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## OSU campus has crane fever

Facebook page for construction site crane gains more than 2,300 followers in 6 days

By Kaitlyn Kohlenberg

Out of the construction site of the Student Experience Center, a new celebrity has arisen at Oregon State University's campus.

The construction crane, which came to OSU's campus at the beginning of winter term, has gathered more than 2,300 followers in just six days through its Facebook page, "The MÚ Crane.

The origins of the crane's fame are rooted in humor and observation.

"I saw that both Michael (McDonald) and our other friend, Isabel, had taken basically the exact same picture of the crane to Facebook," said Zak Eidsvoog, a co-founder of the Facebook page. "For me, being in the design department ... it was really interesting to see that the same visual image had communicated to two people, on the same

Eidsvoog and McDonald, another

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Known as the "MU Crane," the crane used to assist in the construction of the Student Experience Center has become somewhat of a campus celebrity.

### OSU streets, cannabis dominate council

Discussions of OSU zone, medical marijuana dispensaries wait for law, code changes

By Emma-Kate Schaake

THE DAILY BAROMETER

A public hearing was held for the revision of the land development code and street standards in the Oregon State University zone at Tuesday evening's Corvallis City Council meeting, but no decision was made.

The OSU zone applies to 536 acres around the OSU boundary and central Corvallis. Corvallis public streets outside the OSU campus boundaries would not be altered.

The proposed text amendment would allow for a change in funda-mental elements of public streets, while still maintaining the current OSU campus master plan and its policies. The current code was implemented in 1909 and now conflicts with historic resources, vegetation, utility tunnels and the high volume of more

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## Town hall debates divestment strategies

Students discuss feasibility of OSU Divest resolution. ASOSU's proposed bill of rights

By Tori Hittner

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Students passionately yet tactfully eliberated the merits and possible weaknesses of the proposed OSU Divest resolution at the town hall meeting Tuesday night.

The Associated Students of Oregon State University sponsored the meeting, which was held in Memorial Union 211. The meeting provided an open forum for discussion on upcoming legislative

A student organization, Students Engaging Tomorrow, sponsored the resolution. Organization president Jesse Pettibone fielded questions at the meeting.

The resolution requests that the OSU Foundation divest from fossil fuels and encourages the reinvestment of that capital into renewable energies.

Presenting ASOSU officers with a draft of the resolution that narrowly passed in the Faculty Senate recently,

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## Peter DeFazio talks trade at public forum

Corvallis public forum addressed concerns with Trans-Pacific Partnership, Fast Track Authority Tuesday evening

> By Sean Bassinger HE DAILY BAROMETE

Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., held a public forum Tuesday to discuss the new Fast Track Authority plan, the Trans-Pacific Partnership trade deal and how both could damage the nation's infrastructure.

More than 50 Corvallis residents attended a public forum, which took place at the Boys & procedures.

Girls Club of Corvallis. The Fast Track Authority, which would give Congress only 90 days to review policies, would allow the executive



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Rep. Peter DeFazio visits Corvallis Tuesday.

branch of the U.S. government to make decisions

on free trade agreements. Furthermore, Congress would not be allowed to amend the approved trade agreements or

discuss policies over extended periods of time. Though negotiations involved with the TPP trade deal have been in effect for years, the public has had little information until recently. According to the Citizens Trade Campaign, the Wikileaks organization published TPP informa-tion Jan. 15. The overall texts revealed sections on investment, intellectual property, regulatory coherence, drug formularies and environmental

DeFazio's forum, said the TPP would ultimately damage Oregon economies in the long run.

'We're a manufacturing state," Chamberlain said. "We make things and we're really proud

Another panelist, Sierra Club volunteer Debra Higbee-Sudyka, said the proposed trade agreements under the TPP make it more of a "corporation super rights anti-regulation bill.

"I wonder if it would get more attention if we started calling it that," Higbee-Sudyka added.

Higbee-Sudyka also discussed long-term environmental impact concerns, and how the public and media have been shut out of conversations involved with the TPP for some time.

'We urgently need a new model for trade that works for, not against, community, trade unions and the environment," Higbee-Sudyka said.

Other panelists included Corvallis Chapter Leader of RESULTS Peter Stoel and Executive

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DACOTAH-VICTORIA SPLICHALOVA THE DAILY BAROMETER Strawberries grown from an organic farm in Lane County.

### Consumers' right to know: GMO or no GMO

 Rep. Peter DeFazio, 3 other congressmen, organic food groups, farmers press Obama to mandate GMO food labeling nationally

#### By Dacotah-Victoria Splichalova

THE DAILY BAROMETER

In a concerted effort, Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., submitted a letter, with the support of 200 busi-nesses and organizations, to the Obama administration Thursday.

The letter requested that President Barack Obama require producers to label food products that con-

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ASOSU Ways & Means, 8pm, MU 211. ASOSU Open Budget Hearing. Come add

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your input for the 2014-15 budget.

Campus Recylcing, 5:30-6:30pm, Student

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One way to spend your lunch

A staff member at Corvallis High School called Corvallis police to report an allegedly intoxicated male. According to logs, a 16-year-old student allegedly stole a bottle of wine from Fred Meyer during the lunch hour and drank it. He then returned to school where he was noticed by staff. The high school student was cited for minor-in-possession of alcohol, shoplifting II and was trespassed from the store.

Intoxicated evangelism

A call came in to Corvallis police about a party and people drinking near the 400 block of Lilly Avenue. When authorities arrived at the scene, they found a 54-year-old man allegedly hav-

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ing a loud philosophical conversation about Christianity with another intoxicated person. The man was cited for loud noise and the house was given a special response notice.

and Corvallis Police

Brass monkey, that funky monkey

An employee of the Safeway on Third Street observed a man allegedly drinking a 24-ounce can of Olde English malt liquor inside the store at 6:30 p.m. Corvallis police took the 55-year-old man into custody and cited him for consumption in public and trespassed him from the store.

#### At least use an original insult

Corvallis police were on patrol at Avery Park just after 10 p.m. when they witnessed a group of six people sitting in the park allegedly passing around a bottle of alcohol. The officers approached the group, notified them of being in the park after hours and received all of their identifications. One male, Kyle Nussdorfer, 22, was arrested for a Benton County warrant and screamed "fascist pigs" while he was being arrested. There was one minor who was cited for minor-in-possession of alcohol and another male who had to contact his parole officer about his noalcohol-consumption condition.

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## Campaigns feature prominently in Senate meeting

ASOSU senators join disabilities awareness campaign, hear more on voter registration

> By Tori Hittner THE DAILY BAROMETER

It is time to "raise the blue" at Oregon State. Thanks to the Associated Students of Oregon State University task force director Bryan Williamson, students have the opportunity to raise awareness for "general accessibility on campus.

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agreed to increase the minimum GPA require-ment for entrance into Oregon

The Oregon State Board of Higher Education

-Jan. 22, 1990

ed to take a clear stance against a war in Iraq"

and passed a resolution to inform the nation of

their opposition to the United States going to war

with Iraq. The decision made OSU one of only

three "campuses nationwide to take an anti-war

Amping up the average

State University from 2.75 to

3.00. The jump was designed to "manage enrollment" and "reflect the level of the students" that

were applying at the time. Board

representatives named a lack of

resources as the driving force

behind the requirement change.

Within one year, enrollment was

expected to decrease from 16,000

The OSU Faculty Senate "decid-

to 15,300 students.

An unpopular war

the "Raise the Blue" campaign during Tuesday's meeting, choosing to sport a blue button to make the issue of accessibility "part of the social dialogue" in the Corvallis community.

"We are trying to shine light on an issue that has been in the dark for too long," Williamson said.

Senators agreed to support Williamson's campaign and several made commitments to participate in an accessibility tour. Williamson holds interactive tours across campus every Friday to promote awareness

This week in CAMPUS HISTQ

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Several ASOSU senators joined of the severe challenges many students face each day getting to class.

> In addition, senators heard from Ben Katz, an Oregon Student Association vote coordinator. Katz has been assigned to OSU to help run voter registra-

tion campaigns.
"We need to show that students are a constituency that needs to be heard," Katz said.

According to Katz, all OSU students pay dues to belong to the OSA and earn its support through lobbying in Salem.

stance." The Senate decided to make an official

decision as they believed silence showed a cer-

tain amount of support for U.S. involvement. The

Senate voted in favor of the resolution 46 to 16.

Several Oregon State courses began the process of being "dupli-cated in the cyberworld" in the hopes that many courses would be "within

the fingertips of anyone in the world

able to access the internet." The

move to online courses was met

with mixed reviews, some lauding

the "terrific supplement to regu-

lar classes," with others "spell(ing)

doom." According to a Magnavox

survey at the time, only 12 percent of

the U.S. population "actively use(d) the Internet."

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Cyber school

Other business addressed in

-Jan. 22, 2003

– Jan. 24, 1997

the Senate meeting included a review of the town hall meeting and an update from the OSU Divest committee. Sen. Victor Tran expects the divestment resolution to be ready for review by next week.

The following senators were absent from the meeting: Dylan Hinrichs, Tyler Schmeckpeper and Madison Parker. Several senators also used proxies: John Varin, Kevin Coffey and Mykael

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### State could withold \$300K from Damascus

By Rob Manning OREGON PUBLIC BROADCASTING

DAMASCUS -- Oregon could withhold \$300,000 from the city of Damascus, if the city doesn't submit a state-required land-use plan by mid-July. That's the new recommendation from a

state hearings' officer. The Clackamas County city has struggled to agree on landuse plans since it incorporated

9 years ago — far longer than the four-year timeline state officials say is required. Damascus officials acknowledge they don't have a plan. But the city's attorney argued that financial penalties wouldn't help them agree on one. The charter for Damascus

requires voter approval of a comprehensive plan. City officials suggest levying fines would fuel voter discontent, and make approving a plan even harder. Damascus voters could see

up to three plans on the ballot in May.

That timeline led the hearings officer to recommend giving Damascus until July to submit a plan, rather than immediately withdrawing state

Corrections

"International student opens Chinese restaurant," the owner's name was misspelled. Yi Zhao is the owner, not Jhang.

· In Tuesday's article, "A whales tale: Fighting for survival," it was reported that Bruce Mate, an OSU researcher, took his family to the coast of Newport to veiw whales. Mate took his family to the west coast of Baia in San Ignacio Lagoon, Mexico. Also in Tuesday's article, the previous OSU president's name was misspelled. John Byrne is the previous OSU president,

#### International Resource Center in the MU. Cultural Heritage. An informative, edu-cational event led by a panel of students and teachers who will answer questions having a cultural background and cultural knowledge.

International Students of OSU, 4pm.

Counseling & Psychological Services, 12:30-1:30pm, Snell 301 conference room. CAPS Budget Open Hearing. To answer questions about the proposed 2014/15

Thursday, Jan. 23 leetings

**Educational Activities Committee** 8-10am, MU International Forum at Snell

Hall. Open Hearing. Multicultural Students in Pre-Healthcare, 5pm, BCC. Weekly meeting & community service opportunity. Anyone

Campus Recycling, 5:30-7:30pm, OSU Recycling Warehouse, January Repair Fair - Free fixes and repair demonstrations,

Monday, Jan. 27

Campus Recylcing, 5:30-6:30pm, Student Sustainability Center, Waste Watchers Weekly Meetings - Come learn about volunteer opportunities and help plan waste reduction events and outreach around campus.

International Students of OSU, 4:30-6pm, MU Lounge. Coffee Hour. Come enjoy international food, mingle with other OSU and international students and become culturally aware.

Wednesday, Jan. 29

OSU College Republicans, 7pm, Gilkey 113. Join us for discussion of club and current events. Come have fun with like-

Thursday, Jan. 30

Baha'i Campus Association, 12:30pm, MU Talisman Room. Is there Reincama-

tion? - A discussion.

International Students of OSU, 5pm International Resource Center in the MU. Cultural Exposition. An exposition of culture through songs, poems, cultural stories and presentation of cultural items.

Monday, Feb. 3

Campus Recylcing, 5:30-6:30pm, Student Sustainability Center, Waste Wartchers Weekly Meetings - Come learn about volunteer opportunities and help plan waste reduction events and outreach around campus

Wednesday, Feb. 5

OSU College Republicans, 7pm, Gilkey 113. Join us for discussion of club and current events. Come have fun with like minded people.

Center for Civic Engagement, Noon-3pm, MU Ballroom. Nonprofit & Volunteer Fair. Learn about volunteer opportunities, internships ands general needs in the

Thursday, Feb. 6

Baha'i Campus Association, 12:30pm MU Talisman Room. Nonexistence of Evil - A discussion.

Saturday, Feb. 8

Omani Students Association (OSA), 6-8pm, MiJ Ballroom. Omani Night (cul tural night). Tickets available in MU 103

Monday, Feb. 10 leetings

Campus Recylcing, 5:30-6:30pm, Student Sustainability Center. Waste Watchers Weekly Meetings - Come learn about volunteer opportunities and help plan waste reduction events and outreach around campus.

**Events** 

International Students of OSU, 4:30-6pm, MU Lounge. Coffee Hour. Come enjoy international food, mingle with other OSU and international students and become culturally aware.

Corvallis Science Pub, 6pm, Old World Deli. Cry of the Pacific Lamprey: What this ancient fish is telling us about our waters. Jeremy Monroe and Carl Schreck will take us on a trip under-water to see lamprey in their native habitat. We'll hear what researchers are doing to understand the lamprey lifestyle.

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### Obama speaks on marijuana; Oregon reacts

By Anna Staver STATESMAN JOURNAL

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SALEM - State lawmakers and marijuana proponents agree that President Barack Obama's statement about pot being no more dangerous than alcohol could move Oregon voters toward legalization in 2014.

"I think it will influence people throughout the country," said Donald Morse, who owns a medical marijuana dispensary in Portland. "I think that's why he made the comments.

In an interview with The New Yorker magazine published Sunday, Obama said he considers marijuana "a bad habit and a vice," a waste of time and not very healthy, but doesn't think it's more dangerous than alcohol. He also told The New Yorkerthat legalization efforts in

Colorado and Washington are important because of the racial disparity in how those caught with marijuana are

Rep. Vicki Berger, R-Salem, thinks the president's stance "will certainly have an impact on voters in the state of Oregon.

Although, she didn't like the president's comparison between pot and alcohol. Berger said it overlooks the differences in how the two substances behave in a person's body.

For instance, you can go on a terrible drinking bender on the weekend, and you will probably be tired but prob-ably OK to work Monday," Berger said. "Marijuana can last a week in your system. Your ability to work could be impaired. We are not prepared for that kind of thing, and that bothers me a lot.

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Pettibone stressed the difficult balance between economic and moral issues in this campaign.

Pointing out moral dilemmas such as "serious impacts on ecosystems, species extinctions" and the "consequences of climate change in Oregon," the proposed resolution focuses more on the responsibility of stewardship that students inherently hold.

ASOSU representatives agreed that while the resolution should reflect the interests of concerned students on campus, the cam-paign as presented before the OSU Foundation should focus on concrete data and research.

"If we are an (agriculture) school and an engineering school ... it would be a huge statement to those industries," said Mohamed Elgarguri, ASOSU executive director of diversity programs.

Sen. Victor Tran voiced concerns about how much divesting from major energy companies would affect research funding on campus. ASOSU representatives suggested that Pettibone look into the opinions of professors who receive research funding from such companies.

According to Tran, the OSU Foundation is ultimately "concerned about the bottom line." As chair of the special legislative com-

mittee formed to look into the OSU Divest campaign, Tran is working with the Oregon State Investment Group to gauge opportunity cost and create a possible investment

Despite these concerns, Pettibone said that he believes the OSU Foundation to be "very open" to the idea of divestment. In several weeks, Pettibone plans on present-ing the proposal to the Foundation's Advisory Committee.

Students present at the meeting also covered the potential student bill of rights. According to Sen. Shelby Porter, the bill would be a "non-legally binding document for the purpose of helping policymakers" understand what issues are important to students.

Several ideas were proposed for further research, including the following: professor availability, right to disagree, 24-hour emergency on-campus health care, extended dining hall hours, housing rights and tuition affordability.

Though many suggestions floated throughout the meeting, students reached a general consensus that an ASOSU student bill of rights should focus on academic affairs.

The next town hall meeting is expected to occur sometime during the eighth week of the term.

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than 28,000 students staff and faculty commuting daily across campus.

The text amendment would also allow for development of standard streets that are OSU specific, instead of the current construction standards, which are uniform across Corvallis. This would clarify the difference between city-owned public right of way and OSU-owned streets.

The bulk of the specific proposals would give OSU more flexibility for sidewalk and street construction, and the ability to address the high volume of pedestrians and bicycles on campus.

There was a request for the record on this issue to be held open an additional week, and deliberations will take place at the Feb. 3 council meeting.

Before the public hearing, Corvallis Chief of Police Jon Sassaman gave the council an update on medical marijuana, in light of the legalization of dispensaries starting March 3.

There must be established relation-

ships between dispensaries, growers and patients in order for the new system to work. When current laws go into effect, there will still be many nuances to solidify.

The legalities of all of this are still moving," Sassaman said.

Sassaman voiced concerns of public safety in light of the change.

"The way the laws are today, dispen-saries are legal," Sassaman. "From a law enforcement perspective, I have to look forward.'

Three different entrepreneurs have approached Sassaman, voicing their plans to open dispensaries in Corvallis in March. All local governments in Oregon must decide how to address the new law change, but further developments regarding can-nabis may not be far behind. Sassaman believes that legalization of recreational marijuana will be a topic for discussion in the upcoming Oregon legislature in

Mayor Julie Manning asked Sassaman to keep the council updated on the developments, especially when legislature meets in February.

Several individuals, from dispensaries and growers to researchers and residents, also addressed the council on medical marijuana.

Byron Whipple, a licensed medical marijuana grower, urged the council to support the new law and place Corvallis as a positive model going forward. His partner suffers from chronic pain and medical marijuana has had a positive effect on his well-being.

"We ask you guys to support this," said Ryan Smith of The Healing Center dispensary. "We are trying to make it fully transparent because it's new.'

In other business, the Urban Services Committee provided an update on the residential parking district changes. Postcards were sent to all of the residents living in the areas that will be affected with parking district implementation. The proposed plans are considering metered, time limited or permit parking in those areas in order to mitigate dense parking traffic.

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Director of the Citizens Trade Campaign Arthur Stamoulis.

DeFazio said the forums went well, though he would have liked to see more individuals attending. Furthermore, DeFazio said these issues will greatly impact college students over time if the TPP becomes a reality.

"This really is going to have a major impact on their future employment prospects and quality of life," DeFazio said.

DeFazio said in its current form, the TPP would greatly impact matters involved with human rights, the environment and the amount of available jobs in the U.S. market.

(Students) should be involved and opposed because this is going to have a detrimental impact on all those things," DeFazio said.

Corvallis resident Karen Josephson said she hopes other attendees at the forum will do their part and attempt to work with others, specifically Tea Party members who share some opposing views, to take on the greater issues at hand.

In addition, Josephson said everyone should write their local representatives and senators as soon as possible.

"What we need to make sure we each do is write those letters and make those calls," Josephson said.

Bart Bolger, another Corvallis resident, said the forum offered an excellent amount of information to individuals.

"I think (DeFazio) does a great job of taking it down to something we can all understand," Bolger

DeFazio said he would like to have future events discussing these topics on OSU campus, but cited parking as one concern for community members.

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co-founder, said they had spent time debating what prompted such a large following for the inanimate object.

"It was this visual of the crane," McDonald said. "The way it looked in the fog and the clouds and the way people gravitated to it, toward this visual that we have, this crane. ... Everyone's in this community of seeing the crane. Then we have this page that people naturally started to gravitate toward."

The webpage started as a joke shared amongst their friends. Even the page's tagline, "Never doubt the crane," was inspired by a catchphrase in the comedic cartoon, "Bravest Warriors.

By the end of the page's first day, though, it had already gained 350 followers.

on something really furiously and then one of us would sit back and be like, 'What are we actually doing here?'" McDonald said. "We'd have these moments of clarity, like reality hitting us, that we're making a Facebook page for a piece of construction equipment."

Across campus, communi-ty response has been positive and nthusiastic.

"I think it's great and I'm glad every-body's having fun with it," said Joseph Ream, a sub-contractor working as a traffic control flagger for Anderson Construction Company. "In our safety meeting yesterday it was discussed. All the guys think it's great."

Ream said the crane even has its own personal cook.

"The crane has a man that stands next to it, that cleans it," Ream said. But also they bring out a barbecue and "We would be sitting and working he cooks for the crane operator. So the

crane has its own cook."

As the MU crane has risen to fame, Eidsvoog and McDonald have worked to keep the page exciting, communica-tive and interactive with its fans.

Over the weekend, the duo revealed an Indiegogo project to fund a small memorial to the crane, which would be housed in the SEC upon completion of the building. A financial and timeframe goal is set and if the goals are not met, all money is returned to donors.

Response to the idea has been mixed. Some community members argue that the funds students put toward the memorial could be going to legitimate charities or improvements on campus. Others see it as a way of commemorating the community built around appreciation for the crane.

"I was hoping for just keeping the crane and having a giant crane on the building the entire time," said Shawn Crabtree, a sophomore in computer

Eidsvoog and McDonald said the memorial is just one of several ideas for long-term goals and projects centered around the crane.

"Do we keep it silly? Do we make it a joke or do we get more serious?" Eidsvoog said. "We were working on the buttons and as that was happening we had this realization that we could do something lasting to commemorate this wacky, strange and yet really positive and really kind of wonderful thing this is."

"I think it's like a testament to the OSU community," McDonald added. "It doesn't matter what it is, we'll rally around it in a positive way.

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#### GMO

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tain genetically modified ingredients.

Genetically modified organisms are organisms (plants or animals) that have engineered insertions of genetic material to convey traits that those plants or animals would never have in a natural system.

The groups advocating for GMO labels believe that the public has the right to know what's in the food they consume. This would allow the public to make an informed choice on whether or not to buy GMO or non-GMO foods.

We've changed that label multiple times in the past 20 years," DeFazio said. "We didn't have transfats on the label; we've added things to that label constantly — so you add one more thing.

Frank Morton, owner of Wild Garden Seed, a company that grows organic seeds at Gathering Together Farm in Philomath, cites a common example of GMOs as resistance to herbicides.

There are more than 60 countries around the world that have systems in place that label GMO

"We know it can be done," DeFazio said.

Carol Mallory-Smith, professor of weed science in the department of crop and soil science at Oregon State University, has done extensive work with GMO crops and also with gene flow from GMO crops into other species, either crops or weeds.

There are certain markets in the world that do not except GMO products — countries across Europe

and also in the Pacific Rim are some of these non-GMO markets, according to Mallory-Smith.

The manufacturers of GMOs state that their products have not been shown to impose any health risks — the government deregulates them, they've gone through everything that has been required of them for testing, resulting in no reason to label a product to make it seem that there is a problem with GMOs.

Individual grocers within states where manufac-turers spend billions of dollars to turnover labeling initiatives and distort what the impact of GMO labels would be, according to DeFazio.

"If you can find out how much salt is in a product by looking a the label, why can't you find if this food ontains or does not contain GMOs?" DeFazio said.

GMOs can produce crops that are drought tolerant and salt tolerant. One of the arguments from pro-GMO farmers and producers of crops is that they can grow things in difficult conditions around the world.

For DeFazio, the more disturbing and problematic issue is when the conversation shifts to living organisms in addition to plants.

Thirty years ago, the Supreme Court granted GMOs with a special status as the first living things to ever receive a patent. Prior to the existence of GMOs, patents were not permitted on any life form.

The first GMO was a bacterium that was intended to clean up oil spills. The Supreme Court ruled this as a novel endeavor and said that it deserved patenting. Three years following, the Monsanto Company patented the first soybean.

Now, there are patents on various sorts of living things, including attempts to patent human DNA, according to Morton.

"It's not beyond my comprehension that there could be good GMOs that are beneficial for society, humans and the environment," Morton said. "But I've never seen one from the examples exist today."

DeFazio said GMOs should be approved through a process that evaluates its safety—which has never been done.

The Food and Drug Administration relies on studies supplied by the manufacturers rather than carrying out independent testing procedures. The Environmental Protection Agency has little involvement with the environmental impact of GMOs.

Another option instead of a mandatory labeling system would be put in place a voluntary labeling system through the FDA.

The opposition to labeling, according to DeFazio, is really being driven by Monsanto and others.

"I'm hoping that coalition will break apart," DeFazio said. "Let Monsanto carry its own water ... for the things it's producing."

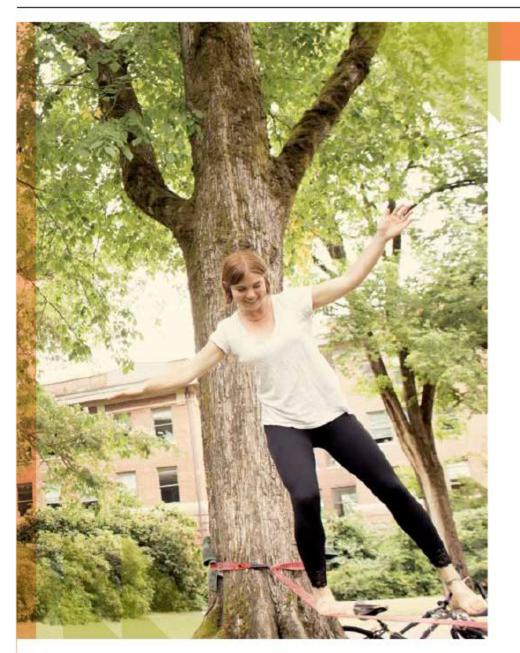
Consumers can buy non-GMOs by purchasing organic or the products that are already marketed as non-GMOs, according to Mallory-Smith.

"I think the only way to make a labeling system is to do it nationally, if it's going to happen," Mallory-Smith said. "It either has to be all or nothing."

Multiple beet farmers who use GMOs in Oregon were contacted but did not respond by print time

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## **OSU** looks to maintain momentum

After Civil War win, Oregon State heads to Pullman, Wash., to take on Washington State

By Josh Worden THE DAILY BAROMETER

Heading north to Pullman, Wash., the Oregon State men's basketball squad has a chance to reach the .500 conference mark, a situation that seemed unlikely just this past week-end when the Beavers took a 1-3 Pac-12 mark into a contest with an Oregon team that had been ranked as high as

No. 10 this season. But OSU (10-7, 2-3 Pac-12) prevailed Sunday in the Civil War showdown and now will face Washington State (8-10, 1-5) Wednesday, a team playing without its leading scorer, DaVonte Lacy.

The junior guard is out with a rib injury, which will keep him and his 17.7 points per game on the bench

against Oregon State. OSU head coach Craig Robinson is wary of what Lacy's injury could mean for the Cougars.

"I'm always nervous when things like that happen because other guys have the opportunity to feel free to step up with little pressure on them," he said. "It can have the reverse effect that you would intuitively think it would have and it can pump up the rest of the guys."

Robinson particularly noted Que Johnson, a freshman guard who is the only other player averaging double digits points per game (10.6). Lacy has already missed time ear-

sit out against No. 1 Arizona. In that game, Washington State fell 60-25 and Johnson only totaled three points.

When not playing the top-ranked team in the nation, however, the Cougars have shown spurts of offense.

Cougar guard Dexter Kernich-Drew connected on six 3-pointers in eight attempts in a 71-70 overtime loss to Colorado, WSU's top offensive output in conference play this year.

"They've got some decent out-side shooters if they can get going," Robinson said. "Our job is to keep

them from getting going."

OSU junior point guard Challe
Barton is familiar with playing Washington State.

They've been kind of like us," Barton said. "They've been at the bot-tom of the Pac-12 but they're always a team who has respect from everybody else — a feared team."

WSU's lone conference win this year was a 49-46 decision over Utah, a 3-3 Pac-12 team with wins against then-No. 25 UCLA, USC and Oregon State.

'They've been in every game," Barton said. "Even if they lose by more than double-digits in the end or not,

they've been in the game and the game can turn any way at any moment."

OSU lost to the Utes but also beat Oregon and Stanford, whereas Washington State lost to Oregon in overtime and to the Cardinal by 32 points.

Washington State has allowed 66.5 points per game, a step up from the Beavers' 75.2 points allowed.

They play this funky matchuplier this season due to an emergency appendectomy that caused him to groblems," Robinson said. "It comes



Junior Challe Barton, senior Roberto Nelson and senior Angus Brandt walk toward the free throw line in Sunday's win against Oregon in Gill Coliseum.

down to being more about us. We have to play with a level of confidence that we've been playing with."

Oregon State has been shooting the ball well recently, ascending to the top of the Pac-12 in 3-point percentage with a 41.1 percent rate. Freshman guard Hallice Cooke leads the conference in individual shooting from at one point, was ranked 10th in the beyond the arc at 55.3 percent.

A hot shooting streak and a Civil War victory have given the Beavers momentum heading into a key road trip in Washington. They'll look to use it to their advantage Wednesday.

"We beat a really good team that,

country, so we should have some pep in our step," Robinson said. "I've always thought that these guys had a game like (the Civil War) in them."

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## Track and field sees success in Seattle at first indoor meet



COURTESY OF STODDARD REYNOLDS

Junior Obum Gwacham clears the bar during the high jump at the UW Indoor Preview on Saturday.

Church takes sixth in 200; football players Gwacham, Jones have strong openers

#### By Scott McReynolds

THE DAILY BAROMETER

The Beavers started off their 2014 indoor track and field season with some strong finishes Saturday at the UW Indoor Preview.

A pair of second-place finishes from junior Obum Gwacham in the high jump and freshman Walter Jones in the long jump, and a sixth-place finish by junior Allie Church in the 200-meter led the team on the day.

Gwacham and Jones only recently began training for the track season due to their commitments to the football team. Despite the lack of time for preparation, both placed high Saturday.

It's a little tough," Gwacham said, "doing high jump, once you learn you

never really forget it."

Gwacham cleared 7 1/4 during the meet, which was the first time he'd cleared seven feet since the Pac-12 Championships in 2012.

Jones jumped 23-10 1/25 in the long jump, placing him in second.

Both the long jump and high jump can require a lot of technicality, especially in the run up. Gwacham and Jones were pleased with their results considering the limited time to prepare for the meet.

Assistant coach Travis Floeck said the indoor season is the best time for football players to compete, because it's after the football season and before spring practice.

Church, the Beavers' best female finisher, finished her 200-meter with a time of 25.42 seconds, placing her sixth of 42 runners.

Church's performance was Oregon State's first dedicated sprinter race since the program's reinstatement a

The team also had two successful female throwers in freshman Melissa Ausman and sophomore Rachel Picknell. Ausman placed 14th in the weight throw with a distance of 46-4 and 13th in the shot put at 38-8 1/4, while Picknell placed 18th in the weight throw at 41-6 and ninth in the

shot put with a distance of 39-10 1/2.
Sophomore Sara Almen, who
missed qualifying for nationals last season by three-quarters of an inch, jumped 5-1, finishing tied for 13th place with OSU junior Justine Bird.

Almen had not jumped lower than 5-73/4 during all of last year's indoor season.

The track team welcomed 12 freshman athletes, nine non-distance and a few transfers from junior college this season, which is more than previous

Floeck said the increase could be attributed to the new Whyte Track and Field Center that was completed at the beginning of last year. The team did not previously have its own facilities.

"Two years ago, it was 40 distance runners and one high jumper," Floeck said. "It's really cool, standing out here at the track, with the way the programs have been evolving, to say that half our team in comprised of track and field athletes.

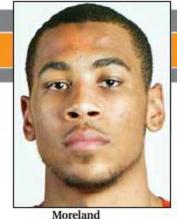
While there are some athletes on the team who compete in track and field alongside their other sports, the team is beginning to bring in both freshmen and transfer students whose primary focus is track and field.

The Beavers will return to action Friday when they head back to Seattle, where they will compete in the UW

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#### Athlete of the Week



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after stuffing the stat sheet in Sunday's home victory

Oregon State men's basketball junior forward Eric Moreland is The Daily Barometer Athlete of the Week

against the University of Oregon.

Moreland accounted for 15 points, 13 rebounds, five assists and three blocks in 31 minutes of action in the Civil War win. While Moreland struggled from the field, he excelled at the free throw line, knocking down 11-of-12 attempts from the charity stripe.

The 11 made free throws were a career high for Moreland, who entered the game shooting just better than 47 percent from the line.

Sunday was only Moreland's fifth game of the season and fourth game starting, after the 6-foot-10 forward missed the season's first 12 games due to a

His presence was felt throughout Sunday's game, including a blocked shot that he pinned against the

backboard, igniting the Gill Coliseum crowd. The play was good enough to be ranked sixth on SportsCenter's top-10 plays from the weekend.

After relatively quiet performances in his first two games back from suspension against Utah and Colorado, Moreland has come alive, boosting his season averages to 10.4 points, 10 rebounds, 2.2 assists and 2 blocks per game.

He averaged 9.4 points per game a season ago, was second in the Pac-12 in rebounding and finished the year a Pac-12 All-Defensive Honorable Mention.

Moreland and the Beavers are back in action tonight, when they take on Washington State in Pullman, Wash.

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## Men's golf ready for season opener

 OSU enters 2014 season at Arizona Intercollegiate; Reehoorn looking forward to play of Franklin, Murphy

> By Zack Scheibner THE DAILY BAROMETER

The Oregon State men's golf team looks to get its season off to a good start in the Arizona Intercollegiate match Monday in Tucson, Ariz.

"I'm very excited about the upcoming season," said head coach Jon Reehoorn. "We had a good fall term, and the team has worked hard in the offseason. We just need to keep improving each day." Although Nick Chianello, Matt

Rawitzer and Nick Sherwood have graduated, the team has a lot of young talent that will be able to contribute during this season.

Reehoorn expects junior Alex Franklin and freshman Kevin Murphy to play increased roles, having played a significant amount of time during the fall.

Reehoorn is especially excited about

"Kevin Murphy was very good in the fall," he said. "He will play a key role in our success."

The Pac-12 currently has five teams ranked in the national top 25: No. 3 California, No. 9 Stanford, No. 14 Washington and No. 24 USC.

The Beavers have set their main goal this season to attend the NCAA Championships in Hutchinson, Kansas, which occurs May 23-28.

Oregon State barely missed the NCAAs last season, and hopes to right the ship this year despite losing three seniors.

We were one shot short of advancing to the Championships last season," Reehoorn said. "We need to more disciplined and play at a high level consistently throughout the spring".

The Beavers' last competition was the Alister Mackenzie Invitational in Fairfax. Calif., in October 2013. In the first day of the tournament, they placed sixth overall, and on the last day, they placed third overall (out of 16 teams).

Senior David Fink led the Beavers finishing with a career-best three-round score of 12-under 69-67-68-204.

The score equals the third-lowest in Oregon State history, tying him with James Allenby and just one stroke behind Jonathan Green and two away from the school record by Vincent Johnson.

Individually, Fink finished second behind Joel Stalter of Cal, who was a stroke better with a 13-under 64-69-70-203. It's the third time Fink has finished second after doing so twice last season in his outstanding junior campaign that earned him All-Pac-12 and PING All-Region honors.

The Beavers open their eight-tournament spring season Monday in Tucson. The teams for the Arizona Intercollegiate have not all been announced, but there will be a detailed preview of the tournament later this week.

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## Pac-12 men's basketball power rankings

**By Grady Garrett** 

1. Arizona (18-0, 5-0 Pac-12)

Last week: vs. ASU (W) This week: vs. Colorado, vs. Utah

The Wildcats have allowed 56.7 points per game, the fifth-best mark in the country. Until they lose, they'll continue to top the national polls.

2. Cal (14-4, 5-0)

Last week: vs. UW (W), vs. WSU (W) This week: @ USC, @ UCLA

The Golden Bears' closest conference game was a fivepoint win in Corvallis. Their other four margins of victory:

seven (at Stanford), 13 (at Oregon), 26 (vs. Washington) and 21 (vs. WSU).

3. UCLA (14-4, 3-2)

Last week: @ Colorado (W), @ Utah (L) This week: vs. Stanford, vs. Cal



Saturday's loss at Utah dropped the Bruins from the national rankings. Their upcoming showdown versus Cal figures to give us a better understanding of which team has the best chance to chal-

lenge Arizona for the conference title.

4. Stanford (12-5, 3-2)

Last week: vs. WSU (W), vs. UW (W) This week: @ UCLA, @ USC Stanford has reeled off three straight wins since dropping its first two conference games.

5. Utah (14-4, 3-3) Last week: vs. USC (W), vs. UCLA (W) This week: @ ASU, @ UA



The Utes, who are 14-1 at home and 0-3 on the road, are 122nd in ESPN's RPI rankings, worst among Pac-12 teams. They'll need to win some road games if they want to work their way into the NCAA Tournament picture.

Colorado (15-4, 4-2) Last week: vs. UCLA (L), vs. USC (W)

This week: @ UA, @ ASU We're still waiting to see how the

Buffaloes respond to losing leading scorer Spencer Dinwiddie for the season.

They split against the LA schools in their first two games without Dinwiddie - but most teams split against the LA schools.

7. Oregon (13-4, 1-4) Last week: @ OSU (L) This week: @ UW, @ WSU

Perhaps the Ducks' nonconference schedule was easier than ini-OREGON tially suspected. Their

wins over Georgetown, losers of three straight, and Illinois, losers of four straight, don't look as good now as they did earlier in the season.

8. Oregon State (10-7, 2-3) Last week: vs. UO (W)

This week: @ WSU, @ UW The Beavers' next three games come against three of the Pac-12's



four worst teams. If Sunday's performance was legitimate, it's not

ridiculous to think they could enter Feb. 2's game against UCLA with a 5-3 conference record.

9. Washington (11-8, 3-3) Last week: @ Cal (L), @ Stanford (L) This week: vs. UO, vs. OSU The Huskies played as well as any Pac-

over the first two weeks of conference action. Then they went to the Bay Area and got spanked by Cal (82-56) and Stanford (79-67).

12 team not named Arizona

10. Arizona State (13-5, 2-3) Last week: @ UA (L)

This week: vs. Utah, vs. Colorado

The schedule-makers didn't do the Sun Devils any favors by making them play UCLA and Arizona

on the road - consecutively. ASU lost those contests by a combined 40 points.

#### 11. Washington State (8-10, 1-5)

Last week: @ Stanford (L), @ Cal (L) This week: vs. OSU, vs. UO Through six conference



games, the Cougars are averaging 49 points per game -13.8 fewer points than any other Pac-12 team. That's

partly due to the absence of leading scorer DaVonte Lacy, who's played in just one of WSU's last seven games.

12. USC (9-9, 0-5)

Last week: @ Utah (L), @ Colorado (L) This week: vs. Cal, vs. projunc Stanford

The Trojans rank secondto-last in the conference in scoring offense (71.6 PPG) and thirdto-last in scoring defense (74.6 PPG). They're still yet to play a conference game decided by fewer than 19 points.

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## Altman keeps post-Civil War vibe upbeat

By Steve Mims THE REGISTER-GUARD

EUGENE - With Oregon's season suddenly running into a crisis point, Dana Altman chose to build his team back up rather than beat it down.

There was no locker-room rampage after Sunday's 80-72 men's basketball loss at Oregon State, and Altman wasn't even going to make his team relive its worst shooting night of the

"He tried to tell us to stay positive," senior guard Johnathan Loyd said. "Don't

worry about it, keep moving

forward. We will not watch film,

on it. Keep moving forward, worry about the next one." Altman took the temperature of his team after four

that message. "Everybody is really down," he said. "We've really struggled the last two weeks. It has been tough on all the guys, so there

was no reason to pile on." The coach knows that enough people are doing that after Oregon started the season 13-0 before losing four in a row to fall into 10th place in the

"We have to come together

Pac-12 at 1-4.

because we don't want to dwell as a team; we can't worry what people say or write," Altman said. "We just have to worry about the next game. We'll move on from here. In 33 years, I've had these situations, they straight losses before giving are not easy. We haven't had

> first year we did, I guess. "I have got a lot of faith in the character in that room, so I think we will bounce back."

them here in a few years; the

Altman also took the blame off of his players.

"I told the guys, 'Fellas, we are in this together," he said. "It is as much my fault and maybe more than the team's. It is my job to get them fundamentally sound and my job to toughen them up and I have not done that. As I stand here, it is as much me as it is them. Those guys want to do a good job.

We'll bounce back sometime. We have to collectively get together and figure out a way."

Oregon takes its longest losing streak since Altman's first year in 2010-11 to Washington 11-8, 3-3) Thursday night before visiting Washington State (8-10, 1-5) on Sunday. Oregon had four- and six-game losing streaks in Altman's first year but has lost consecutive games only three times in the last two seasons.



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#### Editorial

## We need more public officials like DeFazio

ongressman Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., visited our newsroom Tuesday afternoon to speak with our reporters about genetically modified organisms, food labeling, the new institutional governing boards of Oregon's universities and the burden of student loans.

It was pretty exciting for us. He (and his staff) talked to us like we were professionals and took us seriously.

It's not that we don't think of ourselves as professionals, but there are plenty of other authority figures around here who talk to us as if we're working on our first story for a monthly high school paper.

Add the fact that DeFazio, someone who's pretty much the definition of a real-life grown-up and can actually make a difference in the government, came to talk to us at a time when most of us are unsure about what we're going to do and who we're going to be when we magically turn into real-life grown-ups after graduation in five months or so.

Our post-graduation freakouts significantly lessened when his first response to a question regarding how he felt about Oregon State University's first tuition freeze in 15 years was a quiet, selfmocking "Yaaaaay" with both fists held up in the air. We calmed down because it was empirical proof that he's still like us.

Moments of silliness don't preclude being serious, or being taken seriously. There's hope for us yet, and becoming a grown-up might not be that scary

And as students who will soon be struggling under the crushing weight of student loans, we're now pretty fond of DeFazio.

We listened to him expound on his visions of the future of student loans and his fight to ease the burden on students, and it was inspiring. It made us not fear our financial futures quite as much.

He was very personable and reasoned in his arguments, and plain spoken. He straight up came out and said that the system is broken, in response to one of our editors' comment that undergraduate diplomas are essentially the new high school diplomas when it comes to finding a good career after graduation.

He acknowledged that desperation in the face of student loans and the bad job market means many students feel compelled to get graduate degrees in order to get jobs in their chosen fields, which results in even more debt.

But he was of the opinion that it's because our infrastructure is failing, not because higher education and liberal arts degrees are no longer worth

It was, perhaps strangely, reassuring to hear a congressman admit the system is broken. Because if no one acknowledges that there's a problem, no one will attempt to find a solution.

If DeFazio sticks to his guns and keeps fighting on the issues he told us he was working on, we're proud to have him as our representative.

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## Thought of life after graduation is terrifying, admit it

or some of us, that "scary but exciting" graduation day is quickly approaching. We claim it's scary and exciting because we can't bring ourselves to stop at the truth, which is just plain "scary."

I'll tell you what doesn't help graduation anxiety: perusing the internet and clicking on the dreadfully dis-heartening lists of "29 horrific things you'll realize after graduation" or "12 depressing things you will experience after college.

Who's writing these ghastly lists? Stop. Just stop. They're not helping

There are many options for postcollege success. Sometimes, students who are burnt out on school and don't know exactly what they want to do after school opt for a gap year after graduation in which they travel, volunteer and sign up for various do-gooder opportunities.

Many people advise against a gap



year, however.

Neil Kokemuller, author of "The Disadvantages of a Gap Year After College," writes that there are many drawbacks of taking a year off to "get your life together," either before or after college. It promotes lost momentum and offers time to goof off more than anything else.

Let's face it, any time you start grasping for reasons to take time off of life to ironically "get your life together," you're just looking for an excuse to do nothing

I don't think we have to be that fearful, though.

College is, and has been, a scary

time too. The possibility of having to live in a box under a bridge might have loomed over your head, you may have done poorly in a few classes and you may have felt the oppression of how expensive everything was (tuition, textbooks, etc.), but you still made it.

You conquered the most helterskelter four to six years of your life, so why can't you move on from that and conquer the next phase?

Maybe you have to embark on new scary things, like moving away, leaving your family or your home state in order to accept a job. That's OK. If you're available to seize that opportunity, do it. At this point, very little should stop you.

Aaron Guerrero, author of "Nine Things to Consider Before Relocating for a Job," even though using the dreaded list format, advises researching the area you will be asked to move to when relocating for a new job. That way, you'll be able to assess its affordability and feasibility according to your budget.

This is certainly reasonable.

I would also consider the climate. The other day I found my dream job in Minnesota. It was just my luck that my dream job was in a place where the high for this week was 32 degrees Fahrenheit and the low was -15. I grew up in Georgia, so that's just not gonna fly.

In any case, freaking out about postgraduation life won't get you very far. Take it one step at a time. Focus on what's in front of you right now: classes, job(s), friends, building your resume.

And remember to breathe. Keep in mind that your best years are still ahead of you, not behind - unless you do end up living in a box. But that's probably not going to happen. Probably.

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## 'Safe, sane, consensual' is watchword of responsible players

ear readers. Unfortunately, no one submitted a question to the Barometer this week, so I think I'll expand on and continue covering last week's topic of BDSM, which stands for Bondage and Discipline/ Domination and Submission/ Sadomasochism.

There is a well-used phrase that David Stein coined in 1983, which can be a guiding principle to practicing BDSM: "Safe, sane and consensual."

In order to achieve and maintain safe, sane and consensual," two practices can be utilized. The first practice is negotiation. When adequate negotiation takes place, you can be assured that the interactions are consensual. I want to be really clear that the negotiation needs to be two-sided (or three-sided, or more).

It's not negotiation if one partner bullies another. It's not negotiation



if one partner threatens to leave the relationship if the BDSM interaction doesn't take place. It's not negotiation if a willing partner says to a hesitant partner, "If you really loved me, you

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would be willing to do this."

Once you have a willing partner, the negotiation is still not complete. BDSM is a form of role playing. This is exemplified by the use of words like "scene" and "players" in BDSM circles. Because of this, participants aren't necessarily their usual public selves, so it's important that the negotiation goes well beyond, "Hell yeah, I'm game."

Negotiation includes talking about the specific activities that will take place, discussing good words to use and bad words to not use as well as covering things you really want to happen and things you really don't want to happen.

Basically, you need to anticipate how the scenes will play out so you can both (or all of however many people are present) be on the same page in terms of what the experience

Many things need to be covered beforehand, including but not limited to emotional issues (i.e., "If I cry, that's a good thing."), sexual history issues (particularly abuse), things your body just can't do (i.e., "This trick knee of mine won't let me twist around and face backwards.") and things that are just off-limits (i.e., the many interesting and unique sexual experiences described on Urban Dictionary).

Many BDSM guidebooks have incredibly detailed contracts for use between partners, so that everyone is fully informed.

The second practice to be utilized to maintain the "safe, sane and consensual" status quo in BDSM is the use of safewords. Safewords became popular in the 1970s, and are now a crucial part of most BDSM play. It's good to have more than one safeword, in case someone forgets the one and only word.

It can also be helpful to have two different types of safewords. The first type might be used when a partner wants the activity to be lessened but not stopped and then the other type would be used when a partner wants the scene to stop altogether.

If gags or something else that may impede the use of safewords are being utilized, then the players need a safe gesture or sign.

There are critics of the negotiation process, suggesting that excess

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## Farmers want tax credit restored

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SALEM — Farmers are scratching their

In testimony last week in front of lawmakers gearing up for the next legislative session in February, men and women who work the land described their frustration with what they see as a double standard in the state's tax-credit system.

They were gracious in their presentations, but they were also eager to correct what they consider an inequity.

Ordinary residents, for instance, said Ian Tolleson, governmental affairs associate for the Oregon Farm Bureau, can donate clothes or furniture to Goodwill and get a receipt and tax deduction for their contributions.

But farmers in Oregon who grow an extra acre or two and create thousands of pounds of green beans or corn, harvest it and then donate it to food banks to help feed the state's hungry get zero tax deductions for their generous gifts, he said.

The lack of a charitable tax credit for farmers brought the Oregon Food Bank and the Oregon Farm Bureau to two committee meetings Thursday, the second of three Legislative Days at the Capitol. They asked lawmakers to churn Legislative Concept 69 into a bill this year and reinstate a tax credit that ended in 2011 for fresh-food donations.

"It's not that most of us wouldn't do it (donate fresh produce) anyway because it's the right thing to do," said John Zielinski,

of pounds of fresh produce to Marion-Polk Food Share and the Silverton Area Community Aid annually. "But it would be nice if there was some incentive from the state.

The first report was given to the House Interim Committee on Rural Communities, which is led by Rep. Brian Clem (D-Salem). The food bank reminded lawmakers about last year's increased demand for emergency food baskets in the state.

Citing a recent federal Food & Drug Administration Food Insecurity Report, Mike Moran, a spokesman for the Oregon Food Bank, said 509,000 households in Oregon lack access to adequate nutrition, and more than 217,000 Oregonians skip meals daily or go days without eating.

The food bank has traditionally relied on the food industry for about 60 percent of its donations, Moran said, but technological improvements are forcing the food bank to look for other sources of food.

Technology is working against us. The reality is processors are making fewer mistakes with technology; they have fewer dings and dents in cans, and mislabeling, which was product they previously donated," Moran said. "So we're seeing fewer donations from that part of the supply chain. Growers of fresh produce are an under-tapped resource for us, and we need to help them."

But crop donations cost farmers, he said. They spend money for the labor to harvest the produce, on the utilities to clean, process whose family owns the E.Z. Orchards farm and store the crop, on materials such as tubs

"The problem is the tax credit, first started in 1977 and sunsetted in 2011, was only 10 percent, which was too low. LC-69 would reinstate the tax credit, and take it from 10 percent to 15 percent," Moran said.

Moran said it's difficult to estimate the official revenue impact of the measure. In 2011, before the last crop tax credit expired, it cost the state between \$60,000 and \$150,000. If raised to 15 percent and implemented this year, some estimates put the cost to the state at between \$380,000 and \$400,000.

Which is why some attending the committee meetings gently suggested the crop tax credit could even be raised to 25 percent.

"Ten percent isn't going to be a real credit," said Katy Coba, director of the state Department of Agriculture. "Fifteen percent is probably low, too.

'But 15 percent is better than zero," Moran assured the lawmakers, who laughed

Sarah Hucka, who owns the Circle H Farm in Dexter, which is outside of Eugene, said she sells her organic fruits and vegetables directly to farmers' markets and CSAs, which are community-supported agriculture members who pre-pay for their weekly boxes of fresh fruit and vegetables.

About 40 percent of what she grows isn't polished enough to sell directly to her consumers, but there is nothing wrong with the organic produce. All of her crops are hand harvested, and some of it might be slightly bruised, but nutritious and edible



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Oregonian newspaper box in downtown Portland.

## Oregonian newspaper will shrink in size this April

By Rob Manning

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PORTLAND Oregonian newspaper will soon be a different size, according to an announcement Tuesday from publisher Christian Anderson III.

Starting in February, The Oregonian will publish several sections - include Arts & Entertainment and Health & Fitness - at 15 by 11 inches. The whole paper will be that size by April 2, according to The Oregonian.

The current paper, a traditional "broadsheet," is about eight inches longer than the future version.

Rick Edmonds is a print media analyst with the Poynter Institute. He says only a handful of papers have made this move recently, but he says it has benefits.

"I think it's basically sort of a ositive for the newspaper and the readers. It's correct in almost all these changes that it increases the availability of color. That may lead to some better advertising revenues - which is a good thing," Edmonds says.

The Oregonian's announcement says having more color is one benefit of the change to what officials are calling a "compact format."

### Oregon's destination resorts stabilizing

By Kristian Foden-Vencil

OREGON PUBLIC BROADCASTING

PORTLAND - Oregon's destination resorts appear to be stabilizing after years of uncertainty, according to a recent report from the Oregon Employment Department.

Oregon has about nine large destination resorts — like Black Butte Ranch, Salishan, Sunriver and Eagle Crest. The Oregon Employment Department tracks their combined

employment rate and says it peaked in 2008 — then dropped 15

But state economist Damon Runberg says job numbers are now increasing and have almost recovered to pre-recession levels. He says one reason may be because some resorts have changed their business models — from selling vacation homes, to attracting tourists looking for accommodations.

'There's not nearly as much emphasis for these second homes and the real estate component of the destination resorts," said

But at least one industry insider says there isn't enough money in tourist accommodation to support destination resort infrastructure, like golf courses and swimming pools.

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negotiation reduces the intense emotional and sexual feelings inherent in BDSM that it diminishes the intimate connection that can be had. Negotiation eliminates the element of surprise. If sex is supposed to be this wonderful connection between two people (or more than two people) then it

I think somewhere in the middle is a great place. When the players are unfamiliar with each other, I think the detailed negotiation is imperative. However, if the same players participate in the same scenes regularly, then they will be more likely to already know the other person's or persons' desires and limits. Then, perhaps less negotiation is necessary then.

planned negotiation is that the participants then have evidence that what took place was consensual rather than abusive, torturous, violent or sexual assault. This would be critical if, for some reason, the police showed up.

Another benefit of the negotiation and consent evidence is that it has helped tremendously to alter the mental health community's perception of BDSM. It wasn't long ago that BDSM

players were considered to have a psychiatric disorder simply because they were BDSM players. Today, we separate the behavior from the results of the behavior. should just "happen." That it shouldn't be so planned out, because where's the fun in that? Currently, the only time BDSM players are classified as hav-ing a psychiatric disorder is if the behavior causes distress, impairment or harm to the participant or others. These players are the ones who the mental health community considers the ones who could possibly benefit from psychiatric intervention.

Now that you have your BDSM tools, get out there and build yourself a BDSM experience - but only if you want to.

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