

OSU sexual misconduct policies in line with new state guidelines

■ New policy requires universities to provide support for survivors of sexual assault, harassment

By Rebecca Johnson
THE DAILY BAROMETER

The Oregon State Board of Higher Education has approved a policy regarding sexual misconduct on campus for all Oregon public universities.

The policy requires each university to submit an annual report outlining the status of sexual misconduct on campus and how the university is complying with the new regulations.

"Every university has their own policy in place right now. The policies that OSU has in place now are actually pretty much in guidelines with the new policy," said Dan Schwab,

director of student conduct and community outreach. "There should not be an issue for us to comply with the new regulations."

Another condition is that universities must provide support for survivors of sexual assault or harassment and to provide programs for educating the public.

"We have several initiatives on campus," said Carrie Giese, coordinator for sexual assault prevention and education. "We take a community approach in order to make the campus culture safer, instead of placing the entire burden on the one person who has the potential of becoming a victim."

One resource is Sexual Assault Support Services offered through OSU Counseling and Psychological Services, which offer support and services for anyone victimized through

sexual assault or violence. Along with counseling and providing information, SASS can also walk students through the steps of whatever choice they decide to make in handling a situation of offense.

"We can guide a survivor through whatever measures they decide to take, whether through law enforcement, OSU Student Conduct or counseling," said Giese.

The other source is the Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence. The center provides a 24-hour hot line, emergency shelter and support groups for survivors of sexual assault and violence.

"It is never the survivor's fault and there are several places a student can go to be believed and guided through this process," Giese said.

In 2008 there were 12 instances of sexual

offenses at OSU, two occurring in residence halls.

"Our law enforcement on OSU is very well trained to work with students on this matter," Schwab said.

When a student reports any sexual offense, Schwab said he advises the student to go to the authorities so they can perform a thorough investigation, but he says it is not necessary.

"The survivor is very much in control of the situation (when they go through student conduct)," Schwab said. "We do our best to honor the wishes of the survivor, whenever possible."

The new policy also requires that universities have review committees that are trained to handle sexual misconduct cases.

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Student recognized for commitment to social change, cultural diversity

■ Hunnan Pope wins Francis Dancy Hooks Award, active in student community

By Caitlin Cagle
THE DAILY BAROMETER

As Martin Luther King, Jr. and all his accomplishments are remembered, OSU has also taken a look at what students have done for their community. During the MLK Peace Breakfast last Monday morning, Hunnan Pope was honored with the Francis Dancy Hooks Award, an award commemorating commitment to social change and cultural diversity.

The award is given to students who show the ability to create bridges between cultures, work for social change and are dedicated to cultural diversity.

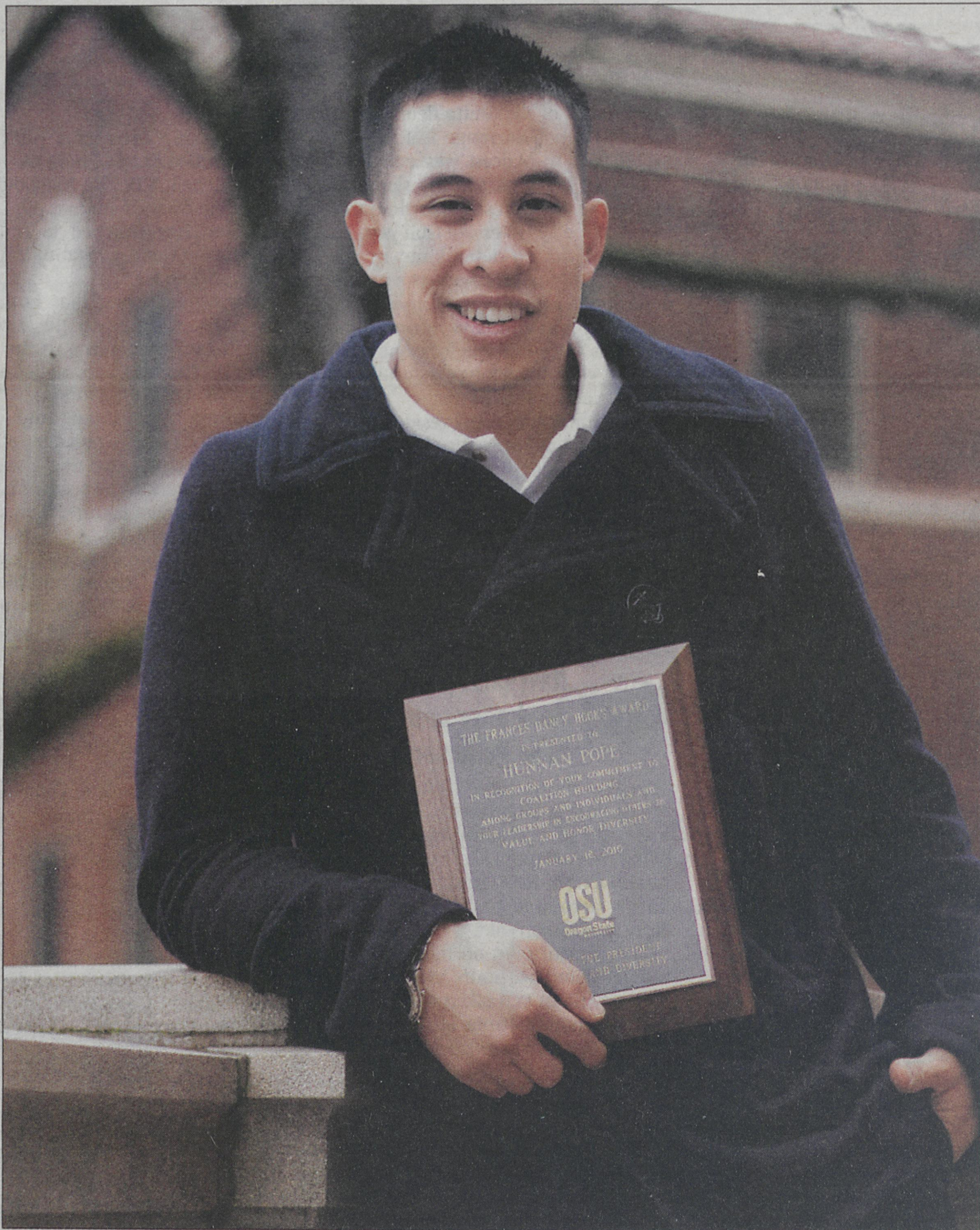
Pope, a senior in business with an option in music management, has made an impressive impact on the Oregon State and Corvallis community.

Coming from a Native American and Chinese background, he has chosen to submerge himself in the Latin American community on campus. Currently he is part of a Latino Fraternity, Omega Delta Phi, works at the Centro Cultural César Chávez, and even spent a term abroad in Mexico, where he became fluent in Spanish.

"I went to Conexiones, the Latin American Connect Week, because I wanted to learn more about this culture I really knew nothing about. It was a culture I had never really identified or associated with and I was interested," Pope said. "Eventually I ended up getting a job at the Centro and became a part of various organizations that taught me a lot about the culture."

Pope's accomplishments make a long list, ranging from working for IMPACT, a group dedicated to helping mentally and physically disabled students, to being an ASOSU senator.

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Hunan Pope, a senior in business with an option in music management, stands with a plaque commemorating his win of the Francis Dancy Hooks Award. Pope was given the award at the MLK Peace Breakfast last Monday.

Future of Snell uncertain, new home for student groups in the works

■ Proposed relocation spot to occupy current space of MU Bookstore and pay-parking lot

By Michelle Ofelt
THE DAILY BAROMETER

It's safe to say that Snell Hall is fated to meet a wrecking ball.

Student groups currently residing in Snell Hall are destined to have a new space and the relocation sessions are encouraging a "new home" that is more connected to the MU.

The OSU Bookstore plans on vacating the MU in 2013. The proposed relocation spot would occupy the current space of the MU Bookstore and its pay-parking lot.

"We are working on planning a 'new home' for student-run programs and organizations," said Michael Henthorne, MU director. "There are a number of reasons for its emergence. Chief of those is Snell Hall's condition. We need to move people out, close it up and knock it down."

Snell Hall is currently divided between university faculty on the top floors and student organizations on the bottom floors. Most of the university faculty has already been given a relocation spot but the student groups have not.

The space the university is offering student groups for the new building will allow for greater collaboration between the student groups and growth of new groups in the future.

"The expectation of convergence is to connect student groups," Henthorne said. "Also, with the higher enrollment and increased amount of student groups, we're getting to the point that the MU is too full; people definitely feel a need for a new building."

However, before Snell Hall meets its demise, a new home for student organizations has to be found.

"There are four options in the 'new home' project," Henthorne said.

Option one is renovation of the MU and options two, three and four would be a choice between three new building sizes and renovation of the MU.

Option one would allot more space for student administration and public and less space for retail. This is the least expensive option in student fees but would not allow for growth and has the potential to increase student fees with the decrease in retail space.

Options two, three and four would

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Survey finds students will choose technology over personal interaction

■ Twix survey polled 1,000 college students to find what's more important when taking break from studying

By Katrina Lorengel
THE DAILY BAROMETER

In a recent poll conducted by Twix, college students as well as graduates from the 1970s to 2000s were surveyed to find out how technology affects their lives.

In November of 2009, Twix polled 1,000 college students, selected at random, to determine what

they considered to be most important when taking a "pause," as the slogan suggests, from studying. The majority of participants surveyed said they would rather give up their significant other for a week than spend a week without Internet, e-mail and cell phones.

"Twix is known for helping people take a break from their daily routines. The poll was intended for the general public," said Jacqueline White, who works on behalf of Twix.

According to the survey, a typical interaction on campus is four times more likely to be initiated with technology, such as texting, cell phones

and Internet or e-mail, than 30 years ago when 81 percent of conversations were face-to-face. Students today have only 55 percent of their daily interactions in person.

Daniel Evanoff, who graduated from OSU in 2009 with a major in business administration, said he only checks his social networks once or twice a day but constantly checks his e-mail, especially since it is sent directly to his iPhone.

"I would rather spend time with people than chatting online," Evanoff said. "I have been

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TOP STORY

Obama to propose freezing discretionary spending

By Ed Henry
CNN

WASHINGTON, D.C. — President Barack Obama will announce in Wednesday's State of the Union address that he's proposing to save \$250 billion by freezing all non-security federal discretionary spending for three years, according to two senior administration officials.

The move, which could help position Obama in the political center by sharpening his credentials on fiscal discipline, would leave the budgets of the departments of Defense, Homeland Security, and Veterans Affairs — along with some international programs — exempt from the spending freeze, the senior officials said.

"We are at war, and we're going to make sure our troops are funded adequately," said one of the senior officials.

The officials would not reveal the details of which specific domestic programs would be cut, as they prepare to face major pushback from liberals in the president's own party because popular education and health spending could be on the chopping block. The details will be officially unveiled next Monday, when the president publicly releases his next budget blueprint for fiscal year 2011 — which starts October 1 — and beyond.

"We've got to make some tough decisions," said the second senior official. "Everybody is not going to get what they want."

Under the proposal, which will need to be approved by both houses of Congress, all federal discretionary spending would be frozen at its

current level of \$447 billion per year. Within that parameter, however, individual federal agencies would have the power to give some programs increases, while cutting money elsewhere.

Besides burnishing his fiscal discipline credentials, the move could also help the president force Republicans' hand on whether they're serious about meeting Obama halfway on some of his policy proposals.

Immediate Republican reaction was split, with some senior GOP aides saying the freeze is something they could support, while others said it did not go nearly far enough.

"Given Washington Democrats' unprecedented spending binge, this is like announcing you're going on a diet after winning a pie-eating contest," said

Michael Steel, a spokesman for House Minority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio. "Will the budget still double the debt over five years and triple it over ten? That's the bottom line."

The senior administration officials acknowledged that discretionary spending is only about one-sixth of the entire federal budget, and that much larger savings would come from cutting entitlement programs like Medicare, but the White House believes the cuts need to start somewhere.

"We're not here to tell you we've solved the deficit," said one of the senior officials, noting that the federal government has to go through the "very same process that families" across America have had to go through in their personal budgets.

NEWS IN BRIEF



Saddam Hussein's cousin 'Chemical Ali' executed in Iraq

BAGHDAD — Saddam Hussein's cousin Ali Hassan al-Majeed — also known as "Chemical Ali" — was executed Monday, a government spokesman said.

He was hanged after having been convicted on 13 counts of killings and genocide, Ali al-Dabagh said.

Al-Majeed had been sentenced to death in four separate trials, including one that focused on his involvement in a poison gas attack against Iraqi Kurds that killed about 5,000 people.

His execution had been delayed for political rather than legal reasons. It is not clear what change, if any, led to the reported execution.

He had been held in United States custody since his capture in 2003. But he was handed over to the Iraqi authorities in the 24 hours before his execution, U.S. Ambassador Christopher Hill told CNN's Diana Magnay on Monday.

The 1988 poison gas attack on the village of Halabja, which earned al-Majeed his nickname, was part of the Anfal campaign, in which the Saddam regime killed at least 100,000 Iraqi Kurds. The campaign is believed to be the worst poison gas attack on civilians ever.

Al-Majeed was sentenced to death separately for his role in putting down a Shiite uprising against Saddam Hussein in 1991, and for his part in putting down a Baghdad revolt in 1999.

Estimates of the Shiite death toll in the 1991 rebellion range from 20,000 to 100,000. Al-Majeed was convicted of playing a key part in the slaughter during the revolt in southern Iraq that followed the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

One of his co-defendants in the Anfal case, Sultan Hashem, is a prominent Sunni leader who is considered a key player in efforts to reconcile the country's once-dominant Sunni community with the Shiite majority that now wields political power.

Iraq's Sunni Arab Vice-President Tariq al-Hashimi has long refused to sign the execution order for Sultan Hashem, delaying the execution of al-Majeed and another defendant as well.

Iraqi law requires all three members of the Iraqi presidency council — the president and two vice-presidents — to sign execution orders. It does not say what happens if they do not sign.



Navy pilot presumed dead after crash in Lake Pontchartrain

Search efforts turned into a recovery operation Monday for a U.S. Navy instructor pilot presumed dead after his plane crashed into Lake Pontchartrain, just outside of New Orleans, Louisiana, during a routine training mission, a Navy spokesman said.

The student pilot on the plane was rescued about two hours after the crash Saturday night and taken to a hospital for mild hypothermia and moderate injuries, according to the Navy. He has

since been released.

The missing instructor pilot has been identified as Lt. Clinton Wermers, 33, of Mitchell, S.D. The Navy did not identify the rescued student pilot. The two pilots were attached to Training Squadron 6 at Naval Air Station Whiting Field in Milton, Fla.

Initial reports were that both the pilots were clinging to the aircraft before it sank, according to the U.S. Coast Guard, which is assisting in the search. Lt. Brett Dawson, a Navy air training spokesman, told CNN Monday that the wreckage of the plane has been located and a salvage unit will be working to recover it. The cause of the crash is under investigation, Dawson said.

Air traffic controllers at Lakefront Airport in New Orleans notified the Coast Guard at 6:40 p.m. Saturday that a U.S. Navy T-34 training plane was no longer visible on radar, the Coast Guard said in a news release. The plane had been approaching the airport during a routine nighttime instrument training mission, the Navy said.

The T-34 is a single-engine, single-prop plane used for primary training for student pilots. It does not have an ejection mechanism, Dawson said. Instead, pilots can open the canopy, slide it back and roll out of the aircraft.

At the time of the crash, the temperature was 50 degrees Fahrenheit with calm winds, the Coast Guard said. The water temperature was 52 degrees.

— CNN

Class-action expansion could help thousands of military vets with PTSD

By Paul Courson
CNN

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Defense Department has agreed to expedite the claims of possibly thousands of Iraq and Afghanistan military veterans who suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) but have been denied benefits, a veterans group announced Monday.

More than 4,000 veterans could be eligible for benefits available from a class-action lawsuit if they left the military because of PTSD, the veterans' advocacy group National Veterans Legal Services said at a press conference in Washington.

The original class-action suit was filed in December 2008 by seven veterans who suffer from PTSD but who were denied a required rating to make them eligible for a variety of long-term benefits.

A federal judge in Washington last month accepted a list of some 4,300 veterans who may also have been improperly denied the benefits. A court-authorized mailing is now going out to veterans on the list, telling them they can "opt in" and join the class-action suit if they qualify.

"The legal notice gives thousands of veterans the right to join this class action under terms that are likely to result in millions of dollars in monetary and health care benefits," said Bart Stichman, a spokesman for National Veterans Legal Services.

Eligible veterans who respond to the notices will receive an expedited review of their disability rating and, if applicable, a correction of their military records to comply with the law. Benefits then would begin for a six-month period until a further review and resolution of each medical case to establish permanent, long-term payouts.

"I fought one war for my country abroad, but I now am fighting a different battle here at home," said former U.S. Marine Cpl. Tyler Einarson, 28, "the battle to get health care benefits to which I and thousand of other servicemen are entitled."

CALENDAR

Tuesday, Jan. 26

- Meetings**
ISOSU, 6-8pm, MU International Resource Center. Leadership Council meeting.
ASOSU, 7pm, MU 109A. Meeting of the 69th ASOSU Senate.
The Pride Center, Noon-1pm, Pride Center. Volunteer with the Pride Center! Give back to your community! Make new friends! Help plan events!
ASOSU Accessibility Affairs, 3-4pm, Women's Center. Come join and make OSU accessible to all students.
Educational Activities, 5:30pm, MU Board Room. Committee training.
OSU Relay for Life, 7:30pm, MU Lounge. Information Night. Come hear about Relay and how to get involved.

- Events**
Student Events & Activities Center and MU, 2:30, 5:30, 8:30pm, MU Commons. MUVies — Where the Wild Things Are.
Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30am-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd St. "Come & Go" lunch. Good food and informal table talk.
The Pride Center, 9am, meet in front of Dixon Rec. Walking/jogging for the athletically challenged. No competition, no rules. Walk or jog at your own pace.

Wednesday, Jan. 27

- Meetings**
ASOSU, 7pm, MU 109B. Meeting of the 1st ASOSU House of Representatives.
Silent Lunch, Noon-1pm, Marketplace West, reserved table near west entrance. A sign language social. All skill levels welcome.
College of Science & International Programs, 4-5pm, Kidder 128. Meeting to discuss UK study abroad programs catered to science and engineering students (all majors welcome!) Learn about when and where to apply and talk to past study abroad and current UK students.
Student Health Services, Noon-1pm, MU 207. SHS Budget Open Forum. All students welcome.

Health & Wellness Task Force, 6pm, Snell 149. Come help plan events regarding health and wellness.

- Speakers**
Women's Center - Graduate Women's Network, Noon-1pm, Women's Center. Title: Developing a Sense of Community as a Graduate Student. Lunch hour discussion with OSU professor Jessica White.

- Events**
Student Events & Activities Center and MU, 2:30, 5:30, 8:30pm, MU Commons. MUVies — Where the Wild Things Are.
Beaver Yearbook, 1-4pm, Snell 231. Free Beaver Yearbook portraits.
Counseling & Psychological Services, 4pm, MU 206. Benefits of Mindfulness. Learning how to be more present in your every day living.

Thursday, Jan. 28

- Meetings**
ASOSU Community Affairs Task Force, 4-5pm, Snell 149. Come help plan upcoming ASOSU Community Affairs Task Force events for this term! Any and all are welcome.
Educational Activities, 6:30pm, MU Board Room. Committee training.
ASOSU Judicial Council, 6pm, Snell 246. Meeting of the ASOSU Judicial Branch.
Events
OSU Food Group, 5-9pm, International Forum Room, Snell Hall/MU East. OSU Emergency Food Pantry: 3-5 days of food provided to low-income individuals. Enter near Goss Stadium and Waldo Hall.
Student Events & Activities Center and MU, 2:30, 5:30, 8:30pm, MU Commons. MUVies — Where the Wild Things Are.
Lutheran Campus Ministry, 5:45-7:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd St. QUEST — Simple supper, spiritual discussion.
The Pride Center, 2pm, meet in front of Dixon Rec. Walking/jogging for the athletically challenged. No competition, no rules. Walk or jog at your own pace.
Student Health Services, 6pm, Dixon Upper Classroom. Food & Nutrition. Fuel for the mind, body & soul. Learn how food fuels us.

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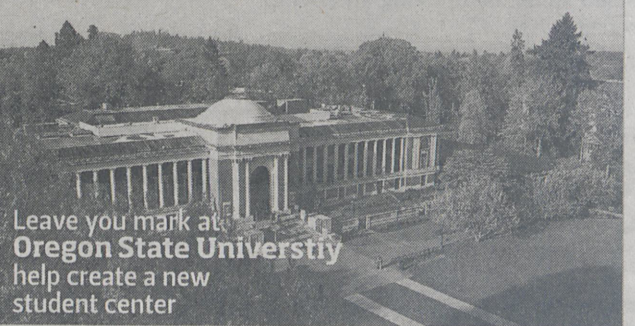
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Democrats step back before deciding how to move forward

By Kristi Keck
CNN

The message from voters in Massachusetts has Democrats reassessing their next steps as they balance the risks of an election year with an agenda they can no longer push through on their own.

Republican Scott Brown's jaw-dropping victory Tuesday night in the special election to serve out the remainder of the late Sen. Ted Kennedy's term stripped Democrats of their 60-seat majority in the Senate.

Capitalizing on voter anger, Brown, a little-known state senator, campaigned as the people's candidate and vowed to vote against the health care legislation. Brown overcame what was once a 30-point deficit to beat state Attorney General Martha Coakley, the Democratic candidate.

Political observers accused Coakley of running a lackluster campaign and not fighting hard enough to get voters' support. One top adviser to President Obama said, "Campaigns and candidates matter."

But White House press secretary Robert Gibbs said Wednesday a lot of people are to blame for Coakley's loss, including the White House.

With midterm elections on the horizon,

some Democrats see Tuesday's Massachusetts race as a warning sign that their jobs are on the line and that voters aren't happy with how health care is being handled.

"If there's anybody in this building that doesn't tell you they're more worried about elections today, you should absolutely slap them," Sen. Claire McCaskill, D-Missouri, said Wednesday.

Brown successfully tapped into what observers said is a wave of disenchantment with Washington, winning over the independent voters who decided the race. Republican strategist Doug Heye said that wave extends far beyond the borders of Massachusetts.

"There's no state in the union right now that Republicans don't feel that they can be competitive in. And if you're a Democrat who's vulnerable ... this really sent a strong signal that your re-election is vulnerable," Heye said.

Gibbs insisted, however, that Obama hears and understands the anger among voters. "It's a lot of what we heard in Iowa. It was a lot of what we heard in the general election. It was a lot of what, quite frankly, he heard as U.S. senator."

"I think the president would tell you it's an important moment for us to come together and work on our problems," he said.

With Democrats more cautious about their

votes and without a filibuster-proof majority, analysts said parts of Obama's agenda might be sidetracked.

So far, the health care bill has moved through the Senate with no support from Republicans. With a blessing from Obama, Democratic leaders decided to forgo a formal conference committee to merge the House and Senate bill, two congressional Democratic leadership sources said, effectively shutting Republicans out from negotiations.

Now, the Senate will need a least some Republican support to deliver a final bill to Obama, who has made the issue his top domestic priority.

In the wake of the election upset, Democrats are debating several options as they try to salvage their health care plans.

"I think we're probably seeing the obituary written tonight for universal access on health care, and it's been a dream of Democrats now for 70-plus years," said David Gergen, a political analyst and CNN contributor.

"I think this vote is going to be a vote heard around the world because it's going to have enormous implications. I think health care is very unlikely to pass in its current form. Cap and trade on energy environment ... it's extremely difficult to get that done in this

Congress. Immigration reform, I think, is probably dead this year. Regulatory reform is going to be very watered down," he said.

"He could come back to jobs and the economy and perhaps get some things done, but a lot depends on how they interpret this at the White House," Gergen added.

Gibbs said the president intends to keep health care reform a priority.

"He didn't do it just because it was a hobby," Gibbs said. "It was a priority then. It's a priority now. We are working through the best way forward as the president continues his commitment to get health care reform done."

Gibbs said the president also intends to focus heavily on job creation.

Going ahead, Democrats need to learn the lesson of the election, Democratic strategist Julian Esptein said.

"Democrats need to go beyond the echo chamber of just saying it's an anti-incumbency wave and realize we're in an environment now that is very, very difficult. They should look at some of the lessons from the Clinton years and from the [Lyndon Johnson] years in terms of how to navigate through this next year," he said, noting that Democrats need to be able simultaneously to govern from the left and the center.

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"Hunnam is really good at managing his time," said Christina Bein, a junior in human development and family sciences. "I'm not sure how he does it but he always is on top of things."

Bein wasn't the only one impressed by Pope's commitment to Oregon State. Pope was nominated for the Dancy award by Victoria Nguyen, the director of Diversity Development, and Bob Kerr, the coordinator of Greek Life at OSU.

"What I look for [in a nominee for the award] is overall excellence and performance and a

wide diversity of engagement. Hunnam had all those qualities and then some. He was the external coordinator of the Centro, an officer for Omega Delta Phi and he worked in the Diversity Development office as an intern," Kerr said. "He's done a bit of everything, he's done it with a smile and he's done it well. There was no doubt in my mind that Hunnam deserved this award."

When Pope graduates this spring, he plans on managing and following bands on tour. Pope spent the last summer in Los Angeles as an intern for Epitaph, a major record label.

"When I started OSU I was in the engineering program but I

soon learned that music management was something that made me happy," Pope said.

Currently Pope has his own radio show on KBVR as DJ H. Chicken called "The Weekly Scramble." He is spending his senior year involved with the Centro, Omega Delta Phi, a CAMP mentor and reaching out to musicians and labels to jumpstart his career, among other various activities.

"College has provided great opportunities for me," Pope said. "There's a lot more you can do to serve not only yourself, but the community as well. It's not all about school."

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consist of a new building between 50,000 and 65,000 gross square feet. These options would have slightly higher student fees but would allot much more space for current and future student programs and administration.

"We've held three sessions so far and in two of them, option two appeared to be favored," Henthorne said. "This option would allow for 12,500 square feet above status quo. Option one is not viable but it's on the list."

These changes have already been settled on and now the university is waiting to hear from the major student organizations and students

about what they want to do with the project.

"It's going to happen either way," said Jorge Michel, MU president. "Campus planning has already planned for a new building there. Student groups have an opportunity to do something with it that they want."

The project also focuses on the fact that the MU and MU East are connected in so many ways that the viable solution is to place the "new home" right by the MU.

"There's a symbiotic relationship between the MU and its companion piece, the MU East," Henthorne said. "The two need to be collocated."

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"Most universities will use their regular conduct board," Schwab said. "Which is fine as long as they are trained. Before a committee member can sit before a sexual misconduct hearing, they must first go through the proper training."

Currently at OSU, the accused go before a conduct board that decides the fate of the student based on the evidence presented. While in a courtroom the offense must be proven beyond a reasonable doubt; before the conduct board all that needs to be proven is that, more likely than not, the offense took place.

"Fifty-one percent is what

needs to be proven in order to hold a person responsible," Schwab said.

Schwab said if a person is accused and found guilty before a conduct board, that person would likely be suspended or expelled. He said in some cases, however, a student can be given an alternative punishment.

"There is always room for improvement," Schwab said. "It would be ideal to have a conduct board that solely handles sexual misconduct cases."

SASS is located on the fifth floor of Snell Hall and can be reached at 541-737-7604. CARDV can be reached 24 hours a day at 541-737-0110.

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SURVEY

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online since before broadband and the number one stressor is miscommunication because the intonation of one's voice is not heard."

The poll found that 40 percent of the participants said social media/Internet was the number one thing they couldn't live without at college. There was only 4 percent who chose the library as a campus necessity. These numbers are compared to their parents, who made up the 38 percent of students from the 1970s and 1980s who felt the campus library was a necessity.

Anna Downing, a senior in accounting, said technology is more beneficial to her than the library.

"I would prefer living without the library to technology because I really only use the library as a quiet place to go off

and study or get things done," Downing said. "Technology is more beneficial for me in the long run."

In a comparison of students today versus the baby boomer generation, participants were asked which technological gadget they would think of first. Of the current students, 63 percent said computers, while 33 percent of the baby boomers said the remote.

Today, almost any utility, program, company or game is accessible from computers or phones. The iPhone, as well as other leading smart phones, has applications ranging from insurance claims and accessing home and cell phone bills to carpentry tools and social networking sites.

Caitlin Laatz, 19, from Gresham, said she would choose relationships over technology.

"I am a very personable

person, and I'm not super tech-savvy, so I would much rather spend time with people I like than just text or chat with them," Laatz said. "If it's going to be the same conversation, I would rather have it in person."

Laatz's response was the opposite of what the survey revealed — 20 years ago, 65 percent of students chose love over technology, versus now when 63 percent of students chose technology over love.

Twix, a product of Mars,

Inc., was introduced in the U.S. in 1979. "Two for me, none for you" was the slogan used for the late 1990s. In 2009, the slogan became "Chew it over with Twix."

Mars, Inc. is a private, family-owned company established in 1911 and is one of the world's largest food companies with global revenues amounting to more than \$30 billion annually.

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Correction

In the Jan. 25 article "Dodgeball tournament knocks out cancer with balls, not chemo," it was incorrectly stated that the tournament was hosted by Alpha Tau Omega and Kappa Alpha Tau, when the tournament was actually hosted by Alpha Tau Omega and Kappa Alpha Theta. It was also incorrectly stated that student Nick Forsburg was the new president of ATG, when in fact he is the new president of ATO.

In the Jan. 25 article, "New vice president ready to get in touch with OSU roots," it was incorrectly stated that the article was reported by Dezaray Francis-Boyd, when in fact it was reported by Dezaray Boyd-France. The Daily Barometer regrets these errors.

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Student athletes above others

The John E. Jaqua Academic Center for Student Athletes should be open to all. Transcend all of the rumors of failed green building policy, all of the offense taken to its lavishness, even the questionable nature with which its funding was procured for just a moment and focus on one thing: Chances are, you aren't even allowed on the upper floors.

There is a building on campus, two-thirds of which is unavailable to the majority of the student populace, leaving only 2.23 percent of the student body with access to all three of the building's floors. If you are not a student athlete, you will be escorted down to the first floor and offered a tour. About 500 students are served by this building that doesn't even match the rest of the aesthetics of the university. Some might liken this to royalty; why did our school's administration allow this to happen?

Everyone gives up some cost, whether personal, social or economic, to be a university student. So, it would seem that all students deserve the same sort of equal opportunity treatment at the school they attend. But student athletes receive free one-on-one and group tutoring that, sadly, the rest of us don't receive.

Our athletes are already above average academically. According to the NCAA, graduation success rates at the university are higher than those at other colleges nationwide. The football program has a 53 percent graduation success rate compared to a 49 percent national rate. Men's basketball has a 58 percent success rate compared to 50 percent nationally, and women's basketball is at 93 percent compared to 71 percent nationally.

This building has created an upper class within our university, and it sends a clear message to the rest of campus: "If you can't throw a football very far, you are not worth much." What are the unwashed masses to do? Wallow in the squalor of antiquated structures and dimly lit warrens in basement sublevels, while the athletes sit high and mighty on their second and third floors.

There's simply no other explanation for why such a gross and unfair misuse of school resources has been allowed to happen. There's no blame to be placed on the foresight of former president Dave Frohnmayer or current president Richard Lariviere, as has been suggested by letters to the editor and comments on the Emerald's website. This issue is not about foresight; it is about priorities. And their priorities are not the masses.

Should we allow our school priorities to be dictated by Phil Knight, a man who donated against Measures 66 and 67, which are fundamentally good for the Oregon University System?

The epically wasted chance to better the entire school, student athletes included, seems an affront to what places of higher learning should stand for on the most basic level. It is important not to forget that we are an academic institution first, and athletics are an aside.



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MATT WHITELEY IS A SENIOR IN FINE ART

Grounded by compassion: To Haiti from the heart

There are times in life when we are pulled down to earth so quickly that we barely realize what hit us. And the earthquake didn't even hit us; it hit Haiti.

What I mean by "pulled down to earth" is that we lose our collective ego for a moment and realize that we are not, as was long hoped and believed, the center of the universe.

We see the destruction that has happened and react each in our own way. Some stare and are simply bewildered, some revert to their auto-response i.e. "that is soooo sad," some cry, and I don't know for sure but I get the feeling that some, after an initial fleeting moment of compassion, shrug it off and get on with their lives.

At some point we all get on with our lives and so will the Haitians, really. But it's the mentality with which we resume our lives that reveals how a disaster of such proportion has truly affected us.

Shelley Deadmond Oregon Daily Emerald

Last Friday night many channels on cable hosted a telethon, "Hope for Haiti Now," which was organized by George Clooney and the Haitian-born musician Wyclef Jean. Some of the world's most well-known artists performed renditions of songs of sorrow and of hope while Hollywood's biggest stars sat in rows answering phone calls and thanking donors for their generosity. Many of the celebrities in attendance are said to have donated well into the hundreds of thousands of dollars themselves.

The performances were beautiful and the time those people gave was generous, but what's more is that reportedly the lines were so busy that people were having trouble getting through.

While the official numbers will be

released some time this week (after this piece has gone to press), it's rumored that over a hundred million dollars were raised that night for relief and rebuilding efforts.

I couldn't help but give. As the screen filled up with the beautiful faces of young orphaned children, as well as the heroic efforts of everyday people digging with their bare hands through the rubble to get to loved ones and perfect strangers alike, a wave of mixed sadness and hope blanketed me, and I just broke down.

Here I was, sitting safely and comfortably on my couch after having enjoyed a beautiful home-cooked meal with my boyfriend and there they were, in such stark contrast — sitting on the bare ground, hungry, lonely and in pain. We looked at one another and just cried. We cried for the contrast, for the children who

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A Pride Center Perspective

Nice Stash: Herr Moustachio strikes again

Over the weekend, OSU, I made a change. We had discussed the possibility of living together, but I had worried that you might prove unbearable to live with. (Naturally, I apologized later, even though you still do that one thing.) As a result, I decided to grow a moustache, but I could not anticipate the consequences.

It all began on Saturday, for as you know last Saturday was most irregular for the mid-Januaries of Oregon. We awoke to the resilient glow of nature's happy light; I put on coffee and sat on the balcony, meditating to the open sky.

Later, in the bathroom, I found myself shaving, and, for some unexplainable reason, I did not shave my upper lip. (I have heard tell of such maneuvers, but I am used to experiencing the inverse: Once, I cut my bangs off and then told my family that they fell off in the shower.)

When I rinsed my face and wiped away the remaining shaving cream, I discovered that a moustache remained. I stared at myself blankly for a moment, discovering how I looked this way and then proceeded with my day.

However, that night, at dinner, my bristle made my friend uncomfortable. She told me that the 'stash "unsettled" her, that the sculpted hedge on my face, growing steadily, caused her unease.

But how did this association form, OSU? What linked the 'stash to sleaziness?

I spoke with a friend who owns a sunglasses shop in San Francisco about the moustache issue.

"Have you seen 'Sleeping with the Enemy'?" Ms. 'Licious Lollipop asked at one point during our conversation. "In the movie, Julia Roberts marries this guy with a moustache who turns out to be a psychopath."

I responded by asking whether she believed it was logical, then, to assume that all people with moustaches turn out to be psychotic.

"The general consensus is that there is something crazy about it, and there is," she said.

Her assessment concerned me because after I had shaved, I did not feel creepier. If having a moustache causes me to be a creep independent of my actions and awareness of said creepiness, then it seems we find ourselves in an epistemological quandary.

None of my friends said outright that the 'stash makes me trashy, seedy or sordid. Internet communities and facial hair competitions show how good-natured moustaches can be.

Still, I have doubts. After all, although Ms. Lollipop said it was cool for me to sport a moustache (saying that I should

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Unwritten rules concerning the wealthy and the social contract

In any society, there exists a social contract between its various members and various groups.

For many, this social contract is simply a promise to do no harm to one another and to leave each other be. In other cases, this social contract is far more binding and codified, and it exists to keep a particular set of societal groups in check.

For the wealthy in society, there exists two sets of social contracts: the codified and the unwritten social contracts. While the codified social contracts are the most visible to other members of society, it is the unwritten contracts which truly define the societal rules for the wealthy.

The codified social contracts for the wealthy are relatively straightforward and involve taxes, investments and the various laws of the land.

The first codified social contract essentially states that the wealthy will generally pay their taxes. This can be seen in the perceptions of the wealthy as being the largest taxpayers in the United States. In return, it is gen-



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erally accepted that the wealthy will have the ability to move and invest their wealth so that more wealth can be created.

The second codified social contract states that the wealthy will be responsible with their public investments and in their investment strategies. It is the wealthy who invest heavily in the stock market and in new ventures, and therefore is the wealthy that hold the responsibility to use their wealth in an honest manner.

The third codified social contract relates to the various laws of the land; it is generally expected that the wealthy will follow the laws of land and perform according to the expectations of a lawful society. By following the law and respecting the various statutes of governments, the wealthy can reap the rewards of

a just and effective society.

Yet, it is the unwritten rules which truly govern the rules between groups. These unwritten rules form the basis of the rule of law, which in turn serve to reinforce the codified rules of society. Without rule of law, it is nigh impossible to have a society which respects property, wealth or even basic human freedoms.

There are innumerable unwritten rules for every social group, including the wealthy. Perhaps the most important of all such unwritten rules is that any social group will not undermine the basis by which the other social groups exist, thrive and prosper. In this case, it is the unwritten rule that the wealthy should not undermine the society in which they live or negatively impact those around them.

The problem is that the wealthy tend to violate this unwritten social contract. Whether it is through lobbying for changes in eminent domain, using wealth and influence to cause legislation to fall into place, or through simple use of

wealth to influence individuals, the wealthy tend to accumulate more and more power as times goes on.

Eminent domain is a prime example of this issue of corruption: a tool for ensuring that there are roads and public services can now be used a tool to accumulate public property for personal gain.

With changes made by the famous case *Kelo v. City of New London*, eminent domain has been altered and perverted such that now it is possible for any wealthy person or organization to seize land on the basis it will simply be wealthier in the long run.

Another example is the use of illegal immigrants as household servants. Many wealthy persons use illegal immigrants as a method of cheap labor, both for personal use and for their organizations, and in the process undermined the rule of law. Moreover, such practices create problems and concerns for legal immigrants, who may find that there are insufficient social services for their use.

Although certainly there are deep societal issues with regard to illegal immigration, it would seem that driving demand from the wealthy created a spur for the use of such labor. Unfortunately, the illegal immigrants often suffer because of it, as they are not an official part of the system, which permits their wages to be depressed, in addition to possibilities for abuse on the part of employers.

Yet, it would seem as if many wealthy persons view such changes as merely a part of a changing society, without realizing how money and influence are helping create this change.

While certainly eminent domain has been expanded in recent years, it should still be a tool of public use. Immigration has been very healthy for the United States, but spurring demand for illegal immigration has a corrupting influence both on rule of law and on social order between groups.

There are many deep social issues which drive divides between groups. However, it is the unwritten social contract

which provides peace and quiet between groups. When any social group violates the social contract, there is unrest and resentment created towards the violating group.

Thus, if the wealthy should violate the social contract and engage in breaking the spirit of the rules of society, then people will grow to resent and eventually hate the wealthy. In such a case, differing social groups will withdraw their support for the wealthy class, both in terms of their votes and in terms of their social behavior.

Only through the upholding of the social contract can different social groups live in harmony. Should any group, whether it is the wealthy, large business or the poor break the social contract, then societal ties will fray.

Therefore, the wealthy should always uphold the social contract, both for the good of society and for their own benefit.

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Hollywood hoax: How my first kiss was awkward, clumsy and yet just right

“How did it happen that their lips came together? How does it happen that birds sing, that snow melts, that the rose unfolds, that the dawn whitens behind the stark shapes of trees on the quivering summit of the hill? A kiss, and all was said.” —Victor Hugo

I got my first kiss last week. At 20, I guess you could say that I am a bit of a late bloomer in the kissing department. Nevertheless, my first kiss wasn't exactly what I was expecting. For all the virgin lips out there, I'm here to tell it like it is: the first kiss is weird.

I blame a mixture of Disney movies, Shakespeare and far-fetched romance articles featured in Seventeen Magazine for my falsified image of what the “perfect” first kiss should be like.



Sarah Paeth

On the Bright Side

When I got my first kiss, there was no “foot pop,” a la Princess Mia from “The Princess Diaries.” Sweetly singing doves did not erupt from the lilac bushes and serenade me with their delicate chirps. My mouth was not adorned with freshly applied fruity lip gloss or a strategically placed spearmint breath strip.

OK, so maybe I didn't get the “foot pop” because I fell as he was kissing me. And it wasn't the weak-at-the-knees, dainty, little falter either — I just about collapsed on the poor guy.

If cute little birds were flock-

ing above our heads, I wouldn't have heard them because I was laughing too much at the fact that I had tripped on his feet. On second thought, had I put on my tropical punch Lip Smackers before he kissed me? If I was concerned with the flavor of my mouth, it took a back burner when I tried to figure out where to put my nose. In fact, the only thing that wasn't funny about my first kiss was my boyfriend.

This whole kissing business was definitely new. Give me a book and I can learn calculus. Go to biology lecture and I can understand photosynthesis. But kissing? I was but a new explorer in this scary, uncharted territory of lip locking.

Our society talks up the first kiss like it's supposed to be a life-altering, fireworks-in-your-mouth moment of ecstasy.

Actors on the big screen make kissing look so effortlessly beautiful and so naturally romantic. The woman always wears some breathtaking plunge of a neckline and the man always says the perfect pre-kiss comment before sweeping her into his warm embrace.

Who can forget the moment in “Gone With the Wind” when Clark Gable whisks Scarlett off of her feet, proclaiming that she needs to be kissed? Or what about the upside-down kiss between Peter Parker and Mary Jane in “Spiderman”?

How are we humble, inexperienced kissers supposed to compare to that?

The false image of the “perfect” first kiss isn't just in the movies. Magazines like *Cosmopolitan* and *Teen* Vogue provide detailed instructions for the flawless kiss. At middle school slumber parties, we all practiced putting on lipstick and kissing the mirror, right? As little girls we kissed our ‘N Sync post-

ers every night before going to sleep. We furtively listened to our older sisters' phone conversations on the other line, hoping to pick up tips. We've been working up for this first kiss since we first watched Prince Charming plant one on Cinderella.

Even my beloved books pulled the wool over my eyes by leading me to believe that my first kiss would leave me starry-eyed. Danielle Steele's slew of cheesy romance novels all featured covers with scantily clad women wrapped up in the sheets with some brawny hunk. Was that how I was supposed to look? Even my fictional friend Elizabeth Bennet had a steamy make out session with Mr. Darcy in “Pride and Prejudice.” I'm sure the kiss between Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet was utterly romantic, too. That is, until they died.

The media hypes up the “perfect” kiss through books, TV shows, music and everything in between. According to Hollywood, the first kiss should

be magical and mind-boggling. Call it a colossal misconception or media propaganda, but my first kiss wasn't like what Hollywood said it would be.

It was better.

So I wasn't wearing a ball gown. Yes, I did trip on him mid-kiss. And maybe I did hyperventilate a little due to nerves. Oh, well! At least I can look back and laugh a little. The media focuses so much on how to kiss that they forget what is truly important: who you're kissing. Don't get me wrong, the first kiss is special, but the moments spent getting to know the other person prove infinitely more magical than any hyped-up Disney lip lock ever could be. Oh, and the second kiss? Definitely better.

My first kiss wasn't perfect, but you know what? I wouldn't change it for the world.

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“go with it”), she continues to be uncomfortable with moustaches.

“For instance,” she said, “Cops are definitely a category of people that cannot have a moustache.”

Nevertheless, Ms. Lollipop capitalizes on the growing boldness of individuals sporting the look. She noted that the sales of aviator sunglasses have increased steadily, citing them as a common moustache accessory. (I was pleased to hear Ms. Lollipop make this observation because my orange-tinted sunglass that fade into yellow are aviators.)

It is hard to tell whether the moustache will

make a full comeback, perhaps regaining its popularity from the days of Burt and Loni.

For now, it seems certain at least that a stigma lives on in plenty of communities. I can't help but wonder what kind of impact these hasty generalizations might make. In addition to this problematic reasoning, when people choose to wear a moustache, they often intend it ironically. As a result, many people still associate all moustachios with these negative vibes.

Thankfully I'm not a cop, but my heart goes out to the ones whose facial hair only grows in the shape of a moustache.

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will never be held in the arms of their mothers and fathers again, for the fragility and simultaneous tenacity of life, and we cried in humility.

How can they be suffering so much while we just carry on?

It's my belief that the time just following a natural disaster is when humanity comes the closest to existing in its highest self-realized state. That is, we live for a short period in ego-less humility and gratitude for life, in generosity and in compassion.

I was wondering why we can't seem hold onto that for longer than a few weeks at a time, when all of a sudden the answer came to me in the form of a simple selection tab online that reminded me that the problem is my own selfishness.

I gave to the World Food Program, which is currently delivering about 2 million meals

a day in Haiti — for whom hunger relief is not an emergency effort, but an everyday one. While making a contribution, the donor can designate which country they would like their money directed to off a list of over 80 countries where the program works. It was with that simple drop-down tab that I was jolted into remembering how terribly unbalanced the availability of resources are in the world.

The feeling I had at that moment was one of utter embarrassment of how selfish I am. I realized that I have the luxury of actually debating to myself what I would like to eat for my next meal. This is the case for many of us here at UO, is it not? We so often call ourselves “starving college students,” but we are not truly starving like many in the world are. In fact, most of us have much more than we actually need.

Even small children recog-

nize this. A fresh batch of tears came to my eyes as I read a blog about the telethon the following morning that depicted how one man's 5-year-old daughter, after watching Shakira perform a rendition of “I'll Stand By You,” “quietly went to her room, gathered two dollars and ninety-eight cents from her piggy bank, and asked me to call and send it to ‘the kids in Haiti who need it.’”

What a magnanimous act she performed that night! She was not giving for any other reason than because it was needed elsewhere instead of in her own piggy bank.

What a powerful message this little girl presented us. Through the simple act of giving what she could, she brought forth the best of what is inside her, and indeed, the best of what is inside each of us — the quiet beauty of authentic empathy that came straight from the heart.

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French lawmakers to discuss possible burqa ban

PARIS — French lawmakers could recommend Tuesday that the fiercely secular country ban the burqa, the full-body covering worn by some Muslim women.

French President Nicolas Sarkozy controversially told lawmakers in June that the traditional Muslim garment was "not welcome" in France.

"The problem of the burqa is not a religious problem. This is an issue of a woman's freedom and dignity. This is not a religious symbol. It is a sign of subservience; it is a sign of lowering. I want to say solemnly, the burqa is not welcome in France," Sarkozy said.

A day later, the French National Assembly announced the creation of an inquiry into whether women in France should be allowed to wear the covering.

A cross-party panel of 32 lawmakers has been studying whether the burqa poses a threat to France's constitutionally-mandated secularism. A ban could make it impossible for women who wear the burqa to receive any public services, from buying a bus ticket to picking up a child at school.

Some members of parliament want to go even further with a law that might make wearing a full veil subject to a \$1,000 fine.

"You know, it is not only an article of clothing to hide your face," said parliamentary majority leader Jean-Francois Cope. "I am sorry, it's a choice which is not compatible with the rules of the republic."

Within days of Sarkozy's announcement, al Qaeda threatened to "take revenge" on France "by every means and wherever we can reach them," according to a statement posted on radical Islamist websites.

"We will not tolerate such provocations and injustices, and we will take our revenge from France," said the statement, signed by Abu Musab Abdul Wadud, calling himself "commander of al-Qaida in North Africa [Islamic Maghreb]."

But more than half of French people support the ban, according to a recent opinion poll. The Ipsos poll for Le Point magazine found 57 percent of French people said it should be illegal to appear in public wearing clothes that cover the

face, like the burqa.

That's despite government estimates that less than 2,000 women in the country actually wear the full Islamic veil.

France has about 3.5 million Muslims, representing about 6 percent of the population, according to research by the Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life. The country does not collect its own statistics on religion in accordance with laws enshrining France's status as a secular state.

French lawmakers believe the burqa is a growing phenomenon beneath which lies a not-so-subtle message of fundamentalism.

Those who advocate the ban say women are often forced to wear full veils by the men around them — husbands, fathers or brothers — and that it is a sign of subjugation.

However, women who actually wear the veils deny that.

"You are going to isolate these women and then you can't say that it is Islam that has denied them freedom, but that the law has," said Mabrouka Boujnah, a language teacher of

Tunisian origin.

Boujnah, who at 28 is about to have her first child, says she came to wearing a full veil gradually, after wearing headscarves as a teenager. She believes a law like the one being discussed will take away fundamental rights of Muslim women.

She and her friend Oumkheyr say they prefer to cover their faces out of piety.

Oumkheyr, in her 40s and unmarried, says she even has friends who wear full veils against the wishes of their husbands. Oumkheyr, who is from Algeria, would not give her last name.

The women, both French citizens, say they are only following their religious beliefs and France should respect that.

But even some Muslims here think the full veil goes too far.

There is nothing in Koran that directs women to cover their faces, said Imam Hassen Chalghoumi, who runs the Islamic center in Drancy, a Paris suburb. He said it is ridiculous to do so in France.

— CNN

Haiti donors worldwide meet with country's president to plan rebuilding

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and foreign ministers from more than a dozen countries met Monday to discuss how to rebuild Haiti after the devastating Jan. 12 earthquake.

Haitian Prime Minister Jean-Max Bellerive also attended the one-day meeting of the Friends of Haiti group of nations in Montreal, Canada. The United Nations, International Monetary Fund, World Bank and

European Union also sent representatives, according to Canada's Foreign Ministry.

In Haiti, desperate residents of Port-au-Prince, the capital, waited for two hours in lines around the heavily damaged Presidential Palace to get their first relief supplies — bags of rice or beans. U.N. troops brandishing automatic weapons kept order.

Any spilled food prompted fast scavenging by those hang-

ing around the distribution point. One woman, Via Maria Rosile, took off her shirt to collect a small pile of dropped beans.

"I am very unhappy," Rosile complained. "So far, until now we have received nothing."

The aim of the Montreal meeting is to develop a strategy for early recovery and longer-term reconstruction of Haiti. Once the strategy is set, a donor's conference to secure funding would take place.

Clinton told reporters traveling with her to the meeting that the donor's conference would take place in "the next 30 to 60 days."

"There's a tremendous desire to help, but we've got to create the mechanisms so that it can be done effectively, and we've got to get the Haitian government's capacity to lead put together," she said.

Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper told the meeting's attendees that the chal-

lenge is enormous.

"It is not an exaggeration to say that 10 years of hard work awaits the world in Haiti," Harper said. He noted the initial outpouring of money and relief aid for Haiti, which he called generous in the face of human catastrophe.

"The difficulty we face, then, is not one of concern but rather one of coordination," Harper said. "We must ensure that every resource committed — every relief worker, every vehicle, every dollar — is used as effectively as possible."

The United States has committed \$100 million in emergency aid to Haiti, and Clinton said Monday "there will be more to come."

At the same time, Clinton noted to reporters that Haiti already had an economic development plan worked out with the United Nations and others that was intended to modernize the economy after decades of political and social

instability. The earthquake required a revision of the plan, rather than scrapping it entirely, she said.

"It was a legitimate plan. It was done in conjunction with other international donors, with the United Nations," Clinton said. "And I don't want to start from scratch, but we have to recognize the changed challenges we are now confronting."

Bellerive, in comments at the meeting reported by CNN affiliate CTV, a Canadian television network, also said Haiti must achieve a new development path rather than simply returning to the same situation that existed before the earthquake.

"What we are speaking about is relaunching our country on a path of development. It is not a question of going back to the status quo," he said, according to CTV.

Port-au-Prince will have to be entirely rebuilt and public

institutions decentralized to meet the needs of the hundreds of thousands of Haitians expected to relocate to rural areas, CTV reported Bellerive as saying.

In addition, Monday's meeting provided an opportunity for the donor community, the Haitian government and the United Nations to review progress so far in the delivery of humanitarian assistance to Haiti.

A senior European diplomat, speaking on condition of anonymity to reporters in Washington, said the countries attending the Montreal meeting want to avoid pouring money into Haiti in ways that previously have yielded little result.

Priorities might include agriculture, reforestation and building new roads, with projects carried out in coordination with the Haitian government, according to the diplomat.

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The glory days live on with intramurals

Sports fans, do you remember your high school days? No, not the days where it was all about putting gum in people's hair, who cheated on who and what Ms. Popular wore to prom. I'm talking about those high school sports days. Oh, the glory days.

There are two types of sports fans when it comes to high school. There are ones that don't care and don't want anything to do with their teenage years, and then there are those that never want to forget high school and will forever be fans.

I am one of those people — most of my friends are those people. With every little thing that our high schools do these days, we brag about it. I even have friends that spend their nights watching themselves on their own game tape from back in the day and they are three and four years out of high school. They drool over their great catches and big threes like piranhas over meat. We go to the bars they watch game tape. They do their homework while watching game tape. We go home to see our families and old friends, and they go home to watch game tape. Oh, the glory days.

Do you ever sit there and think "Wow, I really miss those days." I do. I say it all the time. Call me sick and immature, but it breaks my heart, and I know there are a lot of you who feel the same.

That's where the real topic of



Colin Huber

Beneath the ink

this piece comes in. What do we have left now? Anything? The answer is yes. We have intramural sports. I know, I know, they are definitely not the same as games in front of gyms full of fans like back in the day, but they are close. It's what we have left. Our last ditch effort to do something great in an organized sport.

Here's the thing I notice most about IMs at Oregon State. If you think about it, the talent pool is so much bigger than the one in high school where you were put onto teams according to school boundaries.

I mean, you basically have an entire state full of athletes that feed into Oregon State and UO. For those of you who have been lucky enough to make it to the last few rounds of IM playoffs, you know that it gets extremely competitive.

Doesn't IM football field something like 80 plus teams a season? That's just insane.

My favorite IM sport is basketball. As a player and a referee, I've seen first-hand how competitive it gets. There is heavy trash talk, hard fouls and drama — everything the game of basketball needs to be entertaining.

I've seen a few fights, multiple players ejected and even a couple games ended early because of someone who decided to cross the line. Go see for yourself — it's real stuff.

I'm one of those people who really enjoy playing in games with a lot of spectators. Whether they are friends, girlfriends and boyfriends, parents or sneak-in bums — it's always a blast to put on a display in front of all those people.

My favorites are the Greek games. Because of their mass living situations and overall camaraderie, these teams usually bring the most fans. Packing all those people into the under-sized courts upstairs at Dixon is quite the job, but it changes the entire atmosphere and intensity of games. Now you may think it sounds stupid, but you really have to see it to believe it.

IM sports are really a great thing. They are well-organized by Recreational Sports and give students a chance to get their competitive edge back.

Now it's basketball season, and there is nothing better than a gym with no seating filled with completely sober college students that come to dish out nothing but cheers for their team and trash for their counter.

It's a weird feeling, but sometimes I stand there and think, "Yeah, now that's more like it." Oh, the glory days.

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Women's Basketball



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Freshman guard Haiden Palmer chases after a ball during the women's basketball game against the California Golden Bears on Jan. 23 where the Beavers lost 79-75.

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players in the NBA to showcase their talent and skill in the company of the highest players in the league. The game started in order to see how the various "All Stars" from each franchise matched up against each other. Established in 1951, the first All Star Game was played at the Boston Garden on March 2 and featured players like Ed McCauley of the Boston Celtics, who was named MVP of the first All Star Game.

Rules and regulations of the game are the same as any other NBA contest, however the starters for every position vary. Because the starting five are chosen based on fan votes, there are often two or three shooting guards selected, and one of them is forced to play point guard instead.

One of the most significant differences in the All Star Game as opposed to a regular NBA

competition is the amount of hoopla that takes place. Not only are the starting lineups sparked by music and lights, but the game is usually full of spectacular dunks and alley-oops. In a normal NBA season matchup, the players are connected and working together, but the All Star Game often becomes a show-off battle between individuals, with less desire to win or work together.

Just like every year, this year's All Star festivities include slam-dunk contests, a 3-point shootout and a shooting star's competition, which will all be held in Arlington, Texas at the new Cowboys' stadium. The East Coast squad, including Iverson, will face off against the West Coast squad made up of Kobe Bryant, Steve Nash, Carmelo Anthony, Tim Duncan and Amare Stoudemire among others on Feb. 14 in the 59th edition of the NBA All Star Game.

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Fernandez to the ground, causing a brief scuffle underneath the basket. Villanueva was charged with a flagrant foul, but order was restored quickly.

Blake and Miller, both in the starting lineup due to the absence of Roy (hamstring) and Bayless (ankle), each had double-doubles. Blake had 11 points and 10 assists, while Miller had 11 points and 13 assists.

It was the Blazers 11th road win of the season, a total they

were not able to add to the night before in Boston.

Portland was able to take the Eastern Conference's first place team down to the wire Friday night despite dismal play from the bench and the loss of Bayless to an ankle injury, but Boston emerged with a 98-95 overtime win.

The visiting Blazers held a 95-93 lead with 1:51 remaining in the extra period, but Boston's Ray Allen responded two possessions later with a go-ahead three. Portland had plenty of chances to regain the lead, but

missed their final five shots of the contest.

Miller scored 28 for Portland, while Aldridge and Webster added 19 points each. Bayless scored 12 points in 21 minutes before injuring his ankle. The Blazers bench, which played a combined 76 minutes, accounted for only 11 points.

The Blazers return to action Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. against the Utah Jazz at the Rose Garden.

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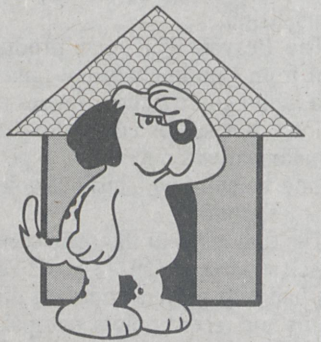
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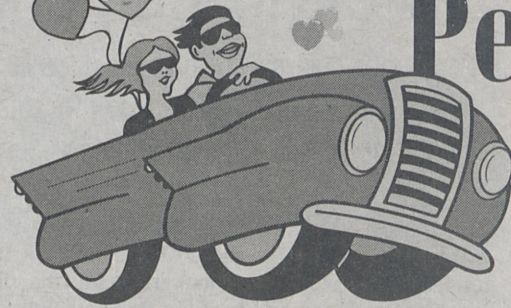
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Men come up short against Cal and Stanford

Men's basketball dropped two Pac-10 games in Northern California last weekend

By Colin Huber
THE DAILY BAROMETER

It was tough last week for the Oregon State men's basketball team, as they suffered two more losses that dropped them to the bottom of the Pac-10, tying them with Oregon.

On Thursday, OSU (8-11, 2-5 Pac-10) was embarrassed by Stanford (10-9, 4-3 Pac-10) 59-35. After some decent shooting performances the week before against the Arizona schools, the Beavers were held to just 13 points in the second half — this after a 28-22 half time score, which left the game well in reach for OSU. They shot 36.6 percent from the field and 22.2 percent from three, giving the Beavers their lowest point total of the season. They were led by senior guard Seth Tarver with 10 points, which is much lower than his season average.

On the other side of the ball, the Cardinal rode momentum and took down the Beavers, winning for the seventh time in their last eight home games. Stanford's senior swingman Landry Fields went off with 17 points on nine rebounds. Sophomores Jack Trotter and Jeremy Green also recorded solid games of 10 and 13 points, respectively.

For nine minutes in the second half, Oregon State was scoreless until freshman Jared Cunningham hit a 3-pointer with 2:22 left. During that span, OSU committed nine turnovers and was out-rebounded 14-5.

OSU was able to bounce back against a better California team on Saturday, but eventually could not pull off a comeback. They ended up losing 61-65.

The Beavers got great production from Cunningham (18 points) and junior guard Calvin Haynes (25 points), but senior center Roeland Schaftenaar was never able to get it rolling, finishing with just five points on 2-8 shooting.

The difference in the contest was bench scoring, as Cal (13-6, 5-2 Pac-10) had four players come off their chairs and record points, compared to OSU's which had just one (freshman Joe Burton scored five).

The Beavers trailed by 15 with 6:55 to play, but were able to fight their way back. On a jumper by Haynes that made it a two point



Junior guard Calvin Haynes attempts to get the ball through the net during the men's basketball game against the Oregon Ducks at Mac Court on Jan. 10, 2010 where the Beavers won 64-57.

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game, OSU had a little bit of life left. After a quick foul, Cal's Theo Robertson calmly knocked down two free throws, sealing the "W" for the Golden Bears.

The win vaulted California to the top of the Pac-10 and sent the Beavers, who have lost six of their last eight, to the cellar of the conference. This week, Oregon State looks to

rebound against Los Angeles schools USC and UCLA in hopes of clawing back into the Pac-10 race.

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Deal for men's basketball fans

SPORTS INFORMATION

The Oregon State athletic department is pleased to announce a special ticket deal for the men's basketball game against USC at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday. Fans can purchase four bench level tickets, four hot dogs and four sodas for \$44. To purchase the special, fans can contact the Oregon State ticket office at 1-800-GO-BEAVS or purchase online at www.osubeavers.com.

Oregon State enters the week with a mark of 8-11 overall, 2-5 in Pac-10 Conference play after the Beavers dropped a hard-fought, 65-61 decision to Cal on Thursday. USC enters the week with a mark of 12-7 overall and is tied for second place in the league with a 4-3 mark.

Calvin Haynes leads the Oregon State attack heading into the weekend, averaging 12.3 points per contest while senior Seth Tarver ranks second on the squad at 11.2 points per game.

Blazers lose by one point at Rose Garden

Portland Trailblazers couldn't pull out a last minute win in Rip City against New Orleans Monday night, falling 97-98 at the last second

By Grady Garrett
THE DAILY BAROMETER

New Orleans Hornets guard Chris Paul hit a 16-foot jumper with three seconds remaining to stun the sold-out Rose Garden crowd and beat the Portland Trail Blazers 98-97 Monday night.

Portland (27-19) led 96-88 with 3:26 remaining, but New Orleans (24-20) scored 10 of the game's final 11 points. Paul scored on a three-point play to cut the deficit to five, and rookie guard Darren Collison hit back-to-back jump shots to tie the game at 96. Andre Miller split a pair of free throws with 1:42 remaining, but the one point lead wasn't enough to prevent Paul's eventual heroics.

After trading missed baskets, the Hornets gained possession with 16 seconds to play. Despite everyone in the building knowing who was going to get the ball, Paul managed to free himself up enough to score his game-high 24th point of the night. The two-time All Star also racked up a game-high 12 assists, seven rebounds, and five steals.

The captivating finish overshadowed the season debut of Blazer small forward Nicolas Batum. The second-year player out of France sported a wrapped right shoulder, but was able to contribute six points on 3-5 shooting in his 10 minutes of playing time. Portland coach Nate McMillan planned on easing Batum in, so his sparse playing time was expected.

The Portland bench contributed 48 points, while the starters scored 49. Five players scored in double figures, with power forward Lamarus Aldridge pouring in a team-high 16. Power forward Juwan Howard also scored 16. Point guard Andre Miller had 10 assists, but struggled shooting (1-8 FG). Small forward Martell Webster continued his hot shooting, connecting on 4-6 three-pointers.

Coming off a one-game absence, guard Jerryd Bayless scored 12 points in only 13 minutes. Shooting guard Rudy Fernandez scored 12 points and added a team-high seven rebounds.

Two nights earlier, the Blazers were able to make up for the fact that their leading scorer wasn't in the lineup.

Portland led by 14 at the half, but Detroit (15-28) battled back to take a 84-83 lead with 6:11 to go. After trading baskets, the Blazers regained the lead after a pair of free throws from Miller with 24 seconds left. Then, the Blazers D stepped up.

Aldridge came up with a steal after the Miller free throws, and then, after two free throws from Webster, Power forward Juwan Howard came up with the rebound, but was unable to ice the game at the other end of the court. Aldridge — who scored 21 on the night — added a free throw and Portland escaped The Palace of Auburn Hills with a win.

The Palace, most famously known for the Pistons-Pacers brawl in 2004, was almost home to another brawl Saturday night.

With 1:37 remaining in the third quarter, the Pistons' Charlie Villanueva wrapped up, spun and brought

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Tori Hill



No excuses, play like a champion

Get ready for the All Stars

Last week marked the halfway point for the regular NBA season. Most teams have now played 41 games so far and it's time for the NBA All Star Game selection.

The All Star selection has become quite the controversial topic this year. As per normal routine, fans everywhere are asked to vote on who will be selected to suit up to represent the East and West Coast.

This year, two players who have been absent for almost half the season have received votes: the 76ers' Alan Iverson and the Houston Rockets' Tracy McGrady. McGrady was out-voted by the Phoenix Suns' Steve Nash, but Iverson will be joining LeBron James, Dwight Howard, Dwayne Wade and Kevin Garnett to represent the East in the All Star Game.

The question is fairness. If the fans voted Iverson in, then it seems that he has an obligation to play. But Iverson, who has only participated in 20 games this season, is receiving an enormous amount of heat from the public.

"The way I look at it is, what should I do? Should I worry about what those people say?" Iverson said in an interview with ESPN. "Or concentrate on the million plus people that voted for me?"

The All Star Game, which is still a matter of weeks away, has traditionally been a chance for the "best"

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Baseball media day

OSU baseball will hold their annual media day Tuesday, Jan. 26 at 11:30 a.m.

SPORTS INFORMATION

The 2010 Oregon State baseball media day will take place on Tuesday, and you can watch it live on Beaver Nation Online (osubeavers.com) for free.

Oregon State baseball head coach Pat Casey will speak to the media beginning at 11:30 a.m. He will address the group in a press conference and discuss his thoughts on the 2010 season. Casey will be in his 16th season at the helm of the program, and he is one of just three coaches in school history with 500 or more victories.

The esteemed head coach will be followed by juniors Stefen Romero and Jared Norris and freshman Sam Gaviglio, who will go on together at approximately noon. Romero led the Beavers with five home runs last season, Norris was second on the club with a .331 batting average and Gaviglio set Oregon State's freshman record with 10 victories.

Oregon State went 37-19 last season and advanced to the championship game of the Fort Worth Regional. The Beavers' visit to TCU's campus represented Oregon State's fourth trip to the postseason in the last five seasons.

The Beavers will open the 2010 season on Feb. 19 when starting a four-game series at Hawaii. Visit osubeavers.com for more information on the Beavers as the season draws closer.