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Beavers softball ends 6 game losing streak

City recommends tax option

Proposed public safety tax recommended by committee to be implemented through property value tax

By Megan Campbell
THE DAILY BAROMETER

The city of Corvallis has been exploring its options to fund the reopening of Fire Station 5, employing more firefighters and police officers, and an ambulance.

In order to generate this revenue, the Administrative Service Committee has been deliberating over implementing a public safety tax. Since Oregon does not have a sales tax, this is a creative solution to the city's revenue issues.

Originally, the committee considered three options for implementation. One suggestion was a tax on water and sewer utility bills. If the committee recommended this option, which they ultimately did not, renters and students living in residence halls would bare the brunt of the tax.

"All costs would be passed onto the tenant," John Wydronek said.

Wydronek is a Corvallis landlord, manager and property owner. He estimated the cost of rent for his ren-

ters would increase by \$15 to \$20 per month per unit if the public safety tax were enforced through utility bills.

“There is no question in my mind that OSU ... [cares] a great deal about Corvallis.”

Jim Patterson
Corvallis city manager

Wydronek said all landlords would pass the increase of the utility bill onto the tenants. He recommended the committee instead look into applying the tax through property values. This is not the cheapest option the committee had been considering, but it is the middle-ground option for both tenants and property owners.

Councilor Hal Brauner began the discussion by bringing his revised

opinion to the table. Brauner acknowledged he originally supported implementing the tax through a water and sewer utility bill.

Brauner's full-circle opinion proposed a special levy be placed on property value rather than the utility bill. He acknowledged that if the tax were placed on the utility bill, its results would be counterproductive to its purpose.

"There's a good chance of poisoning the water," said councilor Joel Hirsch, in reference to forcing the public safety tax on Oregon State University through utility bills.

OSU is one of the larger government entities in Corvallis that is currently a concern for the committee.

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ASOSU election campaigning begins

6 tickets are running for president, vice president, 5 for speaker of the house

By Don Iler

THE DAILY BAROMETER

Associated Students of Oregon State University election campaign season began on Monday. Candidates are now allowed to begin campaigning, with online polling for the primary election beginning Tuesday at 10 p.m.

ASOSU elections have a primary and a general election. The two top-vote winners for president and speaker of the house from the primary election advance to the general election, which occurs from April 21 until April 26.

There are six tickets for president and vice president: Lexie Merrill and Jacob Vandever, Mohamed Elgarguri and Emily Van Bronkhorst, Brett Deedon and Victoria Redman, Jackson Lile and Robert Ohanesian, Mousa Diabat and Drew Bennett, and Nick Rosoff and Joyce Contreras.

Brendan Sanders and Josh Smith had registered to run for president and vice president, but have since pulled out of the race. Sanders said Smith had concerns about being able to commit enough time to the campaign and as vice president. Sanders said he had not yet ruled out appealing the elections committee to run for another position.

Several of the campaigns have already begun to put up posters and pass out fliers in the Memorial Union quad. The Merrill/Vandever ticket has had a tent set up in the quad since Monday, as have the Lile/Ohanesian ticket.

"We made a point of getting out there before everyone else," Vandever said. Merrill and Vandever both said they were out at 7 a.m. on Monday, the official time campaigning can begin, to put up posters.

"We want to make sure we are out there with students and listening to what they have to say," Merrill said.

Other campaigns have set up Facebook pages. The Lile/Ohanesian page had 150 likes as of 8 p.m. Wednesday night, the Deedon/Redman page had 126 likes and the Merrill/Vandever page had 91 likes.

Rosoff and Contreras are not allowed to begin campaigning until Saturday at 7 a.m. Rosoff received sanctions by the election committee after it found Rosoff guilty of campaigning before the allowed time. Rosoff has been appealing the sanctions and the judicial council will hear the trial next Monday at 6 p.m.

While he has not yet made a Facebook page or begun visibly campaigning in the quad, Elgarguri is eager about the campaign so far.

"We are enthused with the spectacular response we've seen from the community so far," Elgarguri said.

In addition to the presidential elections, there is also a primary election for speaker of the house. Elena Christie, John Varin, Saul Boulanger, Thomas Bancroft and John Aljets are all running for speaker.

Polling for the general election begins Tuesday at 10 p.m.

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Weaving a piece of multicultural tapestry

The Ettihad Cultural Community develops on campus, celebrates cultural wealth, dialogues between groups on campus

By Ryan Dawes
THE DAILY BAROMETER

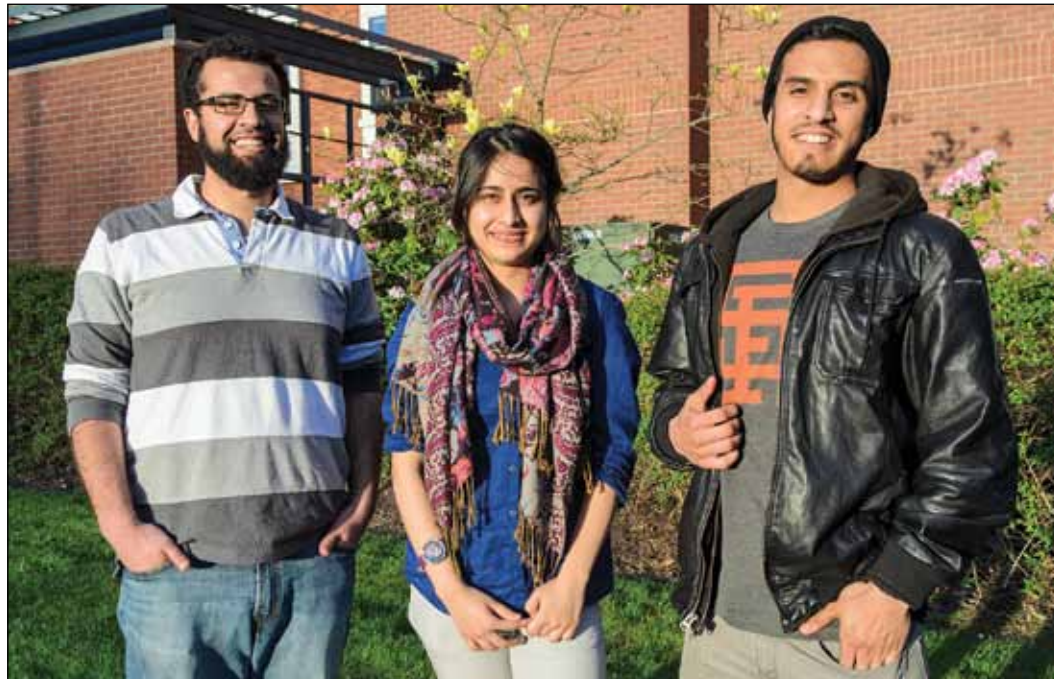
For the past year, a new community on campus has developed, known as the Ettihad Cultural Community, which seeks to not only create a sense of campus unity but also to celebrate and define the cultures of southwestern Asia and northern Africa.

Initially, the community was named the Middle Eastern Cultural Center. However, they decided the name "Middle East" could hold negative connotations, and therefore it was changed to the Ettihad Cultural Community.

"The word 'Ettihad' in many languages throughout the region, including Hebrew, Arabic and Urdu, means 'unity,'" said OSU graduate student Omar Mohamed.

This more inclusive name will seek to provide unity for not only Arabs, but also Israelis, Persians, North Africans and many other cultural groups from the region. The community will also provide a safe place for any spiritual practice. Religion is a

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Omar Mohamed, graduate student, Lubna Khan, OSU student and ASOSU senator, and Mohamad Elgarguri, Ettihad Cultural Community public relations chairman.

Deeds for Diabetes raises money, awareness

Alpha Gamma Delta's annual philanthropy event aids children with Type 1 diabetes

By Lara von Linsowe-Wilson
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Alpha Gamma Delta began its three-day philanthropy event titled, "Deeds for Diabetes," today with a serenade competition between sororities to get them excited for the week. The organization will be hosting events Thursday and Friday to raise money for the Gales Creek summer camp for children with Type 1 diabetes, as well as a number of other national diabetes awareness and education foundations.

Diabetes research and education is a common cause supported by every Alpha Gamma Delta international women's fraternity. However, even those who are not involved with Greek life at Oregon State University are encouraged to get involved this week to show their support.

The events will be located on campus in the Memorial Union quad or at

Deeds for Diabetes

Thursday: Diabetes trivia Greek fundraising competition in MU quad, donations also accepted
Friday: Texas Hold 'em tournament at the Alpha Gamma Delta House with \$12 entry fee

the Alpha Gamma Delta house and are open to the public.

"Our organization's philanthropic focus is diabetes awareness and education," said chapter president Alyssa Hersh. "This is important to our international organization because diabetes is increasingly becoming a health issue across the United States and around the world."

In addition to their annual philanthropic events, Alpha Gamma Delta has been working with the Gales Creek Camp American Girl Fashion Show as community service.

"It has been very special for us to be able to participate," Hersh said.

Alpha Gamma Delta philanthropy chairman Heather Ries personally knows a few women who have chosen the chapter specifically because diabetes is their main cause.

"We have two current members

that have Type 1 diabetes and a few who have lost parents and loved ones to the disease," Ries said. "I think this makes our philanthropy special to us."

Thursday, Alpha Gamma Delta will be running a diabetes trivia event located in the MU quad. Fraternity and sorority members who correctly answer questions throughout the day can earn points for their respective houses, and donations can also be given at the table.

The week's final event, on Friday, will be a Texas Hold 'em poker tournament held at the Alpha Gamma Delta house. Tickets to the event can be purchased at the door for \$12 each.

Ries says she is most excited for the poker tournament.

"There will be snacks, flavored Red Bull and music, it's going to be a really good time," Ries said Wednesday. "This year our philanthropy has grown

tremendously and we cannot wait to see how it all ends up."

Donations will be accepted throughout the rest of the week in the quad or can be sent directly to the chapter house.

Alpha Gamma Delta is a Panhellenic Council at Oregon State with the mission of inspiring women to impact the world. The group is known as being an "international fraternity for women that exists to provide opportunities for personal development through the spirit of the sisterhood," according to the group's official webpage.

The group hosts Deeds for Diabetes events annually to continually raise awareness and spread hope to those in need.

“Diabetes is increasingly becoming a health issue across the United States and around the world.”

Alyssa Hersh

OSU Alpha Gamma Delta chapter president

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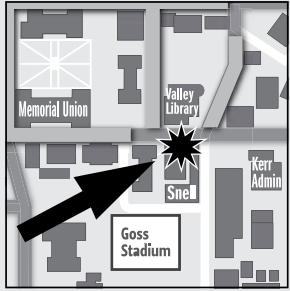
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This is because OSU does not pay property taxes. The committee, however, was unclear if Oregon State would be required to pay the tax if it were placed on the utility bill.

The committee considered the possibility of simply forcing OSU into paying the tax, were it placed on the utility bill. Rather quickly, the committee realized this could lead to legal retaliation and would not be worth risking the city's relationship with OSU or worth spending the reserve funds on lawsuits.

Brauner pointed out that if the tax were applied to the utility bill, it would only hurt OSU students living in the residence halls. He said the tax would most likely be passed on to students paying for on-campus housing, much like landlords would pass the cost to tenants.

Though the committee came to realize the relationship the city has built with OSU would suffer through the utility bill method

of implementation, it agreed OSU is still a huge part of the community.

"Students are a very important part of the community," said Jim Patterson, the city manager.

Patterson has been conducting conversations with Oregon State since October 2011 in an effort to improve the city's relationship with the university.

"We got to a good place today," Patterson said.

He attributes the arrival of this "good place" to the ongoing conversations between the city and OSU.

He thought the conversations between the city and government entities, such as OSU, provided more clarity.

Instead of forcing Oregon State into paying the public safety tax, Patterson pitched the idea of OSU participating in a Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) program. This would mean asking OSU to voluntarily participate in the tax, and pay for it directly — not through the students.

Patterson could not give a definite

answer as to the likelihood of Oregon State's voluntary participation in the public safety tax.

"There is no question in my mind that OSU — and not even just leadership but students, faculty and staff — care a great deal about Corvallis," Patterson said.

The committee agrees the public safety tax is not a long-term solution. Instead, the tax would immediately aid the city with an increased revenue source. It also allots time to the city and committee to work out the kinks of the current system and create a better, lasting solution.

Despite his disapproval of the public safety tax itself, for Wydronek, the landlord in Corvallis who supports the tax being applied to property value, the committee's decision was a good one.

The committee has not picked a date for the public safety tax to appear, but is leaning toward recommending it for the November ballot.

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common connection for part of many of the cultures from the region, and the ECC seeks to honor that for any of the religions people at OSU wish to practice.

"We intend to create an inter-cultural hub where thoughts and ideas from the region may be exchanged," said Mohamed Elgarguri, public relations chair for the ECC. "Think of it as an airport or a train station, where different areas of the world are being connected together via travel by a single station."

Elgarguri, along with a handful of other close-networked colleagues, will focus on celebrating these pixels in the region of what the western world considers the Middle East.

"When I saw how many international students from the region there were, I felt that creating a hub for them was necessary to provide a united

body to be part of the voice of OSU," Elgarguri said. "With this, my colleagues and I wanted to create a legacy on campus."

The need for supporting diverse groups of people at OSU has grown, with more than 2,000 international students attending Oregon State University per year.

"Instead of each of us focusing on individual pixels, let's focus instead on how each of the millions of pixels are arranged together to make greatest TV," Elgarguri said. "Our intent of initiating the ECC is to build that inter-pixelated TV out of the OSU student body."

Born in Corvallis, Elgarguri moved with his family multiple times, grew up in six countries and learned four different languages. This required him to learn how to live in several different cultures. Upon coming to Corvallis, he became involved in multiple organizations on campus, including becoming president of the Muslim Student Association. Elgarguri's back-

ground prompted his drive to preserve individual cultures while promoting a united cross-cultural community at OSU.

Last year, he and his colleagues made a resolution to create a community uniting cultures in the region spanning from Pakistan to the Caucasus Mountains to the Arabian Peninsula to North Africa.

"Since this culture ... are very different from other cultures, generalized as Asian, it is important for [them] to be represented on [their] own," said Lubna Khan, OSU student and ASOSU senator.

The ECC will start working toward this goal on May 19 with a large cross-cultural festival from the region, showcasing events put on from the Saudi

Arabian Student Association, Omani Student Association, the Indian Student Association, HILLEL (the Hebrew student association) and the African Student Association. Performances, authentic cultural dress displays and authentic cultural foods will be some of many of the activities of the day-long event.

"Despite the uniqueness of our external appearances, personalities and cultures, the threads of our individual selves can be woven together by the unity of our spirits," Elgarguri said. "We are all the individual threads that constitute the exotic shimmering fabric of diversity that OSU embodies."

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ASOSU House back in session

THE DAILY BAROMETER

The Associated Students of Oregon State University house of representatives met last night to resume spring term's session. No legislation was passed during the meeting, and members took the time to announce the availability of applications for an upcoming ASOSU lobby trip to Washington D.C. Additionally, Drew Desilet, ASOSU student organizing advocate, asked for representatives to consider streamlining the open hearing process for the Student and Incidental Fees Committee, which happened last term.

Correction

THE DAILY BAROMETER

An article yesterday titled, "Deciphering stories of demise" contained a misleading subhead. The subhead referred to Isaac Asimov, a famous author alluded to in the first paragraph, as the presenter for Tuesday's "Dying to Tell" lecture, when in fact the presenter was Dr. Felicia Cohn, mentioned thereafter. The Barometer regrets the error.

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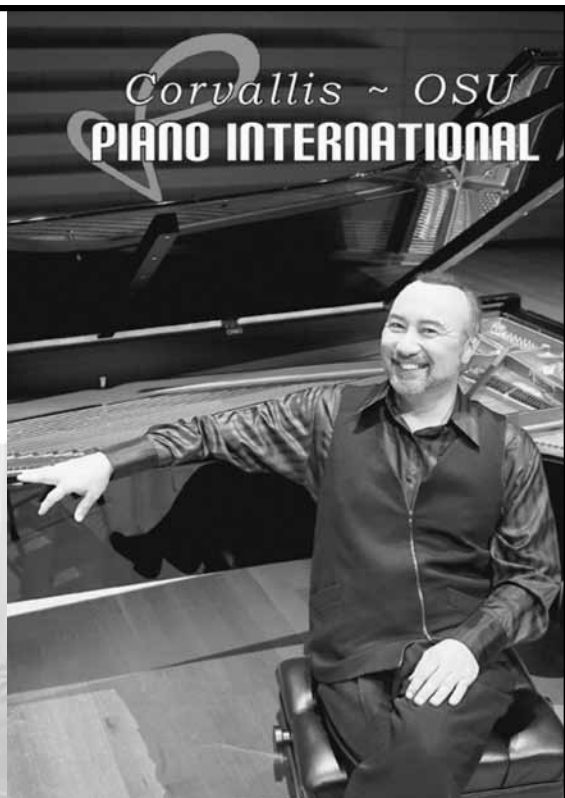
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Editorial

Is TSA worth the hassle, expense?

Considering some of you — including a few of us — traveled by airplane over spring break, we thought we'd take today to examine the Transportation Security Administration (TSA).

Since Sept. 11, 2009 the TSA has been heavily scrutinized for making people remove shoes and other items of clothing, prohibiting liquids, lighters and other objects, for making full body scans or pat-downs mandatory, for stealing from passengers' belongings and failing to accomplish the purpose of catching terrorists and protecting the innocent from such terrorist threats.

A graphic compiled by Online Criminal Justice Degree, does a fantastic job highlighting the negative aspects the TSA is largely scrutinized for.

As having experienced this frustrating system of checkpoints before being allowed to our gate, we've come to wonder if funding the TSA's large budget is actually paying off — or only a waste of time and money.

Certainly, according to the graphic, the \$36 million spent on "devices that puff air on travelers," which you've probably not seen or heard of before because all 207 of those machines are currently sitting in warehouses, was worth taxpayers' money.

American's have spent more than \$60 billion on funding the TSA since 9/11. Do you think it's been worth it?

Another hot-button issue with the TSA is full-body scanners. These were made mandatory in March 2010. In November 2010, 100 of the supposedly private and secure images were leaked. We all better start working out again, if we want our practically-naked body to look sexy for the Internet.

Even a single \$170,000 scanner can't see everything. Objects can apparently be concealed at your sides. That's a problem that would render these expensive machines worthless.

The scanners have also been accused of being harmful. Granted, the probability of getting cancer from a TSA scanner is the same as dying from a terrorist attack — one in 30 million — but there's still a chance.

As we continue to research the TSA, our opinion of the organization continues to drop. We are not impressed — but what else is new?

We thought, well this might be bad for our health and a pain in the tush, but they have to be at least catching the bad guys, right?

Last week, the TSA found 23 loaded firearms and it reported in January, that agents had found more than 1,500 weapons in 2012, finding everything from revolvers to rocket launchers.

But even with those numbers, seven out of every 10 weapons get past those fancy screeners. Don't you feel safer? We sure do.

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Defense of Marriage Act should be thing of the past

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es anymore to any couple where both people are over the age of 55."

The response from Charles Cooper, the lawyer defending Prop. 8, was that when it comes to old folks, it is rare that both people in the proposed marriage would be infertile.

Over the sound of the laughter in the courtroom, Kagan replied, "I can just assure you, if both the woman and the man are over the age of 55, there are not a lot of children coming out of that marriage."

In fact, a staff editorial on the facing page of IBD's March 28 edition — "Is the Traditional Family Dead?" — states that 72 percent of black children, 36 percent of white children, and 53 percent of Hispanic children in the United States are born outside of marriage.

Marriage is obviously not necessary for procreation.

The U.S. Census Bureau currently estimates the world's population at 7.076 billion people. The Earth's exploding human population has

not yet reached the planet's carrying capacity, as evidenced by the fact the population is still increasing. However, we are approaching that limit exponentially faster than we were 300 years ago. Many heterosexual couples take this into account and choose either to not have children, or to adopt children in need of homes rather than adding to the population of the planet.

Apparently, this means those couples do not qualify for marriage in the eyes of Cooper and the conservative justices of the Supreme Court.

Justice Anthony Kennedy said that while he wasn't sure of the appropriateness of a circuit court negating California's Prop. 8, there were also "some 40,000 children in California . . . that live with same-sex parents, and they want their parents to have full recognition and full status," which, you know, seems fair.

It's one thing if your parents didn't want to get married. It's another thing entirely if they're not allowed to get married.

Because beyond the procreation issue, DOMA denies what is considered a basic right to a significant percentage of the U.S. population. It

is discrimination, backed by bigotry and prejudice, pure and simple.

We've been here before.

Trying to rile the prosecution, Justice Antonin Scalia asked prosecution lawyer Ted Olson, former solicitor general for George W. Bush's administration, "When did it become unconstitutional to exclude homosexual couples from marriage?"

Olson responded with another question: "When did it become unconstitutional to prohibit interracial marriages?"

1967 (Loving vs. Virginia), in case you were wondering — two years before the Stonewall Riots and four years after Martin Luther King Jr. gave a speech about a dream.

Wouldn't it be nice if all U.S. citizens were accorded the same rights and privileges, regardless of who they loved or the genitalia of their lovers?

We can have more than one dream. Dreams are crazy like that.

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Drive Thru



KYOO PARK IS A SENIOR IN CHEMISTRY. 4/1/13

Better to compete with oneself than outwardly with others

Kyle Hart

The Daily Barometer

of personally and socially crippling side effects.

By definition, competition simply means success is not entirely attainable unless the other participants fail. Ideally, one's level of performance must exceed the opponent's to obtain the gratification of success. Each participant is engaged in mutually exclusive goal attainment. Many are conditioned to believe this methodology is essential to thriving, and even

surviving, in our society today.

Competition can breed some of the most undesirable characteristics human beings can conjure. Hatred, violence and unfair means of obtaining a "leg up" are often utilized in hopes of attaining victory and the feeling of a win. We see this in professional sports through performance-enhancing drugs, senseless cheap shots and, in some cases, becoming victorious through bribery.

This obsession and preoccupation with triumph can escalate into a complete sociopathic mindset. Some may no longer recognize their

opponent as a person, rather an object that is momentarily standing in the way of their imminent success.

Further, there is always a flip side to any event that possesses the spirit of competition: the loser. An undeniable fact of competition is the majority of the time, there are larger amounts of losers than winners. Someone who is always unfortunately falling short of victory can experience deterioration of self-esteem. The societally-implemented idea of success being accomplished

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Beaver Tweet of the Day

"I just love old people. Especially the old man walking around town pushin the shopping cart full of keystone light."

@jfreud15 Justyne Freud



ALEXANDRA GRACE TAYLOR | THE DAILY BAROMETER

Senior Makayla Stambaugh celebrates after her 9.975 beam routine to close out Pac-12 Championships at Gill Coliseum.

Stambaugh: A gymnast for life

OSU gymnast Makayla Stambaugh is having a career year, has faced setbacks on road to reach this point

By Warner Strausbaugh
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Makayla Stambaugh had an uncharacteristic first routine at the Pac-12 Championships. Stambaugh, a senior, fell on balance beam during

the March 23 event, resulting in a score of 8.900, putting the No. 10 Oregon State gymnastics team in an early hole.

A hiccup of that magnitude would cause many athletes to lose confidence, but Stambaugh responded.

She anchored the floor exercise with a 9.925, then set a personal best on vault with a 9.950.

The Beavers had clinched the Pac-12 Championship heading into the last routine of

the night. Stambaugh approached uneven bars with nothing to lose.

She scored a 9.975, which included perfect 10.0s from two of the four judges.

"She fell on an event, and went 9.9 or better on the next three," said teammate and fellow senior Kelsi Blalock. "She's phenomenal in the fact that she can put that behind her and still go out and do so great."

Stambaugh is smothered in accolades: First

Team All-Pac-10/12 in all four years, earning first team in uneven bars, vault and floor exercise this year, and three-time All-American. She says she competes for fun.

Life in a leotard

Stambaugh was not even 3 years old when she became a gymnast, even if it was just around her

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COMING SOON

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

No. 6 Baseball @ No. 10 UCLA
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2 p.m., Los Angeles, Calif.

No. 10 Gymnastics NCAA Corvallis
Regional Championships
4 p.m., Gill Coliseum

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Hampton, Oregon State break out of slump

Softball avoided being swept by No. 14 Stanford with a 4-3 win on Wednesday

By Grady Garrett
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Natalie Hampton claims not to pay attention to stats, so it wasn't until after Wednesday's series finale against Stanford that she learned the extent of the slump she had just broken out of. "I didn't even know that I was 0-for-16 [in Pac-12 play]," Hampton said. "At this level it just messes with you that much more."

Nothing was messing with Hampton on Wednesday.

A .433 hitter before going hitless in OSU's first five Pac-12 games, Hampton collected three hits and three RBIs in the Beavers' 4-3 win over the No. 14 Cardinal (26-10, 4-5 Pac-12).

"This past week was such a struggle," Hampton said. "But it feels so good to have my team back me up, my coaches back me up. I just had to find it myself, and today I found it. It feels so good to be back."

Hampton's breakthrough couldn't have come at a better time, considering No. 24 OSU (24-11, 1-5) had lost six in a row and was in danger of getting swept for the second time in as many conference series.

Hampton homered in her first plate appearance to give OSU a 1-0 lead in the second inning. The dinger, Hampton's 11th of the season, came

off Stanford starter Teagan Gerhart, who had held OSU scoreless for 21 consecutive innings dating back to last season.

The next frame, Hampton struck again, this time in the form of a bases-loaded, two-run single to put OSU up 4-0.

"I was really tracking it to my bat, over-exaggerating, making sure it hit the bat because that's what I've been struggling with," Hampton said.

"It's hard coming into a conference like this when you're a freshman," said head coach Laura Berg. "She handled it well. It is hard to come in here and know that you're hitless. She did some extra vision training this morning, and she watched the ball all the way off her bat."

Stanford pitcher Nyree White, who replaced Gerhart two batters before Hampton's two-run single, allowed just one hit the rest of the way, but the four-run deficit proved too much for the visitors to overcome.

The Cardinal scored two runs off OSU starter Tina Andreana in the fourth inning, and appeared to be on the verge of tying the game in the fifth inning when an RBI single off Amanda Najdek made the score 4-3.

With runners on first and second and nobody out, OSU turned to senior pitcher Marina Demore, who induced two groundouts and a fly out to get out of the jam.

Demore escaped another jam in the sixth inning and then pitched a

1-2-3 seventh to pick up her first save of the season.

"I just hit my spots, knew if I spun the ball and kept the ball low, my defense would have my back if I got ground balls," Demore said. "It's so much easier to pitch with a lead. It's pitching with relief."

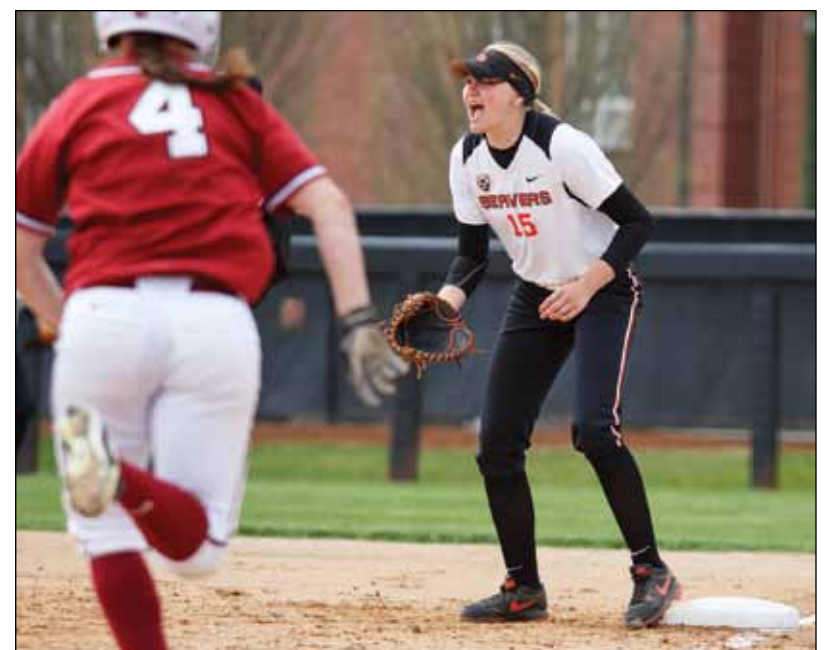
OSU will have a quick turnaround for its next series, which begins

Saturday in Seattle versus No. 17 Washington.

For the first time in more than a week, the Beavers have a bit of momentum on their side.

"Our team really needed this win," Demore said.

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Freshman first baseman Natalie Hampton awaits a throw at first base in Wednesday's 4-3 win. Hampton tallied three hits including a home run.

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family's home in Sacramento, Calif.

"My mom said that I'd climb up on the back of the couch and jump off," Stambaugh said. "I'd roll around a lot and try to do cartwheels. I was just a little daredevil when I was younger."

When Stambaugh saw gymnastics on TV for the first time she fell in love.

Her mother signed her up for her first gymnastics class soon after, and the journey began.

"I was obsessed," Stambaugh said. "I used to write gymnastics rules on everything. I even would sleep in my leotards."

Stambaugh began taking lessons at age 9 from Eli Rodriguez at the Byers Gymnastics Center. Rodriguez started coaching in 1990.

"Most talented kid I've ever worked with, by far," Rodriguez said. "Never had anything like it. Day one, it was very apparent."

Talent going to waste

Temptation and teenager are often used in the same sentence.

Stambaugh was no exception.

When she was 14, Stambaugh and her family were living in a bad neighborhood of Sacramento. She met a group of friends who were involved in drugs and alcohol, and Stambaugh joined in.

"I was just so wrapped up in what I didn't have," Stambaugh said. "So I made bad decisions, because I was feeling bad for myself."

Her friends would often convince her to skip gymnastics practice and hang out with them.

"When you make some pretty bad friends, they have a lot of control over you," Stambaugh said. "I got really good at lying to my parents about where I was and what I was doing."

Eventually, Stambaugh quit gymnastics.

Two weeks later, Rodriguez knocked on her door.

"We just went to the gym," Rodriguez remembers. "It was really strange. She didn't want to work out. She went kicking and screaming."

Stambaugh told her coach she was going to be a babysitter instead of a gymnast. Being a gymnast just wasn't in her anymore.

"You've got to be kidding me," Rodriguez remembers telling her. "There's no way."

Then Rodriguez took a serious tone. He knew what was going on, that she was a confused teenager getting involved with the wrong crowd, and turning to drugs and alcohol to feel something — feel important.

"He pretty much laid it out for me," Stambaugh

said. "He said, 'Makayla, if you don't turn your life around, you could lose your life. I mean that literally.' That woke me up."

Stambaugh fought that battle between being a gymnast and being a rebel over the next three years.

"Those three years were just rough," Stambaugh said. "I hated going into the gym. I would drag my feet, have a bad attitude, talk back to my coaches. They fought me and I fought them. I hated being there."

Finding inspiration

It wasn't until Stambaugh's junior year in high school, when she was 17, that she made a change.

She began coaching gymnastics, girls competing for their first time.

"I took a step back and started thinking about old memories of when I was a little girl, when I was in their position," Stambaugh recalls. "It made me think twice about the decisions I was making at home with my other friends."

Stambaugh had already made the Junior Olympic team in 2004 and 2005. She knew she had the talent, but just needed the dedication.

It was the little girls she coached who made her re-evaluate herself.

"What would these little girls think if they saw me doing this?" Stambaugh thought. "So I quit. And completely dedicated my life to gymnastics and my family."

Stambaugh began to rekindle relationships with her parents and her siblings. Recommitting to being an active member of her church also played a large role in her turnaround.

Stambaugh followed through by becoming a six-time Junior Olympic national champion in her last two years in high school. In her junior year, she won national titles on beam, floor and in the all-around. The next year, she won the all-around, bars and beam titles.



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Stambaugh performs on uneven bars at Pac-12 Championships. She ranks fifth in the nation on bars.

"She won state, she won nationals, she won everything," Rodriguez said. "No one could stand in her way."

The right fit

Oregon State's husband-and-wife coaching tandem, Tanya and Michael Chaplin, knew of Stambaugh when she was 11 years old. They were recruiting one of her older club teammates.

The Beavers had always been on Stambaugh's radar because Rodriguez spoke heaps of praise about the program.

"I've seen a lot of college coaches, and they're the best," Rodriguez said. "They go above and beyond."

Rodriguez and Michael Chaplin were competitors as gymnasts in the 1980s — Rodriguez at Cal State Fullerton, Chaplin at UCLA.

Michael knew once the time came, he wanted to recruit Stambaugh.

Utah began showing interest during her senior year. Not known for their athletic prowess, the Utes are one of four gymnastics programs to win an NCAA Championship, with nine titles to their name.

Corvallis was the place Stambaugh wanted to be, though, and that started with the

Chaplins.

"My freshman year, it exceeded my expectations," Stambaugh said. "I had a blast that year. Tanya and Michael are awesome, they really care about you as a human being, not just as their gymnast."

Stambaugh was named the Pac-10 Freshman of the Year and never looked back, getting even better with time.

The final countdown

The Beavers had a rocky start to the 2013 season. The team had six missed routines out of 24, and Stambaugh came away with disappointing showings on bars and beam.

The score of 193.600 sent OSU down 14 spots in the national rankings, and it was their first 0-2 start since 2004.

OSU's second meet against Ohio State saw improvement, but only slightly.

"Those first two meets were really rough," Stambaugh said. "I had that

mentality, 'Is this going to be that season — where it's just a catastrophe and nothing goes our way?'"

After a shaky first rotation in the third meet of the year at Utah, it seemed Stambaugh's fear about this season might come true.

But there was a moment when something clicked. All six gymnasts hit on their beam routines, following the rough bars rotation.

"Since that moment, I was motivated as hell," Stambaugh said. "There was that glimpse of hope I'd seen."

The Beavers scored just under 196, and have seen the team score rise in every meet since Feb.

3 — culminating in the highest score in program history during the Pac-12 Championships victory two weeks ago, a 197.850.

Stambaugh has been at the forefront of those performances week after week.

"I think this is one of the best seasons any of our athletes have had," head coach Tanya Chaplin said, OSU's coach of 16 years.

Stambaugh ranks fifth nationally on uneven bars, and is 13th on floor and in the all-around. She was the runner-up for Pac-12 Gymnast of the Year.

"As a coach, it's fun to see her do that her senior year, not just be done and check out," said associate head coach Michael Chaplin. He later added, "We wish we could dye her hair and make her stay another four years."

Teammates and coaches have nothing but praise for Stambaugh's four years at OSU.

"She's selfless," Blalock said. "Even though she's had so much success, it's never been about her fame. It's always been about the team."

The team is hosting NCAA Regional Championships on Saturday at Gill Coliseum. If Oregon State finishes in the top two, it will advance to nationals for the eighth consecutive season.

In all seven appearances, the Beavers have never made it to the Super Six — when the field of 12 is narrowed down to six.

"I want it really bad," Stambaugh said. She also said her focus is narrowed in on regionals right now.

If any gymnast is going to lead this team to the Super Six, it'll be Stambaugh.

For those who knew the teenage Stambaugh, seeing her now may come as a surprise. If her club coach hadn't knocked on her door that day, she might be babysitting.

"She is a miracle," Rodriguez said. "She was able to take her talent and use it. She didn't just blow it. So many kids blow it, but she didn't."

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Stambaugh (center) with her club coaches, Aki Kawai (left) and Eli Rodriguez (right).



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Stambaugh stands at the top of the podium at 2009 Junior Olympic nationals.

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Pac-12 baseball power rankings



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1. No. 11 Oregon (22-6, 8-1 Pac-12)

Both Oregon State and UCLA are currently ranked higher by Baseball America, but the Ducks are playing better baseball. Oregon is riding a seven-game winning streak and is 8-1 in one of the best conferences in the country. After relying on pitching and defense to win games in the past, Oregon has shown improvement at the plate thus far in 2013. Ryon Healy has been swinging a hot bat in particular, with a .345 average, 11 doubles and five home runs in the first 28 games of the season. The Ducks face a tough test in No. 24 Arizona State this weekend, so it will be interesting to see if they can continue their winning streak against one of the best teams in the Pac-12.

2. No. 6 Oregon State (23-4, 5-1)

The Beavers were clearly the number one team in the conference until dropping two of three to San Diego last weekend. Surprisingly, it was the defense that let OSU down, with 11 errors committed in the series. The Beavers bounced back with a win over Portland on Tuesday, but three of their four losses have come in the last five games. With a big conference series this weekend against No. 10 UCLA, OSU will need to play better baseball to maintain its nearly perfect Pac-12 record.

3. No. 10 UCLA (18-7, 6-3)

Much like Oregon State, the Bruins have dropped off slightly in the last couple weeks. The club is 3-3 in its last six, and lost two of three against Arizona State last weekend. Still, UCLA should remain in the upper echelon of the Pac-12 for the entire year. Nick Vander Tuiq has been especially good on the mound, compiling a 4-2 record, 2.11 ERA and only six walks

in 47 innings.

4. No. 24 Arizona State (16-8-1, 4-5)

Like OSU and UCLA, Arizona State has fallen off the blistering pace the Sun Devils set at the start of the year. After starting 12-3-1, ASU has gone 4-5 in its last nine games. Despite the recent struggles, Arizona State has been the same offensive juggernaut everyone's used to. Kasey Coffman and Trevor Allen have combined for seven home runs and 35 RBIs in the first 25 games.

5. Arizona (18-11, 3-6)

Notice a trend? Arizona is yet another Pac-12 team that has fallen upon harder times of late. The Wildcats are on a three-game winning streak after sweeping Utah, but threw up a bagel against the Oregon schools going 0-6. The defending champs could be scary later in the season, though. Brandon Dixon is hitting an astonishing .413 with four triples and four home runs, and Johnny Field isn't far behind, at .362 with three triples and three home runs.

6. Stanford (14-9, 4-3)

If it weren't for right-hander Mark Appel, the Cardinal could rank much lower on this list. Appel has racked up a 0.96 ERA while striking out 64 hitters (fourth in the nation). Stanford is a mediocre 4-6 in its last 10, but should at least get a series win against lowly USC this weekend.

7. Washington State (16-11, 3-3)

The Cougars are much improved from last year and look like they could be competitive in the Pac-12 this season. Nick Tanielu is hitting .424 on the season with 11 doubles, and the pitching staff has been solid all season. With overachieving Utah next on the schedule, WSU should have a conference record better than .500 come next week.

8. Cal (16-13, 5-5)

The Golden Bears find themselves at eight in this week's power rankings despite a more than respectable overall record of 16-13. Cal has even been pretty good in the competitive Pac-12, going .500 early in the season. It's notable that the Golden Bears have managed to win 16 games even with below average pitching, 4.20 team ERA, meaning this team could either be a fluke or just good at finding ways to win.

9. Utah (12-13, 2-7)

After a hot start to the season, the Utes dropped off like everyone thought they would. But Utah bounced back, taking two of three from Stanford and then knocking off rival BYU. The Utes could crash at any point with a team batting average of only .243, but, for the time being, they are holding their own despite being less talented than the rest of the Pac-12.

10. USC (11-17, 4-5)

After former head coach Frank Cruz was fired before the season even started for NCAA violations, it seemed pretty likely 2013 wouldn't be a good year for USC baseball. So far, that's held true. USC is 4-11 in its last 15 games and could go on a massive losing streak with the start of conference play. This could be the last time USC isn't last in our power rankings.

11. Washington (7-19, 2-7)

While the Pac-12 is an extremely tough baseball conference, it's pretty evident the Huskies just aren't a good ball club. Washington had lost eight straight games before a 3-3 surge in the last six. With only one hitter on the entire team batting over .300 — Andrew Ely is barely there at .306 — it could be a long, long season for UW.

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Rutgers coach fired after abusive video broadcast

(CNN) — Rutgers University fired head basketball coach Mike Rice on Wednesday after ESPN broadcast a video showing him physically and verbally abusing players.

The video, which ESPN said features excerpts of practice sessions shot between 2010 and 2012, initially had earned Rice a three-game suspension, a \$75,000 fine and a ticket to anger management classes.

"You ***** fairy ... you're a ***** *****," Rice appears to say during one session depicted on the video, which also shows him shoving and throwing basketballs at players.

Under pressure from incensed state officials to take stronger action, Athletic Director Tim Perneti said Wednesday that he had made a mistake in favoring suspension.

"I am responsible for the decision to attempt a rehabilitation of Coach Rice," Perneti said in a written statement. "Dismissal and corrective action were debated in December and I thought it was in the best interest of everyone to rehabilitate, but I was wrong. Moving forward, I will work to regain the trust of the Rutgers community."

Gov. Chris Christie, who a spokesman had said was "deeply disturbed" by the video, said Wednesday he supports Rice's firing.

"This was a regrettable episode for the university, but I completely support the decision to remove Coach Rice. It was the right and necessary action to take in light of the conduct displayed on the videotape," he said.

Rutgers President Robert L. Barchi said he had agreed last year with an outside investigator's recommendation that Rice be suspended, fined and sent to anger management classes.

Barchi, who apparently did not review the video at the time, said he concluded Tuesday after viewing it that it showed a "chronic and pervasive pattern of disturbing behavior."

"I have now reached the conclusion that Coach Rice cannot continue to serve effectively in a position that demands the highest levels of leadership, responsibility and public accountability," Barchi said. "He cannot continue to coach at Rutgers University."

Rice said Wednesday after he was fired that "there's no explanation for what's on those videos because there's no excuse for it," according to CNN affiliate WABC.

"I can't say anything right now except I'm sorry, and there will never be a time where I'm going to use any of that as an excuse or will there be any excuse," he said, according to the station. "I've let so many people down, my players, my administration, Rutgers University, the fans, my family — who's sitting in their house, just huddled around because of the fact that their father was an embarrassment to them."

'Total shock'

ESPN got the video from former NBA player Eric Murdock, the team's former player development director. He told the network the school fired him for blowing the whistle on Rice. The school says he was let go for "insubordinate conduct" unrelated to the video, according to ESPN.

In the video, Rice is shown several times throwing basketballs at flinching players, shoving one in the back, kicking at another. He frequently berates players in the clips.

"To see your coach physically putting his hands on players, physically kicking players, firing balls at players from point-blank range, the verbal abuse, the belit-

ting, I was in total shock that this guy wasn't fired, immediately on the spot," Murdock told ESPN.

But Frank Mitchell, who played at Rutgers under Rice, told CNN what's in the video wasn't the norm at practices.

"From time to time, there's some instances of throwing balls or physically making contact with players, but it only occurred from time to time, it wasn't an everyday type thing," he told CNN. "Obviously, the video shows it happened, but they weren't back to back."

'Not acceptable'

Efforts by CNN to reach Rice and Perneti on Wednesday were unsuccessful. But Perneti previously told CNN affiliate News 12 New Jersey that Rice's conduct was "unacceptable and is not to the Rutgers standard."

"That's why we handed out the significant amount of suspension that we did and all the things that came along with that," he said.

"I think it will affect Mike Rice wherever he goes," Perneti told the station Tuesday. "It certainly affects his tenure. We're trying to do everything we can to support him. But we also had to penalize him within the process too because there are certain words that are said and actions that are taken that are not acceptable no matter who you are and where you work and certainly not Rutgers."

Students interviewed Wednesday were pleased by Rice's firing.

The abuse "should have never happened," junior Ariana Blake told CNN. "That guy should have been gone the first month. It just doesn't look good for Rutgers."

"I'm surprised he kept his job for what, it's like five months after the video was released," junior

Vincent Spatola said.

On Twitter, the decision to fire Rice also seemed widely regarded as too little, too late.

"I always find it really admirable when someone can do the right thing when everyone is looking," Twitter user @adamcox wrote.

"My question is why wasn't he dismissed last year," wrote @TheQueuez.

Similar incident

The video recalled the 2000 sacking of legendary Indiana basketball coach Bobby Knight in the aftermath of a videotaped incident in which he put his hand to the throat of a player. While it was another incident that finally led to Knight's firing, it was the videotaped 1997 incident that prompted strict limits on the coach's frequent physical and verbal outbursts and set the stage for Indiana to let him go.

It also sparked discussion about how far coaches should go to motivate players, what message such behavior sends to young athletes and how widespread such behavior is in locker rooms and practice facilities.

"Homophobic slurs? The sensitivity of people these days is amazing," one commenter wrote on CNN.com.

But the majority of commenters appeared to be aligned against the coach. Many called Rice a bully.

"If you did this to your OWN child the state would take them from you!" another commenter wrote.

"What I think is stark here is how we can be surprised, at this point, by this," former NBA player John Amaechi said on CNN's "Starting Point" Wednesday. "You can walk on any sideline almost anywhere in America or Britain, on any given weekend, and see similar behaviors."

North Korea warns 'moment of explosion' nears

(CNN) — North Korea stirred up fresh unease in Northeast Asia early Thursday, threatening attacks by a "smaller, lighter and diversified" nuclear force and warning, "The moment of explosion is approaching fast."

The new threat came after the North Koreans locked South Korean workers out of a joint factory complex and announced plans to restart a nuclear reactor it shut down five years ago. Meanwhile, the United States announced it was sending ballistic missile defenses to Guam, a Pacific territory that's home to U.S. naval and air bases.

"The moment of explosion is approaching fast. No one can say a war will break out in Korea or not and whether it will break out today or tomorrow," North Korea's state news agency KCNA declared in its latest broadcast. "The responsibility for this grave situation entirely rests with the U.S. administration and military warmongers keen to encroach upon the DPRK's sovereignty and bring down its dignified social system with brigandish logic."

DPRK is short for Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the official name for North Korea.

Most observers say the North is still years away from having the technology to deliver a nuclear warhead on a missile. U.S. officials have said they see no unusual military movements across the Demilitarized Zone that splits the Korean Peninsula, despite weeks of bombastic rhetoric from Pyongyang, and many analysts say the increasingly belligerent talk is aimed at cementing the authority of the country's young leader, Kim Jong Un.

But the North does have plenty of conventional military firepower, including medium-range ballistic missiles that can carry high explosives for hundreds of miles. And U.S. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said Wednesday that the North Korean threats to Guam, Hawaii and the U.S. mainland have to be taken seriously.

"It only takes being wrong once, and I don't want to be the secretary of defense who

was wrong once," Hagel told an audience at Washington's National Defense University.

But Hagel also said there was still a "responsible" path for the North to take.

"I hope the North will ratchet this very dangerous rhetoric down," Hagel said. "There is a pathway that is responsible for the North to get on a path to peace working with their neighbors. There are many, many benefits to their people that could come. But they have got to be a responsible member of the world community, and you don't achieve that responsibility and peace and prosperity by making nuclear threats and taking very provocative actions."

Shows of force and flights of bombast

The United States has in turn made a show of its military strength in the annual drills, flying B-2 stealth bombers capable of carrying conventional or nuclear weapons, Cold War-era B-52s and F-22 Raptor stealth fighters over South Korea.

KCNA blamed the U.S. and its South Korean allies for the situation, however.

"We formally inform the White House and Pentagon that the ever-escalating U.S. hostile policy toward the DPRK and its reckless nuclear threat will be smashed by the strong will of all the united service personnel and people and cutting-edge smaller, lighter and diversified nuclear strike means of the DPRK and that the merciless operation of its revolutionary armed forces in this regard has been finally examined and ratified," it said. "The U.S. had better ponder over the prevailing grave situation."

Caitlin Hayden, National Security Council spokeswoman, slammed North Korea's statement as "unhelpful and unconstructive."

"It is yet another offering in a long line of provocative statements that only serve to further isolate North Korea from the rest of the international community and undermine its goal of economic development. North Korea should stop its provocative threats and instead concentrate on abiding by its

international obligations," she said.

Robert Carlin, a North Korea expert at the Center for International Security and Cooperation at Stanford University in California, told CNN that the rhetoric is still "too hot. It needs to be cooled down." But he added, "If we say that we don't see any actions yet from them, I have to assume that the U.S. military still thinks the situation is under control."

North Korea's Wednesday decision to prevent South Korean workers and managers from entering the Kaesong Industrial Complex, which sits on the North's side of the border but houses operations of scores of South Korean companies, is a tangible sign of the tensions between the two sides.

North Korea has demanded the withdrawal of South Korean workers by April 10 from the complex, South Korean semi-official news agency Yonhap said Thursday. But South Korea's ministry of unification denied the report.

It's a move that could end up hurting Pyongyang financially, since Kaesong is considered to be an important source of hard currency for Kim's government. More than 50,000 North Koreans work in the zone, producing hundreds of millions of dollars worth of goods each year.

Those workers earn on average \$134 a month, of which North Korean authorities take about 45 percent in various taxes.

The North had threatened over the weekend to shut down the industrial complex. North Korea has yet to grant permission for South Koreans to enter the complex, South Korea's ministry of unification said Thursday. The nearly 800 South Koreans remaining inside the complex are still able to leave, the ministry said.

A 'cash cow'

"We are highly skeptical that they will close this cash cow, as some recent reports have suggested," Stephan Haggard, professor at the School of International Relations and Pacific Studies at the University

of California, San Diego, wrote in an article published Monday.

"But if they did, the costs would be higher for the North than for the South," Haggard wrote in the article for the Peterson Institute for International Economics, a Washington-based research organization.

Seoul said it "deeply regrets" the North's decision to stop South Koreans from entering Kaesong.

"North Korea's action creates a barrier to the stable operation" of the complex, the South Korean Unification Ministry said in a statement, urging its neighbor to "immediately normalize" the entry and exit process.

And South Korean Defense Minister Kim Kwan-jin said military action could be taken if the safety of the South Koreans in the zone were to come under threat.

"If there is a serious situation, we are fully ready, including military measures," he said at a meeting of lawmakers, the semiofficial South Korean news agency Yonhap reported.

The North has blocked the crossing into Kaesong before. In March 2009, also during joint U.S.-South Korean military drills that it said were a threat, Pyongyang shut the border, temporarily trapping hundreds of South Korean workers in the industrial complex.

It allowed many of the stranded workers to return to South Korea the next day, and fully reopened the border about a week later without explaining its reversal. It was unclear whether the latest drama over Kaesong would play out in similar fashion.

At the start of the day, when the North informed the South that it would prevent new entries to the complex, there were 861 South Korean workers in there, according to the Unification Ministry. The North said it would continue to let people leave the zone.

Hundreds of workers rotate in and out of Kaesong each day in a series of scheduled entries and exits. Many of them stay there for several nights.

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solely through competition can drastically increase anxiety, stress and pressure to perform. Especially when the only way to experience feelings of competency is based solely on external forms of fulfillment.

Simply stated, no single person is better than everybody else at doing every thing on earth. The fact of the matter is, humans are extremely capable of great things as separate entities, but this capability is maximized when forces are combined, becoming cooperative.

Make no mistake, I am not trying to make the point that each individual should not possess resiliency, discipline and tenacity in their daily life. Nor do I believe competition will result in the ceasing of personal growth or individual satisfaction. Rather, it is my belief the main form of competition one experiences should take place within the self.

An individual should exert the maximum amount of effort as possible in hopes of performing at the best of their ability, and building off those efforts. By competing against the self, you remove the unneeded feelings of stress and anxiety by focusing on achieving the best outcome you can.

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Hard

		6					
	3				5	6	2
9			5	2			8
		2	5	1	8		
			9				
	8	9	1	3			
4		5	6				1
5	1	2				7	
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Hard

5	9	2	1	3	6	7	4	8
4	6	1	9	8	7	3	5	2
8	3	7	5	2	4	1	6	9
2	7	8	4	5	1	9	3	6
3	1	9	6	7	2	5	8	4
6	5	4	8	9	3	2	1	7
1	4	3	2	6	9	8	7	5
9	8	6	7	1	5	4	2	3
7	2	5	3	4	8	6	9	1

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