

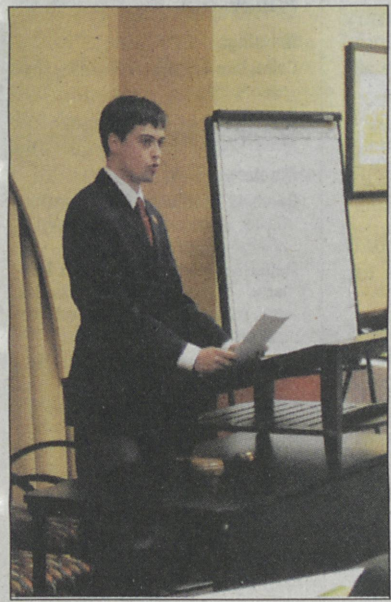
Van Drimmelen presents State of the Students address

President, vice president, speaker of the House report challenges, opportunities

By Rebecca Johnson
THE DAILY BAROMETER

ASOSU President Chris Van Drimmelen gave the second annual State of the Students address last night in the Memorial Union.

The evening began with words from House Speaker Paul Aljets, a graduate student in public policy. He opened with one change already achieved



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ASOSU President Chris Van Drimmelen delivers the State of the Students address Wednesday evening in the M.U..

this year — that all registered student organizations are able to send delegates to ASOSU Congress.

He said that these delegates are allowed to sponsor legislation and speak before the House and the Senate. The only thing they are not allowed to do is vote.

He hopes that this will create an atmosphere where a larger and more diverse collection of students' opinions is heard.

"I'll be the first to say that delegates may listen to their neighbors and their classmates, but they do not comprise the entire student collective," Aljets said.

He spoke that the current economic situation leaves many students in a more precarious situation.

"For us graduate students, many of our friends graduated a year or two ago and they have yet to find jobs," Aljets said. "The cost of education is creeping up, and the quality slips into decline."

After Aljets spoke, he introduced ASOSU Vice President Kevin Schock.

Schock stressed the importance of creating a university that caters to the entire population of students, even the underrepresented ones.

"The state of the students is one of diversity. The thread that connects all of us is the university's recognition of us as students," Shaw said. "I have a vision where systemic oppression based on race, gender or socio-economic status is mitigated and eliminated."

Van Drimmelen then took the floor to give the official State of the

Students address.

"I can attempt to give an idea of what we face in the year to come," Van Drimmelen said. "Cuts in state funding and increases in tuition mean students are going to pay more for less."

He commented heavily on President Ed Ray's State of the University address given last week in which he laid out large plans for the university, particularly to reorganize departments within the university and his goals of doubling student enrollment.

"[President Ray] has indicated there will be significant reorganizations in an attempt to do more with less," Van Drimmelen said. "At the same time the university attempts to bolster signature areas, smaller and more specialized programs will be phased out."

He also spoke on Ray's vision of OSU being well on its way to becoming a top 10 land grant institution by 2025.

"Being the best may sound like a rallying cry that everyone can buy into ... but it comes with its own set of challenges."

Van Drimmelen repeatedly spoke that in order to make changes and keep the integrity of the university intact would not only mean students coming forward and voicing their opinions, but also not taking "no" for an answer. He stated time and time again that change would not come "unless you persist."

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ASOSU President Van Drimmelen poses with an ASOSU gavel during the State of the Students address.

Nanostructure film technology mimics moth eye structure

Film can be deposited on various surfaces to reduce glare

By Ryan Gunderson
THE DAILY BAROMETER

An idea for new technology that was first conceived over two years ago was finally realized at OSU in September and eyeglass owners around the country will be affected by it.

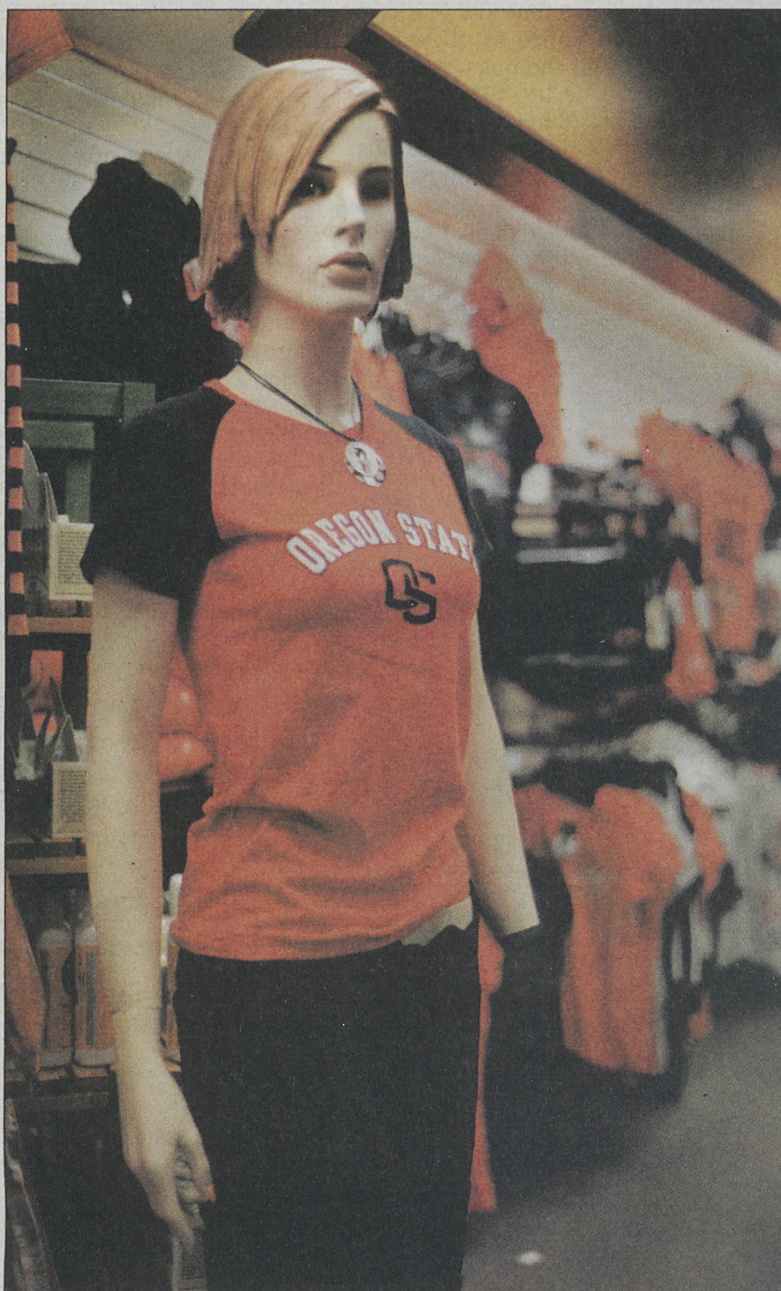
According to Chih-hung Chang, an associate professor in chemical, biological and environmental engineering, a group that was headed by chemical and mechanical engineering departments and the College of Business professors was inspired to develop technology that mimicked the tapered nanostructure eyes of a moth. Once the project was considered, the professors put together a proposal and were approved by National Science Foundation to get underway with their research.

Chemical engineers developed a new nanostructure film technology that can be deposited on various surfaces including glass, plastic, silicon and aluminum in order to reduce reflection. For eyeglasses, this means that there is less glare and more light getting through to the eyes, making it easier to see.

"That would be so nice," said Matt Gonzalez, a senior in new media communications who has worn glasses for almost ten years. "My glasses have had problems in

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OSU Bookstore seeing alarming increase in thefts



JEFFREY BASINGER | THE DAILY BAROMETER

A mannequin with a missing hand found at the OSU Bookstore. The bookstore is taking action against recent thefts.

Offenders face county and university penalties, affects future job seeking

By Carly Dougher
THE DAILY BAROMETER

With the onset of the new school year, the OSU Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards encourages students to be mindful of their actions and aims to discourage students from stealing from the OSU Bookstore.

Being that it is only the third week of the term, the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards is alarmed by the degree of theft from the bookstore already this academic year. Stealing from the bookstore is a serious crime and offenders face consequences from both the county and the university.

Shannon Quihuiz, graduate assistant in the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards, emphasizes the importance of being aware of surroundings and actions students make.

"I think what has come into play a lot is the 'it's an accident,' or 'it wasn't intentional.' [Students] have to realize that a theft is a theft, so even if you do not purposely take it, you forget that you have thrown it over your shoulder and forget about it, it is still a theft. So just be conscious, be mindful, be present to what you are doing and where you are, and you will stay out of our way," Quihuiz said.

Graduate assistant at the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards, Heather Pearson, wants to remind students that, as OSU students, they are held to an additional set of guidelines under the Oregon Administrative Rules.

"The way that the Oregon State Bookstore is set up is meant to con-

tribute back to our community. So in a way, it is kind of hurting ourselves by hurting the bookstore — it is hurting the Beaver community," Pearson said.

The actions and decisions that students make now can have profound effects on their futures. According to the OUS Oregon State University Oregon Administrative Rules, theft from the bookstore is defined as an Individual Violation and will thus create a disciplinary record. Beyond the fines and possible jail time associated with thefts, a disciplinary record will be created through OSU.

"In some cases, say you were to apply for a federal job, or say you were to apply to law school, they need to know if you have any disciplinary records, and that is where [a student conduct violation] comes into play," Pearson said.

Offenders must pay a civil fine to the bookstore in addition to the price of the stolen item and then face additional consequences, charges and fees from the Oregon State Police and OSU. The police respond to every offense.

According to Oregon State Law, the degree of the charge is dependent on the value of the stolen item. Charges range from misdemeanors to felonies. The majority of the thefts from the bookstore have been classified as B or C misdemeanors.

On the university level, the offending student will be required to attend either an informal hearing where the offender will discuss it with a judicial officer or a formal hearing where the offender must appear in front of the student conduct committee.

In the case of an informal hearing, the judicial officer will discuss

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House lets states get rid of Iran-linked funds

By Jim Abrams
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The House on Wednesday sent a message to Iran that pursuit of nuclear capability will not go unpunished, approving legislation that allows state and local governments to curtail investments in international corporations doing business in Iran's energy sector.

The legislation also protects from shareholder lawsuits those investment managers who divest funds from companies that are involved in Iran's energy sector or have provided equipment for the transport of oil or liquefied natural gas from Iran.

The bill passed the House 414-6 and now goes to the Senate.

The bill does not impose new sanctions, said its author, Financial Services Committee Chairman Barney Frank, D-Mass.

"What it does is to make it very clear that Americans who are deeply concerned about the prospect of Iranian nuclear power, and other aspects of Iranian governance, that they are able to act on those (concerns)," he said.

"Several international firms continue to subsidize Iran's nuclear ambitions by investing billions of dollars in the regime's energy sector," said Rep. Mark Kirk, R-Ill., a co-sponsor. "This legislation gives a strong 'go signal' to state and local leaders around America to get out of Iran."

Lawmakers in both the House and Senate have clamored for the imposition of tougher sanctions on Iran since it was revealed that the Tehran government was operating a previously undisclosed uranium enrichment facility near the holy city of Qom.

"Iranian officials have pledged to the United States and five other world powers that the plant would be opened to U.N. inspectors and that Iran would ship low enriched uranium out of the country to show it is not seeking to develop nuclear weapons.

But lawmakers question whether Iran can be trusted, and the Obama administration says it is hoping to craft an international consensus on new multilateral sanctions if Iran acts in bad faith.

TOP STORY

85,000 Iraqis killed in almost 5 years of war

By Rebecca Santana
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD — Iraq's government said at least 85,000 Iraqis were killed from 2004 to 2008, officially answering one of the biggest questions of the conflict — how many perished in the sectarian violence that nearly led to a civil war.

What remains unanswered by the government is how many died in the 2003 U.S. invasion and in the months of chaos that followed it.

A report by the Human Rights Ministry said 85,694 people were killed from the beginning of 2004 to Oct. 31, 2008 and 147,195 were wounded. The figures included Iraqi civilians, military and police but did not cover U.S.

military deaths, insurgents, or foreigners, including contractors. And it did not include the first months of the war after the 2003 U.S.-led invasion.

The Associated Press reported similar figures in April based on government statistics obtained by the AP showing that the government had recorded 87,215 Iraqi deaths from 2005 to February 2009. The toll included violence ranging from catastrophic bombings to execution-style slayings.

Until the AP report, the government's toll of Iraqi deaths had been one of the war's most closely guarded secrets. Both supporters and opponents of the conflict have accused the other of manipulating the toll

to sway public opinion.

The 85,694 represents about 0.3 percent of Iraq's estimated 29 million population. In a sign of how significant the numbers are, that would be akin to the United States losing about 900,000 people over a similar period.

Violence in Iraq has declined dramatically since the height of the fighting but almost every Iraqi family has a story of relatives killed, maimed or missing. Ali Khalil, 27, of Baghdad's Sadr City neighborhood, said he was not surprised by the government's figures.

"I expect that the real numbers of the people killed are higher than this," said Khalil, whose father was shot in late 2006. He added that he did

not think the country would return to the high numbers of dead in the future because security has improved. "We have already lost dear ones, and we hope that our sadness and losses will cease."

Iraq's death toll continued to climb on Wednesday when three near simultaneous blasts struck the southern Shiite holy city of Karbala, killing at least six people.

According to the ministry's report, the dead included 1,279 children and 2,334 women. At least 263 university professors, 21 judges, 95 lawyers and 269 journalists were killed — professions which were specifically targeted as the country descended into chaos.

NEWS IN BRIEF



Iraqi prime minister suspends university for politics

BAGHDAD — Iraq's prime minister suspended classes and banned political activities at one of Baghdad's leading universities following student protests on campus, a government spokesman said Wednesday.

Iraq also banned the student union at Mustansiriyah University, raising questions over Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's commitment to free speech.

The government maintains the school was falling under the sway of religious Shiite groups.

Studies at the university were suspended for one week, spokesman Ali al-Dabbagh said in a statement posted on a government Web site.

Al-Dabbagh said the action was taken because of problems caused by "undisciplined individuals." The statement did not provide any further details.

The university has been at the center of a power struggle between al-Maliki and religious Shiite parties, which has had administrative control of the university since the 2003 U.S.-led invasion.

Earlier this week, a small number of students demanded a role in governing the university, a protest that led al-Maliki to temporarily close the campus.

Iraq's Higher Education Ministry defended the action, saying it was necessary "to preserve the independence of the university."

"The aim is ... to put an end to any kind of harmful interference at the university. It should be kept free from sectarian or political influence," said Siham al-Shujeiri, a spokeswoman for the ministry.

The university has been the scene of a number of violent attacks, including a January 2007 double car bombing that

killed 70 students who were lining up for bus rides home.



Utah band wins competition after crash

PROVO, Utah — Many in tears, members of the high school marching band that lost a teacher in a bus crash honored her by playing on and playing well, sweeping the awards at a regional competition.

Just days after the fatal crash, the American Fork High School band won top honors Tuesday in their school's division at the Rocky Mountain Marching Band Tournament.

The emotional, memorable performance was dedicated to woodwinds instructor Heather Christensen.

"Our hearts are full as we remember our friend and inspired colleague, who touched so many lives with her joy of life," said a statement from the band that was read during the competition at Brigham Young University. "Heather, we know you will keep the angels in heaven in time and in tune."

Christensen grabbed for the wheel when she noticed the bus driver had passed out on the trip home from a competition in Idaho on Saturday. The 33-year-old died when the bus crashed, but all of the students survived. A viewing for Christensen is scheduled for Friday night and her funeral is Saturday at the Alpine tabernacle.

Many band members cried during the performance and as they marched off the field to a standing ovation and embraced in tearful hugs.

The program is called "The Greatest Generation" and intended to honor American veterans. The set was a series of patriotic songs and featured giant posters of memorable scenes from

World War II. One of the large panels featured a photo of Christensen under the phrase:

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

Many believe Christensen's actions kept the crash from being any worse.

The band, one of Utah's best-known, has won 19 straight state titles and marched in national events including President George W. Bush's 2005 inauguration and the 2007 Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade in New York.

Students met with band leaders at the school Sunday night and decided to play in the already-scheduled regional competition Tuesday.



Ore. AG warns about scam by phony Census workers

SALEM, Ore. — Oregon Attorney General John Kroger is warning about a scam by phony U.S. Census workers seeking personal or financial information.

Kroger says U.S. Census workers will not ask for a Social Security number, banking information or credit card number.

And real Census workers will not contact you by e-mail or ask about past debt, solicit money or ask about finances.

Kroger said Census workers carry identification and will only ask questions about age, gender, race, marital status, type of employment and related information.

The U.S. Census is conducted every 10 years to count the population, define legislative districts and determine how to allocate about \$300 billion to local, state and tribal governments each year.

— The Associated Press

CALENDAR

Thursday, Oct. 15

Meetings
Collegiate 4-H, 6pm, 1003 Kelley Engineering Bldg.
ASOSU Accessibility Affairs Task Force, 4-5pm, Women's Center. Interested in getting involved? Come join in making sure OSU is accessible to everyone!
OSU Juggling Club, 6-8pm, McAlexander Fieldhouse. Come learn to juggle, practice or learn new tricks. All skill levels welcome.

Speakers
History Department, 4pm, MU Journey Room. Lecture, "Why Translation Matters," by Prof. David Luft, Oregon State University, first lecture in the "Translation: Crossing Borders, Crossing Cultures" series.

Events
Lutheran Campus Ministry, 5:45-7:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd Street. Quest: Simple supper, spiritual discussion.
SEAC & Memorial Union, 2:30, 5:30, 8:30pm, MU Commons. MUVIES — Rent.
Pride Center, 11am-2pm, MU Quad. Hot CoCo Chanel Social. Free hot cocoa!
Gamma Alpha Omega Sorority, Inc., 11am-3pm, MU Quad. National Latino AIDS Awareness Day. Educate the public and promote sex and AIDS prevention.

Friday, Oct. 16

Meetings
Collegiate 4-H, 6pm, 1003 Kelley Engineering Bldg.

Monday, Oct. 19

Meetings
Rainbow Continuum, 7pm, Women's Center. An hour of fierce socializing and board games.
Unitarian Universalist Campus Ministry, 7-9pm, Westminister House. Join us in our search for meaning and great conversation.
Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, 5:30pm, Women's Center. FMLA meets to promote awareness and activism in women's issues and causes.
OSU Juggling Club, 5:15-7pm, McAlexander Fieldhouse. Come learn to juggle, practice or learn new tricks. All skill levels welcome.
Student Alumni Association, 8pm, MU 110. Meet other SAA members, learn about Homecoming and get involved!

Events
OSU Chabad, 8am & 7pm (Tues. 8pm), 312 Kearney Hall. OSU Chabad daily; morning and evening minyan (prayers).

Tuesday, Oct. 20

Meetings
ASOSU, 7pm, MU 109A. Meeting of the 69th ASOSU Senate.

Events
Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30am-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd Street. "Come & Go" Lunch. Cheap eats, rich conversation.
SEAC & Memorial Union, 2:30, 5:30, 8:30pm, MU Commons. MUVIES — Benny & Joon.
Pride Center, 11am-2pm, MU Quad. Pride Center information booth.
Baha'i Campus Association, 6:30pm, location TBA. The Baha'i Faith — A Musical Journey. Join us for an artistic presentation and learn more about how we are striving to build unity in the world.

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The required club and organization orientation for '09-'10 is here! Get your organization off to a great start by joining us this Saturday in the MU Ballroom!

Lunch will be provided and do not worry, the football team has a bye week!

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Where: Memorial Union Ballroom
Who: Leaders of Student Clubs & Organizations — president, treasurer & event planner recommended
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Questions, comments, accessibility needs?
Contact us at clubsandorgs@oregonstate.edu or come visit us in the Student Events & Activities Center (MU 103)

Calif. storm brings power outages, fear of slides

By Raquel Maria Dillon and Solvej Schou
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — A big Pacific storm swept into California on Tuesday with damaging winds and downpours that put a community near Santa Cruz under an evacuation advisory because of potential mudslides, while homeowners near the wildfires that burned parts of Southern California braced for a dangerous overnight drenching.

Homeowners filled sandbags and crews erected concrete barriers to channel potential flows from denuded slopes. Some residents placed boulders in key areas around their homes, hoping to blunt the destructive power of flash floods.

The main fear was that the rains would cause mud and debris to rush down hillsides made bare from the summer fire, state fire spokeswoman Colleen Baxter said.

"We know the fires go through and do a lot of damage," Los Angeles County fire Inspector Frederic Stowers said. "Within L.A. County, much of the slopes burned are going to be critical."

Authorities urged evacuation of about 60 homes in the Santa Cruz Mountains town

of Davenport, 50 miles south of San Francisco, where an August wildfire stripped vegetation from about 12 square miles of land.

More than 6 inches of rain fell in the Santa Cruz range, the National Weather Service said.

The storm slammed into a drought-stricken state that has become a checkerboard of wildfire scars small, big and gigantic. Flash flood watches were posted for burn areas dating back to early 2008.

Heavy rain, however, took its time to reach Southern California, where there was major concern in the Los Angeles foothill suburbs on the perimeter of the notorious Station Fire, which blackened 250 square miles of the Angeles National Forest in August and September, destroying dozens of homes and causing two deaths.

The fire stripped steep slopes of the San Gabriel Mountains that rise out of the back yards of homes.

The U.S. Geological Survey recently warned that even small storms could unleash massive flows of debris-laden water into communities.

Dorothy Kruegermann, 44, of La Crescenta, said she had looked at all the dirt and rocks

that might be swept down from the mountains and was considering options.

"We might go to in-laws tonight," she said.

At a park in La Crescenta, volunteers filled and distributed sandbags.

"There were 50 people here yesterday all over that bin of sand like ants on candy," said volunteer Steve Pierce, 66. "It's a lot to deal with so soon after the fire, but we had a (community) meeting last week and that really motivated people."

La Crescenta High School teacher Jim Smiley and his two sons filled their minivan with sandbags. He said a neighbor who had been through fire and floods in 1975 advised that mud would come down their street, go down their driveway and in through the front door.

"Based on what happened 25 years ago, we're going to have 100 sandbags," Smiley said.

It was the same scene northwest of Los Angeles in Santa Barbara, where a May wildfire destroyed many homes.

"It is obvious to me there are going to be some slides," said resident Richard Payatt, 46. "It's part of living in Santa Barbara with these beautiful hills. Occasionally you get fires, and then you get slides."

what's going on," Miller said. "They all have a voice they just don't know how to use it."

He encouraged students to come forward with their opinions and for those in a position to do so, such as faculty and ASOSU members, to encourage students to have their voice heard.

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After the three speakers were finished, the floor was opened to comments. Only one student came forward — Michael Miller, a senior in history and education.

"The majority of students I know don't know

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the past, and besides, who wouldn't want something that's better and will cost less money anyway? It sounds wonderful."

Researchers at OSU are currently working to apply this film to polycarbonate surfaces, which is commonly used to make eyeglasses. Commercial products could be ready for sale a year from now. OSU is working with unnamed technological companies to determine where to go from here with the new technology. It's possible that in the future, every pair of eye glasses in the country will have this technology.

"We hope that is the case, and it's a very real possibility," Chang said. "OSU has already applied for a patent on the new technology and we are looking at commercialization opportunities and

seeing what we should do from here."

The key to the process is use of a chemical bath, controlled by a micro-reactor, to place thin-film deposits on various surfaces. In this case, the technology will be used to create a type of nanostructure that resembles millions of tiny pyramids in a small space, which function to reduce the reflection of any light that strikes the material.

The real achievement may go far beyond improving the quality of sight for eyeglass-wearing patrons. Ultimately, the nanostructure films should be able to produce more efficient solar panels.

"We should be able to improve the efficiency (of solar panels) by one or two percent," Chang said. Although the numbers seem low, Chang says that they are very significant and that could hopefully lead to future breakthroughs that will help

lower the cost and raise the efficiency of solar panels.

"More of the sun's light will be able to reach the surface of the solar panels, and the light will not bounce back into space," said Seungyeol Han, a graduate student in chemical engineering. Han was largely responsible for taking Chang's original vision and developing it into a reality.

"There's really a whole range of things this technology may ultimately be useful for," Chang said. "It should be able to make almost any type of solar energy system work more efficiently, and ultimately could be used in cameras and other types of lenses. We like to dream."

Chang and Han are hoping that these technological breakthroughs will lead to further research and develop projects being funded at OSU.

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Salazar offers timber from Western Oregon forests

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GRANTS PASS, Ore. — Interior Secretary Ken Salazar on Wednesday announced a crop of timber sales for federal lands in Western Oregon intended to keep Oregon mills open while the Obama administration works on a new long-term forest management strategy.

Speaking on a teleconference Wednesday, Salazar said 46 of the 62 U.S. Bureau of Land Management sales being offered for fiscal 2010 have already passed endangered species consultations and the rest were in the process, assuring they will not be tied up in years of litigation.

Salazar also announced a new climate of cooperation between BLM and the agencies reviewing timber sales for endangered species protection, and the creation of a task force to work on a long-term timber strategy. BLM Director Bob Abbey and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Director Sam Hamilton will be visiting Oregon to work on it.

Last July, Salazar scrapped Bush administration plans to ease protections for the northern spotted owl and double logging on BLM lands in Oregon, saying it could not stand up to challenges under the Endangered Species Act.

BLM had pushed through the Western Oregon Plan Revision, known as WOPR, without consulting over endangered species impacts. It covered 2.5 million acres of BLM forest land and was intended to also restore federal payments to timber

counties that have lagged as logging was restricted to protect fish and wildlife. Timber harvests there have been running about 200 million board feet a year.

The 62 sales announced by Salazar, amounting to 230 million board feet, were all in the pipeline when WOPR was withdrawn. They had been developed under the rules of the 1994 Northwest Forest Plan to provide timber while WOPR was going into effect, said BLM Oregon spokeswoman Jody Weil.

About 85 percent of them are thinning projects, and most will come from the Eugene District and other northern regions, added BLM Oregon spokesman Michael Campbell.

Josh Laughlin, conservation director of CascadiaWildlands, said in an e-mail that conservation groups could generally support the thinning projects, but the remaining clearcuts of older forests amount to a "poison pill" that will be met with strong opposition.

"If the Obama administration wants to avoid conflict and controversy, they should rein in BLM clearcutting and instead of expanding timber targets they should focus on what is economically rational and scientifically defensible," Oregon Wild conservation director Steve Pedery said in a statement.

Tom Partin, president of the timber industry group American Forest Resource Council, said thinning sales would soon run out, and he looked forward to working

with the Obama administration to develop a timber strategy that dealt with problems such as the threat of wildfire and a dependable supply of marketable logs.

"Many of these thinning sales are very small trees with low value," Partin said. "It is not really putting sales in the marketplace if these sales have no bid."

Oregon Democrats U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden and U.S. Rep. Peter DeFazio praised the sales, saying they offered real timber, not false promises.

"What is being discussed today is less than what was promised under WOPR but is a lot more than would have been received under these gridlocked policies that we would have had under years of litigation," Wyden said.

DeFazio said the volume was enough to keep mills operating while the nation climbs out of recession, which has killed the demand for lumber. He said he was offering legislation to give BLM the same flexibility the U.S. Forest Service has to allow timber buyers to get out from under high-priced sales when demand falls off, as it has now.

"While the projects announced today maintain the status quo in terms of the quantity of timber produced, they will provide badly needed jobs in the woods, in the mills and other forest-related employment" Gov. Ted Kulongoski said in a statement. "Moreover, these projects, because they are largely thinning projects, will make an important contribution to forest health."

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the offense with the offender and will work to establish a concept of restorative justice. Here the student will work with the officer to acknowledge the event and then explore the necessary steps to move forward. The role of the officer is to make sure that restitution is paid and that the student undergoes adequate reflection to ensure that the offense is not repeated.

"The officer makes this an educational experience for the student," Pearson said.

In addition to the university hearing, offenders are also subpoenaed to county court where they will face an open court system, meaning that the court hearing is open to the public. At this hearing, the offender has the option to

plead guilty or not guilty. Additional fines may then be assigned at this level and are issued based on the judge's rulings.

Oregon State Police Lt. Jeff Lanz strongly encourages students to resist any and all temptations.

"Usually students that steal items from the bookstore have the funds to purchase the item. Don't allow 30 seconds of a poor judgment call affect your ability to remain a student in good standing or give yourself a criminal record; it's never worth it," Lanz said.

To learn more about OSU's Student Conduct Regulations, go to the Student Conduct & Community Standards website at www.oregonstate.edu/studentconduct/ and click on Oregon Administrative Rules on the left.

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Editorial

A time of giving

With Halloween just weeks away, the holiday season is just around the corner. This also means it's the time of giving.

We at the Barometer figure hey, we're college students with no money, the economy sucks and we're nice, young people. So keeping in the spirit of giving, everyone should save a little money and give back in some way.

For example, this week the Corvallis Gazette-Times did a story of charity starring senior quarterback Lyle Moevao, junior cornerback James Dockery and senior tight end Howard Croom. The trio of football players visited a local hospice where Ramon Nordyke is staying. Nordyke has been a die-hard Beavers fan since the late 1940s and has held season football tickets from 1953-2008.

Unfortunately, Nordyke has had a slough of health problems including lung cancer, which is the reason he no longer attends the football games.

Which brings us to the point of this anecdote — Moevao, Dockery and Croom paid a visit to Nordyke as a surprise. They spent the afternoon together talking about football and sharing stories. In the end, it was the heart that mattered most. Before the three guys left, Moevao took off his brand new orange Oregon State sweatshirt, had the other two sign it and handed it to Nordyke as a gift.

Moevao did not have to give the man his brand new sweatshirt and the three football players did not have to take time out of their Monday afternoon to spend time with a complete stranger. But they did and in turn, they set an example for everyone.

We can all learn from what Moevao, Dockery and Croom did on Monday. As college students, we tend to go about our day attending classes, eating Panda Express in the MU and working out at Dixon in between. The trees are turning and the rain is setting in, but all that aside, most people really don't understand how nice a good deed can make you feel.

Help an elderly person across the street, volunteer at a food shelter, or donate presents at Starbucks around Christmas.

Although these things are small favors, in the big picture of life, you are helping people in need and are setting an example for everyone around you. The world is a selfish place and we can only do our best to make it better.

In the wise words of Ghandi, "Be the change you wish to see in the world."

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Kim Pendergrass The Daily Barometer

Three days of Manolo

I had heard stories but I tried not to take them to heart. He is CRAZY, they told me. Do not sit in the front row under any circumstances, I was warned. At first, I thought they were overreacting.

All this guy is going to do is teach a group of OSU students Spanish conversation skills every day, how bad can it be? (You know, except that whole part where I actually have to converse in another language.)

Little did I know that Manuel Pérez could not be summed up in a few warnings or worried glances. The first three days of Manolo were three days that I will be sure to remember for awhile.

Manuel Pérez goes by Manolo and has been teaching grammar and conversation skills to exchange students at Cantabria University for many years. His name is infamous. He jabbars away in Spanish at the speed of light, throws himself around the classroom like a ragdoll screaming at the top of his lungs and thrusts his index finger at his next victim. On the first day of class, before we had even sat down, he started yelling about "la silla eléctrica" which translates to the electric chair.

He then asked for a volunteer. I quickly became very interested in my notebook as some other overly excited girl hurried to the front. Boy was that a mistake. Manolo quickly grabbed a chair from the front row (which I would like to point out was occupied at the time) and threw it up on top of his desk. He then made the girl climb up, sit in the chair facing the rest of the class and talk about South Korea for three minutes. Ha! That is what suck ups get in this class. Manolo then informed us that this silla eléctrica would be a daily thing, just great.

From there he went on to make a guy bark, yell, scream and jump around, all at the same time. Under the pretense of practicing commands. Eventually he got bored with the poor boy and turned back to the rest of the class who was rolling with laughter and demanded that we ask him questions. Most people asked lame things about his favorite food or TV shows. The guy next to me asked him about his favorite color and Manolo stopped dead from across the room, stared intently back at the boy and said in a very suave and serious voice while batting his eyelashes, "The color of your eyes." I was laughing so hard at this point that I almost fell out of my chair.

Manolo's charades were not done yet, as now it was his turn to ask us questions. After quizzing everybody about their significant oth-

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State of the students address

Fellow Students, It is my privilege to address you, and it is a rare opportunity indeed when you all take time out of your busy schedules to come together as a student government and concerned students alike. The address I am to give is entitled the "State of the Students," so named after the auspicious "State of the Union," and for tradition's sake.

I am asked to give an update, a snapshot and a diagnosis of the students of OSU at this place and time. I'll be honest, I could no sooner count every star in the heavens than report a condition that would sum up every student experience on this campus, but I can attempt to give an idea of what we face in the year to come.

The academic year has just begun, and already it is clear that 2009-2010 will be a year of significant change and controversy, but it can also be a year of significant

Chris Van Drimmelen
ASOSU

opportunity and innovation. Cuts in state funding and increases in tuition are going to result in students paying more for less.

Dr. Ray, the president of the university, has indicated that there will be significant reorganizations to attempt to do more with less, but at the same time that the university attempts to bolster what it calls "signature areas," smaller and more specialized programs will be phased out.

We're also being told that we must become a top ten land grant university by 2025. Being one of the best may sound like a rallying cry everyone can buy into, with some of the most laudable goals being to raise graduation and retention rates, but it comes with its own set of challenges.

In order to be top ten, we're being told we need to increase the size of the university by ten thousand students. We're already experiencing record enrollment this year. More faculties will be needed to teach more students, and this need is cited as another goal along the way to becoming top ten. More important than gaining more faculty to become top ten is gaining more faculty to provide a higher quality of education for every student on this campus.

So what does a student do at a university that is simultaneously tightening its belt and aspiring to be bigger and better? There is no easy answer for students in our position, so we must demand more or be left behind.

We must never grow tired of advocating for students, especially not now. This is a pivotal moment for OSU as we move into the future,

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ers (or their lack of) he turned suddenly and asked a girl sitting directly in front of him how she was. She replied with, "Estoy caliente," and Manolo flew backwards, hit the wall and ran to the other side of the classroom. After we all clamed down, we filled her in that "estoy caliente" does not mean "I am hot" but rather "I am horny."

Despite the yelling, the finger thrusting and the bouts of fear that I experience in Manolo's class, I think that he may be one of the best teachers I have ever had. Our class pays attention (out of fear and for entertainment purposes), participates and actually speaks Spanish. I am not worried about speaking incorrectly because if I do, he just corrects me without making a big deal and I keep going. Hands down, crazy Manolo is one of the best.

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DRIMMELEN

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and students must make themselves part of the institutional processes that will move us forward, or they will surely move forward without us.

Over the next year and beyond, we will be presented with solutions and ideas. If you feel that they will not benefit you, or that they won't work, or that you can do better, I charge you as students to say so. No one can know that which is not said, so speak your mind. The answer will probably be "this is the plan and we're doing it anyway," unless you persist. Come back with your own alternatives.

Over the next year and beyond we will be presented with new ideas. Don't be afraid, but if you have a better idea, I charge you as students to share it. The answer will probably be no, unless you persist. Challenge the assertion that a better way cannot be found.

Over the next year and beyond, we will develop plans for student-driven programs and services that will be far-reaching and innovative. I charge you as students to act on these plans and not let them slip through the cracks. When the plans are ready to implement, the answer will probably be "you are too ambitious, let's start small," unless you persist. Make sure that the needs of students are met, even if it means we must do it ourselves.

Pivotal moments are not easy moments. It would be too easy to be

passive, and let the opportunities that will occur in the coming months pass by without action. If you don't act, someone else will and you may not like what comes of it. It would be too easy to be combative, and insist on your own way. If you don't look for common ground, all parties may come off worse for it.

The state of the students is a precarious one and will only be strengthened by a careful balance of assertion and mindful listening. The future of the students must be one in which we search for common ground within the student population and with the university administration. Do not let others create your environment for you, but do not fight for homogeneous environment in which only your interests are served.

If I were to summarize the state of the students, I could choose to paint a dark picture, but instead I see that what we hold in our hands is bright, but we must choose to make it so. Your student government is working to make sure you, the student, are heard but we cannot stand alone. It is the right and the responsibility of every student to stand up for what they believe in.

There may come a day when the courage, creativity and optimism of this student body fails, but it is not this day! Students of OSU, as one you are tough, but together, we are unstoppable and the state of the students is strong!

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Geithner may be responsible for failed AIG oversight

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner is "ultimately responsible" for regulators' failure to rein in massive bonus payments at American International Group because he led the agencies that provided AIG's lifelines, according to a bailout watchdog.

Geithner was president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York before taking over at Treasury in January. He has said he did not learn until March about the \$1.75 billion in bonuses and other compensation promised to AIG employees. But Geithner's subordinates at the New York Fed learned of the payments in November, according to Neil Barofsky, the special inspector general for the \$700 billion financial bailout.

Even if no one told Geithner about the payments, "this is a failure of communication and a failure of management," Barofsky told the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on Wednesday. Geithner has been "the head of an organization that was involved in the bailout of AIG" since last September, he added.

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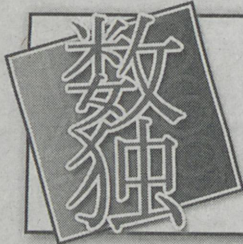
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USC's Stafon Johnson heading home

By Greg Beacham
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Just 16 days after Stafon Johnson's neck was crushed in a weightlifting accident, the Southern California tailback is heading home.

Johnson expressed thanks and optimism with his eyes and smile at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center on Wednesday during his first public appearance since the accident. He was scheduled to be released later in the day.

Wearing a black USC sweatshirt and a red cap with the Trojans' helmet logo, Johnson easily walked through the hospital and exchanged teasing gestures with friends. He also smiled at his mother, Kim Mallory, who hasn't left his side since Johnson accidentally dropped a weight bar on his neck, crushing his throat and larynx.

Tearing up along with her 21-year-old son, Mallory expressed gratitude for a worldwide outpouring of support in cards, flowers and posters — even some from UCLA fans.

"They sent everything you can possibly think to show Stafon the love, and that meant the world to get us to go along with that process," Mallory said.

Johnson's uncle, Kregg Anderson, read a message written by Johnson.

"I am just so filled with joy, as if I am graduating from one

stage of life and on to the next obstacles," Anderson read. "I greatly appreciate everything, and at this point, everything counts. ... This is not the end of anything. This is the beginning of things to come. I'll be back soon. We are fighting on."

Although he still has a breathing tube in his throat and can't swallow, Johnson clearly has made a remarkable recovery from an accident that would have killed most people. He underwent seven hours of reconstructive surgery Sept. 28 to repair his throat, but his rehabilitation has been swift because of his tremendous physical condition.

"As an athlete, Stafon already has the mental ability to push through many obstacles," said Dr. Jason Hamilton, a throat specialist who's part of Johnson's medical team. "I think he's done that thus far. He's made extreme progress to this date, and we expect him to continue to make progress."

Doctors don't know when Johnson will be able to speak. His right vocal cord was torn away from its mooring and his larynx was separated. He also still has a tracheostomy tube in his throat which will be there "as long as he needs it," Dr. Ryan Osborne said.

Osborne and Hamilton believe Johnson's ability to

play football again largely will depend on his own desire to return, either to the Trojans or the NFL.

"I think that the majority of that is in the hands of Stafon," Osborne said. "I don't think any physician can tell a player if they're going to play again."

USC coach Pete Carroll said Tuesday it's possible Johnson could qualify for a medical redshirt that would give him a sixth year of eligibility. Essentially the Trojans' entire team and coaching staff have visited Johnson in the hospital since the injury occurred.

With a lengthy rehabilitation still in front of him, Johnson is content to be a Trojans fan for now. He watched USC's victory at California on Oct. 3 on television with his mother.

"It was overwhelming for him," Mallory said. "He was pushing in bed like he was out there trying to get that touchdown in. The whole game, it was like he was in there. He got kind of emotional toward the end."

While his doctors spoke, Johnson wrote another message with red marker on a sheet of paper, plugging his Twitter account and leaving his teammates with a message for their weekend trip to Notre Dame.

"Fight on. Beat the Irish," Mallory read.

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road that threesome of Brandon Roy, LaMarcus Aldridge and Greg Oden are going to get broken up. It happens.

Trades could happen if (or when) Roy or Oden are — once again — battling an injury. Roy is locked up for four to five more years. Oden for two to three and Aldridge's future is up in the air. And then what happens when a big market like New York, Boston or (gasp) Los Angeles comes calling?

Sure, there are some players that would look unnatural in any other uniform. Derek Jeter not wearing pinstripes? Impossible. Peyton Manning not having that blue U on his helmet? No way. Tim Duncan not running up and down the court in the Alamo — I'll believe it when I see it.

But if there has been anything learned over the years, it's that nobody is safe.

Shaquille O'Neal, arguably the most dominant center in the history of the basketball, is now playing for his fifth team. Roger Clemens, a steroid user but one of the best pitchers of all time nonetheless, took the mound for four teams over

his career. Not even halfway through his career, New York Yankee slugger Mark Teixeira is already on team number four.

The disloyalty runs both ways, however. When a star is aging fast, few teams take the liberty of re-signing him because of all the service he has provided over the years.

After recording more saves than any pitcher of all time, the San Diego Padres told closer Trevor Hoffman thanks, but no thanks when his contract was up. Even though he got the Eagles to five NFC Championship games and one Super Bowl, fans were ready to put quarterback Donovan McNabb on the first train out of Philadelphia after struggling the past two years.

So team loyalty has gone the way of VHS tapes. There will be some players that start and finish with the same team, but those are few and far between. Superstars in every sport will continue to bounce around the league looking for greener (like the almighty dollar) pastures.

The people that hate it most must be the ones that decide what logo the player will wear into the Hall of Fame.

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Moevao seeks medical redshirt

By Anne M. Peterson
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CORVALLIS, Ore. — Oregon State has explored the possibility of asking the NCAA to grant quarterback Lyle Moevao another year of eligibility because of a medical hardship.

Moevao has played just briefly this season after having rotator cuff surgery in the offseason.

Coach Mike Riley told reporters on a conference call that such a request, if made, would be a longshot at best. Oregon State tried the same thing with former tight end Joe Newton to no avail.

Moevao is a fifth-year senior who has already used a redshirt year. The medical hardship would mean a sixth year of eligibility.

"If you've already used a redshirt year, they figured you've had five years to get your shot," Riley said.

Moevao remains the Beavers' backup quarterback to Sean Canfield. Redshirt freshman Adam Katz is third.

Canfield was expected to back up Moevao

this season, much like last year when the Beavers went 9-4. Moevao threw 19 touchdown passes and 13 interceptions in 11 starts last season, while Canfield started twice and finished with six touchdowns and two picks.

But Moevao, the Pac-10's leading returning passer, did not progress as quickly as possible — so Canfield got the nod in fall camp.

Riley said that while Moevao has been cleared to play by trainers, he's just not 100 percent.

"He says it feels like there's a string on the end of the ball and someone's pulling it back," Riley said.

HATFIELD INJURED: Micah Hatfield broke his left leg in practice Tuesday when he tripped while running and fell into a group of players.

Hatfield, who is redshirting this season, was taken from the indoor practice field by ambulance.

In other injury news, wide receiver Darrell Catchings won't likely return until mid-November from his high ankle sprain. He still has a chance at a medical redshirt.

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OSU will be the lone representative of the Pac-10 conference. Action will commence on Friday morning at the Ridges Country Club, a first-class venue designed in 1997 by two-time Architect of the Year, Arthur Hills.

"The course has a lot of rolling hills, angulation and elevated greens," Watts said. "We are looking forward to playing this golf course because we have never played in this tournament before. It is a great field and will be a great test for our guys."

The Beavers are eager to hit the greens as soon as possible, as their hopes of playing in Tuesday's final round at the MacKenzie Invitational were cut short by rare California wind and rain. After a 36-hole opening day, the Beavers sat in

fourth place at 12-under-par, only six shots out of second place and eagerly awaiting the final 18. The tournament was called after two rounds and opening day scores became final scores.

"We were definitely hoping to have the opportunity to play that final round, but unfortunately the weather was about as bad as it gets for golf," Watts said. "Several inches of rain and extremely high wind made the golf course unplayable."

Senior and co-captain Diego Velasquez led the way again for the Beavers, as his powerful rounds of 67 and 68 placed him in a tie for third place at 7-under-par, only four strokes behind first place. When the smoke cleared, Velasquez had spread seven birdies and one eagle across his solid one-day effort, only bogeying twice in 36 holes.

Sophomore Jonnie

Motomochi was not far behind, as his impressive 71, 67 placed him in a tie for 13th, only three strokes behind teammate Velasquez. Senior Mike Barry also made some noise with his opening day 69, 71 (140), and finished 2-under-par.

"Mike [Barry] had a good first tournament and just had another solid tournament; he is very mature on the golf course and doesn't get rattled," Watts said. "It looks like his maturity is paying off. It was also encouraging for all of us to see Jonnie [Motomochi] put two good rounds together."

The same exact players will make up this weekend's lineup for OSU. Both Watts and his players alike are anxious to get back to action after being denied the opportunity to make a final-round run at the MacKenzie Invitational.

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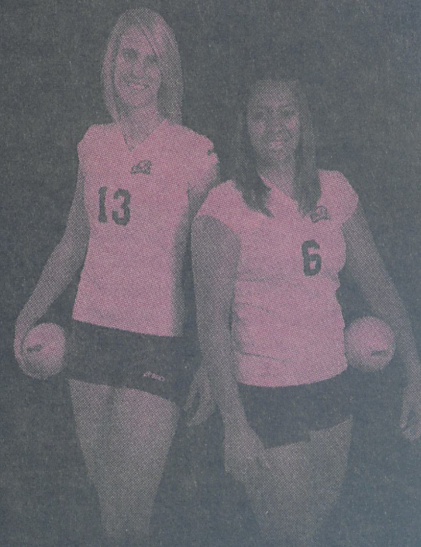
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Cross country splits up for races



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Redshirt freshman Liz Gruber of Redding, Calif., competes in a race last fall. This weekend's 5k race will be run entirely on grass.

OSU cross country team prepares to separate for Mike Hodges Invitational, Pre-Nationals

By Eric Tyler
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The Oregon State cross country team splits up this weekend to race in two separate competitions. On Friday, Oct. 16, a portion of the team will be competing in the Mike Hodges Invitational, in Oregon City, Ore. Competition really starts to heat up the next day as the Pre-Nationals will take place in Terre Haute, Ind.

The Mike Hodges Invitational will not include Oregon State's top runners but will have a formidable team of younger athletes who have redshirted and who will be put in the position to lead the first time.

"It should be a good opportunity for some of the girls who are redshirting this year to get a race in as well as a good race for some of the girls who will be back in the line-up in two weeks for Pac-10 [Championships]," assistant coach Adam Tribble said.

The line-up for the race is still being worked out. Even with many top runners heading to Indiana, the Mike Hodges Invitational will still have a very competitive field with runners from the University of Oregon and University of Washington — the top teams in the country, as well. Other competitors include lower division schools such as Willamette University, along with many community colleges from around the state. The 5k race will be run entirely on grass.

All eyes in the cross country world will be upon Terre Haute as the largest collegiate competition in

the country gets going on Saturday. The Beavers will be fielding a team of seven runners: redshirt sophomore Laura Carlyle, junior Abby Chesimet, freshman Erin Jones, junior Jennifer Macias, freshman Sandra Martinez, redshirt freshman Olivia Poblacion and junior Hannah Soza-Hodgkinson. Macias has been the leader for the Beavers this year, as she has been their top finisher in all of their meets this year. She is coming off a 31st place finish in the Bill Dellinger Invitational. The Beavers' number two runner, Soza-Hodgkinson, is returning from foot injury that kept her out of competition in the Dellinger Invitational.

"It's really good to have her back in the line-up," Tribble said.

The Pre-Nationals is divided into two races, with 37 teams in each race, which will make the course a

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little more crowded than most runners are used to. Also, 20 of the top 30 teams in women's cross country will be in action during the meet, meaning the chances are high that the teams that do well in this race will have a very good shot at the

national championship on the same course in November. Oregon State will again be facing rival Oregon and racing against Washington for the second time this year.

"The Pre-Nationals race will be a great opportunity for the girls to race in [a] setting that none of them have before. The best of the best go there every year, and it should be a terrific experience for them all. In all, we're hoping for a good weekend of racing for the Beavers," Tribble said.

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Business as usual

Let's play a round of Mad Libs, the sports edition.

"I can't believe [insert superstar athlete] left the [insert favorite team], and he signed with the [insert rival team] of all places. You hear what he signed for? [Insert ungodly amount of money]. What a [insert expletive]. Whatever happened to team loyalty?"

The better question is not what happened to staying with the same team for an entire career, but why should professional athletes feel obligated to stay loyal to teams?

Like it or not, in the world of ESPN, team apparel stores and ticket prices that you need to take out a loan to afford, professional sports is a business. Getting clutch hits, making tough shots and throwing touchdowns is just part of their job description.

Therefore, why is it frowned upon when players take advantage of a business opportunity that will help benefit themselves and their family? Say you are working at a Subway and Quizno's offers you better hours and twice the pay. Is it realistic for someone to stay at Subway? Why, because they gave you your first job?

Should they reject a contract that pays five million dollars extra and get to live beachside because the fans in Minnesota don't want him to leave? Try telling that to their wives.

Those days of guys retiring in the same jerseys they came into the league are all but gone. Just ask Pittsburgh Pirate fans about Barry Bonds. Or Green Bay Packer fans about their god in green, Brett Favre. Or Cleveland Cavalier fans in the not-so-distant future about LeBron James.

And to you Blazer fans, down the

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After rain cancellation, men head to Tennessee

Men's golf travels to Jonesborough for competition against some of best in NCAA

By John Daly
THE DAILY BAROMETER

After a frustrating mid-tournament weather cancellation earlier this week, the No. 13 Oregon State men's golf team hopes to find better conditions in Jonesborough, Tenn. as course action begins Friday morning at the Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate tournament.

The Beavers were without the luxury of quality rest this week, as the team traveled straight to a hotel in the Volunteer State after Monday's rain-shortened MacKenzie Invitational where the Beavers finished in fourth place. Unfavorable travel arrangements will not alleviate the stress for No. 13 OSU this weekend, as the Beavers can also expect to see some of the fiercest teams in the NCAA at the BOT Intercollegiate.

"When we got the invitation to play in this tournament, we definitely wanted to get back here and experience this environment because the national championships will be hosted here," head coach Brian Watts said. "We just felt that it was a win-win deal for us to come here in the fall and play against a lot of the schools that will most likely be in the national championship."

The star-studded battle will feature 15 highly-ranked teams from around the country. Most of this weekend's competition hails from the ACC, while



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5-foot-8-inch sophomore Alex Moore hits a ball out of the rough during the Trysting Tree tournament earlier this season. The men's team will be put to the test this weekend when they face some of the best teams in the country.

Men's golf gets national recognition

Stellar play early in season gets No. 13 ranked golf team attention they deserve

SPORTS INFORMATION

CORVALLIS — The Oregon State men's golf team continues to receive national recognition for its stellar play early in the fall season. The Beavers are ranked in all three of college golf's major rankings: Golfstat, Golfweek/Sagarin and Golf World.

Oregon State is No. 13 this week according to Golfstat rankings released Wednesday. Meanwhile, OSU cracked the Golf World/Nike Golf Division I Coaches' Poll at No. 21 for the first time this year in this week's poll also released Wednesday. The Beavers remain No. 8 in the Golfweek/Sagarin rankings, which were last updated Sunday, Oct. 11.

The Beavers, who have played twice in the young season, won at the Giustina Memorial Classic on their home course of Trysting Tree in Corvallis and finished fourth earlier this week in a rain-shortened Alister MacKenzie Invitational at California.

Oregon State returns to action Friday, Oct. 16, at the Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate hosted by East Tennessee State.