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Mo's: serving chowder for over 60 years

■ Newport location draws those
in Corvallis to West Coast staple

By Nicholas Schram
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Oregon's coast, with cities like Newport and Lincoln City, has been a popular getaway destination for students and families for decades.

Family-owned, homey businesses are a staple of coastal cities' appeal. Mo's restaurant chain is among the most famous of such Oregon coast attractions. With great seafood and an inviting atmosphere, Mo's has been attracting a variety of customers for over 60 years.

Founded in 1946 on the Newport waterfront by the eponymous Mohava Niemi, the restaurant chain has become a prominent fixture of the bayfront.

According to Gabrielle McEntee-Wilson, vice president of public relations for Mo's restaurants, it was Niemi's unique personality and fantastic clam

chowder that initially made Mo's a popular Newport destination.

Known for her generosity to the community and her employees, Mo set out to establish a restaurant with quality food, reasonable prices and great customer service.

To this day, McEntee-Wilson cites Mo's customer service as one of its strongest assets. This can easily be attributed to a devoted staff, some members of which have been with the restaurant for over 25 years.

McEntee-Wilson believes it is important for Mo's to consistently demonstrate a customer service that defies the patrons' expectations, as it is one of many seafood restaurants dotting the Oregon coast.

To a restaurant, good service alone would hardly be enough — it all comes down to how good the food is. After being around for 60 years, one can suspect that Mo's has some satisfying grub.

"Our clam chowder is wonderful," McEntee-Wilson said. "I eat it every day!"

The chowder isn't just a hit with the employees, as OSU students are also professed fans of the restaurant's famous clam chowder.

For Travis Berge, a junior in chemical engineering, the restaurant is one of his favorites in Newport, and the chowder is "excellent." With locations in Cannon Beach, Lincoln City, Florence and Otter Rock in addition to the original restaurant in Newport, Mo's has become a signature feature of the Oregon coast and a popular destination for both casual and formal dining.

McEntee-Wilson encourages OSU students to venture out to the coast and pay Mo's a visit, vowing that the restaurant's devoted waitstaff will do its best to craft a great experience for each and every guest that visits.

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Established in 1946, the original Mo's restaurant was so successful that the Mo's Annex was built across the street in Newport.

Students feel effect of local homeless shelter



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Chuck Jessel, left, and James Hickman play a game of cribbage in Jessel's tent Thursday. Both are homeless and keep score of their games on paper because they do not have a cribbage board.

■ Corvallis police educate students on
handling situations involving transients

By Daniel Acee
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Many people living in the Chintimini Park area just northwest of the OSU campus have noticed a growing transient population inhabiting the area.

The increase was brought about when the owner of the old Pi Beta Phi sorority house, located at N.W. 26th Street and N.W. Taylor Avenue, attained a permit to temporarily turn the house into a social services facility.

The old sorority house became a homeless shelter at the beginning of winter term, and by law it must operate in the interest of the physical and mental health and welfare of the community's

population.

As a homeless shelter, it must also provide individual counseling, meal services, short-term accommodations and administrative functions that relate to these services.

Fraternities and sororities in the area experience a much greater presence of transient individuals on their properties than most other homeowners in Corvallis. This may be because of the large amount of waste that is produced by living groups and their difficulty with maintaining secure buildings.

The Chi Phi fraternity has experienced problems with having the new homeless shelter across the street.

"We have always had an average amount of homeless people going through our dumpster, looking in our cars and even breaking into the basement to sleep on the couch or going upstairs to take

food from our kitchen," said Timothy Zumwalt, a sophomore in Chi Phi majoring in business administration.

"Now it seems like there is always a group of two or three homeless guys hanging around our dumpster, and we have to pay extra attention to our seating areas outside because we have found homeless people drinking or sleeping out there," Zumwalt said.

The fraternity took action by having Capt. Daniel Hendrickson of the Corvallis Police Department visit their house and share some advice on how to prevent and handle any situations that may arise.

"I took a walk around the entire house with Trevor Giroux [the president of Chi Phi fraternity] and my son John [a member of the fraternity],"

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We voted for it, now what?

■ Green fee, passed last year,
covers 72 percent of proposed
renewable energy initiative

By Lauren Sigel
THE DAILY BAROMETER

The green energy initiative was passed on Apr. 27, 2007, and with it came the promise that OSU would be converted to approximately 100 percent renewable energy beginning fall term 2007.

As with most projects, however, obstacles came up that have kept the goal from being reached just yet.

"The price quote that we received last year was lower than the price in the proposal, so students' purchases will cover approximately 72 percent of renewable energy for OSU," said Andrea Norris, the coordinator for the Student Sustainability Initiative.

"We have decided not to increase the student fee and instead plan to

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Athletic department gender equality earns 'A' in Penn State survey

■ Reinstatement of women's
cross country, track teams plus
new hires give athletics boost

By Tara Pistorese
THE DAILY BAROMETER

In the most recent Gender Equity Scorecard — an report released by Charles L. Kennedy, a senior instructor of political science at the York campus of Pennsylvania State University — Oregon State received an "A" in gender equity in athletics.

"Gender equity means equal opportunity for all student-athletes regardless of gender," said Todd Stansbury, the executive associate athletic director at OSU.

The university also made a commendable jump in its national ranking, being ranked seventh in the

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"You don't really think it's going to hit you until you realize it's on top of you then it's too late."

Macon County (Tenn.) Mayor Shelly Linville, on the tornadoes that devastated his community.

"I've earned a reputation for many things: pushing the envelope, for being a provocateur, for never taking no for an answer. For endlessly reinventing myself, for being a cult member, a kidnapper. For being ambitious, outrageous and irreverent. And for never settling for second best."

Singer Madonna, at a star-studded United Nations benefit to help poor and sick children around the world.

BREAKDOWN

NEW ORLEANS — Democrat Barack Obama raised \$7.2 million and rival Hillary Rodham Clinton collected \$6.4 million since Super Tuesday, as he continued to resist a Clinton campaign clamoring for attention-getting debates.

The remarkable outpouring of contributions recorded since Tuesday's contests in 22 states comes on the heels of an eye-popping \$32 million raised by Obama in January and the record-shattering \$100 million each Obama and Clinton raised in 2007 in their neck-and-neck race for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Obama has been riding a wave of fundraising from large donors and small Internet contributors.

McCain all but gains GOP nomination, Romney drops out

By Liz Sidoti
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — John McCain is on the brink of securing the Republican Party presidential nomination that eluded him eight years ago and seemed far out of reach last summer.

The Arizona senator all but clinched the nod Thursday as Mitt Romney bowed out of a bruising yearlong fight.

"We're continuing campaigning and not taking anything for granted," McCain said in an Associated Press interview, still reluctant to call himself anything more than the front-runner. "I certainly

think that we have enhanced our chances."

Romney's departure — and, with it, McCain's elevation — marked the latest chapter in an extraordinary story line over the past year.

McCain went from casting himself as the inevitable Republican nominee as the race began to finding his campaign broke and unraveled last summer. Essentially starting from scratch, McCain pressed ahead with dogged determination and managed to prevail in New Hampshire. Then came hard-fought victories in South Carolina and Florida. A coast-to-coast Super Tuesday

primary rout followed, leaving Romney little choice but to end his bid.

Now, only Mike Huckabee and Ron Paul remain in what had been a crowded and wide-open nomination fight. Both have narrow voting constituencies and are far behind in the hunt for delegates to the GOP's nominating convention this summer.

That leaves McCain, whose independent streak rankles many in the Republican rank-and-file, poised to assume President Bush's position as the party standard-bearer. As Romney withdrew, McCain sought to mend his tattered relationship with conserva-

tives and unify a splintered GOP. A parade of prominent Republicans swung behind his candidacy.

"It is my sincere hope that even if you believe I have occasionally erred in my reasoning as a fellow conservative, you will still allow that I have, in many ways important to all of us, maintained the record of a conservative," McCain told a gathering of the party's influential right flank on Thursday, hours after Romney told the same group he was ending his campaign.

Said Romney, "I must now stand aside, for our party and our country."

NEWS IN BRIEF



Australia says Japan is pursuing indiscriminate whale-killing overseas

SYDNEY, Australia — Australia's government on Thursday released graphic pictures of Japanese hunters harpooning whales and dragging their bleeding carcasses onto a ship near Antarctica, calling it evidence of the "indiscriminate" slaughter of the animals.

Japan denied one of the photographs showed a mother and its calf being killed, and accused Australian officials and media of spreading propaganda that could damage ties between the two nations.

The images were the latest salvo in the new Australian government's stepped-up campaign against Japan's annual whale hunt, which resumed recently after being interrupted by environmental activists who chased the fleet through icy waters at the far south of the world.

The pictures were taken from the Oceanic Viking, an Australian customs service ship sent to monitor the hunt and collect evidence for a legal challenge the government wants to bring against Japan's claim that it kills whales only for scientific purposes.

"It is explicitly clear from these images that this is the indiscriminate killing of whales, where you have a whale and

its calf killed in this way," Australian Environment Minister Peter Garrett told reporters.



Bush signals approval of Congress-passed stimulus package

WASHINGTON — Congress, facing the prospect of an election-year recession, passed an emergency plan Thursday that rushes rebates of \$600 to \$1,200 to most taxpayers and \$300 checks to disabled veterans, the elderly and other low-income people. President Bush indicated he would sign the measure.

House passage by a 380-34 vote came a few hours after Senate leaders ended a drawn-out stalemate over the bill. Still, by congressional standards, lawmakers approved the legislation with exceptional speed to jolt the weak economy. The plan, which adds \$168 billion to the deficit over two years, is intended to provide cash for people to spend and tax relief for businesses to make new investments — boosts for an economy battered by a housing downturn and credit crunch.

Rebate checks could begin arriving in May. They would be based on 2007 tax returns, which are due April 15.

The Senate's 81-16 vote capped more than a week of political maneuvering. The logjam broke when majority Democrats

dropped their demand that rescue proposal offer jobless benefits, heating aid for the poor and tax breaks for the home building and energy industries.



Hooley retirement sets off scramble to replace her respected position

SALEM — U.S. Rep. Darlene Hooley's unexpected retirement announcement Thursday set off a mad scramble to replace her, with Republicans hopeful they can capture a seat that has eluded them for more than a decade.

Hooley's retirement presents Republicans with one of their few opportunities nationally to capture a congressional district that's been in Democratic hands. Including Hooley, just six Democrats have announced retirement plans so far, most of them from districts that are unlikely to go Republican; 24 GOP House members are not seeking re-election, many of them from swing districts.

Hooley's district, encompassing wealthy Portland suburbs, the state capital of Salem, rural stretches of the Willamette Valley and a portion of the Oregon Coast, is nearly evenly split between Democrats and Republicans, with the GOP holding a slim, 5,000 voter registration edge.

— The Associated Press

CALENDAR

Sunday, Feb. 10

Events

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 7pm, Grace Lutheran Church, 435 NW 21st, corner of Kings & Harrison Streets. Evensong Worship with communion, especially for students.

Music, 1:30pm, LaSells Stewart Center. Cantonese Opera Troupe of Hong Kong Baptist University Alumni Association of Southern California.

Monday, Feb. 11

Meetings

ASOSU, 5pm, ASOSU, Snell 149. Women's Affairs Task Force Meeting.

Events

Native American Longhouse, 4-5:45pm, Native American Longhouse. Please join us to learn how to make crafts.

Native American Longhouse, 6-9pm, MU Main Lounge. Native American Style Speed Dating. Come find a date and learn the Round Dance and Owl Dance (powwow social dances).

Tuesday, Feb. 12

Meetings

ASOSU Multicultural Affairs, 4:30pm, SLI. If you want an opportunity to get involved in ASOSU, this is it! Come join us for lots of fun and participation.

ASOSU Environmental Affairs Task Force, 4-5pm, Snell 149. Come work on environmental campaigns and help plan Earth Week 2008!

ASOSU State Affairs Task Force, 6-7pm, Snell Hall Lounge. Want to make a difference? Join us in the fight to reduce the cost of education and amplify the student voice. Everyone is welcome!

Educational Activities, 6:20pm, MU MLK Room. BSU and 4H will be presenting their 2008-09 budget proposals.

Speakers

Socratic Club, 7-9pm, LaSells Stewart Center. Is the Bible Chauvinistic? A debate on whether the Bible and Christianity are patriarchal, sexist and oppressive to women.

Events

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

Academic Success Center, 5-8pm, Waldo 114. Study night at the ASC. Join the Academic Success Center in a great studying opportunity. Free popcorn, free coaching.

Student Community Covenant, 3-5pm, West Dining Hall-East Conference Room. Want to leave a legacy on campus? Help create OSU's first student campus values statement. All students welcome.

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Capt. Hendrickson said. "I pointed out places where they should have bright lighting, where to post signs to dissuade transients from entering and to trim up some of the bushes around the house as to not allow a place for them to sleep without being seen."

Hendrickson and Lt. Dave Henslee, also of CPD, shared some insight on situations that involve transients.

"The best way to keep them off your property is by firmly telling them to leave. If you don't tell them, then they consider that silent consent to do what they're doing," Capt. Hendrickson said.

"Word travels quickly in the homeless community, and if they hear a good deal of others saying that a certain residence is showing disregard towards them, then they will most likely not come back," Capt. Hendrickson said.

Capt. Hendrickson said citizens don't often realize transient individuals are often in survival mode. "If they see an opportunity on the street, they're probably going to exploit it," he said.

He also explained that students should not leave car doors unlocked with items of interest

in plain sight.

"We attempt to enhance livability for the homeless," Lt. Henslee said. "We keep a close eye on the weather reports, and if it is going to be a very cold night, we will send an officer over to the homeless shelters and have the shelters administer an open door policy to allow all homeless citizens a warm place for the night."

In order to benefit the community, the CPD uses a three-tier system of education, prevention and enforcement when handling transient populations.

Officers often provide food, warm clothing and support opportunities from local community outreach programs to transient individuals during winter months.

Although transient individuals may receive looks of distaste and are often scrutinized for their actions and decisions, many have grown content with their lifestyles and have found ways to survive.

"Half of the homeless people in Corvallis are mentally ill and get checks from the government but choose to live on the streets," said Stretch, a local transient man.

"The other half are addicted to drugs and can't afford anything else, don't let anyone tell you different. But somehow we always find a way to get by."

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GREEN: Contract with Bonneville foundation will aid OSU in move toward renewable energy

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approach 100 percent through energy efficiency upgrades on campus and donations to the green energy fund by faculty, staff and others."

The Student Sustainability Initiative plans to increase energy efficiency on campus by providing more education on the subject and by participating in the first annual National Campus Energy Challenge this month.

The SSI will also be funding energy audits of Dixon Rec Center and the MU.

Since the green energy fee was passed, several energy companies have sent proposals with the rates and energy they could provide OSU.

A committee was formed to review the proposals, approving a rate offered by Bonneville Environmental Foundation for a two-year

contract.

According to its official website, the BEF is a non-profit organization that markets green power products to public utilities, businesses, government agencies and individuals.

"As part of their contract, the BEF has offered to provide OSU with up to \$50,000 for renewable energy projects on campus — such as the construction of solar panels on campus to provide a portion of our power and to serve as a demonstration of renewable energy production," Norris said.

Renewable energy is generally defined as energy that can be produced indefinitely, meaning it comes from a source that is replenished naturally and does not produce significant environmen-

tal degradation.

"Our biggest challenge in converting OSU to renewable energy has probably been trying to reach out to all students to provide them with information on what renewable energy is and why it is vital that we begin moving away from fossil fuels," said Brandon Trelstad, an OSU sustainability coordinator.

"The majority of students we have interacted with are interested and supportive once they learn more; it's just a matter of reaching all the thousands of students on campus," Norris said.

The green energy fund has been set up with the OSU Foundation. Donors can contribute any dollar amount — a gift of \$25 will match a student's yearly contribution.

Full details on how to donate can be found at oregonstate.edu/sustainability/donate.html.

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EQUITY: Scholarships, hires in volleyball, basketball contributed

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most recent report, examining the 2005-06 school year. For the 2004-05 year, OSU was ranked 30th.

The reinstatement of OSU's women's cross country and track teams provided a boost in athlete participation, which reflected favorably on the gender equity score, said Kelly Sullivan, head coach of women's cross country and track.

The leaps accomplished by the university's athletic department can be attributed to a number of plans that were implemented over the last year.

"It is the result of cumulative effects of investing in programs over a number of

years," Stansbury said.

There are currently around 550 student athletes at OSU, 47 percent of which are female.

Those numbers fail to reflect, however, the approximate 500 students that are involved in the athletic department and are not athletes. These students sell tickets, work as student managers or trainers and contribute in countless other ways.

"We appreciate that OSU was aggressive to meet the requirements, and not only wanting to do it but wanting to do it really, really well," Sullivan said.

Substantial hires were made in volleyball and women's basketball programs, in addition to changes in salaries and operating budgets.

"It's just a nice benchmark to have to show that you're making progress and you're committed to an equitable program for all of our

student-athletes," said Marianne Vydra, associate director of intercollegiate athletics.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association also made changes to laws regarding women's soccer scholarships.

The number of available scholarships jumped to 14 from the original 12, and OSU chose to give out all 14 to qualified students — a decision that may be closely recognized in next year's score.

"I think what people need to realize, too, is that our vision and our mission is that we are going to have a broad-based program, meaning you fund everything at the highest level so that you can compete in this conference," Vydra said.

The substantial jump in OSU's ranking this year may put additional pressure on the athletic department to score even better in 2009.

"It really was the compilation of three major events that happened to fall at the same time," Vydra said. "We were in the position to make a volleyball change and a basketball change. We didn't anticipate that going into the year."

The most-attended sports on campus were football, men's and women's basketball, gymnastics and baseball, although men's and women's soccer receive substantial crowds as well.

"I think it's important that people don't lose sight of the fact that just because you're not on TV doesn't mean there isn't a real value placed on the experience as a student-athlete and how it contributes to campus and the overall institution," Stansbury said.

For more information on all athletic programs offered at OSU, visit oregonstate.edu/athletics.

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Editorial

Giving life

The OSU Blood Drive begins Monday, Feb. 18. Winter is the time when supplies in blood banks are at their lowest, while the demand for blood remains the same, according to the OSU Blood Drive Association website.

Giving blood is a great to give back and help out those in need, if needles don't make you queasy. Donations are most commonly given to trauma or surgery patients in need of blood transfusions, but blood transfusions are also critical to everyday medical procedures in hospitals around the world. The best blood type donations are O positive/negative and B positive/negative, which are much less common than other types. Of course, anyone willing to give blood is encouraged to donate.

However, there are always restrictions on who can donate. Donors have to be feeling well the day of donation, be over 110 pounds and aged 17 or older. As many people know, however, there are more specific restrictions that can prevent a person from making a donation for a year or even indefinitely.

One of the most common deferrals for women is being anemic. Many women are unable to donate if their iron is low. Taking measures to eat more iron before donating can increase the possibility of being able to donate. Even if a woman is deferred, she should make an effort to come back at a later date. What may be a problem at one time may not be a problem later.

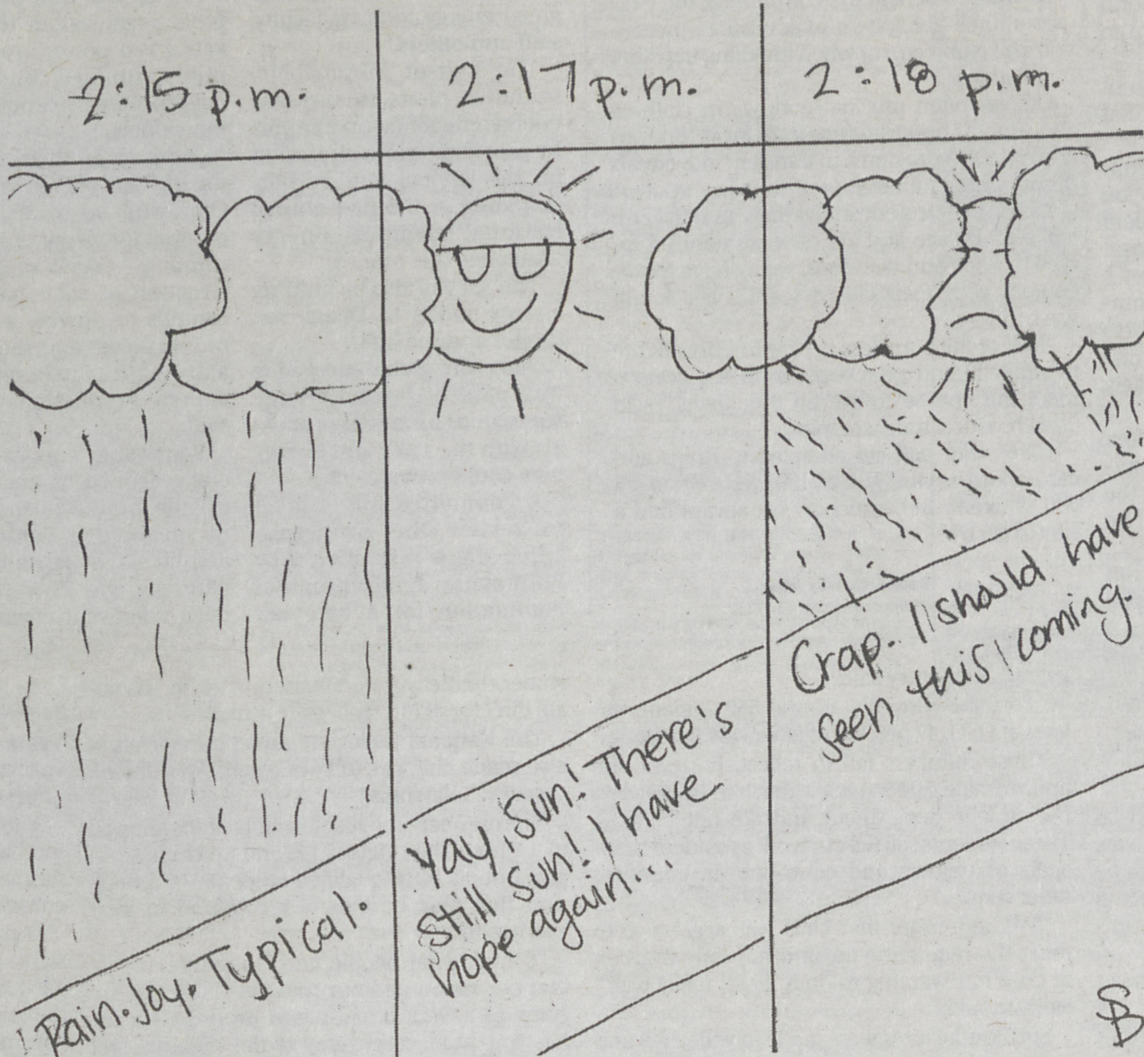
In the past, the requirement for giving blood after getting a tattoo or piercing was a wait-period of one year. This was in case there had been any uncertainty of how clean the facility was. Currently, the American Red Cross states if your tattoo or piercing was done in a state-regulated facility with sterile needles and ink that is not reused, there is no waiting period. Oregon and California are two of the few states that currently regulate tattoo facilities. The American Red Cross still recommends waiting 12 months if you had any doubts about your procedure before donating again.

Indefinite restrictions include having lived outside the country for more five years, and previously having had male-to-male sex even once since 1977. The American Red Cross restriction is based on risk of transmission for HIV infection.

The point is, there are very few things that will stop you from being able to give blood. And if you can, you should. Donating blood even just once can save up to three lives.

By giving blood here at OSU, you could be completing the cycle. Maybe you'll be the one in need of blood someday.

Editorials serve as a means for Barometer editors to offer commentary and opinions on issues both global and local, grand in scale or diminutive. The views expressed here are a reflection of the editorial board's majority.



My dreams: chariots, cannons, speed metal

So last week I talked about how I have no idea what I want to do with my life. This week I'd like to continue by talking about hopes and dreams and things I'd like to accomplish. Having goals is important, so if you haven't thought about yours, it's time to start dreaming.

Rewind a few years to my freshman year of college. The class is Odyssey, and we're asked to make a list of 20 things we'd like to do with our lives before we fall to the inevitable beast that is death. My list had the basics: getting married, visiting Australia, accumulating enough money to retire at a decent age, etc. Then I asked myself: Why do I need to limit my dreams to plausible or mainstream things? Aren't dreams supposed to come from the furthest reaches of your imagination? That's what I believe, and now I'd like to share my dreams with you — and let me tell you, they're all over the place.

I want to be the next musical genius. I want to create music so good it makes your ears catch fire. I also want to play in a Simon and Garfunkel tribute band. The only difference is the lyrics will be semi-pornographic and the name of the band will be "Semen and Girthfunkel." Minor detail: the songs will be played in speed metal. Just think of the version of Mrs. Robinson we'll make! That's right — critical acclaim is calling.

I've also been thinking about getting a tattoo, but not just any tattoo. Perhaps I'll tattoo my manhood to look like a candy cane. And if I feel really daring I'll have some cartilage transplanted to make the end curve a little bit. I guess that would

make trying to pee a little bit tricky, but it would be totally worth it. And I think the ladies would love it too. "Do you have any tattoos?" she asks. "As a matter of fact I do..."

Furthermore, I want my mode of transportation everywhere to be a chariot. And when I say everywhere, I mean everywhere, dammit! Going to the gym: chariot. Going to class: chariot. Going to a job interview: chariot. And I'll never get off it. Think of me like those people who ride Segways everywhere. The only difference is I'll be on a chariot with two horses. That said, don't be surprised if I ever go to Paris and climb the stairs of the Eiffel Tower on a chariot. I don't care if there's an elevator.

I'd also like to have a wall-sized mural of myself in the living room of my house. And maybe a statue in my front yard? I'll have to think about this one a little bit more.

Finally, I want to live to be the oldest person on record. But I don't just want to simply break the record — I want to destroy the record. I want to live to be at least 161 or 162. You know, somewhere around there. And when I do die, it's going to be glorious. It won't just be a heart attack or something lame — it'll be me getting shot down in a hail of gunfire while saving children from a burning building.

And even after I'm dead my

aspirations don't stop. You know how some people have their ashes thrown into the ocean or dumped from a plane? I want my body to be propelled into orbit so I can circle the earth until I inevitably burn up in the atmosphere and rain down on the world below. And if that doesn't work out, I can always just resort to Plan B: launching my lifeless body from a cannon or trebuchet over the Disneyland parking lot. You know, just for fun. And whoever's car I land on gets my inheritance. Plus, the kids will love it. Think of how many of them have never seen a corpse mercilessly hurled through the air before — it's heartbreaking.

Unfortunately, I didn't put any of these on my "20 things" list back then. Oh well, at least I know now.

So what kinds of things do you hope to accomplish? Do you want to get married? Do you want to be wealthy? Do you want to have your lifeless body mercilessly launched over the Disneyland parking lot? If you don't know, now is the time to start thinking about it. And if you think you don't have time to dream, think again. College is pivotal time and the direction we choose to follow now will send us down the path that is the rest of our lives. So what's the point of working if we don't know what we're working for? Of course we don't need all the answers now, but we should all really start getting a general idea. Just know that if you're not where you want to be, it's never too late to change.

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General Observations

What do you call it?

At Dana's house we were allowed to swear. We were also allowed to eat fruit snacks while swimming in her hot tub.

Her parents were free spirits, and their house pronounced this lifestyle through the scent of peppermint and incense.

While her mom was constantly attempting to shove green health drinks down our throats, her dad was perfectly content in his rocking chair, blasting music while joyfully noshing on a bag of Reese's peanut butter cups.

However, there was one subject that made these free-spirited parents uneasy. And at about 9 years old, our minds riddled with too much daytime television, this one subject became our prime fascination. We spent hours trying to get Dana's mom to say one simple word.

"How are babies made?" Dana would say, snickering.

"Dana, stop being silly," her mom would respond.

But we wouldn't. Rather, we continued until she had nowhere else to go. Then it would happen — she would say one very short word in one very sheepish way.

"Dana," she would begin, "I don't think you should be talking about s-e-x."

The way she quietly spelled out this word brought us more amusement than a million unknown swear words. S-e-x was a scary thing that even this crystal-loving woman was afraid of.

Unfortunately my enjoyment with the way people approach this word didn't end at age 9.

A few days ago, sitting in class, my professor posed a question about the relationship between the male and female characters in the novel we were reading.

One man decided to voice his opinion.

"Well, you know," he began, "that both Henry and Susanna were boinking each other."

The professor nodded, and everyone nodded their heads in agreement. But I couldn't. Did he seriously say that? Who even uses those words?

More so, who was the person who deemed "boinking" to be the same thing as the quietly spelled out letters of "sex?"

This was a difficult problem. Personally, while Dana's mom's pronunciations of "sex" made the idea of it sound scary and secretive, this "boinking" terminology seemed dangerous and painful. "Boinking" sounded like a battle that involved sharp, deadly objects and seemed anything but appealing.

Do we have so many words for

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In defense of an asexual Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is next Thursday, and for many it will be a day without over-priced bouquets of flowers, candy hearts or stuffed pink animals.

While some spend the day wallowing in a Ben & Jerry's-sponsored depression, others amass in proud support groups will be denouncing the overly-commercialized holiday.

No matter what your stance, it's clear that Valentine's Day is meant to celebrate relationships. This year, I'm going to carry on the tradition of celebrating with my roommate over cheesy science-fiction flicks, mocking all the sappy couples we run into at Blockbuster with barely-concealed glee.

Human sexuality — which serves as one of the bases for all romantic relationships — spans a broad spectrum: heterosexuality, homosexuality, bisexuality, etc. However, there is another form of sexuality that's garnering more attention these days. For the most part, these individuals don't have extravagantly romantic plans for next Thursday either.

Asexuality is defined as a sexual orientation in which an individual does not experience sexual attraction to the same degree as the majority of people do, if at all. Largely unrecognized until the 1970s, asexual individuals are largely self-identified as such, representing between 1 to 2 percent of the population.

First and foremost, let me just say that I don't consider myself to be asexual — I'm extraordinarily picky. However, given that I am 20 and have not ever been in any sort of relationship (including those 20-minute romances that run rampant in middle-schools nationwide), I'll

Allison Formanack
Daily Nebraskan

put myself forward to serve as an advocate.

There are multiple critiques of the asexual "lifestyle". The arguments range from the oft-heard remark, "You just haven't met the right person yet" to accusations of mental imbalances such as depression and childhood sexual abuse.

While there has been a study done to show that asexual persons are more likely to be depressed and have issues with their self-esteem than individuals with other sexual orientations, those results were not statistically significant.

And as someone who has heard (to my complete annoyance) every remark such as "one day, you'll meet someone who changes everything" and "everyone needs someone," it's been made clearly obvious to me that such matters are highly individualistic and can change greatly over time. Just as everyone has that one friend who hasn't been single since 12, I'm sure that every person in our parents' generation knows someone who has never married out of sheer disinterest.

Another common misconception regarding asexuality is that it is the same as celibacy. This is not the case for two reasons. First, if it were the same as celibacy, asexuality would be actively endorsed as a preferred sexual practice by the United States government. Second, celibacy is a choice that is actively made whereas asexuality is a state of being. For example, many celibates are not asexual, and many asexuals

do have sex.

That's right: Asexual individuals can and do have sex. While this may seem a little contradictory to the concept of asexuality, given the abstract definition of all forms of sexuality (think of the infamous question, "Am I gay for thinking other men/women are hot?"), it is not very surprising.

The appearance and subsequent explosion of the internet has cemented the idea of asexuality as a genuine lifestyle choice in the minds of many. Online communities — such as the Asexuality Visibility and Education Network — have made it easier for those who identify as asexuals to discuss their preferences with others like them without the fear of judgment or ridicule.

While asexuals may not have to face the same level of social contempt that homosexual individuals encounter, there are common labels applied to them that color uninformed people's perception of the sexuality. Many of these labels focus around three main issues: that asexuals are incapable of love, that they should not judge something that they have not experienced themselves and that they have psychological damage that made them fear relationships.

Of course, I would be in error to state that all asexuals have chosen their lifestyle without the influence of personal disabilities, inexperience or psychological factors. I'll be the first to admit that I didn't come from a stable family background, and mocking the "No, I love you more" couples provides me with endless entertainment. However, I will also say that there is more to my personal decisions than

those factors.


Sexuality is fluid and ever-changing. While there may be asexuals who read this article, I believe that there will be more readers who are simply like me: career-oriented, unwilling to compromise their morals, disinclined to be tied down by commitments, etc. While much of that may simply be the by-product of the times and culture we live in, some of those ideals may reflect our true beliefs and feelings toward one of the most referred-to human experiences: the romantic/sexual relationship.

For those who are in disagreement, are relationship-obsessed, or simply just don't get it, do me a favor: this Valentine's Day, don't try and get your perpetually single friend a date if they don't want one. Don't apologize to someone who admits that they've made it through college without ever being on a single date if that's what makes them happy.

If you can do that, I promise that I will try to not openly mock all those couples in Blockbuster who feel it absolutely necessary to make out in the romance section on Valentine's Day. Though I can't make any guarantees.

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IT'S ABOUT THE LIFESTYLE

HEMSON: Even in college, it's awkward to call sex "sex"

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sex because it's a taboo subject, or does it really have that many different meanings? Do we use these words as explanations, a way to act as though what we're saying is the idea of the action rather than the action itself?

In class this seems to be a regular problem. While you would think by the time they get to college people would be used to discussing sex, it's almost as though the moment the action become prevalent in a book or a lecture, students get wary. We search for another language to discuss it in.

And luckily there is a vast pot of language to draw from: words like copulation or mating, shag or coitus, or simply "getting laid." According to some fine Internet websites, sex can also be described using the word ram, scrog or even poonj. There's a plethora out there, but the fact remains they're all describing one very simple thing: intercourse, which is commonly referred to as sex.

Maybe it's time to stop beating around the bush and say the word instead of some bizarre replacement word that's just uncomfortable and awkward.

Unfortunately this may be asking too much, as even my friend's mom, who was comfortable with 9-year-olds running round the house screaming obscenities, found the word extremely terrifying.

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Letters to the Editor

Student Health Services
SEXtravaganza

I am not intolerant. What people do in the privacy of their homes is not my business. However, what people push in my face and spend my money on is my business.

Student Health Services has chosen to sponsor a "SEXtravaganza" event, with 10 different events, only one of which deals with abstinence. Furthermore, they have advertised extensively on campus and even on Facebook.

Has what little money I have been used to support a "Masturbation Workshop" and "Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity of Gingerbread Persons & Baking Workshop?"

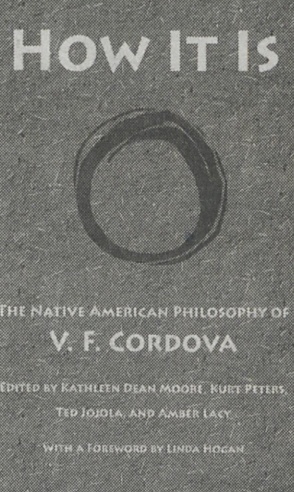
SEXtravaganza is not the sole problem I have with the sexual culture on campus. I cannot even read the Barometer anymore without being confronted with pictures of people learning how to use condoms or finding expert opinions on how to perform better in bed.

In my non-legal opinion, this perfectly fits the definition of sexual harassment. Anytime a person or an organization makes a person uncomfortable and refuses to stop bringing up sexual topics, they are guilty of sexual harassment. This includes Oregon State University, Student Health Services and The Daily Barometer.

Before anyone attacks me and calls me intolerant, I should again point out that I have no interest in telling people how and with whom they are allowed to have sex. I simply want to be able to get an education without "getting an education." These are the moral values I have chosen, and I think it is only fair that people and organizations respect them. Thank you all for your understanding.

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3:00 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 6 — 53-year-old Brian Kingsbury was arrested for DUI after having been pulled over for driving without headlights. He refused a breath test and failed sobriety tests.

1:15 p.m., Monday, Feb. 5 — OSU student William Scholten, 25, and 24-year-old Randall Pattee were arrested for delivery of a controlled substance (marijuana) after they tried to mail a nearly 16 oz. package of marijuana via UPS.

4:30 a.m., Sunday, Feb. 3 — 20-year-old Matthew Kern was arrested on 16th and Monroe for DUI and minor in possession after failing to obey a red light and for careless driving.

11:21 p.m., Friday, Feb. 1 — 32-year-old Steven Salisbury was charged with theft in the third degree after being seen leaving the OSU Bookstore with several items that were not paid for.

12:32 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 31 — OSU student Hector Betiku, 27, was arrested for fraudulent use of a credit card, theft in the first degree and forgery in the first degree. He'd obtained credit cards from several non-OSU students and used them to buy OSU Bookstore gift cards over the Internet, which he had sent to himself. He also made other purchases at Amazon.com. More than \$2000 was spent.

Theft
10:00 p.m., Friday, Feb. 1 — The passenger door window was broken out of a 1995 Honda Civic on N.W. 17th St. A blue Columbia backpack was stolen from the car. The contents included a



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8:59 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 2 — A \$700 Hewlett Packard 5000 laptop computer and a \$265 Trek 7000 cross-country mountain bike were stolen from an apartment on N.W. 23rd St.

3:04 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 3 — The driver-side window was broken out of a vehicle on N.W. Jackson Ave. A passport radar detector worth \$500, a Forum brand snowboard worth \$750, an iPod charger valued at \$40 and a black Puma backpack with school supplies valued at \$500 were stolen.

Other
5:25 a.m., Monday, Feb. 4 — A man driving a white Ford Explorer was witnessed cutting a banner and removing it from the front of Reser Stadium and was also seen climbing onto a ticket booth and destroying the ticket office sign. The suspect was not caught.

9:28 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 6 — A \$60 American flag was stolen from the front of the OSU Foundation office.

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Clemens scandal continues to grow

By Howard Fendrich
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Roger Clemens spent Thursday going door-to-door on Capitol Hill, lobbying congressmen investigating whether he used drugs. His accuser, Brian McNamee, gave a seven-hour deposition behind closed doors, and the trainer's lawyers presented photographs of evidence they said prove the star pitcher was injected with steroids.

McNamee headed straight for an exit, not speaking a word to reporters, when he emerged from his interview with lawyers from the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. His attorneys wouldn't discuss the deposition, but they did talk at length about two color photographs they showed the committee for the first time.

"Roger Clemens has put himself in a position where his legacy as the greatest pitcher in baseball will depend less on his ERA and more on his DNA," said one of McNamee's lawyers, Earl Ward.

Less than an hour later, and a short walk away inside the Rayburn House Office Building, Clemens held his own news conference, during which his lawyers repeatedly attacked McNamee's character and scoffed at McNamee's newly presented evidence.

"This man has a total history of lying," Clemens' attorney Rusty Hardin said.

The seven-time Cy Young Award winner's repeated denials of McNamee's allegations in the Mitchell Report about drug use drew Congress' attention. Clemens spoke under oath to the committee Tuesday — the first time he addressed the allegations under oath, and therefore the first time he put himself at legal risk if he were to make false statements.

There is a public hearing scheduled for Wednesday, when Clemens, McNamee and other witnesses, including New York Yankees pitcher Andy Pettitte, are to testify. McNamee, also a former personal trainer for Pettitte, told Mitchell that he injected Pettitte with HGH. Pettitte confirmed in December that he used HGH for two days.

McNamee's attorneys said their client turned over physical evidence to a federal prosecutor for the Northern District of California last month, shortly after Clemens held a Jan. 7 nationally televised news conference at which he played a taped conversation between the two men with conflicting accounts at the center of the issue.

"At that point," Ward said, "[McNamee] decided there was no holds barred."

One photo shows a crushed beer can that Richard Emery, another of McNamee's attorneys, said was taken out of a trash can in Clemens' New York apartment in 2001. Emery said the can contained needles used to inject Clemens. That picture also shows what Emery said was gauze used to wipe blood off Clemens after a shot.

The other picture shows vials of what Emery said were testosterone, and needles — items the attorney said Clemens gave to McNamee for safekeeping at the end of the 2002 baseball season.

While Clemens' camp called it "manufactured" evidence, Emery said the items were "just a collection of stuff" thrown in a box and "kept in a basement for seven years."

Emery said McNamee kept the items because he "had this inkling and gut feeling that he couldn't trust Roger and better keep something to protect himself in the future."

"We invite Roger Clemens to provide his DNA to the federal government," Ward said, "so a determination can be made whether or not the items we say were taken from him are, in fact, his DNA."

Asked about that, Hardin said the pitcher would comply with any request of that type from a federal authority.

"But they're going to have to come to us," Hardin added. "It's not going to be McNamee getting out here with a bunch of pictures of waste."

McNamee's attorneys did not know when the items would be tested — or when the results might be known.

"We look forward to the results of these tests," Emery said, "and we look forward to just definitively finishing this whole controversy and ending this circus."

In attempting to illustrate a public presumption of guilt surrounding Clemens, Hardin brought up the Duke University lacrosse case, telling reporters: "I warn you all now: Five to six to seven months from now, any of you that have jumped on this bandwagon about Roger taking steroids and assumed that anything Brian McNamee has to say about Roger is true, will be embarrassed. This is a fabricated story."

A relatively subdued Clemens said little at the news conference, essentially repeating the types of brief comments he made earlier Thursday as he walked through marble hallways.

"I'm just glad they made time in their schedule so I can go by and talk to them today," Clemens said shortly before stepping through the wood double doors to the office of Rep. Tom Davis, the committee's ranking Republican.

Clemens met with Davis and committee chairman Henry Waxman for about 20 minutes, then signed an autograph for a bystander upon exiting. That was one of many times Clemens was asked to stop to affix his name to something or pose for a snapshot.

"I'm ready for Wednesday to get here," he said at one point, referring to the upcoming hearing.

Thursday's events served as something of a dress rehearsal for that public session, which will be held in the same wood-paneled hearing room that housed the committee's 2005 hearing with Mark McGwire and Rafael Palmeiro.

JOHNSON: Not happy about playing in Los Angeles? Just wait until you're playing for NY

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ing someone in the head as they drive to the hoop doesn't generally get an organization or the players of that club overly anxious to call you a teammate.

"But it is a good situation, the Boston situation, with the pieces and when Garnett gets healthy. I've played with him before. I've played with Ray Allen before. I don't think the adjustment would be tough for me," Cassell said before the game.

Right, Sam. Let me just go out on a limb here and guess that the little publicity stunt you pulled, starting with the comments, ending with you hitting the showers two and a half quarters early, won't land you a job with the Celtics anytime soon.

I don't know if this is more embarrassing to Cassell or the Clippers organization. If I were the Clippers, I'd be cutting this guy right now and wishing him the best of luck on his future endeavors with the Celtics. But I guess when you're playing on a 15-31 basketball team in the most competitive conference maybe in the history of the NBA, I'd get a little antsy to jump ship too. And although if I had to play for the Clippers I'd probably want to punch someone in the head too, what Cassell did was wrong and he should be cut for it.

The Clippers organization would be wrong to let this slide. Cassell obviously takes his job as a professional basketball

player for granted and a struggling team doesn't need anymore off-court distractions to go along with their already terrible record.

Just ask the Blazers from a few years ago.

If this 38-year-old two-time NBA champion really wants another ring that badly, maybe he should focus on making the players around him better rather than openly talking about how nice it would be to play for another team.

Be careful what you wish for, Sam, because it could be a lot worse. You think playing for the Clippers is bad now? Just wait until a week from now when the Knicks are the only team willing to sign you.

And when that happens, you can cry all you want.

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WRESTLING: Bressler, Zalesky want more mental toughness

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ing on the team's disastrous 42-3 loss on Jan. 4. "We just didn't compete mentally, and if we're going to compete with teams ranked nationally we need to believe in ourselves more and become stronger mentally."

Junior Kyle Bressler (197) agreed with his coach. "We didn't come out very hard against Nebraska and really didn't show that much heart," he said.

One thing the Beavers do not have to worry too much about now is their health. The team has managed to avoid any significant injuries to any of its starters.

"Everybody is doing really well right now," Platt said. "We've been fortunate so far in that

we've been able to keep everybody healthy and not had to shake up our lineup too much."

The Beavers will wrap up the season against Oregon at home on Sunday, Feb. 17, bringing the Pac-10 season to a close as well. It will also be the final meeting between the Beavers and the Ducks, as Oregon has chosen to end its program after this year.

"We just want to keep momentum going, which is really important at this point in the season and we're trying to build towards Oregon and the Pac-10 tournament," Zalesky said.

"Keeping the momentum going is huge," Bressler said. "As long as we compete at the level we're capable of, we should be able to keep our confidence up and finish the season strong."

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GYMNASTICS: No. 8 OSU looks to keep on winning

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With seven regular season meets left before the Pac-10 championships, Oregon State players and coaches are not surprised by the success.

"I think it's pretty much what we expected," assistant coach Michael Chaplin said. "Early in the preseason training, we thought there were a lot of good gymnasts on this team, and so I think that they have, so far, lived up to their capabilities."

For now, OSU must also focus on maintaining the health of its gymnasts, as big contributor Tasha Smith was forced to sit out of several events in the Beavers' past two meets due to illness. Oregon State expects to see Smith back in the all-around this Sunday.

"We have been being responsible," Lanz said. "We are making sure that we are taking care of ourselves, eating right, sleeping right, making sure we are managing our time wisely and being organized."

Fresh off a 194.650-190.425 loss to Arizona last weekend, the Bears will meet the Beavers with a 2-3, 0-3 Pac-10 record this season. Key Cal competitors include their all-arounders, Siobhan Luce and Sophia Hocini. Hocini has competed in 15 out of 16 events for the Bears this season, while Luce has been the only Cal gymnast to compete in the all-around at every meet.

The Bears and the Beavers are set to compete Sunday starting at 2 p.m.

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Beavers look to continue winning ways at Cal

■ Nationally ranked No. 8 OSU gymnastics travels to the Bay Area to face off with California Bears on Sunday in Berkeley

By Sami Redmond
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Less than halfway through the season, Oregon State has competed its way into the rankings as the No. 8 team in the nation and the No. 1 team in the Pac-10.

Coming off a 196.475-196.15 win at Arizona State last Wednesday, OSU hopes to continue its winning ways this weekend as the team travels to Berkeley to take on California on Sunday.

"To maintain our placement in the Pac-10, not only the country, we need to make sure that we get in there and do everything possible," gymnast Jami Lanz said. "We need to leave each practice with no regrets [and] for each meet we are in our OSU bubble. We compete one skill at a time, one person at a time, and the entire team needs to be there to back up every person that goes up."

Oregon State is also ranked high in the nation on all four events. The Beavers currently occupy the No. 10 spots on the floor and beam, the No. 9 spot on bars and No. 8 on the vault.

Mandi Rodriguez, a consistent all-around performer for OSU, is also ranked No. 21 on the floor exercise.

"I am really excited," Rodriguez said. "I don't think it's out of reach for the team to keep moving up into the top six."

In their past four meets, the Beavers have improved their team score with each consecutive competition. A key factor for Oregon State will be the ability to produce increasingly high scores throughout the remainder of the season.

"I think it's really important that each meet we build on the last performance and not just get the same score — but even if we beat it by a couple tenths that's a really big improvement," Rodriguez said. "And we just need to continue to work on details like handstands on bars and really stick each and every landing."

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Tasha Smith scored a 9.8 on the bars against Arizona in the Pink Out event and has been a key contributor to Oregon State's success so far this season.

Beavers wrestling to face big test in trip to Midwest

■ OSU makes rare trip to face top ten teams Iowa State, Missouri in non-conference action this weekend

By Noah Tinker
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Looking to keep the momentum going, Oregon State's wrestling team will test itself this weekend as it takes on Big-12 powers Iowa State and Missouri, ranked No. 8 and No. 11 in the nation, respectively.

"Iowa State and Missouri finished last year ranked in the top five," said Coach Jim Zalesky. "It will be good to step out of our own conference and test ourselves nationally."

According to sophomore stand-out Chris Platt the team is not too focused on its opponents' rankings.

"We aren't going to try and make them out to be something they're not. We just need to wrestle hard and concentrate on performing the way we can," Platt said.

The team will have its wish granted starting today at 5 p.m. when the Beavers face off against the Cyclones of ISU, who hold an 11-1 lead in the all-time series with OSU including winning the last nine meetings. Oregon State's lone victory came over thirty years ago in 1974.

The Cyclones, who have a 7-4 record against ranked teams including an 18-13 win over then-top-ranked Minnesota on Dec. 2, will be led by top-ranked Jake Varner (184), who holds an unblemished 19-0 record.

The team, however, is flushed with ranked wrestlers. In fact, only two weight classes (149 and 174) do not feature a Cyclone ranked in the top 25. Iowa State will be looking to pick itself back up after losing a heart-breaker against No. 3 Oklahoma State last Sunday 16-15.

Things won't get any easier when Oregon State faces Missouri on Sunday for only the third time ever, having lost both previous matches in 1982 and 1984.

After opening the season on a tear and pushing their record to 6-0, the Tigers have since struggled, dropping three of their last five matches. Despite their recent troubles, six Tigers are ranked in the top 25, led by No. 2 Nicholas Marable (165), who boasts a record of 18-3.

"We didn't do so well against Nebraska," Zalesky said, comment-

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Roeland Schaftenaar slashes through the lane earlier this season against Stanford. Schaftenaar's playing time has decreased dramatically since Kevin Mouton took over as head coach.

Close, but not enough: OSU loses again

By Kye Johnson
THE DAILY BAROMETER

For a while in the first half, it looked like Oregon State would finally get that elusive first win in Pac-10 conference play this season.

Marcel Jones and Lathen Wallace each had seven points in the first half for Oregon State, and Jones even got in on the three-point action, hitting a three with 11 seconds to play in the opening half for OSU. Jones had previously been 1 for 25 from behind the arc in conference play.

But California's reigning Pac-10 Player of the Week Ryan Anderson proved throughout the first half why he's given opponents so much trouble this year. Anderson ended the first half with a game-high 11 points.

But playing well in the first half was nothing new to OSU. In recent losses to UCLA, USC and Oregon, the Beavers trailed by no more than six to any of those teams heading into the second half.

Jones plus freshmen Calvin Haynes and Omari Johnson all nailed three-pointers early in the second half, and the Beavers found themselves in new territory, leading Cal 62-60 with 9:21 remaining.

Three minutes later, OSU trailed by two at 66-68.

Hampton hit a pair of free throws that brought the Beavers within two points with 4:45 to go but still couldn't seem to make the run to regain the lead.

Anderson collected another double-double for the Bears midway through the second half, and he ended the contest with 22 points and 12 rebounds.

The 81-76 loss to California puts Oregon State at 0-10 in Pac-10 play.

OSU will play No. 9 Stanford on Saturday in Palo Alto, Calif. Game time is scheduled to tip off at 8 p.m.

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Oh, Sam I am

Sam Cassell made one of the more classic moves a professional athlete could make earlier this week when he made comments about how he would be a great addition to the Boston Celtics team. Okay, that's fine, maybe he does really feel that way. But here's the problem: Cassell plays for the Clippers.

Yes, just to make this a little clearer for everyone, the starting point guard for the Los Angeles Clippers came out and said, "I think I'd be a nice addition to Boston. It would be fun, but I don't even know if I'm wanted that far yet."

Strange? Maybe. But that's just the beginning to what eventually turned into a bizarre little saga.

Not only did Cassell publicly discuss playing for another team in the middle of the season, but he chose to make these comments immediately prior to playing the Celtics in Boston on Wednesday night.

I'm not sure what he was thinking with the timing of his remarks, but he probably assumed these comments would hit the news outlets before the Clippers game against the Celtics. And they did.

So Cassell then had a chance to prove himself. He obviously wants to play for Boston, and he had the chance to play in front of his dream crowd the next night. Unfortunately for Cassell, Boston already has a point guard. And after he basically peddled himself to become the next point guard for the Celtics, Cassell promptly went out and allowed current Celtic point guard Rajon Rondo to have the game of his life.

Rondo ended the contest with a team-high 24 points and eight assists. He played 29 minutes, went 10-of-13 from the field and had four steals. Cassell had ten points and played only 16 minutes. But it gets better.

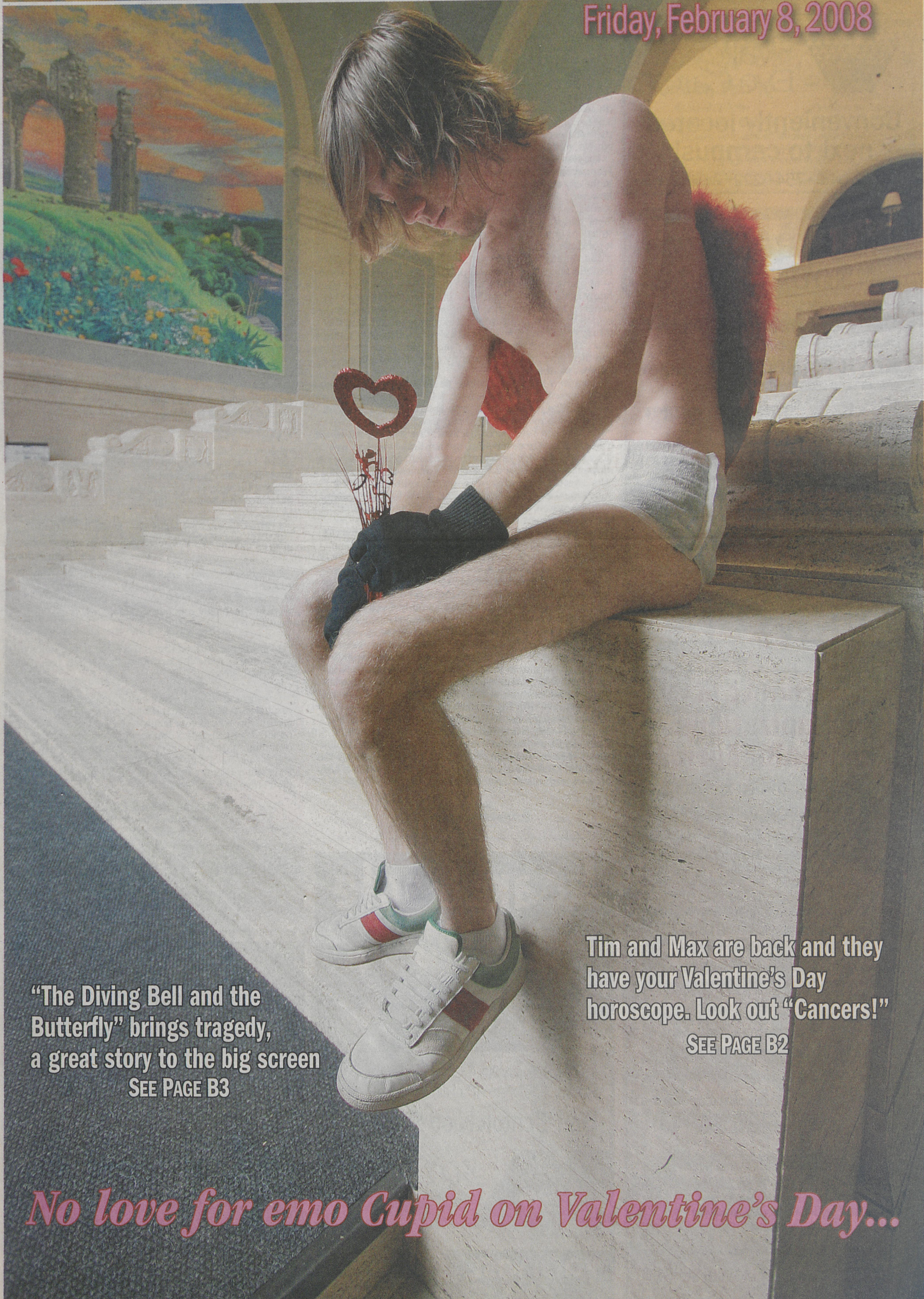
A few minutes after Rondo picked Cassell and went the other way for an easy lay-in, Cassell responded with a weak attempt to decapitate Rondo as he drove to the hoop late in the second quarter. Cassell was called for a flagrant foul and ejected from the game as Rondo lay face down under the hoop from Cassell's violent right forearm that — perhaps accidentally — struck him in the head.

Excuse me, Sam? Not to be the bearer of bad news here, but I'm pretty sure this is the same team that you had just talked about wanting to play for. I don't know how they do things where you're from, but punch-

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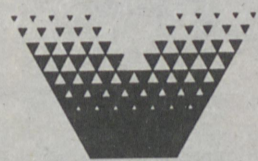
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Off the Rack

By Susie Bafico

THE DAILY BAROMETER

Holy Fashion Week! I think I've pointed this out before — as much as I like clothes and that whole crazy fashion world, I'm not always up on what's going on. Even now, though I make a real effort to read more blogs and keep up on the news, I had no idea that the winter Fashion Week was Feb. 1-8. I got an e-mail from a friend saying, "Fashion Week is coming, and it won't be the same without you!" So I went to Google it and realized, well crap, it is this week. Who knew? In my mind, I always saw Fashion Week (at least in New York, because my brain doesn't even reach out to the ones in Europe) as the big end-of-summer event that takes over the city — an event that I'm usually a week early for. Realistically, it's always in the back of my mind: designers show for spring and fall. If you wanted to get into the nitty-gritty, you'll learn there are several more seasons in between. (Pre-spring, resort, etc. No, really, I'm serious. That's what they're called.)

The reason it never really entered my mind that this mystical February Fashion Week would exist is because I've never been in the city at this time of the year. Consistently for a few years, however, I always went to New York for the U.S. Open early rounds, conveniently causing me to leave right before Fashion Week started. I could walk by Bryant Park and see the big constructions of the tents taking place and the growing insanity as it got closer to Day One, but I always missed the mark.

Last summer I had the great privilege to pretend to be professional and get up close and personal at a few runway shows — of course while melting in the insane September heat. The funny thing about Fashion Week in September is that the designers are showing their spring/summer collections for the next year, which means you're seeing beautiful clothing that is inaccessible and not that practical for another eight months or so. The clothes tend to seem plausible for about two weeks, and then most areas of the country drop off into fall and crappier weather.

This year, with the Fall/Winter '08 shows, I had some firsts: knowing about the fall collections, following blogs online, being familiar with a portion of designers and having a genuine interest in remembering what I've seen.

The best part I've noticed? Designers are showing fall/winter collections for the next season, but last time I checked, we're stuck in winter for a few more months. Part of me looks at the runway shows (at least the practical ready-to-wear) and says, "Um... yeah... that's what we're wearing right now." At the same time, I go, "Well, hey, these trends are basically updated from this season, and if I can find the right pieces, I can make it work for me now!"

And that's where my genuine interest in the fashion world is coming through, printing out styles to remember (Diane von Furstenberg = love) and to work into my own style whenever I want to wear it, reading commentary from supposed "experts" and, hell, cataloging it all for when I need to impress someone on a future job interview.

To anyone who is interested (and seriously if you're still reading, you must be), I highly recommend cracking Fashion Week if you ever get the chance. It's an insane week of people running amuck in too-high heels and ridiculous clothes, cool parties you can try to weasel into, promotions and celebrity-spotting. (My claim to fame: Nigel Barker, of America's Next Top Model fame, was at two of the three shows I went to last summer. I sat front row at a fashion show in Bryant Park, the same front row with Nigel Barker!)

Then, for an intense 10-minute spot (after a generous waiting period — oh, fashion and your late-ness), loud music blares, the lights dim and you're in the midst of an incredible display of talent and high energy. Sappy, I know. But after the first show, I was hooked. Only now, what in the world is fashion week enthusiasm a gateway to?

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Valentine's Day Astrology!

By Tim Pfarr and Max Brugger

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Horoscopes: who doesn't love having the mysteries of life revealed and squished into a three-line bit with a hopeful message? We don't, that's who. Guess what? Life sucks, and Valentine's Day will be no different. Thus we have compiled a romantic Valentine horoscope for the most love-struck of days. After all, the only sex you're getting tonight comes with a receipt.

Aquarius — Life is a short, mysterious time with a cornucopia of opportunity just waiting to be snatched up. Talk to a stranger in a blue coat and see where the wild and magical currents of life take you.

Pisces — A moron in a diaper will shoot you in the ass with an arrow, so be sure to bring a bat with you today.

Aries — You realize it's a bad day when, despite all of your preparations and plans, Groundhog Day was more fulfilling.

Taurus — Don't be too surprised when your car explodes upon ignition today. Your friend James has been trying to kill you for the last three years and today he'll actually succeed. So be a step ahead and kill his entire family before you meet your imminent demise.

Gemini — So your significant other is playing strip poker with you for once. Good for you. Don't screw it up by turning a "full house" into an opportunity to suggest group sex.

Cancer — Syphilis.

Leo — You're a lion in the bedroom, a real king of the savanna, if you get our drift. It's too bad you're miserably, miserably alone. Oh, and you're going to get your ass handed to you in Scrabulous.

Virgo — Love is in the air, but not for you. Bring your water wings because you're going to wind up floating naked down the Willamette River with an assortment of colorful marbles wedged between your butt cheeks. When you feel the urge, bend over and annihilate your arch nemesis with a hail of buttfire.

Libra — If you own a blue coat, go get it. Starry-eyed Aquarians will be positively lining up to get their kidneys stolen.

Scorpio — You will meet the love of your life today, but they'll die tomorrow. You guessed it — they'll be trampled by their 1,100-pound bed-ridden neighbor when he finally goes outside after 20 years of confinement.

Sagittarius — Good things will come to you so long as you don't eat the chicken wings. By the way, your girlfriend's pregnant.

Capricorn — Pretty much everything goes okay for you today — nothing big, nothing bad. I mean, you probably won't call your family today, and it's not such a good day to mediate a dispute with your keen skills of communication. You won't meet a handsome stranger and the nature of man's struggle for purpose in the universe will continue to elude you. On the plus side, you'll get a bingo in Scrabulous.

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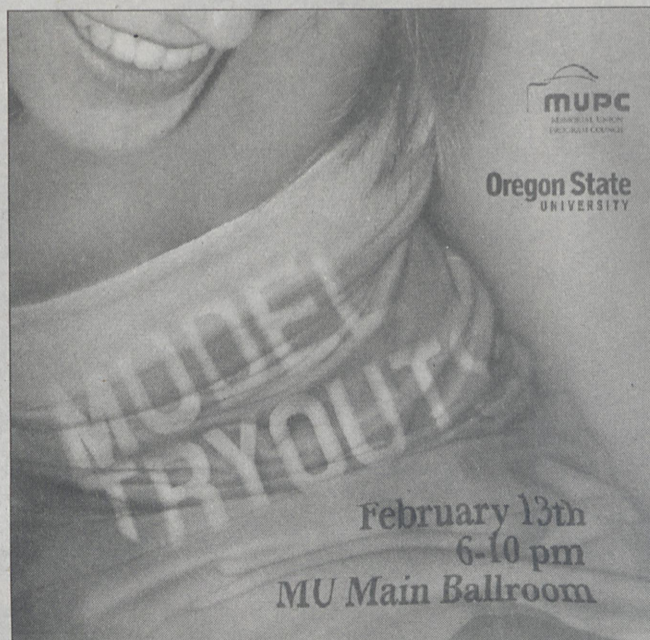


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"Over Her Dead Body" surprisingly funny

By Amberlee Hanson
THE DAILY BAROMETER

"Over Her Dead Body" is funny and a delight to watch. The story centers around Henry (Paul Rudd), a widowed fiancé, and Ashley (Lake Bell), a psychic whom Henry gets forced into meeting to help him overcome the death of his would-have-been bride, Kate (Eva Longoria Parker). The twist in the story is that Ashley, who is not as psychic as she thinks, actually starts seeing Henry's dead fiancée. Kate returns to haunt Ashley with the belief that she has to protect Henry from this woman. Kate, being a pushy "her way or the highway" kind of gal, does not realize that she is gravely mistaken in her job.

The film's storyline is flawed at times but is spiced with just the right sense of humor, making it enjoyable to watch. This movie can be appealing for both men and women — it has a sweet love story that manages to be endearing but also has a few tasteful fart jokes and a kind of physical humor that doesn't make one cringe in disbelief or disgust. In fact some of the funniest scenes are between Henry and his sister Chloe (Lindsay Sloane). A particular scene to keep an eye out for is when the two are in a veterinarian's office arguing while two men attempt to hoist a rather fat dog onto an examination table.

The acting in this movie seems purposefully cheesy with overly dramatic looks on actors' faces and dramatic pauses that are dragged out as far as enjoyably possible. Lake Bell seems stiff at some parts, but when she acts across from Longoria Parker she actually loosens up and does a brilliant job. She manages to steal scenes without ever saying a word,



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While the woman in this picture may be scarier than your grandfather's racist lady friend, she still manages to make audiences laugh.

Over Her Dead Body Rating: B+

Runtime: 95 minutes

Starring: Eva Longoria Parker, Paul Rudd

Plot: A widower gets forced into seeing a psychic to help him overcome the death of his wife.

instead relying on her facial expressions to carry her through scenes like one in which Longoria Parker spends a long time on a monologue.

There are quirky little details that the audience will be able to connect with, such as the gay best friend who may not

be so gay or may possibly be gayer than he thinks, the desire to lock oneself in one's apartment to keep safe from all the bad things out there and the pestering younger sibling who, in all honesty is just trying to do what is best for everyone.

For audiences looking for a light-hearted comedy, this is the movie to watch. Its flaws are easy to overlook due to its refreshing sense of humor that recent Hollywood movies have failed to deliver. It is far from being a great film, but it's not a waste of money to go see either. It manages to keep the viewer watching.

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"Diving Bell" delivers tragedy without Hollywood sappiness

By Bryan Bernart
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"The Diving Bell and the Butterfly" is the film adaptation of the published memoirs of Jean-Do Bauby. Bauby (Mathieu Amalric) is the debonair editor-in-chief of Elle — or at least he was. The film begins with distorted audio and a confused swirl of color splashed on the screen. As the camera lens un-blurs, we discover that we are actually seeing the events on screen through Bauby's eyes, (and shortly thereafter, eye) which gives the film a very "Being John Malkovich" sort of vibe.

In this first scene, Bauby learns that he was paralyzed in an accident and has what his physician calls "locked-in syndrome," meaning his brain functions normally but his body is almost totally immobile. Bauby's single link to the outside world is his left eye, which he quickly learns he can use to blink in order to communicate with his speech therapist Henriette (Marie-Josée Croze) and his physical therapist Marie (Olatz Lopez Garmendia).

To say that Bauby is depressed about his condition is a gross understatement. A former man about town, his only activity during these first few days after waking is the terrible monotony of baths and question-and-answer sessions with his therapist. At one point, he communicates to Henriette (or perhaps it was Marie, I have no idea — the women in this film all look so much alike) that he wants to die. Though greatly distressed, she pushes onward with his therapy, and eventually Bauby becomes used to his new routines. His self-deprecating sense of humor carries

the script — as the narrator of the film, he uses his inner voice to express his thoughts about the situation, commenting on the astonishing beauty of his therapists ("Just my luck, I've got these two by my bed and I'm helpless"), the cruel idiocy of his doctors, ("I know your type... To you a patient is nothing but a paycheck") and the powerful shame he feels at having his friends and loved ones see him in this state, which can't be reduced to a quotation and must be seen in order to be understood.

Bauby is not entirely despondent, however. His one great promise, made some time before his illness, was that he would write an adaptation of Alexandre Dumas' "The Count of Monte Cristo" set in modern times and with a female protagonist. His condition causes him to give up on this idea in lieu of another: to compose his memoirs based on his life in this small hospital by the sea, a place simultaneously gloomy, peaceful and oddly charming. Over a period of several months, his sessions with the publisher's assistant, Claude (Ann Consigny), yield a wealth of information about his life and not just his present condition. Through the course of the movie we see a menagerie of ideas materialize from Bauby's mind, as dreams, memories and future-plans-left-un-made converge to create a kind of lucid life-hallucination, and it is from this that the film's title originates: "The Diving Bell" is his prison, the "Butterfly" his salvation.

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The Diving Bell and the Butterfly

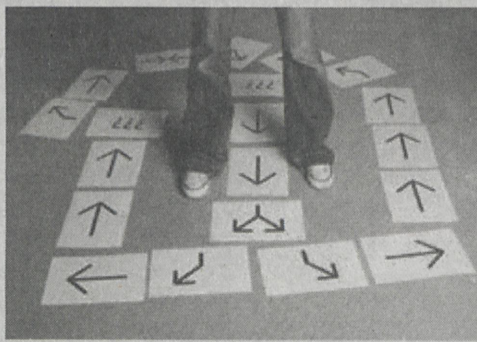
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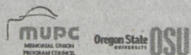


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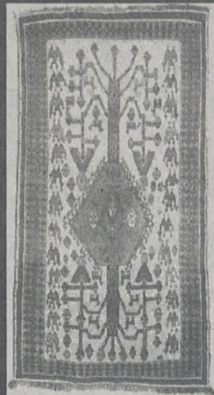
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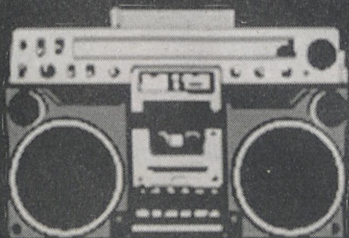
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	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Midnight – 2 a.m.	The Witching Hour Industrial Lydia Botzy	Supremely Dank Hip Hop Sean Kirk	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	The Chopping Block Rock Knife	Fembots Specialty & Talk DJ Lydia & DJ Nautilus	Ragamuffin Saturday Reggae Swanny	Teddy Bear Picnic Specialty White Noise
2 a.m. – 4 a.m.	The Witching Hour Industrial Lydia Botzy	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	DJ Autobot Hip Hop
4 a.m. – 7 a.m.	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	DJ Autobot Hip Hop	Automated Rock	Automated Rock
7 a.m. – 9 a.m.	The Morning Wood Hip Hop Colt & Nick	The Morning Wood Hip Hop Colt & Nick	The Morning Wood Hip Hop Colt & Nick	The Morning Wood Hip Hop Colt & Nick	The Morning Wood Hip Hop Colt & Nick	The General Ed Show 80's B Sides General Ed	Automated Rock
9 a.m. – 11 a.m.	Beaver Sports on KBVR	Beaver Sports on KBVR	Vomiting Metal Metal DJ Mercury	Automated Rock	Automated Rock	The General Ed Show 80's B Sides General Ed	Automated Rock
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Beaver Sports on KBVR	Beaver Sports on KBVR	Automated Rock	Automated Rock	Automated Rock	Roots & Branches Bluegrass Billy	The Un-Scene Sound Specialty Mike & Ruben
1 p.m. – 3 p.m.	Punk Quiche DJ Sean	Beaver Backlash Rock A-Bomb	Electro Love Dance Tom B	Benton County Flour Hour Country BJ Walker	Wildcat Rocking Hour Indie Rock The Wildcat	Roots & Branches Bluegrass Billy	Common Sense Talk/ Advice Charley & Alan
3 p.m. – 4 p.m.	Passport World Jenn	Country Corner Chris J	Your P.d. Glo-stick Central RPM & Trance		Indie Rock	Automated Rock	Automated Rock
4 p.m. – 5 p.m.	Passport World Jenn	Country Corner Chris J	A Show RPM Nux	Out-of-the-Box Indie Rock Ryan Yoder	The Peggy Darling Show Specialty Peggy Darling	Automated Rock	Corvallis Calling Everything DJ Will
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.	Something's Happening Rock Colin & Jared	R.B. Doobie Show Indie Rock R.B. Doobie	Cat Sass Indie Rock Peter	Premium Blend Indie Rock Ing	Locals Live	Quiet Storm Indie Rock Anneka	Christian Roc Block Christian Rock The Twin Man
7 p.m. – 10 p.m.	Reaction Radio Punk Paul	The Nickel Block Sports Talk Nick Lilja	Parachutes & Parasols Indie Rock EmmaJane	The Absalom Conspiracy Rock Rusty Omega	Jungle Juice Talk DJ Funk Meister & DJ Ricky-Ric	Genuine Beats Old School Hip Hop D-Hus	The Soul Sessions Specialty Bisoulah
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