

Corvallis residents air concerns about university growth

■ Complaints at town hall meeting focus on parking, livability, trash, noise

By Kristin Pugmire
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Last night, representatives from Oregon State University, Corvallis city council and members of the Corvallis community gathered at the Corvallis Senior Center for an open 'town hall' meeting.

The topic of the evening was the growth of OSU's student population and the relationship between the university and the Corvallis community. The meeting's major topics of discussion were parking and traffic mitigation in campus area neighborhoods, neighborhood planning and—a hot topic with residents—livability.

The meeting began with brief introductory statements by Mayor Julie Manning and OSU President Ed Ray.

Mayor Manning focused on the importance of the relationship between OSU and the Corvallis community. She highlighted the fact that OSU provides approximately 8,000 family wage jobs to the community, far more than any other business or institution in the area. According to Manning, this has resulted in great economic stability, evidenced by Benton County's low unemployment rate of 6.5 percent (compared to more than 9 percent in the state of Oregon).

"The focus of the collaborative work with OSU is to ensure that we thoughtfully plan together to help ensure the long term viability of the quality of life we all value," Manning said.

Ed Ray spoke of the "beautiful, welcoming, supportive community" at OSU, but acknowledged that there are negative aspects of activities associated with the university.

"We need to take action to mitigate

whatever harm we create," Ray said. "Unless we act in a thoughtful and assertive way... [the problems] will persist and get worse."

Ray addressed OSU's aspirations to become one of the country's top land-grant universities, as well as Corvallis citizens' concerns that this goal will lead to an extreme enrollment increase in the coming years. While he cited that the average enrollment of the top 10 land-grant universities is 39,000, he also stated that OSU would like to tamp down its enrollment growth to 2 to 3 percent per year. In addition, Ray said major enrollment growth may or may not be the answer to improving OSU as a whole.

"What is the right number? What does it mean to be optimally sized?" Ray asked. "Size should be a byproduct of figuring out what it means to get it right."

When the floor was opened up for comments, approximately 30 community members formed a line around the perimeter of the room for their chance to speak into the microphone. Individual comments varied, but after some time, some common themes began to make themselves clear.

Many citizens expressed concerns regarding crowded parking and traffic in the neighborhoods surrounding the schools. Suggested solutions to this problem varied: Some suggested the creation of parking districts, while others pointed out that parking standards should accurately reflect the number of tenants living in a unit (for example, now it is not uncommon to find a five-bedroom townhouse with parking spaces for only two cars). Other suggestions included creating financial incentives to encourage students not to drive, as well as updating Corvallis' bus system so that buses would run every five or ten minutes,



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Ed Ray, president of Oregon State University, addresses a town hall meeting last night at the Corvallis Senior Center. The well attended meeting was allowed community members a chance to air their concerns about OSU's growth.

rather than every half hour.

Another prevalent concern voiced by many citizens was the behavior of students living in Corvallis rental properties. Complaints included excessive noise, spilled trash and failure to adequately maintain the properties.

One speaker suggested that landlords be held more accountable for their tenants, encouraging them to screen potential renters more thoroughly or decrease the number of tenants allowed to live in a dwelling. President Ray reminded those in attendance that students living off

campus are still subject to the student code of conduct and can be brought up on charges of misconduct if identified in a police report, though some questioned the effectiveness of this policy.

Not all comments were negative, however. Some citizens spoke only to thank President Ray and Mayor Manning for the new working relationship between the university and the city. Alexia Vanderventer, a student from OSU, pointed out that efforts to ban or restrict the behavior of students may only result in "spillover" into other parts of the town.

"I'd like to remind you that students are not the enemy," Vanderventer said. She emphasized that procedures that attempt to guide students, rather than punish them, will likely be more effective and beneficial for all involved.

For questions or comments regarding the community meeting or the collaboration between OSU and the city of Corvallis, e-mail community.development@ci.corvallis.or.us, or call 541-766-6981.

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ASOSU president, M. Tonga Hopoi, addresses a joint session of the ASOSU congress. Hopoi's remarks were short as she had to attend the town hall meeting at the senior center that night.

Joint session of congress listens to quick remarks from Hopoi

■ Hopoi says lack of support for Student Experience Center from OSA reason she left group

By David Shumway
THE DAILY BAROMETER

After nearly countless motions to deny it, being defeated dozens upon dozens of times, and even despite statements from the highest authorities in the ASOSU Senate and House that it "will never happen," on Nov.

16, 2011, in the MU Journey Room, a great triumph was finally achieved.

Together as an entire body, the ASOSU Legislative branch stood up and sang a rousing chorus of the OSU Alma Mater, a first in recent memory for the senate.

The sense of unity was appropriate as members from both Houses convened for the first Joint Session of the current term, called to order by the

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Sororities planning philanthropy events to benefit literacy, children's hospital

■ Presidents of Delta Delta Delta, Delta Phi Omega explain community outreach projects

By Tony Santilli
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Oregon State University Greek houses are making efforts to give back to the community. The Daily Barometer's Tony Santilli sat down with two chapter presidents, Kristin O'Leary of Delta Delta Delta and Martha Ngo of Delta Phi Omega, to speak with them about their philanthropic plans.

Delta Delta Delta is having a pancake breakfast fundraiser this Sunday in the Memorial Union ballroom from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Admission and all-you-can-eat breakfast will cost \$7, and the funds will go to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Q: Is there a correlation between OSU's Dad's weekend and your fundraiser?

A: Yes, because we are encouraging everybody to bring their dads. We are putting on a pancake breakfast for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, and all Tri Delta sororities nationally fundraise for St. Jude's Research Hospital; we have a goal to raise \$15 million in five years. We decided instead of having a big Greek pageant or an all-Greek event, we wanted to open it up to the community because St. Jude is such a good cause



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Martha Ngo, president of Delta Phi Omega and Kristin O'Leary, president of Delta Delta Delta, have been busy planning two upcoming charity events.

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Israel easing restrictions on Gaza

Israel is easing restrictions on the Palestinian territory of Gaza, allowing building materials for the private sector to enter the densely populated sliver of land for the first time since Hamas took control there in 2007.

Trucks carrying tons of building materials for the renovation and rehabilitation of 10 private Palestinian-owned factories have been flowing in since Tuesday. Over the last four years, only limited amounts of building materials were permitted, and only for international projects.

Sami Mshasha, a spokesman for the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, said he welcomed the development. But Mshasha said that what is being done is "too little" and that the Gaza factory owners need more than just building materials to restart their businesses.

"There is a need for spare parts in order to have sustained economic impact," Mshasha said.

The Palestinian Authority, the Israel Defense Forces, the United Nations, and the Quartet worked on the plan. The Quartet is the Middle East peace initiative of four international entities — the United States, the United Nations, Russia and the European Union.

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Student Conduct hires Title IX compliance coordinator to deal with harassment issues

Shannon Quihuiz was recently hired as Interim Coordinator of Title IX Compliance

By Dominique Loberg
THE DAILY BAROMETER

On any college campus, just like any community, issues of sexual harassment and violence unfortunately continue to be a problem. To help deal with these issues, the office of student conduct has hired a Title IX compliance coordinator.

On April 4, 2011, universities across the country received a "Dear Colleague" letter from the Office for Civil Rights of the U.S. Department of Education. The letter entailed an explanation of the importance of Title IX stating, "The sexual harassment of students, including sexual violence, interferes with students' rights to receive an education free from discrimination and, in the case of sexual violence, is a crime."

Although Oregon State University has not encountered an overwhelming amount of sexual violence cases, it remains a problem in need of a solution.

With an office in the basement of Kerr Administration in the Student Career Services, Director of Student Conduct Dan Schwab and his office thought OSU would benefit from having a specified position for Title IX Compliance and community liaison coordinator.

Schwab saw the need to hire one person to do the job, considering his office is sparse with only three workers: an assistant and two half-time grad students.

According to Schwab, the student conduct office relied on "employees and the police to deal with harassment and community issues. There was no one officially trained, so it was difficult to focus one-on-one with victims, as well as the accused, in situations such as sexual harassment, when there was not one person who was fully focused on that particular job."

Schwab decided it would be easier to

get facts for situations of sexual harassment or community issues if students were able to go through a "non-intimidating process, to get the go-to facts and have good outcomes, without all of the intimidating police lingo." Graduate student assistant Shannon Quihuiz seemed to be the right match for the position.

With the demand to tend to the compliance of Title IX and the interactions between the residential community of Corvallis and OSU, Schwab and his office thought Quihuiz's gentle and intellectual nature would be the perfect fit.

Officially assigned to the job Oct. 3, Quihuiz immediately began working on two major investigations of sexual harassment issues among OSU students.

In order to provide a summary to the conduct committee, which decides how cases of sexual harassment should end, Quihuiz "meets with accused student of the sexual harassment incident, writes up reports of facts, diversion, and then is able to provide a comprehensible summary to the conduct committee," she said. "It helps make the process easier for everyone to understand, and all that is needed to say is within the summary, leaving little or nothing up for question."

Along with working on sexual harassment cases, Quihuiz also acts as the community liaison coordinator. In her first week of work, Quihuiz was sent on a bar crawl across parts of the city with active Corvallis community member, Bob Kerr.

"It was a good way to get a perspective from an actual Corvallis community member, and hear what they had to say about how they feel about college students roaming around on weekend nights," she said.

Quihuiz also plans on going on a ride-along with Corvallis firefighters to get a feel for their typical rounds, as well as visit a few Greek parties. In doing so, she sees both sides of the spectrum in Corvallis and is able to have a fair, concise view. Quihuiz believes there will



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Shannon Quihuiz, was recently named Title IX coordinator.

be positive, long-term results for these activities.

Quihuiz is working on making presentations on how to prevent sexual harassment and issues within the community available to the student body. She is currently hand-in-hand with OSU Student Health Support and the Office of Equity and Inclusion, adding to her growing list of credentials for her position.

"Though a lot of these incidents go unreported, we want to make OSU and Corvallis a safe, secure environment for students to live and learn," Quihuiz said.

The Student Conduct and Community Standards urge students to stop by if they or their friend has been confronted with issues of sexual harassment. Their office is located in the basement of Kerr Administration Building in room B058. For specific office hours or to schedule an appointment, call (541)737-3656.

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CALENDAR

Thursday, Nov. 17

Meetings

OSU Pre-Law Society, 6pm, StAg 111. Regular meeting.

OSU Chess Club, 4pm, MU Commons. Meet for casual games. Free membership. All skill levels welcome!

White Privilege Discussion Group, 6-7:30pm, Valley Library Room 1420. The Women's Center is hosting an informal, facilitated conversation for people interested in identifying and subverting white privilege in the feminist movement. All are welcome to attend.

Vegans and Vegetarians at OSU, 6pm, SSC, 738 SW 15th St. We discuss various topics that we face, eat delicious food and welcome everyone even if you aren't vegetarian.

Baha'i Campus Association, 5-5:30pm, MU Talisman Room. Tranquility Zone - Interfaith relaxation and spiritual reflection. Bring your favorite poem, meditation or prayer to share.

Events

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 5:45-7:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd St. Q.U.E.S.T. - Simple supper, new topic each week.

Peer Health Advocates, 11am-3pm, MU Brick Mall. World No Tobacco Day Outreach. Come learn about the new tobacco policy and information on tobacco's effects on your health!

CAPS and The Pride Center, 3:30-5pm, The Pride Center. Unwrapping the Mystery: The Mental Health Dilemma of Diagnosing Gender Identity Disorder (GID). Please join AJ Williams, Marcea Bamba and Audrey Schwartz from Counseling & Psychological Services as part of Transgender Awareness Week.

Centro Cultural César Chávez, 6-8pm, Centro Cultural César Chávez. Latin@ Heroes. OSU students present on Latin@ heroes in Spanish. Come join us and learn about Latin@ history.

Friday, Nov. 18

Events

Centro Cultural César Chávez, 1-3pm and 6:30-8pm, MU 109. Come learn more about different Latino/a student organizations and what they offer. Pizza and refreshments will be provided.

Saturday, Nov. 19

Events

OSU Disc Golf Club, 11am-5:30pm, Student Legacy Park. Dad's Weekend Throw-a-round: Free event to raise awareness for OSU's Disc Golf Club. 3-hole course to teach and have fun!

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Syrian deserters strike military target, more deaths reported

A fledgling force of Syrian military deserters said it struck an important government security complex on the outskirts of the capital overnight; a bold strike reflecting the resolve and confidence of the regime's opposition.

The assault came ahead of an Arab League meeting Wednesday to reaffirm a decision to suspend Syria's membership, a decision the group made over the weekend after President Bashar al-Assad's government failed to abide by a proposal to end a brutal crackdown on protesters.

France recalled its ambassador to Syria on Wednesday, the French Foreign Ministry said. The move followed attacks on French missions in Syria.

The defector group, called the Free Syrian Army, said it attacked an air intelligence base in Harasta and planted "powerful explosions inside and around the compound that shook its foundations."

Andrew Tabler, an expert on Syria at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, said air intelligence has been deeply involved in the eight-month-long crackdown by the Syrian government against protesters, a grinding civil conflict that the United Nations says has left more than 3,500 people dead.

Tabler said the strike reflects the growing sophistication of the Free Syrian Army, which has brigades across the coun-

try and has been in existence since the summer.

"It opens up a new era of the conflict," he said, adding that the development represents "a bad direction" for the country. "Until now, most of the protests have been peaceful."

The Free Syrian Army said it "carried out special operations in various areas in Damascus in order to spoil the plan that the regime is preparing against our people and our homeland."

The regime should "take note" that the deserter force "is capable of striking them in any place and at any time we want," the group said.

Activists said the deserter army used rocket-propelled grenades and the intelligence complex was damaged. Activists also reported damage at the complex in Harasta, an eastern suburb of the capital, Damascus.

Free Syrian Army Lt. Abdullah al Odah, speaking to CNN in Istanbul, Turkey, called the late-night operation brief.

He said 20 deserters armed with rocket-propelled grenades and Kalashnikov rifles participated and that it involved people from inside as well as outside the security branch. He didn't know whether security forces suffered casualties but he said no rebels were hurt.

He called air intelligence "one most terrifying secret ser-

vice departments in Syria" and said such security entities will be targeted by defectors.

"This branch is responsible for many of the crimes against Syrian people and political prisoners," al Odah said. "We will announce the whole story to the world in the correct time."

It was one of five actions reported by the opposition force, which has recently emerged as an important factor in the opposition movement as more and more soldiers have left the Syrian army.

The opposition force also reported clashes with personnel loyal to al-Assad in several areas. They include Qaboun and Arbeen, Damascus neighborhoods, and Saqba, a suburb.

There was also fierce fighting in Douma, a city in the Syrian countryside.

"A clash between the Free Syrian Army and Assad's criminal gangs and his mobsters (the shabiha) in Douma, our Free Syrian military caused the Assad's gangs a lesson that they will never forget and heavy losses at the roundabout in the Douma municipality," the army said. The shabiha are pro-government militias.

Tabler said the Free Syrian Army consists of soldiers who've left their posts instead of obeying orders to fire on protesters. They've also had

active operations in and around Homs, Idlib and other areas recently.

Opposition groups like the Free Syrian Army have been calling on the international community to help protect protesters. They have urged the United Nations to impose a no-fly zone, as it did in the Libyan conflict, and a naval blockade. Army leaders have said such policies could allow them to establish a base of operations to launch a campaign to bring down al-Assad's regime.

The group surfaced when seven military officers, believed to be original members of the Free Syrian Army, announced their defection in a video posted on YouTube in July. The group's leaders, who had been exiled to Turkey, say they're directing a guerrilla war effort against the al-Assad regime, which acknowledges an increasing number of deadly attacks on its soldiers, including a bombing of a Syrian army tank near Daraa recently.

Col. Riad al-Assad, a 30-year veteran of the Syrian air force, claims to lead a force in Syrian cities of some 10,000 mainly low-ranking soldiers, a number impossible to verify. But the opposition fighters are believed to have little firepower in comparison with Syria's military, with numbers in the hundreds of thousands.

—CNN

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recently re-instated ASOSU President M. Tonga Hopoi to rectify the series of events surrounding her impeachment trial in the rearview mirror.

"I wanted to come here today to give you all the insight I was unable to offer up before," said Hopoi, addressing her controversial decision to pull out of the Oregon Student Association. "A lot of you probably weren't willing to hear what I had to say [during the trial], but now I want to start out again on the right foot."

According to Hopoi, OSA had dropped the ball on representing OSU student voices during a crucial congressional session in Salem that ended with the Oregon legislature denying approval of bonds for several higher education capital construction projects such as the Student Experience Center (SEC).

"We voted through our student government to utilize capital from our own incidental fees to build this building. We deserve for every dang inch of it to go up," said Hopoi. "But OSA, who bills themselves as 'our voice in the Capital,' was not there to advise the Ways and Means Committee to allow us to use the funds to build the SEC. Furthermore, they froze

all of our building projects, including renovations to the Memorial Union, the Residence Halls, and all our other projects until next February."

Hopoi informed the assembled ASOSU Legislature that OSU President Ed Ray himself was going to Salem on Friday, November 18th to testify in front of the Ways and Means Committee in support of the SEC.

In response, as a show of goodwill and solidarity, the House Representatives in attendance adjourned to the hallway to draft a referendum stating their unbroken support for the SEC, which was quickly barreled through its first and second readings and passed in less than five minutes.

Rep. Andrew Struthers then moved to add a footnote to the bill explaining it had been passed unanimously.

"Let's send a message," said Struthers.

Following Hopoi's appeal, Nichole Perez, the delegate from the Native American Longhouse, and several others related their experience at a recent OSA-run Oregon Students of Color Coalition conference in a formal report to the House and Senate. The delegates expressed similar feelings of discontent to those voiced by President Hopoi in the past, concerning the quality and inclu-

siveness of OSA programs.

"OSCC needs to rise to OSU standards. It was, excuse my language, a conference for students of color completely run by whites. They didn't really involve or empower students of color, just kind of skimmed the surface. It was surreal. We were the guests of honor, and we all felt out of place and uncomfortable."

Perez compared the awkwardness they felt to that of a white student who wandered into the middle of one of the cultural centers for the first time.

"We even run our cultural centers as very inclusive to all races," said Perez. "The [people at OSCC] need to come to OSU and we'll show them how it's done."

The house of representative's special committee looking at ASOSU's relationship with OSA will have an open forum and present their fact finding research during a meeting on Nov. 28 at 7 p.m. in the MU.

For those who wish to accompany President Ray to Salem on Friday, please send your names via email to either Speaker Pro Tempore Kevin Dunn or the Senate President Pro Tempore and ask to be included in the transportation plans.

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and everyone should have the opportunity help them.

Q: How will Tri Delta be making the pancake breakfast more successful than years before?

A: We have been trying to tweak it to be something different and we usually just hold the event in our house, but it didn't get a lot of publicity. I know the Greek system can be sort of exclusive and if you're not in a fraternity/sorority you might not feel comfortable coming to a sorority house for breakfast, so we really wanted to have a bigger event raising money for St. Jude. Last year, we were able to raise just under \$30,000 for St. Jude.

Q: Why is Tri Delta putting on this event?

A: We are putting this event on because we all really care about the children at St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. We want the OSU community to feel involved with the Greek

community and we want it to be less exclusive so that everyone can help. Our fundraiser shows hard efforts that sororities and all other Greek houses put into their philanthropy. I personally have put in around 45 hours the past term just for this event. I got all the food donated; I didn't have to pay for any of the food. We have about 117 girls in the house, and the goal of our sorority is to build a perpetual bond of friendship, but more than that, we like to be involved and help the community.

Delta Phi Omega is a relatively new multicultural sorority, led by Ngo. Their fundraiser, Literacy through Unity Week, will fundraise for CARE, which helps low-income women in rural areas. The event will be held Feb. 3-9.

Q: What are some struggles with having a smaller and newer sorority when trying to promote a cause?

A: We have been established here for almost six years and there are currently 40 girls in

our sorority, but active is nine, so we're pretty small. For the Greek Life part, we deal with the stereotypes of being in a sorority and that we party, etc., so for us to hold community service, it brings a good light to Greeks at OSU and OSU itself. We don't get acknowledgement very much because we are quiet, but with events like these, we really get our name out there and people get to know us more on a personal level if they show up to events.

Q: What will be taking place during Delta Phi Omega's Week of Literacy through Unity?

A: Our goal is to build awareness of children's literacy in education for this fundraiser, which ties into our philanthropy because we help educate the girls in those areas, and we are really big on the education part for children. There will be a dry kickoff party Feb. 3. We are currently working on the kinks of the whole week, but there is going to be a date night auction and a field day, which will be at McAlexander

Field House; tentatively Feb. 6. There will also be volunteer work with local preschools.

Q: What do you want people to know about your sorority and your awareness week?

A: We are a multicultural sorority so we encompass everyone's background, so we are a little bit different and we're un-housed. We just recently received our chapter status last January. I think that attendance is a big help and [so is] showing up to hang out with us or learn more about the struggles of children and education around the world. We accept donations of every kind, such as monetary donations or even helping out with supplies, but we really just want to see people.

As exemplified by Tri Delta and Delta Phi Omega, OSU Greek Life is aiming for a higher level of community outreach.

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Editorial

Supercommittee-ed

There's one week left until the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction — otherwise known as the 'supercommittee' — must decide on \$1.2 trillion in spending cuts for the next decade.

If seven of the 12 members can't agree on the proposed savings plan, then automatic spending cuts will go into effect in 2013. If an agreement is found, Congress will have a full month to vote on the new deal. But that means back to square one.

The debt debacle — the 75th crisis of its kind — over the summer was met with such pessimism and dissension, the consequent answer of the 'supercommittee' should only be seen in the same. The federal government takes us for fools; we're expected to buy that proximity, deadline and limited political involvement — 12 members versus 500+ officials in Congress — will spell success, compromise, a 'grand bargain.'

But there's a reason Congress's approval rating has sunk to historic lows: the public's picking up on the inefficiency. If we've been shown anything between the two presidencies and four Congressional majorities, it's that the Fed blends into one perpetual stream of false accomplishment.

But as of now, they are meeting, and cynicism never pays in progress. CNN recently caught up with the committee members and outside influencers. Generally, we should feel confident...

On Tuesday, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid: "I don't know what the Republican proposal is."

Later that day, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell: "It's been a long week waiting for a [Democratic] counter-proposal."

Also Tuesday, Republican Representative Jeb Hensarling said he believes the GOP has "gone as far as [they] feel [they] can go" on tax revenue. The next day, he criticized Democrats for ignoring reforms in entitlement programs. As he told Reuters, "I'm still waiting for a proposal that actually solves the spending crisis."

On Wednesday, Democratic Representative Chris Van Hollen: "We need to find out about whether our Republican colleagues want to continue to negotiate or whether they've drawn a hard line in the sand."

Republican Senator Saxby Chambliss: "The right thing to do is to go big. Super committee, we've got your back."

Democratic Representative Steny Hoyer: "We must work across the aisle in both houses to get this country on the right track. We have the greatest chance that we've had in a generation to strike a bold agreement."

Finally, Republican Representative Paul Ryan on Fox News: "[The House] put our cards on the table. We passed a budget last April. We're gonna pass a budget next April. We passed 22 bills to create jobs... Unfortunately, we hear the crickets chirping over in the Senate — no budget, no plan, just stalemate. So it's frustrating... [but] elections have consequences."

That they do, that they do.

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A Nittany Lions fan disgraced and disheartened

I remember it like it was yesterday.

Kevin Kelly, a true freshman kicker, was the most famous person in sports for one night. He missed the game-winning field goal, sending the game into overtime. Then he missed the field goal to take the lead in double overtime. Then, in triple overtime, his game-winning field goal barely grazed through the uprights for a successful kick.

Penn State 26, Florida State 23. That was the 2006 Orange Bowl. I was there. In fact, I was sitting right behind the same uprights the winning kick soared through.

My family is rich in blue and white blood. My dad graduated from Penn State in 1983. He was there for the first football national championship to ever come to State College. My uncle went to PSU for a year. My entire family on my dad's side grew up as Penn State fans in York, Penn. — about two hours from Penn State's campus. Most of them still live in the area today.

That Orange Bowl was one of the best moments of my life. And it didn't come easy for Penn State to get there.

Penn State had been a historic football program before I was born and into my very early childhood. But once I started showing interest in college football, the Nittany Lions were a joke. From 2000 to 2004 (known as "The Dark Years"), Penn State only had one winning season. The two seasons leading up to that Orange Bowl year, they went 3-9 and 4-7.

People began clamoring for Joe Paterno's head before the 2005 season started. He was too old,



Warner Strausbaugh

couldn't coach anymore. Fans said he was done.

Somehow, some way, it all came together that year. There were so many memorable games: The amazing 17-point fourth-quarter comeback at Northwestern, the "white out" over No. 6 Ohio State, and the tragic last-second loss to Michigan.

It all culminated in that Orange Bowl win over Florida State — a magical season ending in the right way.

As a freshman in high school, that was all great. I still have my ticket tacked on the wall above my desk. But I didn't know what was going on behind the scenes at Penn State's campus. No one did.

I'm not here to go over what Jerry Sandusky did. We all know what happened. We all felt the same collective horror and shock when the news broke, and after reading the grand jury report.

The fact is this: Today's culture surrounding college football is about football first and foremost, and everything else falls in line behind it. Nothing is more indicative of that than what is going on in State College.

When then-graduate assistant, now-wide receivers coach Mike McQueary came to Paterno in 2002 and told him what he saw, Paterno did the bare minimum. He reported it to the higher-ups: the athletic

director and the school's vice president. Nothing happened.

The athletic director and vice president of the school are more at fault than Paterno — that I can say confidently. But there's a moral issue Paterno neglected; he turned the other shoulder. By not doing anything, Paterno condoned Sandusky's actions. He put his stature, his job, his legacy, ahead of everything else, even children being victimized.

Michael Weinreb of Grantland.com described it the best: "Everything in State College — even the name of our town — was one all-encompassing, synergistic monolith, and Joe Paterno was our benevolent dictator, and nothing truly bad ever happened, and even when it did, it was easier just to blot it from our lives and move on."

Talking to my dad multiple times as the information began to trickle out, one thing he remembered about being a student at PSU was everyone hero-worshipped Paterno. He told a story of introducing himself and shaking hands with Paterno when he was walking by his residence hall.

State College was Paterno's town. Everyone bowed down to him, toasted to him, and used his name in the same breath as God and Jesus. Paterno was an idol for many — myself included. And now everything Paterno has put together is gone — gone with the silence that was given to the children involved.

And there's another question in this whole ordeal: How many other people knew?

It doesn't even take skepticism
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Stop the occupation, especially on campus

Reading last week's paper, you would have found there is now movement in the Occupy ranks to get an Occupy OSU movement going. This is the final straw; it was fine when the Occupy movement was complaining on Wall Street and in Portland, Ore., but now they are starting to lose control and perspective.

The article in the paper mentioned how Oregon State University shouldn't be making money from the students, then spending the money to fund projects or political agendas the students didn't agree to. The Occupy OSU movement wants to get the help of the student organizations and hold teach-ins, which will merely be a misguided attempt to ultimately bite the hand that feeds you.

The first contention to occupying OSU is that higher education is a privilege, not a right. Every citizen has the right to receive an education of K-12, but colleges and universities provide a service. Higher education is a product we are paying to get.

Is the price of education incredibly high? Yes. Does it prevent capable students who have earned the privilege to attend a university



Robert Fix

Rebel without a pulse

from doing so? Yes, it does. OSU is merely a business providing a service to the public at a price. No one is entitled to the services OSU or any other university offers, nor are the students able to be upset with how universities spend the money they earn in an attempt to educate students.

The Occupy movement was out of line when they occupied Wall Street, but coming to OSU is just ridiculous. I'm here at OSU to get an education, to get my diploma, then leave and get a really nice job. Not to be a part of an asinine political movement that doesn't even know the real reason for its problems.

The 1 percent of America is not responsible for the current situation in the United States, and it isn't unfair they have so much, especially when 91 percent of the 1 percent earned their wealth. With 1.4 million people making \$347,000 or more in a year, this qualifies them

as the 1 percent. The late Steve Jobs was part of this 1 percent; he made the iPod, iPad and iPhone all on the basis that he was going to make yacht loads of money from the deal.

Greedy, for the most part, is very good for everyone. Look around yourself, take a good look at the things you own and understand that people made those products to make money.

The Occupy movement argues that there shouldn't be such a huge gap between the richest and the poorest, but why not? The top 1 percent have companies that employ millions of people; these companies provide goods and services that all people have the ability to enjoy.

If the 1 percent wanted to, they could close down their companies, take their money and leave the U.S. people without industry or money. The country would collapse without the 1 percent funding other aspects of our country and donating to projects like cancer research, which can't be properly funded by the 99 percent.

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There's a manual for that

Have you noticed that companies think we are dumb? I mean really, do we need instructions on a shampoo bottle that reads, "Apply shampoo to head, lather, rinse and repeat." Yes, we never would have guessed how to do that on our own.

Or what about the coffee cup that warns, "Caution, hot liquid could cause burns." Wow, the thought never entered my head that a hot cup of coffee could actually be, well, hot.

So my question is: Have we become a nation of over-educated consumers lacking in common sense? Let's face it. We can multitask, navigate through websites, analyze data, download files, resize and crop pictures, but we are lost when it comes to proper shampooing.

Ever buy anything from IKEA? You walk through this gigantic store that offers everything from artwork to zebra comforters, furniture and millions of empty colored boxes that await your storing needs.

I tried explaining IKEA to my grandmother once, only to leave her very confused as to why anyone would want to buy an empty box. She never could wrap her head around that concept. But then again, she couldn't understand why people buy water in a bottle, when it comes free from the faucet.

Things like Lurchables and pre-made Jell-O could send her down memory lane for hours. You knew you were in trouble when she started a phrase with, "In my day..." And that was a great time to develop bladder issues, which needed immediate attention.

But no matter, you buy this table, dresser or whatever piece of furniture, and take it home in this flat box that weighs a ton. It always amazed me how a 30-pound nightstand can weigh 150 pounds in the box. When you pull it out of the box, it comes in 556 pieces. All the pieces have letters on them, and there is usually a manual included, along with a Ziploc bag of the 105 hardware pieces, which have some mysterious relationship with your nightstand.

You open the manual, which is about the size of a Corvallis phone book, and that is when you notice there isn't a single word in this whole instruction guide. Nope, not one single word. It's all badly designed diagrams.

Now you have to decode what these images represent. It's not easy feeling like an illiterate. Six hours later, three attempts at proper assembly, four stripped screws and a visceral hatred for anything Swedish, you finally have your nightstand put together. Now, you can carry the mysteriously lightened (now weighing the appropriate 30 pounds) piece of furniture to the bedroom.

So, why do companies do it? Why do they assume we are that dumb? Well, because we are.

In 1994, in Liebeck v. McDonald's Restaurants, also known as the hot

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Hypocrisy of 'small government' conservatives

The American political landscape is dominated by two superpower philosophies: the liberals and the conservatives. Liberals make no secret of the fact they support regulation of corporations and financial institutions. Conservatives, however, claim to have a small government and regulation-free political ideology. In reality, this ideology is only extended to corporations. When it comes to the American people, conservatives propose regulations that would greatly reduce citizens' liberties.

As far as conservatives are concerned, maintaining a free-market economy free of regulation is of utmost importance. Americans for Prosperity, a free-market advocacy group, proposes economic policies that minimize government impact on the free market. Clearly, AFP does not represent the economic views held by all conservatives, but the group is popular among many powerful conservatives.

According to The New York Times, conservative presidential frontrunners Mitt Romney and Herman Cain have given speeches at a number of AFP events. A review of the AFP website reveals the foundation's political ideology; AFP advocates for lower taxes, less government spending and an unregulated free-market economy — all of which sound like conservative values (limit government economic involvement).

However, conservative social policy tells a much different story than conservative economic policy. When it comes to laws that affect average American citizens, conservative policy is controlling and discriminatory. Manifested in conservative policy are fears such as homophobia and xenophobia. When

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American citizens succumb to such fears, conservative policy essentially limits fundamental rights.

Conservatives have tried to limit the rights of homosexuals, immigrants, Muslims, women seeking abortions and voters. Although so far unsuccessful in enacting many controlling policies, the conservative social agenda will have dire consequences for the American people if it ever comes to fruition.

The list of oppressive conservative policies is extensive, so for the sake of brevity, let's elaborate on two specific instances.

First, consider the Defense of Marriage Act. Now, to be fair, DOMA was not sponsored strictly by conservatives; DOMA was signed into law in 1996 by President Bill Clinton. However, DOMA has recently become a conservative issue, with liberals calling for its repeal.

According to an article from the Washington Post, DOMA defines marriage as being between one man and one woman, forbidding gay couples from receiving any of the benefits of marriage that heterosexual couples enjoy.

Furthermore, all Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the repeal of DOMA, while Republicans voted to deny repeal. If this foreshadows the House of Representatives vote,

the repeal has no chance of passing, as conservatives control the House. To justify their support for DOMA, conservatives claim to be protecting the institution of marriage. In reality, they have succumbed to homophobia and rely on thinly veiled homophobic legislation to curtail the rights of homosexual Americans.

Another conservative issue of late has been voter rights. As American political blog ThinkProgress has reported, laws have been introduced, and in some cases passed, in multiple states including Wisconsin, South Carolina and Maine, that it would make it more difficult for residents to vote by enacting stricter identification requirements.

In Maine, a proposed law sought to eliminate same-day voter registration. Perhaps the most widely reported case of voter rights infringement, Wisconsin's voter ID law has made it more difficult for residents to obtain the ID needed to vote. After the law came into effect, Republican Gov. Scott Walker decided to close 10 DMVs across the state and expand hours at others. In an Associated Press article, one Wisconsin lawmaker stated the closures appear to be in Democratic districts while hours are set to be extended in Republican areas. Conservatives are trying to advance their agenda by making it harder to oppose conservative policies.

The combination of Laissez-faire economic policy and restrictive social

policy leads to a frightening conclusion about the modern conservative agenda: it favors the powerful. A free-market economy without any form of regulation emphasizes profit over human rights. Conservative policy subjugates the citizenry by seeking to oppress individuals whose lifestyle or ideas are different from their own.

Taking the conservative political dichotomy into account, it is not hard to see a trend toward totalitarianism. By simultaneously limiting the ability of citizens to oppose conservative policy and promoting economic policy that favors the already powerful, conservatives are trying to create a political landscape in which dissent and human rights protections do not exist.

As disturbing as the consequences of the conservative agenda may be, there is hope the agenda will fall short of its totalitarian goal. Recent conservative laws have been flatly rejected by voters. In Maine, the voter ID law was defeated. A Mississippi proposal to declare that personhood begins at conception was rejected. An Ohio workers' rights law also failed spectacularly when citizens sent the ballots in.

Considering our current political trends, I am both frightened and hopeful. The goal of totalitarianism shows no sign of slowing in the near future. But the public appears to be aware of the assault on their rights and is beginning to fight back. We are currently in a political battle between the American people and those who wish to deceive and control us. Only time will tell the winner.

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the 1 percent is that they bought the U.S. government. How is this a problem caused by the 1 percent? We the people elected corrupted politicians; we elected people who cared more about the lining of their pockets than the welfare of our country; this is the bad side of greed.

Money should never be involved with running a country. Our country is slowly burning to the ground and the politicians and people only care about how much money they have. Instead, people should be concerned with the inept politicians who lack the essential function of logical thinking, critical analysis and ethics.

Government is in a power struggle of who is right: the Republicans or the Democrats? But the truth of the matter is, they are both corrupt and need to be removed from our country. Anyone who attains that kind of position should be tried for treason when they put the needs of their party before the needs of the country.

Not everyone has a price. There are people in the world, in this country, that put morals and values above anything else. If the Occupy movement wants to attack the real source of their problems, then they need to Occupy Congress, not schools.

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to have creeping doubts that the information that has come out will not be all we hear. This could just be the tipping point. If it was occurring over a 15-year period, there will assuredly be more people involved. As bad as it looks, it could get worse.

Then there is the football aspect. Penn State still has a shot at reaching the Big Ten Championship and could play for a Rose Bowl. But does it even matter?

If the players (and you've got to feel bad for the players on the current roster for having to deal with this) rally behind this and fight for their own pride as football players, if they win the Big Ten and make the Rose Bowl — do we, as fans, care?

It's not going to be a "Cinderella" story if they do. No one is sympathizing that kind of adversity, even if the current players had nothing to do with it.

There's only one solution. The Nittany Lions have to clean house.

Paterno and Graham Spanier, the university president, are now out of there, and should be. If more names start to come out of those who knew about Sandusky — fire them too. And if McQueary is not let go, then the rest of the firings are illegitimate.

Clean house. Start anew. Don't leave anything from the Paterno regime around.

And where does this all take us now? Where does college football go from here?

This is a clear-cut case of putting the program before people. From everyone involved, the fear of what kind of fallout would happen and tarnish Penn State's reputation was put above the moral obligation to report a disgusting crime to the proper authorities.

I almost think it shouldn't be out of the question for the NCAA to penalize the program over this — to send a message. A message that says looking the other way will not be tolerated. Don't put football over the natural rights we have as human beings.

For the fan in me who saw that football fly through those

goal posts five years ago, I want this to go away. Penn State has been beaten into the ground by every columnist, television talking-head and any other media personality around. I'm writing this, and enabling the burying, too.

But it needs to be done. This needs to be talked about. It's a wake-up call to anyone around college football.

Darkness looms around a place that surely can't be called "Happy Valley" right now. If the university goes the proper route with this and doesn't stop at just firing Paterno and Spanier, but makes a point to erase this from memory as

quickly as possible — then like a phoenix, it can rise from the ashes.

But that's a big "if." Blatant mistakes have been made by Penn State. Correcting those mistakes and not repeating history is what must be done. Looking at this from now on, not as being a part of the football institution, but as people, will be the only way to make this right.

And if they do that, maybe once again we can enjoy the game for just a game, like I did at the Orange Bowl.

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coffee case, Sheila Liebeck was awarded over \$600,000 in compensation from having been burned by the hot coffee she had purchased. The suit was because there was no warning on the cup indicating the coffee was hot.

In 2002, Caesar Barber sued four major fast-food restaurants. His claim stated that the restaurants were guilty of serving him fatty foods and causing his obesity. He stated that there was no warning on the food packages claiming that eating the product could

cause weight gain and health problems.

Now, companies want to cover their assets (literally), so they put warning signs and instructions on everything. Open mouth, draw in air and breathe in, open mouth, relax chest and breathe out. Pretty soon, they will start handing out phonebook-sized manuals on how to breathe. And to make sure that we fully understand — there will be no words, just badly drawn diagrams.

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— was crucial. Hofstra never got closer than four from that point forward. The contest had the look of a game the Beavers may have lost in the past. Cunningham wouldn't go that far, but he did admit the Beavers finished better than they've been known to finish. "Wouldn't say we would have lost this game last year, but some of the buckets and free throws we made down the stretch wouldn't have went down in the past," Cunningham said.

Robinson was more than pleased with his guys' performance against a Hofstra team that finished second in the Colonial Athletic Association a year ago.

"This was by far, maybe even since I've been here, the gutsiest win I've seen from one of our teams," Robinson said. "A bunch of really good basketball players from New York City tried to come in here and steal one from ya, and you take a punch in the mouth and give a little one back and come out with a win."

Undefeated through three games for the first time since 2000, the Beavers will now head to East Rutherford, New Jersey, where they'll face the University of Texas Saturday and either North Carolina State University or Vanderbilt University Monday.

"Let's go take our bike out," said Robinson, "and test it against the other kids down the street."

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The last two years, Perry has made the Pac-10 All-Academic Second Team.

"I don't think I've ever — in all the time he's been here — he's never been on any lists, and that's one of the things you want to stay off: the list that missed study hall, the list that missed weights, the list that missed class," Riley said. "Marcus has never been on anything. He's just a very detailed, hard-working guy, and where it shows up is in the consistency of his work."

The four years Perry has spent as an Oregon State football player are about to conclude. His time in the spotlight is limited, but his time in the eyes of Riley, the coaches and players was always there.

Four years as the long snapper, Perry has been a reliable member of this team. So reliable in fact, it could be easy to take what he has done as a Beaver for granted.

"I forget about him in that senior group," Riley said. "That's tough to replace right there."

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Obama pledges U.S. military power in Pacific

President Barack Obama declared Thursday that the United States will take an expanded role in shaping the Asian Pacific region, with an increased military presence one step of that policy.

"Our enduring interests in the region demand our enduring presence in this region," Obama said in a speech to the Australian Parliament. "The United States is a Pacific power, and we are here to stay."

On Wednesday, his government announced an agreement with Australia that will expand military cooperation between the longtime allies and boost America's presence in the region.

In Thursday's speech, Obama made clear that the military expansion is a top priority in the wake of the Iraq and Afghanistan wars, even as the United States faces the need to reduce mounting federal deficits and debt.

"As we end today's wars, I have directed my national security team to make our presence and missions in the Asia Pacific a top priority," Obama said. "As a result, reductions in U.S. defense spending will

not — I repeat, will not — come at the expense of the Asia Pacific."

The speech on the second day of his two-day trip to Australia, Obama's first as president, signaled a policy objective to compete head-on with China for influence in the region while also providing security assurances for allies.

Deputy National Security Adviser Ben Rhodes told reporters that the policy comes in part from nations of the region seeking increased U.S. presence.

"The ability of the United States to help respond to contingencies is something that has been welcomed in recent years, whether, again, it was work that we're doing in the Philippines to counter violent extremism, work that we're doing to counter piracy in the region, the response to the tsunami in Indonesia," Rhodes said. "So in other words, there's a demand signal from the nations of the region, and this is something that we're doing in concert with one of our closest allies. So we believe it's not just entirely appropriate, but an important step to dealing with the challenges of the future

of the Asia Pacific region."

Under the military agreement announced Wednesday, up to 250 U.S. Marines will be sent to Darwin and the northern region of Australia for military exercises and training. Over the next several years their numbers are expected to climb to 2,500 — a full Marine ground task force.

In addition, Air Force Maj. Gen. Michael Keltz, director of strategic planning and policy for the U.S. Pacific Command, told journalists in a telephone call Wednesday from Hawaii that the United States has based some of its most sophisticated weapons in the Pacific, including squadrons of F-22 fighters and C-17 transport planes.

The F-22s provide leading-edge technology for potential air-to-air combat as well as cyber- and electronic warfare," Keltz said. They replaced older F-15's, he added.

While U.S. officials cited the need to respond to regional natural disasters as a reason for the agreement, concern over China's military expansion is widely acknowledged as a driving factor.

— CNN

Twitter reacts angrily to Sepp Blatter's comments on racism

FIFA president Sepp Blatter told CNN Wednesday that on-field racism was not a problem in football, remarks which caused a stir on the social-networking site Twitter.

Blatter told CNN World Sport anchor Pedro Pinto that players who have been abused should shake hands with their opponent upon the final whistle and move on.

Later he used his official @SeppBlatter account to reaffirm the commitment global football's governing body has to stamping out racism and discrimination within soccer.

"Racism and discrimination of any kind have no place in football. I have said this many times before, and I will say it again and again," tweeted the 75-year-old.

"However — and it is not an excuse — sometimes, in the heat of the moment, things are said and done on the field of play which are wrong."

But Blatter also stated that

he does not believe player-to-player racial abuse is prevalent in football, saying the game is often a unifying force.

"This does not mean that, in general, there is racism on the field of play. Football unites people more than it divides them."

Chelsea and England captain John Terry is currently the subject of an investigation by London's Metropolitan Police into alleged racial abuse of Queens Park Rangers defender Anton Ferdinand.

Manchester United and England star Rio Ferdinand is the brother of Anton and he took to Twitter to express his disbelief at Blatter's comments.

"Tell me I have just read Sepp Blatter's comments on racism in football wrong... if not then I am astonished," Ferdinand said.

"I feel stupid for thinking that football was taking a leading role against racism...

it seems it was just on mute for a while."

Ferdinand then addressed a question directly to Blatter, saying: "@SeppBlatter your comments on racism are so condescending its almost laughable. If fans shout racist chants but shake our hands is that ok?"

Piers Morgan, host of CNN's Piers Morgan Tonight, condemned Blatter's remarks as "utterly outrageous".

He wrote: "Sepp Blatter just gave every racist in football a license to abuse. Even by his standards this is utterly outrageous."

Former England and Liverpool striker Stan Collymore echoed their sentiments, calling on Blatter to end his 13-year reign at the top of global football.

"Mr Blatter, your comments about racism are ill-thought and condescending in the extreme. You should resign," Collymore tweeted.

Jermaine Jenas is an England international currently on-loan at Aston Villa from Tottenham Hotspur. The midfielder called Blatter's comments "ridiculous".

"How can the head of the footballing world be so ignorant towards racism! Sepp Blatter's quotes are ridiculous. #educateyourself"

Sports Illustrated senior writer Grant Wahl was baffled by Blatter's remarks, echoing the calls for the FIFA chief to step down.

"Sepp Blatter tells @PedroCNN any racist abuse between players should be settled with a handshake," Wahl said. "Mind-boggling. Go away Sepp."

Raphael Honigstein is a journalist and European football expert who also joined the growing call for Blatter to quit.

"Blatter has really lost it. Go now, Sepp," he said.

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talent in the 2011 recruiting class were already committed or had relationships built with college programs," Rueck said.

To make up for lost time, the offseason emphasized recruiting the junior college system, adding both experience and expectation to the roster. The program welcomes those who have proven themselves effective with several dominating preseason performances thus far.

Junior center Thais Pinto transferred from Western Nebraska Community College and a long way from her hometown, Belo Horizonte, Brazil.

At 6-foot-7, Pinto is the tallest player in program history and currently the tallest player in the Pac-12. As the team makes it a point to win the rebounds column on the stat sheet, Pinto gives the Beavers the height they lacked in previous seasons.

"Thais changes the game for sure, every minute she's on the floor with that length," Rueck said.

"I am so happy here," Pinto said. "We are enjoying helping each other out, and I think this is the way we should be playing."

Junior forward Patricia Bright, a transfer from Pensacola State College, has a very effective post-game, both offensively and defensively. She stands 6-foot-4 and should help the team maintain energy in the post positions.

Bright said it's been a smooth transition to Oregon State and is hoping for a successful season.

"Most people think new coach, new players, new opportunity, but we continue to work hard and hopefully we don't go underestimated," Bright said.

The only true freshman on the team is guard Ali Gibson, who has scored double figures in each of the Beavers first two nonconference games.

Gibson credits the new players' success to returning athletes making them feel comfortable on the court.

"They have been a huge presence for all the new players," Gibson said. "To know they have confidence in us is really helpful."

Other new players supplementing the roster are transfers Quortni Fambro, Mollee Schwegler, and ShaKiana Edwards-Teasley.

"These new girls are new to this level, new to our system, and they are finding themselves within that. I was really impressed with them and how they competed," Rueck said. "I am excited to see all our new people get experience, and embrace how hard, fast, physical they have to play. You can't do that until a Pac-12 level of competition."

Returning players familiar with the program are guards Sage Indendi and Earlysia Marchbanks, who stand out as vocal and emotional leaders on the court.

"Our returners are doing a great job leading

[the team]," Rueck said. "I'm excited to see us reach our potential."

Sitting at 2-0, Oregon State has started the year off well by dominating the boards, creating turnovers and capitalizing in transition.

The Beavers recorded the largest margin of victory in school history when five players scored in double figures in a 96-32 win over Western Oregon University in their season opener.

Oregon State beat Montana 83-53 in its second game of the year, and will take on Cal State Northridge tonight at 7 p.m. in Gill Coliseum.

The Beavers play 11 nonconference games — six at home — before opening up Pac-12 play at home against the University of Washington on Dec. 29.

"We are excited about our nonconference schedule," Rueck said. "We have some good challenges within that which will prepare us."

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BEAVER TRIVIA

Sports Editor's Note: We here at the Barometer are curious how knowledgeable OSU athletes are about OSU athletics, so we decided to find out. Each week, we'll ask two athletes from the five OSU fall sports five questions each. We'll reveal their answers in each Thursday's edition of The Daily Barometer and keep track of how many questions each team has gotten right over the course of the term.

NOTICE: This is the second-to-last week of the fall edition of Beaver Trivia. We'll reveal the final results and crown our inaugural champion (is anyone going to give women's soccer a run for their money?) on Thursday, Dec. 1.

Participant (sport)	FB: Who picked off Joey Harrington three times in the 2000 Civil War? A. Dennis Weathersby B. Jake Cookus C. Mitch Meeuwsen D. Terrell Roberts	WS: What was the senior class's all-time record against the Ducks? A. 2-0-2 B. 3-1-0 C. 3-0-1 D. 2-1-1	VB: Who just set the program record for most digs in a season? A. Camille Saxton B. Dre Shaw C. Becky Defoe D. Arica Nassar	XC: Out of 31 teams, what place did Oregon State finish in at last week's NCAA West Regional? A. 9th B. 12th C. 16th D. 21st	MS: Who is Oregon State's all-time leader in assists? A. Robbie Findley B. Chris Scotti C. Danny Mwanga D. Ryan Johnson	Total Correct
Lance Mitchell (FB)	C (Mitch Meeuwsen)	C (3-0-1)	A (Camille Saxton)	C (16th)	B (Chris Scotti)	1
Joe Halahuni (FB)	C (Mitch Meeuwsen)	D (2-1-1)	C (Becky Defoe)	A (9th)	A (Robbie Findley)	1
Milan Cabrera (WS)	B (Jake Cookus)	A (2-0-2)	B (Dre Shaw)	C (16th)	D (Ryan Johnson)	4
Justyne Freud (WS)	A (Dennis Weathersby)	A (2-0-2)	C (Becky Defoe)	C (16th)	D (Ryan Johnson)	4
Haley Clarke (VB)	D (Terrell Roberts)	B (3-1-0)	C (Becky Defoe)	C (16th)	D (Ryan Johnson)	3
Becky Defoe (VB)	B (Jake Cookus)	C (3-0-1)	C (Becky Defoe)	B (12th)	A (Robbie Findley)	2
Sabrah de Voir (XC)	B (Jake Cookus)	D (2-1-1)	D (Arica Nassar)	C (16th)	C (Danny Mwanga)	2
Erin Jones (XC)	C (Mitch Meeuwsen)	D (2-1-1)	C (Becky Defoe)	C (16th)	D (Ryan Johnson)	3
Will Seymore (MS)	B (Jake Cookus)	C (3-0-1)	C (Becky Defoe)	D (21st)	A (Robbie Findley)	2
Roberto Farfan (MS)	A (Dennis Weathersby)	B (3-1-0)	C (Becky Defoe)	A (9th)	B (Chris Scotti)	1
Correct Answer	B (Jake Cookus)	A (2-0-2)	C (Becky Defoe)	C (16th)	D (Ryan Johnson)	—

STANDINGS (after seven weeks)

1. Women's soccer (57/70)
2. Cross country (48/70)
3. Men's soccer (44/70)
4. Volleyball (40/70)
5. Football (33/70)



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Oregon State 82, Hofstra 70

Beavers beat Hofstra behind Cunningham's 35

■ Cunningham scores career-high, Collier adds 25, in Oregon State's toughest game to date

By Grady Garrett
THE DAILY BAROMETER

According to Oregon State head coach Craig Robinson, Hofstra University woke a sleeping giant in Jared Cunningham Wednesday night at Gill Coliseum.

Ill-advised move. Cunningham erupted for a career-high 35 points and paced Oregon State to an 82-70 victory in front of a crowd of 3,870.

"Jared was having a sluggish day until they started really pressuring him and they got him going, and he decided he was going to take the game over and make sure we weren't going to lose," Robinson said.

Oregon State (3-0) cruised to 33 and 24 point victories in its first two games, but it became apparent in the early stages of Wednesday night's contest that Hofstra would present much more of a challenge than Cal State Bakersfield or West Alabama.

But it was a challenge that Cunningham and company was up for.

Cunningham, whose previous career-high was 24, was 11-for-16 from the field and made 12 free throws.

The fact that the junior guard was

able to "put [Oregon State] on his shoulders," is a welcoming sign for a program that hasn't produced many prolific scorers of late.

"He's really playing assertively," Robinson said. "He's playing like an All-Pac-12 player right now."

Cunningham wasn't the only Beaver to play assertively Wednesday.

Sophomore forward Devon Collier, who has almost brought the basket down on several occasions already this year, scored a career-high 25 points.

"You take Jared out of the equation and you can say Devon [took over the game] as well," Robinson said.

Cunningham and Collier combined to shoot 20-for-28 from the field, while the rest of the team collectively went 7-for-24.

Junior Joe Burton did his fair share of damage in other areas (10 rebounds, 11 assists), but one can imagine what Oregon State's capable of if the rest of the supporting cast finds its offensive groove.

"Ahmad [Starks] can light it up, so can Roberto [Nelson]," Cunningham said. "Today their game was a little bit off, but in the future, look for them to put more shots up and score the ball, too."

Starks was 0-for-3 from three-point territory. Nelson was 1-for-4, though the one he did make — a 25-footer to give Oregon State a five-point advantage with just over five minutes to play

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Jared Cunningham took over Wednesday night's game against Hofstra at Gill Coliseum, scoring a career-high 35 while helping the Beavers improve to 3-0. Robinson said afterward that the junior guard is "playing like an All-Pac-12 player."



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The women's basketball team won nine games last year under Scott Rueck. Expectations are higher this year, given the fact that the returners are entering their second year in Rueck's system and a lengthy list of junior college transfers have been added to the roster.

In Rueck's second year, Beavers look to improve

■ OSU adds several junior college transfers, including the tallest player in program history, to group of returners in second year under Rueck

By Jacob Shannon
THE DAILY BAROMETER

One NCAA Division III Championship, three Elite Eight appearances, five Sweet 16 contests and 14 straight winning seasons. That's a brief list of accomplishments to note on second-year Oregon State University women's basketball head coach Scott Rueck's resume.

Rebuilding an Oregon State program basically from the ground up would be as impressive as any of the aforementioned accolades.

Year two of the rebuilding process is underway.

Can Oregon State raise the standard of success seen in the late 90s, in establishing a program that is synonymous with the phrase 'tournament bound'?

Rueck is familiar with what it takes to establish a successful program and hoping to build off of last season, when the Beavers finished 9-21.

Rueck is looking to bring the program to a level of success he has seen previously with George Fox University, but all great things take time. He barely had any time to put together a roster after he was hired in June of 2010 and was a bit behind in the recruiting process for this year.

"Things came together late, most of the Pac-12

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The senior you've never heard of

■ Four-year starter Marcus Perry isn't well-known, which is a good thing for a long snapper

By Warner Strausbaugh
THE DAILY BAROMETER

If special teams is the Island of Misfit Toys on a football team, then the long snapper is probably Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.

Marcus Perry, four-year starter for Oregon State University at the long snapper position, is about as unheralded as you can get.

So who exactly is Perry?

"He's just a great, great guy," said head coach Mike Riley. "He's been a great worker in this program, a leader by example, a great kid."

Out of Eastlake High School in Eastlake, Calif., Perry has played in every game of his Oregon State career. Perry is an exercise and sport science major, with a focus on fitness and nutrition, and is on track to graduate from OSU this spring.

This Saturday's game will be the last time Perry and the rest of the seniors step onto the field of Reser Stadium.

"I'm going to be amped up," Perry said. "It's going to be crazy. It's going to be super emotional to be the last game, and the four years went by so fast. To think that it's coming to end, it's going to be crazy. But it's going to be great."

Perry's position of long snapper is one that casual and even obsessive football fans never talk about.

"He is probably unheralded because you never hear his name," Riley said. "And you only hear snappers' names when it's a bad snap."

The long snapper is a position that is so often overlooked, that just as Riley said, you only hear their name when they make a mistake. For as much exposure as the football team gets, a guy like Perry has to be the man behind the curtain. Only people surrounding the team know who he is, and the nature of his position.

"I think it's kind of rough," Perry said. "I definitely had to adjust when

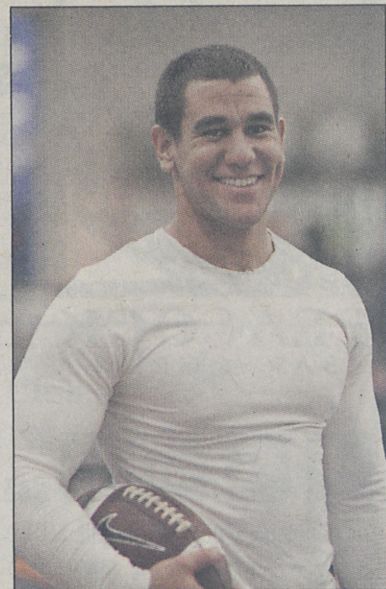
I first came in. I had to adjust to the fact that nobody really knows who I am, or what necessarily I do. I always have to explain my position to people, but it's still something that I take great pride in."

His services are not underestimated or undervalued by the team though. The more routine Perry makes his position look, the better he's doing. The sad reality with his spot is that being less recognized by the outside world means he is playing his position better than if people knew who he was.

"It's fun to watch these guys because if you're a guy like Marcus, you take special, special pride in your craft," Riley said. "So he has almost been like perfection. He's had some snaps that haven't been perfect for sure, but through the course of his bulk of work, it's been pretty phenomenal."

Perry is just the type of student athlete who takes pride in not only his football career, but in his studies.

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According to Mike Riley, Marcus Perry is "a great, great guy."