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## Student media positions chosen

By CLINT SPENCER  
of the Daily Barometer

Each year the student media department hires new people to take the reins of the various student divisions. This year is no different, and there will be many new faces in student media next year.

The term of office for new media leaders runs from Spring Term of 1995 to the end of Winter Term 1996.

There are three positions whose terms will start next term. The positions are: Editor-in-Chief of the *Daily Barometer*, Station Manager of KBVR-FM and Station Manager of KBVR-TV. At this point in time, the position of KBVR-TV station manager is still unfilled.

KBVR-FM's new station manager is Evan Day. Day, a junior in computer science, has been working as program director at KBVR for a year. He has also spent two years working at KFLY, a local radio station here in Corvallis.

"I'd like to add more live concerts on the air. We're also going to increase the Underground shows," Day said. "It's going to be cool. A lot of people have a bad image of KBVR right now, but we're going to change that, we'll make KBVR strong again."

The new editor-in-chief of the *Daily Barometer* will be Jack Josewski. Josewski is a transfer student from LBCC pursuing a bachelor's degree in liberal studies. He has worked at the LBCC student newspaper for three years, in a variety of positions, including reporter, photographer, columnist, editor, and

advertising manager. Josewski is also a freelance writer for *People Magazine*.

"There will be new staff coming in and there will be some changes," Josewski said. "The look of the paper will change and we'll be implementing new diversity guidelines. All reporters will attend lectures on diversity and we'll have a new diversity handbook. The editors will specialize in diversity issues."

"We'll be keeping the same syndicated columnists and artists, but I'd like to add more student columnists. I'd like to start a new page featuring creative writing from students on campus along with a page for photo essays by students. We tried this at LBCC and the students really liked it," Josewski said. "Overall, I want to make the students feel like this is their newspaper."

The offices are essential, said Frank Ragulsky, director of student media.

"These positions are just as important as the MUPC and ASOSU presidents in terms of the time commitment and their responsibilities," Ragulsky said. "They are in charge of anywhere between fifty and a hundred people and they have to stay on time and on budget. They have to invest a minimum of 30 hours a week. They come here between classes. This is their home away from home. It's really a full-time job."

"The Student Media Committee, which is made up of students and faculty members chooses the new heads. They meet to conduct interviews with the candidates and to check their eligibility for the positions, then they vote to hire the new candidates," Ragulsky said.



Steve Downs helps Catherine during the Motor Fitness Clinic for people with disabilities in the Women's Building.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

## ASOSU Lobby Day brings student concerns to Legislature

By SOMER SHIELDS  
of the Daily Barometer

ASOSU and the Oregon Student Lobby are working hard for Oregon State University students in many different ways.

Tuesday, Feb. 21 ASOSU President April Waddy delivered a speech to the House of Representatives after an invitation was extended by Oregon State Representative Margaret Carter.

Waddy conveyed to house representatives that college students are concerned about numerous issues facing them today.

"Basically we are concerned most with the rising cost of education and the decreasing value that citizens and state leaders are placing on this education," said Waddy.

The underlying message was that as a whole students are worried about the future of higher education.

"Students see tuition increasing and programs being eliminated. This worries us," said Waddy.

Jon Isaacs, ASOSU State Affairs Task Force Director, met with Senator Tom Hartung Tuesday to address issues concerning the new Board of Directors at Oregon Health and Science University.

Isaacs presented Senator Hartung with two proposed amendments prepared by Senator Cliff Trow and hundreds of letters from concerned students at OHSU. The

amendments would provide that students be allowed to sit on the Board of Directors as they are now. Also, it would give students autonomy on decisions that would affect their incidental fees.

"This issue is particular to OHSU, to get students on the board of directors at OHSU. The reason this is important for OSU students is if we aren't successful at having these amendments put into that bill, there is going to be a precedent set that there is no reason to put student members on institutions

that govern higher education," said Isaacs. Senator Hartung was not opposed to the proposed amendments and agreed that the issues should be addressed. "I can't see any problem with these proposed amendments. We have the ability to

work through any problem," said Hartung. Isaacs said, "If we don't get student members on the Board of Directors at OHSU, then there will be a precedent that there is no reason to have student members on the State Board of Higher Education." This will in turn affect all the students in higher education in Oregon.

Senator Hartung is the Chair of the Senate Education Committee, also an Oregon State University graduate. Senator Trow is a Corvallis resident, OSU history professor and member of the Senate Education Committee.

*"Students see tuition increasing and programs being eliminated. This worries us"*

— APRIL WADDY,  
ASOSU PRESIDENT

## OSU clinic does the impossible

By LEON R. DUNHAM  
of the Daily Barometer

Imagine for a moment: You drop your pen, and cannot pick it up.

For most of us it is a simple exercise in imagination—for others it's an impossibility.

The OSU Special Physical and Motor Fitness Clinic is doing something about the impossible.

Every Friday evening from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. during the term, approximately 70 young people with disabilities meet up with 70 OSU student volunteers in the Women's building for clinic.

"By doing clinic once a week we're trying to give another opportunity for the kids to be involved in a one-on-one situation where they can be successful," said Steven Downs, clinic coordinator.

Their activities range from simply being held to jumping rope, swimming and bowling.

The clinic emphasizes motor skill development and one-on-one attention for the clients.

Each week has a specific emphasis, like Jump Rope for Heart, a fund raiser for the American Heart Association.

Another integral aspect is "the exposure and awareness it provides for the undergraduate students that are working in clinic," Downs said.

The awareness gained that people with disabilities are "just people" may even be more important to our society as a whole than the abilities gained by a client.

"A lot of the undergraduates are pre-physical therapy with the idea that everybody is going to go into sports and do rehab," Downs said. "It's interesting to find in talking to a lot of people who have been with clinic for a long time how their goals have changed so drastically."

Each disabled individual has his or her own goals.

Some may have the "terminal goal" to be able to dress themselves, feed themselves and take care of their personal hygiene.

For others "the goal will be vocation, to get them in jobs," Downs said.

The clinic was started 12 years ago by John Dunn, now associate provost for academic affairs.

"I think the first term we had 11 participants, so it's very clear more and more people have found the program. A really nice enhancement has been the younger and younger age population," Dunn said. "When we first started we were always dealing with older children, now we have infants, toddlers."

"I think it's also a real good model of what we're trying to do in the university on this extended education concept," Dunn said.

### As a Matter of Fact

The Japanese did not fire the first shot at Pearl Harbor. The Americans attacked a submarine shortly before the planes arrived.

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### Weather

#### Thursday

Mostly sunny.  
Highs 65, lows near 40.

#### Friday

Mostly cloudy.  
Highs near 60, lows near 40.

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# Northwest News

## Columbia River was for a time the most radioactive river in America

Associated Press

PORTLAND — A new state study concludes that radioactive levels in the Columbia River from 1963 to 1969 exceed what is allowed under current federal drinking water standards.

Most of the radioactivity came from the Hanford nuclear reservation. The study shows that within four years of the shutdown of the final nuclear reactor at Hanford nuclear reservation in 1971, radioactivity levels in the river had dropped drastically.

Ray Paris, manager of the division's Radiation Protective

Services, which produced the study, said there is no easy answer to the question of whether excess radioactivity might have harmed anyone.

"Our electronic detection ability is very, very sophisticated," he said. "But just because someone can detect something, it doesn't mean there is necessarily a health hazard."

He said the study was informative and should not be cause for alarm.

People who ate fish from the river or swam in it regularly in the 1960s probably were exposed to levels of radioactivity above current federal standards. However, the levels were far below the standards that were in existence at the time.

A followup study is being conducted to determine which activities exposed people to the greatest amount of radioactivity.

The Oregon Health Division report describes 31 years of radioactivity measurements in the Columbia and other Northwest rivers, as well as in lakes and ocean bays.

"Until the 1970s, the lower Columbia River held the distinction of being the most radioactive river in the United States," the study concludes.

Despite the pollution, there was no attempt to restrict access to the water or consumption of fish from the river because the Health Division did not believe there was

much risk.

Most of the contamination resulted from coolant water discharge from as many as eight plutonium production plants at Hanford, the federal nuclear complex on the Columbia 35 miles north of the Oregon border. The coolant water ran directly through the core of the reactors, a system that has since been replaced in more modern plants.

In 1967, the study says, the river between Hanford and Portland averaged more than three times the radioactivity allowable under 1995 federal drinking water standards.

The Trojan nuclear plant near Rainier on the lower Columbia did not add any contamination to the river because its coolant system was designed differently from those at Hanford, the study says.

The federal and international standard for drinking water allows as much as 50 one-trillionths of a curie of radioactivity per liter. That translates to an allowable dose of 4 millirem per year. A dental X-ray delivers about 200 to 300 millirem, although to a small part of the body.

Dr. Richard Belsey, a retired pathology professor at Oregon Health Sciences University and a member of the Oregon Hanford Waste Board, said that although the river's contamination level was relatively low, it still is a matter of concern because it existed over a long period of time.

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## State lottery and education subject of May vote

Associated Press

SALEM — A plan to set aside some Oregon Lottery dollars for an education trust fund won approval in the Senate Wednesday and now appears headed for a statewide vote this spring.

The measure, endorsed on a 23-7 vote, also would ask voters to change the state constitution to make it clear that lottery revenue can be used for schools.

Legislative leaders and Gov. John Kitzhaber have targeted May 16 as the date for submitting the lottery-for-schools package to a statewide vote.

Before the plan can go to voters, the House and Senate must work out differences in their versions of HJR15.

As first passed by the House, the measure would have asked voters only to allow Lottery dollars to go to schools.

The Senate added the proposal by President Gordon Smith saying that 15 percent of lottery profits would go to an endowment fund to generate interest earnings for school programs and college scholarships.

A spokeswoman for Speaker Bev Clarno said Wednesday it appears the House will concur with the Senate changes, which would clear the way for a statewide election in May.

Kitzhaber had wanted the trust fund issue to be dealt with separately from the lottery-for-schools ballot measure. But the Democratic governor has said he will campaign for voter approval of the measure even with Smith's proposal attached.

Smith, who usually presides over Senate meetings from a

podium in front of the chamber, took to the Senate floor Wednesday to urge his colleagues to vote for the education trust fund plan.

The Pendleton Republican estimates his measure would require setting aside about \$100 million in lottery money in 1997-99 and generate \$5 million in interest earnings for school programs and scholarships.

Those numbers would only grow as more lottery revenue and money from other sources is added to the fund in future years, he said.

"It's a whole new principle for government, that we're going to save for the future," Smith said.

Some Senate Democrats opposed Smith's plan.

They said while the trust fund is a nice idea, there are pressing budget needs that need to be addressed now before any thought can be given to setting aside lottery dollars for future education needs.

"When your children are malnourished, you don't put your money into a savings account; you buy food," said Sen. Bill Bradbury of Bandon. "Until we can feed our children, it doesn't make sense to eat 15 percent of the lottery."

Smith and other Republicans argued, though, that the Legislature will always be faced with more budget demands than it has resources to handle.

"There will never be a good time to begin saving, unless you have the courage to do it now," Smith said. "This body will always be short of money."

## Four escaped inmates captured in Washington

Associated Press

FORKS, Wash. — All four inmates who escaped from the Olympia Corrections Center near Forks were apprehended in separate counties early today, officials said.

The four walked away from the minimum security prison on Tuesday night, prison officials said.

One was arrested this morning at about 1 a.m. in Lewis County and the three others were arrested about 4 a.m. at a motel in Woodland, in Cowlitz County.

The prisoners were taken into custody without incident, Woodland police Lt. Dave Lewis said.

The four were identified as Darwin Overby, 22, of Centralia; Kevin Lester, 34, of Tacoma; Dwayne Thomas, 27, of Lewis County; and Travis Smith, 22, of Pierce County.

Overby and Smith were serving sentences for robbery. Lester was serving a forgery sentence, and Thomas was serving time for a drug conviction.

### POLICE BEAT

**THEFT II FEB 20.** A blue Giant Sedona mountain bike valued at \$425 was stolen from the bike racks on the east side of Dixon Recreation Center.

**THEFT II FEB 20.** While studying, two residents of Sackett Hall heard noises coming from the kitchen area of their hall. When they went to investigate they found three men leaving, carrying a box. The two females then noticed the following items were missing: a miniature wok, a box of popcorn, six containers of Crystal Lite, and one bag of carrots.

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF II FEB 21.** On a routine patrol of the Parker Stadium Parking Lot a police officer noticed an unusual amount of glass on the ground in front of a ticket booth. Further investigation revealed that all of the glass of booth #10 had been broken out. Nothing was taken.

**THEFT II FEB 21.** A blue Murray mountain bike was stolen from outside of the OSU Child Care Building.

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## National News

### Georgia town lifts its downtown shopping ban against 21 people

Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga. — Without admitting wrongdoing or apologizing, merchants in downtown Union Point have agreed to lift a ban that kept 21 young blacks out of their stores.

The ban had been enacted in December in an attempt to curtail shoplifting and other crimes in Union Point, a town of 1,700 people about 80 miles east of Atlanta.

"They finally recognized that the ban was unconstitutional," said H. Samuel Atkins Jr., attorney for 12 people on the list. "They did what they should have done three weeks ago."

Both sides met for almost 10 hours of negotiations Tuesday before U.S. District Judge Duross Fitzpatrick issued an order saying the city and merchants agreed to lift the ban. Fitzpatrick had ordered both sides to settle the dispute, but didn't take part in the talks.

"Their efforts to prevent crime were not motivated by any racial motivation nor by any improper conduct on behalf of the city or its merchants," Fitzpatrick's order said.

Charges against four people who violated the

ban also will be dropped, Atkins said.

Attorneys were scheduled to meet in Athens today to discuss pending lawsuits and the awarding of possible damages.

Twelve of the 21 blacks on the list have joined two federal lawsuits charging that their civil rights were violated. Those suits are pending before Fitzpatrick.

Although everyone on the list was black, city officials and merchants have denied any racial motive.

Mayor Ben Stewart, who owns three businesses that had been enforcing the ban, declined to comment Tuesday.

Atkins said most of the blacks on the list had never been charged with shoplifting, theft or burglary. Police identified them as people they had to deal with regularly.

The NAACP said it will go ahead with plans to march Saturday in Union Point.

William J. Breeding, president of the Greene County chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said the event would be a "victory march," not a protest.

### County wins in fight with Air Force

Associated Press

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — The Air Force has surrendered to a small Appalachian county that voted to close its airspace in protest over an unpaid bill.

The federal government will reimburse Morgan County \$10,900 for responding to the crash of an Air National Guard C-130 in October 1992, Rep. Bob Wise said Wednesday.

The County Commission had voted to close its airspace to all federal aircraft until it received the money. The vote carried no authority because airspace is controlled by the federal government.

"If all goes as planned, perhaps the skies over Morgan County can be opened once again very soon," Wise joked in making the announcement.

"It proves to us that the American system truly does work," said County Commissioner Phil Maggio. "I'm sure our taxpayers will be pleased."

Lt. Col. Linda Leong, an Air Force spokeswoman, said the money would come from the Pentagon's National Guard Bureau, which is overseen by the Air Force and the Army.

The C-130, based in nearby Martinsburg, was on a training mission when it crashed into a farmhouse in Berkeley Springs. All six crewmen were killed.

Maggio, who proposed the no-fly zone, said the Air National Guard initially had assured the county it would be reimbursed.

But the Air Force rejected the claim, saying the county was obligated to provide police, fire and cleanup services and the Pentagon could not legally pay the debt. A federal judge threw out a lawsuit filed by the county, saying the government could not be forced to pay.

Frustrated, the commission voted Jan. 27 to close the skies over its 231 square miles of county land. "The Morgan County commissioners knew they could not legally prevent federal overflights, but they also knew they had to try to get some attention for their plight," Wise said.

Wise said his office, backed by the House Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, put pressure on the Pentagon to settle the debt. He said the amount was small for a \$250 billion agency but significant to a county of 12,000 residents with a \$1.8 million budget.

### Whole milk can do great harm

Associated Press

CLARKSBURG, W.Va. — Milk can do a body bad.

That's the latest message from the Center for Science in the Public Interest, the group that has made waves telling people the horrors of fat-laden movie popcorn and Chinese takeout.

"People have to get a little more sophisticated at reading between the lines," said Art Silverman, spokesman for the Washington-based center. "Yes, milk can do a body good, but it can also do a body harm and the trick is to choose low-fat milk."

The nonprofit center began a seven-week pilot project Wednesday in Clarksburg and neighboring Bridgeport to see whether a public awareness program focused on one item — milk — can change people's consumption habits.

The campaign will feature slick television, radio and newspaper ads encouraging 25,000 residents in the towns about 100 miles south of Pittsburgh to switch to either 1 percent, half of 1 percent or skim milk.

Grocery sales records and telephone surveys will be used to track results and determine whether the project could work in other cities.

"We are offering people one simple, painless choice that will yield significant health benefits for themselves and their families," said Michael Jacobson, executive director of the center.

Bill Reger, director of wellness for West Virginia University and a member of the research team, said whole milk is the biggest source of calories in childhood diets and the second-largest source of saturated fats for adults.


While 2 percent milk is labeled low-fat, 40 percent of its calories come from saturated fat, Reger said. One percent milk gets 23 percent of its calories from saturated fat while skim milk ranges from zero to 10 percent. "One glass of whole milk has the artery clogging fat of five strips of bacon and 2 percent milk isn't much better but 1 percent and skim milk give you all the great taste," Silverman said.

In West Virginia, health officials say, obesity and heart disease rates are nearly 20 percent higher than the national average.

Jim Barr, head of the National Milk Producers Federation, dismissed the notion that certain forms of milk are bad and said whole milk is important to growing children. The federation represents 100,000 dairy farmers.

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## Opinion

## Sick of content in "Student's" letter

A response to the author of the letter, "Sick of Student Whining," which appeared in February 20 letters to the editor section of the Barometer.

Dear Kyle F. Schlueter,

As a disclaimer before I begin my attack upon your contribution to *The Daily Barometer*, I will state that in trying to understand what the aim of your article may have been, I at first thought you may have been trying to be satirically comical, but as your prose did not contain any of the traditional elements of satire, I began to seek out other conclusions.

## Op-ed

I must say that I got fairly "sick" of reading "your" letter, and to quote one of your favorite opening statements, "It really bothers me that" you exist. Your point may be valid, but it is of my opinion that you attack it in a very immature fashion, and the overall effect of reading your letter really "crosses my vectors" (S. Pranger).

First of all, your usage of the personal pronoun "you" is grammatically incorrect to such an overbearing extent that I really had to question where you received your elementary and secondary education from. Making such accusatory statements as, "...then you complain about not getting other luxuries *public education and basic health care* that I'm sure you're not willing to pay for," infers that you, Kyle F. Schlueter, are speaking on a personal and intimate level to each and every reader that took the time to read your letter. This level is predetermined by the fact that you are absolutely sure who your intended reader is, so sure that you could refer to him/her on a first name basis. Unless you are quite the extraordinary busy body, I hesitate in stating that you do not know personally all the individuals who read your letter. This constant and annoying repetition of "you" statements is the first clue to any reader with basic English language skills that your accusations are ill founded and not based on fact.

Along the same line, it is a common courtesy to one's readers, lest one desires to violate the codes of the "sympathetic contract," that the author cites information that otherwise would be rendered invalid if supported only by the writer. For example, from what source did you learn that national inflation rate, and by what method did you attain the figure of \$25? In your case it is imperative that you cite your sources, since you have already hinted to the reader, with such profuse repetition of "you" statements, that you may be slightly off your rocker and that you may really have no idea what you are talking about. At this point, I am asking myself why I should believe your word when you outlandishly and derogatorily have accused me of "sucking at the teats of government money." You even had the egotistical pompousness to command me, and individual you do not know, to "shut up."

At the best I consider your comments rude, and in your attempt to universalize the actions and opinions of all who read your letter you have succeeded in riling the spirits of others. In response to the fact that you have born the humble burden of Benjamin Franklin, in creating whatever means necessary to "rectify your situation," I present to you the vociferous opinion of a glorious house mate who wishes to remain anonymous.

"You seem to be quite proud of the fact that you did something accountable for your situation and obtained employment." Well, Hail! Hail! Bow down to the accountable and employed Kyle F. Schlueter as he sits above us all on his mighty pedestal of pomp, while the rest of all of us lazy-ass hicks intermittently snivel and whine as we suck on the teats of government fund."

My last bone of contention to raise will be in responding to your questions that you have rhetorically implored upon your personal guest, the reader. In regards to "Good God, how greedy can you get?" in which you feel that it is too much for one to ask for basic health coverage and a public college education, I simply reply that it is you who seems to be concerned with the money. From what I am able to understand, by reading your letter, you are overwrought with the idea that some people (those people not being you) may be getting too much money, which in the end means less for you. In response to, "Can somebody please explain to me the rationale behind why the state of Oregon should provide services to college students who cannot pay for those services?" I reply that, in my opinion, basic health care and public education are rights which all deserve to partake of. It seems perfectly logical that a person would inquire as to why the Oregon Health Plan, a plan devised to cover those that do not meet federal Medicaid qualifications, but live life from day to day below the poverty line, does not cover independent college students. Your attack on the integrity of this individual's question is, once again in my opinion, an ill founded argument.

I wish the best of luck to you, Kyle F. Schlueter, a student who pays out of state tuition, as you finish off your college career here in Oregon. My only advice to you would be that maybe you should consider moving back to the state you came from.

Rashawn Knapp  
Junior, Pre-Health Care Administration



## Hair falling out? Need info on epilepsy? Read on

This Q & A format seems to be generating enough questions to continue pursuing it. So, without further ado...

Q: My hair is falling out! Every time I brush or comb it, my brush is full of hair. When I shower the drain is full. What could be going on?

A: There are lots of possibilities and it is impossible to pin your condition on any one of them without more information. Here are some questions to ask in determining whether or not your situation should be evaluated by a clinician.

How much hair loss is too much? Average hair loss per day is 50 to 100 hairs. That's actually quite a lot and finding a large mass of your own hair in one place at one time can be a bit disconcerting to the uninitiated.

This is not to say that you should set about counting the hairs in your brush or drain! If you are, in fact, losing more hair than would be expected in a healthy person, you should be able to tell from a visual inspection. For example, is your hair thinning to the point that you can see the scalp in areas other than where your hair is parted (generalized hair loss), or are their genuinely balding areas (localized hair loss)?

## Cheryl Graham

Another important consideration is whether the scalp is healthy. Does it appear to be normal or is it inflamed, scaly or pussy? If the scalp does not appear to be healthy, it is advisable to see a physician for evaluation. These symptoms could indicate a minor infection or a condition such as psoriasis.

Generalized hair loss in amounts beyond that which is expected has many potential explanations. The most dramatic hair loss results from cancer treatment, chemotherapy and/or radiation therapy. I don't sense this to be your situation. Nutritional status, primarily inadequate protein in the diet, can result in greater-than-expected hair loss, as can prolonged periods of stress. Abnormal hair loss can be a symptom of thyroid conditions, hypothyroidism or hyperthyroidism. The hair loss may also be a part of the physical stress associated with surgery, a high fever or childbirth.

Q: Regarding last week's question on estrogen-replacement therapy: I thought I had asked my question about leaving out progesterone from hormone-replacement therapy, not estrogen.

A: In rereading your question from last week, there is no mention of progesterone. Your question verbatim is: "Do you have any statistics on the percent of increase in risk of cervical or uterine cancer in post-menopausal women when ERT is not included in the regime to battle osteoporosis?"

In my rather lengthy response, I referred to a study of more than 49,000 women in which it was found that "ERT of less than two years duration posed little, if any, risk of endometrial (uterine lining) cancers. But estrogen taken alone for more than two years increased the risk of endometrial cancer three to eight-fold."

Perhaps I don't understand what you are asking, but I believe that these two sentences from last week's column answer both your first and second questions. The statistical risk cited relates to Estrogen Replacement Therapy (estrogen alone), not to Hormone Replacement Therapy (estrogen plus progesterone). My discussion of HRT was offered to inform readers about how the cancer risk of long-term ERT has been addressed in medical practice.

Q: My roommate is undergoing tests for epilepsy. He had a seizure last week and it scared the socks off of me. All I could think of to do was watch in horror. Should I have put a

washcloth in his mouth so he wouldn't bite his tongue off? Should I have tried to restrain him? To top it off, he peed himself during the whole affair and has hardly looked at me since because he's so embarrassed and I don't know how to tell him it's okay — other than to say, "it's okay."

A: People who have never witnessed a grand mal seizure generally are horrified when they see one for the first time because it's quite dramatic. If your roommate is being evaluated to determine why he has seizures, the condition is likely pretty new and scary to him as well.

A seizure typically lasts less than two minutes — a long two minutes, I admit. Unless the person was injured during a seizure or immediately has another seizure, first aid or even follow-up medical care are usually unnecessary. Although breathing is depressed during the seizure, it should resume without assistance when seizing stops. The greatest danger of a seizure is that it can happen when a person is driving, swimming, bathing or doing anything where sudden unconsciousness could result in harm to self or others.

Your questions about procedure reflect common myths about how to handle a seizure. Attempting to restrain a seizing person could result in injury to one or both of you. Inserting a gag, even if the person is biting his tongue, is also inadvisable since it offers no benefits but carries the risk of your fingers being injured.

So what should you do? If you have enough time, try to ease the person's descent to the ground to avoid injuries from the fall. Clear the area of hard or sharp objects that could cause injury during the flailing motions common to a grand mal seizure. Cushion the head and loosen belts or other tight clothing if you can. When the seizure ends, turn the person on his or her side to prevent choking.

It's not uncommon for a person to urinate during a seizure as your roommate did. His embarrassment may be as simple as the fact that urination is a function that is usually private, unmessy and under one's control. He may fear that you will tell others who would be less understanding than you are and it would become a private joke of others.

If others can identify your roommate from your published question, I would hope they can be as sensitive to his feelings as you seem to be. If others don't know, continue to respect his privacy and share with him your intentions to do so.

Your roommate may not know what you mean when you tell him "it's okay." I assume you mean that you understand the situation was out of his control, that the event hasn't influenced your assessment of him and that you are sensitive to his feelings about this. If that's what you mean, tell him.

Your roommate may need some help dealing with his limitations if the medical investigation of his case reveals that he has epilepsy. Many people feel ashamed of such a diagnosis because of age-old stigmas — falsehoods — about what it means to have epilepsy. If you think he needs some help dealing with whatever diagnosis he receives, help is available at the Mental Health Clinic of Student Health Services (737-2952) or the Counseling Center in the Administration Building (737-2131).

If you have a question for this column, please send them to me through campus mail to Student Health Services, or drop them by the box outside room 117 of Student Health Services. My e-mail address is: grahamc@cmail.orst.edu.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of Cheryl Graham, a certified health education specialist at OSU Student Health Services.

## The Daily Barometer

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## Letters

### Support for Barometer

To the Editor:

I have followed with some interest the recent dispute between ASOSU President April Waddy and the *Barometer*, during which Ms. Waddy called for placement of an agent of the Politically Correct Thought Police (under the guise of "Pop Culture Editor") on the *Barometer* staff, and subsequently moved to deny funding and/or building space to the *Barometer* after the editorial staff declined to implement her "suggestion."

The role of the Pop Culture Editor, according to Ms. Waddy, would be to insure proper "diversity" of news coverage by dictating (excuse me, "suggesting"): a) **Whose** activities should be covered; b) **What** stories should be covered ("contemporary issues"); and c) **How** the stories should be covered ("appropriateness of language"). Thereby, the reasoning goes, the *Barometer* may avoid "offending" anyone who is so insecure that they can't take a joke or stand to have their opinions challenged.

While I might observe in passing that it would be difficult for any publication to avoid offending someone when there are so many people walking around with chips on their shoulders, eagerly seeking to take offense at anything, and that the people who talk the most about "tolerance" and "diversity" are often remarkably intolerant of any diversity of viewpoints other than their own, this issue really has nothing to do with ideology. Suppose that ASOSU was controlled not by the P.C. faction, but by right-wing fundamentalists. (It could happen; it's an elected body subject to changes in public opinion). Would the job of the "Pop Culture Editor" then be to assure proper coverage of, and "appropriate sensitivity" to, the views and activities of Creationists, Right to Lifers, neo-Nazis, and the O.C.A.? Or how would you like it if Newt Gingrich and company decided that every "liberal" publication in the U.S. should create a staff position to represent the new Congress's viewpoint and "advise" the editors on how not to offend the sensibilities of conservative Republicans?

The issue, under either of these scenarios, would be exactly the same. What we have here is a blatantly unconstitutional effort on the part of a governmental body (ASOSU) to infringe the *Barometer's* First Amendment rights to freedom of the press and freedom of speech. If the *Barometer*, or any other publication, prints material which some readers consider stupid, tasteless, and offensive, it is the job of these readers (including Ms. Waddy, acting as a private citizen) to exercise their Constitutional right to speak up in protest, via nasty "Letters to the Editor," alternative publications, etc. It is emphatically **not** the job of ASOSU, or any other governmental entity, to seek to impose censorship and attempt to close down the publication when this effort fails.

Should this issue go to court, as I sincerely hope it will if Ms. Waddy continues to pursue her threats, ASOSU wouldn't stand a

snowball's chance in hell of getting their way, but the *Barometer* would be seriously inconvenienced—both in time and money—by the need to prepare and present its case. Therefore I personally pledge a donation of \$100.00 to the *Barometer's* legal defense, should this become necessary, and I hope that others concerned about the Constitutional issues at stake will offer their support as well.

Brian H. Pearson  
OSU Graduate, 1976  
Corvallis resident

### The insurance debate

In response to Kyle Schlueter -

I am so glad that you hold yourself accountable for your own situation! I am also glad that you have a job to help pay for your health insurance. Could you also support a couple of children on that salary? There are many parents going to OSU who decided to go back to school so they could get a better paying job and give their children a better life, and maybe help pay for their college education when the time comes. Health insurance is extremely expensive for dependents and out of reach for many, even if they do have job(s). An individual can decide to be responsible for themselves, but should their children also be held responsible? Should the children feel guilty when they get sick or hurt because they know their parent can't afford it? Expecting the parent to save enough money to pay for tuition, health insurance and possible medical emergencies before attending college is completely unreasonable.

And what does the government get for helping students with health insurance? They get taxpayers with higher paying jobs who pay higher taxes and contribute more dollars to the economy. And, if they can indeed afford to send their children to college, in spite of the outrageously increasing costs, their children will also pay more taxes with their higher paying jobs. Stop thinking that all students are single, without dependents and 20 years old!

Robin M. Sandeno  
Graduate Student, History

### Defending her letter

To the Editor:

I would like to defend my letter of February 21 concerning Kyle Schlueter's attack on "whiny" Oregonians. Larry Palanuk and Tyson Terhaar, I fail to see what right you have to judge me or my actions, or my use of language in that particular letter. Just because one is an English major does not mean that it is necessarily proper to utilize one's extensive vocabulary and erudite manner of speech. In the case of my response to Kyle's letter, I happened to be very angry and therefore used vocabulary consistent with that emotion. At this point I am calm and collected, and I am

using a number of ten-dollar words and elaborate sentences to convey how very silly I find your letter to me of yesterday.

Concerning your criticism of my current pregnancy, I find that since you do not know me or the circumstances which have made me pregnant, you have no right to pass judgement upon me. In your short letter, you imply that I intend to be on the Oregon Health Plan until Kingdom Come, and that such care as myself and my children require is a constant drain on our economy. On the contrary, most people utilizing the OHP are on for a while and then, when they can afford normal health care, or it is offered to them as a benefit of their jobs, they get off the program. Since I am going to graduate school out of state next year, I will only be on the OHP until my daughter is born sometime after May 18. This is, of course, none of your business, but I felt I should at least keep you somewhat abreast of developments so you would not launch another poison-pen letter to the *Barometer*.

Rest assured, I bear no ill-feelings for either of you. I merely think that you are extremely silly.

Heather Wales  
Senior in English

### Support your opinions

To the Editor:

Why couldn't Kirk Miller just ask for a holiday for George and Abe without referring to the well deserving holiday honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr? Yes, he went on to state the worthiness and deservedness of the holiday in honoring Dr. King, but in essence all I heard him say was if we can honor a Black man we sure as hell can honor two White men. Mr. Miller, this same opinion appears every year at this time, so you are not alone in your thinking. However, if you truly believe that George and Abe deserve to be honored with a holiday, simply state that opinion and then support it with facts. An opinion is truly not supported if your only defense is that "if you have one I should have one also."

Sandra Abiori  
Ph.D. candidate in Mathematics Education

### Correction

The Frontiers section story titled "Credible disorders are the key to reforming CANL systems" in the Wednesday, February 21 issue of the *Daily Barometer* was accidentally cut off in mid-paragraph. The end of the story states:

"...generation may be lost in some cases." Awareness of the dynamics of organizational systems may be useful in recognized and perhaps preventing potentially damaging scenarios.

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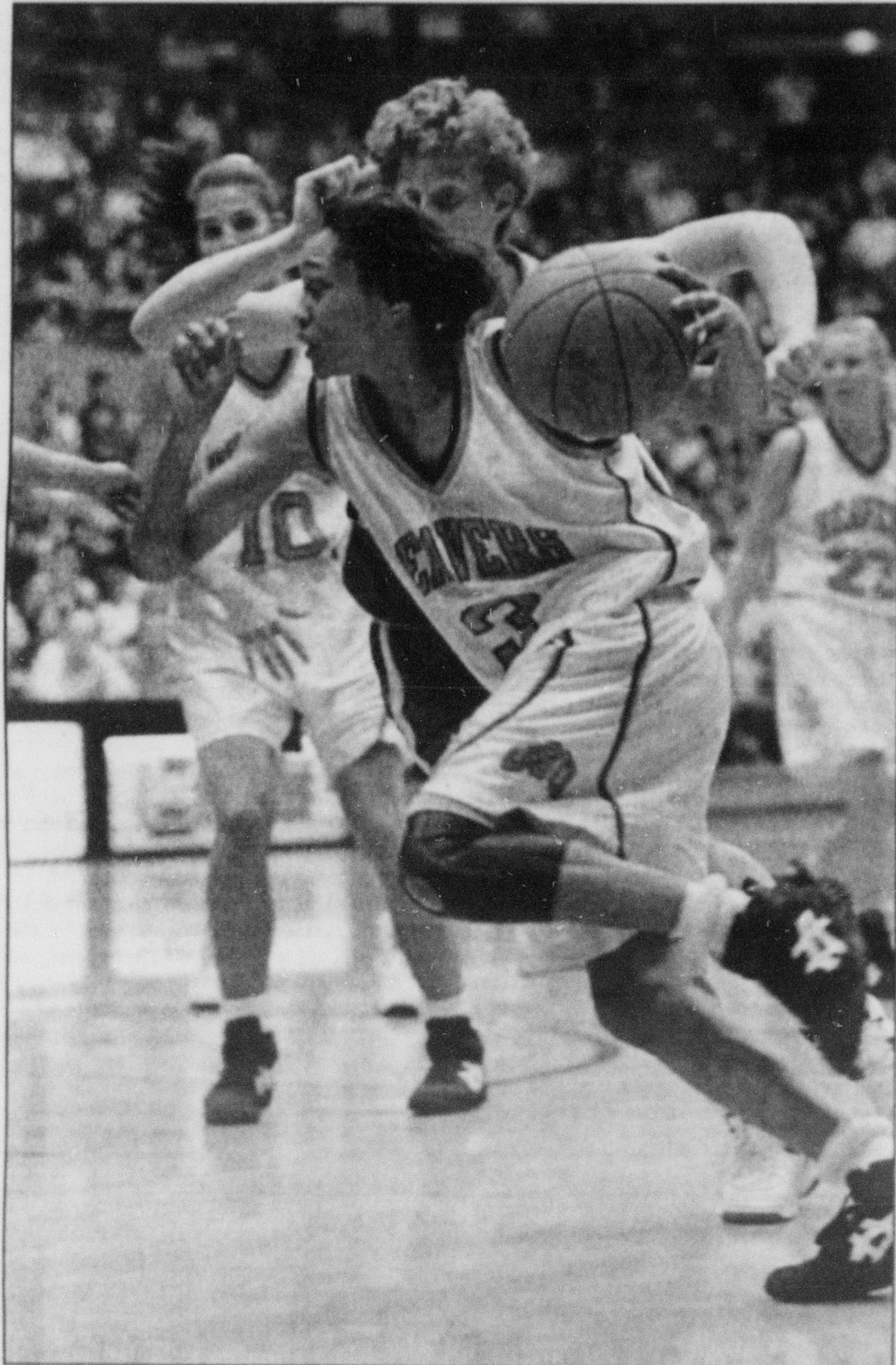
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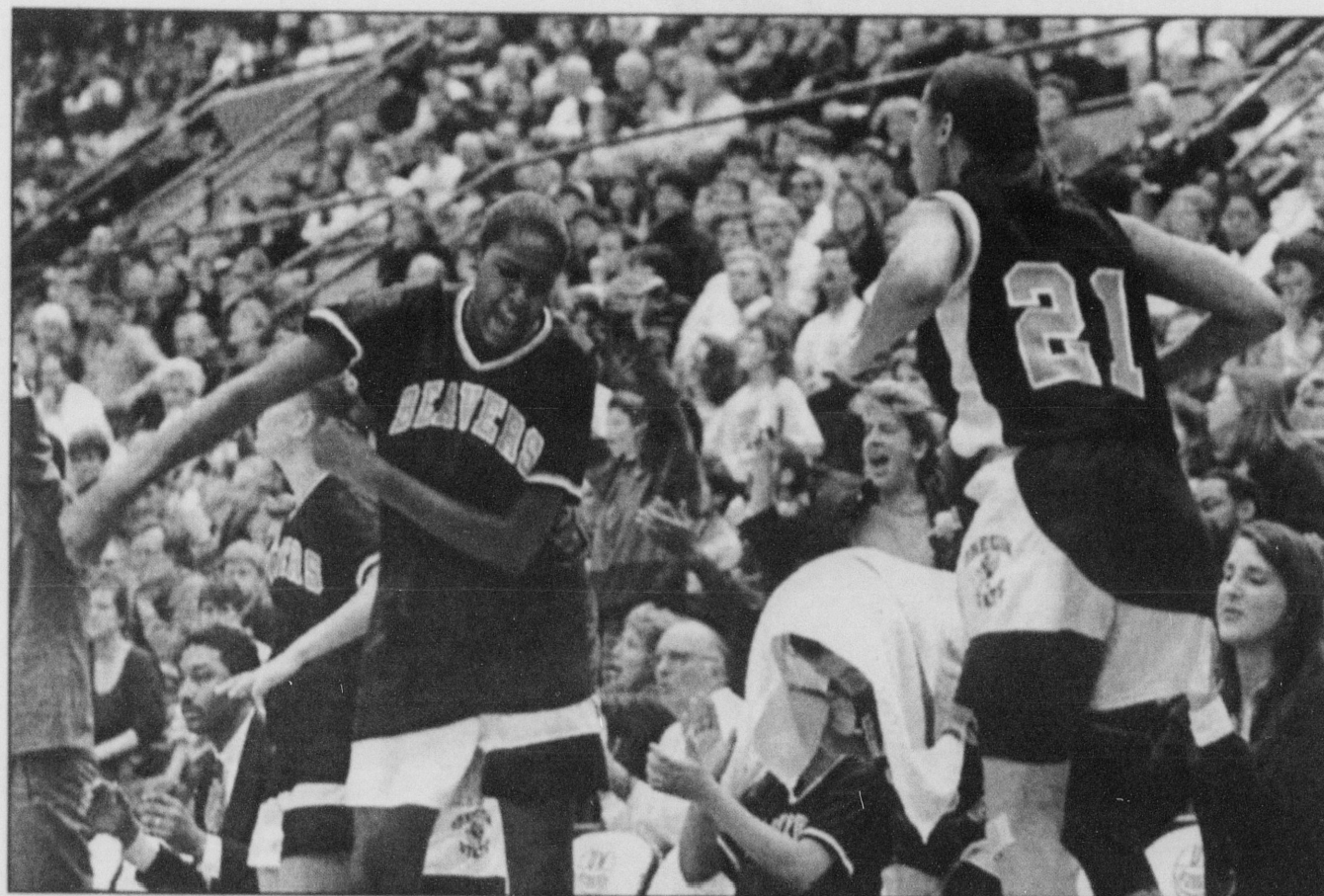
The Oregon State winter sports seasons brought both accomplishment and disappointment in 1994-95.

The women's basketball team defeated the two giants in the Pac-10, Stanford and Washington, and are on their way to the NCAA tournament with a 16-5 record.

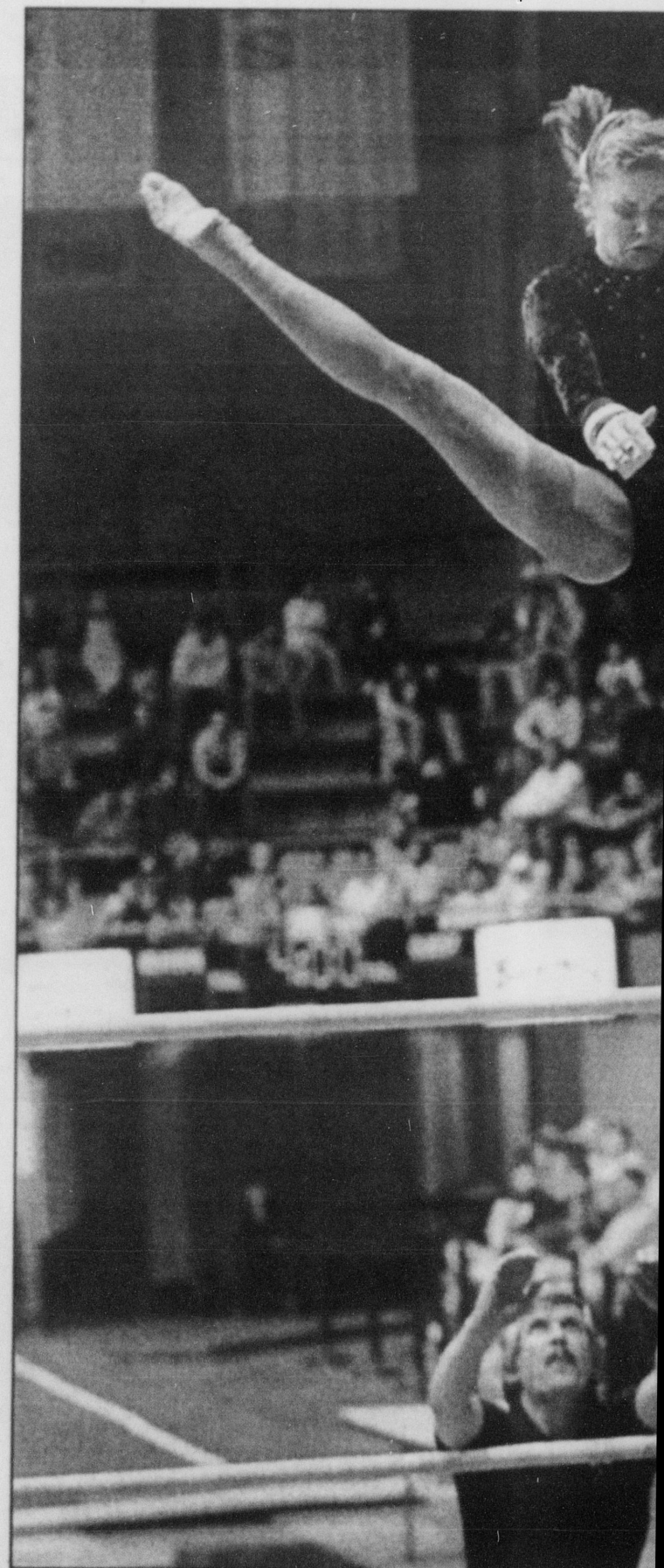
The men's team on the other hand have struggled after posting a big overtime win against Southern California and a road win against Cal-Berkeley.

The wrestling team has suffered some injuries during their season, but are healthy once again and ready to compete in the Pac-10 championships this Friday and Saturday at Gill Coliseum.

Gymnastics lost four seniors off last year's team, but have gained four freshman in their place that have helped the team continue their winning ways.

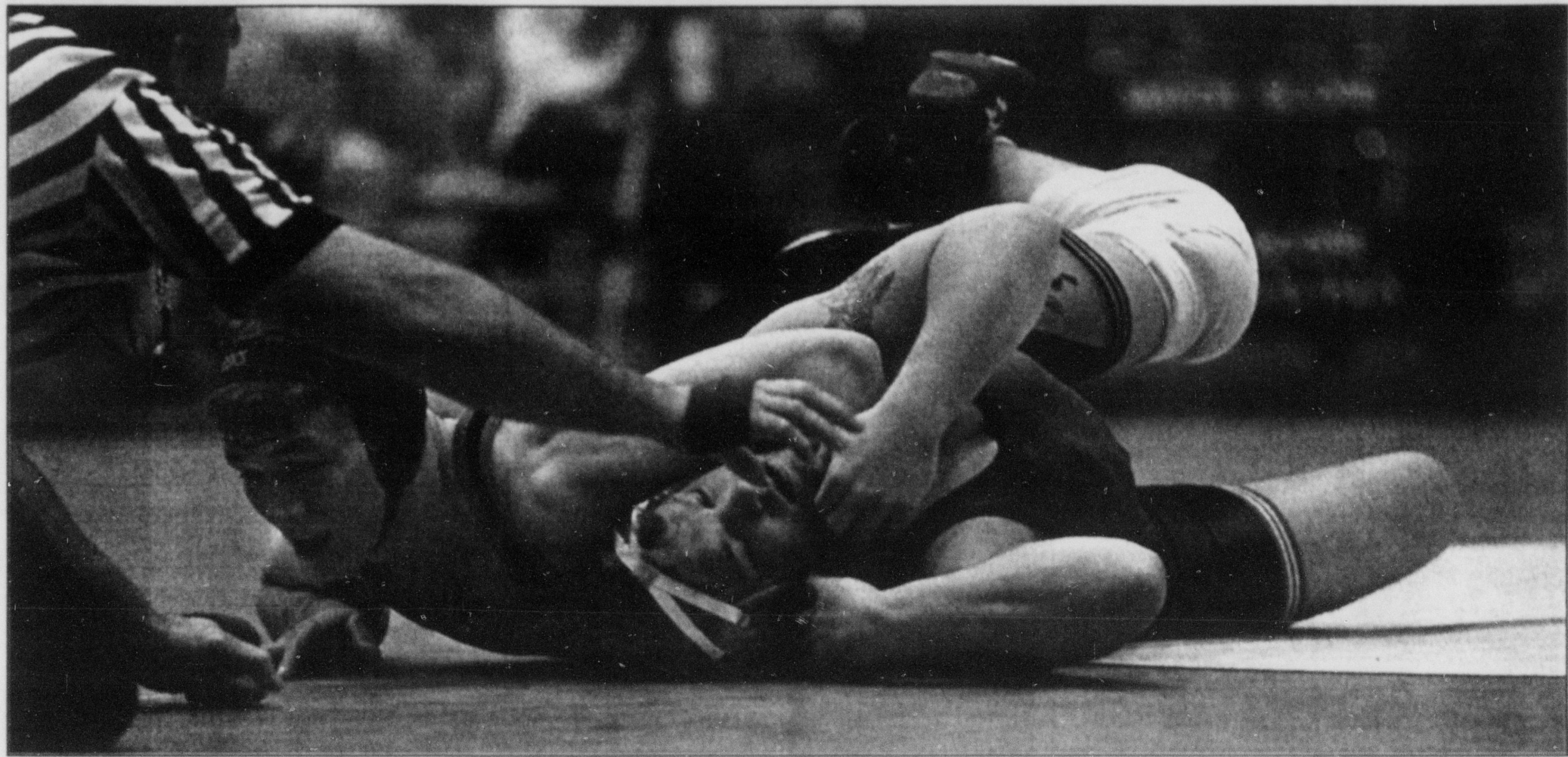


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Dawn Lewis (left), a sophomore center and Kim McGrew a junior forward/senior rejoice as the OSU women defeated the University of Washington at Hec Edmundson Pavillion in Seattle.



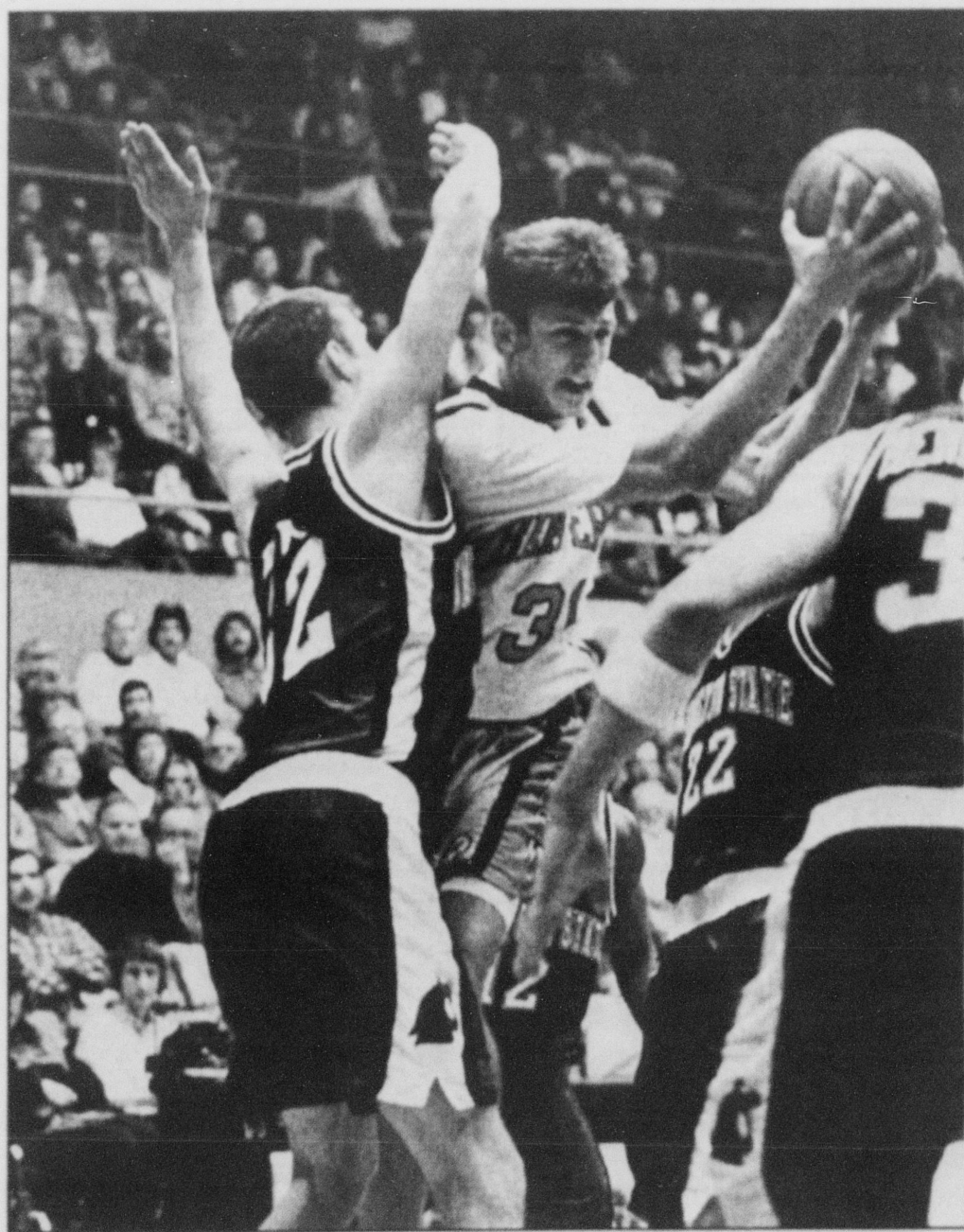


# S EXTRAVAGANZA



Les Gutches, ranked number one in the nation at 177 pounds, pins his Boise State opponent in a dual meet two weeks ago.

BEN DANLEY/The Daily Barometer



Senior guard Brent Barry extricates himself from the Washington State defense in Gill Coliseum.

CHRIS WALSH/The Daily Barometer

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**PHOTO AT LEFT:**  
Amy Slack, an ever-improving freshman gymnast, performs her bars routine while assistant coach Dick Foxal spots for her.



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# Sports

## Baseball ushers in new season, coach with win over WOSC

By CHRIS WALSH

The Daily Barometer

A sunny spring day ushered in the 1995 baseball season on Wednesday as Oregon State defeated Western Oregon State 4-3 at Coleman Field.

The game was highlighted by a three-run third inning and a home run by David Schmidt in the fourth that hit the scoreboard in right field. It was the first game for the new head coach of the Beavers, Pat Casey, taking over for Jack Riley, who retired after last season.

"The winning part of it is important. But I just wanted our club to play well fundamentally," said Casey, who wasn't totally pleased with the way his team played. "I was real disappointed in our offensive production. I thought we could have broke the thing wide open."

The inning in particular that he was referring to was the fourth. Following the Schmidt home run, the Beavers loaded the bases. But a great defensive play ended the rally and a chance for Oregon State to put the game out of reach.

The Beavs got on the board first with three runs in the third. Scott Hardin led off the inning with a single. After stealing second, Hardin came in to score the first run on a hit by Kevin Hooker. Hooker then took second on a passed ball by the catcher and scored when Chris Wakeland tripled. John Dixon hit a sacrifice fly to score Wakeland for the third run of the game.

Western Oregon State, which is 20 miles north of Corvallis, then countered with a run in the following inning and two more in the sixth. After getting one run in the sixth, the Wolves loaded up the bases. A sacrifice fly brought in the second run and closed it to a 4-3 Beaver lead. But an attempted pick-off by the pitcher Jeremy Beard resulted in a Western runner getting caught between first and second, and eventually tagged out to end the inning and the Wolves' last serious threat.

Beard started for the Beavers and went seven innings. Brian Masewicz came on to relieve Beard in the eighth after Beard gave up a single to the Wolves' Brooke Knight, who played for the Beavs last season. Masewicz shut down Western for the final two innings and saved the win.

"I was really happy with Masowicz coming in and shutting the door like that," Casey said.

Although satisfied with a win, Casey noted much room for improvement. "We're going to have to play much better than that if we're going to compete in the Pac-10," Casey said.

The Beavers will be playing four games in the next six days. Today they face Concordia at 3:00 p.m. On Saturday they play Eastern Oregon State at 1:00 p.m. And on Sunday and Tuesday, they take on Willamette and George Fox, respectively, both at 3:00 p.m. All games take place at Coleman Field, behind Dixon Recreation Center.



The throw home is a little late as the Wolves' Brooke Knight slides safely past the Beavers' David Schmidt.

## Women's basketball ready to start new win streak tonight vs. UA

By PAUL CARLSON

of the Daily Barometer

After upsetting Washington last Friday for their first win in Seattle since 1983, but then being upset by Washington State last Sunday, the Oregon State women's basketball team remains the nation's 21st-ranked team.

The 84-79 loss to the Cougars ended the Beavers' seven-game winning streak and kept OSU from moving into a second-place tie in the Pac-10.

"Washington took a lot from us emotionally, mentally, and physically, so I understand our poor performance at Washington State," Oregon State head coach Aki Hill said. "Yet we need to become strong and mature enough to overcome that."

But Oregon State (8-4 Pac-10, 16-5 overall) still has a tight grasp on third place in the conference and has a golden opportunity to start a new winning streak this weekend, as the Beavers host seventh-place Arizona tonight and tenth-place Arizona State Sunday afternoon.

Since the Beavers had convincing road wins over both Arizona schools, it would appear this might be an easy weekend for OSU. That's precisely the attitude that Hill is afraid of.

"It's the toughest week for a coach to motivate players," she said. "If we come out playing just good enough to win, or we just go through the motions, we might get our butts kicked."

"This is the time of year that perennial NCAA tournament teams start to peak. That's the attitude we need to bring to this weekend."

With just six games remaining before tournament play, Hill took a moment to assess where the Beavers now stand.

"I'm very impressed with the growth we've made since our

early-season losses to UCLA, Oregon, and Washington," she said. "We've made gigantic strides."

"I'm extremely satisfied, but we still have lots of improvements we can make. Offensively, we need to mix our plays better."

"Defensively, we don't play intense defense consistently, which is extremely hard to do but is possible. Playing intense defense isn't natural for this team yet."

"Mentally, regardless of opponent or situation, we have to play the best that we can. If you can do that, you're a special competitor."

OSU defeated Arizona (5-8, 10-15) in Tucson on January 28 by a score of 79-64. The Beavers led by six at the half, but quickly opened up a double-digit lead in the second half and led by as many as 20 points before the contest finished.

Junior forward Anette Mollerstrom led the Beavers with 24 points, and junior forward Tanja Kostic added 21.

The Wildcats have three players averaging in double figures this season and are led by freshman Adia Barnes, a 5'11" forward out of San Diego, who is averaging 14.9 ppg. Arizona's only senior is starting point guard Jiji Sweet. However, the 5'8" Sweet has missed the Wildcats' last two games due to a sprained knee and is questionable tonight.

"Arizona is young and talented," Hill said. "They're not too tall, but are fast and quick. We have to stop their fast-paced transition game and control the tempo, without getting into foul trouble."

The Beavers walloped Arizona State (2-11, 8-14) in Tempe on January 26 by a score of 77-42. OSU used a 22-0 first-half run to lead 44-16 at halftime, and then scored the second half's first seven points to increase the margin to 35, allowing Beaver reserves to get some playing time.

Kostic had 20 first-half points, enroute to a game-high 26. Junior guard A.J. Dionne added 12.

The Sun Devils are the epitome of balanced scoring, as their top five scorers all average between 8.6 and 12.3 ppg, but their team scoring average of 64.9 ppg ranks last in the Pac-10. Two of their top scorers, guards Lisa Kotilainen and Tiffany Krahenbuhl, have not seen action for two weeks due to injury and remain questionable for this weekend.

Arizona State's two conference victories both came at home, 77-62 over California and 79-77 over Oregon. The Sun Devils have lost by an average of nearly 25 points during their current six-game losing streak.

Tonight's game is at 7 p.m. and Sunday's matchup tips off at 1 p.m. Both contests are at Gill Coliseum.

### Pac-10 Women's Basketball Standings

Stanford	(20-2)	11-1
Washington	(20-6)	10-3
<b>OREGON STATE</b>	<b>(16-5)</b>	<b>8-4</b>
USC	(15-6)	8-5
Oregon	(13-8)	6-6
Washington St.	(12-10)	5-8
Arizona	10-15)	5-8
California	(9-12)	4-8
UCLA	(9-13)	4-9
Arizona State	(8-14)	2-11

## Barry leads Beavers into the Valley of the Sun to face Stoudamire

By SCOTT BURCKHARD

of the Daily Barometer

The good news for the men's basketball team is that they get a four day vacation in warm and sunny Arizona this weekend. The bad news is that they have to play No. 13 Arizona and No. 15 Arizona State while they're there.

OSU (6-15 overall, 3-9 in Pac-10 play) heads into the Grand Canyon State at an inopportune time. Arizona is still stinging from last Sunday's

72-70 loss at UCLA, and both teams are looking to impress the NCAA Tournament selection committee in hopes of raising their position in the upcoming national playoffs.

Tonight Arizona (19-6,9-4) will welcome OSU into the McKale Center for a 6:37 p.m. tipoff. Arizona's Sunday loss all but cost them a chance at the Pac-10 title, and they'll be looking for someone to take their frustrations out on. Unfortunately, it could be OSU.

The last time these two teams hooked up the

Wildcats scorched the Beavers for 111 points, the most the Beavers have ever given up to a Pac-10 opponent. Arizona has won the last ten meetings between the teams, and 21 of the last 22. The Wildcats will be led by Portland native Damon Stoudamire. Stoudamire is widely recognized as the top point guard in the nation, and currently leads the league in scoring (21.6 ppg) and assists (7.4 apg). If Stoudamire maintains his position in both categories, it would be the first time in the history of the Pac-10 that a player has ever finished first in scoring and assists in the same year.

While Stoudamire leads the Wildcat offense, junior guard Regie Geary is the Arizona defensive leader. Geary will most likely draw the assignment of trying to stop OSU's Brent Barry, a feat he failed miserably at last January 28th at Gill. Barry lit up Geary and his teammates for 31 points (equalling his career high) in the Beaver's loss.

On Saturday the Beavers march into the University Activities Center at Arizona State University for a 6:00 p.m. contest against the Sun Devils (19-6, 9-4). Last week's Pac-10 Player of the Week, ASU center Mario Bennet, will try to avenge the Beaver's 83-70 victory last January 26th in Gill. In that contest the Beavers

shut down ASU's perimeter game and Bennet wasn't enough inside to beat the Beavs.

ASU is a defensive pressure-oriented team, as they lead the league in turnover margin (+4.5), steals (10.5 per game) and scoring defense, allowing only an average of 69.6 ppg. How OSU handles the ASU press will be a key to Saturday's contest.

Side notes: Beaver standout Brent Barry is currently situated at 16th place on the all-time OSU scoring list with 1,167 points. He needs just 10 points to move past Don Smith (1974-77) and 23 to pass Earl Martin (1986-90). Barry is also tied for third in OSU career steals with 178, and needs just 3 more to move ahead of Ray Blume into second place. Barry is number two in the Pac-10 in scoring (behind Stoudamire) at 20.5 ppg, and Mustapha Hoff is third with 19.6 ppg. If both Hoff and Barry can average 20 points a game for the season it will be the first time in OSU basketball history that the feat was accomplished by two players in the same season.

After this weekend's action the Beavers return home for their last two home games of the season, next Thursday against Stanford, and Saturday they host Cal.

Action tips off tonight at 6:37 p.m.

## Women's golf last at Arizona Invite

OSU Sports Information

The Oregon State women's golf team finished last at the Chris Johnson Arizona Invitational Wednesday afternoon at the Randolph Park North Golf Course.

OSU scored a 972 for 19th place, one stroke behind 18th place Washington State. Arizona State won the invite with a score of 872.

OSU freshman Kathleen Takaishi was the Beavers' top finisher. Takaishi tied for 18th

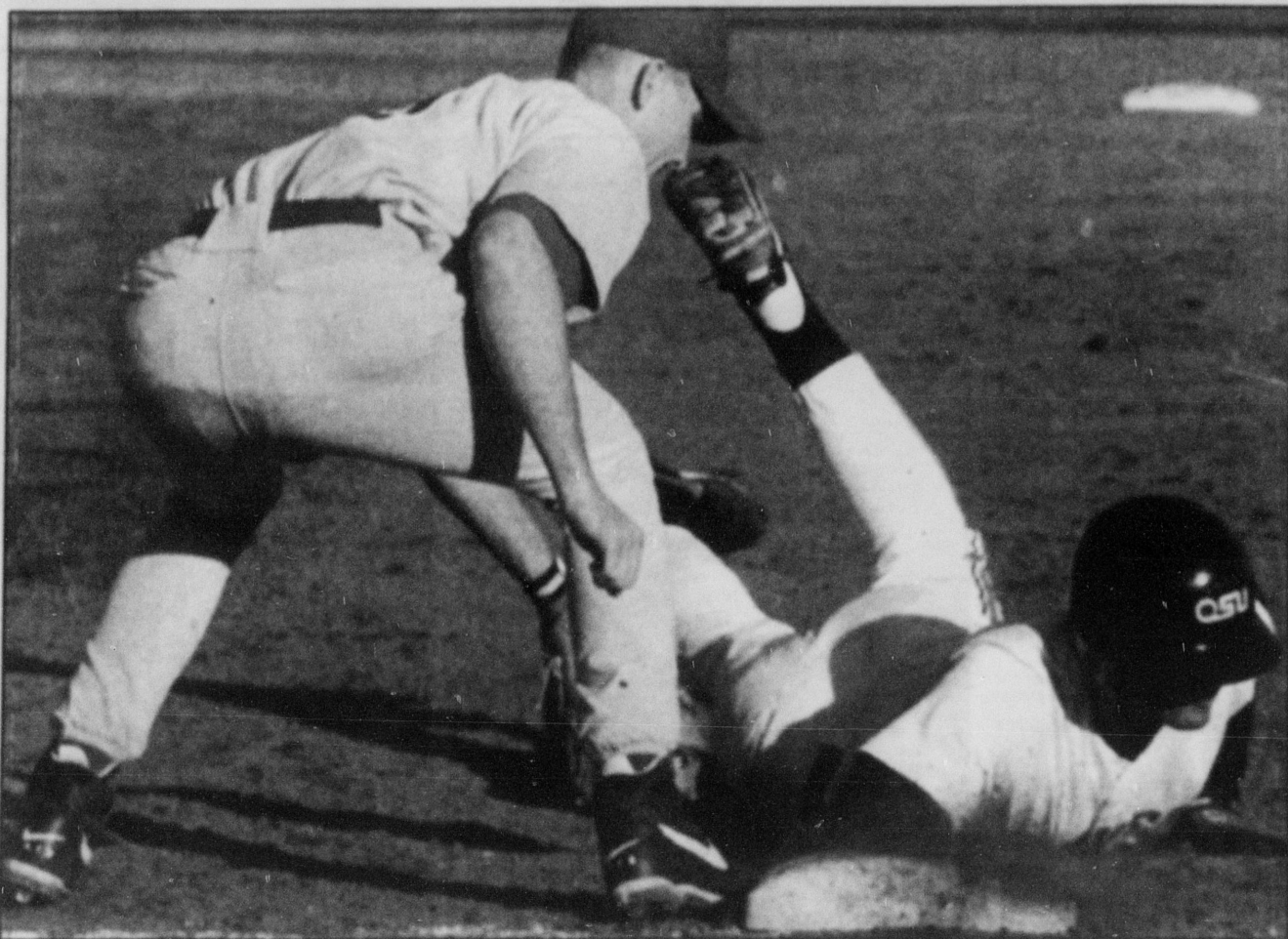
place with a score of 230. Finishing second for the Beavers was senior Sarah Berlin (242).

"Our freshmen played well, which was encouraging," commented Rise' Lakowske, OSU head coach. "Even though we didn't play as well as we would have liked, it was a good opportunity to play on this course since it's the site of the Regionals this year."

The Beavers now head to California for the Stanford Intercollegiate at Stanford University, March 3-5.



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Beaver shortstop Allen Snelling gets back to first base, ahead of the pick-off attempt by Western Oregon State.

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Diver Greg Louganis reveals he has AIDS

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Greg Louganis, the finest diver ever and the only man to sweep diving gold medals at consecutive Olympics, said he has AIDS and was infected with the virus when he hit his head at the 1988 Seoul Games and bled into the pool.

Louganis, in an interview with ABC News "20/20" to be televised Friday, also said his wound was stitched by a doctor who didn't know his condition and wasn't wearing gloves.

In transcripts of the interview released Wednesday, Louganis said that "according to the CDC (Centers for Disease Control) standards of AIDS versus HIV, I do have AIDS."

He said he tested positive for the virus just before the 1988 Seoul Games, where he went on to win the springboard and platform diving gold medals — duplicating his sweep at the 1984 Los Angeles Games.

It was in Seoul, during the springboard preliminaries, that Louganis cracked his head on a reverse dive and became "paralyzed with fear" when he started bleeding in the pool.

"I was so stunned," the 35-year-old Louganis said. "I mean, what was going on in my mind at the time my responsibility? Do I say something? It's, you know, this has been an incredibly guarded secret."

He did not reveal his condition to the U.S. Olympic Committee doctor who stitched the wound, and felt sure the chlorinated water in the pool would dilute the virus.

"I just held my head ... I just wanted to hold the blood in, or just not anybody touch it," Louganis told interviewer Barbara Walters.

"I didn't anticipate hitting my head on the board," he said. "I didn't anticipate, you know, the blood. That's something ... I didn't think about at the time."

After getting five stitches, Louganis returned for the last few preliminary dives and qualified for the next day's finals. He easily won the gold. When it was over, he wrapped his arms around coach Ron O'Brien and sobbed.

He said he told his coach "nobody will ever know what we've been through."

Louganis said he never told the USOC because "I was encouraged not to."

"By whom?" Walters asked.

"By this small team of people ... doctor, coach."

Asked if he wasn't afraid that Louganis would hurt himself or infect someone else, O'Brien said:

"No, not really. Because there's very, very little chance. If it were in a sport like boxing or wrestling, football, where there's a lot of contact, personal contact, I would have been very concerned. But our sport is such that you don't ever come close to anybody."

Louganis tested HIV positive about six months before the Seoul Games after receiving word that a former companion was dying of AIDS. He was placed on the drug AZT, taking it every four hours around the clock, and was still taking it during the Olympics.

Now, however, Louganis' illness has changed from HIV to AIDS itself, he said.

Other sports stars who have disclosed they suffered from the virus that causes AIDS were Magic Johnson and tennis champion Arthur Ashe. Johnson retired from the Los Angeles Lakers in 1991, and Ashe died in February 1993, less than a year after announcing he had the condition.

The disclosure brought a quick and sympathetic response from USOC president LeRoy Walker.

"The USOC is saddened by the news that Greg Louganis is battling this deadly illness," Walker said. "And our prayers are with him in his fight. At the same time, we are again reminded about the need for precautions by doctors and trainers who treat injuries where blood is involved."

Since 1989, the USOC has adopted strict guidelines about treatment and prevention of athletes' blood, including rules that doctors, trainers and chiropractors use latex gloves.

Steve McFarland, president of U.S. Diving, said there were no plans to discipline O'Brien or Louganis for failing to disclose the illness in 1988. "What was done in 1988 was in a whole different situation. The USOC didn't even have its protocols (rules) until 1989," McFarland said.

AIDS experts said there was little chance the disease could have been spread by blood in a swimming pool.

"Even if the pool was not chlorinated and somebody dove in after him, there would be a minimal-to-zero risk that any other athlete would contract HIV through swimming in the same pool that contained Greg's HIV-positive blood," said Dr. Gary Cohan, an internist with Pacific Oaks Medical Group, the nation's largest private AIDS practice.

Louganis disclosed that he was homosexual at the Gay Games in New York last summer. His book, "Breaking the Surface," is due to be released Monday by Random House. It deals with AIDS, as well as Louganis' homosexuality, dyslexia, racism he suffered because of his Samoan heritage, an allegedly abusive stepfather, teen-age depression and three suicide attempts, according to Tom Perry, a spokesman for the publisher.

Telephone calls to Louganis' attorney, Pat Benson, and spokeswoman, Maggie Meyerson, were not returned.

Wendy Williams, who won a bronze medal in the 10-meter platform at the 1988 Games, said she was "in a fog" after hearing about Louganis.

"It doesn't change my feelings for him at all. I have nothing but respect and admiration for him," she said. "He took the sport to a new level. A lot of people were jealous and resentful of him because he was so good."

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# Bruins don't want No. 1 spot until season's end

Associated Press

STANFORD, Calif. — UCLA may not want it, not until late at night on April 3, but the Bruins are in line to become the new No. 1 team in college basketball in a few days.

First, however, the No. 2 Bruins must win against California on Thursday night in Berkeley. Second, returning home for a Sunday game, UCLA needs to repel Duke, a team looking for something to restart a season gone astray.

UCLA's claim to the top spot was strengthened with an uphill 88-77 victory at No. 19 Stanford on Tuesday night, after the Bruins (19-2, 12-2 Pac-10) knocked off Arizona and Arizona State last week at home.

"I don't want it," UCLA coach Jim Harrick said of the No. 1 ranking.

The last time the Bruins were on top was 13 months ago. They took a 14-0 record into a road game at Cal on Jan. 30, 1994 and lost. That began a tailspin that gave UCLA five more defeats in the regular season and a first-round NCAA tournament embarrassment, losing to Tulsa 112-102.

Not only did Cal upend UCLA a year ago, the erratic Bears (12-9, 4-8), are the only team to beat the Bruins at home this season, 100-93 on Jan. 28. The other Bruin loss came in their league opener at Oregon Jan. 5.

"The head that wears the crown is very shaky," Harrick said of the history of being top-ranked in 1994-95.

Alabama, North Carolina, Massachusetts, Connecticut and now Kansas have worn the No. 1 mantle like a swarm of bees — losing games within days or hours of being anointed No. 1.

Harrick and UCLA's scoring leader Ed O'Bannon would prefer that proclaiming UCLA as No. 1 wait until after the NCAA championship game at Seattle's Kingdome April 3.

"We feel we're a pretty good team but we're not thinking about the ranking. It doesn't say anything about, or does anything for this team. We want to be No. 1 at the end of the season," said O'Bannon, who scored 22 points against Stanford and helped hold Andy Poppink (23 points) to six second-half points.

"Ed O'Bannon is our foundation. I feel that he is the best basketball player in America," Harrick said of the 6-foot-8 senior, who averages 19.5 points and 8.1 rebounds per game while usually guarding the opposition's toughest inside force.

Stanford (16-6, 7-6 Pac-10), led 47-44 at halftime on 45 percent shooting, but the Bruins began to block out on rebounds, and even used a zone defense at times, to hold Stanford to just 34 percent shooting in the second half.

Most of the Bruin defense was taking care of guards Brevin Knight and Dion Cross, Stanford's scoring leaders, who were held to a total of four points after halftime.

Freshman J.R. Henderson of the Bruins, 6-9 but usually a starting guard, was kept in reserve but only for a few minutes. He ended up scoring 19 points and spent much of the second-half playing defense against Stanford's 7-1 center Tim Young.

"When I have a big guy, I can take him inside, get a few moves, then I take him outside and they don't know what I'm going to do," said Henderson.

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Mark Lenzi, who won a gold medal in 3-meter springboard diving at the 1992 Barcelona Games, called Louganis a "first-class champion."

"He was the greatest diver the world has ever seen, but he was always modest. He was my hero and still is."

Louganis won his first medal, a silver, at the 1976 Games in Montreal when he was 16 years old.

He was a member of the 1980 Olympic squad but did not get to compete because of the U.S. boycott of the Moscow Games.

Four years later in the Los Angeles Olympics, he dominated the competition, completing the first springboard platform sweep in 56 years.

The boycott of the 1984 Games by Iron Curtain nations kept many athletes away from Los Angeles, and some observers raised questions about Louganis' gold medal performances.

That convinced him to come back for the 1988 Games, where his attempt to repeat was nearly thwarted by the diving accident.

"I knew as soon as I was coming off the board that I was gonna be close," he told "20/20." "I started coming out of the dive and then I heard this big hollow thud, then I found myself in the water."

O'Brien said told the diver after the accident, "If you want to quit right now, Greg, that's fine. You've had a wonderful career, you've done tremendous things. It's strictly up to you."

Louganis came back, and made Olympic history. When the Seoul Games ended, he announced his retirement at age 28. He has since pursued an acting career and appeared in an off-Broadway play.

Louganis was the only diver to score consecutive perfect 10s in an international competition. In addition to five Olympic medals, he has won five world championships, four Pan American championships and held 47 national titles at one point.

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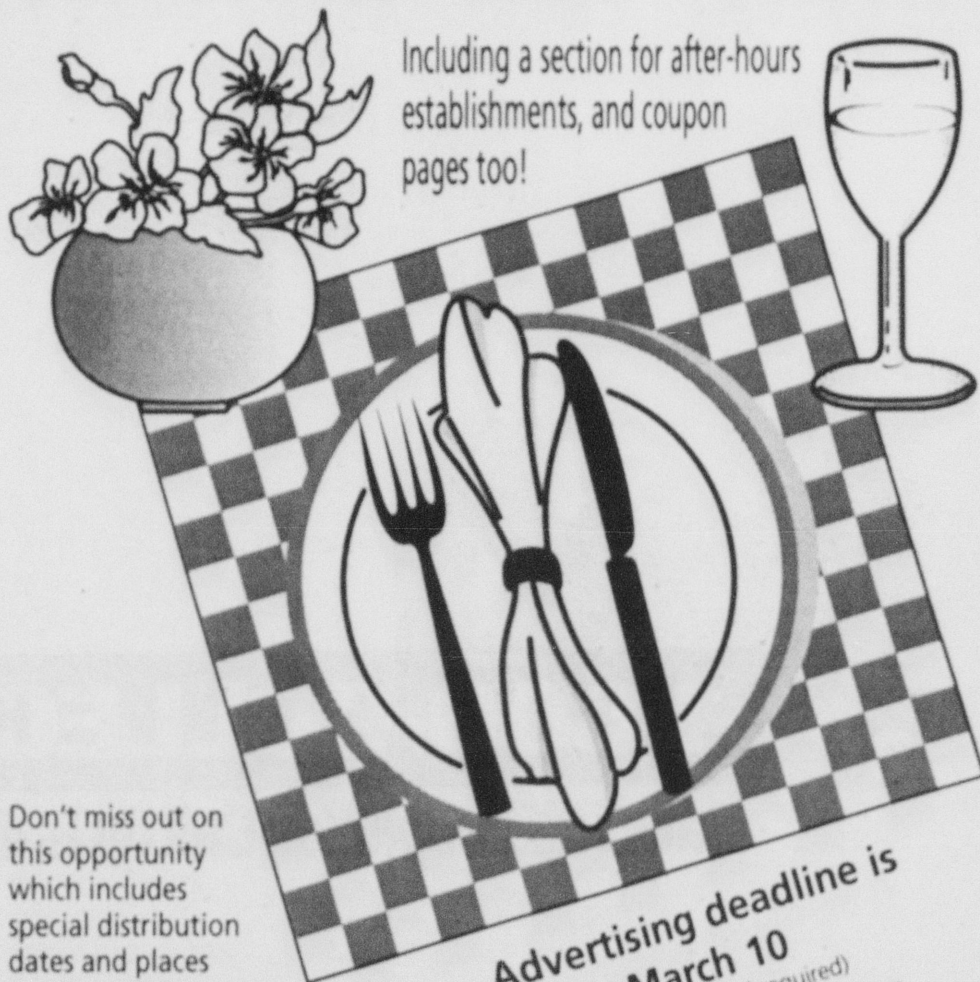
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