

## Acting on a decades old dream

■ Campus takes two weeks to honor Martin Luther King Jr. and social justice issues

By Susie Baffico  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

"No other holiday allows you to talk about social justice," said Ter-ryl Ross, director of community and diversity at OSU.

While many students look at having Jan. 15 off from classes, Ross wants people "to embrace it, as a day of reflection, not just about some dead guy."

OSU is hosting the 25th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration — which began Monday and goes until Jan. 26 — at multiple Corvallis and campus locations.

"We want to make it a personal thing, not just another day off," Ross said.

Ross said different groups manage every event, but it's all facilitated through the Office of Community and Diversity.

While OSU has taken the observed Monday off for many years, Ross said an interesting fact is that OSU celebrated King before the national holiday was established in 1985.

The activities are based on the theme "The Dream Can No Longer Be Deferred."

Ross said the theme is decided each year through a series of meetings of the committee from the Office of Community and Diversity. He added that the committee makes a point of getting a lot of student input.

"We meet once a week for most of fall quarter," Ross said. Those meetings are conducted, Ross said, to discuss theme possibilities and have members talk about what King meant to them.

Ross mentioned he was surprised how easily the theme for this year was chosen, as it was "not contentious at all — it really was diversity in action."

The most popular event is the Peace Breakfast, held Jan. 15. Organizers say this event regularly sells out, and tickets went on sale beginning Monday; people are encouraged

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## OSU accused of copyright violation

■ Foundation claims university ripped off its materials; OSU says it did nothing wrong

By Ashley Slocki  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

The California-based Motorcycle Safety Foundation has filed a lawsuit against OSU claiming that the university-hosted Team Oregon Motorcycle Safety Program has illegally used its materials.

The suit was filed on Dec. 14. The foundation is seeking a jury trial.

"We created our own curriculum — we knew this was something they were not happy about," said Todd Simmons, an OSU spokesman.

OSU previously used the foundation's curriculum for the course, but decided to make their own — one the foundation thinks is too similar to theirs.

"They are suing us because they feel we are using parts of their curriculum inappropriately, we feel like we are in our legal limits and are in full compliance with the law," Simmons said. "I can tell you though this is a suit we have been

anticipating for sometime."

A Jan. 4 article in the Corvallis Gazette-Times stated curves were a major part of the change in the new curriculum because of the nature of many roads of Oregon.

The foundation claims that OSU misappropriated training materials supplied by them.

According to the suit, Stephen Garets, director of the Team Oregon Motorcycle Safety Program, other representatives and contractors of Team Oregon received a copy of the foundation's Basic

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## Basking in the Sun



PETER STRONG / THE DAILY BAROMETER

It didn't look good for Oregon State, but by the end of the game, all of Beaver nation was raising its hands in triumph. Led by coach Mike Riley's gutsy call to go for two and the win, OSU stunned Missouri in a come-from-behind 39-38 win in the Sun Bowl. See page 12 for coverage.

## Active search for student's body on hold for now

■ Family of missing student organizes fund for search and rescue teams from two counties

By Amanda Robbins  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Teams have put a hold on actively searching for OSU junior Jeffrey Schmidt, Douglas County Public Information Officer Dwes Hutson said Monday.

Schmidt was with freshman Quinn Do Troung

when the car they were in went off the side of the road and crashed into the North Umpqua River. Police were able to recover Troung's body, but Schmidt is still missing.

"Even though we do not have a team actively searching for him, we still remember that he is missing," Hutson said. "We have deputies that still go out in that area and know to keep an eye out for him."

The last formal search went out on Nov. 19, 2006, 10 days after the car crashed into the river.

"The marine division has talked about getting a boat back out, but the river levels and weather has not permitted it," Hutson said.

The Douglas County Sheriff's Office would like to organize more formal searches for Schmidt. These searches, however, depend on the cooperation of weather and water levels, Hutson said.

A fund was recently set up by Schmidt's family to be donated to the Douglas and Jackson County

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Azalea Lodge faced damage from a falling tree over the break. There was no structural damage, but repairs are still expected to take one to three months.

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## Storm knocks out power, trees

■ Winter break storm damages buildings and parking lots, puts much of campus in the dark

By Katie Thorn  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

As most students settled into a low-key winter break, on Dec. 14, the OSU campus underwent what is known as the worst storm Corvallis has seen in more than a dozen years, according to university officials.

Major damage to the campus included fallen trees on the Callahan walkway, the Lonnie B. Harris Black Cultural Center parking lot and on the fence behind Fairbanks Hall. Power outages occurred the evening of Dec. 14, but things went back to normal the next day.

"We set up an emergency command center to plan for the potential power outages and damages to come," said Vincent Martorello,

director of facilities services. "We went over what we needed to do. The storm came and caused many trees to fall and failing power, but our services were on top of it."

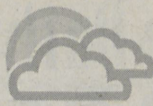
Martorello said the major damage — the fallen tree on the Callahan walkway — was removed and cleared within two to three days of the storm.

"Other than trees, there was no other physical damage to buildings on campus," he said. "There was a blown out window because of a change in pressure in the building. OSU lost power on Thursday around 6 p.m. and the lights were restored to the campus on Friday at 2 p.m."

The shattered window, belonging to Owens Hall, was cleaned up by the time students came back for classes.

"We had a tree blow over in the parking lot of the BCC," Joakina

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## Execution sparks broad support for Saddam in Arab world

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Another leaked video from Saddam Hussein's execution carried fresh adulation Monday of the fallen dictator, who in death has become a martyr and hero of Arab nationalism for some in the Middle East.

Saddam's stature has grown since his execution — when he answered insults and taunts with disdain — overshadowing the memories in much of the Arab world of the massacres and other atrocities committed by his regime.

The new video, showing Saddam's corpse with a gaping neck wound, was posted on the Internet early Tuesday. It was apparently shot with a camera phone minutes after he was hanged Dec. 30.

"A new film of the late immortal martyr, President Saddam Hussein," the web site said in a headline over a link to the video.

The independent Egyptian newspaper Al-Karama splashed Saddam's photo over a full page Monday, with an Iraqi flag behind him, declaring him an "Arab martyr."

"He lived as hero, died as a man," another Egyptian opposition newspaper, Al-Osboa, proclaimed in a headline, showing a photo of Saddam at the gallows.

The praise has angered the governments of Iraq and Kuwait, which Saddam's soldiers invaded in 1990. On Monday, Kuwaiti lawmakers denounced Arab countries where Saddam has been lauded as a hero and demanded the government reconsider ties and financial aid to them.

Indignation over the execution in the Sunni Arab world has increased resentment of the United States and Iraq's Shiite-led government. It could fuel support for Iraq's Sunni insurgency and complicate U.S. efforts to enlist Arab nations in efforts to reconcile Iraq's warring Sunni and Shiite communities.



## U.S. targets terror suspects in Somalia, according to reports

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. military launched a strike Monday against several suspected members of al-Qaida in Somalia, CBS News reported Monday.

The targets, CBS reported, included the senior al-Qaida leader in East Africa and an al-Qaida operative wanted for his involvement in the 1998 bombings of the American embassies in Kenya and Tanzania.

The same operatives are also believed responsible for a 2002 attack on Israeli tourists in Kenya and an attempt to shoot down an Israeli aircraft the same day, NBC News reported.

Citing Pentagon sources, CBS reported that an Air Force AC-130 gunship led the attack against the site at the southern tip of Somalia. There was no confirmation that the Air Force had killed either of the al-Qaida targets.

U.S. Navy vessels have been deployed off the coast of Somalia to make sure al-Qaida or allied jihadists don't escape the country, the State Department said last Wednesday.

The 1998 bombings of the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania killed more than 250 people. The 2002 attack on an Israeli-owned hotel in Kenya killed 15.

## Downtown Austin closed for testing of birds deaths

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Police shut down 10 blocks in downtown Austin for several hours Monday after 63 birds were found dead in the street, but officials said preliminary tests found no threat to people.

Workers in yellow hazardous-materials suits tested for contaminants in a cordoned-off section near the state Capitol and the governor's mansion before authorities finally gave the all-clear in the afternoon.

Although officials could not immediately determine whether poison or something else killed the birds, "there's no threat to humans at this point," said Assistant City Manager Michael McDonald.

The dead grackles, sparrows and pigeons will be tested.

Some experts said the most likely cause of the die-off was a deliberate poisoning. "It happens quite frequently," said Greg Butcher, director of bird conservation at the National Audubon Society in Washington.

Grackles are a crowlike bird regarded as a major pest in Texas, with Austin sidewalks sometimes covered in their droppings.

The dead birds were found overnight along Congress Avenue, a major downtown thoroughfare. Police closed the route through downtown and two

side streets, and a staging area was set up near the Capitol, with dozens of fire trucks, police cars and ambulances.

The Capitol opened on schedule, however. And the governor was not asked to leave the mansion.

Dr. Adolfo Valadez, medical director for the Austin and Travis County Health and Human Services Division, said the birds will be tested for signs of poison or viral infections. But officials do not believe bird flu is involved.

It could be days or weeks before a cause is determined, he said.



## Kim family hopes closing roads will prevent incidents

GRANTS PASS (AP) — Public access to federal lands and the way search and rescue operations are conducted in Oregon may never be the same because San Francisco online editor James Kim and his family got lost in the wilds of the Rogue River Canyon and he died.

Hoping to prevent another death like that of his son's, Southern California aerospace contractor Spencer Kim has called for tighter controls on remote logging roads on federal lands, a change in privacy laws that stymied access to credit card receipts and phone records that could have tracked his son's movements sooner, and better coordination and training for search and rescue operations.

"My son's death was a tragedy that could have been prevented," Spencer Kim wrote in an opinion piece published Saturday in The Washington Post.

Meanwhile, investigations and reviews of the circumstances of James Kim's death and the search for his family are being done by federal, state and county authorities.

Family spokesman Victor Lim did not immediately return telephone calls for comment. A man answering the telephone at CBOL Corp. in Woodland Hills, Calif., where Spencer Kim is chairman, refused to comment.

James and Kati Kim had gone to Seattle for Thanksgiving, and were on their way home to San Francisco when they missed their turn for the Oregon Coast off Interstate 5, decided to take a backcountry road through the Siskiyou National Forest and got lost in a snowstorm.

They were stranded more than a week with little food when James Kim set out on foot for help. He went down

a creek where he was later found dead of hypothermia.

Two days after Kim set out on foot, a helicopter pilot not connected to the search spotted Kati Kim and her two daughters alive. Two days later, searchers found James Kim's body.

Spencer Kim's first concern was that the backcountry road where his son got lost was not clearly marked and that a gate blocking it was not closed.

"Governments should allocate sufficient resources to regularly monitor roadblocks designed to prevent access, and it should be a federal crime to tamper with such signs and barriers," he wrote.

At the request of Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., the U.S. Bureau of Land Management is looking at why a gate blocking the fork down which the Kims got lost wasn't closed and locked, as it was supposed to be, and is reviewing its policies on access to roads on the public lands it manages.

Feinstein had called Kim to express her condolences, and afterward, Kim sent her a letter raising the concerns he expressed in The Post, said Feinstein spokesman Scott Gerber. Feinstein said she would look into them.

The Bureau of Land Management report is due Jan. 31, said spokeswoman Jody Weil.

The bureau initially said the gate — one of 165 in the agency's Grants Pass Resource Area — had been locked, but broken open by a vandal.

After a closer look, the agency said the gate had been ordered locked, but a worker sent to do it left it open out of concern someone using the road might be locked in.

Four signs between Interstate 5 and the fork where the Kims turned down BLM road 34-8-36 warned that the backcountry route to the coast might be blocked by snowdrifts. A sign at the fork where they turned right points to the left route as the way to the coast.

At the request of the search and rescue team in Josephine County, the Oregon State Sheriff's Association hopes to have a report by the end of this week on whether the Kims could have been found sooner if the search had been run better.

Spencer Kim wrote that the search was "plagued by confusion, communication breakdowns and failures of leadership until the Oregon State Police set up a command post," and urged that steps be taken to assure authorities are properly trained for search and rescue operations.

## CALENDAR

Tuesday, Jan. 9

### Events

**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 11:30m-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd Street. Lunch: Come and go as you are able. Homemade, stimulating conversation, vegetarian option.

**ISOSU**, 6-8pm, Black Cultural Center. Welcome to winter term! Bake your favorite dessert and join us for a social evening and dessert potluck. Everyone is welcome!

Thursday, Jan. 11

### Events

**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 6pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd Street. Quest: Simple supper & discussion.

Sunday, Jan. 14

### Events

**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 7pm, Grace Lutheran Church, 435 NW 21st, corner of Kings & Harrison. Evensong Worship with communion, especially for students.

Monday, Jan. 15

**Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday**

Tuesday, Jan. 16

### Events

**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 11:30m-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd Street. Lunch: Come and go as you are able. Homemade, stimulating conversation, vegetarian option.

Thursday, Jan. 18

### Events

**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 6pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd Street. Quest: Simple supper & discussion.

Sunday, Jan. 21

### Events

**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 7pm, Grace Lutheran Church, 435 NW 21st, corner of Kings & Harrison. Evensong Worship with communion, especially for students.

Monday, Jan. 22

### Meetings

**American Indian Science & Engineering Society**, 5pm, Native American Longhouse. Weekly meeting. Everyone welcome!

Tuesday, Jan. 23

### Events

**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 11:30m-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd Street. Lunch: Come and go as you are able. Homemade, stimulating conversation, vegetarian option.

Thursday, Jan. 25

### Events

**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 6pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd Street. Quest: Simple supper & discussion.

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## STORM: Cultural center got help from the storm in removing tree

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Mode of the Black Cultural Center said. "By the time we came back to school, they removed all debris. They had planned on removing the trees in the first place, but the storm removed them first."

Gilbert Hall, Agricultural and Life Sciences, Cordley Hall, Richardson Hall, Wiegand Hall and Dryden Hall were without power for the majority of the storm.

Though the campus was without power, it remained open.

"We're still cleaning up the campus here and there along with our regular maintenances," Martorello said.

"The services and volunteers went above and beyond," Martorello said. "Facility services, UHDS, Oregon State Police, transportation and parking and others all made a difference. We really had an amazing crew."

Notifications before the storm were sent out to the deans of individual schools and Cordley Hall, among other places.

Damages from the storm totalled about \$205,000.

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## MLK: Breakfast will feature keynote from OSU's Larry Roper, among other activities

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to buy tickets in advance.

At the breakfast, Larry Roper, vice provost of student affairs, will be the guest speaker. The event also includes presentation of several community service awards.

Ross said the breakfast includes three elements that together will be "pretty powerful."

First, there is a video collection showing clips of King speaking as well as people on the committee's thoughts.

Next is Roper's presentation. Ross said Roper was chosen for the 25th anniversary because they wanted to choose someone from OSU who's been involved.

"He is a very engaging speaker," Ross said.

Lastly, the students involved will facilitate a dialogue.

"At these kinds of events we're usually talking at people," Ross said. He said students get a chance to talk at their table with people they may not have had a chance to speak with otherwise.

Following the breakfast are events at the Native American Longhouse and Black Cultural Center, as well as a candlelight

vigil and a public roundtable discussion.

Another event held Jan. 17 to 19 is the "Your Voice, Your Conference: Awareness, Solidarity, Action" conference, which culminates with keynote speaker Angela Davis. Davis is a social activist and professor of history of consciousness and feminist studies at University of California at Santa Cruz.

The conference itself is a student-led and student organized conference by the Community Service Center.

It is intended to be an open forum for students, faculty and community members to be able to express themselves, said Jose Gutierrez, external coordinator of the Community Service Center.

The conference gives an opportunity for dialogue on issues in society, such as social justice and diversity.

"It promotes what OSU stands for, in their mission statement," Gutierrez said, pointing out the part about striving for diversity.

Gutierrez added that this event has been in preparation for about six months, with

many meetings of the departments sponsoring the event.

"The breakfast and conference are kind of tied in to each other," Ross said.

"Vintage Images of Freedom Marches" is an ongoing art exhibit related to the celebration. It includes photos and news clips from local 1960s freedom marches and will be on display at the MU Ballroom through February.

A "Sign the Pledge" event will take place in the MU student lounge Jan. 10 to 19 to reaffirm support for nonviolent social change, equality, justice, freedom and peace.

"The overall sentiment of the group is to be proud of how far we've come since (Martin Luther King, Jr.), but we have a really long way to go," Ross said. "We want to focus on where to go from here. People need to step up and make changes we've been talking about."

Tickets for the Peace Breakfast can be purchased at the MU business office and are \$10 for general admission, \$6 for students and free for children five and under.

A poster for the event is available at [http://oregonstate.edu/diversity/MLK\\_07\\_Poster\\_lega.pdf](http://oregonstate.edu/diversity/MLK_07_Poster_lega.pdf).

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# House adopts ban on lobbyist gifts

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SALEM — The Oregon House overwhelmingly passed some of the nation's toughest ethics rules on Monday, forbidding its members from accepting gifts worth any more than a T-shirt or a coffee mug.

The new rules stem from an outcry following disclosures that a group of legislators took lobbyist-paid trips to Hawaii, Israel and China, then failed to report them.

Half-a-dozen states currently prohibit legislators from accepting major gifts, including travel, meals and entertainment.

Passed 56-4 on the first day of the 2007 legislative session, the new House rules limit lawmakers from accepting gifts worth more than \$10 and require that

legislators pay their own way for meals and entertainment when they are out with lobbyists.

"Adopting these rules right off the bat sends a message that gifts serve no public purpose and really shouldn't be a part of the lawmaking culture or process," said House Speaker Jeff Merkley, D-Portland.

The move reflects a trend among states and Congress to reform ethics laws and one that observers expect to increase as legislative sessions get under way across the country.

"I suspect there will be a large number of states that will look at their ethics laws," said Peggy Kerns, director of the ethics center at the National Conference of State Legislatures.

On Friday, Oregon's Government Standards and Practices

Commission decided to begin formal investigations into nine current and former lawmakers who accepted, but did not report, expensive lobbyist-paid trips to Hawaii, China and Israel.

Seven of the legislators visited Hawaii on trips that were paid for by beer and wine distributors that paid \$18,000 for airfare, food, accommodations and golfing.

All of the lawmakers currently under investigation voted for the new rules.

An earlier proposal by Republicans calling for a "zero gift" policy was rejected Monday after the majority Democrats said a total ban would be unworkable because it wouldn't allow lawmakers to accept gifts like homemade apple pie and artwork from

## Motorist still missing

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

THE DALLES, Ore. — A city councilman from Idaho went missing after stopping to help at the scene of a traffic accident, and the authorities say he may have fallen or jumped into the John Day River to avoid a second accident.

John Dickinson, 62, of Moscow stopped his vehicle Sunday night behind a car that had crashed after swerving to avoid debris on an Interstate 84 bridge east of The Dalles, the Oregon State Police said.

Dickinson got out of his car, which another motorist then struck from behind. Dickinson couldn't be found at the scene, and state troopers said he may have fallen off the bridge or jumped the concrete railing, which is 3 1/2 feet high.

Search crews on Monday failed to find Dickinson, who was recently named president of the Moscow City Council. The river is more than 80 feet deep in the area of the crash and the surface water temperature is about 40 degrees, police said.

Two other people involved in the accident suffered minor injuries.

If Dickinson did jump over the guardrail, it would be the second such incident on Interstate 84 in less than two weeks.

## SCHMIDT: Family offers information on how to donate

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Search and Rescue Teams. It is not setup to help the search for Schmidt, according to Joanna Schmidt, sister to Jeffrey Schmidt and OSU alumnus.

"My parents and I wanted to do something for the SAR teams that helped us through this entire ordeal, and still are and we felt this was the best way," she said.

Those who wish to donate to this fund can go to any Washington Mutual Bank branch and mention that they'd like to donate to the Jeffrey Schmidt Fund, or list the account number, which is 314-226066-5.

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## LAWSUIT: Safety foundation claims OSU copied its materials

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Rider Training curriculum.

OSU President Ed Ray and Garets, are also being sued individually.

The suit states that Ray "is legally responsible for the acts and omissions of OSU and its employees, representatives, contractors and agents." Ray declined to comment.

Garets would not comment specifically about the case, but he did say the program has been at OSU for the past 23 years.

Team Oregon, based at OSU, aims to provide rider skills training for motorcyclists across the state.

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation claims that OSU copied their work and began to provide the material to other training facilities around the country.

"The MSF attempted on multiple occasions to resolve these issues without a lawsuit, but Oregon State University and Mr. Garets were unwilling to stop their unlawful conduct," said Stuart Philip Ross, an attorney with the law firm Ross, Dixon and Bell, LLP in a press release. "After Team Oregon began attempting to market, distribution and offer the BRT

curriculum materials to motorcycle safety programs in other states, and it became clear OSU would not prohibit this activity the MSF had no choice but to take legal actions to protect its intellectual property rights."

The suit states that Idaho is using Team Oregon's curriculum. Colorado and Washington are considering the use of it.

According to the suit, in January 2004 the first edition of BRT Rider's Guide was published — Garets was listed as the "Editorial Director."

The first edition did indicate that the material was copyrighted in 2004. The foundation was listed in the acknowledgement section as a contributor.

Simmons stands by the program. "I have friends that swear by the program," Simmons said.

Simmons said OSU's attorneys are confident with their position in the case.

"We have looked very closely at the issues they brought up in the suit and we feel very comfortable with the training that we are providing," Simmons said. "We feel the way we are doing the training is in the best interest of the riders."

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## Guest Editorial

### Dems exercise reason, concern

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (U-WIRE) — Usually when we talk about predictable action in politics, we're lamenting the latest actions of the Bush administration and the decaying conditions in Iraq. But now, predictably, for the first time in months, Congress is giving us hope that we might make it out of this debacle after all.

The predictability we're referring to is the Democrats' stance on Iraq. It's no secret that Americans aren't happy with the way things are going and that we expected things to change when the Democrats assumed power in Congress. That's why we elected them. We're extremely pleased, however, with the reason and concern apparent in the latest comments made by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.

"This war [would] cost a trillion dollars if it ended now," Pelosi said in an Associated Press article. "But more important than that, the lives lost, the casualties sustained, the lost reputation in the world, and the damage to our military readiness. For these and other reasons, we have to say to the president, in your speech... we want to see a plan in a new direction because the direction you've been taking us in has not been successful."

The time for giving President Bush unlimited funding to play war in the Middle East is over. The Democrats are going to hold the president responsible and demand comprehensive justification for sending more troops in a largely unfavorable direction.

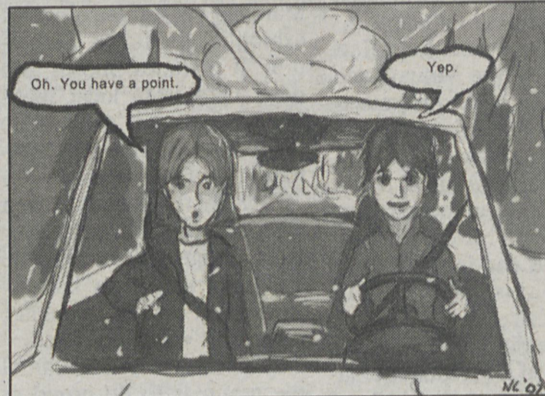
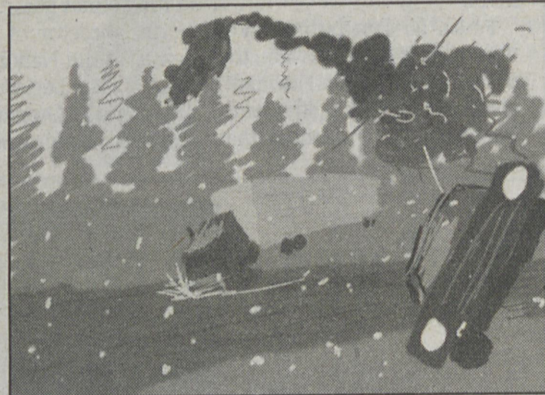
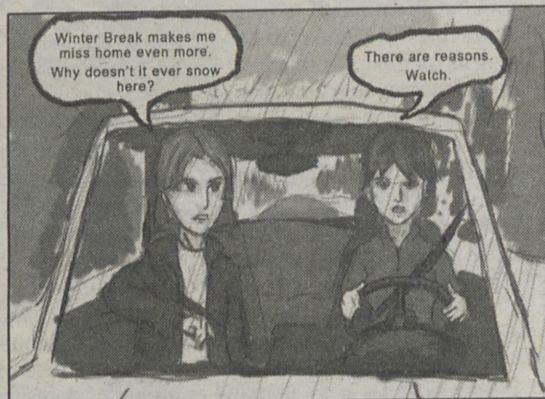
"If the president chooses to escalate the war, in his budget request, we want to see a distinction between what is there to support the troops who are there now," Pelosi said.

"The American people and the Congress support those troops. We will not abandon them. But if the president wants to add to this mission, he is going to have to justify it, and this is new for him because up until now the Republican Congress has given him a blank check with no oversight, no standards, no conditions," Pelosi said.

While no one is sure exactly where this battle is going — Bush is expected to announce his plans to send more troops to Iraq by Wednesday — we do know that Democrats are interested in increasing the size of our depleted Army and Marine Corps. They're not, however, interested in sending those troops to Iraq.

To critics of the Democrats' stance, you can't say it's un-American. It's far from it. The Democrats' first concern is making sure the troops currently in Iraq have all the resources they need to be safe and successful. Sending more troops over isn't going to make the situation better. It's a proven mistake. Our first priority is the well-being of our troops in Iraq, followed by bringing them home. We can't undo the chaos we've created in Iraq, and our presence isn't making things better. It's time to cut our losses and make sure we don't lose any more of our valued troops to a cause that is no longer justifiable — if it ever was.

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## Matt's guide to getting through things

So, I was sitting in my apartment doing what I normally do when I'm bored to tears: contemplating the meaning of existence.

I was thinking about why people do the things they do. You know, like why celebrities get together with the worst possible person when they know, because of my constant letters, e-mails and occasional telegrams, that I would be more than happy to take them out for a wild night on the town (Britney ... Paris! Call me back! I left my phone number on the brick I threw at your windows last week!).

I was wondering how exactly pork rinds ever became a popular form of snack food, when I was sidetracked to the fact that the executives at FOX must be a bunch no-talent hacks (Isn't the connection obvious?) Because they cancelled "The OC."

Bastards. They obviously have their trash cans under the left side of their kitchen sink.

Not following? Well, here's my line of thought:

Everyone I know keeps his or her trash can under the right side of the kitchen sink. Whenever I'm over at someone's house, I know that if I ever feel a sense of vertigo overcome me, I can always use the kitchen garbage can as a point of reference.

Did you ever wonder why it is no one ever asks where the garbage can is? It's because everyone already knows.

And people who don't adhere to this unwritten rule not only throw off the cosmic balance because of their rash, uninformed decision, they also look like idiots in front of other people.

Almost as idiotic as people who buy the book, "Grammar Snobs are Great Big Meanies" in the misguided hope that they will be justified in their not knowing how to



properly use the English language. And just for the record, we are not meanies. We're just right.

For this and other reasons, I am sad to admit that for a shockingly horrific period of time in my life, my parents kept the kitchen garbage out by the counter. It wasn't even hidden by the sink!

I don't like to talk much about that period of my life as it resulted in the birth of my sister. I also don't like talking much about my sister. Unless, of course, it leads into an embarrassing story.

Like this one: One unassuming day, long ago, I was sitting in my room, minding my own business. My cell phone rang, as it often does, and I, as I often do, answered it.

My mother was on the other line. Joy.

The conversation started off normal enough. Small talk about family and work dominated most of the "mom-talk." Then came the bombshell.

Mom: Oh, I have some really important news for you.

Me: Shoot.

Mom: Well, yesterday, your sister became a woman!

Apparently becoming a woman entails letting everyone possible know about it. Which is why I am glad to do my part. Here's to you, Sis!

But anyway, back to the conversation.

Me: ...

Mom: Are you there?

Me: Yes. I'm just wondering why you chose this point in my life to make sure that I could never look my sister in the face ever again.

Mom: What are you talking about?

Me: Mom, I'm trying to burn out my eardrums even as we speak. Does that not mean anything to you?

Mom: Well, I just wanted to keep you up with what was going on with your family.

This conversation is quoted verbatim, as far as I can remember. But you never know. I had to go through extensive therapy after that fateful day. And my mom, bless her, remains oblivious to this very day of the horrific trauma she put me through.

But, to get back to the point of this column, which is obviously about my undying love for Rachel Bilson and my not-so-secret man crush on Adam Brody, putting your trash can on the wrong side of the sink can lead you to make awful, life-shattering decisions.

If you don't believe me, just look at the proof:

Britney Spears: She married Kevin Federline, who is possibly the worst person ever. Ever.

She has also been seen flashing her business to unsuspecting persons everywhere for the past few weeks. Here's a tip: lock it up, Spears.

What you may not know, however, is that she is a "lefty." Which is the term we in the world of journalism use to refer to people who do not adhere to proper placement protocol for trash cans.

In conclusion, FOX would be better off being run by monkeys — mothers need to learn when to stop saying what they're trying to say when people don't want to hear it and celebrities should get off their high horses and return my fan mail.

Bonus Conclusion: If you want a copy of my very own in-depth diagram for proper placement protocol on trash cans all you have to do is send \$29.99 to:

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Ellyn C.M. Canfield



## Evolved first impressions

I am a firm believer in journalistic integrity, so I'm not going to lie — I'm a social butterfly. I'm at my best in a room full of people I don't know, and I am always the first volunteer to jump to the front of the classroom to state my name and highlight my summer break. The truth behind my gregarious nature might be that once someone has known me for more than three days my sparkling personality becomes slightly grating, so I prefer fresh victims.

That said, traveling to new places has always been the perfect opportunity for me to showcase my talents. Give me an unknown person and I'll smile, nod, smile some more, do my best to greet them in their native tongue (I had been in Ukraine for three weeks when someone informed me that my attempts at introducing myself where an incomprehensible blend of Ukrainian, Russian, and possibly Vietnamese), throw in a little small talk and hearty chuckling, and voila — friends for life. So it was with this confidence that I glided into the first day of my internship in Uzghorod, Ukraine.

OK, so I might not be your typical American cartoon character, greeting the mustached foreigners with a southern-twanged, "Howyadoin?" and a hearty handshake, but I'm not far from it. When I was introduced to the room full of Ukrainians who would be my co-workers for the next six months I began my typical, chipper, getting-to-know-you routine. However, this time I was met with blank stares, furrowed eyebrows, and complete silence.

Reactions didn't change over the following week. I expected to have Ukrainians giving me cheek kisses as we passed in the hall, instead the attention paid to me was more along the lines of what I would expect to be given to a new coat rack — in the way, and mostly unnecessary. My nights were spent typing heart-wrenching e-mail to my boisterous American pals about the cold and unfriendly Ukrainian people.

Now, before you read ahead thinking I'm egocentric and overly confident, let me explain. I believe my assurance in my social graces is the result of my American upbringing. We are taught from an early age that first impressions are everything. Attend any interview preparation seminar in the MU and they are sure to start with the importance of a firm handshake and steady eye contact. We live in a society and economy built on networking, where the car salesman slings an arm around you and calls you "buddy," and a botched introduction is a possible business opportunity lost. It's upon these principles that this now grounded butterfly constructed her social skills.

My Ukrainian peers draw from See CANFIELD / page 5

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# From France with optimism, love

I have wondered for several minutes now, how I, (the new forum editor) may impress you (my dear reader) in my first column. I have narrowed my possible ideas to two.

The first, how much my predecessor sucked. And the second, exploring the implications of my Christmas vacation.

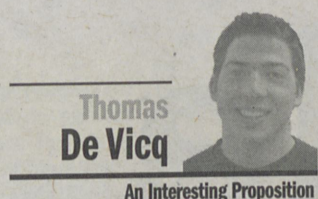
Entertaining as it may be to dis the prior master, and consequently discredit any achievements he made over the last several months as editor — the reality is, Mr. Da Rosa was one easy going, well polished individual. The sort that you couldn't help but look up to. And for that, I must forfeit some of my ego. (Perhaps next week I will get to the nitty-gritty of his delusions of grandeur). For now, however, I must bore you with self-absorption.

As much as you probably don't care to read about my holiday vacation — quite frankly I must remind you that I am the man with the pants, at least for the moment or until I embarrass myself to resignation.

At any rate, my Christmas vacation was good. I opted not to spend much time with the family, attending those awkward get-togethers where dad makes dry jokes and mom talks about the excitement at the last bunko party. Oh no, I headed for the big time. To that place, when mentioned, jealousy instantly seeps from the pores of your friends. Europe.

And after three months of brutal anticipation and conversation with the posse, I would be there.

I traveled through Europe for most of the break, hitting



**Thomas De Vicq**

An Interesting Proposition

the notable stops of: France (from where I descend), England, Italy and Switzerland. I have never traveled outside of North America until break, and from what I can tell, it is an experience everyone must attempt someday.

Prior to me leaving, however, I found myself compelled to do some background checks on the places I would be visiting. In my research there were always pictures of trendy little clubs and bars, museums, happy people enjoying local food and culture at every turn. And I would look at the pictures of all this and think, "I could really live there, where there is free health care, real cultural diversity, and beauty all around."

I became so caught up with these images I became more proud of the "accomplishments" of these nations than my own. So much so in fact, I embraced my heritage and bought a three by five foot French flag which still hangs in my bedroom.

But back to Europe.

In France I drank wine, and ate loads of brie and French bread. In England I shared a pint with my old mates and saw where that old winch lives. In Switzerland I took breaths of pure alpine air and made casual acquaintance with the locals. Ah yes ... living the dream.

Throughout my experience in Europe, all the cliché things I came to expect about these places came true. The Italians

love their pasta. The French are indeed notorious for their wine. And the nursery rhyme that London Bridge is falling down is actually false.

Aside from the cliché bologna, however, I found many striking similarities to America too, many of which are not too far removed from American society (other than weight of course).

The truth is, what I thought would be a land of totally new experiences, and quaint, cobble-stoned cities, is really consumed with keeping up with the Joneses. In my travels through Europe, there was not a single city or town I visited where over consumption was not evident. But I suppose that is the opium of Christmas anyways — that and nog of course.

But I traveled on, all the more optimistic with each train I boarded. But when I stepped off, I could swear I had stepped right into what looked like downtown L.A. or the industrial districts of the east coast. I found myself questioning where the hell I really was. Where were all these happy, smiling people? Why did my friends keep telling me that Europe is where we all "have to go?"

Despite my denial, watches and purses were being sold at discount prices on midnight streets. Homelessness was found on the same park-benches. The long-haired man sold tin-crafts on the corner seeking humble donations. The smell of urine lined the streets, and shoppers would pass this by on the way to the nearest store. So this was the Europe I came to take note of more than anything else.

When I ran out of money somewhere in Switzerland I

left Europe somewhat confused, somewhat disappointed but definitely more educated.

I used to think, however naively, that perfection was possible in societies ... and that foreign lands held the key to this — but I was severely mistaken. When I look back at what I thought of these places before I left, to what I think of them now, I realize how delusional I, and many are about the hauteness Europe supposedly carries.

I also think of how unimportant all these stupid monuments really are. The Eiffel Tower, Big Ben, Gondolas in Venice ... why are they so intriguing? Will they really make you think and feel different after seeing them? Perhaps they will, but they didn't for me.

The most defining moments for me were seeing how old world problems were still being ignored even by (to what I previously thought were) the more "advanced" nations, and that Europe is no better or worse in terms of livability than America.

What truly moved me other than these eye-opening experiences were the people. Although I was surrounded many times by brainless consumers I have come to hate here, there was always that one person who would make me realize that there is in fact more to life than monuments and Christmas. And to you, I thank. This is why we should go to Europe.

Word up, Da Rosa. Word up.

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## CANFIELD: Blank stares turned into friendly greetings, despite name mistake

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a completely different background for their interactions. Ukraine is a former member of the Soviet Union where, among greater evils, promises were not kept and friendships not honored. Suspicion was bred in this society where people learned to carefully guard their words and only trust those whom they knew well.

Over the next few weeks I began to ease up on my genial attempts, and did my best to go about my business and work hard at my tasks. Slowly, a transformation began to happen in those around me. Icy stares were traded for, "Allo, Allan." (Yes, my name is Elly. We're still working on that). Once deadly silent lunch hours were now peppered with questions about my family and hometown. The cheek kisses even started (there was one instance of a full on lip-kiss from a Ukrainian woman, but this is a story for another time). Suddenly, I found myself in the presence of friends.

Looking back on my rocky beginnings, I see the error of my ways, or at least my cultural understanding. As often happens with those in a new place, I expected my American behavior to translate successfully in Ukrainian society and was frustrated at my failure. I see now that my coworkers were taking their time, evaluating me, and waiting to see if I was sincere. They watched to see that I was a responsible worker who seemed genuinely interested in their country and wasn't going to jump on a plane home at the first day of freezing temperatures. And then, only then, they extended the olive branch of friendship.

While I may not completely abandon my outgoing ways, I feel I have something to gain from the cautious Ukrainian style of making acquaintance. In our American culture, friendships are quickly formed and just as quickly discarded. You may feign interest in your classmates retelling of his drunken weekend antics just until you get the notes from last Monday, and as soon as the quiz has been taken he's far from your mind.

Not so in Ukraine. Friendships, while they may take a while to form, are for life and friends help each other out. Ukrainian friends have rushed to my apartment in the middle of the night to fix my lock, and brought medicine to my ailing roommate on a Saturday morning. And I know they expect the same level of commitment from me.

So, should you meet me on the first day of Bio 101 or some other new situation, you should know my tactics might have changed a bit. I might not blow you over with my Hulk-Hogan-handshake or pepped-out cheerleader greeting, but don't worry, the warmth will come. Give me two weeks of watching you make it to class on time and being polite to that inquisitive non-traditional student, and I promise you, can borrow my notes any time you want.

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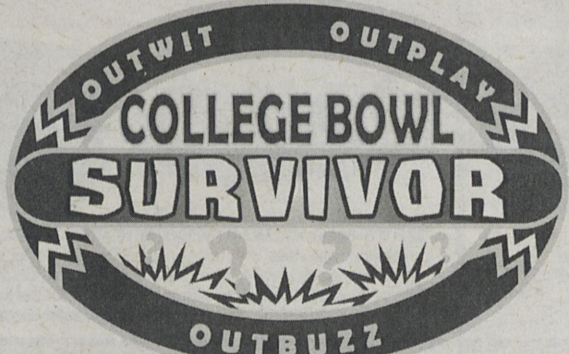
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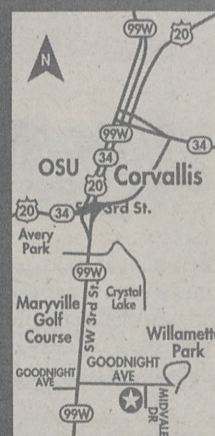
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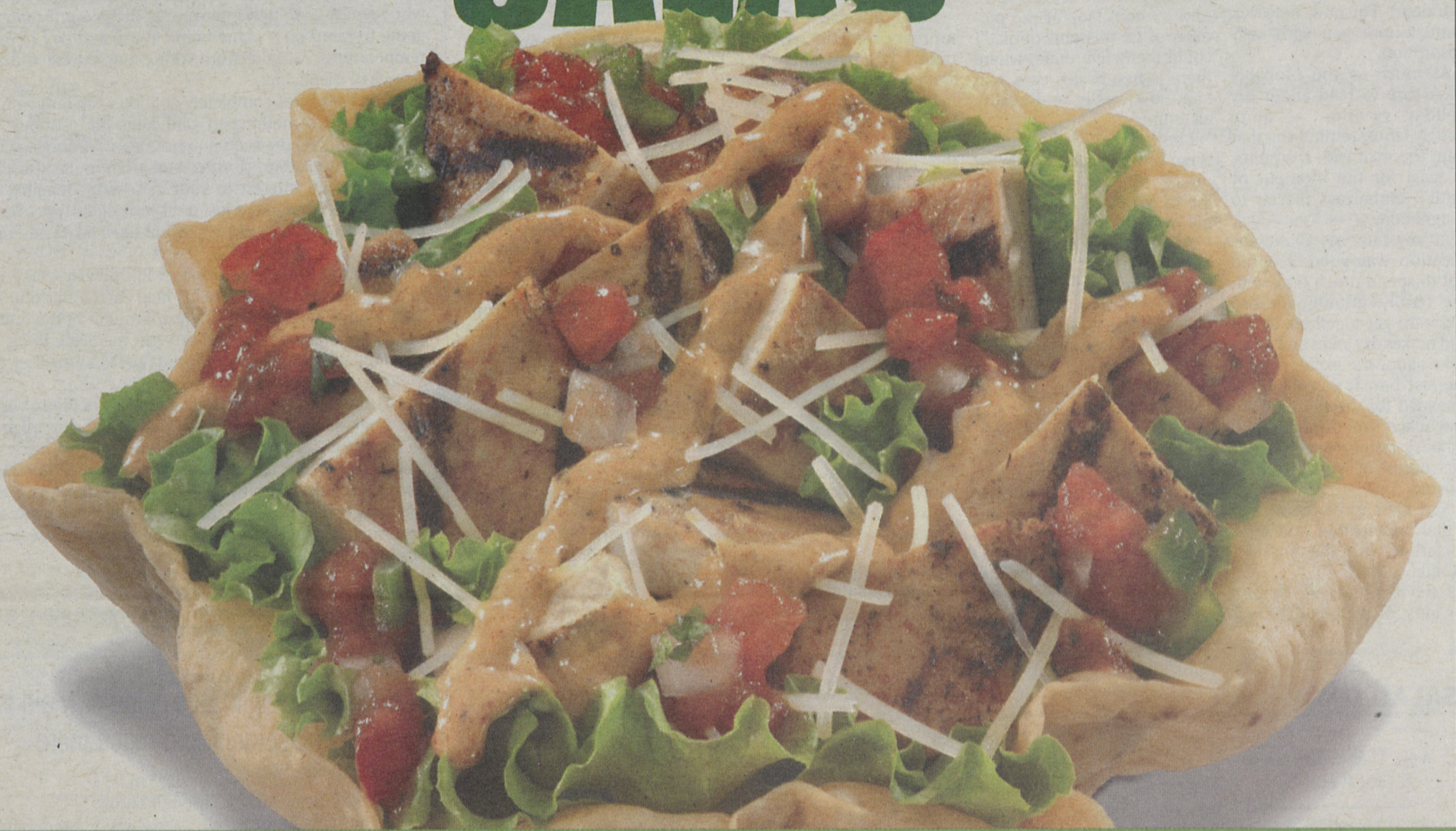
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# Session opens with bipartisanship – will it last?

By Julia Silverman  
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SALEM — The Oregon Legislature opened on Monday with pomp and circumstance, and no shortage of grand pronouncements. But there were already signs that the veneer of bipartisanship was beginning to crack, with an early dispute over a proposed ethics rule.

An icon of Oregon politics, former Republican U.S. Sen. Mark Hatfield, opened the day by swearing in his former intern, Portland Democrat Jeff Merkley, as Speaker of the House, and urging Democrats and Republicans to work together in the chamber, where Democrats have a 31-to-29 edge.

Speaker after speaker echoed the bipartisan call, urging both sides to work together for the betterment of the state, with Senate President Peter Courtney, D-Salem, telling his colleagues, "We need each other, we depend on each other. We're in this together."

Gestures of bipartisanship were everywhere, from newly installed House Majority Leader Dave Hunt of Milwaukie reaching across the aisle to shake hands with House Minority Leader Wayne Scott of Canby, to the bundle of red roses, accompanied by a tentative-looking hug that Merkley gave to outgoing Speaker Karen Minnis, R-Wood Village, the Democrats' nemesis of the past two sessions.

The hyperbole wouldn't stop. Courtney told colleagues that they had a chance to be "the heroes of Oregon," and Merkley said the body was poised to be "the best problem-solving legislature in the United States."

But by midmorning, just before Democratic Gov. Ted Kulongoski was due to deliver his speech, rumors began circulating that the Republicans weren't going to let the Democrats hog all the spotlight, despite their newfound majority in both chambers. Instead, House Republicans played a little poker, seeing Merkley's proposal of limiting the cost of gifts legislators can give to lawmakers to \$10, and calling for a limit to no gifts at all.

Republicans pointedly avoided applauding during particular sections of Kulongoski's speech, including his calls for the expansion of children's health care and spending for pre-kindergarten programs. That's because Kulongoski is calling for increases in the state cigarette tax and corporate minimum tax to pay for those things.

The Senate planned to meet later to discuss a shift to annual sessions, joining 44 other states. The legislature currently meets every other year.

Even the opening day dispute over ethics didn't dampen everyone's spirits. Faces from the past were everywhere in the Capitol, from former Democratic Gov. Barbara Roberts, huddling with Oregon Bus Project founder Jefferson Smith, to former legislator Rep. Jeff Kropf of Sublimity, now a conservative talk-radio host, holding court before a rapt audience of state troopers.

Biblical references seemed to be the preferred metaphors of the day, with Democratic House leader Hunt comparing Merkley to Moses — only Moses, Hunt said, took 40 years to lead his people to the promised land, while Merkley spent just 40 months heading up the Democrats' campaign efforts before taking control of the House.



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An honor guard carries the colors down the center aisle of the House as the 2007 Oregon legislative session begins at the Capitol in Salem.

Behind-the-scenes, things were considerably looser. Lined up for the ceremonial process of state senators into the House chambers for Kulongoski's speech, Republican-turned-Democrat Ben Westlund of Bend looked up and spied Oregon GOP chair Vance Day in an upper gallery. "Vance!" Westlund hollered. "I still love you!" "I love you too, Ben," Day replied, then paused, and added, "Please, don't take that the wrong way."

# Governor cites 'great opportunity' for Oregon

By Brad Cain  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SALEM — Calling the opening of the 2007 Legislature a "great moment of opportunity for Oregon," Gov. Ted Kulongoski on Monday urged lawmakers to put aside their partisan differences and improve education and health care for Oregon's children.

Kulongoski, delivering his inaugural address to the Legislature, said Oregon has bounced back from "the worst economic collapse since the Great Depression" and is in a position to make major reinvestments in its people.

"Our economy is strong. Our confidence is renewed. Our belief in the future is redeemed," said the 66-year-old governor, who won a second term by defeating Republican contender Ron Saxton in November.

Later Monday, Kulongoski was honored during a ceremony in front of the State Capitol featuring a flyover of four F-16 jets and what was supposed to be a 19-gun salute. It ended up being an 11-shot salute after one of the Howitzer cannons malfunctioned.

"We owe the governor a few rounds," Maj. Gen. Fred Rees, who commands the Oregon National Guard, joked after the cannon

malfunction.

The miscue didn't seem to faze a smiling Kulongoski. He clearly was enjoying the first official day of his second term with a Legislature now controlled by fellow Democrats and with Oregon's economy continuing to provide new revenue for the state.

In his inaugural address, which was interrupted 15 times by applause, Kulongoski said lawmakers must make it a priority to fully fund education, from pre-schools to colleges and universities, while building a reserve fund "that will shelter us from the storm of the next recession."

He also urged lawmakers to raise the cigarette tax by 84 cents a pack to give health insurance to the state's more than 100,000 uninsured children.

Noting the partisan divisions that have bogged down recent legislative sessions, Kulongoski said Democrats and Republicans must work together to take advantage of Oregon's economic revival to improve people's lives.

"Before we are members of political parties, we are Oregonians," he said.

The tone of Monday's speech was considerably different from the one Kulongoski delivered four years ago when he first took office.

At that time the state's economy had tanked — and state revenue along with it — and Kulongoski was facing a divided Legislature, with Democrats running the Senate and the House controlled by conservative Republicans.

In his January 2003 speech, the incoming governor vowed to work across party lines to tackle the state's deep economic problems.

On Monday, Kulongoski sounded very much the progressive Democrat as he urged lawmakers to take advantage of Oregon's economic rebound by funneling much of the new revenue into programs to help people — especially children.

He sounded a philosophical note as well, saying lawmakers of both parties need to work to build a brighter future for every Oregonian based on shared opportunity and shared responsibility.

"Our people know that we are each other's keeper, and that we have a shared responsibility to look out for our neighbors, to teach tolerance, to be good stewards of the environment, and to do in President Lincoln's words 'right as God gives us to see the right,'" Kulongoski said.

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## THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

### Oratory Contest

6-7:30 p.m., MU Lounge

Oratory contest will feature several OSU students delivering passionate performances addressing current social justice issues. First prize winner will receive a cash prize and runner-up and third place will receive great prizes! Sign up for the contest by January 9th with Lauren Smith at [smithlau@onid.orst.edu](mailto:smithlau@onid.orst.edu).

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### "Building a Beloved Community"

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Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Commission

7 p.m., Majestic Theatre

Keynote Speaker: Kenneth Little Hawk

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### Sleep Out for Hunger and Homelessness

6 p.m.-2 a.m., Corvallis City Hall

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Co-sponsors: Linn Benton Community College Student Life and Leadership, Corvallis MLK Commission, Calapooia Middle School, OSU Community Service Center

## MONDAY, JANUARY 15

### MLK, Jr. Day of Observance

#### 25th Annual Peace Breakfast

7:30-9 a.m., MU Ballroom

Guest Speaker: Dr. Larry Roper, VP for Student Affairs  
Presentations: Frances Dancy Hooks Coalition Builders Awards and the Phyllis S. Lee Award

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#### MLK, Jr. Children's Event

Noon-1 p.m., Native American Longhouse

"Kids for Equity" Lunch provided with activities from preschool to high school age. Different stations will be set up for art projects, an exercise on being the outsider, a skit, a music project and a speech project for kids to perform.

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#### Candlelight Vigil

6:30-7 p.m., MU Steps

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#### Round Table Discussion

7-9 p.m., MU Lounge (following Vigil)

Facilitator: Keith Dempsey

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### Birthday Party for

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (1/15/29)

5-7 p.m., Lonnie B. Harris Black Cultural Center  
(2325 NW Monroe)

Co-sponsors: Lonnie B. Harris Black Cultural Center, Ujima Education Office

### Rise and Fall of Jim Crow – Parts I & II

6-8 p.m., MU Journey Room

Facilitators: Roni Sue and Earlean Wilson Huey

The Rise and Fall of Jim Crow documents a brutal and oppressive era rooted in the growing refusal of many Southern states to grant slaves freed in the Civil War equal rights with whites. Open forum following the viewing.

Co-sponsors: Team Liberation, Ujima Office

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

### The Red Power and Black Power

3:30-4:30 p.m., MU 211 (American Indian Rm)

Facilitators: Allison Davis-White Eyes and Derron Coles  
An open forum panel will discuss the African American Power and the Native American Power.

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### Global Health in the 21st Century with Charlie Fautin, RN, MPH

6-9 p.m., MU Lounge

A presentation by the Benton County Health Department will include guest speaker Charlie Fautin who has worked in international refugee and disaster relief with non-governmental agencies and UNICEF. The presentation will be followed by the documentary, *RX for Survival: "Back to the Basics" and "Delivering the Goods."*

Co-sponsor: Students for Bone Marrow Program

### An Evening of Song and Poetry

8-10 p.m., MU Journey Room

The evening will be devoted to poetry and song contributed by whoever signs up to do a piece (or two pieces as time permits). Participants are invited to present poetry or songs that follow the theme of Celebration 2007 and that pertain to social issues such as injustice, discrimination, racism, peace, freedom, equality, and justice.

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## THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

### Red Team, Blue Team:

#### A Tale of Two Teams

2:30-3:50 p.m., MU Board Room

Come celebrate MLK, Jr. week by participating in a fun and interactive activity followed by meaningful discussion.

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### "The Way Home" Video & Discussion

4-6 p.m., MU Journey Room

Facilitators: TBA

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## FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

### Interfaith Prayer Service

2-3 p.m., MU 211

Facilitators: Tim Stover and Roni Sue

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#### Keynote Speaker: Angela Davis

5:30-7 p.m., Austin Auditorium,  
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Book Signing from 7 to 8pm

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### After Hours OSU Initiative

10 p.m.-2 a.m., Memorial Union

There will be four different events going on throughout the evening: **Rec Center Activities** (bowling, arcade, possibly casino, karaoke, and activities/games relating to social issues), **Poetry Slam/Spoken Word/Open Mic** (located in the leadership center), **Film Series** (located in 206, 207, 208), **Music in the Ballroom** (Concert by "Native Guns" and local bands, freestyle battle, African drumming, Indian musical group, dj, breakdancing).

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10 p.m.-2 a.m., Club Escape

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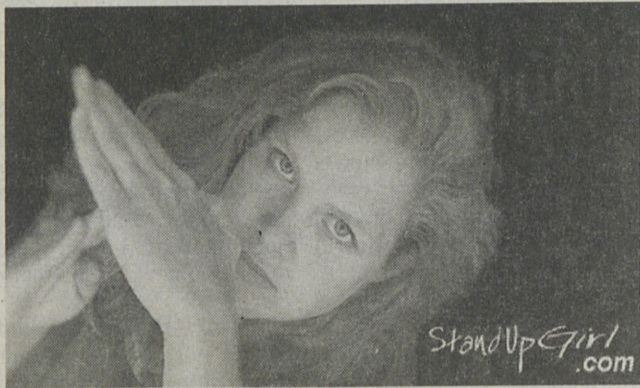
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# OSU coach announces former Kansas center to join Beaver basketball team

■ C.J. Giles, a center for the Jayhawks who was dismissed in early November after a criminal charge, to play at OSU

By Lindsay Schnell  
 THE DAILY BAROMETER

Four years ago, OSU men's basketball coach Jay John started up a relationship with C.J. Giles, then a standout prep player at Rainer Beach High School in Seattle. Recently, that relationship paid off.

John announced Tuesday that Giles, a 6-foot-11 center from Kansas, had transferred to Oregon State and would be eligible to play next December. NCAA rules mandate that Giles sit out one year for transferring to another Division-I school. "I'm thrilled C.J. is joining our program," John said.

Giles played two seasons at Kansas, averaging 6.2 points, 4.8 rebounds and 1.5 blocks per game in his sophomore season. He is easily one of the most talented players to join OSU in John's time as coach. But Giles also comes with his share of baggage.

Giles was dismissed from the Jayhawks early in November after a misdemeanor battery charge. Kansas coach Bill Self dismissed Giles after "a pattern of irresponsible behavior and disrespect for team rules" according to a team press release.

But now, Giles gets a second chance.

"C.J. recognizes and admits that he's made some mistakes," John said. "When I first talked to C.J. he told me he really wanted a second chance to do things the right way."

"I admit to my mistakes and I've learned from it and matured from it," Giles said. "I'm here to start fresh."

John and his staff first learned of Giles' interest in transferring when his high school coaches at Rainer Beach contacted OSU assistant Bryan Lloyd. John said he and his staff consulted for about five weeks before extending an offer to Giles. Giles is not on scholarship and is considered a walk-on. He is expected to begin practicing with the Beavers after a physical. Giles said he has not played in a game since last March, when Bradley stunned Kansas in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

"I do think from the stand point of C.J. in practice, he's chomping at the bit, waiting to get out there," John said. "It's definitely going to benefit everybody, just because of the competition level in practice. He's a great player and it is going to help us."

Giles opted to stay at Kansas for fall semester before transferring to Oregon State. He was on campus for his first OSU class Tuesday at 9 a.m., women's studies.

In regard to the misdemeanor charge, men's basketball Sports Information Director Roger Horne explained that Giles has been approved for "diversion." Giles has to file diversion papers by the end of the month then "stay out of trouble" for one full year before the charge will be dismissed. Before the incident in Lawrence Giles had no prior criminal record.

Giles said he considered a few other schools before settling on OSU, including Tennessee and Syracuse. He cited a familiarity with the area and his family being nearby as reasons for choosing Corvallis.

The Beavers — who are 0-3 in the Pac-10 and suffered a blowout, 45-point loss to USC the other night — are in desperate need of some help and the addition of Giles can only up expectations for next year. Giles was a defensive specialist at Kansas, using his athleticism to roam the paint and swat shots while contesting others. He is also expected to be a presence on the glass at OSU.

"I'm one of those guys that will do anything. If it comes to me grabbing 20 rebounds and getting zero points I'll do that," Giles said.

John chimed in: "Don't forget about the blocked shots."

Lindsay Schnell, sports editor  
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# Florida dominates Ohio State in BCS title game

◆ Gators shock nation with 41-14 rout of Buckeyes

By Ben Walker  
 THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Not even close.

Florida — yes, Florida — owned the field it wasn't supposed to be on, embarrassing Heisman Trophy winner Troy Smith and No. 1 Ohio State 41-14 on Monday night to run away with the college football national championship.

Chris Leak and Tim Tebow showed off coach Urban Meyer's twin quarterback system to perfection as the No. 2 Gators became the first Division I school to hold football and basketball titles at the same time.

"I'm not surprised at all. Nobody never gave us a chance at all," Florida receiver Dallas Baker said. "We came here with a chip on our shoulder and something to prove. Nobody gave us a chance, but finally we can throw up the No. 1."

Now, only one question remains: What about Boise State, the last undefeated team left standing?

The Broncos (13-0) stunned Oklahoma on the very same

field in the Fiesta Bowl on New Year's Day, while Florida and the Buckeyes finished with identical 13-1 records.

Wisconsin and Louisville also had one loss, and that surely will renew calls for a playoff.

Ted Ginn Jr. returned the opening kickoff 93 yards for a touchdown, then it quickly fell apart for the Buckeyes. He hobbled off minutes later after being injured while celebrating the touchdown, and by the time he returned for the second half on crutches, Florida led 34-14.

"Ohio State didn't get it done," Buckeyes coach Jim Tressel said.

Underdogs by a solid touchdown, Meyer had a word for the critics who demeaned the Gators.

"I'd like to thank all those people. Our pregame speech was easy," he said.

Maligned for never winning the big one, Leak completed 25 of 36 passes for 213 yards and a touchdown. The Rambo-like Tebow threw for one TD and powered into the end zone for another.

Troy Smith, meanwhile, joined a long list of Heisman Trophy quarterbacks — Jason White, Eric Crouch and Gino

Torretta, among them — to fall apart in bowl games. He was just 4-for-14 with one interception and never showed off his elusive running.

"Not everything in life is going to go the exact way you want it," Smith said. "I don't have any regrets, though. I really don't. We came out and fought. We came up short."

"Sometimes you have great games and sometimes you don't," he said.

Defensive ends Derrick Harvey and Jarvis Moss made it a miserable night for Smith. Linebacker Earl Everett got into the act, too, running down Smith despite missing his helmet.

"Honestly, we've played a lot better teams than them," Moss said. "I could name four or five teams in the SEC that could probably compete with them and play the same type of game we did against them."

Florida won its second national title, adding to the one Heisman winner Danny Wuerffel brought home in 1996 under coach Steve Spurrier with a 52-20 romp over Florida State in the Sugar Bowl.

This time, the man in charge was the 42-year-old Meyer, once a .200 hitter in the low minors

in Atlanta's farm system. Since then, he's made a rocket rise in the coaching ranks, topped off by a title in his second year at Florida.

The Bowl Championship Series added an extra game this year to determine a champion. Some fans were certain Michigan deserved to be here, that is until it got pounded by Southern California in the Rose Bowl.

This game had no name — perhaps now it might be the Meyer Bowl, at least for a year.

And back home in Gainesville, the Gators can raise another championship banner as they did after the basketball team beat UCLA in Indianapolis.

"How do I compare them? Both have confetti landing on my head," athletic director Jeremy Foley said. "I couldn't believe it in April, I can't believe it now. I can't believe I can talk about it without jinxing us. Obviously, things had to break our way to even get here."

Tressel's team, meanwhile, looked as if it belonged at the Holiday Bowl, because it took this night off. Given 51 days to prepare, the Buckeyes were confused from the get-go once Florida got the ball.

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# Basketball opens Pac-10 play with three losses

## Beavers narrowly lose to Oregon before falling to UCLA and USC at Gill

By Nick Vardanega  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

With the way things are shaping up, it could be a long Pac-10 season for the OSU (8-8, 0-3 Pac-10) men's basketball team.

After losing to Oregon (14-1, 2-1 Pac-10) 76-73 in the conference opener, the Beavers dropped games at home to then-No. 1 UCLA (14-1, 3-1 Pac-10) and USC (13-4, 3-1 Pac-10) last week.

But, in what may end up being a premonition about how wild the Pac-10 will be this season as it was unranked USC, not No. 1 UCLA, who turned in the truly dominate performance, slamming the Beavers with a 91-46 loss.

"I think so many guys left so much on the floor [UCLA], that they were not able to recover," Angelo Tsagarakis said after the USC game.

Two days earlier, OSU hung with the Bruins in the first half before UCLA pulled away in the second en route to a 71-56 win.

After the UCLA game Jones predicted that the Beavers' Jan. 6 match up with USC would be a "dog fight." It was, only OSU didn't seem to have any teeth.

USC came into the game after handing Oregon its first loss and looking to sweep the state. Unfortunately the Beavers couldn't match the intensity and energy that they displayed early against UCLA. The Trojans jumped out to

a 7-0 lead as OSU struggled to make lay ups. Tsagarakis made an early appearance and briefly provided a spark, getting an offensive rebound and hitting a three the first time he touched the ball. For the moment shooting seemed to be contagious as Jones hit a three on the next possession.

USC then answered with consecutive 3-pointers from Lodrick Stewart and Nick Young. OSU's revitalized offense didn't last long and the team didn't score a point during the final 4:55 of the half. Stewart meanwhile, went off, hitting from everywhere on the floor. When the dust settled Stewart had 20 points in the first half and USC had a 49-26 lead and was shooting 66.7 percent from beyond the arc.

The second half followed a similar story line as OSU continued to miss shots. Stewart didn't have a big second half — finishing the game with only 28 points — but he didn't need to as the Trojans pounded the ball inside to Taj Gibson and Abdoulaye N'Daiye, who scored 12 of his 16 points in the second half.

Gibson finished the game with 20 points and Young added 12 in the 91-46 thrashing.

OSU shot 31.5 percent from the field and Tsagarakis was the only player to score in double figures with 10.

"There really isn't much for me to say or offer up," John said. "We were horrible and USC was, I feel, fantastic ... it was like we were totally drained."

That was probably from two

nights before, when the Beavers hung with the Bruins for the first 16 minutes.

OSU started the game strong. Jones got a steal and fastbreak lay-up to score the first bucket of the game and give OSU an early 2-0 lead. The Beavers kept the game close throughout the first half, playing tough defense — resulting in nine first half UCLA turnovers — and hitting the offensive glass, to make up for the fact that they shot 1-8 from 3-point range and 35.7 percent from the field.

"I thought we came out strong, we had a lot of energy to start the game," Jones said.

OSU also did a good job of taking the ball to the hoop, getting to the line 16 times in the first half. But they were only able to convert nine shots from the charity stripe.

Michael Johnson's lay up from Sasa Cuic gave OSU a 19-17 with 9:15 left, but UCLA went on a 8-0 run behind guard Josh Shipp to go up 27-19. OSU battled back, getting within one after a Jack McGillis three with 3:11 left in the half. The Beavers went to the locker room trailing UCLA 36-30.

"I felt we outplayed UCLA in the first half," John said. "We missed too many opportunities ... we should have led at the half."

In the second half UCLA showed the poise of the Final Four team that it was a year ago, steadily pulling away from OSU behind a balanced scoring attack and hard-nosed defense.

OSU's shooting woes continued in the second half and

the Beavers struggled with getting to the free throw line. After shooting 16 free throws in the first 20 minutes, the Beavers failed to get to the line even once in the second half. UCLA, meanwhile, went 13-18 from the free throw line. And after having just four turn-overs the first twenty minutes, OSU doubled that, coughing up the ball eight times in the second.

"They broke us down, that's all I can say," said forward

Kyle Jeffers. "On defense we couldn't stop them as well as we did in the first half, and we lost that energy in the second half. I wish we could just play 40 minutes and not have that 15 minute break for the half-time period."

Shipp's lay up with 14:25 left in the game made the score 47-36, and the Beavers would get no closer than 10 the rest of the game. UCLA won 71-56.

All five starters for UCLA scored in double figures, led

by Shipp with 18. Jones and Cuic both had 13 to lead the Beavers in scoring, Cuic also added seven rebounds and five assists and McGillis had nine points off the bench.

The Beavers have a chance to grab their first Pac-10 win this weekend when OSU travels to Arizona and Arizona State for its first conference road games.

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## SUN BOWL: Moore completes 31 of 54 passes in last game for OSU

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Stroughter fielded the punt near the left sideline at his own five and reversed fields to gain 39 yards.

The Beavers had the ball back with less than two minutes while trailing by seven. In their last game in an OSU uniform, two seniors stepped up.

Quarterback Matt Moore took the field and started the drive with a 12-yard completion to Bernard.

After two incompletions and a 7-yard pass play, Moore was staring at fourth-and-three. He found the man who returned the punt over the middle. Stroughter — who had eight receptions for 87 yards and a touchdown — was wrestled down for a 7-yard gain and an OSU first down.

Moore — who completed 31 of 54 passes for 358 yards and four touchdowns — then turned to senior tight end Joe Newton.

Newton had 42 yards and a 14-yard touchdown before the drive started, but the senior tight end had saved the best for last.

Moore hit Newton across the middle for a gain of 15 that put OSU at the Mizzou 14.

The very next play, Moore found Newton in the same spot for a touchdown.

"I'm sure a lot of people thought the game was over," an elated Newton said after the game. "We sputtered for a while there in the second half, but we turned it around."

Missouri challenged the play, but it was upheld.

Initially, it didn't appear the challenge affected the game, but it did.

"We were going to just kick the extra point, but with that time we got to explore a little bit," Riley said. "The first guy to look me right in the eye and say, 'let's go for it; run the blast play,' was Yvenson Bernard."

So Riley obliged him, and Bernard plunged into the end zone behind interior offensive linemen Kyle DeVan, Adam Speer and a pulling Roy Scheuning to put OSU ahead 39-38 with just 22 seconds left in the game.

The win was OSU's 10th of the season. It's the second time in OSU history a team has won 10 games.

"10 wins doesn't happen everyday," Moore said. "I'm sad that it's over, but it's a great way to end it."

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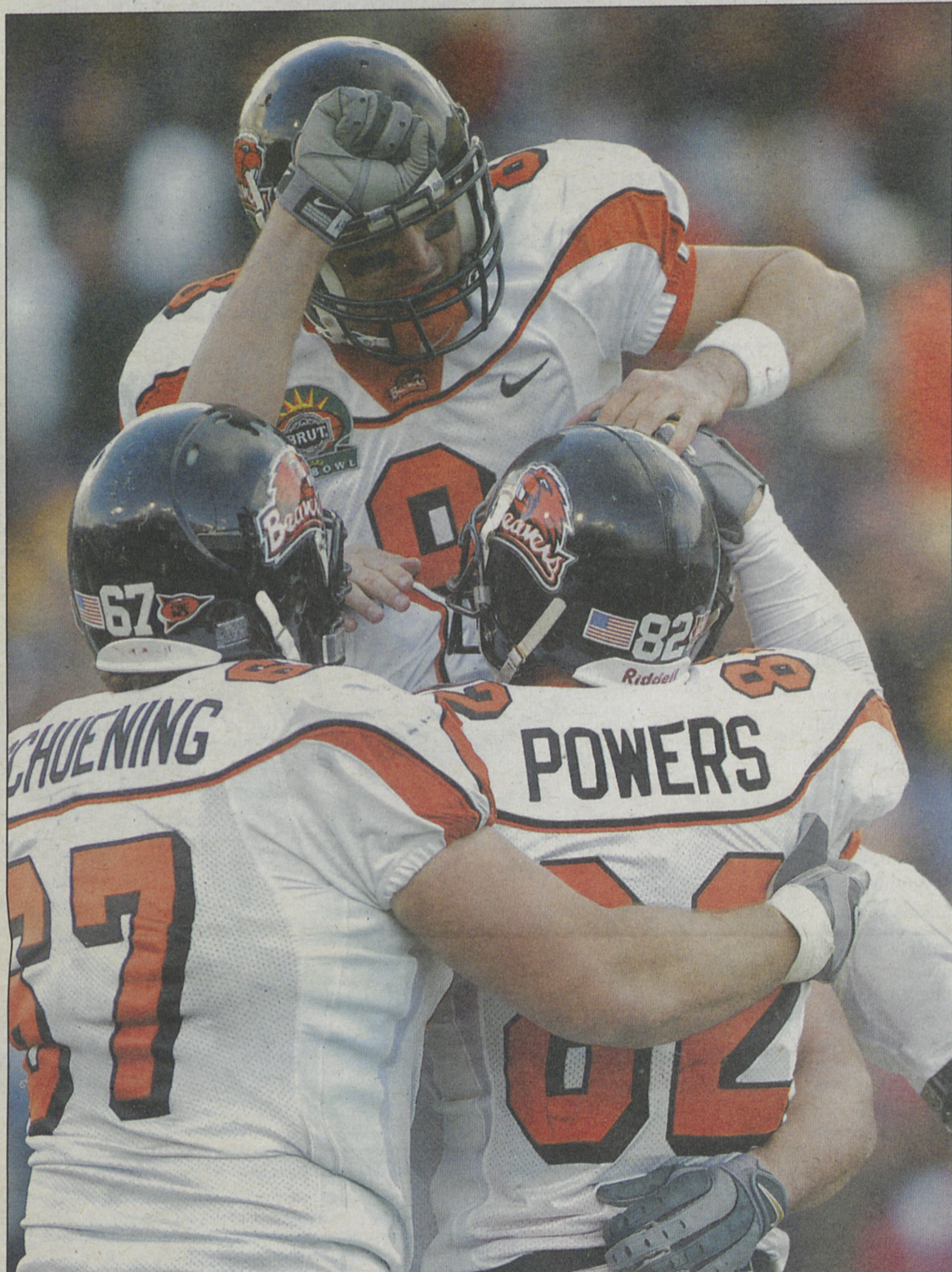
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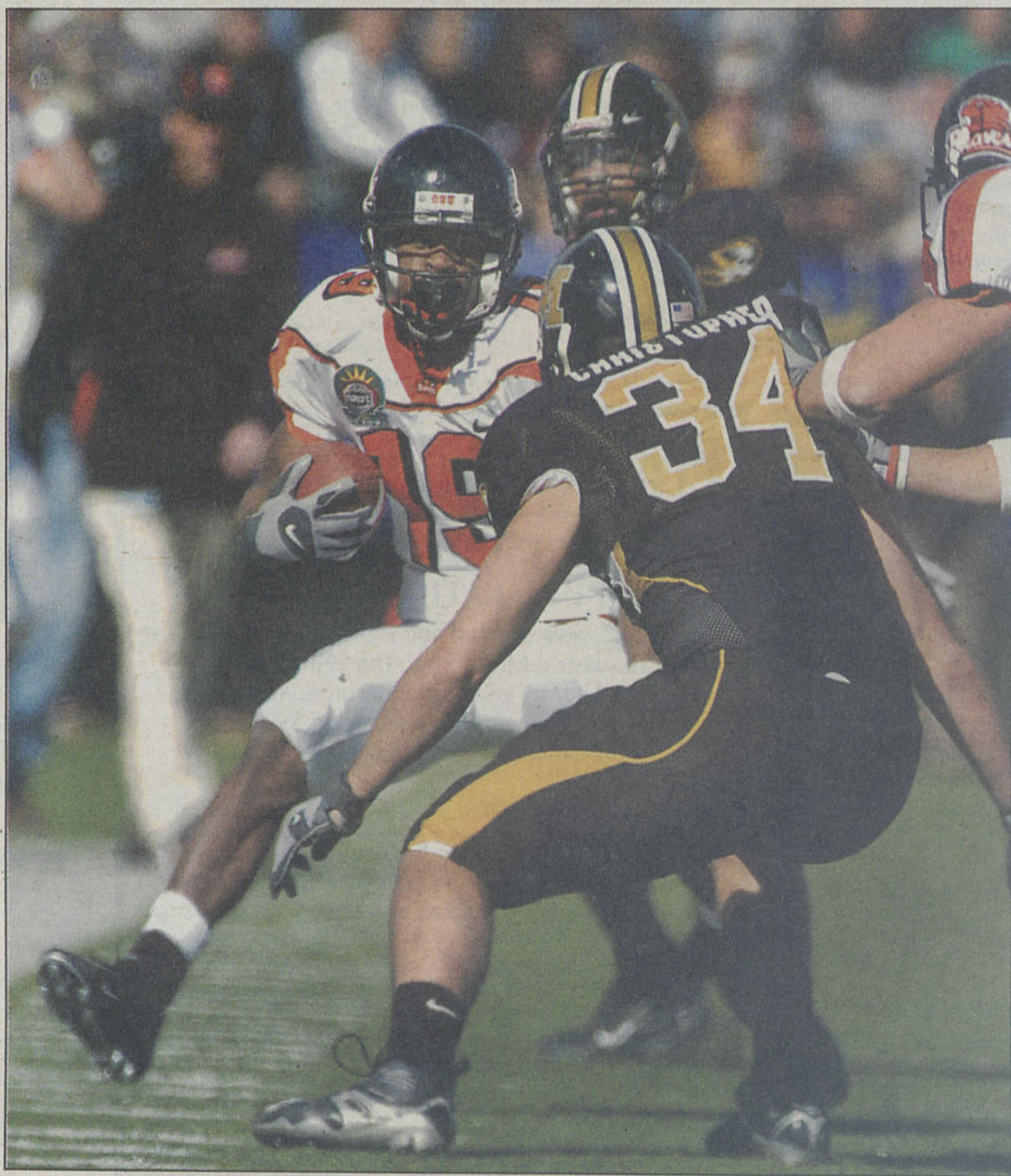
*"We came here with a chip on our shoulder and something to prove. Nobody gave us a chance, but finally we can throw up the No. 1."*

— Florida receiver Dallas Baker after the Gators' 41-14 stunner over Ohio State

## Sun Bowl Shocker



**ABOVE:** Matt Moore found redemption from a frustrating season in El Paso, leading the Beavers to a win and being named MVP of the game. Afterward, he turned to the fans and proclaimed, "I love you guys."  
**BELOW:** Ben Siegert rushes Missouri quarterback Chase Daniel.  
**RIGHT:** Sammie Stroughter came up big late in the game when the junior receiver returned a punt 39 yards to put OSU in scoring position.



■ OSU goes with gutsy play for come-from-behind win in El Paso

By Matt Boase  
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**E**L PASO, TEXAS — When Oregon State was 2-3 after five games this season, things looked bleak. There wasn't much hope for OSU to turn things around and make 2006 a memorable season.

Then something clicked and OSU won seven of its final eight games in the regular season.

With 8:16 left in the fourth quarter of the Sun Bowl against Missouri, things looked bleak for the Beavers once again.

Missouri held a 14 point advantage and OSU had scored just 10 points since its opening two drives.

But then — true to form — the Beavers turned things around and left Texas with a 39-38 victory.

With not much time left and a big deficit, running backs tend to disappear. OSU's Yvenson Bernard did just the opposite and stepped up.

Bernard had been held in check early, but with the game on the line he became the catalyst. The Beavers started at their own 24, and Bernard led the team down the field with a combi-

nation of running and receiving.

Bernard amassed 49 total yards on the drive — 163 for the game — and capped it by taking a screen pass seven yards for his only touchdown to cut Mizzou's lead to eight, 38-30.

"I stuck to my game and in that fourth quarter we were running the ball better and the passing was open. Everything gelled," Bernard said of his sudden impact.

Bernard's touchdown brought the Beavers closer, but with only 6:02 left on the clock and a dynamic Missouri offense taking the field, it looked like the Tigers would leave celebrating.

After picking up a first down, Missouri gave the ball to running back Tony Temple on first-and-10. He gained 194 yards on the day and scored two touchdowns, but was tackled on this particular play for a five yard loss.

"I was trying to get a feel for when I should use our timeouts," OSU coach Mike Riley said. "And that play was kind of a key to know that if we got the stop on that series we would stop the clock and then have time to do what we needed to do."

The Tigers were forced to punt, and return specialist Sammie Stroughter was waiting.

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Ryan Gunderson celebrates OSU's 10-win season after the Beavers delighted fans with a 39-38 Sun Bowl win.

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