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Students, facult make an impact

A program on campus helps OSU students, staff volunteer for disabled children

By Ashley Dahl THE DAILY BAROMETER

Every Friday evening Oregon State students and faculty volunteer with children and young adults who have physical or mental disabilities in a program called IMPACT, which stands for Individualized Movement and Physical Activity for Children Today. Volunteers assist participants in physical activities such as swimming, throwing balls and balancing on a beam.

"It's really about bridging the com-munities, bringing grads and undergrads in touch, and getting them experience working with, kids with disabilities," Jen Morgan said, coordinator of IMPACT and a current PhD candidate at Oregon State for movement studies in disability program.

Since 1982, IMPACT has allowed children to participate in physical activities despite their physical or mental disabilities. Ages of the participants range from infancy to 21 years, after which they may graduate to the fitness programs provided at Dixon Recreational Center.

'It's a common belief in our field that we see a lack of opportunities for those with disabilities," Morgan said. "There are opportunities, but not as

to create more opportunities."

According to Morgan, gym classes don't always provide the same quality exercise for children with disabilities, partly because the teacher isn't trained in how to modify the activity for them. IMPACT provides a way for these children to be physically active that suits them.

"We don't make the person fit the activity, we make the activity fit the person," Morgan said.

Children who participate in IMPACT are taught how to be active regardless of whether or not they use a wheelchair.

"As a population, people with disabilities are more sedentary than their peers, so they develop diseases more easily than their peers," Morgan

Physical health affects all aspects of one's life and this is no less true for those with physical disabilities, according to Morgan. The purpose of IMPACT is not to fix the physical condition the participants are in, but to teach them how to work with it and continue to be active in spite of it.

'For this program, it's not about whether physical activity is helping to reverse physical conditions," Morgan said. "It's about promoting positive lifestyle.

Students don't have to be an exercise and sports science major to volunteer for IMPACT. Sienna Schultz, a junior double-majoring in early much, so there's this constant drive childhood development and psy-

chology, is currently in her third term volunteering with IMPACT. She expresses her passion for the program, especially since she has an 8-year-old sister with autism.

"It's a great program. I wish things like these were available to my sister," Schultz said. "It's nice having two hours a week where I get to be with the kids, and the relationships you build if you keep coming back term after term.

Some of the kids are more of a challenge to work with than others. Kelly Shibley, a junior in exercise and sports sciences, worked with a 7year-old girl with down syndrome. Shibley had trouble getting her to follow directions and had to constantly chase after her.

"It was a good experience and I didn't regret it," Shibley said. "But I quit after two terms."

Shibley stayed with the girl a second term because the volunteers saw that the girl was improving. However, Shibley said that because she was ill a lot during that term, it was difficult to form the necessary bond they needed in order to make much progress together.

"It can be a challenge," Morgan said. "It's not always sunshine and rainbows, but I find it to be one of the most rewarding things when you make that connection.'

Ashley Dahl, staff writer



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Shawn Hinz, 12, shoots hoops with IMPACT student volunteer Jared Hultquist Friday evening in the Women's Building gymnasium.

Making the move from Liberal Arts to Public Policy

Oregon State University is in the process of merging the departments of sociology, economics, political science

By Kayla Harr

Proposed changes to Oregon State University's College of Liberal Arts will result in the departments of economics, political science and sociology merging into the School of Public Policy.

According to OSU Provost and Executive Vice President Sabah Randhawa, this is part of a realignment that is going on throughout the university to ensure that OSU remains a compelling land grant institution.

"What it comes down to is how do we ensure that our programs provide the competitive edge to attract students, to attract faculty, to attract resources, because we are competing on a global market," Randhawa said.

Randhawa said that the merging of these three departments is an effort to create a community of longterm faculty, to provide students with the opportunity to integrate public policy into their education and to draw more graduate students to OSU by offering a doctorate in public policy. The university currently offers a master's in public policy through a collaboration of the departments of economics, political science and sociology.

"I think (public policy) is not just important for the College of Liberal Arts, but I think it's critical for the whole university," Randhawa said. "I hope that in the long term it will enrich the student experience."

The proposal has not yet been put to the Faculty Senate, but is expected to reach the Senate this year. Changes in anticipation of the merge of the three departments are already in effect.

"We're in the process of hiring five new faculty members for the school, two from the Provost's Initiative and three from the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, and four of those positions are to really make the School of Public Policy go forward," said Denise Lach, transitional director of the School of Public Policy.

Undergraduate degree requirements will not be affected by this change, Lach said. Rather, undergraduates will have increased access to advising through undergraduate coordinators who have already been hired to help with advising and assist faculty with

"Nothing has changed in the undergraduate majors or the undergraduate minors; the requirements are still the same, the classes are going to be offered and there will be more online options for students," Lach said. "Undergraduate degrees are not only intact, but they're getting stronger and they're really robust.'

Support for the School of Public Policy is not unanimous. Bill Lunch, a professor in the political science department, has concerns about the union of three departments with different stances on educational

"I have mixed feelings, because on the one hand, there is a graduate program here in public policy which has been a big success, which I think it's fair to say the entire faculty is supportive of that program; on the other hand, the undergraduate degrees and programs are now going to be administered through a central operation, the school, and that poses a number of problems," Lunch said.

According to Lunch, in 1902, the Oregon Agricultural College had a department of political economy. By 1906, politics and economics had separated into individual

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OSU Foundation exceeds fundraising goal

Part of the money raised will go towards merit scholarships, a new College of Business

By Alexis Lanham

Despite how hard raising money in a weak economy can be, OSU Foundation's campaign has managed not only to meet their goal of \$625 million, but do it a year early.

The campaign has recently reset the fundraising goal to \$850 million by the year 2013.

"We've done so well and have such great momentum, we've increased it to \$850 million and added another two years onto the effort," said Molly Brown, senior director for Strategic Communications for the OSU Foundation. "We've been very lucky at the foundation. I think the university was in a great position to launch a campaign.'

On Oct. 22, the Presidential dinner was held and the new goal was publicly announced.

"I am very proud of our success. The new goal of \$850 million will fund more scholarships, more faculty positions, new cultural centers,

the Austin Building for the College of Business and so much more," said Edward J. Ray, president of OSU.

Ray believes that the new goal is possible and wants to continue to see an increase in support of the university.

"Our students, faculty, and staff are wonderful. The campus is beautiful and we have a culture of service to others that I believe in deeply," Ray said. "I do not want to see any of that

Mike Goodwin, president and CEO of the OSU Foundation, believes that the changes the Foundation brings have a large impact on the students and faculty.

We're really delighted we were able to achieve the goal, especially ahead of schedule," Goodwin said. "We're also really glad to have the opportunity to raise some more money. Our goal is to is to permanently improve fundraising at Oregon State.

Some of the money will be designated for a new building for the College of Business.

"Right now the intent is to build a \$50 million facility that is 100,000 square feet of space, which is approx-

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Post election 'shellacking' Obama looks to rebound

given Republicans a mandate to cut government and roll back the Obama administration's health care "monstrosity" in the next Congress, the incoming speaker of the House of Representatives said Wednesday.

Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio, is poised to lead the House following the GOP's massive gains in Tuesday's midterm elections. He told reporters that he and President Barack Obama have agreed to work together but called the results a vote for "a smaller, less costly, more accountable government." And the administration's hard-won overhaul of the U.S. health care system ultimately will be on the block.

The American people are concerned about the government takeover of health care," Boehner said. "I think it's important for us to lay the groundwork before control of the chamber to the Republicans

replace it with common-sense reforms that will bring down the cost of health insurance in America."

For his part, Obama blamed the anemic economy for the "shellacking" his fellow Democrats experienced, but he acknowledged that his policies hadn't done enough to bring down high unemployment.

His administration has "stabilized" the economy and spurred private-sector hiring, "but people all across America aren't feeling that progress," Obama said.

"I've got to take direct responsibility for the fact that we have not made as much progress as we need to make," Obama

The president faced reporters a day aftervoters replaced at least 60 Democrats in the House of Representatives, handing

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Voters have we begin to repeal this monstrosity and for the first time since 2006, according to CNN projections.

In the Senate, Democrats lost at least six seats but retained control of the chamber, according to the projections based on analysis of exit polling. In the latest result, Democratic incumbent Sen. Michael Bennet of Colorado defeated Tea Party-backed Republican Ken Buck, CNN projected on Wednesday.

Asked about claims by Republicans, especially Tea Party conservatives, that his policies are taking the country in the wrong direction, Obama cited the economy's reversal from monthly job losses to private sector job growth since he took office as proof that things were improving. But he also conceded, in reference to an auto-related campaign analogy, that the argument could be made that "we're stuck in neutral."

Obama said he's looking at "all ideas

that are on the table" to boost economic growth after the deepest recession since the 1930s and won't dismiss any proposal "because they're Democrat or

At the same time, Obama said, it would be a "misreading" of the election results if anyone believed that the American people want to spend the next two years trying to "relitigate" his administration's overhaul of health care or other major legislation of his first two years in office.

Republicans throughout the campaign blasted Obama's signature health care overhaul, the Affordable Care Act, after voting all but unanimously against it in Congress. Obama called the process of passing the bill "an ugly mess" and "something that I regret" but added: "The outcome was a good one."

Tax credits for religious school scholarships argued before justices

- Taxes, religion and education — this politically charged trifecta divided the Supreme Court on Wednesday in a case involving a state school choice

At issue is a lawsuit challenging Arizona's tax breaks for voluntary donations benefiting private school scholarships. The 13-year-old program provides dollar-fordollar income tax breaks for money given to "school tuition organizations," or STOs.

Some Arizona taxpayers challenged the program as unconstitutional because, they say, not-for-profit religious organizations award most of the scholarships, and require children to enroll in religious schools. Those opponents say the state has effecthrough a third-party "front"

The justices appeared torn over whether that represented a de facto "endorsement" of religion by Arizona.

"The state could not give tuition vouchers on the basis of religion-could not say, if you are a Catholic you don't get these tuition vouchers," said Justice Elena Kagan, who was impressive in her command of the complex issues argued. "But what the state has done here, apparently, is to set up a scheme that uses intermediaries that can make exactly that distinction, that can say— sorry, if you are a Catholic you don't get scholarships out of our STO."

One key issue for the court the key legal point the justices

money to religious schools means the donated amount is the larger state-action debate. the government's money or an individual's.

There is a very important philosophical point here. You think that all the money belongs to the government, except to the extent that it deigns to allow private people to keep some of it," Justice Samuel Alito told a lawyer for the taxpayer plaintiffs. "They don't owe it to the government if they have made this

Besides the church-state questions, the high court must decide whether individual residents have "standing" to sue the state, even if they do not donate to the scholarship program. That could be

The growing popularity of school choice plans around the country has raised fresh legal questions about whether Arizona's plan is religionneutral, and whether parents have true decision-making power, free from government intervention.

A federal appeals court ruled the decade-old lawsuit could proceed.

In 2002, the Supreme Court contribution. That's the whole separately upheld school voucher programs. Supporters of the Arizona aid program say theirs is no different from the Cleveland program approved eight years ago, because in both cases, government does not direct any money to reli-

Arizonans can receive a

tively been funneling taxpayer is whether the tax credit decide to tackle, aside from \$500 credit (\$1,000 for a couple filing jointly) off their state income taxes for contributions to school tuition organizations, which operate as charities. These organizations must spend at least 90 percent of money received on scholarships, and must offer them to students at more than one school. Parents would apply for the tax-credit funded scholarships at either a religious or secular school.

State figures show more than 50 school tuition organizations had received about \$400 million in contributions through last year. In 2009 the program provided 27,000 scholarships to 373 schools, with most going to students who would not have been able to afford to attend.

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CALENDAR'

Thursday, Nov. 4

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 5:45-

Simple supper, spiritual discussion Student Events & Activities, 5:30pm & 8:30pm, MU Trysting Tree Lounge. MUvie - The Karate Kid

The Courtyard Christian Group, 5-7pm, Courtyard Coffee Shop (Harrison & 25th). Come and get free coffee drinks from our coffee shop during our Hot Topic" discussion meeting. Talk about controversial issues in a wel-coming and comfortable environment.

Native American Longhouse, 11am-Silver Smithing Demonstration. Learn what is involved in making silver jewl ery and the history of metal working.

Sunday, Nov. 7

W70SU, 7pm, Snell 229. OSU Amateur Radio Club, all are welcome. Enter through KBVR doors.

Monday, Nov. 8

Meetings

OSU College Democrats, 6pm, MU Council Room. Come meet other progressive-minded students as we talk about politics and topics of the day.

Tuesday, Nov. 9

Engineers Without Borders - OSU, 7pm, Kearney 212. Our goal is a world in which all communities have the capacity to meet their basic human needs. All majors welcome!

OSU Chess Club, 4-6pm, MU Commons (far west wing). Join us for games. Free membership, all skill levels

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30-1:30pm, Luther House 211 NW 23rd St. "Come & Go" lunch. Good food and informal table talk

Student Events & Activities, 5:30pm & 8:30pm, MU Trysting Tree Lounge. MUvie - Iron Man 2

Peace Corps, 3-4pm, JavaStop in MU. Coffee Chat: Q&A with a Recruiter. Come and have your questions answered by a Peace Corps Recruiter.

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*All-clear at New York's JFK after evacuation over Yemeni package

was given at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport Wednesday night after a DHL cargo facility there was evacuated following the discovery of a suspicious package, authori-

The package originated from Yemen — the source of last week's thwarted bomb plot — said New York Police Department Deputy Commissioner Paul Browne.

The package was an envelope containing a cell phone and paperwork, Browne said.

Investigators said they were looking at a "solid mass" in the package at JFK that showed up on an X-ray and was inconsistent with what they had been told were documents in the package.

"The bomb squad was called in to check it out," the NYPD's Browne said. "It was cleared.

The package was discovered at 6:30 p.m. ET Wednesday, an official said.

FBI agents, Port Authority police and U.S. Customs and Border Protection had inspected the package "out of an abundance of caution," New York FBI spokesman Rich Kolko said.

"All clear. DHL got their signals crossed," John Kelly,

NEWYORK-An "all-clear" a spokesman for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, told CNN. "All is well and over."

Senior law enforcement officials said the package was one of the more than a dozen packages from Yemen that investigators had been looking for since Friday.

At least seven other packages from that batch have been cleared by U.S. officials.

Earlier Wednesday, the head of the U.S. Transportation Security Administration visited Yemen, five days after authorities disrupted a plot to send bombs from the Middle Eastern nation to the United States, the federal agency announced.

Security Homeland Secretary Janet Napolitano, meanwhile, talked about cargo screening with top representatives of global shipping companies including DHL, FedEx, TNT and UPS, her department said.

She talked about "enhanced screening" after shipping companies apparently carried the bombs unawares.

She pressed home the same message in a call to the head of the International Air Transport Association, Giovanni Bisignani, the department said.

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imately twice of Bexell hall," said Ilene Kleinsorge, Dean of the College of Business. "This is energizing for our alumni who all have been educated in Bexell and have felt for many years that there was a need for a new facility to better reflect the business environment and business conditions of today."

Kleinsorge believes that the Campaign for OSU has helped the university in more ways than just raising

"I think that the campaign has allowed OSU to create environments and programs that cause all of us to aspire, to reach our full potential, and for that, we are deeply grateful," said Kleinsorge.

The current business building, Bexell, was originally built in 1922 and the current population of business students at OSU has outgrown it.

Approximately 40 percent of credit hours take place outside of Bexell. A larger facility will help keep classes

There was a vision to create a space that reflected the quality of our people and our programs," Kleinsorge said. For us, the building is really a tool that allows us to realize the way that business education needs to be delivered

Another area of improvement will be increased scholarship opportunities.

Approximately \$106 million has been raised for scholarships, fellowships and student awards. The campaign hopes to raise \$135 million total.

Since the campaign started, donors have created over 400 new scholarship funds. We hear a lot of stories where the Presidential (scholarship) really made the difference,"

Brown believes that people are drawn to OSU because of the merit scholarships.

'It's a great program for keeping Oregonians in Oregon," said Brown. "Many of them end up staying in-state for their successful careers (after college).

With \$220 million left to raise, the Campaign for OSU continues to receive money for building facilities, hiring staff and awarding scholarships at the OSU campus.

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departments in a divide that Lunch said was happening on a

national scale. "If those departments are, as it now appears very likely, if they're forced back together again, one of the consequences is likely to be a large amount of conflict between the faculty members because economists, sociologists and political scientists, we think about the world differently," Lunch said. "To political science, the government is the most important institution; to economists the market is the most important and to sociologists it's probably the family or other social institutions.'

Lunch said that while there is faculty support for this change, there is also faculty opposition. He predicts conflict among faculty to include scheduling issues and disagreements over which classes and positions should be eliminated to cope with budget cuts that, according to Lunch, are inevitable.

"Initially Sabah and others there made the argument that by reducing the number of departments would save money; well, that turns out to be pretty fanciful so they're not making that claim anymore, but it is true that the university has a budget problem; I recognize that OSU and the entire (OUS system) has a budget problem that is only going to get worse in the next couple years,' Lunch said. "What we are seeing here is a broad effort which

reaches across a bunch of disciplines and it really is a broadly influential effort by the central administration to increase their ability to direct what's going on at the department level.

According to Lach, the proposal was passed in an almost unanimous vote by the faculty of the three departments in question. Lach expects the transition to be smooth because the faculty members of the three departments deal with similar issues.

"Bringing them together is a relatively easy fit, because we work around the same institutional issues and we are already colleagues," Lach said. "I think the policy program is something that can really link what's going on in the university, whether it's in forestry or engineering, there's always that policy issue, and I think a really strong policy program can provide those links.

Randhawa hopes that the merging of economics, political science and sociology into the School of Public Policy will lead to a core community of faculty members and improvements in curriculum, access to resources and educational experience for both undergraduate and graduate students.

'We are putting in the resources to beef up the teaching part of the college," Randhawa said. "To me the most important component is faculty, because faculty is the major resource in any university."

Kayla Harr, staff writer

Authorities discover 30 tons of marijuana, smuggling operation

LOS ANGELES — U.S. authorities have discovered about 30 tons of marijuana that were part of a smuggling operation using a tunnel under the California-Mexico border, officials said Wednesday.

The 600-yard tunnel — which features a rail system, lighting and ventilation - connects a warehouse in Tijuana with one in the Otay Mesa industrial area of San Diego, said U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement spokeswoman Lauren Mack.

About 26 tons of marijuana had been transported through the tunnel to San Diego, and 10 of those tons were intercepted Tuesday by authorities as a tractor trailer was transporting the load from the Otay Mesa warehouse, officials said. About five tons were found by the Mexican military inside the Tijuana warehouse and the tunnel, officials said.

Drug cartels on the border have become so powerful and sophisticated in recent years that many Mexican communities and areas along the border are patches of uncontrollable violence, experts have said.

"It's not a good day for the cartels," said ICE director John Morton. "They now can't move that size of drugs without digging a tunnel for 600 yards. It backfired on them.

"Obviously this is a cartel and organized drug smuggling of the highest order," Morton added. Authorities weren't able to identify Wednesday which cartel was behind the tunnel operation, he said.

The smuggling was active for about a month until this week's seizure. The tunnel was rather small, and an individual can't stand up in it, Morton said. He described the railway as "crude."

The seizure was also unusual because authorities made their bust while the smuggling was active, Morton said.

We caught them in the act," Morton said. We find these tunnels and they're usually abandoned."

The seizure was also one of the largest on the California-Mexican border, officials said.

'What's unusual about this one is the amount of marijuana found as part of this investigation," Mack said.

The 30 tons is considered significant by U.S. and Mexican authorities even though Mexican authorities seized 105 tons of marijuana in Tijuana last month, the largest Mexican bust in recent years. Mack said.

'So there's been some pretty big drug busts," she said. "We're not letting our guard down."

In the past four years, 75 smuggling tun- in 2003, when it was assembled to deal with a nels have been discovered on the U.S.-Mexican border, most of them in California and Arizona, authorities said. In all, about 125 tunnels have been found since the early 1990s, when authorities began keeping count, with just one of them on the U.S.-Canadian border, Mack said.

Authorities will be investigating the owners of the Tijuana and San Diego warehouses, officials said.

A special U.S. border tunnel task force hunts for underground smuggling operations in and around San Diego. The task force consists of agents from ICE, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and the U.S. Border Patrol, and they also work with Mexican authorities, Mack said.

In its surveillance of the Otay Mesa warehouse, the task force noticed suspicious activity Tuesday when they saw a tractor-trailer leave the facility. Agents followed the truck to a Border Patrol checkpoint at Temecula, Calif., and authorities found 10 tons of marijuana hidden in cardboard boxes on pallets, said ICE director John Morton.

A married couple driving the truck was arrested, he said.

The task force became the first of its kind

growing number of underground smuggling routes on the California-Mexico border. The unit was also assembled as part of a post-Sept. 11 security concerns, Mack said.

The longest tunnel discovered, found in 2006, had a length of seven football fields. That tunnel also connected warehouses in Otay Mesa and Tijuana.

The task force uses robots to scout out a newly discovered tunnel before agents are sent into it. Federal agents are trained like miners on how to negotiate confined spaces, and the San Diego-Mexico region is even used to test the latest ground-penetrating technology to detect tunnels, including by the U.S. military, Mack said.

The sophisticated tunnels — with lighting, oxygen pumps and rail lines — are typically used to ferry drugs from Mexico to the United States. The more rudimentary tunnels are just big enough to smuggle people into the country, Mack said.

We've also been enjoying an unprecedented cooperation with Mexican law enforcement in recent years," Mack said. "So we get a lot of information from the Mexicans, and vice versa.'

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Guest Editorial

An honest remark

rational Public Radio recently terminated the contract of longtime news analyst Juan Williams for his remarks on "The O'Reilly Factor" that, according to NPR, "undermined his credibility as a news analyst." After asserting that he is a proponent of civil rights, Williams said, "But when I get on the plane, I got to tell you, if I see people who are in Muslim garb and I think, you know, they are identifying themselves first and foremost as Muslims, I get worried. I get nervous." Despite his provocative statements, Williams should not have been fired — he was well within his rights to express his personal opinion when he was speaking outside his home news organization. It is impractical to claim that news reporting is independent of bias, and in this case it seems that Williams' remarks were viewed as a problem particularly because they seemed to stand contrary to NPR's own editorial views. News organizations must realize that every employee harbors personal beliefs.

In making these remarks, Williams seemed to be admitting a personal emotional reaction rather than conscious intolerance toward Muslims, although we see how viewers and listeners could easily have interpreted his comments as being bigoted. Instead, his statements further highlight the uncontrollable emotional response that many individuals feel despite their intellectual stance on certain issues. As Williams' comments suggest, unfortunately, people's conscious views do not always influence their unconscious attitudes. In this light, we do not believe that Williams' comments were necessarily bigoted or intended as such; rather, they were an honest admission about his own rote

NPR's immediate decision to fire Williams is an inappropriately strong reaction to the situation and to the interpretation that his remarks were directly targeted toward Muslims. The media's hypersensitivity to issues of race and religion likely influenced NPR's assessment of the situation and its ultimate conclusion, however poor the decision. In this sense, firing Williams was a form of instantly satisfying those who would exhibit a similarly sensitive reaction.

This, in fact, could easily have been another factor in NPR's decision — that the organization could have lost listeners who interpreted Williams' comments to be prejudiced. Ultimately, NPR's potential loss of patronage may have mattered more to the organization than keeping Williams employed as a testament to its journalistic integrity and discretion. As a business, it is within NPR's interest to retain as many listeners as possible, but that is not worth sacrificing its contributors' right to free speech.

This is not to say, however, that there are no bigoted remarks against Muslims being made on air or in the media today. But labeling all statements as such is ineffective when there are many more unambiguous-

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Tune out rhetoric before casting ballot

As of now, I understand the current political landscape as this: If we vote Democrat, then socialist zombies are going to eat the Constitution, and our guns, then vomit Bible-eating stem cells paid for by Obamacare while al-Qaida uses the six white stripes of the American flag for toilet paper.

If we vote Republican, then the fat cats on Wall Street will use your parents' retirement funds to buy gas for joyrides. Then they'll shoot at the middle class from helicopters made entirely out of bones from deceased fauna from the Gulf Coast

If none of that made any sense but somehow sounds right, then welcome to the 2010 midterm elec-- an election that has become less about what candidates can do for our country than what they have already done to it. Who are we to vote for if each vote brings us closer to the apocalypse?

Furthermore, why do we want these sycophantic cretins running our government? On a list of current candidates' accomplishments, the term "acceptable" is highlighted as if it is an accolade worth mentioning. How many candidates **Austin Owens**

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claim that they have "protected our families and communities"? From what, aliens? Crime in Ohio is appalling, and the unemployment rate is almost 10 percent. If we are being protected from anything, it's progress and prosperity.

Not one party -Tea, Libertarian, Constitution, Democratic or Republican — has a viable solution to the ails of our nation. Candidates claim they are going to do what is best for our communities, but what is that exactly? How can they fix a nation that is divided now more than ever? They claim that if their party has control of Congress, then they can fix the problems.

The blame game has reached epic proportions. Each party is blaming the other for the state of affairs, and neither side has the temerity to own up to its failures. It is as if Congress has turned into feral tribes bent on domination while the American people are left helpless — choosing a side for the glimmer of protection

offered by safety in numbers. Each party claims to have the goal of national prosperity, though I have yet to see an olive branch through the rain of arrows.

Is it audacious to hope for a Congress that puts aside partisanship for the promise of a better tomorrow for all Americans? It's an audacity President Barack Obama rallied for during his campaign, a president who promised to air out the Capitol and usher in a new era in American politics, a president whose tenure history will show smacks of Special Forces work you only hear about the failures.

My fellow students: Do not be dismayed. If you are a freshman undergraduate or doctorate student looking for hope and change or to find your lost country, then look in the mirror. It has become apparent that our leaders have failed us. If we wish to stem the tide of our destruction, then we must act and act now.

Go to the polls Tuesday and vote for the best person to do the job, regardless of party affiliation. Vote for the chance of a better future.

> **Austin Owens** The Ohio State University Lantern

Wiki-leaked truths and government secrets

The release of nearly 400,000 cofidential Iraq war documents on Oct. 22 by the WikiLeaks website revealed a startling image of the secret history of the war in Iraq.

The documents contain details of events reported by the United States military and provide evidence of systematic torture and rape used as weapons of warfare. Sixty percent of the deaths registered in the documents are civilian.

The documents reveal the use of indiscriminate and disproportionate force used and condoned by the U.S. military. They also raise substantial questions concerning war crimes. This leak has been the largest release of classified military documents in history.

Critics argue the release of this sensitive information will jeopardize U.S. military operations and be used by opposition forces to seek out and kill Iraqi civilian informants working with the U.S. military.

Supporters of the whistleblower website contend the documents contain information the public deserves to know. According to the documents, as many as 15,000 Iraqi civilian deaths were previously unaccounted for.

When President Obama was elected, he promised to conduct his administration with transparency. The amount of secrets revealed within the documents WikiLeaks released flies in the face of such promises. Obama's promise for transparency has gone the way of his promise to close Guantanamo Bay.

To be fair, the files document the Iraq war during a time Obama was not president, but that doesn't excuse him from failing to hold the Bush administration accountable.

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Secrets and lies are what paraded the U.S. into the war in Iraq. The WikiLeaks files reveal that secrets and lies have only prolonged that

It is difficult to justify a war waged under false pretenses. It is also tough to support a war effort that tolerates torture and civilian murder and gives private contractors free reign.

Julian Assange is the spokesperson and editor-in-chief for the WikiLeaks website. As would be expected, he is receiving a great deal of flak for releasing the Iraq documents. News organizations are wondering why he isn't dead yet and claiming that the U.S. government should list him as an enemy combatant, which would deprive him of the right to due process.

This doesn't seem right. Shouldn't he be considered a champion of truth and democracy? Don't the people have a right to know about the sort of devastation and destruction that is happening in their name, with their tax dollars?

The WikiLeaks files are important for the historical record as primary documentation of the many mishandlings of a complicated war. It appears the media is more concerned with attacking Julian Assange than with discussing the human rights issues the documents bring to light.

In 1971, Daniel Ellsberg, a former Rand Corporation employee, released Department of Defense documents that detailed the United States' political-military involve-

ment in Vietnam from 1945 to 1967. The documents became known as the Pentagon Papers and indicated, among other things, that the Johnson administration had systematically lied to the public and to Congress. The publication of the papers caused a national outcry for government transparency and accountability.

Today, the socio-political landscape is much different. Many major media outlets have expressed their disgust over the release of the WikiLeaks documents.

On the other hand, some media sources commend the website for its courage and goodwill and comment of being unsurprised by the lack of government honesty. Yet there is no palpable call to action or demand for accountability. Instead the politically discontent shrug their shoulders and brush off the failure of military responsibility.

Wikileaks is trying to pull the wool off of the eyes of a world that prefers to live in the dark.

An Army whistleblower, Spc. Bradley Manning, is currently in custody. He is suspected for leaking thousands of Iraq war documents to WikiLeaks. The Obama administration has brought as many prosecutions for leaks to the American public as all previous administrations combined. Granted, it is a small number (three), but it is still important to note.

The administration is also threatening to use the Espionage Act to prevent further leaks. If that happens, the American public will know even less about the destruction that is happening in their name.

This past summer, WikiLeaks released more than 70,000 documents relating to the Afghanistan

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changes nothing

Tant Change? You've got only two choices: vote OR vote" ... at least that's how the slogan goes. However, empirically, this is most certainly not the case. Society's problems clearly tend to become worse and worse regardless of who gets elected or what legislation gets passed. Sure, there will sometimes be a temporary reprieve or even decade-long bubbles, but it is akin to the relief of an addict. Each hit of political "solutions" relieves society's pain at the cost of worsening its problems and deepening its addiction.

The ineffectiveness of voting is entirely predictable. To illustrate this point, it is helpful to look at this from a different perspective. Suppose that Bob needs a computer. What he decides to do is get everyone in his neighborhood together to vote on what type of computer they should all buy. Then, Bob is going to collect money from all of them and buy them all whatever type of computer the majority votes for - regardless of what each individual wanted. Maybe some people don't want to pay for that type of computer or any computer for that matter. They don't have to take one, though Bob is still going to take the money from them as if they had bought one.

This "solution" will not only produce poor results, but will also be morally abhorrent. Each person in Bob's neighborhood should be free to buy whatever computer that person wants or to not buy one at all. Bob's idea would justly be considered insane, yet society holds the dogmatic belief that this "majority rule" approach is the most effective and most moral way to meet the needs of society and resolve its

If "majority rule" is obviously not the answer, then why is nearly everyone so blind to it? When people are consistently blind to an obvious truth, it is because they are avoiding knowledge — not the knowledge of the obvious truth that they cannot see, but the truth of what this knowledge would imply. Another example is in order here, since this idea is likely new to most

Imagine two women, Wendy and Sue. They are both friends and both have physically abusive husbands. one day, wendy leaves without telling anyone. Days, weeks and even months go by and Sue has no knowledge of Wendy's whereabouts. As is all too often the case, Sue will in some way avoid thinking about where Wendy has gone, which allows her to avoid the reality of the situation. Hence, she can't see that Wendy has gotten up the courage to leave her abusive husband. However, Sue is not worried about this knowledge, but rather what that would imply: that she

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LimeWire's demise meaningless in overall music piracy war

t's a sad day for music lovers. A huge force in the industry has fallen.

Like so many more before it, and after years of investigation, file sharing and peer-to-peer network LimeWire has been ordered to shut down after a ruling Tuesday by a federal

U.S. District Judge Kimba Wood of New York issued the permanent injunction, stating LimeWire must disable the "searching, downloading, uploading, file trading, and/or file distribution functionality" of its website.

The site must also inform its workers, investors and customers of the injunction — as well as file a progress report to Wood within 14 days to make sure all conditions are being met.

When visiting LimeWire's homepage, I was met with the following notice:

"This is an official notice that LimeWire is under a courtordered injunction to stop distributing and supporting its filesharing software. Downloading or sharing copyrighted content without authorization is illegal."

The Recording Industry Association of America said in a statement the injunction "will start to unwind the massive piracy machine that LimeWire and (founder and Chairman Mark) Gorton used to enrich themselvesimmensely," according to The New York Times.

This move follows the pattern of other popular peer-to-peer sites such as Napster, Grokster and Kazaa being sued and eventually shut down because of file sharing.

The RIAA can make statements all it wants about how it will end piracy with this new injunction, but its statement carries about as much weight as people claiming they are going to end world hunger by sending one french fry to each starving person in the world.

Sure, it helps for now, but soon everyone will be starving

LimeWire formed in 2000, one year before Napster - easily the most recognized file-sharing site - received its injunction to shut down in 2001.

When one falls, another will

The Daily Reveille

Even though LimeWire received its injunction Tuesday, that doesn't mean the case is necessarily over.

LimeWire chief executive George Searle said the injunction only applied to LimeWire's file-sharing product. "Our company remains open for business," Searle explains.

He also says the company is deeply committed to working with the music industry.

LimeWire and the RIAA will appear before Judge Wood in January to begin arguments on damages LimeWire will pay.

When Kazaa was shut down, a settlement was reached at \$100 million.

That would buy a lot of CDs. While it's obvious to understand why the RIAA is coming down so hard on these sites - users are effectively stealing music — it seems as if their struggle is futile.

Similarly, back in the earlyto mid-2000s, when teenagers and housewives were being sued for ludicrous amounts of money for the handful of songs they downloaded illegally to help prove some point, the suing quickly ended because it became too expensive and time-consuming to handle all of those lawsuits.

If the RIAA plans to bring down every single file-sharing website, it has a lot of work to

Knowing how expensive lawsuits are, I'd be surprised if the RIAA didn't start losing more money than it made on its quest to bring down online piracy.

personally quit using LimeWire about a year ago and moved onto BitTorrent and Pirate Bay (another site dealing with legal issues).

No matter how many of these sites are shut down, others will form to take their place. It's just a never-ending cycle the music industry will have to learn to understand.

Besides, what was it we learned in elementary school?

Sharing is caring — it can be

Adam Arinde The Louisiana State University Daily Reveille

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war. The same national security concerns were raised at the time. But the Associated Press recently obtained a

Pentagon letter stating that no U.S. intelligence services or practices were damaged after the release of the documents.

For a democracy to function as a true democracy, the governing body must live up to the public's expectation of transparency and accountability. WikiLeaks is providing information the United States government was expected, but failed, to provide. The Iraq documents establish firmer ground for dissidents to stand upon in denouncing this despairingly unjust war.

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ly offensive statements to be countered. A statement that warrants such attention, for example, could likely be written off as one of the many that are undeservedly brought to the national spotlight, and remarks that are truly bigoted could thus go unaddressed.

In addition, the media's association of Williams' remarks with those that Bill O'Reilly made on "The View" only adds to the false belief that Williams' statements were as intolerant as O'Reilly's. In justifying an opinion poll he cited where 70 percent of respondents opposed the construction of Park51, a Muslim community center located two blocks from

Ground Zero, O'Reilly caused the show's co-hosts to walk off the set by saying, "Muslims killed us on 9/11." O'Reilly's comments were inexcusable, unlike Williams', and a comparison between the two is unfair and inaccurate.

In firing Williams, NPR has silenced someone who was, in fact, implicitly encouraging others to fight their initial fears about Muslims and to refrain from jumping to conclusions about people of any faith. NPR should have carefully considered the true intent of Williams' words before quickly assuming that any sensitive comment about Muslims must necessarily result in termination.

The Harvard Crimson editorial board

Democrats no help to Obama's roasting

bama is in trouble. Our very own Rhode Island candidate for governor, Frank Caprio, has made national headlines by telling the once wildly popular president to take his endorsement and "shove it." The independents who once voted for Obama are now backing Republicans by a 14-point margin, according to a recent Politico/George Washington University poll. For those of my generation, it's a shocking revelation of just how quickly the tide can turn in the politics of our

The Democratic base seems to have come to terms with the fact that essentially every poll is predicted a devastating defeat on Nov. 2. And while the get-out-the-vote effort continued, as Election Day has come and gone, the

Democrats have instead devoted their efforts to introspection and figuring out what went wrong.

The easy option is to blame the Democratic losses on the inevitable midterm slump, the intractable economy, or Glenn Beck. Jon Stewart's "Rally to Restore Sanity," cleverly held the weekend directly before Election Day, seemed to

nonpartisanship). But while I do support Jon Stewart and his (expressed) cause, the fact of the matter is that the Obama administration may deserve the November losses for not listening to the electorate that put him in office.

There are two directions that this argument could go from here: Either Obama went against the wishes of the majority of the American people with the imple-

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mentation of his "socialist agenda," or Obama has neglected the liberal base that brought him into office. The truth is that Obama has somehow managed to do both at the same time. How is this possible? First, by passing essentially hollow legislation (e.g. universal health care or banking regulation) - the very concept of which offends some, and lacks elements that are crucial for others (the public option and serious restrictions, respectively) - and then not convincing anyone that the bill was in their best interest. Obama failed to convince mainstream Americans why they should subsidize the health insurance for those without, and failed to

convince his base that the bill was the best **But while I do support** that the Democratcontrolled Congress (expressed) cause, the fact could produce. The main percepof the matter is that the Obama tion now seems to be administration may deserve that Obama does not care about the elector-

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only crime is being too cerebral, being too imply exactly that (despite his claims of much of a policy-maker and not enough of a politician — the fact of the matter is that he could have compensated for this weakness by altering the circle around him. Obama could easily have made up for the lack of populist and downto-earth appeal by placing people in his administration who would sound the rallying cry for Main Street — someone like Howard Dean, who could match the

soapbox populist fury now coming from

Instead, upon taking office in the middle of an economic recession caused by Wall Street and the federal mortgage companies, he surrounded himself with people like Rahm Emanuel, the White House chief of staff who made \$16 million through investment banking and later joined the board of directors of Freddie Mac, the government-owned company at the root of the current crisis. His new National Security Advisor is none other than Thomas Donilon, who formerly worked for Goldman Sachs and Citigroup, and who lobbied for Fannie Mae during the time when lack of government oversight was allowing it to make millions while the crisis grew.

In interviews, Obama has tried to pass off his actions as getting "the policy right (rather) than trying to get the politics right." In his own words, "There is probably a perverse pride in my administration — and I take responsibility for this; this was blowing from the top - that we were going to do the right thing, even if short-term it was unpopular." Obama, in his typical well-spoken fashion, makes the "history will prove me right" approach sound noble. But the fact of the matter is the politics. Voters like to feel that the president's decisions represent their desires, rather than having legislation handed down to them from on high. And contrary to what the president seems to think, the opinion of the voters does matter. As a result of his own arrogance, Obama is now going to have a Republican Congress to deal with for at least the next two years, who will try to blockade any and all of his present and past initiatives, starting with health care reform and going onward.

Michelle Uhrick

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too can leave. Sue is so desperate to avoid this that she may even go so far as to condemn Wendy's action as ignoble or immoral lest Sue be compelled into action herself.

The knowledge society is avoiding is similarly uncomfortable. Continuing on this line of thought is not for the faint of heart, so the reader is free to stop here. For those who are brave or foolhardy enough to continue, here it is.

The truth that society is avoiding is that the ordinary citizen has no control over the state whatsoever. The truth is that any bill that is passed will serve to expand the state at the expense of the ordinary citizen. The truth is that previous generations were bribed at the expense of the current and future generations. The truth is that the state gives with one hand while it takes with the other. The truth is that regardless of who is elected, the state always gets its power.

As stated by the contemporary philosopher Stefan Molyneux, the truth is that "voting is the suggestion box for

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TSA chief meets with Yemeni officials after bomb plot

Security Administration visited Yemen on Wednesday, five days after authorities disrupted a plot to send bombs from the Middle Eastern nation to the United States, the federal agency announced.

Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano, meanwhile, talked about cargo screening with top representatives of global shipping companies including DHL, FedEx, TNT and UPS, her department

She talked about "enhanced screening" after shipping companies apparently carried the bombs unawares.

She pressed home the same message in a call to the head of the International Air Transport Association, Giovanni Bisignani, the department said.

TSA Administrator John Pistole met with Yemeni government officials, including Deputy Prime Minister Rashad al-Alimi, representatives from the Directorate General of Civil Aviation and the Ministry of Interior, and U.S. ambassador Gerald Feierstein, the TSA said.

Pistole also received briefings from TSA inspectors deployed to Yemen and toured a cargo facility in Sanaa, the nation's capital.

Yemen said Monday that it is tightening security at all of

Authorities in the United Arab Emirates and Britain

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The found two packages Friday head of the U.S. Transportation with explosives that were destined for synagogues in Chicago, Illinois.

The explosive found in the United Arab Emirates may have traveled on passenger planes to get there, airline officials said Sunday.

Investigators in Yemen say they strongly suspect that Ibrahim Hasan al-Asiri, al Qaeda's top bomb maker in the region, is behind the explosive devices sent in the parcels.

U.S. authorities are said to be also looking at al-Asiri because the parcel bombs used the same explosive, PETN, as last year's foiled underwear bomber, also linked to him.

A 23-year-old Nigerian citizen, Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, has been charged with trying to blow up a December 25 flight from the Netherlands to Detroit, Michigan, with an explosive that was partly sewn into his underwear. A Yemenbased branch of the al Qaeda terrorist network claimed responsibility for that attempt.

After last week's incident, the TSA and Customs and Border Protection took immediate steps to enhance measures for screening inbound cargo, including grounding packages originating from Yemen destined for the U.S., the TSA said. The agencies also deployed a team of inspectors to assist the government of Yemen with its cargo screening procedures.

All Christians 'targets,' Iraqi militant group says

Middle East are now "legitimate targets," al Qaeda in Iraq announced Wednesday, as the group's deadline for Egypt's Coptic church to release alleged Muslim female prisoners expired.

An audio message released Monday gave the church 48 hours to disclose the status of Muslim women it said are imprisoned in Coptic churches in Egypt.

The message purportedly came from the Islamic State of Iraq, which claimed responsibility for an attack on a Baghdad church Sunday that killed 58 people and wounded 75. The umbrella group includes a number of Sunni extremist organizations and has ties to al Qaeda

The group said the women's alleged plight was the reason it stormed the church.

Wednesday, the group released a new message saying, "The Ministry of War of Islamic State of Iraq declares that all the centers, organizations and bodies of Christian leaders and followers have become legitimate targets by the Mujahedeens, wherever our hands will reach

Shortly after the message was released, Egyptian police sources confirmed that security has been reinforced at churches around the country.

Additional protection was also being provided to the head of the Coptic Church, Pope Shenouda III, who is scheduled to give a sermon in Cairo in the evening, according to a police spokesman who could not be named in line with policy.

Copts are adherents of an Egyptian sect of Christianity. About 9 percent of Egyptians are Coptic, according to the Central Intelligence Agency World Factbook; 90 percent of Egyptians are Muslim.

'This is a matter of extreme seriousness and we should not underestimate the threat," said Yusif Sidhom, editor-inchief of Watani, a weekly Coptic newspaper published in Cairo. "We have to keep

to ensure that our buildings and churches

are not infiltrated." Sidhom said he was encouraged by the security measures taken by the Egyptian government, as well as by the position taken by political forces in Egypt, including the Muslim Brotherhood, which has condemned the attack on the church in Baghdad and condemned threats against Egyptian Copts.

Worshippers at the Sayidat al-Nejat church in Baghdad were about to begin Sunday night services when gunmen entered the church, according to Martin Chulov, a journalist for Britain's Guardian newspaper, who was at the scene.

As many as 120 people were taken hostage, said Lt. Col. Eric Bloom, a U.S. military spokesman. The gunmen held them for hours before security forces stormed in to end the standoff, arresting eight suspects.

Most of the hostages were killed or wounded when the attackers set off explosives inside the church, Iraqi Defense Minister Abdul Qader Obeidi

At least two of the attackers were wearing explosive vests, which they detonated just minutes before security forces raided the church, police officials said.

The gunmen were demanding that the Iraqi government release a number of detainees and prisoners in Iraqi prisons, saying the Christian hostages would be freed in return, according to the police officials. Iraq's defense minister later said on state television that the kidnappers had demanded the release of a number of prisoners in both Iraq

"The sword of slaughter will not be lifted off the necks of their followers until they denounce what the dog of the Egyptian church has committed, and until they show the Mujahedeens their tration should act accordingly as quickly serious endeavor to pressure the combatant (Coptic) church for the release

BAGHDAD, Iraq — All Christians in the our eyes wide open and take all measures of our Muslim sisters, who are captive in the prisons of their monasteries," the militant group said Wednesday

The group's claim that the Coptic Church in Egypt is holding female prisoners is based on widespread rumors of Coptic women in Egypt converting to Islam and being detained by the church in an attempt to compel or persuade them to return to their original faith.

Both the Egyptian Interior Ministry and the representatives of the Coptic Church in Cairo declined to comment

As for Iraqi Christians, the chairman of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, said Wednesday they face "a grave terrorist threat."

Leonard Leo said Christians are among the country's "smallest religious minorities," which face a "pattern of official discrimination, marginalization and neglect.'

USCIRF, an independent, bipartisan U.S. federal government commission, reviews violations of religious freedom internationally and makes policy recommendations to the administration and Congress.

"It also is time for the Obama administration to acknowledge the sectarian aspects of the conflict in Iraq, which are evident in this attack, and ensure that U.S.-Iraq policy prioritizes the plight of the country's vulnerable religious minority communities," Leo said.

'Congress already has taken this step, as reflected in House and Senate resolutions that call on the U.S. government to, among other measures, work with the Iraqi government to enhance security at places of worship and ensure that members of ethnic and religious minority communities do not suffer discrimination and can effectively convey their concerns to government. The adminis-

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Guinea violence, intimidation displaces thousands, officials say

DABOLA, Guinea - Violence and voter intimidation in Guinea's eastern region has forced the displacement of thousands of ethnic Peul who support presidential candidate Cellou Dalein Diallo, according to an official for the Red Cross in Guinea and local officials of Diallo's party.

The West African nation's long-awaited, much-delayed second round presidential runoff between Diallo and Alpha Conde is scheduled for Sunday.

But more than a week of violence and intimidation that has forced thousands of people to leave their homes in the towns of Siguiri, Kouroussa and Kissidougou in eastern Guinea has soured what would be the nation's most credible democratic presidential vote in its 52-year history.

Ananie Kashironge, head of media relations for the International Committee of the Red Cross in Conakry, the nation's capital, told CNN on Tuesday that 2,800 people were displaced on October 29 and 30 alone.

In addition, commercial of three Peul in Siguiri, one since October 22," he added. trucks filled with ethnic Peul and all their possessions have been leaving the eastern towns of Siguiri (about 800 kilometers from Conakry) and Kouroussa (about 580 kilometers from Conakry) every day for the past 12 days, and local officials for Diallo's UFDG party say a total of 15,000 to 20,000 Peul have been displaced around the country.

Most of the displaced people have traveled west to the Fouta Djallon region, where they have relatives, the officials say.

After a rally for Conde in Conakry on October 22 in which dozens of supporters fell sick after drinking contaminated water and yogurt, ethnic Malinke people attacked Peul in Upper Guinea, especially in Siguiri and Kouroussa, for days. Those displaced spoke of Malinke men looting and burning Peul-owned businesses and demolishing homes where Peul lived in Siguiri.

Officials for Diallo's party

who had been fatally beaten and two who had died after being struck by stones.

Conde, whose father is from the Malinke ethnic group, draws much of his support from the majority Malinke region of Upper Guinea, where most of the violence happened.

Diallo, an ethnic Peul, has his base of supporters in the northwestern Fouta Djallon

Sabo Camara, the campaign director for the UFDG party in Dabola, a town on the border of the Fouta Djallon and Upper Guinea regions where many Peul have stayed or passed through, said the violence seemed planned.

They don't want (the Peul) to vote and we heard that they even put out a communique on local radio saying that if (the Peul) stay there until election day they will kill all of ties in Siguiri and Kouroussa, them," Camara told CNN on members of a military junta Monday.

"We estimate that 15 to 20,000 people have passed anything to stop the violence. said they registered the deaths through or stayed in Dabola

"Many told us that meetings had been organized, and razors and knives distributed to get rid of the Peul by force."

One displaced man said those who forced them out made no secret of the reason. "They told us, 'Come elec-

tion day not a single Peul will vote here,' which is why they chased us away," said Thierno Barry, who left Siguiri with his family and all their belongings and was heading for his village of origin in the Fouta Djallon region.

And a displaced Peul woman traveling from Siguiri who asked not to be named for safety reasons told a simi-

"They gave out a list of people from the Peul ethnic group and said that they have to leave before the election or they will be killed," she said.

Camara said the authoriwho has ruled Guinea since December, 2008, did not do

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that total to 111 and had 17 receiving

Sure, he was caught with marijuana, took plays off, and left the field early when he thought his team wouldn't recover an onside-kick, but man, the cat sure could play some football. It's the same reason guys rationalize dating the woman that is rude, conceited and just a bad person: C'mon, she's hot.

But this time around, Moss wasn't putting up eye-popping numbers for the Vikings. In his last game against the Patriots, the 33-year-old Moss had one catch for eight yards.

Finally, Moss' off-the-field antics were just too much to overcome.

On Friday, he treated a caterer, who brought the team food after practice, like

In the game against the Patriots, he failed to give full effort on a pass near the endzone. After the game, he ranted against the Vikings and told the media that, regardless of the fact that it would earn him a fine every week, he would not answer questions from the media. He would answer his own questions instead.

Mr. Moss: "Can you explain how you are supposed to be one of the most athletic wide receivers in the NFL but have only managed 13 catches in four games with Minnesota?"

Randy: "Next question."

Mr. Moss: "Why are you so bitter all the time? You do realize that you make \$6.4 million a year to play a game, right?"

Randy: "Next question."

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I can only imagine that the previous acts were part of the reason that the Patriots ran Moss out of New England on a rail in the first place. You don't see teams just trade their best wide receiver when they are on the top of the standings.

On Wednesday afternoon, the Tennessee

The all-time series between these two schools is led by Oregon State, 9-4-1,

and the Aztecs have yet to win a game

in Corvallis. These two teams have faced

each other 11 times; eight of those games

1, 5-2-0 in the Pac-10), who are currently

in second place in the Pac-10 standings

after losing to California. UCLA has 15

points total and has three games remain-

The last time these two teams faced off

The Beavers then take on UCLA (11-4-

have been decided by just one goal.

ing this season on the road.

Titans claimed Moss of waivers, meaning there were 22 teams in the league strapped for talent who said "Thanks, but no thanks" to acquiring a 7-time Pro

4-1. Victor Chavez from UCLA was able chances to score."

to score himself a hat trick in under five minutes in the second half. Freshman defender Josh von Allworden scored the

Beavers lone goal against the Bruins. "It's one of those games where we did have opportunity to score more than one goal, and we need to do a better job at taking those chances," Simmons said. "I think we need to be better at committing and the transitions.

UCLA led the series 21-4-1 over the Beavers and have won the last 10 matchups.

"I would like to see us beat UCLA," Simmons said. "I think from last time, we need to be able to be better at defenwas in Los Angeles, and the Beavers fell sive transition and we need to take our

Senior forward Travis Sanchez leads the Beavers with six goals, 14 points, and two assists on the season. Senior forward Brian Ramsey isn't far behind, scoring five goals, assisting two goals and having 12 points.

Sophomore midfielder Roberto Farfan is also in the double-digits for the Beavers with three goals, 12 points and four assists.

The Beavers have home turf advantage, which marks a good opportunity for them to turn their losing streak around and get some wins before the season is over. They have three games left in the Pac-10 conference, which are all held in Corvallis.

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Randy Moss is not attractive enough to

make up for his baggage. My dad is a big Tennessee Titans fan, and I'm guessing the minute he heard they picked up Moss, he drove straight to Fred Meyer or Walgreen's to pick up some aspirin for the headaches the coming weeks will bring.

Moss is not the only aging superstar that has to deal with the fact that his offthe-court actions are starting to outweigh his on-the-court talents. That's one reason why Allen Iverson will be spending the next two years learning Turkish.

The fact is, Iverson still has talent. I mean, the guy averaged more than 13 points a game last season. I'm sure there are teams all over that would jump at the chance to get a guard who could average double-digits off the bench. But Iverson isn't just anybody - he's "the

He won't come off the bench. He won't handle not being the star.

And don't get him started about practice. Don't even get him started.

So that's why, come this past off-season, the only team that would want him was in Turkey. When you have to do something weird to your keyboard to be able to type the team that Iverson is playing for, that's usually not a good sign.

Eventually, enough becomes enough. You're just not good enough to carry your-

self like a prima donna.

Talented athletes can stay in the limelight as long as they put up big numbers, which will sweep their bad behavior under the carpet. It's the same way that guys will put up with some snotty, conceited woman as long as she's beautiful.

Just ask Kim Kardashian.

Jesse Severson, sports writer

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loss coming at the hands of UC

Irvine nearly six weeks ago. The team has won 10 straight, shutting out their last six opponents with a stifling defense led by keeper Colleen Boyd.

Boyd has been rock-solid all year, with a school-record 13 shutouts and a goals-against average of just 0.41. Of course, Boyd's had plenty of help from her back line, consisting of Ashley Seal, Ashley Folsom, Milan Cabrera and Brittany Galindo.

"To beat Stanford at their place, we're going to have to be organized defensively," said head coach Linus Rhode. "When we have the ball, we've got to take care of it and take our opportunities as they come.

The game will see a matchup of one of the best defenses in the nation in Oregon State, and Stanford's biggest weapon in senior Christen Press, who leads the nation with 21 goals and set the career scoring record for Stanford earlier this season.

"We have to stand her up, deny the space behind us because she's very fast," said Rhode. "We have to make sure she doesn't get the opportunity to build up speed on the ball."

Boyd has been doing some scouting of her own on Press, and says she's ready for the challenge.

"I watch YouTube videos of her," Boyd said with a laugh. "She's an awesome player; I totally respect her, she's an

absolute racehorse. It's just to win, but for us it's a great going to be a matter of slowing her down and making sure she doesn't get the shots she wants.

Playing at Stanford is not going to be a walk in the park, as the Cardinal frequently bring crowds in excess of 1,200, and haven't lost at home since

"It's exciting for us to go there and play for the upset," said Rhode. "I do think the pressure is on them; they're the number one team in the nation, we're at their place and they haven't lost a game."

Stanford's last tie came against then No. 2 North Carolina, when the teams played to a 2-2 draw after two overtimes in a rematch of last year's NCAA finals. North Carolina was also the only team to beat Stanford last year, when they won the national championship.

"Obviously they're supposed

opportunity because we get to go out there with nothing to lose and give it our best shot," said Boyd. "We're really excited to do something that nobody else in the nation has done this year, and that's beat Stanford. I think we've got a great shot."

Oregon State has never won a Pac-10 championship in women's soccer, with their best finish coming in 1994 when they grabbed second place. As the biggest game in program history and the only nationally televised game that night, there will be thousands of eyes watching the hopeful Beavers make a dash for glory.

Once again, the game begins at 8 p.m. and will be televised on FSN Northwest. A viewing party has been set up in the MU Commons, and all are encouraged to attend.

Evan Schaye, sports writer

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they played them in early October. According to osubeavers.com, Oregon State is 16-34 all-time against the and 12 digs. Sun Devils and 13-37 all-time season, the Wildcats 7-4 at home.

"Arizona State, their go-to player is No. 12 Sarah Reaves; we must neutralize her at the net, wait on the block and not get used by her," Liskevych said. "They served us very tough in the last three sets last time, so we must pass well and take the game to them."

The Sun Devils most recently played against the Wildcats, where they were taken down in five sets.

"Arizona is athletic and physical," Liskevych said. They are led by No. 9 outside hitter Tiffany Owens, who has been their steadiest player. Outside hitter No. 23, Courtney Karst, has also been very good against us the last time — we could not stop her hits from the back row. We must serve tough and block them at the net.'

Owens was recently named Pac-10 Player of the Week, and according to arizonawildcats. com, she is also leading the Pac-10 in double-doubles, having earned her 13th against

Arizona State.

In the last meeting with Arizona, junior Dre Shaw was The Beavers suffered losses able to rack up 19 kills and a to both schools the last time team-high 18 digs. Senior Jill Sawatzky also had a standout night, earning a double-double with a team-high 25 kills

Both women earned conagainst the Wildcats. The Sun secutive double-doubles in Devils are 6-8 at home this the following match against team-high 14 digs, while Shaw had 16 kills and dug 12 balls.

Arizona State's Sarah Reaves proved to be a very tough competitor last time, as she led with 21 kills and 20 digs. Libero Sarah Johnson is a Wildcat player to look out for, experienced teams.

as she came up with 20 digs last time.

To come back to Corvallis with wins against either of these two teams, Oregon State's front line of freshman Mona Kressl, sophomore involved in postseason tour-Megan McBride and Sawatzky their game. The team will also remaining, for the team to get need strong performances by back in the swing of things Shaw and sophomore Camille and end the season on a good Arizona State, Sawatzky with Saxton, whose jump serve note with some wins. a match-high 21 sets and a could help give the Beavers an advantage.

Although the Beavers lost their last match against No. 3 Cal, they were able to stay competitive long enough to prove that they are capable of winning against ranked and

"We have competed hard against top-ranked teams, but need to win some matches," said Liskevych.

Though it looks to be too late for Oregon State to be naments, there is still enough will need to be at the top of time, with seven matches

Both matches this weekend are scheduled to start at 7 p.m. For updates on all the action, check out the Gametracker at osubeavers.com, or follow Beavsvolleyball on Twitter.

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OSU's David meets its Goliath: No. 1 Stanford

Women's soccer travels to take on top-ranked Stanford that will determine the Pac-10 champions

By Evan Schaye

After an unprecedented rout of the Pac-10, the Oregon State women's soccer team has already made history with the most single season wins in program history and their best regular season start to date, and this Friday they will look to extend that streak and make more history in the form of a conference title.

At 15-1-1, 7-0 Pac-10, the Beavers are one of two undefeated Pac-10 teams sitting on a 10-game winning streak — following their five-game streak to kick off the season - and are hungry for a conference title.

"It means a tremendous amount for the program and what we've been working on here," said head coach Linus Rhode. "The opportunity to win a conference championship at this stage in the season is fantastic."

Standing in the way is Oregon State's Goliath, the currently undefeated and reigning Pac-10 champions as well as NCAA runner-up in 2009, Stanford (16-0-2, 7-0 Pac-10). Ranked No. 1 in the nation in every poll, the Cardinal were predicted

to finish first in the conference this year by the preseason coach's poll, and were ranked No. 2 nationally in preseason.

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This Friday, Oregon State will finally have their opportunity to take down Stanford as they head to Laird Q. Cagan Stadium in Stanford, Calif., to compete in the de facto Pac-10 Championship. The game has been selected by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America as the College Game of the Week, and is being nationally broadcasted on Fox Soccer Net as well as regionally on FSN Northwest. Kickoff is scheduled for 8 p.m. Pacific, and a viewing party has been scheduled on campus in the MU Commons beginning at

"It's a big game this weekend, we've worked really hard to be where we're at and I think it's going to be one of the best games we'll have in our career," said junior and leading goalscorer Chelsea Buckland. "It hasn't really hit us that we're playing for the championship, we don't really talk about it. We're just trying to stay focused as a group and keep every-

Oregon State is currently ranked No. 13 by the NSCAA and No. 7 by SoccerAmerica.com, with their only

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JAMES MARTINELLI | THE DAILY BAROMETER

Oregon State junior Melina Ingalls puts a shot on goal in a matchup against the Arizona Wildcats last weekend. The women travel to Stanford to face the unanimously ranked No. 1 Cardinal Friday.



JEFFREY BASINGER | THE DAILY BAROMETER

OSU senior Brian Ramsey takes a hit while going up for a challege against a Gonzaga player. Ramsey and the Beavers take on San Diego State and UCLA this weekend.

Men's soccer: SDS and UCLA

Struggling in the Pac-10, a positive Simmons' team prepares for battle in Corvallis

By Stephany Tornincasa
THE DAILY BAROMETER

This weekend, the Oregon State men's soccer team hosts two schools, the San Diego State Aztecs Friday at 7 p.m. and the No. 12 UCLA Bruins Sunday at 1 p.m. at Paul Lorenzo

This is a challenging weekend for the Beavers (6-8-0, 1-6-0 Pac-10), who have been doing everything they can in practice to be successful this weekend.

"Practice this week has been pretty positive," head coach Steve Simmons said. "We're focused on the upcoming games this weekend and the guys are concentrating on making the improvements they need to make to win these games."

San Diego (9-5-2, 2-4-1 Pac-10), a guest school in the Pac-10 conference, is riding a three-game winning streak coming to Corvallis and is looking for their revenge on Oregon State. The last time these two teams faced each other was in California where the Beavers won, 2-1, in their only Pac-10 conference win this season.

"With every single team we've played this year, we have had opportunities to get the win but we just need to make the plays we need to make," Simmons said. "That's one thing we have been doing this week, tightening up on certain areas and trying to get the guys the clarity they need to make those plays."

This weekend marks a huge test for the Aztecs because they need these wins to get into the NCAA tournament. This is the third time they have had nine wins in their era, since 2005.

The Aztecs are led by senior Raymundo Reza, who leads the team with six goals, 16 points, three penalty kicks on goals and is tied in the national leaders for 82nd with a 1.06 points per game.

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Randy Moss is losing his looks

t's true that a man will let a woman get away with more vices as long as she's beautiful.

The better-looking the woman is, the more high-maintenance she can be. A guy will not brush off a blonde bombshell because she takes too long to get ready. He will put up with her constantly bad-mouthing her friends

attractive enough, would deal with her being a complete you-know-what.

Hey, don't blame me. I am not the one who wrote the

male DNA, that's just the way it is.

But as the years wear on, the wrinkles come. Her looks are slowly withering away and you know what happens? Guys lose their willingness to deal with her

I bring this up because this week, Randy Moss has learned he's nothing more than a high-maintenance supermodel who's losing her looks.

On Monday afternoon, I woke up from a midday nap



We're Gonna Run the Picket Fence at 'Em

disoriented and confused at the text message I read:

"ESPN News - NFL Network: Vikings waive 7-time Pro Bowl WR Randy Moss, who was acquired from Patriots last

I had to re-read it several times, like the text messages you get in the middle

as long as she's gorgeous. Some guys, if the woman is of the night that leave you so befuddled, the next morning you check your phone again just to make sure it wasn't a dream.

Moss' dramatic homecoming to Minnesota lasted four games. The Vikings lost three of those games and they now sit at 2-5, with chances at making the playoffs getting slimmer after each week.

Many Vikings fans were expecting Moss to hop into a time machine (hot tub or otherwise), and travel back to the 1998-2003 days when the young Randy Moss was a star for the team from the Land of 10,000 Lakes. In 2002 he caught 106 passes, and a year later he upped

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women look to get back on track in the desert



BENNY KANG | THE DAILY BAROMETER

Senior Jill Sawatzky takes a rip at a ball into Stanford blockers. The women have worked all week to fix regular mistakes.

Volleyball heads south for matches against competitive Arizona schools

> By Mackenzie Allen THE DAILY BAROMETER

Though they have struggled in the Pac-10 so far this season, the Oregon State volleyball team has been working this week to turn it around when they take on Arizona State (10-13, 4-6 Pac-10) on Friday and No. 23 Arizona (16-7, 5-5 Pac-10) on Saturday.

"We need to control the ball on our side of the net," head coach Terry Liskevych said. "Minimize attack errors, dig balls hit at us and cover our hitters — we are working hard in practice on all of these."

The team has also been pushing to improve how they communicate during games. That way, there should be no missed balls because everyone knows who is going to take which shot. They have also been working on returning serves and putting up a competitive offense.

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