



**Kunda Leads Off**  
Senior second baseman Chris Kunda moves up in the batting order for OSU

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## Senior recitals a rite of passage

■ Students expected to memorize 50 minutes of material; singers must use three different languages

By Ashley Blake  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Benton Hall often echoes with a medley of racing piano melodies, booming wind choruses and soaring vocals.

But in the springtime, the 119-year-old building reverberates with sounds of a more serious tone: senior recitals.

"To me, it's really an opportunity to share everything you've been working on," said Jonathan Baltera, who gave his recital in spring 2004. "It's a chance to showcase not just the music but our growth as humans."

Baltera graduated from OSU in 2005 in choral conducting and will start working on his graduate degree in music education at the University of Washington in the fall. He has remained active at OSU as an assistant conductor of chamber choir and Meistersingers.

He is also working on an English vocal performance he

will give at the end of the summer.

A full recital — required for music performance majors — consists of at least 50 minutes of a balanced repertoire of various styles and time periods. Pianists and vocalists traditionally memorize the music, and vocal students must demonstrate diction abilities by singing pieces in at least three languages.

"The students who really strive to connect with the audience and share their joy are the ones who get the most back from the experience," Baltera said.

Academic music instructor and a veteran recital attendee Angela Carlson finds it especially rewarding to hear the senior programs.

"It's always really interesting to see students develop over their college career," she said. "Almost without exception they progress incredibly within those four to five years."

Music minors are not required to hold a senior recital, though every so often a few do.

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Matt Groves, a senior in computer science, and Paul Landrum, a senior in chemical engineering, practice in Benton Hall last week. Their senior recital will be at First Congregational Church at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

## Honoring the Fallen



PETER CHEE / THE DAILY BAROMETER

A memorial listing the names of U.S. soldiers who have died in Iraq since March 2003 will remain set up in the Memorial Union Quad over the next few days. Interspersed between the hand written names are tags representing Iraqis who have also died. On Monday, many students walked by the display only sparing brief glances, but a few stopped to take a closer look.

## MU Quad hosts Iraq War memorial

### At a Glance

#### Where to look

The memorial will be set up until Friday May 12 in the MU Quad

#### What's involved

The names of people who have died during the war, including U.S. military personnel and Iraqis, are written on thin canvass strips

#### Who's behind it

Local activist Leah Bolger and others involved in the movement against the war

#### Deaths to date

According to a count by The Associated Press, at least 2,422 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003. At least 1,907 have died as a result of hostile action.

■ Activists inspired after seeing unique demonstrations against the war

By Susie Bafico  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Until May 12, an Iraq War Memorial will be featured in the MU Quad in the area closest to the bookstore.

Leah Bolger, who created the memorial, spoke about the meaning behind the memorial at a Monday event.

Bolger said the memorial is inspired by an activity she took part in on the second anniversary of the Iraq War called Peace March.

Bolger and other activists, led by a woman named LoErna Simpson, printed the names of as many Americans and Iraqis as they could on strips of paper and carried them during the march. They then hung the strips in front of the Benton County Courthouse for that day.

Bolger was motivated to take her own action after seeing an exhibit in Eugene called "Eyes Wide Open."

In this exhibit, a pair of boots was displayed for each American military casualty with names attached.

Affected by this display, Bolger said, "(the exhibit) really served as a call to action."

She said she has become even more involved with the peace movement and decided to make a memorial similar to the strips of paper.

"I wanted to make something that would be more durable," Bolger said.

To help withstand the weather, Bolger used outdoor canvas for the strips and permanent marker to write the names of the casualties. She added that she wanted to memorialize Iraqis as well, but since there is no concrete number she adapted her creation. "I used a different color canvas and wrote '1000 Iraqis,'" Bolger said. "I made 75 of these to represent a mid-range estimate of 75,000 fatalities."

Bolger, along with her husband Bart, are veterans. They both served in the Navy for more than 20 years.

Bolger said she has always been inter-

ested in peacekeeping, and that when she retired from the Navy in 2000 she created a Corvallis chapter of Veterans for Peace.

Being warned about possible vandalism on the memorial, Bolger has met with state police and public safety offices to keep an eye on the display.

"I'm sure it sounds naïve, but I just cannot bring myself to believe that anyone would harm a memorial," Bolger said.

She added that even for people who support President Bush and the war, "what satisfaction could there be in desecrating the names of the people who died there?" Bolger hopes that anyone on campus who stops to look at the memorial will be affected as she was by the Eugene exhibit.

"I want the numbers of dead to somehow be more real, more intimate," Bolger said.

Bolger said she ultimately wants people to be moved enough to do something about the war.

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Coming Thursday — students react to the memorial and share opinions on the war

## Cell phone tax still in works for Corvallis

■ Proposed tax on communication businesses said to help Corvallis maintain its public services

By Ryan Blake  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

A proposed telecommunication business tax for companies operating in Corvallis — which would tax wireless phone providers — is making its way through local government. The proposal is due for a hearing this month before the full city council.

If the proposal is passed, cell phone rates would likely rise, as wireless phone companies would need to cover the tax. The proposed tax would not hit cell phone users with billing addresses outside of Corvallis.

According to Tony Krieg, Corvallis City Council franchise utilities specialist, this proposal would gain Corvallis an estimated \$350-\$700 thou-

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## Windfall brings money to Oregon

■ Wind energy could have a multi-million dollar impact on economy

By Mollie Holmes  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

In 1998, Oregon's first commercial wind farm began operation in Umatilla County.

Today, this county is producing more than 70 percent of Oregon's total wind capacity — 260 MW — according to the special report "Umatilla County's Economic Structure and the Economic Impacts and Wind Energy Development: An Input-Output Analysis."

Umatilla's wind industry will affect more than just the region's power generation, however.

It has the potential to grow into a \$40 million business and provide numerous new jobs to the area's

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## Seized documents highlight al-Qaida in Iraq's strategy

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Al-Qaida in Iraq is concerned about disorganization within its cells in the Baghdad area, with one extremist describing them as simply a "daily annoyance" to the Iraqi government, according to documents released Monday by the U.S. military.

The military said the documents were seized during April 16 raids in the Yousufiyah area, 12 miles south of the capital. The documents indicate the group is worried that its forces are unable to secure solid footholds within Baghdad, U.S. military officials said.

Notably absent from the documents were the usual derogatory references to Shiites as heretics, and the Americans as either "crusaders" or "occupation forces" — language common to most militant postings that appear on the Internet.

"This information confirms what the government of Iraq, coalition forces and ultimately the people of Iraq already know — that al-Qaida in Iraq's role only attempts to impede Iraqis in following the road to prosperity, security and national unity," U.S. military spokesman Brig. Gen. Rudy Wright said in a statement.

## Darfur refugees force humanitarian chief to flee

NYALA, Sudan (AP) — Darfur refugees rioted Monday and forced the U.N. humanitarian chief to rush from their camp, then later attacked African peacekeepers and killed a translator in a sign of deep tensions in the wartorn region despite a fragile peace deal.

The violence broke out as the U.N.'s Jan Egeland toured Kalma camp, home

to some 90,000 displaced people driven from their villages in Darfur. He was met by about 1,000 protesters demanding U.N. peacekeepers be deployed in the region.

The protesters attacked a translator traveling with Egeland after someone in the crowd accused the man of working with the Janjaweed, the feared Arab militia blamed for atrocities against villagers, U.N. spokeswoman Dawn Blalock said.

## Moussaoui says he lied about being involved in 9/11

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — Convicted Sept. 11 conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui says he lied on the witness stand about being involved in the plot and wants to withdraw his guilty plea because he now believes he can get a fair trial from an American jury.

U.S. District Judge Leonie Brinkema denied Moussaoui's request Monday afternoon, saying the motion was "too late."

In a motion filed Friday but released Monday, Moussaoui said he testified on March 27 that he was supposed to hijack a fifth plane on Sept. 11, 2001, and fly it into the White House "even though I knew that was a complete fabrication."

A federal court jury spared the 37-year-old Frenchman the death penalty last Wednesday. On Thursday, Brinkema gave him six life sentences, to run as two consecutive life terms, in the federal supermax prison at Florence, Colo.

Explaining his latest reversal, Moussaoui said in an affidavit: "I was extremely surprised" by the life sentence.

"I had thought I would be sentenced to death based on the emotions and anger toward me for the deaths on

Sept. 11, but after reviewing the jury verdict and reading how the jurors set aside their emotions and disgust for me and focused on the law and the evidence ... I now see that it is possible that I can receive a fair trial even with Americans as jurors."

At sentencing, Brinkema told Moussaoui, "You do not have a right to appeal your convictions, as was explained to you" when he pleaded guilty in April 2005. "You waived that right," she said.

## Hundreds gather to remember fallen soldier

PORTLAND (AP) — More than a month after he died in Iraq, Navy Petty Officer Marcques Nettles was laid to rest at Willamette National Cemetery.

Nettles, 22, formerly of Beaverton, was remembered Sunday by more than 200 family, friends and other well-wishers, including Gov. Ted Kulongoski.

Nettles was killed April 2 near al-Asad, Iraq, when the truck in which he was riding overturned during a flash flood. He had just been deployed to Iraq in February.

"I don't know why Marcques' time is now," his wife, Christina Mullen-Nettles said during the memorial service at New Beginnings Christian Center in Portland.

"And I don't know if I ever will," she added. "I know there is a reason, because Marcques is special."

Nettles joined the Navy on Sept. 11, 2002, and studied nursing on his way to becoming a hospital corpsman.

Nettles was born in Tacoma. He finished elementary school and started middle school in Kennewick, Wash. He moved with his family to Beaverton, where he finished middle school and graduated from Westview High

School.

Curtis Jr., the oldest of Marcques' siblings, said they were like best friends, especially while playing high school football.

"I found no greater joy than playing next to my brother on the field," he said. "I got to see Marcques, as an underclassman, bust a few skulls. I was really proud of him. That was the best time for him and I. Then came graduation. I went into the Navy and, true to form, my heart and soul, Marcques came in right after me."

## Four dead in weekend crash near Government Camp

GOVERNMENT CAMP (AP) — Four people died and two were critically injured Sunday in a two-vehicle crash about 10 miles east of Government Camp, the Oregon State Police said.

The head-on crash happened on Highway 26 near Frog Lake.

Police said a black BMW driven by Andrey Blashishin, 22, of Portland was heading eastbound when it crossed the center line and collided with a silver Dodge Intrepid driven by Gary Matlick, 55, of Bend.

Both drivers were taken to Legacy Emanuel Hospital in Portland in critical condition. All of the passengers — three women and one man — died at the scene.

The victims in BMW were identified as Diana Timofieya, 19; Buga Ruvimbuga, 16; and Nataliya Blashishin, 23. Police could not determine their current addresses.

The victim in the silver car was Jacqueline Matlick, 56, of Boise, Idaho.

The highway was wet Sunday afternoon, but police have not said if that contributed to the crash, which was still being investigated.

Traffic in the area was backed up for much of the day.

## Tuesday, May 9

### Meetings

**ASOSU**, 5pm, 149 Snell Hall. Community and Women's Affairs Task Force meeting. Everyone welcome.

**ASOSU**, 7pm, 149 Snell Hall. Federal and State Affairs Task Force meeting. All welcome.

**ASOSU**, 5:30pm, 120 Snell Hall. Queer Affairs Task Force meeting. All welcome.

**Blood Drive Association**, 6pm, MLK Room in MU. Plan campus blood drives.

### Events

**Lutheran Campus Ministry**, 11:30-1:30pm, Luther House, 211 NW 23rd Street. Lunch: Come and go as you are able. Homemade food, stimulating conversation, vegetarian option.

**Blood Drive Association**, 11am-4pm, MU Ballroom. American Red Cross campus blood drive is accepting both walk-ins and appointments for donors.

## Wednesday, May 10

### Meetings

**ASOSU**, 5pm, 149 Snell Hall. Disabled Affairs Task Force meeting. Everyone welcome.

**ASOSU**, 4pm, ASC Conference Room. Campus Affairs Task Force meeting. Everyone welcome.

**Pre-Vet Club**, 7pm, Magruder 102. Want to nominate someone for one of next year's officer positions? Want to learn about the Vet School application process? Then come!

### Speakers

**United Students Against Sweatshops**, 4:30-5:30pm, MU Board Room. Agatha Schmadick, shares her experiences inspecting factories.

### Events

**Silent Lunch**, Noon-1pm, MU Commons. Sign language spoken here. All skill levels welcome.

**Catholic Campus Ministry**, 12:10pm, Newman Center Chapel, 2127 NW Monroe. Noon Mass — Take a pause with faculty and staff for mid-week Mass.

**United Campus Ministry**, Noon-1pm, 101 NW 23rd, Westminster House. University Learning Community — Our book focus is, "When Jesus Came to Harvard" by Harvey Cox. All are welcome.

**United Campus Ministry**, 5:30-7:30pm, 101 NW 23rd, Westminster House. Student Gathering — Join us for a home-cooked meal, conversation oriented Bible Study & worshipful singing.

**Blood Drive Association**, 11am-4pm, MU Ballroom. American Red Cross campus blood drive is accepting both walk-ins and appointments for donors.

**Career Services**, 4-8pm, Career Services, basement of Kerr Admin. Workshop on applying to State of Oregon for internships and full-time employment.

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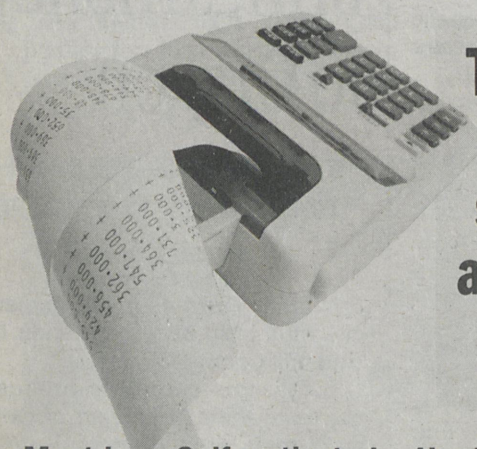
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# CIA nominee Hayden faces fight over eavesdropping, military ties

By Katherine Shrader  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Bush's nomination of Gen. Michael Hayden as CIA chief ignited a confirmation fight Monday over the intelligence veteran's ties to the controversial eavesdropping program and his ability to be independent from the military establishment.

With Hayden at his side, Bush urged senators to promptly approve the former National Security Agency head, who one year ago was confirmed unanimously to be the nation's first deputy director of national intelligence.

"Mike Hayden is supremely qualified for this position," Bush said in the Oval Office. "He knows the intelligence community from the ground up."

CIA Director Porter Goss announced his resignation last week after tussling with Hayden and his boss, National Intelligence Director John Negroponte, about the agency's autonomy and direction.

Even before Hayden's nomination became official, Republican as well as Democratic lawmakers had begun questioning whether he was the right choice to head the spy agency.

Senate Intelligence Chairman Pat Roberts, R-Kan., stopped short of endorsing Hayden: "While I am not opposed to his nomination, senators — including myself — will have important ques-

tions which they will want addressed."

Hayden is credited with designing the NSA's warrantless surveillance program. Disclosure of the program late last year sparked an intense civil-liberties debate over whether the president can order the monitoring of international calls and e-mails in the U.S. without court warrants.

California Rep. Jane Harman, the House Intelligence Committee's top Democrat, joined colleagues in saying Hayden had become part the "White House spin machine" though intelligence professionals typically eschew partisan politics.

Senate Judiciary Chairman Arlen Specter, R-Pa., has said that he would use a Hayden nomination to raise questions about the legality of the eavesdropping program, and he has not ruled out holding up the nomination in the meantime.

Several Republicans, including House Intelligence Chairman Peter Hoekstra, R-Mich., and Sen. Saxby Chambliss, R-Ga., have called Hayden's military background troublesome in this case. It will fall to Roberts to keep order on the intelligence panel as it considers Hayden's confirmation.

The Senate Armed Services Committee could also hold a hearing about whether to re-approve Hayden as a four-star general serving in the CIA director's slot, a Republican Senate aide said, speaking on condition of anonymity because the aide was not authorized to speak for attribution.

## Arrests

2:13 a.m., Sunday, May 7 — Nancy A. Johnson, 41, was pulled over for making an improper right turn. She was then arrested on a charge of driving under the influence of intoxicants.

12:38 a.m., Wednesday, May 3 — Mae Ellen Cellarius, 16, was pulled over for moving and equipment violations. She was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence of intoxicants. She was also charged with tobacco possession by a minor, minor in possession and possession of less than an ounce of marijuana.

11:10 p.m., Monday, May 1 — Shannon Maureen Judge, 19, was pulled over for a moving violation. She was arrested on charges of reckless endangerment and a DUII for drugs. A short "snort straw" and knife with white powder residue were seized, according to police records.

2:01 a.m., Sunday, April 30 — OSU student Michael Gregory McMahon, 22, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct after allegedly throwing a glass of beer at Cantina employees. The employees were trying to escort McMahon out of the building, according to police records.

4:28 a.m., Sunday, April 30 — Lev Parker, 18, was pulled over for a moving violation. He was then arrested on a charge of driving under the influence of intoxicants, reckless endangerment, minor in possession and possession of less than an ounce of marijuana.



## Thefts

Tuesday, May 2 — A package containing a cell phone battery valued at \$25 was stolen from a locking mail box on N.W. Kings Boulevard.

## Other

Wednesday, May 3 — Garbage from the fifth floor women's rest room of Poling Hall was set on fire. A student extinguished the fire before firefighters arrived.

Sunday, April 30 — The parents of a sleeping child requested that police take the child to Good Samaritan Hospital after a rock, thrown from the street, broke the nursery window and hit the baby. The incident occurred on N.W. Garfield Avenue. There are no suspects in this case.

Police Beat is compiled staff writer Lauren L. Dillard from the crime logs of the Corvallis Police Department and the Oregon State Police at OSU.

## RECITALS: Performance at 7:30 tonight at First Congregational Church open to public

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"It's a good challenge," said fourth year chemical engineering major Paul Landrum, who was introduced to the trombone by his 92-year-old grandfather who is still alive and playing today.

Landrum will graduate after fulfilling two more terms, each of internship and classes, and plans to keep up his music involvement — particularly with jazz ensembles — in post-graduate life.

"It's a really nice break from

stress and time to have fun," he said.

Landrum will give a joint recital with computer science senior Matt Groves at First Congregational Church tonight at 7:30. Both have been involved in multiple OSU ensembles ranging from Corvallis Symphony Orchestra to jazz band since their freshmen years.

"It's a good way for me to relax," Groves said.

Students start working on their material well in advance

— at least two terms before their performance, if not more, Carlson said.

This year, the department has on schedule 15 music major and three minor recitals. Performances are open to the public, and information can be obtained in the music department or online at <http://calendar.oregonstate.edu/osu-music/>.

"Often it's a time for family or friends — it brings a different atmosphere to the music department," Carlson said. "It's a big festive occasion."

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## TAX: City says it can maintain services with cell phone tax

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sand per year — allowing the city to maintain its public services, such as fire safety, the police department, and Corvallis Transit System.

Mayor Helen Berg said franchise fees were originally set for the public right of way to allow telephone lines to cross private properties.

It was a kind of "rent" for the use of public property, Berg said.

The value of the franchise fee is for a full service, prospering community, advocates argue. "With this proposal, we can continue to have stable franchise in Corvallis," Berg said.

Berg's concern is that many people are currently switching from land lines within the home to exclusively cell phones.

This is a prominent issue because, according to Berg, Corvallis' second largest source

of revenue is the franchise fee placed on the usage of home phones.

Local wireless companies have not released any information to the Corvallis City Council, making it hard to predict what effect the tax will have.

"Not once have they (local cell phone companies) offered us information," Krieg said. "They are absolutely not behind the idea."

A concern of Krieg's is the majority of OSU students do not have a Corvallis billing zip code, meaning they are not hit by the tax.

According to Berg, 40 percent of the population of Corvallis is OSU students, which means the 40 percent could possibly be out of the running for the proposed franchise fee.

"We have no idea how many people have cell phones," Krieg said. "We haven't had any input from the industry."

The proposed tax would take effect July 1. "I do expect a decision to be made," Berg said of this month's meeting. "And I certainly support it."

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## WIND POWER: Sherman, Wasco, other counties around Columbia River can also benefit from wind energy being controlled locally

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rural communities.

Unfortunately, most of the current wind-development is at a non-local level, which means it is not owned by the residents of the county.

"Revenue from non-locally owned wind farms tends to 'escape' the local economy," said Melissa Torgerson, a graduate student in OSU's master of public policy program and one of the authors of the report.

When wind energy development is controlled locally, revenues are often spent in local businesses, resulting in profits to the economy, she added.

"A 5 MW locally owned wind farm would produce more local revenue than a 50 MW non-local company," Torgerson said.

With local ownership, "the economic impacts of wind power development may be doubled or tripled."

The next step is for communities to begin investing in the wind power.

This can be accomplished by encouraging the growth of local wind related companies, such as trucking, metal work, insurance and accounting

But there are obstacles associated with local ownership, such as learning about wind data, permitting processes, tax incentives and financing options.

"Getting the info is very daunting," Torgerson said.

"You have a lot of people interested in local ownership, (but) there's still not enough easily accessible information for them to make an investment decision," she said.

Torgerson also said that other counties on the Columbia River, such as Sherman and Wasco, could benefit economically from wind power.

Over the past 25 years, many rural communities have gone through a significant economic decline, said Bruce Sort, a community economist in OSU's agricultural sciences.

The goal is "to revitalize (these) communities without losing the character of who they are," Torgerson said. "Wind power is one way to do it."

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## Correction

OSU's campus cultural centers, in a proposal to use \$200,000 of the Raising Reser loan payback, plan to hire contractors to analyze needs and design new structures to replace the current ones, which are said to be deteriorating. The project aims to allow for the drafting of preliminary architectural

designs for the centers, creating "a starting point for a capital campaign to build new centers," according to the proposal. Incorrect information was published in the Thursday, May 4 and Monday, May 8 editions of The Daily Barometer. The Daily Barometer regrets the error.

## Justice for All: A Community Dialogue Honoring All Voices

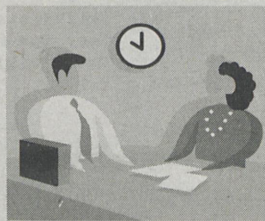
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3:30p.m.  
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Leadership Center, Journey Rm.

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## Editorial

### Pedal to the ..?

**“Y**ou take your car to work, I'll take my board/And when you run out of fuel, I'm still afloat.”

It's unclear whether Rivers Cuomo and friends knew the prophetic nature of those lines from 1994, but while even though “Surf Wax America” may not be penciled in as the anthem for our times, it is definitely ironic.

Granted, the likelihood of seeing someone surf up to the Valley Library is moderate to low, but Weezer's song makes a good point now — gas prices are getting ridiculously high.

Around the Willamette Valley, prices for a gallon of regular are creepily hovering just below three dollars, ready to strike when we aren't looking.

Last summer, the general public bemoaned their inability to cough up the two-and-change price for a gallon, and then the cost slipped back a bit.

Now, however, they seem pretty rigid. Current trends among consumers indicate that a change in the decreasing persuasion may not be on the horizon; vehicles with diesel powerplants are becoming more and more favorable. Prices, even for used examples, are inching up to do the burgeoning popularity, economically and environmentally, of biodiesel. Even at the pumps, diesels generate more economic bang for the buck; while you still pay the same per gallon, on average a diesel's in-town MPG bounces in the 40 range. Compare that with an efficient gas-powered econo-cruiser, where 30+ is excellent.

However, our neighbors across the ditch to the east have been trudging through knee-high “petroleum” prices for a while. According to a caranddriver.com article dated May 1, 2006, the national average in Britain is the equivalent to \$6.48 United States Dollars a gallon. Gasoline in a neighborhood of London is reported to have inched to nearly \$8 (again, USD equivalent) for one gallon.

The article also mentions that across Europe, the average of \$6+ USD per gallon is not abnormal. The main reason for the throbbing prices in Europe is that the governments place a weighty tax on the petrol, partly to generate revenue and also to control pollution.

Not a bad idea. Here, citizens receive a lower gas price, but schools are threatened with funding cuts and the minimum wage has been turned into a kite with no one holding the string, two ways that our local government generates revenue.

But gasoline is the topic here, not gubernatorial debacles.

Widespread boycotting of gasoline may be in the distance a bit, but practical ways to save money do exist, and many flourish right now; the Corvallis Transit System, the Facebook group “Taxi Service,” your roommate's long-board, whatever. We hear Huffly makes quality bikes for a low price also.

The only alternative action will be taken by those who actually want to save money, because regardless of how expensive gas gets, it doesn't look like the lines at the pump will be getting any shorter. We'll be OK, though ... if you've got Weezer in the CD player.

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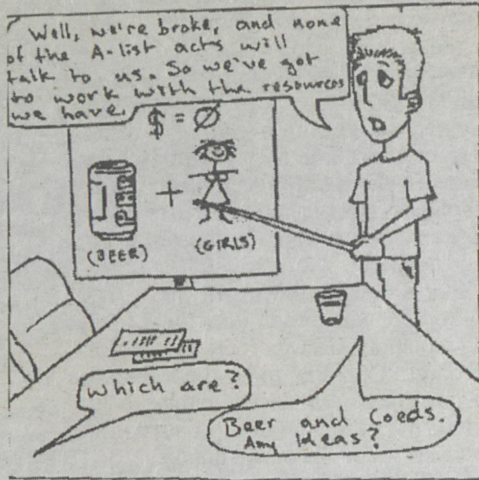
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## You're entitled to your own wrong opinion

Ryan Pierce  
Op-Ed

It seems to me that Western Civilization as we know it, has decided that Christianity is free game to deface in any way it sees fit. It seems to have become the new joke within our society, especially within the so-called “intellectual” crowd, as can be seen even here on our own campus. Turn on “The Simpsons” and what do you see? Flanders' character playing the character that we all know and love; the expletive speaking, family man who doesn't “Okely, dokely” know much of anything of the real world.

Down at the UO however, they have it much worse right now. In the March issue of “The Student Insurgent,” a radical student paper published a number of cartoons depicting Jesus on the cross performing various licentious acts; some by himself and others with nameless individuals of the same sex. The intent of these cartoons according to the paper was to “piss people off.”

They wished to allow those who find their faith in Jesus to try to understand the offense Muslims took to the cartoons portrayed in the Danish papers back in September. “The editorial indicates a desire to show Americans why the original cartoons were so offensive to the Muslim World,” said the editor of the paper. It was to allow Christians a chance to “see how it feels,” so to speak.

Well, if their goals were indeed to piss people off, they most certainly accomplished their goal. I, along with a great number of others, am extremely pissed.

The individuals who published these depictions of a great individual in history show no respect whatsoever for him or what he stood for. Because of this, students there have begun to file a grievance to the Dean of the University making it public that which they feel so strongly. And in fact, this group consists not only of Christians; they have acquired the support of peoples of other faiths, other various groups and organiza-

tions, including the LGBTQA. They argue that these cartoons were published using student funds to divide and disrupt student unity on campus and therefore is “hate speech.” And in fact, their argument is valid: the paper is indeed run on student fees and did cause just such a division, going against the university constitutional statute that forbids such an act.

Their portrayal of Jesus was an ignorant, insensitive malicious act of slander against an individual who even non-Christians would hopefully agree deserved no such disrespect. Their cartoons were meant solely for the purpose of arousing anger — nothing more.

Paul Houck, one of the individuals within the petition submitted against this publication, a senior there and a close friend of mine, said this of the petitions, “What I hope comes out of this is that the university will see the discrimination of religion just as easily as they would against race, gender or sexual orientation. Although I don't feel that discrimination of any person is acceptable, the fact that the school fails to recognize the discrimination against Christians puts on a different level than other special interest groups.”

As you have already most likely assumed, I am indeed a Christian myself. But really, why did I feel this was important to share with you? The reason might surprise you. I am not writing this in an effort to show that these individuals show have been barred or prevented from publication. Neither do I think they should have published it. In truth, I found it tasteless and ignorant, and I pity those who feel that even thoughts of that nature are acceptable.

Furthermore, I wish that those Danish cartoons from which this whole fiasco began with had never come about. Both examples were

in extremely poor taste and should be seen as such. However, no matter how much I want to simply shut their bigoted little mouths up, I must remember that to truly be free is to be allowed that right to say what it is in you to say. What they said, no matter how wrong or hateful it may be, does not give me the right to remove their freedom to speak their warped little minds.

Do you want to know why I fear this whole idea of censorship? The answer is simple. There are better ways of dealing with people of this sort — to talk to them, try to reason with them. A few days ago, I saw a clip of a “Hannity and Colmes” show in which a woman went to a soldier's funeral waving signs such as “Thank God for Dead Soldiers.” I couldn't tell you how angry that got me; but the simple truth is that that woman had a right to say that, no matter how despicable her statements may have been. The best way to fight ignorance and hate is not to silence it, but to try to help those who have it to gain a better understanding of those whom they resent.

I fear for the day when it is OK for those who do not like what a person has to say can silence him based on this idea of “hate speech.” What's to stop anyone from using this well-intended precedent in a way that actually hurts the community? If we truly believe in freedom of speech, we must allow even those who we feel are abusing this right, in order that we may keep it truly available.

Does this mean that we let people such as that say what they wish? No. Boycott the paper; work with the paper in order to bring about a more positive message from them in the future; but to silence them is to only kindle the flame. After all, the fire of a baseless accusation such as that one has nowhere to go but out.

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## Confessions of a closet Republican

We all have our own little secrets. Even though I write about pretty much anything that strikes my fancy, there are some things I prefer not to talk about — to anybody — not even you, faithful reader.

Sometimes, I don't talk about the secrets for so long that I actually forget about them, and let me tell you, memory suppression is a beautiful thing. If I don't remember it, no one else does. And that was the goal.

As my luck would have it, though, there is a downside to suppressing secrets. Sometimes they come back and bite you in the butt.

Here's a little-known fact about me: I'm a registered Republican.

Now before the angry mobs start lighting the pyres, let me just say that I had all but forgotten about this bit of comedy gold until my mom brought down my elections primary ballot last weekend.

I opened it up and was looking through the candidates for governor when I noticed that there were only Republican candidates listed. I wanted to cry party foul when my dirty, little secret crept back into the forefront of my mind.

I wanted to just throw my ballot away, but then I thought that would be unpatriotic of me, so I just voted for all the candidates I thought would be the most likely to not win in their respective races. Way to go, Republican Party!

I told my mom about my ballot, and she got a laugh out of it, especially when we started reminiscing about the 2004 presidential election. Those were some good times, let me tell you. Family dinners at the Lewis household were something right out of “Roseanne.”

I got into an argument with my dad over Measure 36. It's not really that uncommon to have children arguing with their parents about politics. It does become unusual, however, when this particular yelling match happens at the Olive Garden during peak hours.

My friend and I had devised a plan to get out of awkward situations like this if they ever arose, and that would be to say something like “damn good potatoes,” followed immediately by shoving a heaping spoonful of said potatoes in your mouth, thereby avoiding an escalating situation.

It's too bad the people at Olive Garden hadn't given us our breadsticks yet. I had nothing to shove in my mouth to plug up the words that came spilling out.

Needless to say, the ride home was a little awkward.

Flash forward back to the present.

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# The state of the USA's gas problem

Stanford, Calif. (U-WIRE) — So we've finally learned what pisses this country off. It's not the war. It's not criminal incompetence, as The Boss would say. It's not a corrupt government. And it's not the second highest office in the land shooting a man in the face. It's simple really: it's the cost of toting little Johnny and his friends to soccer practice in the family's Ford Excursion.

On Monday, May 1, the average cost of regular unleaded gasoline was \$2.90 per gallon, almost a dollar more than it was two years ago.

The same day, Senate Republicans proposed a bill in response to the growing concern over the rising gasoline prices. The proposal called for \$100 checks to be sent later this summer to approximately 100 million taxpayers, whether they drive a car or not. And why only \$100 dollars, which, let's be honest, you probably won't spend on gasoline anyway? Because Senate majority leader Bill Frist's office calculates that the average driver pays \$11 per month in federal gas taxes. Oh, and by the way, the proposal also calls for drilling in Alaska.

What Frist and Senate Republicans didn't foresee was just how transparent this pandering ploy really was. Even conservative talk show host Rush Limbaugh asked, "What kind of insult is this? Instead of buying us off and treating us like we're a bunch of whores, just solve the problem." Brit Hume called the proposal "silly" on Fox News Sunday.

On Tuesday, Frist and the Senate Republicans pulled the proposal off the floor. Instead of pandering to voters, the Republicans decided they would rather pander to big corporations, who had a problem with the additional tax the bill called for (big surprise). For some reason, Republicans are worried about alienating their corporate base even though gas prices are soaring towards \$4 a gallon. Let's not forget that last quarter, Exxon recorded the fifth largest quarterly profits in corporation history. Not to mention the \$36 billion in profits they recorded last year.

Even after watching the "experts" on "Meet The Press" last Sunday, I still don't understand how the rising cost of crude oil justifies the Exxon's record profits. I understand there is a strong demand for gas, but don't increased profits mean oil companies are simply charging more?

Yet in response to the gas "crisis," as Energy Secretary Samuel Bodman called it, government officials and big oil companies spout off justifications that most people don't understand or don't have any control over:

China and India have entered into the oil market, driving the price of oil up. Great, nothing the government or any of us can do about that.

There has yet to be an inexpensive method of synthesizing the corn-based and emissions-reducing Ethanol

Jeremy Jacobs  
Paper

into oil refining. I don't know how to do that, but I like the sound of that emissions-reducing stuff.

The rise in gas prices has been developing for several years and there is nothing we can do in the short term to stop it. We're screwed.

But what government officials and big oil companies fail to say is that there actually is something we as consumers and the government can do to bring gas prices down: Stop buying gasoline and actually make it a major government priority to develop alternative energy sources.

In his column last Friday in The New York Times, Thomas Friedman said the only way to fix the energy crisis is to take seemingly drastic measures to reduce our dependency on oil, including raising gas prices.

"We need a tax on gasoline at the pump that will keep prices around \$4 dollars a gallon (still roughly \$1 less than most Europeans pay)," he writes, "or we need a tax on vehicles that will make gas guzzlers prohibitively costly and hybrids and smaller cars enormously attractive."

We need to make a concerted effort to reduce the amount of gasoline we buy. We should also start holding politicians who claim to care about the rising gas prices accountable for their consumption of gas. Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert held a press conference at a local gas station last Tuesday to address the rising cost of gas. To prove he is an environmentally concerned Republican, he left the press conference in a fuel-efficient hybrid van. But once he was out of sight of the cameras (or so he thought), he jumped out of the van and into his usual gas-guzzling SUV. Check The Associated Press picture out on Yahoo news.

Some citizens are trying to take action. In Bee County Texas, the governing board called for a boycott of ExxonMobil gas. According to a local survey, 72 percent of the county is going to participate. The goal of the boycott is to force gas prices to drop to \$1.30 a gallon. While economists say this tactic won't work, it's a noble attempt at making a point and should get our attention.

The problem is we are all too much like Rush Limbaugh — we don't want to change our lives; we just want the government to solve the problem. And this may be one problem that a pro-corporation government will be unable to fix without alienating its base.

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## Letter to the Editor

Schauffer Op-Ed  
Student fees disregard  
low-income students

Mr. Schauffer is within his rights to be "proud of the things accomplished by this university's leaders." As a taxpayer, I am much less proud of some of the leadership results. As a former student in another university, I was the first person in my family's history to attend college. I still remember the extreme poverty I suffered and the personal harm done by student fees, modest compared to now.

No OSU student will suffer from student fees if that student is rich or has rich and supportive parents or sufficient financial aid. But not all students are in those categories.

Some students are only the narrowest of margins away from dropping out due to financial problems. Others have already dropped out. Do not expect these students to come forward and testify that they are too poor to stay in college. That was not the case for me and will not be the case for many others. Poor people also have personal pride.

I did not suffer more than a few years from dropping out after my fellow students approved a very costly student center. The organization I joined looked at my academic records and returned me to another college on a full scholarship. I have the deepest of contempt for student leaders who enrich their personal ego by imposing ever-higher costs on their fellow students. It is an abuse of privileged power at OSU that should be stopped.

As for Mr. Blake, and others, if we all could comment only on facts in which we were direct observants or participants, we would live in a very narrow world of communication. And who, you included, has "a comprehensive understanding of the student body"? To believe that is to engage in hubris.

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## LEWIS: Secret life of Matt Lewis finally out

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My mom and I went to dinner with a group of guys from my fraternity last weekend. For some reason, my mom and I got separated, which meant that I wasn't there to make sure she wasn't saying things she shouldn't.

After about 15 minutes of normal conversation, I heard a few loud gasps come from the other table. I turned around and saw that there were some guys giving me odd looks.

I knew it right then: My mom had let my secret slip.

It may come as a surprise to some of you, but I'm a little bit outspoken. I say what I think and I don't normally have many regrets for saying it. I may have been a bit vocal in my support for John Kerry, and I may have even likened President Bush to a chimpanzee on a few occasions.

So, imagine the field day my friends were having with this new tidbit of information.

I think one of the guys said that they'd have me turned into a staunch, conservative, blowhard before the year was out.

So, before the rumor mills got out of hand, I just wanted to set the record straight. Yes, I am a Republican. But it's all a part of my plan for taking the party down from the inside. I've been siphoning all of my insider Republican manifesto information to DNC Chairman, Howard Dean, for quite some time now.

Soon all the pieces will fall into place and we'll see who has the last laugh, Ken Mehlman. We'll see who laughs last.

Well, I guess I'll be laughing regardless, and I'll probably be the only one, because we all know that Republicans don't laugh. It's physically impossible.

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# Sampson could be fired

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INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana University would not have to pay any penalty to new basketball coach Kelvin Sampson if the school were to fire him because of NCAA sanctions stemming from recruiting violations while he was Oklahoma's coach.

The contract Sampson signed April 20 says Indiana "may take further action, up to and including termination" if the NCAA "imposes more significant penalties or sanctions than the University of Oklahoma's self-imposed sanctions."

The provision was not included in the agreement Sampson signed when Indiana decided in March to hire him to succeed Mike Davis.

Since accepting the Indiana job, Sampson has acknowledged making "mistakes" while at Oklahoma.

The NCAA infractions committee on April 21 heard from Oklahoma officials about more than 550 impermissible calls between 2000 and 2004 made by Sampson and his assistant coaches. A ruling could come within a month, and if Sampson is sanctioned with recruiting restrictions, those penalties could follow him to Indiana.

# KUNDA: Split time at second base last year

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While his defensive skills were solid in his first three years, Kunda's offensive numbers weren't at the same level. This is why Kunda found himself in the ninth spot in the order, and fluctuating out of the lineup once Ryan Gipson transferred onto the team last season. The reduced role left Kunda feeling a little frustrated, but ultimately he accepted what was best for the team.

"It was a little bit (frustrating)," Kunda said of splitting time at second base last season. "Last year Ryan did a fantastic job and you can't sit back and say I should be playing because he was producing and I wasn't. It was hard at times, but in hindsight I realized that was the best for the team last year."

Last year the team was better with Gipson at second, but Kunda has elevated his play and incorpo-

rated more offense into his senior campaign. As a career .254 hitter, Kunda has improved his play, batting .295 this season. His patience and determination, combined with a higher batting average, has shifted his spot in the order. In 16 games in the leadoff spot, Kunda's hitting .322.

"He's very consistent with hitting and he's always been there to make a big play," said Eddie Kunz. "For me being a pitcher, I feel very strong having him behind me."

In his final season for the Beavers, Kunda is putting together the best season of his career. In the upcoming weeks, Kunda's glove and bat will be needed as the Beavers look to remain on top of the Pac-10 and lock up a regional bid.

Before it's all over, Kunda will lay the ground work for two of the best baseball teams OSU has ever seen. Not bad for a guy known for his defense.

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# TRACK: Garcia could qualify for Pac-10s at Willamette Last Chance

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with more seasons bests and personal records. Seniors Julie Garcia and Tara Stirewalt finished seventh and 10th in 800 meters, respectively. With a time of 2:17.61, Garcia, who has knocked off a couple seconds in the 800 meters this season, has put together a strong senior campaign, Sullivan said.

"The last weeks I think have been more indicative of what she's been capable of doing," Sullivan said. "I'm going to let her run at the Willamette Last Chance, so it'll give her another chance to race and see if she can drop down maybe a couple more seconds."

Poggi, who has qualified for three events at the Pac-10 Championships, finished 12th in the 1,500 meters with a time of 4:33.50, just a few tenths of a second off her personal record she set last weekend. Dye came in right behind Poggi for 13th place, followed by Elise Megale and Elise Aschwanden, who finished 15th and 18th, respectively. Megale and Aschwanden, like Dye, also set personal records for the event.

The 5,000 meter race provided a real treat for the three Beavers who competed in the race. Olympian Marla Runyan, one of the United States' fastest long distance runners, ran unattached and won with an astonishing time of 15:15.00. Freshman Samantha Godfrey led the trio of Beavers with a time of 18:51.46, good for seventh place. Freshman Lorene Young and senior Jamie Fuller came in right behind Godfrey with eighth and ninth place finishes.

"For two of them, they were freshmen, and Jamie's a fifth-year senior, so at both ends of the spectrum it was a great opportunity," Sullivan said. "There was no way they weren't nervous or a little intimidated by it. But for them, they can say 'hey, I ran a race with Marla Runyan,' and that's quite an honor. So I was pleased with how they did."

As the regular season has come to an end, Sullivan will run 10 athletes and will have 16 qualifying marks to work with heading into the Pac-10 Championships. The totals are huge improvements from last year's squad that sent just six runners to Los Angeles for the team's first Pac-10 Championships in 17 years.

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# BASEBALL: On Saturday, Gunderson picks up save, moving him to second all-time for saves in Pac-10

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"He throws in the upper 90s and he's got probably the nastiest curveball in the nation," Gillespie said of Lincecum.

Buck pitched well with the exception of a two-run home run that he gave up in the fourth inning. Buck struck out seven UW hitters before the game was over.

"We knew he (Buck) could pitch," Washington coach Ken Knutson said. "He's just really, really good. He is certainly one of the best pitchers in the country."

"I thought Dallas pitched fine," Oregon State coach Pat Casey said. "I thought the ball that was hit out was a wind-blown fly ball."

In Saturday's game the Beavers were out for revenge. The game had a little bit of everything, as there was a play at the plate, a home run and an ejection. When all was said and done, the Beavers emerged victorious: 5-3.

In the game, on a single by catcher Mitch Canham, second basemen Chris Kunda was thrown out at home plate on a very close play at the plate. In the fourth inning, third basemen Shea McFeely hit his second home run of the season.

The Beavers continued to score runs as they gained run support for pitcher Jonah Nickerson. Nickerson left the game with a no-decision as reliever Eddie Kunz picked up the win and closer Kevin Gunderson picked up his 15th save of the season, moving himself into second on the all-time saves list in the Pac-10.

"It is a special feat," Gunderson said. "I feel very honored to be a part of this team the last three years. I'm the team guy, I want great things from this ball club throughout the year."

Game three on Sunday was a three-way battle, as OSU and UW battled each other and mother nature. After

nearly four hours of delays due to rain, the Beavers picked up a 7-1 victory. The Huskies closer from Friday night became Sunday's starter as Elliot Cribby faced off against Oregon State's Mike Stutes.

"We know we need to battle, with Graham hurt, Gipson being hurt at the beginning of the year, we just have to find someone else to do it," Casey said. "Johnny Wallace to walk out here and be a man and Chris Kunda needs to defend for us. We aren't as good offensively so we have to be better defensively."

Stutes, coming off of an 11 strike out performance against New Mexico, went into Sunday's game with fifth lowest ERA in the Pac-10. Stutes kept his ERA where it was, as he surrendered one unearned run in the ninth inning of the ball game. The pitching staff benefited from nearly perfect defense as the Beavers made just one error late in the ball game. The play of the weekend on defense was a fly ball to right field that outfielder Scott Santschi dove and caught with one foot off the ground, fully extending his body.

"He was very good," Casey said of Stutes. "That was a good club that he handcuffed for a lot of innings."

"Our defense played great today just like they do every other game," said Stutes. "It's good to know that if they put the ball in play it's going to get caught. That play that Santschi made in right field that should have been a run. It's just nice having a defense behind you that you know is going to make the play behind you every time."

OSU looks to leave the rain of Sunday behind as the Beavers head to Tempe, Ariz., for a three game series against the Arizona State Sun Devils, beginning Friday.

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## Shifting his stride

■ Known for his defensive skills, senior Chris Kunda switches to the leadoff position for the No. 5 OSU baseball team, hitting .322

By Steven Masters  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

In his time with the Oregon State baseball team, Chris Kunda has always been a leadoff hitter of sorts. Last year Kunda batted ninth in the lineup; this year, he moved forward one spot and now bats first. The approach for the 6-foot senior is very similar, often requiring Kunda to take pitches in order to increase the chances of reaching base. With a Barry Bonds-like eye for the ball, Kunda has proved to be an asset, regardless of if he bats first or last.

The leadoff hitter is supposed to work the count and reach base for the heat of the order. The ninth hitter in the lineup is no slouch either, often using the same approach in order to roll the lineup over for the leadoff hitter. No matter the spot in the order, Kunda uses the same resiliency that has earned him a name on the defensive side of the ball.

### Chris Kunda

#### The Basics

Kunda is a senior second baseman

#### Stats of Interest

As a leadoff hitter for No. 5 OSU, Kunda is hitting an impressive .322. For the season he is .295 and for his career he is .254

#### Hometown

Philomath, Ore. Came to OSU as a walk-on from Philomath High School

#### Kunda says

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#### Teammates say

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— Catcher Mitch Canham

"It's a little different," Kunda said of batting first versus ninth in the order. "The first at bat is a little different. Hitting leadoff, you kind've have to take a few more pitches and work your way on base. I haven't adjusted my mentality in the way I take pitches. I might not swing at a first pitch fastball anymore, with guys like Cole and Darwin behind me."

Kunda, who began the season primarily as a late-inning replacement at second base, not only played his way into the lineup but produced enough on the offensive end to make the jump from hitting ninth to the order to first.

Kunda's first game in the leadoff spot came on April 7 when the Beavers were hosting the University of Arizona. By going 2-3 with an RBI and a run scored in his debut, Kunda proved to the coaches he was legit at the top of the order and to teammates his glove was not the only object doing the talking.

"I think that the reason was I am never going to hit for a lot of power," Kunda said of his shift to the top of the order. "I like to think I am as good with two strikes as I am with no strikes."

After walking onto the baseball team, Kunda quickly established a reputation as being a defensive mastermind. His quick exchange on double plays left teammates marveling.

Catcher Mitch Canham believes Kunda has the "quickest hands I have ever seen."

"He's solid at second base and he puts the ball in play when you need it," Canham said. "He's got some big hits and finds a way to get things done. He's been a large asset turning double plays with Darwin."

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Senior Chris Kunda has always been known for his defensive game but has become an offensive threat for the Beaver baseball team this season, hitting a .295 on the year.

## Dye runs season best, qualifies for Pac-10s

■ Katie Dye will join nine other Beavers at UO next weekend in conference championship

By Sean McLean  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

For Kaitlin Poggi, it was good preparation for the Pac-10 Championships. For Katie Dye, it was a

ticket to run again this weekend in Eugene.

Trying to qualify for the biggest meet of the season, Dye followed Poggi's lead in the 1,500 meters and ran a season's best time of 4:43.64. The four second improvement in the event was good enough to make her the 10th Beaver to qualify for the conference championships this

coming weekend.

"Katie Dye qualified for the Pac-10's this weekend after her Twilight performance," Sullivan said. "So we now have 10 running this weekend."

On a perfect evening in Eugene to run, the Beavers continued to build on their strong second season

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OSU runners Jamie Fuller, (far left) Samantha Godfrey and Lorene Young cast a shadow on Hayward field in Friday's Oregon Twilight Meet. At the meet, OSU qualified one more runner for the Pac-10 championships in Eugene next weekend.

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## Beavers remain atop Pac-10

■ Strong pitching gives No. 5 OSU two victories in three-game series with Washington

By Casey Grogan  
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Following a four-win set at home against two non-conference foes, the No. 5 Beavers returned to Pac-10 play against the No. 22 Washington over the weekend.

OSU (34-11, 11-4 Pac-10) returned to conference action with a 2-1 series victory over the Huskies (9-9 Pac-10 and 31-19 overall). The series victory allows the Beavers to remain atop the Pac-10 standings.

This series proved a test for OSU as they head into the home stretch of the Pac-10 season. As the baseball season continues, tough pitching will meet the Beavers in every game. The Washington series served a perfect example, as it featured

possibly the best pitching match-up of the year.

Friday's game pitted both teams'

number one pitchers in a match up that drew a sold out crowd including 60 Major League Baseball scouts. On the mound for the Huskies was junior right-hander Tim Lincecum, who entered the series with a 10-2 record, just five strikeouts shy of the Pac-10 career strike outs record. Oregon State sent Dallas Buck out to pitch. Buck was 9-0 with 22 scoreless innings going into Friday's game.

The game, which was expected to be low scoring, was not exactly that as the Huskies defeated the Beavers 6-4. Oregon State's offense was highlighted with a three-run home run hit by outfielder Cole Gillespie on a 95 mile-per-hour fastball from Lincecum. Gillespie ended the day with all four RBIs. The offense was sparse aside from Gillespie, as Lincecum struck out 16 OSU batters, surpassing the career record.

"I tip my cap to him, he is a good hitter and it was a good hit," Lincecum said of Gillespie's home run.

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Cole Gillespie



Kevin Gunderson