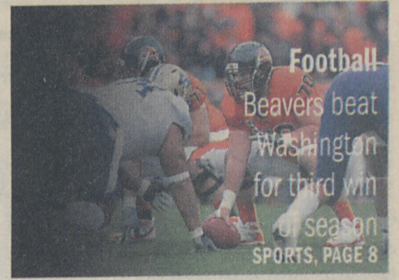


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Student leaders accompany President Ray to Oregon Legislature

President Ed Ray, Oregon State students appeal to Legislature in favor of SEC, MU renovations

By David Shumway
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Last Friday, Oregon State University President Ed Ray testified before the Ways and Means Joint Sub-Committee in support of the Student Experience Center and other capital construction projects, which had been rejected by the Oregon Legislature during their previous session in summer 2011.

Ray was accompanied by Associated Students of OSU President M. Tonga Hopoi, Oregon Student Association Director Emily McLain and other supporters to Salem where they met with representatives in the State Capital's Hearing Room A.

"Three projects that we proposed last legislative session, involving the renovation of the old part of the Memorial Union and the building of the Student Experience Center, that's \$70 million worth of construction, and then a \$30 million project to build an 85,000-square-foot, five-story residence hall with two- and three-bedroom apartments for up to 270 students, were not approved

by the Oregon Legislature," Ray said. "Part of what I tried to explain to the legislators was, especially in regard to the [MU renovation and SEC], that the students have already spoken on this. They voted to tax themselves \$48 [each] a quarter to create these facilities."

The fee increase required in order to fund the SEC was approved by the students of OSU back in May 2010. Every step in the process afterward, from picking an architect to deciding what student programs will be allowed space in the building, seemed to be proceeding smoothly on schedule. But in July 2011, the project was derailed when the Oregon State Legislature omitted the SEC project from Senate Bill 5006, a bill that granted approval for specified capital construction projects to use Oregon University System bonds to finance initial costs.

"These are 11-F bonds, they don't require general fund money. They simply give authorization for us to use that state's borrowing power to build these facilities that we are going to pay the debt service on [with the approved fee increase]," Ray said. "We can pay this back in the long run, the students voted on that. But we need the bonds to start construction. It's our way of helping them to help us provide the educational opportunities we promised to Oregon students."

Ray said general concerns about accumulation and use of debt on the state and federal level during



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Oregon State University sent several of its leaders to the capitol building in Salem on Friday afternoon to discuss two campus construction processes, the Student Experience Center and the Memorial Union, with the Ways and Means Joint Sub-Committee.

the dregs of the financial crisis were potentially a key factor for the Legislature's rejection of the SEC and other capital construction projects at OSU.

"To my knowledge, requests for 11-F bonds have never been turned down before, so this was

unprecedented. There were a lot of questions last time around, and we didn't necessarily answer all of them," Ray said. "One of the concerns that we heard come up in the legislature was that students were being asked to pay for something

they might not get the benefit of, and I pointed out that, unlike the people who seem to be running this country, our students actually care about future generations."

The construction of the SEC would provide a new home for ASOSU, the See LEGISLATURE | page 3

OSU alumnus named to advisory board for American Forests

Dr. Robert Mangold one of nine elected to serve three-year term for American Forests

By Ana Bienvenida
THE DAILY BAROMETER

In the words of President Theodore Roosevelt, "There can be no greater issue than that of conservation in this country."

American Forests, the oldest conservation nonprofit organization in the United States, has adhered to this statement since their foundation in 1875, and continues to expand and dedicate their resources to the protection and restoration of American forests.

On Oct. 27, American Forests announced 1987 Oregon State University alumnus Dr. Robert D.

Mangold, current director of Forest Health Protection for the USDA Forest Service in Washington D.C., is on the American Forests' new science advisory board. Mangold was one of nine respected earth and social scientists named onto the board.

American Forests works to implement knowledge guided by science in helping policymakers make informed decisions in protecting and restoring forests. It has served as a channel for many conservation movements including the founding of the U.S. Forest Service, national forest and national park system, and a multitude of other ecosystem restoration projects.

Mangold, having been raised on the East Coast, took some trips to the West Coast with his family and promptly fell in love with nature.

"I was a product of the Earth Day movement in the 1970s. I was drawn to nature from those kinds of experiences," Mangold said.

After receiving his Ph.D. in Forest Genetics in 1987, Mangold began his career with the U.S. Forest Service in 1988 where he worked as a geneticist at the Dorena Tree Improvement Center. Mangold also served as acting deputy director of the Forest Health Protection staff in state and private forestry, and as the National Forest Health Monitoring program manager. He worked as a tree breeder for the private industry Crown Zellerbach and worked for the Bureau of Indian Affairs where he managed timber sales.

His work at the Dorena Tree Improvement Center, located in Cottage Grove, Ore., is the headquarters of the White Pine Blister Rust Resistance Program. The program

Acapella groups Outspoken, Divine compete in friendly Civil War battle



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Oregon State University's mens' acapella group, pictured above on the stage in Milam Auditorium on Friday night, competed in a light-hearted performance battle alongside Divine, the women's acapella group for OSU, against On the Rocks and Divisi from University of Oregon.

OSU's acapella singing groups matched up against UO singers at home Friday night

By Alex Hillborn
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Friday, Nov. 18, Oregon State University's mens' acapella group, Outspoken, performed their fall concert to kick off Dad's Weekend.

The currently 13-member group showcased their vocal abilities sans instruments at the concert. The

entirely student-led group, founded about a decade ago, trains and puts on performances solely based on the work and talent of its members, without faculty assistance. Outspoken usually performs professionally arranged ensembles, but occasionally the members ratchet up their creativity and arrange their own ensembles.

Outspoken performed the opening act of the concert before inviting out their female counterparts OSU's Divine. The girls took the stage with

whoops from the audience to perform songs from the Jackson 5, Dixie Chicks and Bonnie Raitt.

After Divine had warmed up the audience with their performance, University of Oregon's women's acapella group Divisi stepped into the spotlight to entertain the crowd. The UO girls sang a medley comprised of songs from prominent female artists as well as their version of "Mama Who Bore Me" from the musical

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The Whitebark Pine tree is one of the species American Forests is working to restore.

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10 dead as Egyptian protesters, security forces clash

Ten people were killed Sunday in confrontations between protesters and security forces in Egypt, a health ministry spokesman said.

These fatalities, reported by spokesman Dr. Adil al-Dawi around midnight Sunday, appear to be in addition to two shooting victims — one in Cairo, one in Alexandria — from Saturday. The same spokesman said earlier that at least 1,114 people had been injured over the weekend.

A major flashpoint for unrest continues to be Cairo's Tahrir Square, the same place where demonstrators had months ago gathered, and clashed with security forces, before the ouster of long-time President Hosni Mubarak.

Hundreds of Egyptian army and police forces pushed into the square Sunday, prompting thousands of protesters to flee in the face of tear gas and what sounded like live fire. Security forces were seen arresting and beating people.

Shortly after dark, the violence in the square seemed to have subsided in the square itself, with television pictures showing people milling around undisturbed. Still, confrontations continued to erupt on nearby side-streets.

The government's Cabinet said

police did not use live rounds against demonstrators in Cairo and elsewhere, and that parliamentary elections will go on as scheduled later this month, state TV reported.

"The government asks that people contain themselves in order to express their points of view and to refrain from carrying out demonstrations that will encourage chaos and the deterioration of security in Egypt when Egypt requires stability and security," the Cabinet said in a statement.

Mohamed Higazi, a spokesman for the prime minister's office, said the government will continue dialogue on reaching a constitution that ensures the election of a civilian government.

The military said it wants to transfer power to a civilian parliament and president, but many citizens are dissatisfied with the pace of the transition and the resolve of the military rulers.

The activist surge is part of the so-called April 6 Movement, members of which figured prominently in the toppling of Mubarak this year. Less than two weeks before the Nov. 28 election, a prominent grassroots group are urging citizens to resist the military-led government.

Protesters are upset about proposed principles for the constitution,

in which the military's budget would not be scrutinized by civilian powers. They worry that the military would be shaped as a state within a state.

The movement had issued a statement urging its members to descend on Tahrir Square "immediately because resistance is the only solution."

"Down with military rule," the movement said.

Fighting erupted Saturday when police worked to clear Tahrir of people who remained after Friday's massive protests. Tens of thousands turned out Friday to protest plans for a constitution that would shield the military from public oversight.

Thousands of protesters chanted over the weekend against the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces, which rules Egypt, and Field Marshal Mohamed Hussein Tantawi, the head of the council who is effectively the interim ruler of Egypt.

Protesters threw Molotov cocktails and rocks and torched a police van. Scuffles broke out on side streets and clouds of smoke rose from burned tires, witnesses said.

Clashes between protesters and police also reportedly broke out in the cities of Suez and Alexandria.

By noon Sunday, Tahrir Square was fully occupied, with demonstrators

barricading streets around the square and blocking traffic.

Eighteen people then were arrested and transferred to a military prosecutor, Alaa Mahmoud of the interior ministry said before the security push into the square that was the symbolic heart of Egypt's revolution at the beginning of the year.

The minister of education dismissed schools near the square for the day, according to state TV.

Also Sunday, Israeli envoy Yitzhak Levanon was back in Cairo. In September, protesters stormed and ransacked the Israeli embassy there. Egyptian demonstrators tore down a wall surrounding the building that houses the embassy, entered the embassy's offices and threw papers from the windows.

The Cabinet held an emergency meeting and warned the clashes could have a dangerous impact on Egypt, state media said.

Yousri Hamad, the official spokesman of the Al Noor Salafi Muslim political party, has said he thinks that the violence could affect election plans.

"The protesters are a bunch of kids that attacked the security forces, which is a red line and could delay elections," Hamad said.

— CNN

CALENDAR

Monday, Nov. 21

Events

ISOSU, 4:30-6pm, International Resource Center (MU Lounge). Coffee Hour! Come enjoy light refreshments and snacks and meet people from all over the world!

Centro Cultural César Chávez and NALH, 5:30pm, Native American Longhouse. A workshop going through the different indigenous groups throughout America, from Alaska through South America.

Tuesday, Nov. 22

Meetings

ASOSU Senate, 7pm, MU 109A. The ASOSU Senate convenes to discuss student issues. Students and student organization delegates are welcome to attend.

Events

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30am-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd St. "Come & Go" lunch. Good food, informal table talk.

Women's Center, 5:30-7pm, Women's Center. A Pregnancy Journey Series Part 1. Learning how to have a truly planned pregnancy. Develop skills to track ovulation and healthy tricks to optimize chances of conceiving. Contraceptive options will be discussed.

Centro Cultural César Chávez, 5-6:30pm, Centro Cultural César Chávez. Posada Night which is a very traditional and cultural Latin American Celebration. The event will include signing traditional verses, breaking a piñata and drinking ponche (fruit punch).

Wednesday, Nov. 23

Meetings

ASOSU House of Representatives, 7pm, MU 211. The ASOSU House of Representatives convenes to discuss student issues and concerns. Students and student organization delegates are welcome to attend.

Thursday, Nov. 24

THANKSGIVING BREAK

Events

Vegans and Vegetarians at OSU, 3-6pm, SSC, 738 SW 15th St. Vegan Thanksgiving. All are welcome. Potluck food is required to be vegan.

Friday, Nov. 25

THANKSGIVING BREAK

Tuesday, Nov. 29

Meetings

ASOSU Senate, 7pm, MU 109A. The ASOSU Senate convenes to discuss student issues. Students and student organization delegates are welcome to attend.

Events

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30am-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd St. "Come & Go" lunch. Good food, informal table talk.

Wednesday, Nov. 30

Meetings

Women's Center, 5-7pm, Women's Center. Graduate Women's Network presents a Thesis Writing Support Group. Meet other graduate women, have your thesis edited by friendly peers, brainstorm or just work quietly.

ASOSU House of Representatives, 7pm, MU 211. The ASOSU House of Representatives convenes to discuss student issues and concerns. Students and student organization delegates are welcome to attend.

Events

Peace Corps/Career Services, 5:30-6:30pm, MU 208. Information Session. Learn more about the Peace Corps from returned volunteers!

Conservative Rajoy set to lead Spain after defeating ruling party

Popular Party leader Mariano Rajoy is poised to become the next prime minister of economically embattled Spain, with his ascension assured after the ruling Socialist Party's candidate conceded Sunday's national election.

Alfredo Perez Rubalcaba made the concession before a somber audience of Socialist Party supporters — a stark contrast to the raucous, celebratory crowd gathered outside the Popular Party headquarters in Madrid.

Less than 30 minutes later, Rajoy offered "a message of confidence" and vowing to push for "solidarity" in the wake of Sunday's vote. He did so in a televised speech inside a quiet room, before coming out minutes later to address the boisterous crowd.

"The Spanish people have expressed themselves, they've done so clearly," he said in the first address. "And we'll now embrace this change."

According to updates from about 11:30 p.m. (5:30 p.m. ET) on the interior ministry website — at

which point 98 percent of all votes had been counted — the Popular Party had over 10.6 million votes (44.5 percent of the total votes counted) and was leading in the races for 186 seats in parliament. That compares with the just over 6.8 million votes for the Socialist Party, giving it an advantage in 111 legislative contests.

A party had to win 175 seats in order to win an outright majority in the 350-seat chamber. The majority result appears to pave the way for Rajoy's unfettered ascension to prime minister, giving him a free hand to set policy without having to first make deals with other parties.

The outcome makes Spain the latest country to lose a government amid the Europe-wide money crisis. Earlier this month, the leaders of Greece and Italy resigned over their own countries' debt woes.

In the closing days of the campaign, the 56-year-old Rajoy had spoken repeatedly about the nation's

deep economic crisis, such as the sobering 21.5 percent unemployment rate overall — including a 45 percent rate of unemployment for young people.

Nearly 5 million working-age Spaniards are without a job, and the country faces a steep public deficit and only tepid economic growth. Some immigrant workers are also leaving the country.

Entering the elections, voters told CNN the economy was their top priority.

"This vote will determine the future of the country for years to come," Jose Miguel Ariza, a university researcher, said after voting at the Menendez Pelayo school in central Madrid.

In his initial speech Sunday night, the Popular Party leader said he would not forget those suffering — from recent university graduates who can't find jobs to small business owners struggling to stay afloat to those hit hard by illness or other tragedies — as he shaped policies.

— CNN

Al-Assad warns against intervention, cites dire repercussions

Officials sparred Sunday over a proposed plan to send observers into Syria as the nation's president warned against military intervention.

In an interview with the Sunday Times in the United Kingdom, President Bashar al-Assad warned any potential military intervention against his country would lead to "very dire" repercussions, and said that Syria "will not bow down" despite international threats of economic sanctions over the government's crackdown on protesters.

He accused the Arab League, which

recently suspended Syria's membership, of helping pave the way for western intervention.

"If they are logical, rational and realistic, they shouldn't do it because the repercussions are very dire," he said. "Military intervention will destabilize the region as a whole, and all countries will be affected."

Meanwhile, Syria's foreign minister said an Arab League plan to send observers into his country needed clarification before Syria would sign on.

"I would like to make the situation

clear between us so that ... a proper decision is taken. The situation does not bear or require hastiness or reaction," Syrian Foreign Minister Walid Moallem told reporters, urging the Arab League to take more time to develop a plan that the organization's foreign ministers approved last week. "It requires a study that is rational, because clearly any analysis shows that some Arab parties want to use the Arab League as a tool to get to the (United Nations) Security Council."

Earlier Sunday, the Arab League said it

had rejected changes Syria proposed to the plan. The league said in a statement that Syria's request "impinges on the core of the Arab peace plan" and would "radically" alter the observers' mission.

On Wednesday, Arab League foreign ministers gave Damascus three days to implement a protocol to allow observers to enter the nation to verify whether the regime has taken measures to protect civilians. The league's statement Sunday said it had no mandate to further negotiate its with Syrian officials.

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Friends of OSU Opera put on Delight, Despair, Dessert

Show composed of four different opera pieces performed to raise money for a full production in the spring, Mozart's *The Magic Flute*

By **Anney Beauchemin**
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Performed Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, 'Delight, Despair and Dessert' was a unique fundraising performance by the Friends of Oregon State University Opera.

Musical Director Richard Poppino said, "We have a stage, but we don't use it very much."

Subtitled "Opera Up Close and Personal," the show involves faculty and students from OSU's opera program performing numbers from musical theater on the floor among the audience, who watch from their tables as they are served drinks and dessert.

"It was delightful," said Marylin Gryten, who attended Delight, Despair and Dessert last year,

The night's pieces performed were from Beethoven's *Fidelio*, Rossini's *La Cenerentola*, the finale of Mozart's *Le Nozze di Figaro* and *South Pacific*.

When asked how *South Pacific*, the 20th century musical taking place in the eponymous location during World War II fits in with the classical opera pieces, Poppino said the purpose was to show us just how modern musicals relate to the older operas.

The show was successful in doing so. Though many of the pieces were performed in period clothes and European languages, it was clear from Poppino's synopses that the themes of the complexities of human relationships and love have been mainstays in musical performance for centuries.

Friends of OSU Opera put on the show to raise money for a full production of Mozart's *The Magic Flute* in the spring, but for now, even without the sets and stage of a larger show, *Delight, Despair and Dessert* was a professional effort.

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student media department, the Craft Center and other student groups currently housed in the structurally unsound Snell Hall.

Ray congratulated Hopoi on her passion during her testimony to the committee, and also noted his appreciation of McLain's support on behalf of OSA.

"This project was approved two years ago, and there are students who will graduate now without seeing a completed Student Experience Center, who would have been able to if we had broken ground when we were scheduled to," Hopoi said during the hearing. "Students are frustrated this keeps getting put off."

The fact that Hopoi has accused OSA of being directly responsible for the legislative rejection of the SEC last summer on numerous occasions did not appear to sour their collaboration at the capitol on Friday.

Along with these attending bannermen, Ray also submitted multiple letters from various parties in support of the project to the Legislature, including a letter from the presidents of ASOSU and the Memorial Union Program Council, an endorsement

from OSA, and a jointly signed bill from the ASOSU House and Senate that was drafted and passed unanimously during last week's joint session.

Ray said he was hopeful on the outcome of the project, thinking the speakers who represented the university did an excellent job of appealing to the Ways and Means Sub-Committee.

"Today went well," Hopoi said. "It was a great feeling to speak on behalf of our students and the Oregon University System."

What's next for the SEC project? If Ray and company indeed swayed the committee, they will have to wait until the Legislature re-convenes in February 2012.

If the Legislature votes to approve the project, ground will be broken shortly afterward and construction will resume on a reconfigured schedule.

"The most important thing to remember is that [the SEC] isn't something I came up with, this is the students' initiative," Ray concluded. "That sense of wanting to give to the future is a spirit that really characterizes the OSU community. America needs more people like [OSU students]."

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Spring Awakening. They ended their performance with "Bicycle" from Queen by pretending to ride around the stage as they sang.

"As much as our schools hate each other, our acapella community loves each other," said Geena Glaser, a Divisi member.

Following a brief intermission, Outspoken came back out on stage to share their musical and dancing skills by opening the second act of the show with a performance of "War (What Is It Good For?)" which got the audience laughing. During their concert, the Outspoken members covered a variety of songs in

different genres such as oldies, modern popular hits and Disney.

Continuously throughout the performance, the guys cracked lighthearted jokes. Outspoken ended the second act with a high energy version of "Life in the Fast Lane" by the Eagles before the audience called them back out for encore.

"They are a fantastic example of quality students on OSU's campus," said Steven Zielke, director of choral studies at the university. "Art students [have] got to be prepared to create a market for who you are."

Outspoken meets two to three times a week to practice their musical ensembles. At 4 p.m. every Friday, the group puts on

a performance along side Divine outside the Memorial Union near the bookstore. They also hold a concert once a term; next term's concert will feature On the Rocks from UO.

The group holds auditions for new members every fall and spring with anywhere from 20-30 guys trying to join the group. Potential members get judged based on how well they sing on their own and on how well their voices fit with the group. All members get inducted into Outspoken based on group consensus.

"Outspoken is the strongest it's ever been," said Gavin Lorens, an Outspoken member. "Great group this year."

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stemmed from the debilitating fungal disease that causes death in the whitebark pine species, a keystone species defined as a species that plays a critical role in maintaining the structure of the ecological community.

Dr. Diana Tomback, professor of integrative biology at the University of Colorado, Denver has worked with Mangold through the U.S. Forest Health Protection Program. One of the founders of the Whitebark Pine Ecosystem Foundation and, like Mangold, a board member on the science advisory board for American Forests, she has worked tirelessly to advocate for the preservation and restoration of the whitebark pine species.

One of the goals of American Forests is to restore the whitebark pine forests and other high elevation forests. The whitebark pine species is currently on the candidate list to be considered an endangered or threatened species.

"As a keystone species, the whitebark pine species acts as the anchor of an ecosystem both structurally and functionally," Tomback said.

The large, nutritious seeds of the species are also important to the diets of grizzly and black bears. Whitebark pine also helps in community development after disturbances and in some cases acts as a nurse tree in the Rocky Mountains to spruce and fir trees.

"You've probably heard the phrase, 'The mountains are the water towers of the world,'" Tomback said. "Whitebark pine plays right into this. The canopies of these pine species help shade snow packs, which prevent the snow pack from melting rapidly. In other words, it slows the melting of snow, so there is a slow downstream flow rather than a sudden melt off."

The whitebark species decline can be attributed to the white pine blister rust, an evasive fungal disease, as well as an outbreak of the mountain pine beetle species, which due to rising temperatures have migrated toward the mountain areas in which whitebark pine species inhabit.

"For many decades we have known about this fungal disease. We detected that there were some trees resistant to the fungus and their different genes and makeup that could afford resistance. We have been trying to capture this resistance and have been getting resistant genotypes back into the forest," Mangold said.

As the current director of Forest Health Protection for the USDA, Mangold helps sustain and provide aid to private industries and federal agencies in managing insects, disease problems and evasive species.

American Forests' implementation of the new science advisory board will help bring the science and research of these issues accessible to the public.

Gerry Gray, American Forests

senior vice president of conservation programs said, "When you bring scientists into the policy arena, you sometimes learn that people come from these broader policy questions from different directions. Policymakers want answers and want to know where to invest scarce federal or public resources. You have to engage the public that these are valued issues that people have to talk about and ideally find solutions to. That is why adaptive management is so important today."

American Forests' mission to protect and conserve national forests was vital in choosing the members of the science advisory board.

"We are trying to position ourselves as looking at forests in the greater sense, such as forest in biodiversity, forest and water, forests and wildfire, etc.," Gray said. "We want to build information around those areas and be able to tell those stories. We first try to identify scientists in those major areas."

"They have got a great group of folks that come from a variety of backgrounds. I think American Forests has always been interested in restoration. I think I can represent the combination of science and good management in helping guide their restoration emphasis," Mangold said.

"We wanted scientists with strong national reputations within their branch. We reached out to people whom we knew and in doing that we

are not only looking for good scientific credibility, we are looking at people who are willing to engage in policy discussion and who want to put in some of their energy and their science into popular information," Gray said.

The preservation and restoration of the whitebark pine species is an example of bringing awareness to the importance of forest conservation.

"We are at a real crossroads economically in this country. We are probably looking at a cut to federal budget and increasingly we need to turn to individuals and organizations outside of government to help keep our nation's land and forests healthy. This is where the partnership with American Forests is key," Tomback said.

American Forests is currently working on finding funding for an annual conference for the science advisory board, where scientists will frame an emerging issue that requires cross-interdisciplinary approaches and use their unique expertise to plan the best way to deal with these issues.

Members of the science advisory board serve three-year terms and contribute to American Forests' programs, publication and policies. The overall response of the scientists has initiated the American Forests to expand the board over the course of the next year to 20 scientists.

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Editorial

OSU's growth

From the lack of parking spaces, reduced housing availability and irresponsible behavior of students on their property, and adjacent to, last week's "town-and-gown" discussion revealed plenty of legitimate complaints and fixes that need to be made in Corvallis. However, in order to have a serious discussion, we can no longer generalize the parties involved. Nor should we focus the blame and burden on one group for the future.

For instance, take the parking and street size issue; what citizen doesn't want more space in the streets? To assume that the university's growth is the direct cause for more cars on the street — therefore fewer spaces as well — would be to claim students are more likely to own a car than non-students. And there's no reason to assume so.

The U.S. Census Bureau states that 9.3 percent of Corvallis residents use a bicycle to get to work, which is in fact the largest percentage in the nation. Another 11.2 percent of residents walk to work. OSU claims nearly 40 percent of employees bike or walk, and 47 percent drive. Only 14 percent of the student body drives alone to campus. This is not solely a university issue.

In addition, another prominent complaint has been the irresponsible behavior of the students in Corvallis (i.e., excessive noise, trashed streets and properties, drunken behavior). And the modest among us have certain derogatory terms for this group; no one enjoys a belligerent, immature and raucous crowd, one without regard for their neighbors' peace.

If there's anything to be said over the lack of discretion and control with these groups, it should be reported, handled by police, or ignored and sometimes put up with (e.g., an acceptable volume in the backyard, while it still may be displeasing). No one chose to live in Corvallis without realizing the downside: living near 20-year-old kids who have access to alcohol. If we could, we'd have them shape up too.

But in these examples we can see the disconnect between issues and labels. While the citizens of Corvallis may generally be older than the student population, this is not young versus old, or students versus citizens. We are all dealing with these problems. We cannot point fingers at only one of two groups and label one criminal, and the other victim.

Corvallis needs OSU's growth, their business and their attraction to this city. And OSU should be grateful Corvallis has remained such a tightly knit community. It provides focus on the institution, attention and proximity to the research and opportunity involved within the university — something easily lost in a larger city such as Portland, or even Eugene.

There's a point where we must question if more bodies better society. And the best way to do that is get everyone in Corvallis in on the debate, much like last Wednesday's meeting. Let's hope we have more in the future, while there remains the chance to have your voice heard.

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The harsh reality of American imperialism



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So It Goes

The United States is heavily involved in international affairs. This is an objective fact. The United States has an incredible amount of influence in the United Nations and NATO, and according to a 2008 Mother Jones article "America's Unwelcome Advances," the United States has over 750 military bases around the world.

U.S. Africa Command has also increased in prominence recently. According to the AFRICOM government website, the organization is "committed to supporting U.S. government objectives through the delivery and sustainment of effective security cooperation programs that assist African nations build their security capacity to enable them to better provide for their own defense." The website also says their "activities, plans and operations are centered on two guiding principles: A safe, secure and stable Africa is in our national interest. Over the long run, it will be Africans who will best be able to address African security challenges and AFRICOM most effectively advances U.S. security interests through focused security engagement with our African partners."

That sounds really nice, doesn't it? However, in light of the current issues in Libya and the African continent in general, as well as current affairs in the Middle East, certain questions must be raised. As the website says, U.S. military involvement in Africa is in our national interest. Why should our best national interests justify military action in other countries? Is our national interest cohesive with the interests of Africans? What exactly are our interests?

Or, generally, is U.S. international involvement a good thing? Is the United States a global force for good? Does the United States promote democracy and humanitarian objectives throughout the world?

It is impossible to answer these questions without some sort of historical context, but it is painfully clear that the United States is a military imperial power that suppresses democracy and uses its power to pursue its own financial interests. Once this is understood, current U.S. military action in Africa and the Middle East can be looked at through a very different lens.

The United States does not support democracy. Let me be clear, it can go without saying the U.S. government purports to support democracy, but these are two very different things. The United States has a long history of taking democratically elected leaders out of power and putting military dictators in charge who will do the United States bidding. Some examples of this include the 1973 military coup d'état in Chile and the more recent 2004 coup in Haiti; the United States government and military played huge roles in both of these operations.

Sept. 11, 1973, Chilean President Salvador Allende was overthrown by Augusto Pinochet with help from the U.S. government. Allende, a socialist president, was under intense scrutiny by the United States because this was in the middle of the Cold War and there was pervasive distrust of anything politically left of capitalism. Pinochet and the Chilean military overthrew Allende, who committed suicide that same day. During Allende's presidency, Chile's economy began to falter and go into decline. There was growing unrest due to this, but it was not the cause of the uprising. In fact, it isn't clear whether Allende or his administra-

tion were responsible for the failing economy in the first place.

Declassified documents show the United States had a vested capital interest in Chile and were worried Allende's socialist policies would harm the U.S. economy, regardless of whatever benefit those policies would be to the people of Chile. To protect U.S. business interests, policies were put in motion to remove Allende from office and replace him with a military dictator (Pinochet) who would protect U.S. interests, even if that meant rampant humanitarian violations.

A declassified memorandum addressed to Henry Kissinger (then-Secretary of State) from the acting chairman of the Ad Hoc Interagency Working Group states, "The Ad Hoc Working Group reviewed a draft study of implications and options for the United States in the event Chile takes steps to nationalize or expropriate U.S. business interests in Chile." If the government in Chile didn't cooperate with U.S. business interests, then the United States would take steps to change that.

Later in the document, U.S. options are discussed, such as excluding Chile from the Organization of American States, sanctioning Chile through the OAS, along with various other options, and discussing both the advantages and disadvantages of each option.

All of these options are summed up by Peter Kornbluh on the George Washington University National Archive Site: "National Security Council strategy papers which record efforts to 'destabilize' Chile economically, and isolate Allende's government diplomatically, between 1970 and 1973." Kornbluh says, of another set of declassified documents that were CIA reports on Project FUBELT, the "codename for military operations to promote a military coup and undermine Allende's government," that "the documents, includ-

ing minutes of meetings between Henry Kissinger and CIA officials, CIA cables to its Santiago station, and summaries of covert action in 1970, provide a clear paper trail to the decisions and operations against Allende's government."

This was not an isolated incident. In 2004, the U.S. military had a much more explicit role in the removal of democratically elected Haitian president, Jean-Bertrand Aristide. Aristide, who also had socialist tendencies, was also very popular. He was elected by a two-thirds majority and according to an Independent article, had "overwhelming support among the poor."

The Council on Hemispheric Affairs has an article posted on their website by Leta Restavek that says, "On Feb. 29, 2004, a contingent of U.S. Navy Seals transported the president to exile in Africa, carrying out the calculated diplomacy of the U.N., Canada and France. The U.S. and U.N. claim that rather than performing a coup d'état, they had rescued Aristide from growing armed conflict between supporters and detractors of the president, which supposedly posed a threat to international safety. Aristide, however, insists that his 'rescue' was involuntary." Later in the article, the United States and U.N.-funded elections are discussed (where 12 major political parties were banned), and Restavek discusses pervasive voter fraud and violence.

What does all of this mean? The United States does not care about democracy. The States only use the call of democracy as a means to an end. Dictators and terrorists are fine, as long as they do what the United States wants them to. Remember, the United States supported Osama Bin Laden; in fact, we supplied him with weapons to fight the Soviets and called them "Freedom Fighters."

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Making it easier to get your daily serving of pizza

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The Food Pyramid, as we all have seen in our various health classes throughout the years, tells us to eat three to five servings of vegetables per day. Each serving should consist of a cup of leafy greens or a half-cup of chopped vegetables, which, in all honesty, most of us don't come close to eating daily.

This column isn't intended to act as your mother and recommend you finish your vegetables so you have more to boot. Rather, I wish to expose you to the nonsense the GOP is up to now.

As of this week, Congress passed a bill that pizza — that's right, pizza — will be considered a vegetable for school cafeteria programs nationwide. They claim the tomato sauce that covers the dough of the pizza will contain "nutritious" content. Regardless of the fact that a tomato is debatably a fruit, it also has enough sugar to be served as a dessert or sold through a vending machine.

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Beyond that, simply speaking from experience, can cafeteria pizza even be considered "real" pizza? The ingredients consist of crust, sauce, cheese and in some cases, cheese substitute.

Once again, a vegetable serving? These ingredients, without getting too scientific, consist of three things: salt, sugar and carbs.

When it gets down to the nitty gritty, this is a selfish, idiotic and downright ignorant decision by the people who we deem fit to run our country. Subsidized school meal programs have to include a set amount of vegetables; therefore, by dubbing tomato paste a suitable vegetable for children, they lower the cost needed for each meal plan. Republicans on the House Appropriations Committee described the new regulations as a chance to prevent overly burdensome spending and provide schools

the opportunity to provide healthier meals at lower costs.

Let's take a step back and think about this. In an attempt to not completely shift the topic of this column, we can all agree there is a rising childhood obesity rate nationwide.

If we allow foods of lower grade, like sugary pizza sauce, to be considered a vegetable, not only will it deter children from choosing healthier meals in the lunch line, but it will further increase this obesity problem. Loading middle school children with carbs and allowing their tastes to become accustomed to salty, saturated fat-filled foods will encourage them to reach for those sorts of foods in their high school lunch line and lead to difficulty curbing unhealthy eating choices in the future.

If I told you as a middle schooler I consistently chose a sandwich with vegetables over a burger and pizza, I would be lying. In fact, I'm not even advocating that children make one selection over the other. I'm sure

most of you would agree with my hope that our nation's future generations are not lied to by our country's leaders and told these foods, that hold no nutritional content, are actually healthy for you. If there is anything kids are uneducated on in grades K-12, it's dietetics and nutrition.

Is pizza the worst thing that has ever happened to our school lunches? No! Does it contain any nutritional content and should be considered a vegetable? No! Is it going to kill you to eat a slice? No!

But the fact that our very own Congress passed it as a suitable substitute for a vegetable in school lunches is reckless and dangerous to the overall physical and mental health of children nationwide. We must take a stand against this blatant use of obliviousness and selfishness today.

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Can't defend either side of the NBA lockout situation

“We have to stand together. It's not about the Boston Celtics selfishly wanting to play this year, it's about what's best for us as a unit.”

Those were the words All-Star NBA point guard Rajon Rondo uttered last Monday after the players union and owners failed to come to an agreement and end the NBA lockout. With no foreseeable agreements in the near future, the players played one of their final trump cards, dismantling their union and filing an antitrust suit against the league. NBA Commissioner David Stern bashed the move publicly saying, “Obviously, Mr. Kessler [player's union lawyer] got his way and we are about to go into the nuclear winter of the NBA.”

Both sides of the labor dispute have been rightfully blamed for their roles in the lockout. While Stern may win the award for most dramatic sound bite (“nuclear winter?”),

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no one can look past the draconian measures he and the owners' association are trying to impose as key reasons labor talks have failed.

On the surface, the measly 1 to 2 percent that seems to be at the heart of the dispute doesn't seem like much. But according to USA Today, those percents still account for a lot of money: “\$40 million to \$80 million in the first year of a new agreement to anywhere between \$500 million and just more than \$1 billion in a 10-year CBA.” Player representatives cite systemic problems like penalties on violating salary caps and decreases in sign and trades — things used to foster more competition between high- and low-market teams by the league, but restrict player movement — as important issues as well.

Tired of giving in on too

many issues, the player union filed an antitrust suit against the league Tuesday, Nov. 15, spelling the probable end for the NBA season. The suit came after the owners proposed a new take-it-or-leave-it ultimatum giving the players a basketball-related income of 49 to 51 percent.

NBA Players' Association President Derek Fisher claimed the plan is “not acceptable to us” and said, “[The players] need a fair system for [us] to exist in.” Last year, players received 57 percent of the BRI, conceding to 51 percent would result in a loss of \$240 million in the first year of the new agreement, and according to USA Today, “almost \$1.5 billion in a six-year deal.” Stern backed his proposal by saying if the term was not accepted, the owners would offer their next deal of 47 percent BRI.

No matter how you spin the NBA lockout, it's hard to pick a side worth defending. Both

groups are fighting over millions of dollars to stack on top of their current million dollar worth, while vendors and parking lot attendees, whose incomes do not range in the seven figures, continue to hurt.

The NBA already has some of the best conditions for its players out of all the major sports. Not to say the extreme measures the owners are asking for are reasonable either. Now, with the cancellation of the entire season looming overhead, this lockout confirms the speculations of out-of-touch players and owners so often associated with the NBA.

As Rondo wisely said, this lockout is not about “the Boston Celtics selfishly wanting to play this year.” Definitely not.

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All the werewolves come out on Black Friday

It is the day many have been waiting for, but not the one you are thinking of. It seems more attention is drawn away from the day where the turkey is taken out of the oven and instead, most of the headlines (and plenty of annoying commercials) have been focused on the day where the remains of the turkey carcass are sitting in a fridge, waiting to be turned into sandwiches.

However, no one appears to be doing that turkey a favor; everyone is gone. The house once filled with family the day before is now deserted, leaving only the ghost of holidays past.

Black Friday has turned into a day that is much larger than Thanksgiving. No one seems to be looking for that perfect stuffing recipe anymore. They are all focused on the prices of TVs at Wal-Mart. Major headlines predict sales of frugal items rather than the sales of necessities, such as food. The joy that came with the Thanksgiving holiday has long since been erased by the time Black Friday rolls around.

If anything, Black Friday is

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a day of terror and primitive actions. The idea of hundreds of people storming a store brings to mind an end-of-the-world provisions raid, rather than a joyous shopping trip. Even the mindset of shoppers has been switched to survival mode.

Usually, the reason for shopping on Black Friday is to get gifts for other people, but that sense of giving has been lost in the shoppers' obsession of being the best. Friday has become a competitive race, in which everyone across America (at least those who brave the crowded stores) want to get the best deals and the best prices.

This mindset erases the spirit of giving, injecting bloodlust into a moment that should be filled with warm, fuzzy feelings. The shoppers turn into a mob of hypocrites, flooding the stores for their own blood games. Black Friday is the one day in which a bystander can watch a grandma duel a 20-

something-year-old over a toaster (or any other object of your choosing).

There is a point when the primitive mind takes over, convincing a person that this is not just a shopping trip but survival. It is the do-or-die moment of the holiday shopping season. People put their happiness and hopes on the line, trying to get that one hot deal that will make or break their holiday.

The idea is quite frightening, knowing that people are ready to do anything for at least one shot at shopping victory. It is much worse having these people all in one large group. It is the perfect formula for disaster. It suggests that the primitive side of people comes out when a situation takes a turn for the worst.

Is this shopping venture a turn for the worst? Is it the post-apocalyptic era of the shopping season? The shoppers' minds make them believe so, making the little Howie Mandel in their head say, “Deal, or no deal?”

The horror of Black Friday can even be expressed in its name. It sounds like a horri-

ble day for the world, a day in which nothing good can come out of.

The term was used back in the 1800s to describe a Friday when financial crisis hit America. In its first context as a shopping holiday, the term Black Friday comes from the Philadelphia police department of 1966. They used it to describe the chaos that occurs on the Friday following Thanksgiving. However, in 2011, we have happy commercials telling us all about the super deals that will occur as early as midnight.

It does not seem healthy to cover a chaotic day with happiness, giving it a disguise of giftwrap and bows. If anything, the holiday season starts on a very dark day, a very dangerous day. Black Friday is the day on which everyone we know turns into someone else. They transform, like werewolves, and go stalking into the night, ready to kill if anyone gets in their way.

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Letter to the Editor

Reevaluating political labels
An apology to Mr. Fix

It seems I owe an apology to Robert Fix for slapping a label on him so quickly. I guess my thinking was that if it was in the Barometer — a student newspaper with headlines including such balanced stories as “Women's Center group seeking to initiate dialogue on white privilege” and routinely unchallenged assertions such as “Climate change

influences migration of tree species” — the only point of view that is allowed to exist is one that is decidedly left of center.

I'm still convinced that this is so, but upon reading Fix's recent column on the Occupy movement and personal responsibility, I realized I flung a political label at him too quickly and unfairly impugned his courage in the same letter. I should have gotten to know his views better before pigeon-holing him

to an ideology. Instead, in my mind, I instantly placed him in a pre-packaged box and mailed him off to Venezuela, where I was sure he belonged.

I still feel Fix's column “Religious Bullying” was horribly off-mark, but then, so was my letter in response. I apologize to Fix for my quick judgment and initial intemperance and take that as a lesson learned.

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Not too long ago, the United States was on good terms with Gaddafi, even helping his government torture prisoners.

An Intelligence News article, “CIA helped Gaddafi Torture Libyan Dissidents,” discusses documents found and released by Human Rights Watch that say the “CIA and MI6 went so far as to provide the Gaddafi regime with intelligence on dissident groups of ex-pat Libyans operating abroad,” and continues, “It is also revealed in the documents that, after delivering alleged al-Qaida-linked Libyans to the hands of Gaddafi agents, CIA officers participated in the interrogations deep inside Gaddafi's complex of secret prisons.” Democracy Now! had a very similar report when these documents were leaked.

The NATO-backed Libyan “uprising” has been said to be a popular revolt

against Gaddafi in coalition with the Arab Spring. However, evidence shows (and according to NATO itself) that the “uprising” was heavily backed by NATO forces, providing both air strikes and weapons. A Nov. 15, 2011 New York Times article, “Spared in War, Libya's Oil Flow is Surging Back” says the rebels (supported by us) spared the oil refineries and are now putting them back into production.

The article says, “with proven reserves of 46.4 billion barrels — the largest in Africa — Libya is a great prize. But historically, the country has been a disappointment for foreign oil companies. During his long rule, Gaddafi granted foreigners drilling rights on small patches of fields and made them sign agreements that gave the regime most of the profits and left them with most of the bills. Decades of Western sanctions also kept most companies away until 2006. Now, a new era could be dawning for a country that 50 years ago produced 3 million bar-

rels a day — roughly double the output of recent years — and that might return to such lofty levels with ample investment and new technologies to exploit old and still-to-be-discovered fields deep in the Sahara.”

Sounds to me like another Iraq. The United States and NATO backed the revolt because Gaddafi had incredible oil reserves and didn't provide us the amount we wanted at the price we wanted. NATO, heavily influenced by the United States, wanted Libyan leaders that would provide them with oil.

The United States is a ruthless imperial military power that does not care about democracy or people. It cares about profits and resources. If you think otherwise, you're getting tricked by the media propaganda machine. Remember, even Hitler had supporters.

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Well-choreographed Family Forum boasts several unscripted moments

A gathering of six Republican presidential candidates and some 3,000 conservatives — most of them Christians — was marked as much by politeness and political posturing as by cheers, tears and jeers.

The "Thanksgiving Family Forum" in Des Moines, Iowa, was a friendly yet substantive discussion that centered on faith and family.

But the well-choreographed event could not prevent several unscripted moments: multiple GOP candidates choked with tears; protests from Occupy Wall Street sympathizers; an abrupt end to the conservative harmony after one candidate's political attack against another — and an absent Mitt Romney being accused of "lacking judgment."

The six candidates who attended the event were Michele Bachmann, Rick Perry, Herman Cain, Rick Santorum, Ron Paul and Newt Gingrich. The conservative group The Family Leader sponsored the event along with Focus on the Family affiliate Citizen Link and the National Organization for Marriage.

Conservative pollster Frank Luntz moderated the discussion.

As the event began, a small group of Occupy Des Moines protesters descended on the parking lot of the First Federated Church.

"We are the 99 percent," they shouted under the watchful eyes of police but within earshot of attendees.

The demonstrators were not allowed to enter but their influence was felt inside.

Moments after the event started, Luntz made an offer that caused some jaws to

drop. "Because there are about 3,000 people here, it is reasonably likely that several people in here are from Occupy Wall Street," Luntz told the crowd. "I want to do something different."

"I would ask that there not be any disruption. But I will make you a deal...if you've come here to protest, take two minutes now, take the time now, and speak to everyone here about what's on your mind."

"In return, allow the rest of us the two hours," Luntz added.

As the surprised crowd waited, a man took to the main floor from his balcony seat. He did not identify himself as an Occupy Wall Street protester. But he did raise an issue regarding the Federal Reserve.

"I think that we need to speak about this bank tonight," he said, claiming that the Fed is "not part of the United States."

Moments later, the event began with the candidates appearing together on stage.

One by one, they spoke about their values, ideas, sense of morality and the proper roles for religion and government in society.

Common themes were criticisms of government intrusion into family lives, an emphasis on individual liberties, a calling out of judicial "activism," and the need for greater economic freedoms.

At one point, Luntz asked the candidates to describe a personal or professional experience that helped shape their faith and spirituality.

Luntz said "If ever there was a place to bare your soul...this is the place to do it."

— CNN

'Super Committee' likely to fail

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Members of the "super committee" charged with coming up with \$1.2 trillion in budget cuts are focused on how to announce failure to reach a deal, Democratic and Republican aides confirmed to CNN Sunday.

While aides said no final decision had been made, they acknowledged that — barring an unforeseen development — an announcement of an end to negotiations is the most likely scenario.

Talks on trying to reach a deficit reduction agreement are essentially over and discussions are focused on a Monday announcement, a senior Democratic aide said.

Another senior Democratic source said, "No decisions or agreement has been reached concerning any announcement or how this will end. But, yes, the likely outcome is no agreement will be reached." A Republican aide said, "I don't think they've decided when they will do it."

Members of the 12-member bipartisan debt committee said Sunday a wide chasm remains.

A late Monday deadline looms for some kind of plan to move forward, with a vote required by Wednesday.

The mood on the morning news shows was somber, with just a glimmer of hope.

"I'm going to be waiting all day," Washington Sen. Patty Murray, Democratic co-chair of the committee told CNN's Candy Crowley on "State of the Union."

"I'll be at the table, as I've been, willing to talk to any Republican who says, look, my country is more important, this pile of bills is not going to go away, the challenges that we have is not going to disappear, we need to cross that divide," said Murray.

Her Republican counterpart, Rep. Jeb Hensarling of Texas, said "nobody wants to give up hope."

"Reality is to some extent starting to overtake hope," Hensarling told "Fox News Sunday." But there were 12 good people who invested a lot in this trying to find common ground to try to achieve the goal of this committee."

Murray took harsh aim at Republicans who took a pledge not to raise taxes created by the president of the conservative group Americans for Tax Reform.

"I'll tell you one of the problems has been a pledge that too many Republicans took to a Republican wealthy lobbyist by the name of Grover Norquist, whose name has come up in meetings time and time again," Murray said, adding she was optimistic a compromise would be reached.

Sen. Pat Toomey, R-Pa, said things weren't looking good for a deal.

"There is still an opportunity. There's a plan on the table that would at least take us half way to our goal," he told CBS' "Face the Nation."

Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz, reiterated the GOP mantra that Bush-era tax cuts should continue and entitlement spending be cut. Democrats are keen on letting the Bush-era cuts expire for the highest-income Americans in 2012.

"In Washington, there are folks who won't cut a dollar unless we raise taxes," he said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

"If you want to get serious about the deficit our country has to grow economically," Kyl said. "You can't grow if you raise taxes in the middle of a recession."

Meanwhile, an interfaith group held a prayer vigil Sunday in Lafayette Park near the White House, to urge Congress not to make budget cuts that would likely impact the poor.

"We gather this time with an audacious purpose and that is to ask God ... to move the hearts of policy makers that they will act and make decisions with compassion and fairness," the Rev. Dr. Michael Kinnamon, general secretary of the National Council of the Churches of Christ, said in leading the crowd in prayer.

Similar vigils will be held this week in Los Angeles; Richmond, Va; Philadelphia and Dallas.

While the 12-member panel's deadline for a final vote is Wednesday, any blueprint must be made available 48 hours in advance of a committee vote and must be accompanied by a Congressional Budget Office analysis scoring how much it would reduce deficits.

To stave off automatic spending cuts known as a sequester, the super committee must propose ways to reduce deficits by at least \$1.2 trillion over 10 years. At least seven of its 12 members must approve a plan in order to send it to the House and Senate in the form of legislation.

Then, both chambers must vote on the bill, without amendment, by Dec. 23. For the plan to pass, a simple majority in each chamber must vote in favor.

A failure to pass any agreement would result in \$1.2 trillion in automatic spending cuts across much of the federal budget starting in 2013, evenly divided between defense and non-defense spending. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta warned Congress this week that such cuts could cripple the American military establishment.

— CNN

Ron Paul reissues claims on American policy and 9/11

Presidential candidate Rep. Ron Paul reiterated his controversial stance Sunday that some policies of the United States contributed to the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

Speaking on the CBS program "Face the Nation," Paul said his views were consistent with analysis from various groups.

"I think there's an influence," Paul said. "That's exactly what the 9/11 Commission said. That's what the DoD has said. That's also what the CIA has said. That's what a lot of researchers have said."

Paul said American intervention in foreign nations was a trigger to potential terrorists, who he said were sending the message: "We don't like American bombs to be falling on our country."

He cited withdrawing a military base from Saudi Arabia immediately after 9/11 as an indication that U.S. military policy was partly responsible for the actions of terrorists.

Paul has previously said the military presence in Saudi Arabia was a motivator for terrorists, who were angered by American troops in the Islamic country.

The Texas congressman made clear he

did not think America's form of government and economy were to blame, but rather the specific foreign policies pursued by the United States.

"To deny this I think is very dangerous, but to argue the case that they want to do us harm because we're free and prosperous I think is a very, very dangerous notion because it's not true," Paul said.

He continued, "You're supposed to be able to criticize your own government without saying you're un-American."

— CNN

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Alyssa Martin. The defensive statistics cannot lie. The Beavers created 34 turnovers on the night, with 12 blocked shots and 44 rebounds. Overall, the defense was inspired by the efforts of junior forward Shakiana Edwards-Teasley, who had career-high of 12 boards.

"She set the tone for us rebounding tonight, she plays with a lot of toughness on boards and that is something we need," Rueck said.

Every player on the Oregon State roster played double-figure minutes on the night. The Beavers margin of victory so far this year has been 38.5 points per contest.

The next five games away should be a test for the Beavers, beginning against Eastern Washington University on Tuesday night. They'll then go nine days in between games. They'll play in the Gene Hackerman Invitational in Houston, TX beginning Dec. 2.

"Of course you go on the road, it's a tournament everybody comes to play to win, I think it's always harder on the road but we'll just play our game," Martin said.

"Eastern is good opponent, a year ago they gave us a scare here," Rueck said. "I'm excited about it, it's time for this team to experience something different and new. It'll be new to us and I'm excited for the challenge."

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up the home crowd, and rolled over into the second and most anticipated match that featured eighth-ranked Clayton Jack.

Jack won by decision, 8-2, over 18th-ranked J.T. Felix in a rematch of last year's Pac-10 Heavy Weight Championship match.

Following Jack's victory were impressive pins by Pat Rollins (125), and James Roberts (133), which took Oregon State's lead to 21-0.

Fifth-ranked Mike Mangrum, and 10th-ranked Scott Sakaguchi, increased Oregon State's lead to 29 after major decisions in each match.

After Pena's overtime loss, and Cody Weishoff's loss by decision, the deficit slipped to 23, but Ty Vinson padded the lead with a wild last-second win by decision, 4-3. Boise State's Jacob Swartz won by major decision over John Tuck, but the damage had already been done, and the Beavers prevailed with the victory.

"We really ran them out of the room and that doesn't surprise me. I think we're going to run every team out of the room," Jack said. "Boise's beaten us a lot so, you know, we take it personally. We came in and kicked their butts and got them out of the room."

Oregon State will keep its momentum when it faces ninth-ranked Missouri this coming Friday. The matchup is set to start at 7 p.m. at Gill Coliseum.

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Sports briefs

THE DAILY BAROMETER

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The Oregon State University men's basketball team defeated the University of Texas, 100-95 in overtime, Saturday night in the semifinals of the TicketCity Legends Classic at the IZOD Center.

Junior guard Jared Cunningham eclipsed the 30-point mark for the second consecutive game, netting a career-high 37.

Sophomore forward Devon Collier and junior forward Angus Brandt scored 17 and 14 points respectively.

The Beavers (4-0) trailed by six with four minutes left in regulation, but got clutch free throw shooting from Cunningham down the stretch. Cunningham hit two free throws to tie the game at 81 with eight seconds left after getting fouled on a drive to the basket. Eric Moreland blocked Texas's game-winning attempt at the buzzer to send it to overtime.

The Beavers got back-to-back 3-pointers from Brandt and Ahmad Starks in the first two minutes of overtime, and then went 12-for-12 from the charity stripe to clinch the victory.

Oregon State will take on Vanderbilt

University, who started the year ranked No. 7, tonight at 6 p.m. in the TicketCity Legends Classic championship game. The game is available on ESPN3.com.

PALO ALTO, Calif. — The Oregon State University volleyball team got one step closer to their postseason goal with a five-set upset victory over No. 3 University of California over the weekend.

The Beavers out-blocked the Golden Bears and had three players totaling double-digit kills to propel them to victory.

OSU followed up its upset win with a four-set loss to Stanford University on Sunday. Set scores were (19-25, 23-25, 26-24, 15-25).

Dre Shaw set a new career high for kills with 24, while Arica Nassar added 11 kills.

Oregon State (15-15, 7-13 Pac-12) concludes conference play with two matches against the No. 15 University of Oregon.

The Beavers likely will need to win both contests to be selected to the NCAA Tournament.

Oregon State will host the University of Oregon at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

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threw for 339 yards and two touchdowns, while throwing one interception.

"We made some big plays," Mannion said, mentioning Markus Wheaton's 56-yard reverse and Obum Gwacham's 58-yard catch. "We just did a good job kind of chipping away, just kept executing, and I think it was a pretty well-played game."

Wheaton also excelled Saturday, catching seven passes for 125 yards.

On a day filled with excitement over the Senior Day victory, one senior in particular has something extra to be thrilled about.

Rodgers broke the Oregon State school record for career receptions. His four receptions Saturday put him at 222 for the career, two more than former record-holder Mike Hass.

"I was happy, but at the same time, I was still trying to focus on the game because I didn't want to get caught up in that too much," Rodgers said.

"It's special," Mitchell said. "On a day like this, for him to get the record and do that is big. I'm proud of him, and I know he's going to do big things after Oregon State."

Rodgers suffered an ankle injury in the second quarter, just shortly after breaking the record. He sat out the rest of the game, but already told

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Washington	7	7	0	7	21
OSU	14	3	0	21	38
Individual Stats					
Passing:					
Sean Mannion (OSU): 26-37, 339 yards, two TDs, one INT	7:30 — Rodgers 6-yard pass from Mannion (UW 7, OSU 7)				
Nick Montana (UW): 11-21, 79 yards, two TDs, one INT	2:52 — Micah Hatfield 6-yard pass from Mannion (OSU 14, UW 7)				
Rushing:					
Chris Polk (UW): 25 carries, 109 yards	Second Quarter:				
Jovan Stevenson (OSU): 10 carries, 41 yards, three TDs	11:19 — Seferian-Jenkins 5-yard pass from Montana (OSU 14, UW 14)				
Receiving:					
Markus Wheaton (OSU): seven catches, 125 yards	0:00 — Trevor Romaine 24-yard field goal (OSU 17, UW 14)				
Austin Seferian-Jenkins (UW): six catches, 40 yards, two TDs	Fourth Quarter:				
James Rodgers (OSU): four catches, 48 yards, one TD	11:53 — Stevenson 3-yard run (OSU 24, UW 14)				
Scoring Summary:					
First Quarter:					
11:03 — Austin Seferian-Jenkins 4-yard pass from Nick Montana (UW 7, OSU	11:27 — Stevenson 15-yard run (OSU 31, UW 14)				
	7:50 — Devin Aguilar 20-yard pass from Keith Price (OSU 31, UW 21)				
	2:12 — Stevenson 1-yard run (OSU 38, UW 21)				

Riley he's playing in the Civil War next week.

This isn't the season the seniors thought they'd go out on, but the Senior Day win against Washington as their last home game at least salvages this season to a degree.

"It feels amazing, especially with the way the season's

going," said senior left tackle Mike Remmers. "I'm really happy to go out with a bang and give all over Beaver Nation something to be proud of. Reser Stadium's a great atmosphere, I love playing here, and I'm going to miss it so much."

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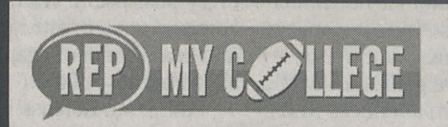
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Oregon State runs away from Huskies

■ Beavers pick up their third win of the year, beat Huskies 38-21 on Senior Day at Reser Stadium

By Warner Strausbaugh
THE DAILY BAROMETER

With the way the season has gone for Oregon State University, everyone could have easily given up.

Going into the last home game in the seniors' careers, the Beavers were at 2-8 — by far the seniors' worst season in Corvallis.

But on Senior Day, for the final game in front of the home crowd of Reser Stadium, OSU, particularly the seniors, showed they weren't going to roll over.

"Without [the seniors'] kind of perseverance and their toughness really to stay with it, we had no chance to do this today," said Oregon State head coach Mike Riley. "When you're doing as badly as we are on the record side of it, if your seniors don't stay in it, you're done."

OSU's 38-21 win over the University of Washington was its best win of the year.

After the Huskies scored within the first four minutes of the game to take an early 7-0 lead, Oregon State scored 14 first-quarter points and never looked back.

One of those two first-quarter touchdowns was a 6-yard pass from quarterback Sean Mannion to sophomore wide receiver Micah Hatfield. Not only was it Hatfield's first career touchdown, it was his first career reception.

"It was funny because when we [were] coming out of the tunnel I said, 'Let's get this touchdown,'" said senior wide receiver James Rodgers. "That's a guy that's been under my wing for a while now, so I'm happy to see him get his first touchdown."

Hatfield had barely seen any game action because of a broken thumb he



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Sophomore running back Jovan Stevenson escapes the grasp of two Husky defenders Saturday at Reser Stadium. Stevenson rushed for just 41 yards in the win over Washington, but he scored three fourth-quarter touchdowns.

suffered back in fall camp.

Stopping the run was the priority for the Beavers on defense. After being shredded by opposing rushing attacks in the last three games, keeping Washington tailback Chris Polk (12th in the nation in rushing) in check was going to be a tough task.

It started off looking like more of the same. Polk rushed for 57 yards on 12 carries in the first quarter.

"It was scary," Riley said of Polk's big start. "I was going: 'This is going to be a long day again.'"

But, after that first quarter, the defense of Oregon State found some consistency and held Polk to just 52 yards for the rest of the game.

"Today it just came together, everything I think," said senior safety Lance Mitchell. "We really felt bad about last week, and we really made

it personal, a personal thing to come out this week and stop the run."

The defense of OSU also gave Nick Montana a rough outing in his first career start. The redshirt freshman completed just over 50 percent of his passes for only 79 yards. Montana threw two touchdowns, but was intercepted once and sacked four times. Standout redshirt freshman defensive end Scott Crichton record-

ed two of those sacks.

Oregon State's offense still deserves a lot of credit. The previous three games, the Beavers only managed to score 8, 13 and 6 points respectively. Saturday's 38 points are the kind of offensive synergy this team has wanted all year.

It all started under center. Mannion

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VINAY BIKKINA | THE DAILY BAROMETER

Junior Sage Indendi bringing the ball up the court Sunday against Southern Utah. The Beavers have dominated in transition so far this year.

OSU wraps up homestand with another blowout win

■ Oregon State beats Southern Utah by 50 on Monday at Gill, continuing a streak of wins by at least 20 points

By Jacob Shannon
THE DAILY BAROMETER

You could call it a last supper of sorts, as the Oregon State University women's basketball team indulged in shutting down another nonconference opponent at home, something it won't get another chance to do for the next four weeks.

Before playing the next five games away, the Beavers (4-0) left Gill Coliseum attendees with a great taste in their mouth, beating the Southern Utah University 90-40 last night.

The Thunderbirds, coming off a one-point loss to Santa Clara of the West Coast Conference, were no match for OSU's defensive approach.

This is all right in line with head coach Scott Rueck's philosophy, as displayed throughout the season thus far. OSU came out defensively strong, expecting the scoreboard to follow.

"We put this team on their heels, the defense we play is a little bit tough to mimic in practice, and that is to our advantage, especially during this game" Rueck said. "Initially, our speed at the top of our zone tonight, Sage and Ali, got tips on every possession. We did a great job filling the lane and we are transitioning so well right now, and in all four of our games we have jumped out ahead because of that."

"I think our defense leads to our offense, and that is when we score our best. We get our easy transition points then that opens up the court, it makes it a lot easier," said sophomore guard

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Wrestling defeats Boise State

■ The Beavers win seven of 10 individual matches to beat the Broncos for the first time ever in a dual meet

By Andrew Kilstrom
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Another home dual meet and another dominating performance for the 18th-ranked Oregon State University wrestling team Sunday at Gill Coliseum.

Oregon State looked confident, beating Boise State University 32-10 in their first Pac-12 competition of the year. The Beavers won seven of 10 matches, improving to 2-0 overall on the season and 1-0 in Pac-12 play.

It was Oregon State's first win in a dual meet against the Broncos in nine tries total.

Oregon State won the first six matches of the day going ahead an impressive 29-0 until surrendering the first points to Boise State after Georgi Ivanov edged out R.J. Pena 8-6 in overtime.

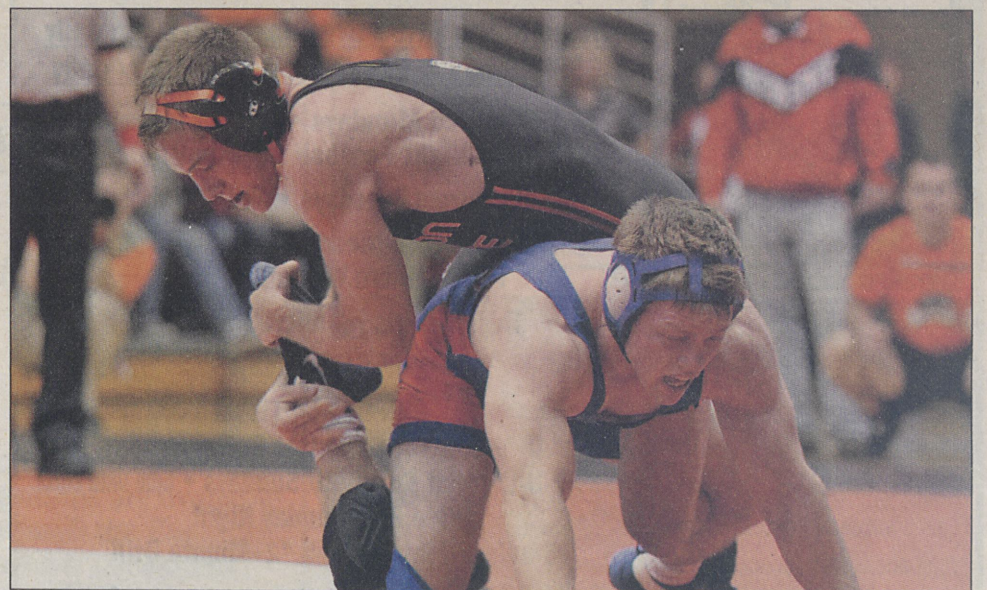
"It feels good. They've beaten us the last eight or nine duals, so it was good for us to come out and set the tone," said head coach Jim Zalesky. "For this early I thought we looked good, but we can get a lot better."

Taylor Meeks (197-pound class) set the tone early for the Beavers by pinning Bronco wrestler Derek Toney in the first round.

Zalesky was impressed with Meeks performance, saying, "I thought Taylor Meeks did a good job and kind of got us on a roll there and set the tone for the meet."

The dramatic finish to the first match amped

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The Oregon State wrestling team defeated conference foe Boise State Sunday at Gill. The Beavers entered 0-7-1 all-time against Boise State in dual meets.