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College physical education hits hurdles



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Matt Seus dances with partner Jen Engelhard for a Lindy Hop I class, one of many dance-related physical activity courses offered at OSU, which has resisted the decline of college physical education.

■ Study shows physical education requirements for graduation from college stand at all-time lows

By Vinay Ramakrishnan
THE DAILY BAROMETER

A study recently published in Research Quarterly for Exercise and Sport found that less than half of four-year institutions now require students to take physical education courses in order to earn a bachelor's degree.

Brad Cardinal, professor of exercise and sport science at Oregon State University, co-authored the study during the 2009-10 academic year. Cardinal looked at historical rates of physical education requirements for graduation from colleges over the years. According to the study, titled, "Historical Perspective and Current Status of the Physical Education Graduation Requirement at American 4-Year Colleges and Universities," physical education requirements for graduation have dropped from 97 percent in the 1920s and 30s to 39.55 percent in the 2009-10 school year.

"It seems like the opposite of what you'd expect," Cardinal said, whose specialty is sport and exercise psychology and the sociocultural aspects of physical activity and health. "I didn't expect to see an upswing, but I also certainly didn't expect this kind of a dropoff."

The last time such a study was conducted, back in 1998, 63 percent of institutions required physical education courses in order for students to graduate.

Out of 2,200 American colleges and universities, Cardinal and his part-

ners in the study randomly selected 354 colleges and universities. Then they went to each of the colleges' webpages and searched for their physical education requirements.

The team observed things such as the number of physical education credit hours required to graduate as well as the nature of the requirements.

At the end, the study found only 39.55 percent of four-year colleges and institutions, a record-low number, required any physical education requirements, either physical activity or classroom, in order for students to earn a diploma.

As to why colleges are dropping their requirements, Cardinal talked about restrained budgets and an increased focus on academic education.

"I do think its fallen off of people's radar screens," Cardinal said. "There's also shrinking budgets, as well as No Child Left Behind, and an increased focus on reading, writing and arithmetic."

Cardinal applauds Oregon State for requiring students to take physical education requirements in order to graduate, lauding their long-term impact.

"It's three credits out of 180 for a bachelor's degree," Cardinal said. "We know that seven to 11 years down the road, students who take that kind of requirement are actually living a healthier lifestyle than those who don't."

Several other universities have

much more rigorous requirements for graduation. At the top of the pack was MIT, which required students to take eight credit hours of physical education. Columbia University requires students to pass a swim test in order to graduate.

While there are state-of-the-art facilities like Dixon Recreation Center on college campuses around the nation, Cardinal says they tend to be used by the healthiest students.

"The people who use Dixon Recreation Center are the healthiest students," Cardinal said. "International students, and low-fit, low-skilled level students tend to find recreation centers intimidating."

Students surveyed had a mixed reaction to the study.

"The university level is where students begin to specialize," said Mark McGuire, a senior in mechanical engineering. "I think that in this case, less requirements [in physical education] are a good thing."

McGuire, who has completed his physical education requirements for Oregon State, said that while he enjoyed the class, it didn't improve his lifestyle.

"Most of the course material I've learned elsewhere," McGuire said.

Matt Albertson, a senior in political science, had a different take on the study.

“I do think [physical education] has fallen off people’s radar screens.”

Brad Cardinal

Exercise and Sport Science Professor

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Illuminating commuters, lowering safety risks

■ Questionable safety of students at night prompts 'Be Bright, Be Seen' safety equipment giveaway, to be held on Thursday

By Jack Lammers
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Today the sun will set at about 5 p.m. For many students, their schedules will not end by then. Time spent at places like Valley Library, Dixon Recreation Center or the classroom requires students to commute home after sunset.

Travels through low-light areas at night on bicycles or on foot imply an increased risk of vehicle-related accidents. In coordination with the City of Corvallis and the Corvallis Gazette-Times, Oregon State University

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Evan Gütt holds a light-up umbrella. Umbrellas of the same type will be given away as part of the "Be Bright, Be Seen" event on Thursday.

ASOSU launches campaign against tuition hikes

■ 'Wear the Square' campaign hopes to increase state funding of higher education

By Don Iler
THE DAILY BAROMETER

In response to the ever-rising cost of tuition, student leaders at Oregon State University are launching a campaign to demand more state funding of higher education.

The "Wear the Square" campaign, which began yesterday, hopes to build a movement growing off of ASOSU's successful voter registration drive this fall. For the campaign, students are encouraged to wear red cloth squares on their clothing in order to show solidarity with the movement.

According to Dan Cushing, ASOSU vice president, the campaign hopes to build a grassroots movement to get elected officials to address continued increases in tuition.

Last year tuition rose 6.9 percent at OSU, which, while lower than the year before (8.1 percent increase), continued a trend of ever increasing tuition at the state's public universities that has remained constant over the last decade.

At the same time, the state of Oregon's contribution to higher education has been lower. Last biennium, the state legislature approved \$691 million for higher education—a 16 percent decrease from the 2009-2011 biennium.

Amelia Harris, ASOSU president, said who has to pay the bill for higher education has changed, with students now paying more for their education as the state has disinvested itself from funding higher education.

"We are lobbying on their behalf, making sure regular students are concerned about the rising cost of tuition," said Alex Ries, ASOSU director of campus affairs.

ASOSU will be passing out the red squares in the Memorial Union quad for the next week and is planning several events in the future to educate students

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Alex Ries, ASOSU director of campus affairs, distributes leaflets and pieces of red cloth as part of the "Wear the Square" campaign to fight against rising tuition.

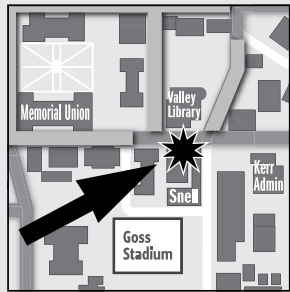
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Teen pleads not guilty in California school shooting

A California high school student accused of opening fire on classmates with a 12-gauge shotgun pleaded not guilty to attempted murder and other charges Monday during his arraignment in a California court.

A judge set bail at \$1.5 million for Bryan Oliver, 16, and scheduled a preliminary hearing for February 21.

Oliver, appearing in handcuffs wearing an orange jail uniform and sneakers, answered "Yes, your honor" when Kern County Superior Court Judge Michael Lewis asked if he chose to waive his right to a preliminary trial.

Oliver is charged as an adult with two counts of attempted murder and three counts of assault with a deadly weapon after opening fire at Taft High School Thursday, wounding two people, one seriously. The two victims, Jacob Nichols and Bowe Cleveland, are expected to recover.

Oliver's attorney, David Torres, spoke for his client throughout the hearing, including entering Oliver's not guilty plea when the charges were read.

Before the proceeding, Torres filed a motion to bar cameras from the courtroom, concerned that publicity would compromise his client's right to a fair trial. Lewis denied the request, citing an overwhelming public interest and the

prosecution's decision to try Oliver as an adult.

After Thursday's shooting in the small community of Taft, about 30 miles west of Bakersfield, Kern County Sheriff Donny Youngblood told reporters that the gunman was taken into custody after a teacher persuaded him to drop the weapon and surrender.

As the shooting unfolded, the teacher, identified as Ryan Heber, managed to evacuate his students through a back door. But instead of running, Heber had a conversation with the student gunman, authorities said.

The teacher had suffered a pellet wound to the head from one of the shots, authorities said.

Campus counselor Kim Fields helped distract Oliver as students ran. Both employees were hailed as heroes. "They stayed and probably distracted him and probably allowed students to get out of the classroom," Youngblood said.

"He (the gunman) said, 'I wasn't aiming at you,' and said the name of the student he was aiming at," he said.

When Oliver was taken into custody, he had a shotgun and about 20 rounds of ammunition, Youngblood said.

"This is a tragedy, but not as bad as it might have been," he said.

Immediately after the shooting,

authorities executed search warrants at Oliver's home, less than a block from the site of the shooting. A motive has not been revealed, but authorities are investigating a theory that bullying may have played a role.

A full-time armed police officer was assigned to the school, but authorities said heavy snow in the San Joaquin Mountains prevented the officer from leaving his home.

The most seriously wounded victim was airlifted to a hospital in Bakersfield and treated for gunshot wounds to the chest and abdomen, Pruitt said.

U.S. Rep. Kevin McCarthy, whose district includes the town of Taft, expressed sympathy to his constituents. "I am deeply saddened and troubled by news of the shooting," the Republican lawmaker said.

U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, whose father graduated from Taft Union High School, expressed her sadness but said the incident was a call for gun legislation reform.

"My thoughts and prayers are with the victims, and I wish them a speedy recovery," Feinstein said. "But how many more shootings must there be in America before we come to the realization that guns and grievances do not belong together?"

—CNN

FBI: Violent crimes increased slightly in first half of 2012

After several years of slow decline, the number of violent crimes in the United States edged up during the first half of 2012, according to newly released FBI statistics.

The figures supplied by the nation's thousands of police agencies showed that overall violent crime increased 1.9% over the comparable period for 2011.

Officials say the preliminary figures provided for the first six months of the year frequently provide a guide to figures for the entire calendar year, which are released in the fall.

Despite the increase in overall violent incidents, the number of murders declined 1.7 percent, and the number of rapes dropped 1.4%. Those figures, however, were offset by a 2% increase in robberies and 2.3% hike in aggravated assaults.

Among property crimes, larceny-theft, burglaries and motor vehicle thefts were all up slightly during the first half of last year. The largest increase was in arson, which went up 3.2%.

Officials will not know until next year whether these initial figures for 2012 represent the beginning of an upward trend in violent crime or a blip on the chart, which has shown an almost continuous decline in crime over the past 15 years.

- CNN

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will launch a campaign on Thursday titled "Be Bright, Be Seen" to illuminate pedestrians and bicyclists.

"It seems apparent that, with more and more students, faculty and staff, that we have increasing numbers of commuters who either bike to the university or walk or jog," said Steve Clark, vice president for University Relations and Marketing. "In the winter months and in the spring, it is difficult for folks to be seen, particularly if they are wearing dark clothing."

On Thursday, "Be Bright, Be Seen" volunteers will hand out illuminated devices including clip-ons, protectors and umbrellas with lights in them — free of charge. In a release last week, items included headlights, reflective bands, reflective keys, white reflectors, bike helmets and lighted strobes as materials for stay-

ing safe at night. According to Clark, more incidents occur in low light, and increased visibility safety hasn't caught up with the increasing traffic during low-light hours.

"I've seen a lot of people who are crossing roads and are riding alongside roads who are sharing their crossings," Clark said. "It became apparent to me that there are a lot of places around campus that are rather dark and [there are] a lot of people that aren't wearing very visible clothing."

"Be Bright, Be Seen" isn't the first effort from the university to support bicycle and pedestrian training. In the fall, the university offered bicycle safety sessions for people to learn how to operate a bicycle safely.

According to a report by the Oregon Department of Transportation, motor vehicle crashes involving bicycles numbered 962 in 2011. In the same year, 849 involved pedestrians. The report also enumerated "failure to yield

right-of-way" and "disregarded traffic signals" as two of the three most common pedestrian and bicyclist errors. The most common drivers included "failure to yield right-of-way," "driving too fast for conditions" and "inattention" in a list of the most common driver errors.

In October 2012, The Oregonian mentioned another report by ODOT noting an increase in pedestrian deaths, about 23 percent, from the same timespan in 2011.

Clark notes this campaign as a measure taken to provide safety in a city with many low-light areas. Oregon law requires a light on the front of bikes during dark hours.

"I was involved with something similar in the Portland area, but Corvallis has a propensity of low-lit crossings," Clark said. "With increased employment and student enrollment, we can expect increased rates of conflict between drivers, bikers, walk-

ers and joggers."

Clark made a local appeal for sponsors willing to support the campaign, and ended with the Gazette-Times, the City of Corvallis and the OSU Bookstore.

"If we run out, we plan to work with our partners to see if we can purchase more materials at a cost that covers only the expense," Clark said. "We don't want this campaign to be for profit, and next week will be totally free."

The "Be Bright, Be Seen" giveaway will take place in the Memorial Union Quad from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The campaign currently hosts a competition where students can take photos of themselves with visibility gear. People will vote on the Oregon State Facebook page and the winner will receive a \$150 gift card to the Beaver Store. More information can be found online at poweredbyorange.com/be-bright.

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"I think that PE classes are kind of essential," Albertson said. "Being active and well-rounded helps your overall well-being, and other parts of your academics."

Albertson also lamented the trend shown in the study, of colleges dropping requirements.

"I would be saddened if colleges follow this trend of [lack of physical education requirements] to the extreme and stop requiring physical education courses," Albertson said.

Jennifer King, a senior in chemistry, was quite surprised by the results of the study.

"It doesn't make sense, considering that obesity, heart disease, and other similar things are at all-time highs," King said. "They can be partially combatted by physical activity."

Cardinal conducted the study with Spencer Sorenson of Portland State University and Marita Cardinal of Western Oregon University. Cardinal has been at OSU for 16 years and has conducted several studies on the impact of exercise on well-being. He is currently co-director of the sport and exercise psychology program at Oregon State.

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Calendar

Tuesday, Jan. 15

Meetings

Student Health Advisory Board, 10 a.m., MU 212. Open Hearing for Student Health Services 2013-14 budget.

Socratic Book Club, 7-8 p.m., MU Talisman Room. Reading and discussion group studying Eric Metaxas' "Life, God, and Other Small Topics." Focus on "The Case for Civility—and Why Our Future Depends on It" (pp. 271-295). Open to the public.

Wednesday, Jan. 16

Meetings

SIFC, 6:30-7:30 p.m., MU 212. Weekly meeting. Discussion of incidental fee issues and budgets. All students are welcome.

Interfraternity Council, 7 p.m., Alpha Sigma Phi.

Events

Japanese American Student Association, 5-6 p.m., MU 206. Welcome event for new members! Please come help us celebrate the new year as we share our upcoming events, social opportunities and exciting plans!

Thursday, Jan. 17

Meetings

Baha'i Campus Association, 12:30-1 p.m., MU Talisman Room. Peace - More Than an End to War - Devotions and discussion on the challenges of a secure and lasting peace.

Sunday, Jan. 20

Meetings

Baha'i Campus Association, 2-4 p.m., MU 206. Addressing Religious Intolerance - In observance of World Religion Day, a film will be shown describing current day religious intolerance against members of the Baha'i Faith. Refreshments served.

Monday, Jan. 21

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY

Wednesday, Jan. 30

Meetings

SIFC, 6:30 p.m., MU 212. Weekly meeting. Discussion of incidental fee issues and budgets. All students are welcome.

Thursday, Jan. 31

Meetings

Baha'i Campus Association, 12:30-1 p.m., MU Talisman Room. The Equality of Women - Devotions and discussion on the role women are playing in the progress of the global society.

Thursday, Feb. 7

Meetings

Baha'i Campus Association, 12:30-1 p.m., MU Talisman Room. Rethinking Prosperity - Devotions and discussion on the meaning of prosperity and our search for it.

Thursday, Feb. 14

Meetings

Baha'i Campus Association, 12:30-1 p.m., MU Talisman Room. Foundations of Civility - Devotions and discussion on the spiritual basis for civility.

Thursday, Feb. 21

Meetings

Baha'i Campus Association, 12:30-1 p.m., MU Talisman Room. The Great Spiritual Teachers - Devotions and discussion on the contributions of great spiritual teachers.

Thursday, Mar. 7

Meetings

Baha'i Campus Association, 11pm, MU Talisman Room. The Nobility of Humankind - Devotions and discussion on how we are noble with occasional slips rather than sinful with occasional flashes of good.

Corrections

An article in yesterday's Barometer titled, "Painted plates reflect tough issues," contained several errors. Julie Green, artist of "The Last Supper" art collection, addressed the following.

- "The Last Supper" is an ongoing project.

- The collection alludes to all U.S. states with capital punishment, not just Oklahoma.

- "I was struck by the photo in the paper of a man who was executed soon after the picture was taken," was not a quote from Green. This was a written description of a man's facial expression in a newspaper.

Mealbox program and are using the food pantry," Harris said. "What happens when you can't even pay for food and tuition goes up?"

Cushing said that all students are invited to participate in the campaign and encouraged students to visit the ASOSU website.

"This is an issue that truly affects everyone," Cushing said.

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Editorial

Wikipedia as a credible source

All our lives Wikipedia has been denounced as a credible source. Over the years it's been a battle to convince high school teachers and college professors the Internet is a valid resource. Well, we're here to make a case for those dismissed sources of information.

Everyone can edit Wikipedia — its greatest and worst feature. Perhaps in the early years, Wikipedia was overrun by trolls who think it's funny to fill in factually incorrect details. Gradually, however, collaborative editing has allowed detail-oriented people to correct these factual errors.

Any worthwhile blog, news feed or webpage makes use of hyperlinks. Plus, Wikipedia is particularly good at citing its sources. Checking up on a funky fact isn't incredibly difficult. Fortunately, funky facts are easy to spot and would seem to be few and far between.

A study conducted in 2011 by the National Center for Biotechnology Information compared the quality of information concerning mental disorders on Wikipedia with centrally-controlled web and printed sources. They found Wikipedia was "generally as good as, or better than" government websites, Encyclopaedia Britannica and a psychiatry textbook.

Beginning in 2004, more than 100 judicial rulings have relied on Wikipedia, according to a 2007 article published in The New York Times. Yes, in case you were wondering, we originally found this fact on Wikipedia. Does that make it any less true?

So, is Wikipedia only held back as a valid source because it's available only online and not in a library?

The prejudice against Internet sources and Wikipedia starts with a petty addiction to physical paper. As journalists, you'd think we'd understand this addiction. As journalists, however, it is our job to move forward with the times and adjust in a new medium. Print is awesome, but so are our computers.

Not all of our professors are so addicted to print, though. For the most part, the lovely handful who do embrace the Internet as a resource still don't accept Wikipedia as credible. They might say to use it as a starting-off point. The clever students will use Wikipedia's information anyway, and cite its sources.

Wikipedia is a fantastic resource. Its readily available information has allowed it to become the easiest route to information.

No, it's not perfect, but is anything? People tend to exaggerate. Government agencies censor what information is released.

As journalists, we handle sources regularly. It's our job to seek the truth and weed through the crap. We can't trust everything we hear or read. A credible source varies from case to case. We understand why Wikipedia has been approached with skepticism, but it's time to let that go.

Our greatest resource — the Internet — is our greatest resource because it enables everyone to publish anything. This includes Wikipedia.

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Letter to the Editor

Learn about the consequences of climate change 'Chasing Ice' at the Darkside Cinema

The U.S. Weather Service has announced that 2012 was the warmest year on record in the lower 48 states since thermometers were distributed across the country. Average temperature was greater by one full degree Fahrenheit. The impact of climate change was manifest in

both extreme storms and the worst Midwestern drought in many decades.

The atmosphere is warming everywhere, not just in the United States. To see and understand the consequences in dramatic fashion, I recommend walking downtown to the Darkside Cinema (just south of the Book Bin on 4th St.) to see "Chasing Ice." It will be at the Darkside all of this week. It is the story of the accelerat-

ing melting of northern hemisphere glaciers. If you do not yet think that global warming is real and important, this beautiful, enjoyable and disturbing movie should convince you. Because of distribution contracts, we cannot bring the movie to campus until about May. We will get it here then, but go see it now.

CHARLES MILLER
Emeritus professor, Oceanography

Trillion-dollar coin will hyperinflate US currency

Drew Pells The Daily Barometer

Although the U.S. government "averted" the fiscal cliff, a new proposal has risen that could send us maybe not off the fiscal cliff, but into hyperinflation and total destruction of the U.S. dollar. Paul Krugman, and others who have power or influence, but still don't understand economics, have proposed the minting of a trillion-dollar coin.

Minting a \$1 trillion coin is exactly what it seems — not actually worth a trillion dollars. The Federal Reserve, which prints money for the U.S. government, can put anything it wants on a coin, but it doesn't mean the coin carries that value intrinsically.

Any U.S. bill or coin in circulation in itself isn't worth the denomination it says. We agree that a \$20 bill is worth \$20. The paper isn't worth \$20, though. When it comes to a trillion-dollar coin, one small piece of silver, nickel, platinum or whatever metal they make it from will not really be worth one trillion dollars.

Money without the backing of a physical metal, such as gold or silver, is called "fiat money." Fiat money is worthless. Fiat money only survives when a government allows for one entity to mint the currency, criminalizes counterfeiting and remains without a backing. Sound familiar? The Federal Reserve mints currency while the U.S. government does not allow anything or anyone else to mint money or back up the money

by gold or silver.

The United States, throughout most of this country's history, has had gold or silver behind the dollar to ensure the dollar remains valuable. In 1971, however, President Nixon removed the last of the dollar's peg to gold and we've had fiat money ever since.

Now, with the Federal Reserve possibly minting a trillion-dollar coin, the economy already sits gingerly on the verge of collapse. If the Federal Reserve does mint the coin, get ready for hyperinflation.

Hyperinflation will yield huge increases in prices. If gas seems expensive now, just wait until it's four or five times as much. I don't know exactly where gas prices will end up, maybe a lot higher, or a little higher. Regardless, prices of all products will go up, and most likely dramatically.

Post World War I Germany and Zimbabwe in the early 2000s are some of the most widely used examples. Both governments printed huge sums of money in an effort to pay down debt, yet both saw prices jump to huge levels.

Zimbabwe even printed bills with denominations of \$10 million, \$100 million and \$100 billion. Sounds great to have, a bill worth \$100 billion. However, if a bill carries that

much "worth," it won't buy much. If a loaf of bread costs a few dollars, would anyone pay with a 100 billion dollar bill? Of course not. No store would have enough change on hand. Bills of huge denominations are only printed because things cost so much.

Beyond the simple examples of Germany and Zimbabwe, which had respective hyperinflation crises, logic tells us prices would rise with an increased minting production. When more money is injected into the economy, more money exists to buy the same amount of goods. Individual dollars are worth less, which leads prices to climb.

Although the Federal Reserve has not minted the \$1 trillion coin, it currently puts \$85 billion more per month into the economy. Quantitative easing 3 (QE3) and QE4, created by the Federal Reserve in 2012, make up this \$85 billion. Quantitative easing is just another governmental attempt at stimulating the economy.

The Federal Reserve hasn't gotten us to hyperinflation yet, but it's sure

on the way, especially if the \$1 trillion coin comes in an effort to pay off the debt.

The only way to really get away from any dollar crises is to end the Federal Reserve. The United States continues a monetary policy that hasn't worked in other countries, and won't work here or in any other situation.

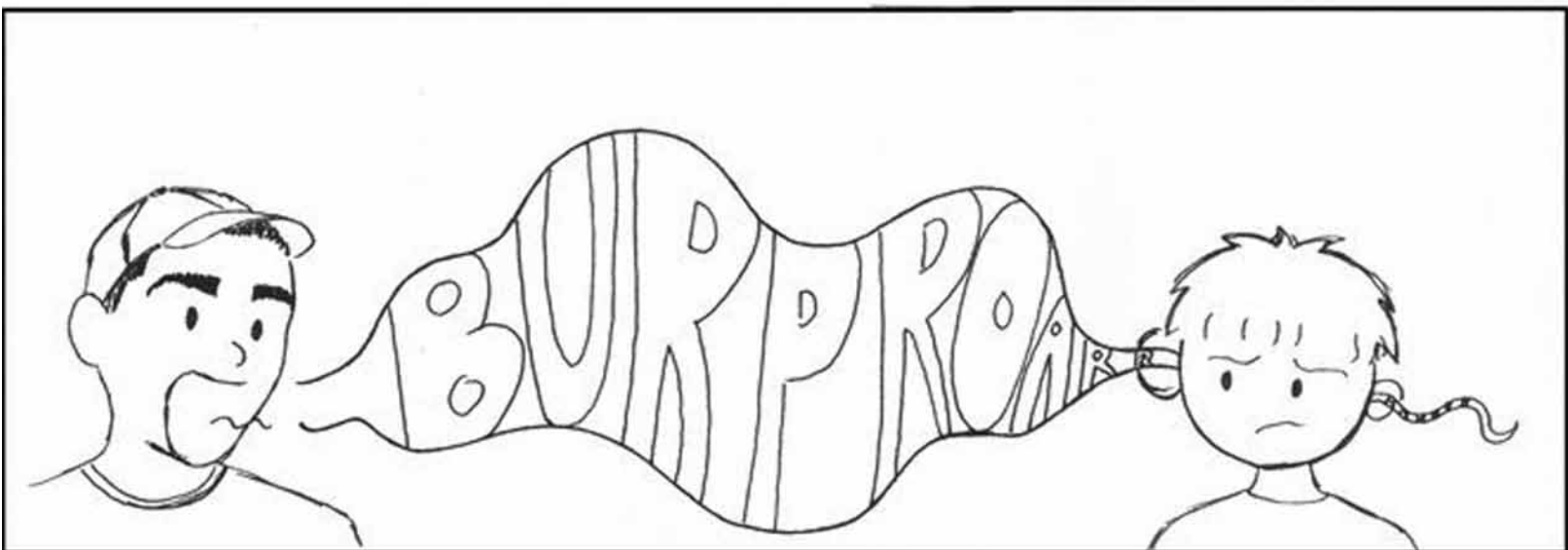
When it comes to a trillion-dollar coin, one small piece of silver, nickel, platinum or whatever metal they make it from will not really be worth one trillion dollars.

Central banking doesn't work, and we, as citizens, shouldn't rely on it. Granted, citizens don't decide this policy, a few people in Washington D.C. do. We need to stop relying on the government. We need to either put people in office that understand econom-

ics and reality, or better, make the changes ourselves by learning more, rejecting the Federal Reserve and working to end it.

The \$1 trillion coin might be the end of the U.S. dollar, but other parts of the country have led us to this point as well. We need to stop the Federal Reserve, and the U.S. government, before it's too late.

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KYOO PARK IS A SENIOR IN CHEMISTRY.

Beaver Tweet of the Day
 "Sometimes I fall asleep during 5am practice and swim into the lane line. #confession"
 @crkibby Crystal Kibby

Beavers in Eugene tonight for Civil War

OSU women's basketball takes on struggling Ducks at 8 tonight

By Sarah Kerrigan
 THE DAILY BAROMETER

After going 1-1 over the weekend against the Arizona schools on the road, the Oregon State women's basketball team is in Eugene tonight to face the University of Oregon.

Oregon (2-14, 0-4 Pac-12) comes into the game on a six-game losing streak. The Beavers (7-9, 1-3), having won their last three meetings against the Ducks, and a win would give them two wins in their last three games after starting with a 0-3 conference record.

OSU defeated Arizona on Friday for its first conference win, but fell to Arizona State on Sunday.

Oregon State's freshmen class has performed well this season, and can be expected to continue to contribute strong stats for the team.

Samantha Siegner had her best game so far this season with a career-high 12 points, and Devon Hunter leads the team in rebounds (6.8 per game) this season.

Fellow freshman Jamie Weisner continued her offensive presence with 10 points against Arizona State and is seventh in the Pac-12 in scoring. Weisner was named Pac-12 Freshman of the Week on Monday for her performance against Arizona and ASU last weekend.

The Beavers will need to continue to use their depth on the bench against Oregon. OSU's bench has provided an average of 18 points per game in conference play.

Second in the conference for defensive field goal percentage, Oregon State's defense should cause the Ducks trouble.

The Beavers' combination of zone and man defense has proved problematic for their opponents. Sunday against the Sun Devils, OSU executed the zone well in the second half, causing 11 turnovers.

Defensive rebounding is something the Beavers need to sharpen for the game. They are 11th in conference play in defensive rebounding.

With Oregon State's pressure defense holding teams to a low shooting percentage, seeing improvement in crashing the boards will reduce the already limited number of shots being taken by opponents, and also eliminate second-chance shots.

The Beavers struggled to convert their steals and turnovers into points against Arizona State and will need to finish the opportunities created from their successful defense if they want to beat the Ducks.

To come away with their fourth straight win in the Civil War series, the Beavers will need to continue their disciplined defense and execute offensively.

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Sophomore forward Eric Moreland (center)— who is averaging 10.8 points, 11.1 rebounds and 2.7 blocks this season — watches his teammates from the bench on Saturday, the second game of his three-game suspension. Moreland returns for Saturday's road game at USC.

Moreland will return from suspension Saturday

OSU forward Eric Moreland, guard Victor Robbins, suspended prior to Thursday night's ASU game, will return for USC game on Saturday

By Alex Crawford
 THE DAILY BAROMETER

The ailing Oregon State men's basketball team will get some much needed help when sophomore forward Eric Moreland and freshman guard Victor Robbins return to the lineup Saturday against the University of Southern California. Both players were suspended indefinitely last Thursday

just prior to the Arizona State game for a violation of team rules.

Moreland's absence hurt the Beavers (10-6, 0-3 Pac-12) both defensively and offensively, as he is averaging 10.8 points and 11.1 rebounds this season. The Beavers have been outscored 76-60 in the paint and outrebounded 92-72 in the two games Moreland has missed.

Head coach Craig Robinson knows how much it will help to have him back on the court.

"It's almost needless to say, because he's such an important part of our team, that just the fact that our guys who've been playing know that they have one more guy, and a significant guy to be able to look forward to having," Robinson said. "It's going

to hopefully build everybody's confidence."

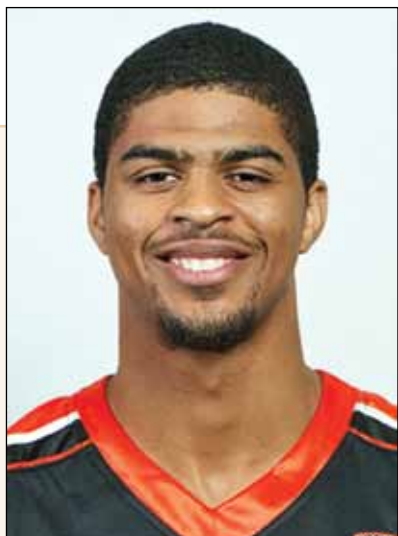
Moreland agreed that his presence will be a boon to a struggling OSU squad.

"It's been tough, we're 0-3 at home," Moreland said. "But against the Arizona schools ... I'm not saying I'd make them win, but I could have helped, so it hurts not being out there."

There has been countless speculation and numerous rumors swirling around concerning the reason for these suspensions, but Robinson refuses to say more than "violation of team rules."

"In this day and age, there are going to be stories that go from nuclear war down to he stole a

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Devon Collier
 THE DAILY BAROMETER

The Oregon State men's basketball team currently has a severe shortage of big men.

Sophomore Eric Moreland has one game left on his three-game suspension, senior center Angus Brandt won't see the floor again this season after tearing his ACL on Nov. 16, and redshirt freshman forward Daniel Gomis hasn't actually suited up for the Beavers in his entire career. This absence of forwards has put increased pressure on junior forward Devon Collier.

"Devon is big, but he can't handle it all himself,"

The Daily Barometer Athlete of the Week

guard Ahmad Starks said after Saturday's loss to Arizona. "He had 15 rebounds, but along with Eric in there, it would be tougher."

Starks is right. Moreland's presence would have helped the Beavers tremendously, but Collier still fared well Arizona. Collier averaged 15.5 points and 11.5 rebounds in OSU's two games last week, and has earned himself The Daily Barometer Athlete of the Week honors.

Collier grabbed a career-best 15 rebounds against Arizona, and has now scored in double-digits in 11 straight games, one shy of the longest streak of his career.

Besides seeing his already big role grow even more important with the short-term absence of Moreland, Collier had only started one game this season for the Beavers prior to this weekend. In a time of crisis for OSU, Collier has stayed collected and played some outstanding basketball. Still, he stresses he and the entire team have a lot of room for improvement.

"We have more games coming; we just have to pick up the intensity," Collier said. "We have to keep communicating more on defense. We communicate, but as we see it's not enough, so we have to pick up the intensity on defense and help each other."



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OSU swimming has high aspirations for winter term

■ **Beavers share common goal of having faster times in upcoming meets**

By **Darryl Oliver III**
THE DAILY BAROMETER

The Oregon State women's swimming season is in full swing.

After a month-long hiatus, the Beavers defeated Northern Arizona, but suffered losses to Arizona and New Mexico back on Jan. 4 in Tucson, Ariz.

The team is ambitious for 2013.

"From a performance standpoint, we are looking to go for lifetime-best times," said head coach Larry Liebowitz.

"We had a really good meet in early December, and they all swam very well," he added. "Almost everyone was right on their marks."

Although the Beavers did lose in points scored to Arizona and New Mexico State, they still managed to swim well.

Led by upperclassmen Ocean Trail and Crystal Kibby, along with freshman Sammy Harrison, Oregon State managed to outscore Northern

Arizona 147-146. Despite the lack of wins on the Beavers' resume, they are still optimists about accomplishing their goals this season.

Many swimmers share those goals.

"Just posting [my] best times," Kibby said.

"In the mile, I'd like to get top-five in the Pac-12," Harrison said.

With expectations high, the Beavers hope to keep working and eventually meet their potential.

The team looked unified during practice, those who weren't in the water cheered on those who swam, and competitors in the pool once again became teammates on dry land.

"The number one goal was to really get us together, learn how to appreciate each other and help each other," Liebowitz said.

"I think we have made major strides toward accomplishing that; they're here cheering each other [on] and really supporting each other," Liebowitz added.

While swimming may seem primarily an individual sport, Liebowitz has clearly estab-

lished a strong team atmosphere, which he believes the athletes will respond to positively.

"The best part of it is getting used to the team and having the upperclassmen talk [to] me as I transition along like they once did," Harrison said.

Team chemistry and work ethic are being stressed as the team prepares for its upcoming meets, beginning with a road meet on Friday.

"We have two weekends of dual meets coming up," Liebowitz said. "And these two weekends we want to get as close to those best times as we can, those are called 'unrested times.' Then after that, for the Pac-12 [Championships], we'd like to exceed our best times."

The schedule picks up pace for the Beavers starting with a visit to BYU and Utah this weekend, then Washington State and Idaho will make the trip to Corvallis the following week, and after that is the Pac-12 Championships on Feb. 26.

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marshmallow, and I'd rather it be that and nobody know what happened for their sake," Robinson said. "So I just say, always say violation of team rules."

Robinson added that public shaming — such as being suspended from games — is an effective tool to teach discipline. He recounted a story from his childhood in which he stole a piece of another kid's candy back in second grade, got caught, was spanked in front of everybody and sent home.

"I had this whole public humiliation thing that's kept me out of trouble," Robinson said. "When you don't have that growing up, you don't learn that embarrassment, and that filter. I had never gotten in trouble at school and I never did after that."

Although he is only averaging seven minutes and 1.1 points per game, Robinson said Robbins has been practicing very well and should see some playing time upon his return from suspension.

"Victor's situation is a shame, because he was playing better in practice — and in the little bit of time he was getting in games — that he probably would have played more for us in these last three games than he would have prior to that happening," Robinson said.

With Moreland suspended, junior forward Devon Collier was forced to ditch his sixth-man role and start the previous two games for the Beavers. Robinson says



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In the last game Moreland played, Jan. 6 vs. Oregon, the sophomore led the Beavers in minutes (38), rebounds (9) and blocks (3).

this is a trend that will continue for the time being.

"Eric won't start when he comes back," Robinson said. "You know how I am. I might be trying

to make a point, so I might not start him for a while."

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Gymnastics Power Rankings



By **Warner Strausbaugh**
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1. UCLA

The Bruins are ranked first in the nation for a reason. In an important early-season conference meet against then-No. 5 Utah, UCLA had the highest team score of any team in the nation in 2013 (197.425). Senior Vanessa Zamarippa won three events in the meet against Utah, including uneven bars with a score of 9.975. The Bruins rank first in the nation in bars and on floor.

Last week: vs. Utah (W, 197.425-195.300)

This week (prediction): bye

2. Stanford

Stanford leads a tight group of second-tier teams in the Pac-12. In the first two weeks of 2013, the Cardinal have come out of a four-team meet in first place, giving them a 6-0 record on the year. Stanford's win last Saturday was especially impressive, because half of the gymnasts had the flu, and they were still able to win the meet against two top-20 teams.

Last week: @ Arizona, with Illinois, San Jose State (1st, 196.025)

This week (prediction): @ Georgia (L)

3. Utah

Although the Utes lost their only meet this season, I can give them the benefit of the doubt. The meet was on the road against a UCLA team that had already competed this season. The Utes were ranked No. 5 preseason, and though they slipped to 15th after the UCLA meet, they still have the talent of a top-five team, and they also have the advantage of the best home crowd in the nation.

Last week: @ UCLA (L, 197.425-195.300)

This week (prediction): vs. Oregon State, West Virginia, Southern Utah (1st)

4. Arizona

The Wildcats have the third-best all-arounder in the nation, Aubree Cristello, who averages a 39.463. Though Arizona finished second and third in its two meets, the Wildcats are clearly a team on the rise, jumping up to 13th in the national rankings this week. Arizona is also one of the best teams on the uneven bars, ranking fourth in the nation.

Last week: vs. Stanford, Illinois, San Jose State (2nd, 195.850)

This week (prediction): @ Texas Woman's University, with BYU, Wisconsin-Whitewater (1st)

5. Oregon State

Compared to the other five Pac-12 teams ranked in the top 25, the Beavers are the furthest behind after two weeks. But, this team has credibility. With seven straight appearances at the NCAA Championships, OSU's 193.600 at the Cancun Classic can be considered a fluke, especially after scoring 195.375 last Friday. Senior Makayla Stambaugh has proven to still be a force on the floor, and is tied for 13th in the nation.

Last week: vs. Ohio State (W, 195.375-195.000)

This week (prediction): @ Utah, with West Virginia, Southern Utah (2nd)

6. California

After an impressive win in the first meet of the season, in which Cal won over three top-25 opponents (Auburn, Kentucky, Arizona), the Golden Bears under-achieved, only registering a 194.575 against UC Davis. An undefeated record, and a jump from unranked to No. 17, might make Cal a little bit overrated. The Golden Bears face a road test this week at Washington.

Last week: vs. UC Davis (W, 194.575-192.425)

This week (prediction): @ Washington, with Illinois-Chicago, UC Davis (2nd)

7. Washington

The Huskies dropped out of the top 25 this week after posting just a 193.500 in their first meet, at Minnesota. Like the Beavers, it was the case of a good team having a poor debut. Unlike OSU though, Washington has only had its first ugly meet to look at. The Huskies barely missed out on an appearance at nationals last year, and will have to rebound big this weekend.

Last week: @ Minnesota (L, 195.550-193.500)

This week (prediction): vs. Cal, Illinois-Chicago, UC Davis (1st)

8. Arizona State

The Sun Devils are not a bad team, but when the Pac-12 has six of eight teams in the top 25, ASU has to come in at eighth. With a chance to make a splash last week with No. 4 Oklahoma visiting Tempe, Ariz., the Sun Devils did not deliver. To be fair, 20 of ASU's 23 lineup spots were filled with underclassmen.

Last week: vs. Oklahoma (L, 196.700-193.625)

This week: vs. @ Sacramento State, with San Jose State (1st)

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Newtown searches for answers a month later

Many questions remain 31 days after a school massacre in Newtown, Connecticut, shocked the nation. But what's clear is that the pain remains powerfully visible throughout the community. And the force of that anguish is loud enough to echo throughout Washington's halls of power.

As authorities investigate why 20-year-old Adam Lanza gunned down 27 people, including 20 children, there's no clear consensus in Newtown about how to move forward. But many residents are calling for stricter gun control, including a ban on so-called assault weapons and high-capacity magazines, used in many mass shootings.

Newtown police Chief Michael Kehoe told NBC that he favors a ban on assault weapons and restrictions on high-capacity ammunition magazines.

Emotions remain raw. "There is still a lot of pain, a lot of grief," said Rick Scinto, a deacon at St. Rose of Lima Roman Catholic Church, which lost nine of its youngest members at Sandy Hook Elementary School. He acknowledged that the pain "might not ever go away."

Down the street from the school, at a place where a makeshift memorial once stood, a bouquet now marks the spot.

The memorial has been dismantled, composted and preserved for a permanent memorial.

Hanging from an overpass, a huge banner filled with signatures reads, "We are with you, Newtown." The banner is a gift from Tucson, Arizona, where a mass shooting two years ago killed six people and seriously wounded then-Rep. Gabby Giffords.

Sandy Hook students returned to class this month in the nearby town of Monroe, at Chalk Hill Middle School, while investigators comb the crime scene.

Chalk Hill has been outfitted with rugs and furniture that would be familiar and comforting to Sandy Hook students. Security measures have also been increased, with more cameras and locks.

What will Newtown do with the school itself? Some have proposed tearing down the scene of the unspeakable crime and transforming it into something positive.

"I don't want to see the land and the building stay empty and broken," one parent said during a town hall meeting Sunday night. "I want to do something with it, whether it be a memorial park" or "a new safer school with top security."

The tragedy is so profound that recent polling suggests it may have shifted public opinion and re-energized discussions about how far the Second Amendment should extend.

The family of 6-year-old victim Noah Pozner has contacted the White House to discuss gun laws and potential reforms.

In Washington, the Newtown tragedy has largely set a new tone — and triggered a new battle.

The nation's largest gun lobby is gearing up for one of its most potent challenges in years. "We are mobilizing for a fight," said National Rifle Association President David Keene.

A federal task force led by Vice President Joe Biden — which met with the NRA, gun control advocates and numerous other groups — is set to deliver recommendations to President Barack Obama on Tuesday.

Obama openly shed tears in the shootings' aftermath and has vowed to make curbing gun violence a "central issue" at the start of his second term.

"There is no single answer," said Biden, who in 1994 helped pass an assault weapons ban that expired a decade later.

Biden has publicly mentioned homing in on things like universal background checks and reviews of mental health policies as part of his possible recommendations to decrease gun-related deaths.

'Criminals and madmen'

But Keene said his meeting last week with the vice president left him "disappointed," with little perceived ground for compromise.

"We will not allow law-abiding gun owners to be blamed for the acts of criminals and madmen," the NRA said in a statement after the meeting.

The group is preparing a new ad campaign to fend off certain gun regulations.

Governors in states like Connecticut, New York and Colorado have called for tighter restrictions and extensive background checks during firearms sales. Other states like Alaska, Arizona and Montana have sought to pass legislation that would exempt them from stricter federal regulations.

"The gun issue will be prominent in a lot of states," said Bill Pound, executive director of the National Conference of State Legislatures. "Whether there will be action taken is another question. If experience is any guide, there will be far more bills introduced than enacted."

The city of Burlington, Vermont, sought to get tougher on the kind of weapon used in the Sandy Hook shootings, passing a resolution that could lead to a ban on certain rifles and high-capacity magazines.

Sandy Hook Promise

In Newtown, a group of residents plan to mark the month that has passed by unveiling a grass-roots campaign to prevent similar tragedies.

The group calls itself the Sandy Hook Promise, formerly Newtown United. It aims to "identify and implement holistic, common sense solutions that will make our community and our country safer from similar acts of violence through education, outreach and grass-roots discussion," according to its website.

"It is unfortunate that we need tragedies to address problems," said Brookings Institution fellow John Hudak, who grew up roughly 10 miles from Sandy Hook. "It has been true across the world in responses to terrorism, in the improvement of disease prevention, in the testing of pharmaceuticals and even in the growth and development of democracy."

Regulations and Legislation

After Newtown, several congressional lawmakers promised to introduce tougher gun-control measures. On the first day of the new session, lawmakers in the House of Representatives introduced nearly a dozen bills related to gun violence.

Rep. Carolyn McCarthy, D-New York, has sponsored legislation that would require background checks for all gun sales — including at gun shows — and ban online sales of ammunition.

In the Senate, one such bill is the Fix Gun Checks Act, which attempts to address the "gun-show loophole" and requires criminal background checks for all firearms sales, rather than just licensed dealers.

Sen. Richard Blumenthal, D-Connecticut, announced that he planned to introduce legislation requiring background checks to purchase ammunition.

"Ammunition is now the black hole in gun violence prevention," he said, pointing to laws on bullet sales that permit exchanges without background reviews.

Some are pushing for a new ban on "assault weapons" to include other types of military-style weapons and those with high-capacity magazines.

The NRA opposes such a ban, saying it won't help and infringes on Second Amendment rights.

In Connecticut, Gov. Dannel Malloy last week bluntly rejected the notion, espoused by the NRA, of putting more guns in classrooms as protection.

All states except Illinois allow at least some limited ability to carry a concealed weapon in public, often requiring "good cause" by an individual before a permit is issued.

Four states — Vermont, Arizona, Alaska and Wyoming — do not require any permit for a concealed weapon.

Gun sales surge, buybacks gain popularity

December set a record for the number of background checks for gun buyers during a single month, according to the FBI. It's an indicator of the rising sales of firearms.

And yet gun buyback programs have also gained popularity in Newtown's aftermath, with events springing

up across the country, at times privately sponsored.

School safety

After the shootings at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado, in 1999 and at Virginia Tech in 2007, calls for more school security sounded as the public sought to find ways to prevent mass violence from reaching students.

After the Newtown massacre, a similar phenomenon got under way as schools added cameras, locks and ran extra drills. And yet most schools already have some form of a functioning crisis plan, noted Kenneth Trump, a school security consultant.

"I don't believe we need to throw out the book of best practices on school safety," he said. "I think we do need to focus our resources, times and conversation back on the fundamentals."

In their effort to protect both patients and the public, health advocates are calling on legislators to take a closer look at the nation's mental health care system in the wake of the Newtown tragedy.

And a glance at the numbers offers some insight into the extent of the issue.

One quarter of adults suffer from a "diagnosable mental disorder in a given year," while 6% of U.S. adults have what can be considered a "serious mental illness," according to the National Institute of Mental Health.

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Pythons elusive in first days of Florida hunt

There were no snakes on the flood-plain for Drew Reisinger, one of hundreds of people who trooped into the Everglades over the weekend to hunt Burmese pythons.

"We saw hundreds of gators and beautiful migratory birds, but no pythons," said Reisinger, who spent his weekend poking around Big Cypress National Preserve with about a half-dozen old buddies.

Florida's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission launched its month-long "Python Challenge" on Saturday, hoping to get rid of some of the tens of thousands of invasive snakes that have found a home in the River of Grass. Nearly 800 people, lured by prizes of up to \$1,500, have signed up to hunt down the pythons in cold blood.

But only 11 Burmese had been bagged by Monday afternoon, agency spokeswoman Carli Segelson said.

State wildlife officials say there may be as many as 100,000 Burmese pythons living in the vast swamps outside Miami. By comparison, the state is home to about 1.3 million alligators.

"You can go out there for days and days and days and not see one python," snake hunter Justin Matthews said. "I don't care how much experience you have. It is going to take some luck."

Reisinger said the unseasonably warm

weekend may have cut into the haul. He said he and his companions were shooting for "the coldest weekend we could find," hoping the reptiles would be in the open to soak up the sun.

Instead, weekend highs were around 80 degrees, well above normal even for south Florida.

"There's some stuff that was very hairy and hard to get through, and machetes were helpful," Reisinger said Monday after returning home to Asheville, North Carolina. Then there were sections of swamp "that were easy to walk through," but had their own hazards: "When you can clearly see gators 100 feet in front of you, it makes it more intimidating sometimes," he said.

The pythons began turning up in the Everglades in 1979, most likely abandoned by pet owners when the snakes got too big to handle. They have no natural predators and can reach lengths up to 18 feet.

Rabbits and foxes have disappeared, while raccoon, opossum and bobcat populations have dropped as much as 99 percent, researchers at Virginia Tech University, Davidson College and the U.S. Geological Survey reported in 2012. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has banned the importation of Burmese pythons, along with three other exotic snake species and their eggs.

The great snake hunt could be a boon to scientists like University of Florida wildlife ecologist Frank Mazzotti, who was preparing for a post-mortem on one python Monday morning.

"This is going to give us our largest single one-time sample, most snakes over the biggest area, that we have ever been able to collect," Mazzotti said. "And we're going to be able to ask questions about contaminants, things like mercury, genetics — can we identify new individuals from the core population — or diet, to help us address the very important question about what impacts these species have on our native ecosystem."

While the pythons can run to double-digit lengths, Mazzotti said the average snake runs about 6 to 9 feet.

State officials recommend shooting the snakes in the head or decapitating them with a machete. A grand prize of \$1,500 will be awarded to the person who kills the most pythons, and \$1,000 will go to the person who bags the longest one — and no, roadkill doesn't count.

The contest wraps up February 16.

"I'm not a hunter. I'm not a herpetologist," Reisinger said. "I'm just more of someone looking for a good time and a chance to drink my beers with some buddies in the woods -- and if you can help the environment, too, that's great."

—CNN



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Newtown parents learn comforting details about son's death

His parents remember Dylan Hockley as such a happy child.

He was six and full of joy, his mother, Nicole Hockley, says.

She said he was always smiling and described his laugh as infectious. When his dad would return to their Newtown, Connecticut, home each day, Dylan would run to his father, Ian, saying, "Daddy!"

It's been exactly a month since Dylan and his teacher, Anne Marie Murphy, and 24 other students and adults were killed by a lone gunman at Sandy Hook Elementary School.

As would be expected, coping has been hard.

"It's a strange moment when you wake up in the morning and for that brief second everything is as it was," she says. "And then you realize that nothing is ever as it was — and never will be again."

On Monday, after put-

ting themselves "in a little cocoon," as she put it, Hockley decided it was time to tell the world about Dylan.

"He was autistic," she says, "but incredibly empathetic."

"He just wanted to have fun."

Most of all, Dylan loved to bounce on a trampoline in the family's backyard, remembers his father.

"I'd say, 'Go out on the trampoline!' Ian Hockley says. "And he would always say, 'are you coming, Daddy?'"

Together, they would vault up on the trampoline and bounce, sometimes joined by Dylan's brother, Jake, who is two years older.

"If I didn't go, Dylan wouldn't go," Ian Hockley remembers. "He just wanted to have so much fun with me."

Just down the street lived Adam Lanza, 20. Authorities said Lanza opened fire inside Sandy Hook Elementary before taking his own life. They said he killed his moth-

er, Nancy, before the school shooting.

Asked whether they knew the Lanzas, Nicole Hockley stiffened and said no.

But they say the pain has made it impossible to even drive past the Lanza home. So they are moving elsewhere in the community.

"You can't drive up your driveway every day and see the house of a person who took your son's life and who brought so much pain to so many people," Nicole said. "We are leaving that house. We will stay in Newtown, but that's just one thing too much. I can't do that every day."

And they have trouble answering Jake's questions, such as why? And will this happen again?

Nicole says these are not things an 8-year-old should have to worry about.

But Ian says it's Jake's difficult questions that give them the will to get involved — to try to make something positive come from the tragedy.

"We're just focusing on getting up each day," Nicole said.

As she puts it, the family is "trying to find a way to make sense of this by taking some action and getting involved."

They've started a fund in Dylan's name to raise money

to support programs and educational aids for other children with autism and other special needs.

They haven't learned all the details of the massacre that happened on December 14. Until now, they haven't felt much like watching TV or interacting with the outside world.

But one detail has given the Hockleys comfort.

A few days after the tragedy, the Hockley's ran into Mike Murphy. His wife, Anne Marie Murphy, taught their son at Sandy Hook.

He revealed to her that — in the terrible aftermath of the attack — first responders found Dylan and his teacher together.

"He said that Anne Marie Murphy had been found with her arms wrapped around Dylan ... that is what we had hoped for — in a very strange sort of way to hope for something."

"She loved him and he loved her and she would've looked after him no matter what," she says, fighting back tears. "To know that he was with her, and that he wasn't alone, that gives you a huge peace of mind ... to know that he was loved even in those last moments."

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Yesterday's Solution

Man convicted in mob crimes says he's 'certain' where Jimmy Hoffa is buried

A man convicted of crimes in connection with Detroit's organized-crime family claims to know where Teamsters boss Jimmy Hoffa's body was buried in 1975.

Anthony Zerilli, 85, told New York's NBC 4 that Hoffa was buried in a Michigan field about 20 miles north of where he was last seen on July 30, 1975.

"I'm as certain as I could possibly be," Zerilli told the station. "If I had money, I'd like to bet a big sum of money that he's buried (there)."

Zerilli said the plan was to bury Hoffa in a shallow grave, then move his body to a different location. The latter part of the plan fell through, and his body was left in Oakland County, Michigan.

In an interview with CNN on Monday, former U.S. attorney and chief of the Eastern District of Michigan's Organized Crime Strike Force Keith Corbett said there are very few people, if any, who would be more likely to know about Hoffa's disappearance than Zerilli.

"Tony Zerilli was in a very high position within the Detroit organized crime family for decades," Corbett said. "This is a man who would have been in the know about all matters, especially what happened to Jimmy Hoffa."

Corbett, who prosecuted Zerilli in several cases in the 1980s and '90s, says Zerilli was the head of the Detroit organized crime family from 1970-1975, but was in prison himself when Hoffa disappeared.

In 2005, Zerilli was sentenced to 71 months in prison for racketeering and extortion. He was released in 2008.

In his interview with NBC 4, Zerilli denied playing any part in Hoffa's disappearance, and said Hoffa did not deserve what happened to him.

"If I wasn't away (in prison) I don't think it would have ever happened," Zerilli told the station. "That's the only thing I can tell you."

The FBI declined to comment on Zerilli's claims.

Corbett, however, told CNN he thinks the FBI will be taking Zerilli's words seriously, and will likely see if they can acquire a

search warrant for the property in Michigan.

Hoffa's disappearance and presumed death has vexed investigators for almost four decades. As recently as October, soil samples were taken from a home in the suburban Detroit community after a tipster claimed he saw a body buried in the yard a day after Hoffa disappeared in 1975.

The soil samples were tested, and showed no evidence of human remains or decomposition.

One of the most powerful union leaders at a time when unions wielded a great deal of sway in many elections -- and when some unions were notoriously tied to organized crime -- Hoffa was forced out of the organized-labor movement when he went to federal prison in 1967 for jury tampering and fraud.

Then-President Richard Nixon pardoned him in 1971 on the condition that he not try to get back into the union movement before 1980.

Hoffa, then 62, was last seen on July 30, 1975, outside a Detroit-area restaurant.

He was there ostensibly to meet with reputed Detroit mob enforcer Anthony Giacalone and Genovese crime family figure Anthony Provenzano, who was also a chief of a Teamsters local in New Jersey. Giacalone died in 1982; Provenzano died in 1988 in prison.

Hoffa believed Giacalone had set up the meeting to help settle a feud between Hoffa and Provenzano, but Hoffa was the only one who showed up for the meeting, according to the FBI.

Giacalone and Provenzano later told the FBI that no meeting had been scheduled.

The FBI said at the time that the disappearance could have been linked to Hoffa's efforts to regain power in the Teamsters and to the mob's influence over the union's pension funds.

"I'd like to just prove to everybody that I'm not crazy," Zerilli told NBC 4.

"What happened, happened while I was in jail, and I feel very, very bad about it ... (it) should have never happened to Jim Hoffa."

—CNN

Judge: California boy murdered neo-Nazi dad, knew it was wrong

A California judge ruled Monday that a then 10-year-old boy committed second-degree murder — and knew what he was doing and knew what he was doing was wrong — when he fatally shot his father, a local neo-Nazi leader.

Jeffrey Hall was asleep on a couch in his family's Riverside home when his son killed him on May 1, 2011, according to authorities. CNN is not naming the boy, who is now 12, because he is a juvenile.

Hall had been the Southwestern states regional director for the National Socialist Movement, according to an online tribute to him from the group's leader, Jeff Schoep. One of the nation's biggest, most well-known neo-Nazi organizations, the National Socialist Movement idolizes Adolf Hitler and touts virulent rhetoric against those who are Jewish, immigrants and not "pure-blood whites," according to the Southern Poverty Law Center civil rights group.

Prosecutors contend the victim's neo-Nazi background is not linked to his death, saying the young killer's concerns about abuse and his family being split up were more significant factors.

"It was our belief that this would have happened even if (Hall) was not part of the National Socialist Movement," said John Hall, a spokesman for the Riverside County district attorney's office. "This was done more on a domestic level."

According to an arrest warrant issued for Hall's

wife, Krista McCary, and posted from the Southern California Public Radio's website, Riverside police arrived in May 2011 at what they described as a "filthy," unkempt home and found the victim dead on the coach "with a gunshot wound to the left side of his head."

Five children — ages 10, 9, 7, 3 and a 2-month old — were inside the home at the time, as was McCary, the warrant said.

Three of the children later told a detective they knew where guns were inside the house, according to the arrest warrant. The eldest said he'd taken a revolver off a low shelf in his father's and step-mother's closet, then killed his sleeping father.

The boy told police "he was tired of his dad hitting him and his mom," and that he thought his father was having an affair that might contribute to the family's break-up.

Less than three weeks after Hall's death, McCary was arrested and charged with five counts of willful child endangerment and four counts of criminal storage of a firearm, according to Riverside Superior Court records. In August 2011, she pleaded guilty to one count of each charge and was sentenced to 120 days in custody (all but two of them in work release) and four years of probation.

The boy has been detained in juvenile halls in Riverside County since the shooting. His lawyers initially sought an insanity defense but later

dropped that approach and argued their client didn't fully grasp the ramifications of what he did, according to John Hall, the district attorney's spokesman.

The murder trial before county Judge Jean Leonard — and not a jury — got underway October 30, 2012, continuing off-and-on for about 10 days over four months, ending Monday.

As there are no "guilty" or "not guilty" verdicts in her California juvenile court, Leonard instead found it "true" that the boy had committed murder and understood his actions were wrong.

The next hearing in the case is scheduled for February 15, where placement of the boy will be determined. The convicted boy could remain in custody up until his 23rd birthday, though he could be freed sooner or have a number of other living arrangements as determined by the judge, said John Hall.

Schoep recalled the 32-year-old victim — pictured on the tribute website raising a National Socialist Movement flag, which contains a swastika — as a "dedicated father" who "spent countless hours on the California and Arizona border leading patrols in efforts to halt illegal immigration, (and organized) events for the NSM countless times." Schoep's ex-wife Joanna told the Southern Poverty Law Center that Hall was her ex-husband's best friend.

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