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Appeals court finds OSU at fault

U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals overturns the dismissal of 2009 lawsuit against OSU

By Gabriella Morrongiello
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Three years after the U.S. District Court dismissed a case against Oregon State University officials for allegedly violating the protected speech of a conservative student newspaper, this week a Federal Appellate Court overturned the decision.

William Rogers, then executive director of the publication The Liberty, filed the original lawsuit in 2009 after seven news bins containing all copies of the monthly newspaper were removed and disposed of by university officials. OSU had previously granted The Liberty permission to place news-bins at specific campus locations. Rogers initially believed the copies had been stolen and contacted the Corvallis Police Department. The cracked bins and soggy newspapers were then discovered in a university storage yard where they had been "heaped on the ground," according to the ruling.

OSU Director of Facilities Services, Vincent Martorello, later told Rogers, "the university's news-bin policy prohibited The Liberty from placing bins anywhere but in the two designated locations," according to an email included in court filings.

Martorello said the 2006 policy was intended to keep campus clean by supervising the placement of off-campus publications.

Charles Fletcher, a lawyer representing OSU, subsequently told Rogers, however, the school did not have a written policy regarding news-bin placement. In filing the original lawsuit, Rogers also took into con-



Seven news bins containing copies of The Liberty, a monthly publication, were disposed of by university officials in the winter of 2009.

sideration that the school had not removed copies of other publications, such as the Corvallis Gazette-Times and USA Today. The lawsuit named Martorello, President Ed Ray, Vice President Mark McCambridge and Vice Provost for Student Affairs Larry Roper.

After the lawsuit, the university then adopted a written policy regarding the placement of news bins, however the new policy did not differentiate between on- and off-campus publications. Essentially, the policy states any individual can submit a request to place news bins

on campus, and can do so as long as the request regains approval and the bins are placed in designated areas.

In dismissing the claims, Judge Ann Aiken cited the new policy and said the complaint had failed to adequately tie the named defendants to the confiscation of the bins.

In its Tuesday ruling, the ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that Aiken had erroneously dismissed the 2009 lawsuit and Appeals Court Judge A. Wallace Tashima overturned Aiken's decision.

"Clearly there was no urgency and no reason to junk the bins instead of

directing plaintiffs to remove them," said appellate court Judge Tashima. "The facilities department's decision to forego this procedure in favor of summarily confiscating the news bins [was] more like a thief in the night than a conscientious public servant violated due process."

"We have little trouble finding constitutional violations," Tashima wrote, in overturning the decision. "The real issue is whether the complaint properly ties the violations to the four individual defendants, who

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OSU chapter accents versatility of interior design

The IIDA, ASID supply students with access to industry professionals, businesses

By Mackie Swan
THE DAILY BAROMETER

The term "interior design" is often associated with paint colors, fabrics and furniture sets. But a closer look at Oregon State University's interior-design chapter proves that the industry, and the chapter itself, encompasses much more than what most people understand as interior design.

"I think a lot of people just in general think that when you say 'interior design,' they think of HGTV and picking colors," said Alana Pulay. "There's actually a lot more to it. There's a science behind it."

Pulay is a doctoral candidate in interior design who also serves as the faculty adviser for OSU's American Society of Interior Designers and International Interior Design Association student chapter.

OSU's chapter represents both the IIDA and the ASID organizations, but it is not required that students are members in either professional organization to be involved with the club.

"Even if you can't afford to join the professional organization, it still looks good to be a part of our student chapter," said Courtney Nelson, senior interior design major and

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Campus initiative clears the air, receives mixed reviews

The Healthy Campus Initiatives' smoking ban on campus was put into place at OSU this year, but not everyone is on board

By Ryan Dawes
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Several things seem to have disappeared from campus this year. Ashtrays that had lined Oregon State University's sidewalks, the occasional cigarette butt that had littered the ground and students smoking outside the Valley Library are now rare, if not altogether gone, after OSU's new smoke-free policy took effect in September.

"All in all, the first six weeks of the program have gone well so far," said Lisa Hoogesteger, Director of Healthy Campus Initiatives, in charge of the mechanics of the policy. "The majority of students already knew about the policy and respected it, which meant the communication and education about the policy before it was instated was really good."

OSU's smoke-free initiative was in the making for about four years before it was put into effect. In 2008, students concerned about the air quality and public health of the campus formed a team and began to research how other campuses across the country implemented smoke-free policies.

The team polled OSU students and staff on how they would feel about a smoke-free policy, and while experiencing some hostility toward

it at first, they found opinions towards such a policy were predominately positive. In Feb. 2011, OSU President Ed Ray used their research to create the policy plan, and announced that in Sept. 2012 it would be put into effect.

With the program now in effect, the main focus is to continue to inform the community, including new students and athletic event visitors, install permanent signs announcing the policy around campus and to work on correcting some potential problem spots with the policy.

Of these, a fairly challenging area for the policy is at the International Living Learning Center. In many foreign countries, rates of smoking are much higher and in general smoking is looked upon with much more favor than in the United States. Consequently, stopping smoking around the ILLC will require more effort and transition time than elsewhere on campus.

Also, probably one of the largest problem areas for the policy is the concentration of students smoking on the edges of campus and littering the streets surrounding campus.

"I don't really agree with the policy because now when I need to smoke I have to go to Monroe Street," said OSU student Kengrae Lee. "A lot of people are here in not that large of an area, and fairly quickly, the area gets littered."

To solve this, plans are being made to place trash cans as well as ash trays around the



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Lisa Hoogesteger has overseen the mechanics of OSU's smoke-free initiative, started by a group of students concerned with air quality.

outside of campus. Also, trash pick-up will be increased to accommodate for the higher demand around the outside of campus.

Healthy Campus Initiative staff will communicate with businesses on the outside of campus to ensure they are not being bothered, and graduate student Adam Race, while working on his master's in Public Health, patrols campus to discern other areas of the project to

improve on.

Not all students who smoke, however, necessarily find having to head off campus too great of a problem.

"I smoke a little less in between classes, but it doesn't really bother me," said OSU student Andrew Shike. "It just means I'll probably just smoke a little more afterwards, so it really

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Editorial

Vote yes on Measure 80

We've heard the propaganda, but the fact of the matter is, regardless of using it to get high, marijuana has several benefits Oregon could profit from.

Measure 80, outlined in the voters' pamphlet, would legalize the cultivation, possession and use of marijuana. This, in turn, would create numerous jobs, refocus police energy and funds to finding actual criminals and supply Oregon with a lovely chunk of change, provided through application and renewal fees and other tax policies.

By legalizing it, taxing it and making it available for adults 21 and older, marijuana would become a contributor to how our state operates. On a financial basis, legalizing marijuana would save the state \$1.4 to \$2.4 million a year — and this is only in regards to how much we are currently spending on felony offenders in prison and on probation. When it comes to enforcing the illegal use of marijuana, Oregon spends more than \$60 million a year. Considering these people were simply using, growing or selling a plant, this war has become financially unjustifiable.

Moving on to marijuana's legitimate uses and benefits as a plant and medicine, Measure 80 would allow for the Oregon Cannabis Commission (OCC) to license growers to produce a top-quality product, both for personal and economical uses. Measure 80 would distinguish hemp from marijuana. It would also allow for the use of hemp by harvesting fiber for stronger and more durable paper and textiles, and seed oil and protein production for biodiesel fuel, plastics and nutritious foods.

Marijuana as a gateway drug has long been debunked. If anything, marijuana is a gateway to the black market, where people are earning an untaxed income. If it were legalized, the black market for marijuana would, essentially, go out of business.

There are worse drugs out there: meth, heroin and cocaine. There are worse people out there: murderers, rapists and grifters. Marijuana and cannabis users don't belong, and should not be in the same category as these other drugs and people, nor should they be treated as the same kind of criminal. The OCC would regulate licensing to qualified growers and sales of marijuana. Much like alcohol, marijuana wouldn't be available to minors, and educating the youth on actual side effects and using it sparingly would be a priority.

Regardless of whether or not it's legalized, stoners are still going to smoke, teenagers are still going to have access and marijuana will still be out there for those who want it. Legalizing it takes it out of the minors' hands, keeps otherwise law-abiding citizens out of court, produces an environment-friendly resource and provides Oregon with steady revenue. Vote yes on Measure 80.

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Bacc core courses unnecessarily bog students down

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Oregon State University's baccalaureate core, or "bacc core," is something every student must complete in order to graduate. It does not matter if you came into college with a 4.0 GPA or if you're starting college at 30 years old, the bacc core is mandatory. But is it necessary? Will taking one or two classes in unassociated fields really improve you in any way? Half of my friends disregard the bacc core, instead signing up for the easiest classes and the classes with the lowest time requirements. Should the school force students to pay for classes outside of their major that have nothing to do with their career interests or goals in life? I say no. If the main reason behind the bacc core is to produce a "well-rounded" citizen, then what was high school for? What we took there were basically the same classes offered within the bacc core, and graduates from high school are some of the most well-rounded people I know.

After searching OSU's bacc core information online, I found some of the reasoning behind it, which is to "build their foundational skills like writing, speech and mathematics; gain knowledge and perspectives across academic fields and diverse cultures; develop abilities of analysis, critical thinking and problem solving." Besides my ability to accomplish half of those objectives within my major's required classes, I already had doses of the rest in high school, where I wrote countless papers, took math every year and befriended students from other countries. What more do they want?

I chose to attend college because I want to excel in business, so business is what I chose to study. Within the business major I use math, writing, speech and think critically. The courses offered within my major cover most, if not all, of the objectives listed

above. So why are we forced to pay for classes we don't need?

This term I am enrolled — unwillingly — in Soils 205. I have no interest in soil, despite the instructor being awesome (James Cassidy, you're the man). I registered for the class because it was one of the only biology-recognized classes that fit within my senior business schedule. I view this class as a blight. I have a lot of other things going on in my life beside Soils 205. I am preparing to graduate and a single soils class has the possibility of preventing that. I could have a 4.0 in all my major's classes while doing poorly in a random class not associated from my major and be unable to graduate. I know people who have had to stay in school longer just to complete their bacc core requirements and unenviably pay tons of money to make that happen.

I am writing as a senior who has basically completed all of his bacc core requirements. Looking back, I did not find much benefit coming from

them. I considered them a burden to my existing goals in college and wish I could have taken more business classes instead. I have spent thousands of dollars on classes I had no interest in, which is money that could have instead gone toward starting a business, or furthering my passions here on campus. Granted, there is a huge list of classes offered within the bacc core, but to me, they are all off my agenda. While some may seem interesting, I came here to learn how to succeed in the field of business. If the school is going to force me to pay for classes outside of my major, why not have them relevant? Make business students take a few public policy classes, perhaps some history classes, not soils, physics or Native American flute! (Not that I'm saying Jan Michael Looking Wolf isn't awesome.)

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Letter to the Editor

In response to Pells Oct. 24 article

Those roads aren't going to pay for themselves

How many econ classes have you had? One, two, perhaps three? Theory. That's all it is, theory. Perhaps you missed the part where contemporary economic theory is predicated on "all things being equal?" All things are not equal.

How many years have you worked, paid for a house, contributed to a retirement account? Probably not many. Otherwise, you'd be pretty angry over what went down four years ago.

But, let's see how much economics you understand. Bear with me — do you pay resident, non-resident or international tuition? Probably resident. So you are subsidized by the taxpayer and not paying the full cost of your education. If so, please refund your subsidy to the state treasurer. You can find the address online.

I suppose you aren't receiving stu-

dent loans, subsidized by the taxpayer? If so, I'm sure the federal treasury wouldn't mind getting your check. While you're at it, if you drive, then your vehicle's demands on the road are subsidized. Cha-ching. Did you pay for your public school education? No? Cha-ching. I bet you're not paying the full, unsubsidized market prices for the water you drink, the sewer treatment facilities you use, or the police and fire services that keep you safe. No? Cha-ching. Oh, and Uncle Sam could use some cash, your share of the operation of the United States military. If not, well, the flight to Iraq leaves in the morning. Don't forget your credit cards and airfare; not to mention the cost of BDU's, weapons and MRE's is, of course, quite high these days.

Markets cannot operate without regulation; not to prevent greed but I have lived through recessions in 1961, 1979-80, the S&L Crisis in 1987, the Ruble Collapse of 1994, the Asian Contagion of 1997, the post 9-11

recession in 2001-02 and, of course, the crash of 2008, brought to you through the kindness of the bankers who absconded with \$10-plus trillion — with a "t" — before demanding a sizable bailout, before demanding regulations were bad because they stifle the "free" market. But, I digress, sorry. I have lived through those times (yep, I'm old). I have come to understand that for markets to operate properly and effectively, investors must have complete and accurate information. However, in the years before 2008, 28 to be exact — Ronald Reagan started this mess, blame Bush I, Clinton, and Shrub if you wish — Wall Street marketed collateralized debt obligations (CDO's). Now, before you say you know all about them, let me advise that Alan Greenspan acknowledged that he and his boys at "The Bank" didn't understand them. So how could investors like mom and pop? Let me throw out some other names — Lehman Brothers, Merrill-Lynch, Citicorp, AIG. While

they were pillaging the global economy, mom and pop had no idea that the boys on "The Street" were earning obscene amounts of money sucking the American investor dry. Oh, what's that? They didn't investigate enough before investigating that? It would have been a little difficult since executive compensation was not disclosed. Period. There was no way to know since they weren't required to disclose. These are, by the way, the same boys chanting, "Regulation is bad!" Of course it is; they want more. Maybe 30 years from now, you'll wake up to find your 401K equals zero.

Now, I'm sure, based on your column, that you are voting republican with a big R. Well, the economy crashed on their watch. Why are you in such a hurry to give the keys back to the boys that crashed the bus? At least at my age, we have to take a driving test before they let us get behind the wheel again.

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Economics

Eating disorders are not limited to women, anorexia

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The Daily Barometer

The decision to extend your wings and fly from the comfortable and secure embrace of your parents' home for a life of self-sufficiency and adult decision-making is one that holds characteristics that are both exhilarating and petrifying.

No longer do the shackles of rules or curfews or parental decrees oppress you; no longer do you have to sneak your extra helpings of steamed broccoli and raw cauliflower to your household pet under the table. It is now assumed you are completely capable of sustaining a lifestyle that will allow you to survive and enjoy yourself while maintaining and upholding your responsibilities.

Beginning and progressing through college is a landmark for numerous young people and a stepping-stone on the promising road to adulthood. However, one thing that often goes undetected, underplayed, and most often, subjected to unfair stereotyping and misunderstanding are eating disorders. This dangerous phenomenon can rapidly turn disastrous if left unchecked for a long period of time.

In a sea of potential new friends and school-time flings, the pressure to look 'beautiful' can often persuade many to purge themselves after enjoying the many great delicacies our American food culture has to offer. Many young men and women, on our campus and various others worldwide, are consumed by

that's uncomfortable, painful, stressful, tortuous and forever worrisome.

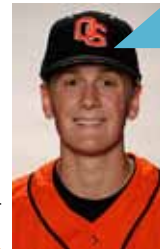
Unfortunately, and not attempting to gather sympathy or compassion from others, I will admit that I was subject myself to an eating disorder about two years ago. After my second reconstructive knee surgery, my waist enlarged, thighs expanded, and cheeks stretched to where I could have been mistaken for Alvin the Chipmunk's human counterpart. I digress; I gained a noticeable amount of weight. After going through months of physical therapy and rehabilitative practice, I was cleared to have free reign over my exercise choices. As the pounds began to shed with hard work, I was very fearful and paranoid that the weight would come creeping back into my life like a stalker evading a restraining order. I began to skip meals, over-exercise and eat very small amounts during mealtimes. I found myself increasingly tired, snappy, moody, irritable and overly sensitive to everything. The cognitive function of my brain was so extremely out of balance that it almost became a demented game I would play with myself to see how long I could go without eating between meals — or really, snacks. Once again, this is not an attempt to gain pity points or an engraved invitation to a sadness parade; however, I do wish to explain my situation and the things I subjected my own self to in hopes that my peers, and anyone else who may have an eating

disorder, will realize that in the end, it really isn't worth it — food and beer are too damn good. Realizing I had a problem was a gigantic step in gaining security in myself, my looks and the choices I made regarding food.

I blame the mainstream media — mostly — for this epidemic plaguing our youth. Constantly viewing actors and actresses that are outwardly physically flawless in film, television sitcoms, magazines, billboards and advertisements cause the youth of today to become enormously self-conscious of their bodies which, in turn, is the stem of such eating problems. It makes me very sad to say this occurrence has encouraged the development of a social stigma that says anything above a size six isn't beautiful or anybody who doesn't have an abdomen that could grate cheese isn't sexually appealing. Quite bluntly, the lifestyle those people choose may be beneficial to them, but we are all constructed differently and, in addition, this causes us to all be beautiful in our own way.

If you want to stay healthy and physically fit, robbing yourself of the exquisiteness of food or exercising until the webbing of your hands and feet bleeds is not the way to do it. A proper and reasonable diet, moderate exercise and an encouraging mind set will get you there, I can assure you.

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"Are you kidding me Pablo?!? #beastmode"

@MFielding92 Matt Fielding

Buckland, Cabrera watch Beavers' success from sidelines

The Beavers lost two key players before the season began, still having success

By Grady Garrett
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Perhaps forgotten amid the Oregon State women's soccer team's success this year is the fact that the Beavers

entered the season with an abundance of question marks.

OSU graduated five senior starters off last year's 13-win team. All five played an integral role in the program's turnaround, helping guide the Beavers to three consecutive NCAA tournaments.

That blow, albeit a big one, was one the Beavers were prepared to deal

with as they turned their attention toward the 2012 campaign.

What OSU couldn't have anticipated, though, was having to play the 2012 season without forward Chelsea Buckland and defender Milan Cabrera, two seniors who suffered season-ending knee injuries in the spring.

Buckland, a member of the Canadian National Team, was the Beavers' leading goal-scorer each of the previous three seasons. Cabrera had started 52 career games, the most of any OSU returner, and was a staple of the Beavers' backline.

Cabrera tore her anterior cruciate ligament and meniscus during a spring match against the University of Oregon on April 14. Buckland suffered the same injury a short time later during an intra-squad match with Team Canada two weeks before the London Olympics.

If the Beavers' 11-4-2 record and fourth-place standing in the Pac-12 is any indication, the roster overhaul hasn't been as big of an issue as one may have expected.

"I think at the start of the year, we were uncertain how things would pan out not having [Buckland and Cabrera]," head coach Linus Rhode said. "Who was going to score goals?

Who was going to be the pillar at the back? That was the challenge. Obviously we're 11-4-2 now, so we've figured out a way to get the wins."

Junior Morgan Kennedy has taken over Cabrera's role as the Beavers' primary center-back, and junior forward Jenna Richardson and senior midfielder Megan Miller have handled the scoring load, accounting for seven goals apiece.

"If you would have asked me right after last year's season, [Cabrera] would have been playing center-back and Chelsea would have been playing up front," Rhode said. "But we had all spring to figure out what things were actually going to look like for this year. Again, I've got to give the girls credit because they've stepped up and done a very good job."

"They're doing amazing, to be honest, considering the situations they were put in," Cabrera said. "Four starters remaining [off last year's team], I can't even imagine having to fill such big roles of such big players."

For Buckland and Cabrera, having to watch the 2012 season from the sidelines hasn't been easy.

"When I first got back [to Corvallis] and saw the new pitch, the field, the stadium, it brought back memories," Buckland said. "I had my moment. I



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Milan Cabrera, who's missed all of what was supposed to be her senior season, has chosen to pursue a master's and not return to OSU next year.



VINAY BIKKINA | THE DAILY BAROMETER ARCHIVES

Chelsea Buckland led the Beavers with 11 goals last year. She suffered a season-ending knee injury while training with Team Canada this past June.

THIS WEEKEND

Friday, Oct. 26

Men's Soccer vs. No. 7 UCLA, 1 p.m., Paul Lorenz Field, Pac-12 Networks (TV)

Women's Soccer @ Washington State, 3 p.m., Pullman, Wash.

Volleyball @ Utah, 6 p.m., Salt Lake City

Saturday, Oct. 27

No. 7 Football @ Washington, 7:15 p.m., Seattle, Wash., CenturyLink Field

Cross-country

Pac-12 Championships, 9:40 a.m., Santa Clarita, Calif., Pac-12 Networks (TV)

Sunday, Oct. 28

Men's Soccer vs. San Diego State, 2 p.m., Paul Lorenz Field, Pac-12 Networks (TV)

Women's Soccer @ Washington State, 3 p.m., Pullman, Wash.

Volleyball @ Colorado, 12 p.m., Boulder, Colo., Pac-12 Networks (TV)

Men's/Women's Rowing Portland Fall Classic, All Day, Portland, Willamette River

choked up a bit for the first few games I was back in town for."

"It's been really hard, just because I want to be out there," Cabrera said. "I love soccer, being a part of a team, and now I'm kind of not."

Cabrera said it really hit her on Senior Day this past Sunday, when she was honored along with the rest of her senior class.

Buckland compared her role this year to that of James "Boobie" Miles from the based-on-a-true-story book and movie "Friday Night Lights." Miles, Permian High School's star running back, suffered a season-ending knee injury and was forced to take on the role of inspirational leader.

"Through the season, I've totally pulled the Boobie Miles thing," Buckland said. "I can't physically be there for the girls out there, but I try to make it out to practice every day. Every game I'm on the sidelines, helping the girls get motivated for the game."

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OSU faces stiff competition at Pac-12 Championships

With six nationally-ranked Pac-12 schools, Oregon State cross country will have its hands full

By Mitch Mahoney
THE DAILY BAROMETER

The Pac-12 Championships for cross country take place this Saturday, just one week after the Oregon State team had an inspiring performance at the Beaver Classic.

The Classic, a six-kilometer race held in Corvallis, fielded 12 teams and 103 runners. The Oregon State team finished in fifth place behind the University of Victoria, the University of Portland, Portland State and the Corvallis Running Project. The finish is slightly misleading, however, and is underscored by some positive individual performances.

"The team's placing in the event really wasn't all that important," said assistant coach Travis Floeck. "We held out a lot of runners in preparation for the Pac-12 Championships, but the team we did put out there ran really well."

Freshman Sam Lewis ran unattached from the team and placed ninth overall with a time of 22:22. The top finisher for

the team was sophomore Lacey London, who finished 20th with a time of 22:48. The two ran well enough to earn a spot in the lineup OSU will send to the Pac-12 Championships in Santa Clarita, Calif., this Saturday.

"They've demonstrated that they can run at the level we're looking for," Floeck said. "When we were making our decisions, we took their whole body of work into account. Sam and Lacey have shown they can consistently compete at a high standard."

Lewis and London will join a lineup that includes freshmen Kira Kelly and Adrienne Demaree, sophomores Sabrah de Voir, Kinsey Gomez and Kelsi Schaer, and juniors Taylor Nowlin, Teresa Lawson and Sandra Martinez.

The women will face off against 11 other teams and 110 other runners in a conference that is loaded with talent. Six of the Pac-12 schools are ranked nationally. Oregon, Stanford, Arizona, and Washington are ranked third, fourth, fifth and sixth, respectively. Defending champion Colorado comes in at 21st, while UCLA, the host school, is 24th.

"The conference is freaky good," Floeck said. "It's almost going to be two races; one against the top six teams and then another among the rest of the conference. If we

finish seventh, that would be an extremely good day."

Even though the quality of competition will make for a highly difficult race, this Oregon State team knows there is a lot of potential with such a young group of runners.

"We're still a really young team," Floeck said. "We won't graduate anyone this year."

The team's inexperience could prove to be detrimental to its performance this weekend. Nine out of the 10 competing runners have never traveled to an event prior to two weeks ago when they flew to Louisville, Ky. for the NCAA Pre-Nationals.

The Pre-Nationals were an ideal tune-up for the team, since it was an event that had a level of competition matching what the Beavers will see in the Pac-12 Championships.

"Even if Saturday doesn't quite go our way, we still have next year to look forward to," Floeck said. "And this meet will serve as a stepping stone into next season."

The Pac-12 Championships will be televised on the Pac-12 Networks, with tape-delayed coverage beginning on Nov. 5 at 6 p.m.

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Lacey London finished 20th in the Beaver Classic last Friday. She will run in the Pac-12 Championships.



FOOTBALL POWER RANKINGS



Andrew Kilstrom — football beat reporter



1. No. 4 Oregon (7-0, 4-0 Pac-12)

Oregon State fans might not want to hear it, but it's true. The Ducks are the cream of the crop, to date. Yes, the Beavers are also undefeated, but you can't deny the way Oregon has won has been a little more impressive. Their last matchup against Arizona State was supposed to be their "real" test, and if so, I think it's safe to say they passed. Oregon put up 43 points in the first half. That's more than Oregon State has scored in any single game this season, let alone in one half. The Nov. 3 contest with USC is the game everyone had circled at the beginning of the year, and it's shaping up to be a repeat thriller of last year, with most people on campus probably hoping for the same outcome as well.



2. No. 7 Oregon State (6-0, 4-0)

OSU is the only other undefeated team in the conference and the clear choice for number two. Amazingly, it seems as though the national media — and even a lot of the local media — still aren't taking this team seriously, though. If you go onto ESPN to read about the Beavers, you will probably find articles commending the Beavers for overachieving and stating they've been a nice story thus far. But with the return of quarterback Sean Mannion, it's starting to look increasingly realistic that the Beavers could enter the Civil War game undefeated. After seeing how crazy Corvallis was last Saturday night when Utah came to town, I can't even imagine what this place will look like when the so-called "big brother" shows up.



3. No. 9 USC (6-1, 4-1)

A lot of schools in the Pac-12 would probably be happy to be ranked third in the conference, but the Trojans definitely aren't one of those programs. Southern Cal is used to being number one, and seem increasingly bitter after Oregon has taken over as top dog the last three seasons. After being ranked No. 1 in the nation in the AP Poll at the beginning of the season, USC is still in a pretty good place. If they win out, they could still sneak into the BCS National Championship Game. Their game with the Ducks will be tough, but with Matt Barkley (arguably the best quarterback in the nation) at the helm, USC should like its chances.



4. Arizona (4-3, 1-3)

It might come as a surprise for people to find a three-loss Arizona team above two-loss Arizona State and Stanford, but Arizona is playing the best football right now, and this is what power rankings are all about. If it weren't for a couple of close losses, the Wildcats could easily be sitting at 6-1 right now and in first place in the Pac-12 South. If you've seen the Wildcats play this year, you know they have a potent offense. Arizona is averaging a shade over 39 points a game, and is fifth in the nation in passing yards. They're definitely not slouches on the offensive side of the ball.



5. No. 17 Stanford (5-2, 3-1)

The Cardinal have already knocked off No. 9 USC and probably should have beaten No. 5 Notre Dame if it wasn't for a questionable call. Stanford could easily be sitting at the top of these power rankings.



6. Arizona State (5-2, 3-1)

The Sun Devils were a lot of people's sleeper team in the Pac-12, but they've showed they're not ready to compete with the best in the conference after being embarrassed at home by the Ducks.



7. UCLA (5-2, 2-2)

The Bruins got people excited in the beginning of the year, being ranked after the first three weeks of the season, but have since fell off considerably. They are a very talented team, but it looks like first-year head coach Jim Mora needs a little more time to make UCLA a contender.



8. California (3-5, 2-2)

Cal is another team that has been a little bit of a disappointment this year. Quarterback Zach Maynard has been inconsistent throughout the year, and while wide receiver Keenan Allen has looked like all he's been advertised to be, it hasn't been enough for the Golden Bears.



9. Washington (3-4, 1-3)

The Huskies looked like they might finish toward the top of the Pac-12 North going into the season, but quarterback Keith Price has trust issues with head coach Steve Sarkisian, and the Huskies are coming off of an embarrassing 52-17 loss to Arizona. They get a chance for redemption, however, when No. 7 Oregon State invades Seattle.



10. Utah (2-5, 0-4)

Though the Utes are probably the most disappointing team in the conference, in last week-end's game against OSU they showed flashes of why some experts picked them to be as high as number two in the Pac-12 South. They have a very physical defense and solid running game. Despite that, it looks like a bowl game is probably out of the question at this point.



11. Colorado (1-6, 1-3)

The Buffaloes are probably the worst team in the conference, but saved themselves from the last spot by beating the team I have ranked last, WSU. This team is really pathetic though, and will get trampled by Oregon this coming weekend.



12. Washington State (2-5, 0-4)

The Cougars get the last spot after a truly terrible start to the season. A lot of people thought they could be the surprise of the conference, but that has obviously not been the case.

BUCKLAND/CABRERA

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From here, Buckland and Cabrera's paths will veer in different directions.

Buckland, who arrived at OSU in 2008, but has missed four quarters of school due to Team Canada commitments, will apply for a medical redshirt and hopes to return to the Beavers' lineup next season. Buckland said she's confident the NCAA will grant her a sixth year — she redshirted as a true freshman in 2008 — but won't know for sure until January at the earliest. Either way, she'll be back at OSU next year in pursuit of a degree.

Cabrera, meanwhile, informed teammates and coaches last week that she will not return to OSU next year. A human development and family sciences major with an option of child development, Cabrera is set to graduate at the end of this term and plans on enrolling in a speech pathology master's program next fall.

OSU does not offer such a program, so Cabrera is in the process of looking at several schools in California — her home state — that do. She hasn't ruled out the possibility of returning to the pitch next fall at her new school — she still has a year of eligibility — but said soccer won't play a factor in her decision of where to enroll.

"It was a really hard decision," Cabrera said. "I've formed so many relationships with these girls, and I feel like I have unfinished business I'm leaving here. This has become my home."

"But my big thing is academics, progressing in my life. If I did play [at OSU next year], I'd lose a year of academics."

For now, Buckland and Cabrera will continue to sit back and enjoy the ride as their teammates pursue a fourth consecutive NCAA tournament appearance.

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1. No. 4 Oregon (7-0, 4-0 Pac-12)

The Ducks faced a lot of skepticism about their soft nonconference schedule and the fact that they had only played one road game through their first six. Many questioned whether Oregon was actually that good, or if it was just a product of having a lucky draw for a schedule. In their first test of the year away from Autzen Stadium, the Ducks proved to be worthy of the top-five ranking they'd been betrothed. Oregon steamrolled the Sun Devils in the first half, scoring 43 points. And now, Kenjon Barner is legitimately in the Heisman discussion too.



2. No. 7 Oregon State (6-0, 4-0)

It wasn't the prettiest of wins but the Beavers are now undefeated through the first half of the season after defeating Utah 21-7. Oregon State has won its last three games by no less than 13 points. The Beavers proved they can win without their starting quarterback, Sean Mannion, and now they have to prove they can win in Seattle where another top-10 team (then-No. 8 Stanford lost to the Huskies on Sept. 27) has already been upset.



3. No. 9 USC (6-1, 4-1)

The Trojans were supposed to be undefeated and cruising through Pac-12 opponents on their way to a National Championship appearance. Instead, they've looked vulnerable far too frequently this season. Aside from the 21-14 loss to Stanford in mid-September, USC has had opponents like Syracuse, Utah and Washington hang around in the game. The Trojans are coasting on talent right now, but with a tougher schedule to close out the season (Oregon, at UCLA, Notre Dame), this team has to get their heads out of their you-know-whats to go to a BCS bowl game.



4. Arizona State (5-2, 3-1)

Even though the Sun Devils looked like a 2A High School team against Oregon last Thursday, they still look like one of the better teams in the conference. Despite the nightmarish 43-point first half the quack attack bestowed upon them ASU has actually done really well. They won two consecutive road games, Cal (27-17) and Colorado (51-17). It'll be interesting to see how they rally after the loss, as they have UCLA at home, followed by road games at OSU and USC in the following two weeks.



5. No. 17 Stanford (5-2, 3-1)

The Cardinal would be higher (they could even challenge USC for the third spot), but they have been far too inconsistent to prove to be a team in the discussion as one of the best in the Pac-12. There's the Stanford that knocked off USC, took Notre Dame to overtime, and held Cal to just three points. But then you have the other Stanford, which barely beat San Jose State, scraped by Arizona at home and lost at Washington. It's the ultimate Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde team of this conference.



6. UCLA (5-2, 2-2)

After five games, UCLA would have been the third-best team in the conference. They had only lost to the Beavers by a touchdown and had made short work of every opponent, including an upset of Nebraska. But in the last two games, they were humiliated at Cal and barely squeaked by an unimpressive Utah squad. Johnathan Franklin is still 13th in the nation in rushing yards, but he has only crossed the end zone four times this year.



7. Arizona (4-3, 1-3)

Arizona can score, that much is clear. The Wildcats rank 20th in the nation in scoring offense and fifth in passing. After a 3-0 start, Arizona dropped three games in a row to Oregon, Oregon State and Stanford. Matt Scott, Ka'Deem Carey, Austin Hill and Dan Buckner light up the box scores with big numbers, but the defense has been atrocious. Aside from games against Toledo and South Carolina State, Arizona has allowed a minimum of 38 points in its other five games.



8. Cal (3-5, 2-3)

Cal has been about as below average as a team can be. They've beaten the teams they were supposed to, and lost to the teams they were supposed to (aside from losing to Nevada in week one). Cal's biggest weakness thus far has been its lack of any conceivable home field advantage. They've somehow managed to have just a 2-3 record at home, and one of those wins was over Southern Utah.



9. Utah (2-5, 0-4)

Ranking Utah ahead of Washington might seem foreign to many, but this Utes team has been the biggest group of underachievers in the conference this year. Utah's defense has the best defensive tackle in the country, and they made Oregon State look the most confused they've been all year. If running back John White, the freshman quarterback Travis Wilson and the rest of the offense can turn it around, this team could go on a run down the stretch.



10. Washington (3-4, 1-3)

After a promising start to the 2012 season, which saw the Huskies go 3-1 and knock off Stanford, Washington has been anything but promising. They've dropped three straight games (albeit, two of them were against Oregon and USC). Last week, nothing went right in the 52-17 loss at Arizona. They have the potential to play spoiler on a top-10 team for the second time this year with the Beavers traveling up to Seattle.



11. Washington State (2-5, 0-4)

Washington State's only wins this year have been against Eastern Washington and UNLV, which they only beat by an average of six points. They've dropped four straight Pac-12 games — including an embarrassing loss to Colorado — and don't look to be getting any better. Maybe it will take new coach Mike Leach a few years, but the experiment looks like a failure so far.



12. Colorado (1-6, 1-3)

The Buffaloes rank 113th in the nation in points scored and 123rd in points against. It doesn't take a genius to know this team is not good. They lucked out against Washington State, but expect this team to go 1-11.

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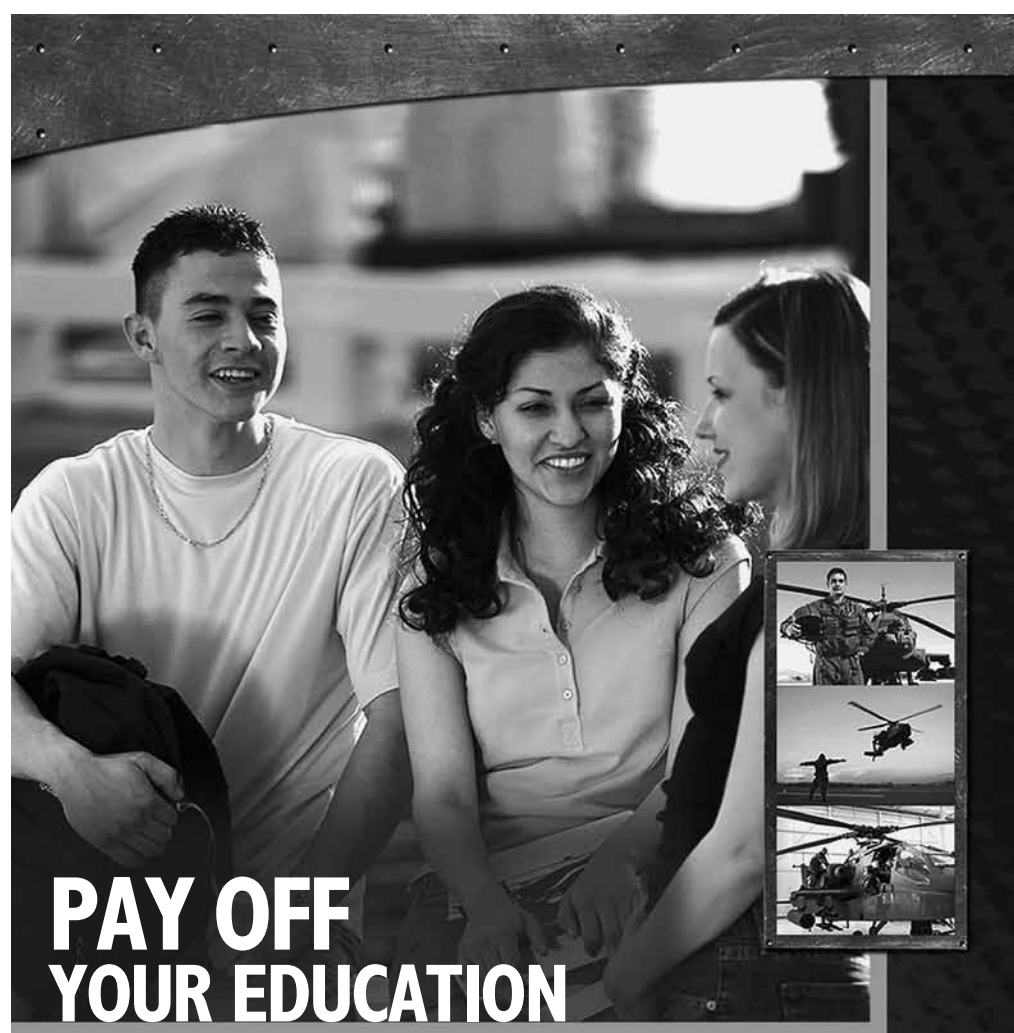
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North Korea's leader, Kim Jong Un, still a mystery

The United States and South Korea still have no clear insight on the new leader of North Korea, Kim Jong Un, nearly a year after he replaced his father.

"We still don't know whether or not he will follow in the footsteps of his father, or whether he represents a different kind of leadership for the future," U.S. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta admitted Wednesday.

Panetta made the comment at a news conference on Wednesday after security talks with his South Korean counterpart. The meetings included discussion of North Korea's young leader, who succeeded his father, Kim Jong Il, after his death in 2011.

South Korean Defense Minister Kim Kwan-jin said the actual regime "seems to be quite stable," and there is hope Kim Jong Un would "try to introduce new economic reform measures to make a better life for the people" of North Korea.

But the defense minister admitted he was also unsure what path North Korea's leader would take, and he warned that given Kim Jong Un's young age, it could mean bolder actions by the North Korean government. He described Kim as "young, meaning he may be a lot more aggressive compared to old people." Kim is believed to be 29.

Panetta once again called North Korea

"defiant and provocative," as he has before, and said he was concerned over its plans to conduct a third nuclear weapons test.

Kim Kwan-jin added that North Korea has been making preparations for this third test "for quite a long time." Although he did not say Pyongyang had decided to proceed, he added "it may in fact resort to this third nuclear test."

Speaking with Kim Kwan-jin by his side, Panetta said, "North Korea remains a threat to both of our nations, and a serious threat to regional and global stability."

He accused the Pyongyang of defying international rules by continuing to enrich uranium. North Korea conducted nuclear tests in 2006 and 2009 but has not conducted a test this year despite its threats.

A defense official added that the United States also believes North Korea has been making ongoing preparations for another long-range missile test at some point, although he said it does not appear imminent.



Kim Jong Un

Earlier this month, the United States agreed to allow South Korea to extend the range of its ballistic missiles. Previously, South Korea had been limited to a range under 200 miles. Now it will be able to possess missiles that can fly 500 miles.

The expansion allows South Korea to place its missiles much farther away from Pyongyang's artillery, while essentially putting all of North Korea within its range.

Panetta noted that North Korea's actions are "one of the purposes of rebalancing to the Pacific region," referring to the U.S. military's future concentration in Asia. He also announced that the United States and South Korea had signed an agreement for bilateral military space cooperation. He said it establishes a U.S.-South Korea working group to address space policy, training and exchanging personnel.

"Mr. Kim and I agreed on the need to strengthen cooperation with respect to protection of space and cyberspace domains. We must ensure this alliance stays ahead of cyberthreats," Panetta said.

There are almost 30,000 American troops stationed in South Korea near the border. This was the fourth time Panetta and Kim have met.

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US intel believes some Benghazi attackers tied to al Qaeda in Iraq

U.S. intelligence believes that assailants connected to al Qaeda in Iraq were among the core group that attacked the diplomatic mission in Benghazi, a U.S. government official told CNN.

That would represent the second al Qaeda affiliate associated with the deadly Sept. 11 attack that killed U.S. Ambassador Christopher Stevens and three other Americans.

Previously, intelligence officials said there were signs of connections to al Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb, the North African wing of the terrorist group.

The revelation that mem-

bers of al Qaeda in Iraq are suspected of involvement in the Libya attack comes at a time when there is a growing number of fighters from that group also taking part in the Syrian civil war.

It also surfaces as questions persist about Benghazi security and the Obama administration's response to the attack that have become issues in the presidential campaign. Republicans have said issues around the attack illustrate weaknesses in President Barack Obama's foreign policy.

The weakened al Qaeda affiliate has had a resurgence in Iraq since U.S. forces left the country at the end of last year. The group had used Libya as a source for fighters. In a 2008 cable, Stevens described a nearby town of Derna as "a wellspring of Libyan foreign fighters" for al Qaeda in Iraq.

The latest intelligence suggests the core group of suspects from the first wave of the attack on the Benghazi mission numbered between 35 to 40. Around a dozen of the attackers are believed to be connected to either al Qaeda in Iraq or al Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb, the government official said.

The attack had two waves: The first targeted the main compound where Stevens and another diplomatic official

were believed killed. A second stage a few hours later involved an annex building approximately a mile away.

According to the official, others in the core group are suspected of having ties to the Libyan group Ansar al-Sharia, and many of them are believed to be Egyptian jihadists.

A suspect in the attack is being held in Tunisia where the United States has been denied access to him, according to Sen. Saxby Chambliss, the ranking Republican on the Intelligence Committee.

Chambliss would not name the suspect, but CNN has been told it is Ali Ani al-Harzi, a Tunisian connected to extremist groups in North Africa.

Details about al-Harzi were first reported by the Daily Beast.

In a statement Chambliss said, "Tunisian authorities have a suspected terrorist in custody, yet our guys aren't able to interrogate him."

An aide to Chambliss said the suspect was first arrested in Turkey and later sent to Tunisia.

CNN has learned that the United States first became aware of al-Harzi when he apparently posted details of the attack on social media while it was happening.

At the request of the United States, Turkish officials detained al-Harzi when he entered that country after leaving Libya.

Turkey then transferred him to Tunisia.

The United States fully expects to have access to him and is trying to figure out how that will happen, another U.S. official told CNN. The FBI is leading the investigation and the intelligence community, according to the official, is working behind the scenes to help with that as well.

Video from one security camera at the Benghazi mission was recovered from the site, but a U.S. official would not say whether al-Harzi or any other suspects were identified from the video.

E-mails obtained by CNN made clear that less than 30 minutes after the attack began, the State Department notified officials within the agency, the White House, the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Pentagon and the FBI that an attack was underway and that Stevens was in the compound.

And just two hours later, one of the e-mails indicated the Libyan extremist group Ansar al Sharia was claiming responsibility for the attack on social media websites. "Embassy Tripoli reports the group claimed responsibility on Facebook and Twitter and has called for an attack on Embassy Tripoli," the e-mail said.

Rep. Mike Rogers, chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, told CNN the e-mails show the attack was not a spontaneous demonstration in protest of an anti-Muslim video as the intelligence community and Obama administration officials initially claimed.

"So what you saw in the e-mails in that real time was a real description," Rogers told Soledad O'Brien on "Starting Point." "And, as you noticed, there was no talk of demonstrations or other things. And it was clearly very early identified with a terrorist affiliate of AQIM."

Eight hours after the first e-mail was sent by the State Department to officials around the government, another message, obtained by CNN on Wednesday from a government official, said that the personnel in the "shelter location" in Benghazi were "under attack by mortar fire." It added there are reports of injuries to staff.

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Ryan lays out GOP solution to fight poverty

CLEVELAND — Republican vice presidential nominee Paul Ryan laid out a vision for lifting people out of poverty while speaking Wednesday in an area of Ohio that Barack Obama won handily in 2008.

"Many of those who are living in poverty today were in the middle class just a few years ago," said Ryan. "Sadly, in four years and now in four debates, neither President Obama nor Vice President Biden has offered the American people an agenda for a second term, but we know what it would be: more of the same."

Ryan, a seven-term congressman and House Budget Committee chairman, tried to dispel the notion that Republicans, and his running mate Mitt Romney, "think everybody should just fend for themselves."

"My party has a vision for making our communities stronger but we don't always do a good job of laying out that vision," he said before a crowd of 600 at Cleveland State University.

He added a Romney-Ryan administration "will not defer to the Washington-knows-best crowd" when it comes to helping low-income families.

The policy-focused speech was a departure from rallies and town hall meetings Ryan has held just about every day since he became Mitt Romney's running mate on August 11. Rather than speak off-the-cuff from notes like he does at most rallies, this time he wore a suit

and delivered prepared remarks from a teleprompter.

In an apparent effort to blunt the portrayal of Romney by Obama and his re-election team as an out-of-touch wealthy businessman, Ryan said his running mate's experience in the private sector uniquely qualifies him to manage an economic recovery, which he often says, but for the first time Ryan showcased Romney's personal contributions to his community.

Ryan said Romney is a "man who could easily have contented himself with giving donations to needy causes, but everyone who knows him will tell you that Mitt has always given his time and attention to those around him who are hurting."

"As for Mitt Romney, he not only understands the importance of community - he's lived it. He's a guy who, at the height of a successful business, took the time to serve as a lay pastor for his church for fourteen years, counseling people in Boston's inner-city neighborhoods, especially when they lost a job," Ryan said of Romney, who himself has been reluctant to discuss publicly, particularly as it relates to his Mormon religion.

The vice presidential hopeful compared Romney to his mentor, Jack Kemp, whom he considered a "champion of growth and prosperity."

"Over many years, Jack set his mind and heart to the problems of poverty, brushing aside

a lot of the old assumptions and the settled attitudes," he said after being introduced by his mentor's son, Jimmy Kemp. "The same holds true for Mitt Romney. If you want to know how Mitt Romney will lead our nation, then look at how he has led his life. He's a modest man with a charitable heart. He's a doer and a promise-keeper."

In his 25-minute address Ryan spoke broadly about how a Romney-Ryan administration would tackle the issue of poverty.

"Where government is entrusted with providing a safety net, Mitt Romney and I have our own vision for how to keep it strong. It is a vision that leaves the failures of the past in the past, and proposes instead to build on those reforms that have worked," he said.

He praised the landmark Welfare Reform legislation for making "major strides toward getting the government out of the business of fostering dependency" but noted the "welfare-reform mindset hasn't been applied with equal vigor across the spectrum of anti-poverty programs."

"For starters, a Romney-Ryan administration will clearly restore those parts of the welfare-reform law that have been undone or weakened," he said. "The federal government would continue to provide the resources, but we would remove endless federal mandates and restrictions that hamper state efforts to make these programs more effective. If the

question is what is best for low-income Ohioans, shouldn't we let Ohioans make that call?"

The Wisconsin lawmaker received a standing ovation when he said, if they win the White House, Romney will get rid of the Obama administration's mandate that all organizations, including those based in faith, pay for health insurance that covers contraception.

"This mandate isn't just a threat to religious charities it's a threat to all those who turn to them in times of need. In the name of strengthening our safety net, this mandate and others will weaken it," said Ryan.

Ryan also stressed the need to address government spending and the nation's increasing national debt, and he reminded the audience of the campaign's five-point plan and their goal of 12 million jobs over the next four years.

He reiterated their core message, "above all else is the pressing need for jobs."

After his swing-state stop in Ohio, Ryan traveled to the reliably-red Georgia, focused on helping the GOP fill its campaign coffers with an evening fund-raiser in Atlanta. On Friday, he will raise money in two more Republican stronghold states, South Carolina and Alabama.

Later Friday, Romney and Ryan will rally supporters in Ohio, and on Saturday, Ryan kicks off an eight stop, 400 mile, two day tour of the Buckeye State.

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Obama 'confident' about immigration reform in a second term

New details of President Barack Obama's plans for a second term were given in an off-the-record interview with the Des Moines Register Tuesday but made public only after the paper protested that leaving it private would be a disservice to Iowa voters.

The interview was conducted Tuesday but made public Wednesday after the Obama campaign gave permission to the paper releasing them from their off-the-record agreement.

In the interview, Obama said

he is confident his administration will pass immigration reform and achieve the equivalent of a grand bargain with Congress.

After failing to achieve comprehensive immigration reform in his first term, the president said Republicans, given the large Latino vote, will be invested in changing the system.

"I'm confident we'll get done next year is immigration reform," Obama said in the transcript of the interview posted online by the paper. "And since this is off the record, I will just be very

blunt. Should I win a second term, a big reason I will win a second term is because the Republican nominee and the Republican Party have so alienated the fastest-growing demographic group in the country, the Latino community."

"So I am fairly confident that they're going to have a deep interest in getting that done," he added.

CNN has previously reported the White House met with a coalition of religious leaders in an effort to broach immigration

reform next year.

He also predicted the two political parties reach an agreement over the fiscal health of the United States, buoyed by a combination of financial factors, including the Bush tax cuts expiring, the sequester and a commitment from himself and GOP presidential nominee Mitt Romney to reducing the deficit. Obama said he was "confident" about an agreement of \$2.50 worth of cuts for every dollar of revenue.

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ASOSU House passes football ticket legislation, addresses campus ADA compliance

Representatives examine SIFC actions with tickets, building accessibility standards

By Ricky Zipp
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Called to order at 7 p.m. the fifth meeting of the ASOSU House of Representatives was mainly filled with the members' discussion of two pieces of legislation: one being passed and one being tabled for next week.

The first bill brought to the

floor was JB 72.02 for its second reading in the House. The bill was read as it was originally presented last week and then the amendment made last night by the Senate was explained to the members of the House for the first time.

The change, as stated, is: "ASOSU calls upon the Student Incidental Fee Committee (SIFC) to include the student input on distribution of student tickets in its memorandum of understanding (MOU) regarding purchase of student

tickets."

The stated amendment was accepted by the House along with amended record of the OSU football team to say 6-0 instead of 5-0.

After the amendments were accepted, the members of the House passed the bill in its totality by unanimous vote. JB 72.02 will be signed in now that it has cleared both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

The second piece of legislation was HR 04.01 the

"Resolution to Complete a Comprehensive Assessment and Transition Plan in Order to Comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act."

This resolution states, "The American Disabilities Act requires all covered entities to conduct an assessment of their facilities and develop a transition plan to bring said facilities into compliance with the ADA."

HR 04.01 also claims that OSU is qualified as an entity under Title II of ADA and "has

only partially complied with this requirement which consists of a survey of external areas of the university including paths of travel, ramps, and parking facilities."

The resolution goes on to say that "OSU has not completed a comprehensive assessment of campus facilities," before stating that HR 01.03 of January 2010 requested to have Facilities Services "complete a through transition plan for [OSU] to comply with ADA standards by June 30, 2011." According to HR 04.01 this has not happened.

The acts requested by the bill are to have "the university complete a comprehensive assessment and transition plan by Sept. 30, 2013." Consulting with ASOSU and the Able Student Alliance about completing a "comprehensive assessment and transition plan" was also requested.

Jeffery Evans, a member of the ASA, was in attendance to answer any questions held by members of the House.

The House opened conversation and the main questions regarded statements issued by OSU claiming they have already begun the process — one in the form of an email being read by Speaker Jacob Vandever before discussion was opened. After claims of the resolution not passing at all last year were brought up, Representative Nick Rosoff clarified that the bill was passed in the House last year

but not in the Senate.

Evans, who took the floor for general discussion and providing answers to specific questions, spoke to the necessity of a total assessment being done of the interior of OSU buildings and is simply "Calling on the university to comply with ADA requirements."

Further discussion entailed OSU having building's within a recognized historic district and if renovation would be allowed to happen under those circumstances.

After open discussion continued a member of the House motioned to have the bill presented next week with the intent of a decision being made as to avoid stalling by waiting for a representative of the university to attend.

The vote was taken by hand and split 6-6. Claiming in order to "cover our bases" that it might "not be good to request services from the university without them present."

Vandever split the tie deciding in favor of tabling the bill for next week's House meeting.

Member of the gallery and speakers comments reminded the members of the Nov. 14 state of the students event, a preview of the content of the speech from ASOSU's President, and a reminder of the continuation of the voter education campaign going through the Nov. 6 deadline.

The meeting was adjourned shortly before 8 p.m.

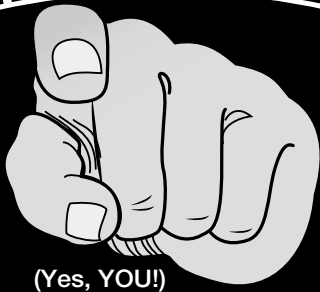
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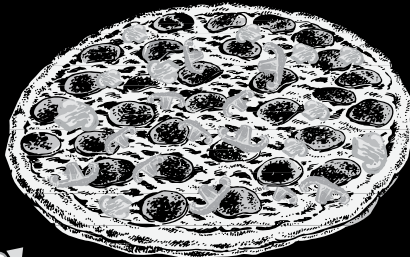
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