State receiver Chris Johnson helped move the Beavers into scoring position late in the first half with a one-handed, 10-yard catch that he hauled in with his left hand while falling over under pressure from Stanford cornerback Nick Sanchez.

Two plays later, Michael Okwo appeared to intercept a pass from Moore but a review of the play showed he didn't keep two feet in bounds and Oregon State got a 31-yard field goal from Serna.

Stanford's infamous band, on probation after getting into trouble with the school for allegedly vandalizing its former practice facility, was allowed on the field for the first time all season. No charges will be filed after an investigation failed to find sufficient evidence. The group has been barred from playing at Notre Dame and Oregon in previous years because of behavior and offensive content in its half-time show.

OHIO STATE: Two defenses allowed 20 points per game combined coming into Saturday

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since 1984, but they might not have seen the last of Michigan (11-1, 7-1) this season. The Wolverines can still make it to the title game in Arizona if the Bowl Championship Series standings break their way.

"I guarantee if we play, it would be a whole different game," Michigan running back Mike Hart said. "We should have got them the first time around. We didn't. If it doesn't happen, that's our fault."

Two defenses that came in allowing 20 points per game combined were unable to stop each other's attack. It was the second highest-scoring game in the 103-game series, which dates to 1897; the most points scored was 86 in 1902, the fourth meeting, which Michigan won 86-0.

This one was surely more entertaining.

"The national championship was something aside, was something different from this," Smith said. "This is The Ohio State University-Michigan game. It's the biggest game in college football. And today the best team won."

Smith played a near perfect first half and finished 29-for-41 for 316 yards, a third straight magical performance against Michigan that might have just locked up the Heisman Trophy for the senior.

"I would think he clinched the Heisman Trophy, I don't think there'd be any question about that," Tressel said.

While Smith and the Buckeyes twice jumped out to 14-point leads, the Wolverines wouldn't stay down, led by Hart's 142 yards and three touchdowns.

When Smith tossed his fourth touchdown pass—a 13-yarder to Brian Robiskie with 5:38 left on a drive aided by a Michigan roughing-the-passer penalty—Ohio State was up 42-31, but the Buckeyes still couldn't rest.

Chad Henne connected with Tyler Ecker for a 16-yard TD and with Steve Breaston on a 2-point conversion to make it 42-39 with 2:16 to go. Michigan's onside kick was caught by Ohio State's Ted Ginn Jr., maybe the biggest of the day for a guy who had eight recep-

tion for 104 yards, and all that was left was for Ohio State to run out the clock.

With 22 seconds left the Buckeyes sideline emptied onto the field, and the fans followed from the stands, joining in for a rousing rendition of the alma mater.

On Jan. 8 in Glendale, Ariz., Tressel's Buckeyes will play for the national championship for the second time since the 2002 season. Who they will play will be determined in the next two weeks.

Will it be USC? Florida? What about Notre Dame or Arkansas?

On Saturday, Michigan made quite a good case to be that team.

"Michigan's a great football team everyone saw that, they weren't going to give up because that's the way they're built," Tressel said.

Though that's probably little solace for Michigan coach Lloyd Carr, a Schembechler protege, who has now lost five of six to Tressel and Ohio State.

"We gave up too many big plays," said Carr, who bit his lip and held back tears during his postgame news conference. "Those are mistakes in a game like this, in any game, that will get you beat."

A video tribute to Schembechler, an Ohio State alum, was shown on the scoreboard before kickoff and the crowd of 105,708 responded with a respectful and loud ovation.

"Michigan has lost a coach and patriarch," the public-address announcer read. "The Big Ten has lost a legend and icon. Ohio State has lost an alumnus and friend."

"Win it for Bo!" read a sign held aloft by a Wolverine fan.

"It was definitely difficult for us," Henne said. "Coach Carr loves him dearly and so do we. It's sad to see him go. We dearly miss him. We tried to fight for him today."

Schembechler's death tempered some of the animosity that usually goes with this rivalry—but not the intensity.

Hart plowed in from a yard out on third-and-goal on the second play of the fourth quarter to cut the Ohio State lead to

35-31 after Ohio State fumbled the ball away at its own 9 with a high snap.

Only the Buckeyes could stop the Buckeyes on this day. Ohio State turned the ball over three times, but gouged Michigan's defense—a unit that was allowing 231 yards a game—for 503 yards. Chris Wells had a 52-yard touchdown run in the second quarter. Antonio Pittman broke one for 56 yards in the third to make it 35-24.

The anticipation for this showdown of unbeaten had been building for more than a month, when it became apparent that only a huge upset would keep the Big Ten rivals from entering the game with perfect records for first time since 1973.


And now the question is: Should they play it again?

"That is really not up to us," Ginn said. "Today, it was just two really great teams giving it everything they could to win."

1,000 student tickets left

All Oregon State University students may pick up tickets for the 110th Civil War football game against Oregon on Monday, Nov. 20, from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The tickets will be available at the ticket windows at the front entrance to Gill Coliseum, and students must bring their current OSU identification when picking up tickets. Approximately 900 tickets remain.

If student tickets remain at the end of the business day on Monday, they will go on sale Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 8:30 a.m. to the general public for \$60.



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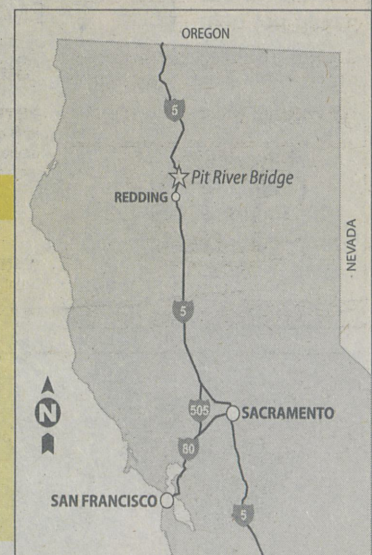
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— Florida football coach Urban Meyer on a potential rematch of Ohio St.-Michigan for the national championship

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Stanford running back Anthony Kimble, left, is brought down by Oregon State cornerback Keenan Lewis during the second half of a football game in Stanford, Calif., on Saturday.

After slow start, Beavers dominate

■ Yvenson Bernard rushes for 168 and Matt Moore throws for 176 yards in 30-7 rout of Stanford

By Janie McCauley
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

STANFORD, Calif. — Matt Moore reminded himself to play with poise and execute Oregon State's offense the way he knows how: with simplicity.

This time, the Beavers didn't let Stanford put a damper on their post-season hopes.

Moore threw for 176 yards and two touchdowns and ran for a 1-yard score to make Oregon State bowl eligible with a 30-7 victory Saturday, spoiling the Cardinal's final shot at winning a game in its fancy renovated stadium.

"It's big time," Moore said. "We're not done, though. It's nice to know the whole bowl situation is in place and taken care of. ... I just went back to the basics."

Yvenson Bernard carried 36 times for 168 yards — 20 of those rushes for 99 yards in the first half alone — to

go over the 1,000-yard mark for the season. Alexis Serna kicked field goals of 29, 31 and 18 yards for Oregon State (7-4, 5-3 Pac-10), whose loss to Stanford a year ago helped ruin the Beavers' bowl chances and snapped their four-game winning streak in the series.

The Beavers will head into the Civil War game against archrival Oregon on Friday night at Corvallis to play for a possible bid to the Sun Bowl. The Beavers will finish with a winning conference record for the third time in school history.

"I'm real excited about it," coach Mike Riley said. "I think this team has risen from the ashes from whatever our record was early and getting beat badly a couple of times to going to a bowl game and right now maybe being third in the Pac-10. So I'm really proud of them."

Normally, six wins would make a team bowl eligible but the Beavers have a 13-game schedule. Oregon State upset then-No. 3 Southern California 33-31 on Oct. 28 for one of those victories.

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Women beat Montana State in Gill, 69-62

■ Casey Nash scores a career-high 26 points and Judie Lomax gets another double-double in victory

By Lindsay Schnell
THE DAILY BAROMETER

All summer long, senior guard Casey Nash worked out in the weight room and on the track, determined to put on muscle mass. She spent countless hours under the bench bar and running sprints, knowing she would have to be the go-to player for the young OSU women's basketball team this season.

Sunday afternoon, Nash's hard work paid off.

Nash scored a career-high 26 points — 19 in the second half — and pulled down 13 rebounds, leading the Beavers to a 69-62 win over visiting Montana State.

"I feel strong, I feel confident," said Nash, who estimates she's put on about five pounds.

The Beavers came into the sec-

ond half clinging to a one point lead, 28-27, a result of 14 first-half turnovers and a 34 percent shooting clip. MSU, in contrast, shot 50 percent in the first 20 minutes.

Nash was the go-to player in the second half for OSU, scoring on three straight turnaround jumpers on the left block.

"Coaches made that adjustment and we were able to execute," Nash said. "My teammates got me the ball and put me in position to score."

Despite Nash's 26 points, the game was hardly an offensive showcase, at least in the beginning. OSU struggled early with its offensive, allowing MSU to disrupt the Beavers' play with tight defense and unforced errors. Then OSU freshman Jasmine Smith entered the game.

Smith gave OSU a spark off the bench for the second straight game, scoring seven straight points and grabbing two steals. OSU went to a trapping defense when Smith

entered and even when she wasn't taking the ball away from the Bobcats, her long spindly arms and quick feet gave Montana State problems.

"We were really trying to slow it down and force them [Montana State] to play halfcourt," said OSU coach LaVonda Wagner. "Jasmine does a really good job in the passing lanes because she's so quick and I told her to just drop in the middle ... and try to get some easy steals."

"I try to have energy so they can feed off me," Smith said. "So when I score everyone gets into it — my job is to come off the bench and pick everybody up."

The Bobcats tied the game at 35 in the second half, but then OSU took over. Led by Nash, the Beavers went on a 18-4 run to pull ahead 53-39. In that span, freshman Judie Lomax also scored three buckets, including a beautiful spin move inside on the block. Lomax fin-

See BASKETBALL / page 7



Senior guard Casey Nash (12) grabs one of her 13 rebounds in the Beavers' 69-62 win over Montana State Sunday in Gill. Nash also had a career-high 26 points.

JOHN CASTLE
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Hawaii routs Oregon State 85-41

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HONOLULU — Hawaii scored the first 25 points of the game on its way to a 85-41 victory over Oregon State Sunday afternoon.

Matt Lojeski led Hawaii (2-1) with 24 points, Matt Gibson added 14 and Bobby Nash 13.

The Rainbow Warriors made their first nine field goal attempts while the Beavers (2-3) missed their first eight shots and committed eight turnovers before Marcel Jones' jumper gave the Beavers their first points of the game with 12:31 remaining in the first half. Hawaii led 42-24 at halftime.

Josh Tarver led Oregon State with 11 points and Jones added 10. Kyle Jeffers had a double-double for the Beavers with 10 points and 12 rebounds.

The Rainbow Warriors continued to extend their lead in the second half, making six of their first nine second half shots to outscore the Beavers 17-5 in the first six minutes of the second half.

Hawaii shot a season-high 60 percent from the field while holding OSU to a season-low 25.4 percent shooting.



Jack McGillis had three blocks but could not help the Beavers overcome a 25 percent shooting night in Hawaii, falling to the Rainbow Warriors 85-41 Sunday night.

PETER STRONG
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Ohio St. wins round one, will play for national title

■ Buckeyes defeat Wolverines in dramatic rivalry game to retain the top spot in BCS, Big Ten

By Ralph D. Russo
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Troy Smith and his Ohio State teammates touched off a raucous celebration on the field, the national championship game squarely in their sights.

And when the No. 1 Buckeyes got to Arizona to play it, No. 2 Michigan might be waiting there for a rematch.

Ohio State poured on all the offense it had Saturday, streaking into the title game with a dazzling 42-39 win. Though the Buckeyes scored more points in the first half than anyone pinned on Michigan in a whole game this year, the Wolverines stayed right on their heels.

And it appears that's where Michigan will stay in the championship

picture — at least for now.

"If this was boxing they'd definitely get a rematch," Ohio State defensive back Brandon Mitchell said.

Smith and the blazing Buckeyes put their speed on display with a barrage of big plays — and they needed everyone to beat an inspired Michigan team.

The "Game of the Century," the first 1 vs. 2 matchup in this storied rivalry, was played a day after the death of feisty former Michigan coach Bo Schembechler. The teams couldn't have honored his memory with a better game, although it certainly wasn't the brand of football he and Woody Hayes coached when they battled for a decade.

"There were a lot of good play-makers out there today," Ohio State coach Jim Tressel said. "It was a fast-break game the whole way."

The No. 1 Buckeyes (12-0, 8-0) have their first outright Big Ten title

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Busy beavers creating change

- The ASOSU is working hard to serve all students

By Mike Olson
ASOSU President

Right now the ASOSU is really busy — busy creating positive change for students.

I have never used this phrase so much in my life as I have in the past six months.

It is the best way to describe what is happening here at the ASOSU. The organization is making tremendous efforts to identify the needs of all students and to help improve life here at OSU.

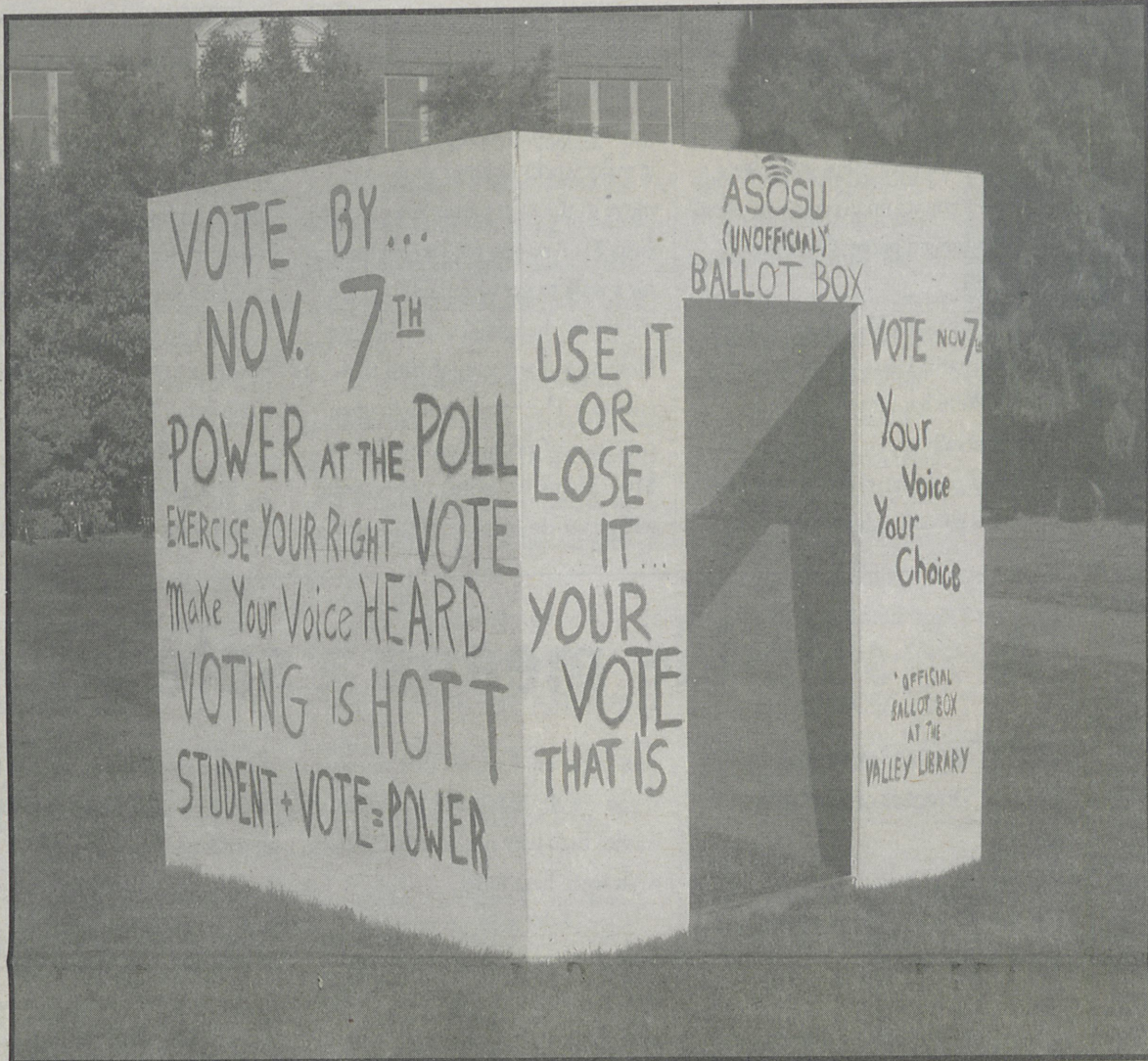
I have been told many times throughout my life that I need to learn how to say no. This is perhaps why I and others with this same problem have come to love the work of the ASOSU. As an organization we are all about saying yes to students. Yes to creating change, yes to starting new programs, and yes to sticking up for student rights.

The ASOSU is here to serve all students, whether it is campaigns changing drop fees to save money for all students — a victory this summer — or simply sticking up for a single student parking ticket.

Even if you know it or not the ASOSU is working every day for you; to improve access to higher education, create the best experience inside and outside the classroom, and to ensure that the voice of all students is being heard.

Mike Olson
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Fighting for students rights



LEFT:

The large unofficial ballot box displayed in the Memorial Union Quad was covered with phrases to encourage students to vote on Election Day.

BELOW:

A mock graveyard was set up in the MU Quad to showcase the lack of funding in higher education on Oct. 31, 2006 for the statewide Day of Action.

- State affairs teams up with others to increase student votes

By Megan Driver

ASOSU Director of State Affairs

State Affairs has been intense this fall thus far. We just wrapped up our Student Vote campaign; this was a three-phase campaign consisting of Voter Registration, Voter Education, and Get-Out-The-Vote.

Election Day was Nov. 7, and for those first seven weeks the effort we saw here at see VOTE/ page 3



Dedication pays off for students

By Lindsey Johnson
ASOSU Vice President

I am very excited to be working with such a motivated group of students this year.

The ASOSU is becoming more visible each day because of our hard work and dedication. We have people in the quad weekly informing students about issues that affect them.

The ASOSU Senate is meeting regularly to ensure that the student voice is being represented on campus. Also, we have the largest group of interns yet, all of whom have proven to be both helpful and valuable.

With that being said, I would like to encourage all Oregon State students to let us know how we can help you.

The purpose of the ASOSU is to serve and see JOHNSON/ page 3

Trans Awareness Week winds down in full force

- The Queer Affairs Task Force working on expanding inclusiveness at OSU

By Angi Baxter
Director of Queer Affairs

Greetings Oregon Staters, if it is at all like mine, you are probably swarming in assignments and readings!

If you're looking for a break from all that come check out the last day of Trans Awareness Week.

Last week, Trans Awareness Week was going full force with a number of programs that were created to bring awareness to this marginalized community, open dialogue, create educational opportunities around issues relating to the gender variant community and to support the diversity at OSU, a number of programs were offered to increase understanding of the issues faced by the Trans community on a regular basis.

For a full run down of events happening today, visit the ASOSU Queer Affairs Task Force web page by going to asosu.oregonstate.edu/taskforces/queeraffairs.html

Outside of Trans Awareness Week, the team has been working hard to expand the inclusiveness of OSU with a number of campaigns including but not limited to Gender Inclusive Rest rooms, the ASOSU Non-Discrimination Policy Revision, Student Health Services Inclusive & Support, Queer & Racial Course Selection Accessibility and Syllabus Diversity Statement Initiative.

We are working toward adding nine gender accessible rest rooms to our current 17. These rest rooms will be accessible for persons with disabilities as well.

We are also working on revising the

ASOSU Non-discrimination policy to include gender identity/expression, parental status, ethnicity and changing "disability" with "ability" to be consistent with current language used in this community.

These are only a couple of the amazing campaigns we are working on to enhance your experience at OSU. If you are interested in getting involved feel free to stop by the office, call or e-mail us. Even check out our web site at and send us a message in our "Let Us Know" box.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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OSU student parents deserve to be recognized

By **Stephanie Duckett**
Student Parent Advocate

Are you a student parent? Is the person sitting next to you?

It's hard to tell unless they have their child or children with them, making student parents a nearly invisible community.

Through financial aid there are only 763 students who claimed dependants on their application. It's hard to say just how many student parents are out there, but our best guess is around 1,600.

"It is time the university recognizes student parents as valuable and prolific members of the OSU community, showing the same respect, consideration, and support as is shown to other disenfranchised groups on campus.

The Student Parent Advocate advocates on behalf of student parents at every level from networking student parents to each other, to the highest OSU administration. I sit on several committees working from various angles to increase the status of student parents on campus.

The LifeBalanceOSU committee has recently succeeded in formalizing guidelines for parents on campus. The guidelines state, employers and professors are to "Recognize the existence and importance of family and personal responsibilities and worth with employees and student to respond to these needs" and "to the extent possible, provide flexibility while maintaining academic or performance standards" to view the complete guidelines visit <http://oregonstate.edu/admin/hr/LifeBalanceOSU>.

There is no limit to the work I do. Please feel free to contact me with any concerns or help you may need, or ideas you may have for improving the climate at OSU for parents.

Stephanie Duckett
Student Parent Advocate
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Priceless party planning points

By **Kenyon Solecki**
Director of Community Affairs

There are so many good things that happen here at OSU, but it often seems that only negative aspects of college life remain in the minds of Corvallis community members.

To counteract this, over the past few weeks the ASOSU Community Affairs Task Force has been working toward publishing a guide to "partying smart" to reduce the negative impact of collegiate late night escapades on both students and the community at large. These basic steps will have a positive impact on everyone involved!

Planning a party? Get a noise permit!

Permits cost \$5, and are much less hassle than a Class C Misdemeanor and a \$306 base fine! Plus, neighbors are generally much more understanding and cooperative when they know about a party in advance. Stick to your

word. If you say the party will end at midnight, throw the circuit breakers and end that party at midnight!

Urinating in public — now here's a really bad idea. You can expect a base fine of \$150 and a mark of shame on your record. Especially since the solution is so simple — go before you go!

When it is time to go home at the end of the night, walk quickly and quietly. If you are loud and boisterous, you will call attention to yourself and are much more likely to be stopped by police.

That open beer in your hand — is it really worth holding on to as you move to the next party? Say one beer costs \$1. And you take your \$1 beer for a walk to get some fresh air, see the leaves changing color, whatever. Now say you get caught with that one beer. The base fine for an open container of alcohol in the public is \$100. That's 100 potential beers that will go un-drunk by you! So next time

you are considering walking down the street, booze in hand, make the smart choice, and leave that "wounded soldier" behind.

Finally, if you've used common sense, exercised your better judgment, and still been slapped with a fine, get some help! Contact the ASOSU Office of Legal Advising at (541) 737-4165 to find out how the law can work for you! Appointments are free to OSU students, and you may be spared a nasty mark on your record.

If you don't want to take this advice to heart, sometimes people just need to make mistakes for themselves. But remember, never lie to a police officer under any circumstances. It could come back to haunt you in a big way! So party on, OSU, but do so with a grain of salt and a bit of compassion

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Services at a glance:

External Development

This term has been quite the term of fund-raising for the ASOSU.

On October 14, 2006 the ASOSU had its fourth annual Drive for Activism Golf Tournament fund-raiser. All of the proceeds went towards the Leadership Fund. There were 10 teams that participated this year and we rose over \$5,000.

Also Kim Konrad, the Director of External Development found (and is still looking for) sponsors for the ASOSU's new program, the Beaver Bus. Our goal is to get enough corporate sponsorship to maintain this programs' sustainability.

Konrad is also planning a Dodge ball Tournament for Winter term to get more students involved and aware of what ASOSU can do for them.

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Public Health Promotion

So far this term Amanda Meeker, the Public Health Promotion Coordinator, has helped Student Health Services to promote the Flu Shot Clinic, and also helped to bring Steve Thomson to campus to speak about the realities of Sexual Violence.

Meeker is currently working on coordinating a Holiday Drive to raise money for gifts for the families who have sought shelter at the Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence, working with the Women's Affairs Task Force to get the cost of STI and HIV testing at SHS lowered, planning Sexual Assault Awareness Month, as well as working with Eric Alexander from SHS and volunteers from the Greek community on a program that will bring awareness to safety issues related to the consumption of alcohol.

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A saferide means a safe you

By **Patrick Stromer**
Director of Saferide

Did you know that about 1 in 4 women and 1 in 12 men have been victims of rape?

Also, did you know that there is a service right here on campus that is dedicated to the safety of all OSU students, staff, and faculty?

Saferide is just one of the many services provided by the Associated Students of Oregon State University. Our goal is to offer a comprehensive service that provides education, awareness, and safe transportation for the OSU community.

Saferide is entirely student based. In every aspect of the program, from the management to the staff, we are all students, just like you, who are passionate about the service we offer. And yes, we are also funded by a por-

tion of the student fees that you pay; if you are already paying for this 'free' service then why not utilize it? That's what we're here for!

One of the most prominent aspects of our program is our van service that shuttles students and staff after dark.

For a ride, call:
541.737.5000
Between 7 p.m. and 12:45 a.m.

Saferide runs from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. seven days per week, 6 p.m. during winter term. Our office is located in the basement of Snell Hall/ MU East and we always encourage you to stop by and check us out!

To get a ride all you have to do is call (541) 737-5000 between 7 p.m. and 12:45 a.m. Please note that we do

not take reservations, we run on a call only basis where you call when you actually need the ride.

But that's not all Saferide does, the program encompasses a wide range of activities. We are also proactive in assault prevention and awareness. As members of the Sexual Assault Response Network, we aim to offer yet another form of education for the students of OSU. We are available to do presentations and information sessions in classes, Greek houses, co-ops, dorms, and any other groups here on campus whom are interested in becoming more educated about assault issues.

Saferide is a fun, friendly option for getting around campus after dark and we hope to hear from you soon!

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Increasing signage on campus leads towards a greater movement

By **Yuliya Kostromitina**
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Why is accessibility important? Why are we putting in all this effort trying to put signs up or looking at buildings and rest rooms? Why be concerned with worrying about changing OSU?

I think that there are deeper issues involved in this. We are taking part in making this world a better place. Not to sound cliché, but everything someone does has potential to evolve into something bigger.

The main focus of the first term for the Accessibility Affairs

Task Force is to finish what was started last year. This included resubmitting a signage report to get more signs on campus. The other was a closer look at how we can make Milam more up to date with accessibility standards. Facilities has been open to hearing our input and I feel that this year we are more connected to those who make the decisions.

There are side campaigns as well: working on rest rooms on campus (we had an Administration Rest room Tour Nov.10), looking into updating campus maps and a presentation for Your Voice Your Conference.

Each step that a person, any person, makes towards other people for the sake of helping is a big plus for all of humanity. I like to think that our unofficial ADA signs have more meaning than just working together with Facilities Services and trying to get what we want. It's much more than that. It's a representation of a bigger movement towards working for the good of others. And I am proud of all of the ASOSU because that is what we do.

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ASOSU Interns help implement the Accessibility Affairs Task Force campaign of increasing ADA signage in OSU buildings.

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represent every student at Oregon State. We offer many services and can network across campus to let your concerns be heard. Every member of the ASOSU has passion to create positive change for students and we can only do that by hearing what you have to say.

So far we have eliminated the fee for dropping classes during the first two weeks of the term. We have registered almost 1,800 new voters. We have stood up for a student who was wrongfully cited for a parking violation. We have created a Student Parent Advocate position within the ASOSU who can ensure that student parents are being represented. We have given hundreds of students a ride

home because they did not feel safe walking alone at night. These tasks were all completed simply because a student asked us for help. Please put our passion to work for you. Stop by our office, visit our web site at asosu.oregonstate.edu, or give us a call to see what we can do for you.

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**VOTE: Students prepared to fight
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OSU to register, educate and turn students out to vote was incredible.

For the first four weeks of the term over 22,000 students were registered to vote statewide and Oregon State contributed nearly 1,800 newly registered voters to that number!

Stephanie Dunn, Assistant Director of State Affairs, did a phenomenal job training and organizing students to give Ballot Measure Presentations on campus. During GOTV we made over 1,300 phone calls to students reminding them to vote, and passed out over 1,000 voter's guides.

On Oct. 31, we had our statewide Day of Action. At Oregon State, we held a funeral for the death of higher education as a symbol of what could happen if the state continues to disinvest in the post-secondary education system.

All across the state, students were also signing prescriptions that we presented to Governor Kulongoski's advisor James Sager on Nov. 13, in Salem. These prescriptions outline the "symptoms" at each of the schools around the state. The "directions" on the prescription is for a \$188 million increase in the governor's budget for post-secondary education from the 2005-2007 budget.

Currently Legislative Strike teams are forming so students can become educated and prepared to have a constant presence at the capitol. We are also planning a lobby day and a rally! Legislators are going to know that students are serious about our issues and prepared to fight for what we want!

All of the help was greatly needed, and definitely appreciated this term! We could not have done any of it without everyone and all of the effort is paying off! Amazing work by all!

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Delving into diversity within administration

**By Shannon Warren
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The Multi-Cultural Affairs Task Force has been extremely busy this term. The campaign that has been started to kick of the academic year is an effort to get upper administration to "walk the talk" as far as diversity is concerned.

All too often, diversity is spoken about, however, nothing seems to be getting done. The Multi-Cultural Affairs Task Force has decided to get administration required to attend at least two cultural events per term, to show their true commitment to diversity and to students serving in these various communities. This is a perfect opportunity for administration to actually get involved with students

on campus building relationships and building between themselves and the multi-cultural community which is seriously lacking.

The second campaign being worked on by the task force is to get continued funding for the Divine Nine Step Show. The step show is going into it's fifth year in the spring of 2007. It retains students and garners interest in OSU as well as increases diversity and cultural awareness. Many organizations from the Black Student Union, Memorial Union Programs Council, Vice-Provost of Student Affairs, as well as the ASOSU have contributed to the success of the show and we are currently attempting to maintain that success for many years to come. With funding sources at a low, Multi-Cultural Affairs Task

Force along with the Divine Nine Step Show Committee are working together diligently to ensure that this event can be a staple at OSU fifty or more years from now.

There are many events taking place this month. The entire month on November is Native Heritage Month. The beginning of the month kicked off with MeCHA and the Centro Cultural Cesar Chavez putting on El Dia de los Muertos. Also, the Office of Community and Diversity premiered The Voices Project

It's been a great month for cultural awareness and we all look forward to seeing it continue throughout the year!

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Bettering the lives of students one light at a time

**By Greg Purdy and Sarah Ballini
Directors of Campus and Women's Affairs**

The Campus and Women's affairs task forces have been trying to work out a few of the numerous issues around campus this term.

Our main campaign this term has been to increase the number of emergency blue lights around campus.

Currently there are 18 blue lights on campus. Our goal is to have four additional blue lights added each year for the next three years.

In addition to adding blue lights on campus we are also working on

improving the general lighting on campus. Some of the areas that are proposed for additional lighting is the Gilbert parking lot, the Callahan parking lots and near Covell Hall.

A recent student outcry on student football seating at home games has led us to our second campaign. The campaign is to have general student seating in Reser. This would allow all students to have the same ticket and your seat would be dependant on a first come first serve basis on game day. More students could sit with their friends and it would create less animosity between students and the security officials at home games. We

hope to have this new policy enacted by the 2007 football season.

Another issue we have been working on is trying to change the way "clickers" are used around campus. The purpose of these "personal response units" is to allow students to give the professor feedback on what students understand. The idea is great, but there are about five or six different units ranging in price from \$30 to \$60.

We have been working to make one uniform clicker system. This would reduce the cost to students as well as streamline their use in class. Ideally, we will make some new

Inviting congressmen to campus

**By Ashley Allenby
Director of Federal Affairs**

Congressman Peter DeFazio of the fourth congressional district was up for re-election this year running against Jim Feldkamp of Roseburg.

The Federal Affairs Task Force invited both DeFazio and Feldkamp to campus on Oct. 25, 2006 to inform students of their positions.

There was an amazing turnout for both forums and discussed various issues including financial aid, foreign policy, and the future of higher education. Both of these events were incredibly successful, and we plan on inviting all of Oregon's

representatives to campus this year!

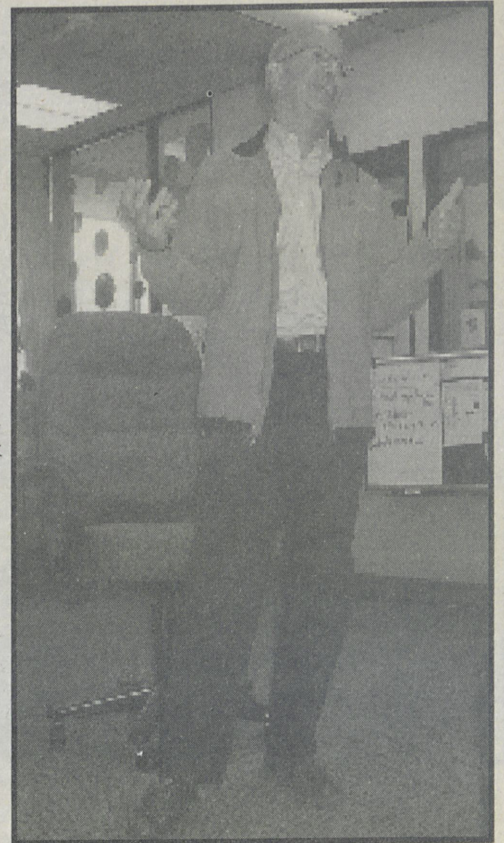
The Federal Affairs Task Force also teamed together with State Affairs and Community Affairs to put together one amazing voter registration campaign.

Along with voter registration, Federal and State interns partook in a ballot measure presentation made to various student groups on campus.

Our goal was to inform students about the issues that affect them and remind everyone that they needed to vote.

The task force also helped out at the Rock the Vote concert held on Oct. 12.

Currently a bill in congress to provide funding for study abroad



Congressman Peter DeFazio came to campus to have a discussion with students.

fellowships. The funding for the bill will encourage students to travel to non-traditional countries and provide scholarships for them. Federal, Multicultural, and Non-Traditional Affairs are encouraging Senator Smith and Senator Wyden to co-sponsor the bill. Our first tactic in this campaign is to write letters to them explaining the importance of the bill.

If you want to join the fun and write a letter, invite a congressman to campus, or just get involved, feel free to stop in and chat! Volunteers are always much appreciated!

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Visit the new ASOSU Web site at

asosu.oregonstate.edu

Find out task force meeting times & dates, contact information, upcoming events, staff bios and more!

Check it out!

something on campus, please e-mail campus.affairs@oregonstate.edu or if you have concerns with women's issues please e-mail womens.affairs@oregonstate.edu. We will help you in any way we can or direct you to someone who can assist you. OSU is a wonderful place and together we can make it better!

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Your fees, your choice



Andrea Norris, ASOSU Director of Environmental Affairs, and volunteers, Zach Montgomery and Kaleena Tuffo, spend an afternoon in the MU Quad handing out flyers encouraging students to take the Green Energy survey

• Seeking opinion over using student fees to help increase OSU's renewable energy

By Andrea Norris
Director of
Environmental Affairs

I say to you today, my friends, even though we face the challenges of today and tomorrow, I still have a vision.

I have a vision that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of sustainability. I have a vision that one day on Capitol Hill, in an environment of tension and disagreement, our government will be transformed into a center of positive environmental action.

I have a vision today!

I have a vision that our children will one day live in a world where they will not suffer from our generation's destruction of the earth but instead flourish in the earth's natural bounty.

I have a vision that one day, in the board rooms of businesses and corporations, men and women will discuss the opportunity to create jobs

and technology through the pursuit of sustainability.

I have a vision today!

I have a vision that today, on this day, the students of OSU will realize their inherent power and come together within the walls of the ASOSU to improve the lives of others and others still yet to come.

What's your vision?

To give your opinion on using student fees to help increase OSU's renewable energy take the survey at <https://secure.oregonstate.edu/survey/160>

The ASOSU is a place where students can come with problems and gain the assistance and skills needed to solve those problems. We at the Environmental Affairs Task Force are here to work with you on anything related to the environment.

So far this year we have been advertising the ASOSU Green Energy Survey, which gives students the opportunity to tell the ASOSU if they're interested in using student fees to convert OSU to more renewable energy.

One of the goals of the task force is to increase OSU's renewable energy use from its current dismal level of 0.5 percent; the use of student fees can accomplish this. That's why we need your opinion, and all your friends' opinions, on this issue. It's your fees and it's your choice. Take it at <https://secure.oregonstate.edu/survey/160> by Wednesday Nov. 22.

If you are interested in environmental issues, we would love your help and ideas on making OSU — and the world — a more sustainable place to live!

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SERVICES: Helping to serve OSU students and the community

Office of Legal Advocacy

The Office of Legal Advocacy enters its sixth year serving students at OSU.

For the previous six years, the Office of Legal Advocacy has handle conflicts that students have had with the university. These conflicts include such issues as professor misconduct, allegations of academic dishonesty and financial aid. The office also handles discrimination, sexual harassment, and conflicts with police while on campus.

Our main focus this year is to continue to provide legal advice and resources to students on campus.

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Student Mediation

After an intense bustle to get the office ready this summer, Student Mediation Services is finally ready to serve you, the students of OSU!

Our mission is to aid you in resolving conflicts.

The goal of SMS is to empower you by giving you the option to negotiate different opinion in conflicts with anyone that you feel would be an asset in resolving the dispute.

There is no limit to the types of conflicts that we will mediate, including landlord issues, roommate issues, personal relationship issues, and even academic or administrative issues.

Also be on the look out for (upcoming) exciting SMS events and workshops!

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Beaver Bus

The Beaver Bus is a brand new program that offers a safe alternative method of transportation to students and community members alike on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights from 9 p.m. – 3 a.m. when OSU is in session (excludes holiday weekends and vacations.)

We paired up with the City of Corvallis' Transit System and local business owners to bring this program to life. The mission of the program ranges from providing a safe method of transportation for students and community members to enhancing the relationship between community and students.

For more information on the routes please call: **541-602-2430** during operational hours.

Volunteers are needed every night the Beaver Bus is operated and always welcome! Call 541-737-9147 for more information!

New task force calling all non-traditional students

By Annette McFarland
Director of Non-Traditional Affairs
Kimberly Nickerson & Rhonda Smythe
ASOSU Interns

What are non-traditional student affairs, anyways? Non-traditional students are older students, student parents, transfer students, out-of-state students, international students, graduate students, and the list goes on!

Being a new task force this year, we have the challenge of developing from the ground up and the opportunity to fulfill the needs of students who often get overlooked.

We are currently working on two campaigns. First, we are developing a Non-Traditional Students section for the "Official Student Survival Handbook" put out by the Student Orientation and Retention office.

For the second, we are working with University Housing and Dining Services to get Housing and Urban Development subsidies accepted at Orchard Court, the on-campus family housing.

In addition, we would love to interact with non-traditional students on a personal level. We can help with any question or problem, and we have a binder full of useful resources!

Hey Transfer Students! How was your transfer to OSU? Did you have a bad experience? A good one? Did all of your credits transfer over? Or at least the ones that were supposed to? Don't want somebody else to go through what you went through? Tell us your story! We need your real-life experience to help with current and future campaigns. Feel free to shoot us a line or give us a ring at nontraditional.affairs@oregonstate.edu or (541)737-3559.

Stay informed about what we're doing for YOU by signing up for the list serve at: http://lists.oregonstate.edu/mailman/listinfo/asosu_nontraditional

Remember, if you think you're a non-traditional student, you probably are!

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The ASOSU wants to know your flavor

By Kevin Grant
Student Advocate

So, you've made it to last page of the ACCESS (probably the very last article, too — thanks, P.R.). The fact that you have made it this far tells me one of two things: you're bored in your morning class or you like what you see and you want to get involved.

For the latter, what's your flavor? Services perhaps?

If you've got some spare time and want to be involved with something outside yourself, the ASOSU services are a great way to serve your fellow students; such as Beaver Bus, Escape Hunger, legal services.

Maybe it's direct action? Task forces work on issues beyond the authority of the ASOSU. They win campaigns that better your life. They target the people who have the authority, but just need a little pressure.

Individuals may not have a whole lot of authority, but never underestimate the POWER students have to make real differences in

society.

You can also be more behind-the-scenes in a support role.

Students are needed for managing Finances and working in Public Relations. There are also dozens of Committees that need students to ensure student-friendly decisions.

There is really something for everyone at the ASOSU. One of the easiest and most beneficial ways to get involved is to join the

Sign-up for the ASOSU Internship Program Winter term!

ALS 410-7: Internship/ASOSU Leadership

CRN 24754

ASOSU Internship Program. In this program, you'll learn leadership skills and actually apply them with meaningful experience

as we affect social change. And, it probably won't cost you anything extra if you are taking between 12 and 16 credits total.

So if you're ready to kick it with the ASOSU, drop this paper, walk out of class and go sign up for the Internship Program. Or feel free to drop by and see me any time. I'm here full-time to be a resource for you — so use me.

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