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# OSU's Dance Marathon makes miracles happen for kids

By KRISTIE DEROIA

Morgan Worley is your average 3year-old. He's curious, playful, outgoing and vocal. He enjoys playing with his toys and riding his pint-sized tricycle, and he's just beginning to learn the alphabet and how to count. But this young boy has come a long way in the last three years. To many, he is nothing less than a miracle, and to the participants of OSU's Dance Marathon, he was an inspiration.

The OSU Dance Marathon kicked off at 1 p.m. Saturday. Participants, which consisted of about 50 OSU students, arrived armed with monetary donations from family, friends, local businesses and organizations sponsoring their efforts to participate in the marathon, which raises money for Children's Miracle Network.

The money raised for CMN benefits Sacred Heart Medical Center in Eugene and pays for neonatal intensive care unit equipment which saves the lives of ill and premature infants. Three years ago, Morgan was one such infant. Saturday he and his mother Selina made an appearance at the OSU Dance Marathon to say thank

"Without all of the equipment and the support of the staff he wouldn't be here," Selina said to the crowd of

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# OSU climbing event draws record crowd

> 80 participants turned out for Saturday's competition in hopes of winning more than \$100 in prize packages

> By MAEVE GRANZIN BAROMETER STAFF WRITER

The Indoor Climbing Center held its tenth annual climbing competition, The Vertical Festival on Feb. 23.

The competition had 80 competitors, which is the most people that have ever entered in the event.

Competitors were divided into four categories; youth, beginner, intermediate and advanced. The youths began competing at 8a.m. and the other divisions followed, respectively, in two hour climbing times. Competitors payed a \$25 entry fee to compete.

The competition was organized by **Dixon Recreation Center's operations** coordinator, Kristie Deschesne.

This is Deschesne's fourth year organizing the competition, but according to her the students who do all the work. She is responsible for writing to climbing companies to get sponsorships as prizes

Prizes were awarded to the top three finishers in each category. In the advanced section, several prize packages totaled over \$100. Climbing companies Metolius, Prana and Rock and Ice sponsored the event, along with many other business

The competition was held in a redpoint/on-sight format, which means that climbers could try a climb as

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# Burns, Stefanik win ASOSU election

➤ Melissa Watkins and Rob Banagale take the top offices at the Memorial Union

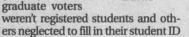
> By NIKI SULLIVAN BAROMETER STAFF WRITER

In what appears to be a landslide victory, Bridget Burns and Jacob Stefanik earned the positions of ASOSU president and vice president.

Despite low voter turnout, 765 voters picked the Burns/Stefanik ticket while 418 voted for opponents David Molina and Danielle Cox.

However, no official numbers are available yet due to complications in the vote count. According to AS-OSU Vice President Melissa White, some of the 1,235 undergraduate and 50 graduate voters

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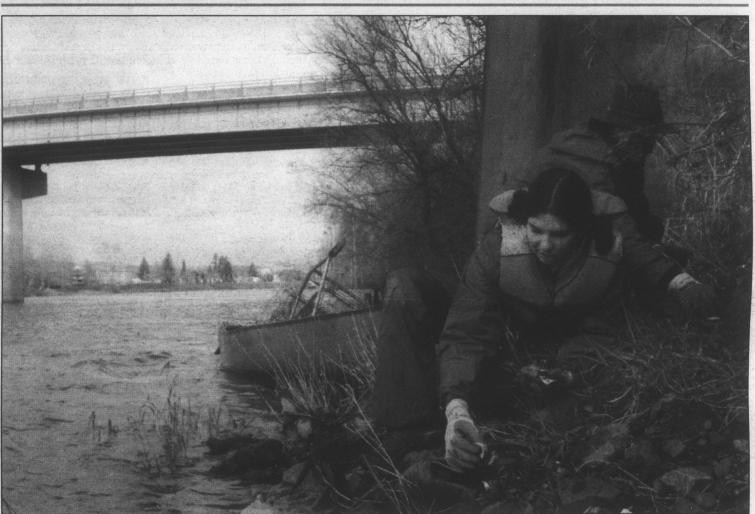
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said in all levels of the OSU-2007 redesign process, administrative accountabiliher ticket's win David ty, and prioritization of student running mate

"We worked really hard the last two days of the elections. We're excited because now we will have the power we need to fight on behalf of the students," Burns said.

Burns and Stefanik will be sworn in at the end of spring term and officially begin lobbying for ASOSU student issues this summer. In the meantime, Burns will shadow current ASOSU

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ABOVE: Shaunna Sutcliffe, secretary and political coordinator for the students group Riverwatch, picks up trash along the Willamette River Saturday with Doug Russell and his canoe. BELOW: Marissa Matsler, a freshman in Environmental Sciences, helps scour the heavy underbrush for trash along with more than a dozen other OSU students and staff.

# Local group helps clean up Willamette River

➤ OSU Students and community members from Oregon Riverwatch participate in a statewide effort

BY SARAH LINN

Local environmental organization Oregon Riverwatch participated in a Willamette River cleanup Saturday as part of a statewide effort to educate people about the condition of the river and its tributaries.

"It actually went really well," said Sean Carroll, vice president of the organization. More than 20 people, seven of which were Riverwatch members, participated in Saturday's cleanup.

Volunteers, which included both OSU students and Corvallis residents, picked up refuse ranging from beer bottles, tin cans and broken pottery to shopping carts. They collected enough trash to fill a small dumpster from Corvallis Disposal three times.

"The place was a disaster," said Carroll, who is majoring in environmental science. "Now it just looks immaculate."

Oregon Riverwatch plans to participate in a river restoration effort today through Friday, in cooperation with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

native trees and plants at Truax Island, which can be reached by Riverside Drive, east on

Last term, the organization participated in a river restoration project with the City of Albany at Periwinkle Creek, planting willows and dogwoods.

Carroll, who joined Riverwatch last term. said that the 18-member organization emphasizes community action and public awareness, as well as the political issues surrounding the Willamette River. Events like cleanups enable Riverwatch to reach out to the community, he added.

"I love being on the river, being outside, outdoors," Carroll said. "This is a great opportunity to educate people about the river and its tributaries, pollution and con-

tamination problems." In addition, Riverwatch will host an educational forum at 5 p.m. on March 6 at Cordley Hall. The featured speakers are Lawrence Curtis, head of the OSU Department of Molecular Toxicology, who will discuss the change in the condition of the Willamette River before and after the Clean Water Act, and Rhett Lawrence, the freshwater advocate for the Oregon Student Public Research Group, who will discuss current political

ment of Fish and Wildlife.

Sarah Linn is the city editor of The Daily Barometer. She can be reached at 737-2231 or at baro.city@studentmedia.orst.edu.



### WORLD

### **Guerrillas abduct Colombian** presidential candidate

SAN VICENTE DEL CAGUAN, Colombia (AP) — Leftist guerrillas held a presidential candidate hostage Sunday after abducting her at a roadblock as she was driving into a volatile area of southern Colombia where government troops are trying to oust the rebels.

Sen. Ingrid Betancourt, an outspoken critic of the rebels, was being held along with her campaign manager, Clara Rojas, by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC.

Betancourt's campaign spokeswoman, Diana Rodriguez, said the senator's entourage ran into the rebel roadblock Saturday afternoon as they tried to reach San Vicente del Caguan, the main town inside a rebel zone the government began attacking last week.

President Andres Pastrana had ceded the zone to the FARC in 1998 as an incentive to end Colombia's war. He called off peace talks and ordered the army to retake the zone after guerrillas hijacked an airplane and kidnapped another senator on Wednesday.

French President Jacques Chirac telephoned Pastrana on Sunday to express his "deep concern" over Betancourt's kidnapping.

The FARC has not confirmed or denied it has Betancourt. There has been little word from rebel leaders since Pastrana called off negotiations with the 16,000-strong rebel army.

### **Despite calming signs, Israel** eases Arafat siege only slightly

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israel decided Sunday to draw tanks back from Yasser Arafat's compound but continue restricting him to the West Bank city of Ramallah — a halfway measure that led angry Palestinians to cancel planned cease-fire talks with Israeli security officials.

That anger increased when Israeli troops fired at Palestinian parliament speaker Ahmed Qureia's car as it approached a roadblock between Ramallah and Jerusalem, a Palestinian source close to Qureia said.

Qureia, who was on his way to his home on the outskirts of Jerusalem after a meeting with Arafat in Ramallah, was uninjured, but seven bullets hit his BMW car, the source said, adding that he had coordinated his journey in advance with the Israelis.

An army statement said Qureia's vehicle approached the checkpoint at speed and the soldiers, fearing it was about to hit them, fired warning shots in the air. Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres called Qureia to express regret for the incident and pledged a thorough investigation, ministry spokeswoman Yaffa Ben-Ari said.

Arafat has been restricted to Ramallah since early December, shortly after for potential future budget problems a wave of suicide bombings in Israel, and that the state needs to better pay and tanks moved steadily closer to his for programs as it goes. compound, eventually surrounding it.

### NATION

### **Head of Internet body** recommends restructuring

NEW YORK (AP) — The president of the Internet's oversight body recommended a major restructuring Sunday, saying the goal of leaving the Net in private hands has proven unworkable.

The new structure calls for governments to nominate one-third of the board of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, the private organization chosen in 1998 to take over the Net's management responsibilities from the U.S. government.

"I am now convinced that the original desire to avoid a totally governmental takeover ... led to an overreaction — the choice of a totally private model," said Stuart Lynn, ICANN's president.

But he said the private model is unworkable "because it leaves ICANN isolated from the real-world institutions - governments - whose backing and support are essential."

ICANN is in charge of coordinating the Internet's addressing policies, including those for domain names.

It has faced questions about its legitimacy from the beginning. Longtime Internet users accuse ICANN of being beholden to corporate interests, while administrators of domain names around the world have refused to recognize ICANN's authority and pay

The proposal, which came during a weekend closed-door retreat, is likely to face significant opposition from public-interest groups, particularly for eliminating direct participation by Internet users.

### STATE

### **GOP** poised to push budget through special session

SALEM (AP) —The Legislature's thin Republican majority was poised to push through a budget-balancing plan without tax increases as lawmakers prepared for a second special session on Monday.

Democratic Gov. John Kitzhaber no longer is threatening to veto any plan that lacks new tax revenue, saying the budget must be balanced soon.

But he insists he hasn't given up on his proposed cigarette, beer and wine tax increases as an option if the GOP plan doesn't pass, and he predicted on the weekend that it wouldn't.

Kitzhaber opposes the Republican proposal to close an \$846 million budget gap just by only spending reductions and dipping into reserves. He vetoed on those grounds a budget plan passed in a three-day session that ended Feb. 11.

He argues that scraping up all available money now would set the stage

In an unusual move, the governor the bill — it gives them the wrong mes-

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asked reporters to meet with him on Saturday at the Capitol, where he denounced the GOP budget plan as irresponsible.

He said the plan would convert a Lottery-fed education endowment into a school stabilization fund only to then have it "raped and plundered" by taking most of tis money to plug budget holes without raising taxes.

House Speaker Mark Simmons shot back that Kitzhaber was being "fast and loose with his rhetoric.

### **Suspected murderer Hinton** arrested in Grant County

PORTLAND (AP) - Almeron "Willie" Hinton, the unemployed logger accused of killing his parents and injuring a state police trooper in a shoot-out, was arrested late Saturday after he drove a stolen pickup through the Grant County Jail, said Sheriff Glenn Palmer.

Around 11 p.m., Hinton drove the truck up a handicapped ramp through the jail's double doors in Canyon City, down the hallway and into a soda machine, before backing up and crashing truck through another door on the side of the building, Palmer said.

The pickup had been reported stolen from the nearby Mount Vernon area.

Hinton then parked in a nearby parking lot, got out and peered inside the jail to see what damage he'd done, Palmer said. Oregon State Police troopers, tipped off by calls to a dispatcher, arrived almost immediately and arrested the 45-year-old Hinton without incident, Palmer said.

State Police said Hinton told them 'I'm the one you are all looking for."

Deputies found an M1 rifle on the floor behind the driver's seat and a pistol on the front seat, Palmer said. The M1 is believed to be the weapon used in the killings, Palmer said.

Hinton is accused of killing his parents, Al and Irene Hinton of Long Creek, on Feb. 17. Police say that after shooting his parents, Hinton drove his two sons to a rock pit about 38 miles from Mount Vernon, where he left them with his exwife, 41-year-old Cindy Hinton.

### Universities

### **Nearly half of college** seniors in heavy debt

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (U-WIRE) -In the past two years, credit card debt has been an increasing problem among students, especially now that employers look at credit reports before hiring.

Forty-five percent of graduating seniors are more than \$12,000 in credit card debt, a figure six times higher than the national average for all age groups, said John Waskin, the founder and executive director of American Credit Counselor's Corp.

The difficulty with having debt as a student is you have no income to pay it back," he said.

While credit cards can be useful in emergencies, he said students "use the card whenever because they don't see

In a credit card usage analysis conducted by the Nellie Mae Foundation in December 2000, 78 percent of students had credit cards and a credit his-- an 11 percent increase from

Average credit card debt among students rose from \$1,879 to \$2,748 during the same time period, and 32 percent of students who had a credit card in 2000 owned four or more cards, the study found.

Verena Smith, a certified credit counselor for the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Southeast Maryland, attributes the increase in student credit card debt to the previously successful economy and students' lack of education.

"It is very important that [students] are educated," she said. "I think students don't realize how easy it is to get into debt and to have the whole process become uncontrollable.

Smith said at times companies expect parents to foot the bill if students fall into debt, but the fastest growing group of people declaring bankruptcy are those younger than 25. - By Robin Monheit

The Diamondback (U. Maryland)

### **President Frohnmayer heads** racial profiling committee

EUGENE (U-WIRE) — University of Oregon President Dave Frohnmayer first heard complaints about racial profiling when he served as Oregon attorney general in the 1980s.

At that time, state law enforcement agencies were trying to staunch the flow of black tar heroin coming into Oregon from Mexico, and Frohnmayer said he starting hearing stories of Hispanic citizens complaining that police were stopping them at a higher rate than whites.

"There was concern about people being stopped for 'driving while Hispanic," Frohnmayer said.

Concerns over racial profiling in Oregon spurred state lawmakers in 2001 to pass a resolution — Senate Bill 415 — establishing a Law Enforcement Contacts Policy and Data Review Com-

In January, Gov. John Kitzhaber appointed Frohnmayer to lead the committee, which is charged with developing data and policies regarding appropriate use of race, color and national origin in law enforcement. Kitzhaber also appointed University Law Professor Keith Aoki, Lane County Sheriff Jan Clemens and David Fidanque, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon, to the 11-person group.

Frohnmayer described the committee as a preemptive measure, saying Oregon was "way ahead of the curve" on issues of racism in law enforcement. But he said racial profiling is still a problem and work needs to be done if Oregon wants to avoid the kinds of problems seen elsewhere in the United

— By Leon Tovey Oregon Daily Emerald (U. Oregon)

### CALENDAR

### **MONDAY, FEB. 25**

Rainbow Continuum, 7pm, Women's Center. LGBTQQIA group on campus. OSU Ameture Radio Club, 2-3pm, Snell 229. See the OSU radio shack.

Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity, 7pm, MU 213. Become a founding father and start your

chapter of a fratemity.

Board of Recreational Sports, 2-3pm,
MU 207. Approving the '02-03 budget. The Bahai Club, 12pm, MU 209. meeting.

ASOSU, 7pm, MU Lounge. Gubernatorial candidate, Jim Hill, will be addressing the community.

Sustainable Forestry Partnership, 12:30-1:30pm, Sm East Conf. Room Marketplace West. Brown bag lunch discussion titles "Truth about hemp. **Sustainable Forestry Partnership,** 3-5pm, Richardson Hall 107. Discovery minar: "Wood and it alternatives

### TUESDAY, FEB. 26

Recreational Sports, 3-4pm, Mu 211. Open hearing on 2002-03 recreational

Student Fees Committee, 4:30-5:30pm, MU 209. Budget board presentations. European Student Association, 8pm, Mu 110. Weekly Meeting.

Pagan Student Association, 5-7pm, MU 207. Meeting.

Lutheran Student Movement, 11:30-1:30pm, Luther House 211 NW 23rd St. Join us for lunch & conversation. Come & go as schedule permits. \$2.

OSU Circle K, 8pm, MU 212. OSU student community service organization Mountain Club, 7:30pm,, International Forum. Weekly meeting/slide show. American Indian Science & engi-

neering Society, 5pm, Native American Longhouse. Discuss year's events. Speakers Queer Resource Center/ Native American Longhouse, 6-8pm, women's center. Ask the sexpert: ses-

sion with Dr. Kathy Greaves. ASOSU, 7pm, MU Lounge. Gubernatorial candidate, Ron Saxton, will be addressing the community.

Women's Center, 12-1:30pm, MU 206. Women in Buddhism, "Choosing Sim-

**OSU Pistol Club**, 7-9pm, McAlexander Field House. Open range. New comer @ 6pm. Equipment supplied.

UCPS, 4-5:30pm, Mu 213. Shyness: fighting the fear- learn about social anxiety & how to overcome this condition.

United Campus Ministry, 5:30pm, 101 NW 23rd Westminster House. Stone Soup. Free meal for any in need. Call 753-2242 to voluntee

### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 27

Agriculture Executive Council, 6pm, Withycombe 109. Battle of the Aggies and spring industry tour.

Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity, 7pm, MU 213. Become a founding father and start your chapter of a fraternity.

nese Student Association, 6pm, MU Council Room.

Beaver Yearbook, 5pm, Snell 231. Staff meeting, everyone is welcom United Campus Ministry, Noon-1pm, Westminster. Group conversation on new book 'Speaking of Sin.'

Jnited Campus Ministry, 5:30-7pm, 101 NW 23rd St Westminster House Dinner, signing and Bible study relating your life to the journey of faith.

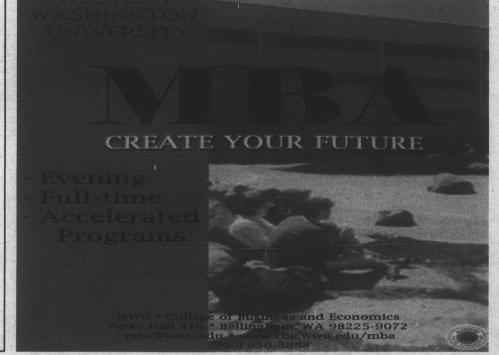
Extreme Campus Ministries, 8am, MU 211. Start the day off right! Lutheran Student Movement, 5:1 6pm, Luther House 211 NW 23rd. Evening prayer with eucharist. Informal

ASOSU, 7pm, MU Lounge. Gubernatorial candidate, Kevin Mannix, will be addressing the Corvallis community.

UCPS, 4-5:30pm, MU 211. Feel be fast. Help with stress, sadness, & sleep







# Endangered species a priority for city

➤ The City of Corvallis has a project underway to reduce harm to threatened Chinook salmon

By ERIK SORENSEN

The salmon are breeding, and the City of Corvallis is taking steps to make sure it

The City of Corvallis is in the midst of a two-phase project, which is intended to reduce detrimental effects to Chinook salmon, the only species listed as threatened in the Corvallis project area.

Phase one of the project was an effort to describe the conditions of the salmon habitat and the effect on the fish in it, which relied on a wealth of data collec-

After the data was compiled, the National Marine Fisheries Service had to review and approve the baseline conditions report, which they did.

The second phase of this project is currently under way, and its aim is to investigate the options of what can be done

about negative effects Corvallis as a information from the city on what college whole has on the salmon.

Corvallis affects the salmon when sewage and pesticides get into rivers, as well as maintaining a lack of water and electricity conservation, among other things

Robert Dillinger, the Ecological Services Division Manager of Shapiro & Associates, Inc., was involved very heavily during the data collection phase of this project.

"Corvallis has to demonstrate that it understands the baseline and affects (on the salmon) to the National Marine and Fisheries Service," Dillinger said. "From the results of this project, National Marine Fisheries Service says Corvallis has connected the two. The second phase will identify the options and give everyone some choices to make."

With phase two under way, the City of Corvallis is now looking to reduce actions that negatively affect the situation of the

Marcus Sterling, a sophomore in Mathematics, thought there was not enough students can do to help the salmon.

"They (the city) are giving people a good idea of what they can do, but they need to be more specific to the college, Sterling said.

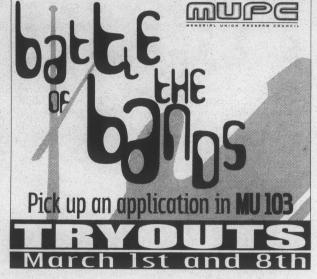
Kirk Haskett, a junior in Fish and Wildlife Science, saw that phase two was a step in the right direction and that it provided useful information on what the city

"They've (the city) listed what's been done, what's required and what's been reviewed," Haskett said.

The City of Corvallis would like to get the public involved in phase two as much as possible. Things Corvallis could do to help include: conserving water and electricity; recycling; minimizing the use if pesticides and herbicides; and using nontoxic household cleaners.

More information can be found at the of Corvallis Web http://www.ci.corvallis.or.us.

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What's that rash down there? What's this 74% thing all about?

# **Marathon:** Family experiences impact of philanthropy

dancers. Morgan piped in with his own thank you which led to a collective "ahhh" from the participants.

Morgan was born at 27 weeks gestation 18 weeks premature. He weighed one pound, 15 ounces, and was about 15 inch-

Selina and Jeff Worley were taken to Sacred Heart Medical Center in Eugene upon learning that Selina's body was not going to allow her to carry their baby to term. Sacred Heart was their destination specifically for the equipment that is provided in the neonatal intensive care unit

In Morgan's case, the NICU was his temporary home for a little over two months.

After his birth, Morgan was immediately taken to the NICU where he was monitored closely. He used a ventilator to breath and was fed fortified breast milk through a tube in his nose. Selina and Jeff didn't get to touch their new son until the day after he was born. For them, the experience was very emotional.

"It's a scary experience," Selina recalls. there were precautions that had to be

She said there was a great deal of fear due to the unknown following Morgan's birth "So many things could go wrong," she

Jeff said that, for him, the first few days were hard because he emotionally preparing for the possibility of a loss, but after the first week, he began to feel a

tremendous amount of relief.

"It was easier to grasp that I had an infant son. I didn't think that he was going to make it at first," he said.

**Morgan Worley:** 

Born 18 weeks

From the very beginning, Morgan was a fighter, his parents said. Selina and Jeff staved by their son's side as much as possible until he was allowed to go home where he proceeded to thrive.

We were lucky. We didn't have any problems," Selina said.

But despite the fact that Morgan did well,

taken. A cold for example, could cause more damage to Morgan than to a full term baby whose immune system was further developed.

That first year it felt like we were always at the doctor's office," Selina said, adding that for the most part she and her husband tried not to completely seclude Morgan out of fear of him getting sick.

Selina recalls Morgan's first birthday with a sigh of relief. "When he finally made it to his first year it was like 'thank God.' If he made it to the first year he can make it through everything," she said.

"I find it remarkable that he's 3-years-old without any complications," Jeff said.

Today, the Worley's, which also includes Morgan's younger sister Victoria, make several appearances each year to encourage and inspire the participants of events such as Dance Marathon that raise money for CMN. The family stresses this type of work really does make a difference, and in fact saves the lives of children in their very own community or

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# Cllimbing: Volunteers play large role in preparation

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many times as they wanted to, without penalty. Falls on climbs were only used to break ties

The ICC closed its doors the night of Feb. 19 to begin cleaning the walls of the gym. After three days of work, finally finishing the last route at 3:30 a.m., the route setters had put up 55 new routes in the gym.

The extensive process of preparing a climbing gym for a competition includes taking all of the current holds and tape that marks routes off the wall.

Erik Offner, Charlie Bloeder and Chris Osbourne were three of the students that played the main role in putting the competition together. The three university students motivated their friends to come in and set routes, despite working as non-that competitors complete the routes eter. She can be reached at maevegranzin@vahoo.com.

paid volunteers.

"We are all really close, so getting people to come in and help us out was no problem," said Osbourne, "We are all climbing buddies - we have a ball, climbing is so addicting.

Offner said the routes set this year are some of the hardest the Vertical Festival has ever seen. Last year, three climbers from Bend arrived at the competition and won it easily. "When we heard that they were coming again this year, we knew we had to make them work," he said. "But, this year Corvallis residents took first place in every category, so we must have done a good job.'

In addition to working to organize the competition, most of the route setters also judged for the competition, ensuring

without cheating.
OSU student Miguel Boriss took first place in the men's advanced section, winning the competition overall. "I had a lot of fun," he sàid. "The route setters did a great job and I think the best part of the competition was the positive atmosphere and seeing everybody work together. " Boriss has competed in the Vertical Festival three times. He will be done with school this year, but if he is in the area, he says he would love to come back again next year.

"I am looking forward to next year, and I just really want to thank everybody who donated their time to help. We could not have done it without all of our volunteers," said Deschesne.

Maeve Granzin covers higher education for The Daily Barom-

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# **EDITORIAL** Pearl's death is a tragedy

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. -

n Thursday, the federal government confirmed what many people had feared for several weeks. Daniel Pearl, the Wall Street Journal's South Asia bureau chief, is dead.

Pearl was shown on videotape to have been brutally murdered by people who never could get their rationale for killing him straight. First, they accused him of being a CIA operative. Then they decided he was working for Israeli intelligence.

Pearl was neither of these things. He was an intelligence-gatherer of sorts, but his job was not to gather inside information for anyone's government. It was to report facts as he saw them to the world.

Pearl was a journalist, and a dedicated one. He left his wife, pregnant with their first child, to cover the war in Afghanistan. He was on the frontlines as much as anyone, without the benefit of weapons to defend himself.

He knew this going in, and he did his job undeterred by the prospect of capture, torture or death. He was last seen headed out to investigate a story about links between Pakistani extremists and would-be airline bomber Richard C. Reid.

But the meeting he arranged with sources in Karachi, Pakistan turned deadly when, presumably, he was set-up and kidnapped. Photos were soon released showing Pearl with a gun to his head; Thursday's videotape showed his death.

Journal publisher Peter Kann said of Pearl, "We are heartbroken at his death. Danny was an outstanding colleague, a great reporter and a dear friend of many at the Journal. His murder is an act of barbarism that makes a mockery of everything Danny's kidnappers claimed to believe in."

It's hard to fathom what the kidnappers wanted to accomplish. Perhaps, having only known media to be state-run, they could not fathom a distinction between the press and the government and honestly believed that Pearl was maybe they were opportunists who wanted to kill one of "the enemy"

because they could. Either way, Pearl's death is a tragedy, and we salute a man who exemplified the ideals of our profession. Pearl will be remembered as a top-notch journalist, a dedicated professional and, above all, a brave man.

The opinions expressed in this editorial are those of The Crimson White, the student newspaper of the University of Alabama.



WHAT GIRLS THINK ABOUT BRITNEY'S NEW MOVIE.



WHAT GUYS THINK ABOUT BRITNEY'S NEW MOVIE.

# Mendelssohn remembered, OSU style

Isaiah

Flair

n Friday, March 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the LaSells Stewart Center, the combined OSU Choirs and the Corvallis-OSU Symphony will Mendelssohn's "Elijah". perform

The concert, directed by Dr. Steven Zielke, is a part of the Choral Masterworks series. Ticket information is available from the OSU Department of Music at 737-4061.

Mendelssohn's "Elijah" has a long and successful history, of which music aficionados are well aware.

After its second London performance, an Englishman named Edgar Bowring famously wrote the following entry in his journal:

Went to Exeter Hall and heard Mendelssohn's new opera of Elijah performed. He himself conducted the performance. He is a tall, thin man, under 40 years of age, and very intellectual looking. The oratorio itself is a most splendid composition. The pieces encored were the themes of 'Baal we cry to thee,' the trio of 'Lift thine eyes to the mountains' ... Mendelssohn was tremendously cheered."

ine journal entry is dated April 23, 1847.

Jakob Ludwig Felix Mendelssohn was born in 1809 to a well-educated, respected family in Germany. He married Cécile Jeanrenaud, and with her fathered three sons and two

In his thirty-eight years on earth, he was widely hailed as a musical genius whose work was inspired by Bach, Handel, Mozart, and Beethoven. Like those composers, Mendelssohn began writing music at a very early age. He studied piano, violin, music theory, and composition as a child with renowned instructors, and produced his first original piece at the age of ten.

Before he was fifteen, he wrote an opera. At seventeen, he composed an overture for Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream.

His "Die erste Walpurgisnacht op.60" vas a composition based upon poetic verses by Goethe, who was a family friend.

Over time, Mendelssohn prodi-giously penned a profusion of sonatas, concertos, piano quartets, and string symphonies.

Sadly, several of his early symphonies have since been lost. If there are copies of these, their whereabouts are undiscovered.

Mendelssohn's "Elijah" survives. For over one hundred and fifty years, it has been hailed as his greatest work. "Elijah" musically illustrates a conflict-of-power between those followed the false deity Baal, and those who followed the God of the Israelites. Mendelssohn began working on it in 1844, inspired by I Kings 17-18.

While composing, he wrote to his librettist about his vision. He described Elijah as a prophet "...of the kind we could really do with today: strong, zealous and yes, even bad-tempered, angry and brooding in contrast to the riff-raff. whether of the court or of the people, and indeed in contrast to

almost the whole world - and yet borne aloft as if on angels' wings.

An interesting description from the composer himself. And an appropriate one, which can be applied as much to the music of Mendelssohn's "Elijah" as it can be to be the Biblical prophet who inspired it.

Elijah" is often compared to George Frideric Handel's ever-popular "Messiah".

In the words of reviewer Lorelette Knowle:

The dramatic climax of the oratorio's first part occurs on Mt. Carmel. The strength of purpose in Elijah's bass aria is contrasted with the despairing cries of the chorus, 'Hear and answer, Baal.' The leading role in the drama is actually played by the chorus, which embodies the people, as it does in Handel's oratorios. In the second part of the oratorio, dealing with the indictment, escape, and ascension of Elijah, the story unfolds equally powerfully."

While many composers who become legendary over the centuries are famous for naving had unfortunate lives of struggle and undue hardships, Mendelssohn by all accounts had a wonderful life.

Happily married and a devoted father of five, he was a major hit in his own time, a favorite of countless concertgoers and even of Victoria herself, who ascended to the British throne several years before the first performance of "Elijah".

That performance, in the Birmingham Town Hall on August 26,

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# Timmons



# Dancing for charity turns into solo dance

ast week I wrote about Dance Marathon, a topic that is very near and dear to my heart. This week I have the opportunity to follow up that column with some good comments, and unfortunately with some not so good.

This year the Dance Marathon raised a little over \$6,000. That is a great amount of money raised for a wonderful cause, the Children's Miracle Network. \$6,000 raised by participants of a one day activity is awesome, and everyone who went out and collected donations should be commended for their hard work.

The downside to this is that \$6,000 is barely enough money to cover expenses of this event.

Originally, the executive council of DM was shooting for 100 dancers, each raising \$100, with many raising more. This would have put their total way over their expenses and allowed for a sizable donation to be made. Unfortunately, people are not nearly as committed to their community, or to community service as they like to

You know who you are, the ones who talked about how wonderful an idea this fundraiser was, and how you were "so there." You are the ones that were seen walking into the bar later Saturday night, because you had bet-ter things to do than help the children.

Like one of the miracle parents said to us Saturday, "There is nothing better to do than this."

Sometimes I get so discouraged with this campus for their two-faced mentality. We have one half of campus that claims they are so philanthropic, but when an event like this, which is so easy to do comes around, the gym is nearly empty for much of the day.

I have come to realize that the philanthropies that are successful occur because members are required to participate, not because the students are actually charitable.

The other side of campus is no better either, and is often much worse. Coming from the non-Greek community, I can attest to the fact that the last three community service projects I attended (excluding DM) had an attendance of a whopping 10 com-

We like to think we have something better to do, but we do not.

The house than won the giant Dance Marathon trophy for raising the most money had a sign on the wall that said "Dancing All Night." That just was not the case.

One member was there for the entire program, except for a short break when he went to recruit more of his brothers. All of the people of that house should thank him for making their entire house look good.

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# Queer Like Me: Day One

Author's Note: In light of the recent controversy concerning the queer community, I wanted to explore the lives of queer students on campus. I talked to numerous members of the Rainbow Continuum and the Queer Resource Center, whose experiences have been both positive and negative. My goal is to explore the prejudices myself and others have about the queer community and dispel them. The best way to understand is to listen to the accounts of those who are affected.

This is the first installment of a five-day

Jeffrey Root came out in the summer of 2000, before he started school at OSU. He said he needed to tell his parents because he "felt like an alien.

I felt dishonest by allowing others to think that I was other than I am.

Root told his father first and his dad reassured him by saying he understood. His father also helped Root tell his mother.

"It was the most terrifying experience," Root said. "I didn't want to hurt her but I knew that (for her) to understand, it had to hurt first.

Root, who was raised in a Christian home, prepared a 20-page packet of typed research and information about what the Bible says concerning homosexuality before going home to Portland for the weekend. He told his mother to sit down on the couch and, with Root's father sitting

beside her, he asked her to turn to page one.
"I am gay," the page read. The following

19 pages dissected the arguments that Christians made against homosexuality, to demonstrate the ways Root felt believers had misconstrued Bible verses. He understood that for his mother to be able to accept him, she would have to accept his explanation of the ways the Bible verses had been misinterpreted.

At first his mother cried, sitting silently as Root waited for a response. He finally said he was going to leave for a while and as he passed her, his mother grabbed him.

She hugged him and cried, saying that his life would be hard and she didn't want that for him. After her initial shock and denial his mother has accepted his

At 19, the blond, blue-eyed Root looks like the all-American young man. An English major, he has a passion for German automobiles. He drives a 1986 Mercedes, which, he says, has seen better days.

While he may not fit the stereotype of a homosexual, Root - who identifies himself as gay - points out, "There is no typical gay." Root emphasizes his point by adding that he is not promiscuous and considers himself a virgin.

"Straights would be floored at how many people are gay," he added.

Root grew up learning that homosexuality was a sin. As an adolescent, he felt guilty about his feeling towards boys.

He says he didn't choose to be gay.

"There is a genetic disposition and then other factors are added, like family and religion," Root said. "The more tolerant the family, the more likely it is that a person's disposition will come out."

In the last two years at OSU, Root hasn't had many negative experiences. In fact, the most common reaction from straights who learn he is gay is a look. "It's an expression that has its root in confusion," he said. "It's usually not hate, just igno-

Nonetheless, he feels threatened by the possibility of physical and mental abuse at the hands of straights.

"I never feel comfortable," Root said. "It's mostly guys in groups, saying things to each other.

"Most of them, if they were alone, wouldn't say anything."

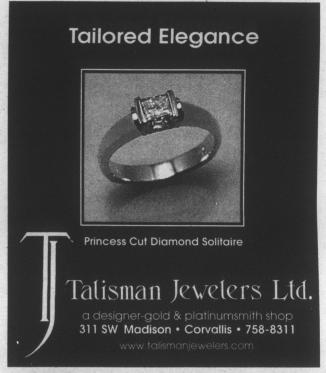
Root tries to educate people about the queer community and responds to the harassment only if he thinks it will have an

"I have to pick my battles," he said. And while Root sees himself as a diplomat between the straight and queer communities, he believes that straights need to take the initiative and educate themselves.

"I'm open to answering questions," he said. "If you are confused, just ask."

Katie Willson is a guest columnist for The Daily Barometer. The opinions in her columns, which will appear Monday through Friday, do not necessarily represent those of The Barometer staff. Willson can be reached at willsonk@onid.orst.edu

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

**Ritchie McKay** 

Is it time to move on?

Well Ritchie McKay, I hope you are happy. I certainly am. I know you had your reasons for taking a bunch of kids that are built for a running offense and tying pianos to their backs. Why can't the other teams in the Pac-10 walk the ball up every time and play perimeter offense? If that is your strategy, then why don't you just go down to Dixon Rec. Center and grab some kids? They will miss threes for you all day long. Every time it looks like the Beavers are going to make a push, the ball gets passed back or someone slows it down. If your goal is to use as much clock as possible, then why do you insist on calling time-outs with 7 seconds left on the shot clock, again leading to some desperation three? Do you also realize that you have led in the second

half in the majority of your games and you still have a losing record? I say that is not the player's fault. That is the coach's fault. The sad part about it is that when your team gets down with less than 10 minutes to go, there is no way for them to come back. If you think that you are Gene Hackman (from "Hoosiers"), I say the times have

changed, and 14 passes before you shoot the ball is not going to win games. I applaud Jimmie Haywood for leaving, and I believe that he made a smart decision. McKay, maybe you should take a cue. You were not brought here to make a mockery of a once dominant program. Your offense has not worked for two years. Do something or please just move on so that we as fans can continue to watch and enjoy Beaver basketball

JAMES PARRISH, Junior in liberal arts

# Flair: Tickets available

1846, was hailed by The Times, which said, "Never was there a more complete triumph!'

The enthusiasm of The Times was echoed by others who attended that performance. 156 later, Mendelssohn's "Elijah" remains one of the most well received and popular oratorios in all of music.

Dr. Steven Zielke, the conductor for OSU's March 8 performance of "Elijah", says that "Mendelssohn composed more than a poignant melody or dramatic harmony; he created a musical drama with powerful characters and inventive dramatic flow. The work is really a series of dramatic scenes with the soloists portraying characters and the chorus serving as the people.

Tickets (\$15 for adults; \$8 for students) are available at the Music Office in Benton Hall, and also at the Grass Roots Bookstore, Gracewinds Music, and Sid Steven's Jewelers in Albany.

OSU students get free admission if they bring their OSU student ID with them to the concert.

Isaiah Flair is a political columnist for The Daily Barometer. The opinions in his columns, which appear every Monday, do not necessarily represent those

# **Timmons:** Same crowd participates for charity

I hear it from a reliable source that almost all the money that was raised from that house came from him as well. I want to thank him for realizing there was nothing better for him to do.

There are people that try so hard to bring this campus together. They put on events that are not intended for one side or the other, and they just don't fly. The people that do participate are the same every time too.

Programs like these are a reunion for the

thing is that these are possibly the 20 bers in attendance than any other living busiest people on the campus.

President Paul Risser, his wife Les, and Larry Roper, vice provost of student affairs, who are probably the three busiest people at OSU, realized that there was nothing better for them to do, and joined us for a

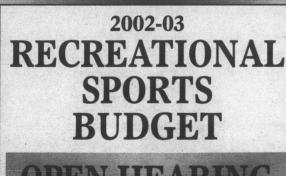
I want to end on a high note, thanking all those who did make this event wonderful. The campus should show appreciation to the executive council that put this awesome, time-consuming philanthropy on.

group. Thank you.

Tipton, the gentleman that raised the most money for Children's Miracle Network, thank you. The friends that I pulled along, that I always pull along to things like this (Beef and Willie especially, since I told them the night before).

Thank you all for realizing there was nothing better to do.

Justin Timmons is a political columnist for The Daily Barometer. The opinions in his columns, which appear every Mon-, do not neces same 20 people all the time. The funniest Wilson Hall represented with more mem-



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"Melissa and I look forward to transitioning the new president and vice president throughout spring term," Geddes said, and added that he congratulates both tickets for a good campaign.

In an unopposed race for MUPC president, Melissa Watkins won.

"I'm just glad to get it over with. I'm glad to know the results for both positions and I'm ready to get going," Watkins

Serving as MUPC vice president will be Rob Banagale, who ran against Nick Itami and won

"I'm really excited for next year and for the transition next term," Banagale said.

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# Softball beats UW, falls to Michigan

➤ Beavers get only their sixth win over Washington in last 35 games

COLUMBUS, Ga. - Oregon State's 11thranked softball team came up with a huge 3-0 win over No. 6 Washington, then fell short in a comeback try in a 3-2 loss to No. 10 Michigan in the silver bracket championship game at the NFCA Leadoff Classic

Kristen Hunter and Monica Hoffman combined to give up just three hits to Washington in the semifinal game and allowed just one runner to reach second base, while the offense manufactured a run in the third and put two more on the board in the fourth.

Freshman Alana Mendoza drove in senior Traci Feldt for the first run after Feldt singled and stole two bases to reach third with two outs.

Shelly Prochaska and Kelly Petersen scored what proved to be the final two runs in the fourth after base hits to open the

Hunter went four innings and allowed two batters struck out swinging.

just two hits to earn the win before Hoffman relieved her and worked the final three frames for the save.

"We played very well against Washington," OSU coach Kirk Walker said. "The pitchers looked awesome. Kristen Hunter pitched four great innings and then Monica came in and finished it out.

"Offensively, we swung the bat well and got some big hits; we got a clutch hit from Traci Feldt. This was definitely a good game. The offense played well and Kristen nd Monica combined for a great game."

Senior Jenni Jodoin was the victim of a questionable call later in the game, when an apparent homerun was called foul.

The Beavers (16-4) beat Washington for the sixth time in 35 series meetings; OSU has won at least one game against the Huskies each of the last four years.

After falling behind 3-0 to No. 10 Michigan in the second inning, OSU put up one score in the fourth on a Jenni Jodoin RBI single that brought in Prochaska from second to make it 3-1. The bases were loaded with one out after Jodoin's hit, but the next

Junior center fielder Cara Maxey's seventh inning homerun with two outs made it 3-2, but the rally fell short when Clare Burnum, OSU's batting average leader, struck out.

Senior Crystal Draper started the game, but was pulled in favor of Hunter after facing two batters and giving up a homerun in the second while struggling with an injury.

Hoffman relieved Hunter after an inning and worked four frames, giving up two hits. Hunter (5-2) took the loss.

This game was a little bit frustrating," Walker said. "We had only five-to-10 minutes between our first game and the second, and we started out a little flat.

"Crystal got out of the first inning, but struggled in the second. I had to pull her because she was injured. Kristen got us some ground balls, but we made some mistakes behind her.

"We got one run in the fourth, but unfortunately, we didn't keep scoring that inning. We continued to put some pressure on but didn't score again until the seventh when Cara Maxey hit a homerun to keep us going.'

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# Canada wins hockey gold medal again, finally

AP SPORTS WRITER

WEST VALLEY CITY, Utah — Oh, yes, Canada.

Canada finally ended its agonizing 50year wait to win the Olympic gold medal in its national sport, beating the United States as Jarome Iginla and Joe Sakic each scored twice in a historic 5-2 victory Sun-

The loss ended U.S. coach Herb Brooks' quest to lead a second gold-medal winning team 22 years after the famous "Miracle on Ice" with a group of college play-

This time, with the best of the NHL playing each other, the U.S. men's team lost for the first time in 70 years on Olympic home ice — three days after the American women's team lost to Canada in the final.

Paul Kariya and Iginla scored less than four minutes apart in the first period as Canada seized the lead after falling behind 1-0. Brian Rafalski tied it in the second period after the Americans killed off a two-man advantage, but Canada regained the lead on Sakic's goal later in

In the third, Iginla redirected Steve Yzerman's shot from the left point with upset loss to the Czech Republic.

just under four minutes left to increase Canada's lead, then Sakic added his second goal.

That sealed what is perhaps Canada's biggest victory in any sport and caused Wayne Gretzky, the team's executive director, to jump up wildly in his private box, pumping his fists and waving his

Remarkably, Canada's gold came 50 years to the day an amateur team called the Edmonton Waterloo Mercurys won the hockey-crazy nation's last Olympic gold. In 1998, Canada easily won its first four games, only to be eliminated in an

# Fowlks: Coach admits to making some mistakes

**Continued from page 8** McKay's mistake.

The wheels came off sometime Sunday, sometime after Oregon State was throttled by the Ducks at McArthur Court. A game that will likely endure in Civil War basketball lore, it seemed to be a very convincing indicator that University of Oregon was indeed far beyond the Beavers in basket-

And by that Sunday it seemed nothing could go right for McKay.

The team couldn't win, and wasn't really even trying anymore. Heck, the Beavers had given up the fight against Oregon long before the score had gotten out of hand.

OSU was likely to blow the only thing it had going for it - eighth place in the conference and the consequential place in the Pac-10 tourney.

And now to top it off, he's hearing these rumors — juniors Jimmie Haywood and Brian Jackson are thinking of leaving the

admit at Friday morning's press conference to announce Brian Jackson's reinstatement to the team.

"I responded very quickly. I reacted, actually, instead of responded," he said. And there is no sugar-coating it. He did.

McKay called both players in individually, listened to each confirm his unhappiness, and then reacted on his emotions, which were by now reaching boiling point.

He told both that if they weren't sure their hearts were in it, they should leave

Don't pass go, don't collect \$200, just get the hell out of here. And for Haywood, the 6-foot-2 guard

for too long, that was just fine.

But Jackson really wasn't sure he wanted to go. He loved playing basketball at OSU, he loved his teammates, and he'd gone to McKay mostly seeking guidance. And here coach had backed him into a corner, telling him not to suit up for Monday's game against Portland if he wasn't sure he was totally committed.

Confused about the signals he was getting from his 36-year-old coach, the 21year player told McKay that, like Haywood, he was leaving too.

### **Jackson returns.**

His decision made, McKay went on with his business of being a basketball coach. The momentum was all downward, and He redrew the lines of the family tree and quixotically led his team out to face Washington, in a game that last year would have meant nothing--the prize being eighth place in the Pac-10--but this year with the reinstatement of the conference tournament meant a chance to extend the sea-

The Beavers played hard, played well, He handled it badly, McKay would but minus Jackson and Haywood, lost the game by five.

> listen to that game on the radio, away from his teammates where he couldn't help out, as "the hardest thing I have ever had to do."

Meanwhile McKay had calmed down and was now troubled about the way the Jackson situation had played out. Seeking closure, he called the 6-9 forward and asked him to come down to his office.

After more than an hour of tense and emotional conversation McKay and Jackson straightened out their differences and emerged to announce that Jackson was back on the team.

At the press conference the next mornwho had fought with McKay too often, and ing almost nobody involved in the pro-

gram could contain their elation. Jackson's voice cracked as he told reporters that his relationship with McKay had grown stronger then ever in the last 12 hours and that he was happy to be back with the

McKay, dressed in an orange calico shirt, was talkative and unusually frank. The bright and boyish glow had returned to his face and he bravely took the blame for the misadventures of the previous days.

Even athletic director Mitch Barnhart was smiling, and gamely praising both player and coach for working out their dif-

Privately Barnhart must have been fuming. McKay's overreaction had made the athletic department look like a circus act-announcing one player's departure, and then another's, before having to take the second announcement back.

And all this while the season was still going, while the team had a chance to go to the conference championship.

But Friday was a time for smiles, not blame, and so Barnhart gladly played along. Saturday would be much of the same, as the Beavers rolled, the savior Jackson would later describe having to returned, the fans rejoiced, and the coach was redeemed.

McKay likes to refer to his team as a family, and that never seemed like a more appropriate designation than it did Saturday night. For one night, everything seemed to come together for Oregon State, and it happened at home, in front of the 7,300 Beaver believers.

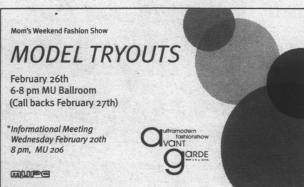
And maybe imbedded amongst all the drama was a lesson: in order to be a family, you have to persevere.

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# With Jax back OSU stampedes Cougs

> Brian Jackson returns to the team as Beaver's ignite for biggest margin of victory over Pac-10 foe since 1988-89

By RYAN GABRIEL

Brandon Payton played his final game at his second collegiate home Saturday night and it turned out to be his best.

The younger brother of Oregon State's all-time leading scorer Gary Payton scored 21 points as the Beavers ran circles against the lowly Washington State Cougars with a 91-55 victory.

Payton, who played only his senior season for the Beavers after transferring from California-Santa Barbara, was brilliant in all three of OSU's games this week, scoring a career high 23 points against Portland Monday and 19 in Thursday nights loss to the Huskies.

"It's the last game I'm going to be able to be here and play and I tried to make the most of it," Payton said. "I'm feeling pretty good. It's been a long time coming. It's not fun sitting on the bench and watching, especially knowing that you can do something.

The senior out of De La Salle High School began the season as a starter but slipped deep into head coach Ritchie McKay's rotation after struggling defensively in the early parts of the season. Now he has his coach sheepishly saying oops and pondering whether he waited to long to reinsert him into the starting lineup.

"He's making me look bad," McKay said. "Brandon has really made a commitment to our team and his defense so he is shinning. I think I may have waited too late to reinsert him.'

Payton wasn't the only one who shined Saturday night. All five of Oregon State's starters scored in double-digits and only Ian Elseth, Vic Remmers and Jarman Sample failed to put points on the

Brian Jackson, who had announced on Wednesday that he was leaving the program, only to reverse his decision at an emotional press conference on Friday morning, had 13 points and four

The Beavers broke this game open early, starting the game on a 8-0 run and never gain letting the Cougars (5-20, 1-16) shrink the lead to anything fewer than seven points after that. By halftime the

Beavers had already increased their lead to 43-25. Washington executed a 7-0 run and narrowed the lead to 49-38 with 14:38 remaining in the game but watched OSU go on a 17-0 run over the next four minutes and erase any chance of the Cougars

had to get back into the ball game. The Beavers successfully converted seven foul shots during the run and made their first 20 attempts from the foul-line. David Lucas finally missed for OSU when he was fouled with 2:56 remaining in the game.

Oregon State finished 20-21 from the line but weren't even close to their all-time record. Against Memphis State in 1990 the Beavers made 30 of 31

The 36 point margin of victory is the Beavers highest since dismantling the Washington Huskies 106-66 during the 1988-89 season.

McKay wasn't sure sure if this was the best the team has played all season, but was convinced it was as good as his sometimes criticized motion offense has been.



Brandon Payton finished his best week as a Beaver with 21 points against Washington State.

Payton was 8-10 from the field and 4-5 from behind the three-point line. He added five rebounds and a couple of assists to complete his best all-around performance. Fellow senior Adam Masten played exactly the way he did his entire career with 10 points on 4-5 shooting and five assists.

"I really think there is a role for a guard to score a lot of points in our offense," McKay said. "He has to be aggressive enough to do it and yet willing enough to get somebody else open or give it up if you don't have it."

The win, coupled with Washington's loss at Oregon, moved the Beavers back into a tie for eighth in the conference standings with the Huskies. Both at 737-6378 or baro.sports@studentmedia.orst.edu

teams have four Pac-10 victories, but UW holds the tie-breaking advantage with a win over a higher seeded team in the conference.

The Huskies beat Pac-10 leading Oregon last month in Seattle. Oregon State's "best" win came against Arizona State, who is seventh in the stand-

Washington hosts Washington State this Saturday. Oregon State visits USC and UCLA this week. If the Huskies win the Beavers would need a sweep of the schools from Los Angeles. If Washington loses Oregon State would only need to win one game this weekend.

# Women toss aside WSU

> Beavers finish in no less than a tie for fourth place in the Pac-10 conference

BAROMETER WIRE REPORTS

PULLMAN, Wash. — Five Beavers reached double figures in scoring as Oregon State University's women's basketball team topped Washington State University, 74-52, in Saturday's basketball action.

It wasn't pretty - but it was a win, and the Beavers finish the regular season with a 15-13 overall mark and 11-7 record in Pacific-10 Conference action while Washington State falls to 2-25 overall and finish the conference campaign 0-18.

Both squads exchanged baskets in the early going with OSU eventually building an 8-4 lead, until Washington State scored five unanswered points to gain the advantage after five min-

The Cougars held their largest lead (18-14) with 7:46 remaining in the half but Oregon State answered with a 9-Q run to regain the lead at 23-18. Sophomore post Brina Chaney added six points in the stretch.

WSU made a run of its own as Brittney Hawks scored five-straight to knot the score with just under five minutes remaining. Oregon State outscored Washington State 12-7 to finish the half and head into the locker room with a 35-30 advantage.

Chaney and senior guard Felicia Ragland added 10 points each in the opening 20 minutes.

The Cougars never really threatened in the second half. WSU pulled within four points (40-36) at the 16:43 mark after back-to-back buckets by senior Whitney Martindale but OSÚ reeled off 11 straight to take control of

"This is a great win," said OSU head coach Judy Spoelstra. "It's hard to get the kids to focus and be ready for a game like this.

Ragland led all players with 17 points on 7-of-14 shooting and pulled down a team-best seven rebounds. She sank a pair of free throws to match the OSU record for consecutive charity tosses made with 19. Sophomore Hollye Chapman finished with 13 points with freshman Juleen Smith added 12 points. Senior Ericka Cook poured in 10 points and blocked a pair of shots while Chaney scored all 10 of her points in the opening half. Sophomore Leilani Estavan led all players with eight assists and three

Raglan was sidelined around the seven-minute mark for the remainder of the contest, after rolling her right

According to OSU athletic trainer Kelli Eberlein, "It was a slight sprain and we'll take advantage of getting some ice on it - she should be okay."

Hawks led the Cougars with her 12th double-double of the season on 14 points and 10 rebounds. Martindale also reached double figures with 12 points.

Oregon State's victory allows the Beavers to finish in no less than a tie for fourth place in the Pac-10. The fourth place finish and 11-7 record is the best for Oregon State since the 1995-96 season, when OSU won 11 games and earned a second place fin-

The win sets up a first round match-up with University of Southern California next Friday at 8:15 p.m. in the inaugural Pac-10 tournament on the campus of University of Oregon. In quite possibly the most evenly matched series in the conference, USC swept both meetings with the Beavers by a combined six points.

Tournament tickets can be purchased by contacting the U of O ticket office, at 1-800-WEB-FOOT.

# A week's worth of chaos provides a lifetime's worth of lessons

ore than 7,300 showed up, some probably because they sensed the hometown team needed support, and others because they were infused with the same morbid curiosity that causes drivers to slow down and gawk at a traffic accident as they pass.

Whatever their individual motivations, every Beaver fan in the building was treated to a 91-55 victory over Washington State that was, well, really fun. Brian Jackson returned to cheers, and then played freer and easier than he

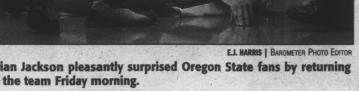


had since he was a freshman. He played the perimeter, and down in the key, looking at home in both locales. He played in transition and stole a pass in the backcourt. And the dour, small town kid, an unhappy free agent just two days before, wore a large grin as he shucked the ball up court to start another fast break.

So 7,300 fans looked at each other in startled satisfaction as they pondered what was more remarkable, that Jackson was smiling or that the Beavers were playing up tempo

It was that kind of day.

And so the final scene in the bizarre soap opera that had been Oregon State men's basketball this week was a happy, encouraging one after all. A story that was beginning to look like *Invasion of the Body Snatchers* somehow segued into *It's a Wonderful Life*, with OSU coach Ritchie McKay playing the role of George



Brian Jackson pleasantly surprised Oregon State fans by returning to the team Friday morning.

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