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EdAct in state of transition

■ IFC, MU president, 2 others walk out on Educational Activities; new chair works to improve committee's future

By Warner Strausbaugh
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Educational Activities used to be the most relevant budgeting board on the Oregon State University campus.

It housed organizations within the Memorial Union, the Associated Students or Oregon State University, Recreational Sports, Student Leadership & Involvement and The International Students of Oregon State University.

Those five are all gone, and with the departure of Student Media — which includes the Barometer, KBVR-TV and -FM, Prism and the Beaver Yearbook — after the 2013-14 fiscal year, the remaining student fee-funded organizations are small in nature.

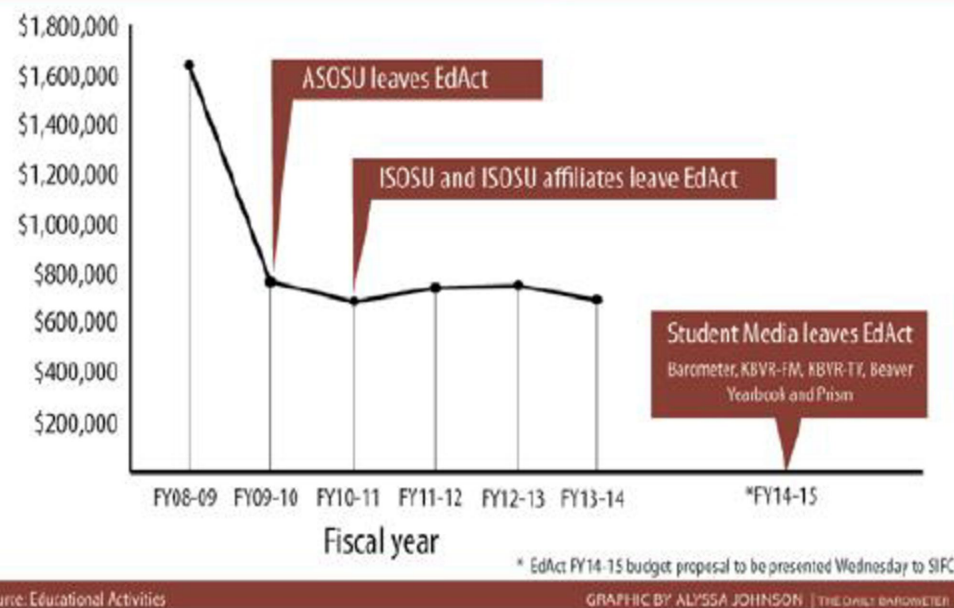
Last month, four of the committee's 10 members — including the chair — resigned their posts.

Brendan Sanders, OSU student and former EdAct chair, said ongoing issues and an inability to make any progress was a factor in his departure.

"I think it would be hard for any student leader to be in that position at this point because of

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Educational Activities: the last five years



46 people testify on city's parking districts

■ Committee hears public testimony against potential residential parking zones

By Emma-Kate Schaaque
THE DAILY BAROMETER

The Madison Avenue meeting room was overflowing Tuesday evening as residents packed in to voice their concerns about the new potential residential parking zones up for consideration with the Urban Services Committee.

"Your input is very important. We really want to get your opinions and feedback on this," said Ward 2 councilman Roen Hogg.

There was plenty of feedback. A stream of dozens of community members, 46 to be exact, shared their concerns with the committee.

After hearing all public testimony statements, it was clear that the proposed solution needs some reworking. "I think it would be wise for us to do a little regrouping here," said City Manager Jim Patterson.

From the get-go, the polarizing tension was evident surrounding the growth of Oregon State University and the greater Corvallis community regarding the parking traffic issue.

"That's what's causing the problem is the college, and it's getting dumped on the community to take care of it," said Corvallis resident Martin Buck.

Buck urged the committee to conduct further studies from those living in the area, eliciting applause from the audience.

Many residents found OSU at fault for the traffic and parking issues, and named the university responsible for easing the parking burden.

"I'm an OSU supporter — I've got all the gear," said Todd Powell. "But this is an OSU problem."

Gabriel Ash, an OSU student, explained student concerns about the cost of the parking permit system.

"The primary people that are going to be affected by this are students," Ash said. "I'm not going to be able to afford a parking permit outside of my house."

Cassie Huber, ASOSU task force director of community affairs, also shared the feedback she has received from some 2,700 students who are worried about making ends meet with the imposition of an additional parking permit fee. Huber explained that students are interested in the impact this issue will have on their lives.

"There are petitions being signed on campus to boycott the system," Huber said.

Huber suggested that the city look more closely at transit and alternative modes of transportation, especially under further parking restrictions.

"I think the best thing would be to make the transit system more avail-

Largest portion of student fee-funded budgets approved

■ Student & Incidental Fees
Committee approves budgets for SHS, CAPS Tuesday night

By Tori Hittner
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Despite consuming a large portion of student fees, the Student Health Services and Counseling and Psychological Services budgets for the 2015 fiscal year show relatively little fiscal fluctuation.

The organizations' advisory boards presented their budgets before the Student & Incidental Fees Committee Tuesday evening in the McAlexander Fieldhouse classroom. SIFC unanimously tentatively approved both budgets.

The SHS approved budget will cost each student \$90.09 per winter, spring and fall term while the CAPS budget requires \$35.23 per term. The SHS budget reflects a 1.1 percent increase from last year's fee request, while the CAPS amount remains the same static amount it has had since fiscal year 2012.

Both organizations are dedicated to the holistic health of students, helping to make sure that students are "not just surviving, but flourishing and thriving," according to CAPS advisory board representative Rachel Grisham.

The majority of the increase in requested funds for SHS originated in mandatory salary increases. Although

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City reviews Corvallis Transit System fees

■ Transit reduces monthly fees for services by 4.5 percent, first time reduced since 2011

By Emma-Kate Schaaque
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As of Saturday, Corvallis taxpayers will see a small drop in their monthly bill.

After city review, the Transit Operating Fee dropped 4.5 percent, from \$3.80 in 2013 to \$3.63 for the upcoming fiscal year.

The \$3.63 is for single-family units, and tiered prices apply to multi-family units, like apartment complexes, and non-residential and group residential

properties, which apply to businesses. "It's based on trip generation," said transit coordinator Tim Bates.

That means a large business that generates a lot of traffic, like a grocery store, pays a bit more than small business with significantly less vehicles coming and going.

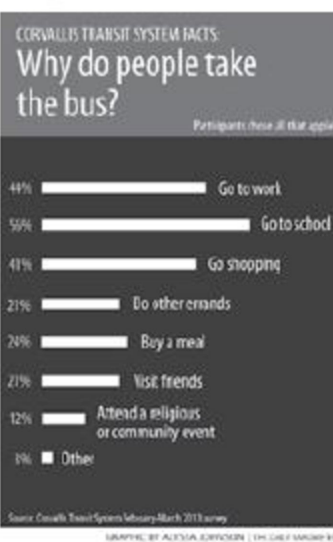
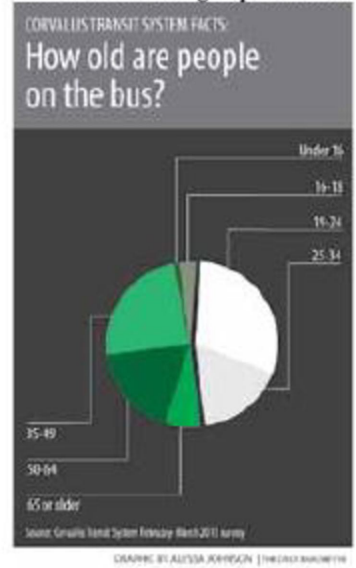
The city approved the Sustainability Initiative Fee in December 2010, which implemented this tax to fund the transit system and provide rides free of charge. The transit system saw a 40 percent increase in ridership after the 2011 implementation.

The majority of the funds generated support the transit fund, which is separate from the general city fund that is divided between the Parks and Recreation and Fire and Police departments. The rest go into expanding services and taking the ridership fee.

The average price for a gallon of gas in Oregon is directly reflected in the amount for the property fee. This is the first year since implementation in 2011 that the tax has decreased.

However, frequent riders are not to worry, as the decrease isn't expected to lead to service decreases or an abandonment of the free ride system. "We are not expecting a cut in services," Bates said. "It's not a big enough loss."

In February and March 2013, the Corvallis Transit System conducted a survey about its ridership, and the most frequented routes. The survey found that although there was a large age range of those riding the bus, the majority, 26 percent, were from 18-24. The study also found that on a round



trip, the majority of riders surveyed, 55.9 percent were attending school.

During peak commuter hours, from 7-9 a.m. and then again from 4-6 p.m., Oregon State University students, faculty and staff account for more than 40 percent of the ridership.

Jon Josten, a first-year graduate student in English, is one of the students who makes use of the available transit services on a daily basis.

"It's pretty great because it picks me up right outside my apartment and drops me right outside Moreland (Hall)," Josten said.

The majority of OSU students use routes 1, 5 and 6, which primarily

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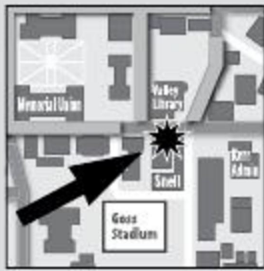
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Tuesday, January 21

Vigilante justice

A few people allegedly witnessed Tyler Wilson, 18, break into two cars and decided to follow him near the 600 block of 29th Street. When Wilson realized he was being followed, a short chase ensued. The men caught him after he ran through several yards and broke a wooden fence. Corvallis police charged Wilson with unlawful entry into a motor vehicle, theft II, criminal trespass II and criminal mischief II.

Friday, January 24

Last march of the Ents

Corvallis police arrested Fangyi Zhu, 22, after she allegedly struck a parked car on the 900 block of Garfield Avenue and left the scene. When questioned, she



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thought she hit a tree and was late for class so she left. Corvallis police eventually charged her with failure to perform duties-property and criminal mischief II.

Monday, January 27

Woes of dating a pyro

A worried resident of Corvallis called authorities about a recent ex-boyfriend of hers who was becoming threatening.

She reported he had allegedly posted on Facebook about wanting to burn her house down as well as threatened her in person. The female wanted Corvallis police to document the potentially irrational behavior.

Friday, January 31

Goat in a fence. Enough said.

Benton County sheriffs received a report of a goat with his head stuck in a fence on Mountain View Drive. When authorities arrived at the scene, the owner said she couldn't get the goat free because she didn't have wire cutters. The deputy eventually removed the goat from the fence by an unknown technique.

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Student wins entry to national forum on agriculture

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Based on a winning essay submission, titled "Agriculture as a Career," Oregon State University student Brytann Busick is one of 20 undergraduate students selected to attend the United States Agricultural Department's 2014 Agricultural Outlook Forum, "The Changing Face of Agriculture."

Busick, an environmental economics and policy major in the College of Agricultural

Sciences, will participate in activities that are intended to introduce students to scientific research, the contemporary agribusiness, future trends and agricultural policy within a real world environment.

The pool of students selected for the forum come from land grant, Hispanic-serving and non land-grant agricultural and renewable resources universities.

Busick will travel to Arlington,

Va. for the two-day forum Feb. 20.

"The future of agriculture and rural America depends on the upcoming generation of leaders in farming, ranching and conservation, and the students selected to attend the Agricultural Outlook Forum are among the best young leaders our country has to offer," Tom Vilsack, agriculture secretary for the USDA, said in a press release.

The goal of the Agricultural Outlook Forum is to expose students to varying perspectives on the current pressing agricultural issues in order to cultivate better paths toward solving these problems in the future of food, fiber and forestry.

The program began in 2007 and receives annual sponsorship by CHS, Inc. and Farm Credit.

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May I have this dance?

Students attended the third presentation of a series of lectures pertaining to etiquette and decorum around campus. Led by the Oregon Agricultural College instructor in expression and dramatics, the third lecture focused on proper introductions at "teas, dinners, banquets, dances and other occasions." The instructor answered students' questions regarding whether a "gentleman should ask a lady for a 'date' when they meet in an informal manner" and how one should be introduced at student body dances. Additional lecture topics included how long a gentleman should wait at the door after taking a lady home and the propriety of leaning out a window to speak to someone outside.

— Feb. 5, 1924

Lucky shot

The Corvallis City Council debated the "carelessness which exists in allowing free use of firearms" within city limits after Oregon State professor, U.S. Burt, narrowly missed being hit by a random bullet while he was driving home late at night. The incident occurred outside of the Kappa Delta Rho house, but Burt said no one appeared to be around. The professor rarely drove down the street, which led officials to conclude that the matter was likely an accident and "not aimed intentionally."

— Feb. 6, 1934

Mixed emotions

The Residence Hall Council voted down the proposition to make Weatherford Hall a "coeducational facility" on the grounds that there was "no support from women at the announced meetings." The plan was initially brought up due to the satisfaction of Title IX requirements, which call for equal housing opportunities for women. Council members and officials decided that Title IX did not apply to the situation as there was "comparable priced housing on campus." Opponents to the plan cited that housing costs at cooperative facilities were \$1,100 per year while a double room at Weatherford went for \$1,315 a year.

— Feb. 7, 1979

All information was taken from the Valley Library Special Archives and past issues of the Barometer.

PPS bullies substitutes ahead of strike vote

By Jennifer Anderson

FAMPLIN MEDIA GROUP

PORTLAND — One day before their strike vote, the Portland Association of Teachers fired one last salvo at Portland Public Schools.

The union on Tuesday filed an unfair labor practice complaint with the Oregon Employment Relations Board, alleging that the district has violated the law by threatening and bullying Portland substitute teachers who exercise their legal right to decline to work during a strike.

"This is just one more example of the district bullying teachers," said Gwen Sullivan, PAT president. "Portland substitutes have the legal right to ask to be removed from further assignment when regular teachers are on strike. But now the district is threatening to permanently remove them from the substitute list and to deny their families health insurance if they try to exercise this right. Not only is that morally wrong, it's against the law."

Portland substitute teachers are members of the PAT and have a separate labor contract with the district.

According to the union, Article 7 of the substitute's contract expressly allows them to ask to be removed from further assignment when the district's regular teachers are involved in a lawful work stoppage.

"Portland substitutes are standing strong with Portland teachers. In fact, out of the 780 substitutes we've talked to, the response has been nearly unanimous that they will honor a picket line if the teachers are forced to go on strike," said Ray Amling, chairman of the Portland substitute teachers committee. "It's shameful that the district is spreading misinformation and bullying substitutes."

As a remedy, the PAT has asked the Employment Relations Board to order the district to cease and desist from its behavior and to inform teachers of the violation. It is also asking the board require the district to "make whole" any substitute teachers who may be harmed by its actions.

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Calendar

Wednesday, Feb. 5

Meetings

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

Speakers

Diversity Development, 3:30pm, Native American Longhouse - Eena Haws. Peace Corps presentation with LaVera Butler.

Events

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

Thursday, Feb. 6

Meetings

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

Friday, Feb. 7

Events

Anime Club @ OSU, 6pm, ALS Room 4001. It's Movie Night! We will be watching "Pokémon: Mewtwo Strikes Back" and "Nausicaa of the Valley of the Wind."

ISOSU, 4pm, MU Lounge. Olympics Opening Ceremony viewing party. Get engaged in the Winter Olympics happening in Sochi, Russia.

Saturday, Feb. 8

Events

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

Indian Student Association, 1:15-3pm, McAlexander Fieldhouse. "OSU Cricket" Everyone is welcome to the event!

Monday, Feb. 10

Meetings

Campus Recycling, 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, International Resource Center, MU. 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.

Lonnie B. Harris Black Cultural Center, 3:30-5pm, Snell 427. Informational Ruby Bridges biography to the community.

Career Services, 11am-Noon, Valley Library Room: Willamette East & West Rooms. Beaver's Wanted: How to prepare for Success at the Career Fair. Loni Hartman with A Consolidated Graphics Company will speak.

Career Services, 1-2pm, Valley Library Room: Willamette East & West Rooms. Resume: Can You Pass the 10 Second Rule? Lea McLeod from Degrees of Transitions will present.

Career Services, 2-3pm, Valley Library Room: Willamette East & West Rooms. I Don't Need a Job, Why Come to the Career Fair. Loni Hartman from A Consolidated Graphics Company will present.

Tuesday, Feb. 11

Events

Career Services, 11am-Noon, Valley Library Room: Willamette East & West Rooms. So You Think You Can Interview? Miriam Lea from Rantrak will present.

Career Services, 1-2pm, Valley Library Room: Willamette East & West Rooms. How You Can Use Social Media to Get a Job. Karline Christensen from the Statesman Journal Media will present.

Career Services, 2-3pm, Valley Library Room: Willamette East & West Rooms. Job Search Strategies. Learn productive search strategies.

Wednesday, Feb. 12

Meetings

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

Events

Lonnie B. Harris Black Cultural Center, 3:30-5pm, Snell 427. Black Politics: presentation on the proportionality of Black politicians and a facilitation on the reluctance of Blacks from getting involved.

Thursday, Feb. 13

Meetings

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

Events

International Students of OSU, 5pm, International Resource Center in the MU. The Danger of a Single Perspective - Developing Your Global Lens. Interact with international and globally-minded, local students in a roundtable discussion about individual global norms, traditions and differences happening and concerning OSU students.

Oregon minnow is the first fish recovered from endangered species list

By **Cassandra Profita**
EARTHFIX

PORTLAND — Officials say a tiny, unsung fish that lives only in Oregon's Willamette Valley is the first endangered fish in the U.S. to be recovered.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is planning to announce Tuesday its petition to remove Oregon chub from the Endangered Species List and touting the success story of a minnow that's no more than three inches long.

Other fish have made it off the endangered species list - but not because their numbers rebounded. In many cases, it was because they went extinct.

Oregon chub are a different story. Their numbers have grown from less than a thousand when they were listed as endangered in 1993 to 160,000 today. In the last 20 years, the known chub populations dotting the Willamette Valley has grown from eight to 80.

Little Fish, Big Comeback
It was a combination of invasive predators and a loss of habitat in the Willamette Valley that pushed Oregon chub to the brink of extinction, according to biologists.

Reintroducing the fish into predator-free ponds and allowing more water into marshlands have helped to bring them back.

By 2010, Oregon chub were upgraded from "endangered" to the less dire "threatened" status. But as of last year, the species



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Oregon chub can easily fit into the palm of your hand. The biggest of these fish are no more than three inches long.

has met all of its recovery goals. They've now been successfully introduced into 21 new habitats in the Willamette Valley.

"Oregon chub are so clearly recovered now," says Paul Henson, state supervisor for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Oregon. "I have not heard of anyone disagreeing with the decision here. I'd say it's pretty much a consensus that the time is right."

Tracking Tiny Fish
Paul Scheerer and Brian Bangs of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife have waded into Willamette Valley muck to look for chub. They sampled a thousand habitats for the easily overlooked fish to document the extent of their habitat.

"It's a little bit of a needle in a haystack," Scheerer says. "You're looking for a 3-inch fish in what could be a 90-meter-wide channel or slough."

Sampling for the fish is essential to de-listing the species, Bangs says, but it's also a good way to get stuck in the mud.

"Chub like silty, muddy substrates," he says. "The kind of places where you say I'm not drinking that water. I was stuck up to my waist in oatmeal-consistency mud for at least 40

minutes one time just wiggling back and forth trying to work myself out."

Their efforts revealed chub occupying new and expanded habitats and even moving upstream from one habitat to another.

'Chub In A Tub'
Most people don't know about Oregon chub. They're certainly not a fish anglers try to catch - though sport fish were part of the problem: Game fish such as bass, bluegill, crappie, and bullhead trout were brought in from other places so people could catch them. These same fish became predators of the chub.

Biologists came up with a simple plan to keep invasive fish from eating the minnows to the point of extinction: They introduced chub to predator-free ponds, where their numbers could grow.

Joe Moll, executive director of the McKenzie River Trust, calls these habitats "chub in a tub."

"It's a recognition that one of the threats chub face are non-native predators that do well here," he says.

While many private landowners have tapped federal incentive programs to convert smaller acreage to chub ponds to help

recover the species, Moll's organization is working to recreate marshy chub habitat on a larger scale. On more than a thousand acres of its Green Island property, the land trust is replacing invasive plant species with native ones and planning to breach dikes that have prevented flooding near the confluence of the McKenzie and Willamette rivers.

"We're designing projects to allow the river to come in and sort of do the landscaping for us," he says. "Ultimately, we want to set it up so the river can essentially come in here and have at it."

Bringing Back The Swamp
Another problem that has plagued chub is the loss of ponds and sloughs. Bangs says the construction of dikes and dams to control flooding eliminated a lot of the marshlands chub like to call home.

Chub might not look like much, Bangs says, but they represent a lot of the swampy habitat that used to exist in the Willamette Valley. Often, that habitat was created when rivers shifted course and left side channels and sloughs behind.

Efforts by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to improve water flows through dams for salmon and steelhead habitat have also helped the lesser-known chub, Henson says.

"The chub is dependent on natural disturbances in the Willamette Valley," he says. "That means flooding, and things that occur when you have beaver activity and wetland formation. A lot of these processes have been disrupted through human activities agriculture, damming rivers, flood prevention. We had to figure out a way to mimic those processes and create habitats that provided those kinds of conditions for the chub."

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the projected enrollment increase next year will require SHS to serve more patients, the organization will also receive more funding through the additional students paying fees.

"We are funded by student fees and we exist for the students, so we always want to keep that in mind," said Hunter Aldridge, chair of the Student Health Advisory Board.

Both advisory boards stressed the need to draw down working reserves through additional decision packages and projects. These proposals would be funded solely through existing working capital and would not require an increase in student fees as currently projected.

The SHS advisory board presented the possibility of opening a smaller clinic in the new residence hall in order to decrease wait times

and physical proximity for students who do not live close to the current clinic in Plageman Student Health Center. The smaller clinic would handle low-severity medical concerns and accumulate a projected net cost of \$193,143, all of which would be covered through working capital.

A dental clinic may also open next year in one of the evacuated cooperative houses. SHS would provide the initial renovation costs through working capital; once operational, the program would be funded by a contracted outside dental company.

The CAPS advisory board introduced its plan to include the campus Active Minds chapter into the greater CAPS family. Active Minds is a national organization dedicated to mental health advocacy and care.

Both organizations asked to implement new positions for the 2015 fiscal year. CAPS requested an information technology position be added as a part-time consultant

to allow other staff members the proper amount of time needed to actually work with students.

SHS requested two office specialist positions be added to aid with immunization records and billing, in addition to one graduate assistant for work in the new Collegiate Recovery Community. These positions would be funded through current working capital.

All SIFC requests for additional information regarding previous years' under-budgeting projections and line item clarifications will be provided before the new position hearing next week.

With the SIFC's tentative approval, the budgets await final approval during the open hearing Feb. 13. Once officially approved by SIFC, the budgets will be presented to the Associated Students of Oregon State University Congress and finally university President Ed Ray.

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PARKING

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able," Huber said. "Anything that would help (students) use alternative forms of transportation."

Overall, the consensus from the speakers was that the plan for the districts is flawed.

In the current proposed plan, free two-hour parking will be eliminated on all the streets in the newly drawn districts. Residents living in one of those seven districts will need to purchase a parking permit in order to park on the street outside their houses. The details for the allocations of guest permits are still being concretized.

"Our livability is decreasing, and meanwhile, the city is going to make money off of our problem," said resident Deb Kadas.

Each of the zones is unique,

encompassing businesses, residential homes and non-profit properties, all with their own set of traffic and parking needs.

Business owners and residents both in and out of the study area voiced concerns of unintended consequences of drawing these district lines. Residents outside the boundary were concerned that they would be inundated with travelers searching for free parking. Businesses typically have different transportation parameters than residents, and many thought the plan would not apply well to their needs.

"I need clients or patients to be able to come and go throughout the day," said business owner Karen Hardin.

Many of the community members who testified said they were more concerned with the proposed solution than they ever have been about their current parking situation, and the city may have

overreached.

"This is not the first time that a local government tried to solve a problem and ended up making it worse," Patterson said. "There were a lot of good points made here. There is an opportunity for us to stop and pivot."

The committee concurred and plans to reevaluate the proposed parking plan in light of the hefty public testimony and staff analysis. They can approve, adapt or deny the current proposal.

A decision will have to be made by April to be sent to the City Council in order to stay on track with the potential September 2014 implementation date.

The committee will review a specific proposal from the staff at the next meeting on March 4.

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EDACT

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the changes that are needed within Educational Activities," Sanders said. "My frustration was with the inability to move those changes forward."

Sanders, who has been on the committee since 2012, additionally cited the time commitment as a reason for leaving, as he is also the president of the Interfraternity Council.

EdAct receives funding from the Student & Incidental Fees Committee, and then allocates financial support to the 425 sponsored or volunteer student groups. Requests have ranged from \$80 to \$6,000 and are distributed on a case-by-case basis.

Another student leader, Memorial Union President Owen Jones, left shortly after Sanders.

Jones joined EdAct in the summer of 2013, and saw problems right away — problems that festered.

"I just instantly recognized there's something not working here," Jones said. "I know Brendan did what he could to try and fix, (but it got) to the point where we weren't meeting quorum and there wasn't much he could do to fix it because there was never anybody there."

OSU students Mikael Stuart and Liseth Cortes also left, depleting 40 percent of the membership.

Sanders said problems ranged from the commit-

tee not meeting quorum, a university-wide lack of awareness, an ambiguous overall purpose and no clear vision for the future.

"You can see the yearly degradation of Educational Activities," Sanders said. "Looking back... every year seems to be a loss of some organization or something that it's funding. Educational Activities, at least to me, was really hard to figure out what it's supposed to even do because of the identity loss over years."

Since 2009, ASOSU, ISOSU and Student Media have left. EdAct's net total budget has dropped nearly 60 percent in those five years, with a larger drop expected for 2014-15 without Student Media.

Robin Ryan, EdAct adviser and associate director of the Student Events and Activities Center, agrees that the larger organizations' exodus has left EdAct in a state of confusion.

"Recently with ASOSU moving out and student media moving out, the intent and purpose of the committee is unclear," Ryan said.

Jones says no one has an answer for what happened, and yet any attempts to resolve or restructure the committee were futile.

"It just seems like the whole process kind of fell apart and they've struggled to put it back into a working condition," Jones said. "No one has really been able to figure out the 'EdAct problem.'"

After the four members left, EdAct brought in new

members to fill out the committee.

Steven Nemer, who has been with EdAct since fall term 2013, was elected chair and is eager to move forward.

"It's very tough when you have so many people leave because things actually slow down," Nemer said. "Was it panic mode? Not really. It was just getting people together. I was confident that the committee would get back and be fine."

Nemer's ideas for a turnaround begin with marketing. With so many student groups and a general lack of knowledge about EdAct or its functions, spreading the word is vital at this time.

"To a larger extent, there are a lot of students that probably don't even know that money exists here that they pay fees into and have the opportunity to request," said Curt Black, EdAct adviser for more than 15 years. "That's the work of the committee and everyone involved, is to get the word out."

Nemer is currently working on a marketing plan, and plans to request more funds from SIFC for advertising.

Although Sanders and Jones said losing the larger organizations led to EdAct's fallout, Nemer is excited about being able to focus much more attention on these smaller student groups.

"Now we're more dedicated to these smaller groups ... and reaching them, rather than having these big (budgets) that come in and we just happen to have the money and give it to them," Nemer said.

EdAct presents its budget to SIFC Wednesday night.

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TRANSIT

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serve the Witham Hill, Kings Boulevard and Southtown areas. The CTS survey found that route 1 was the most frequented.

More than 70 percent of the riders surveyed by CTS responded that they ride the bus because they have no other vehicle, which is the case for many students.

Liz Hagerman, a sophomore in food science typically takes route 8 and the Linn-Benton loop for class.

"I don't have a car on campus, and it's easy that it's right here," Hagerman said.

Collaboration Corvallis, the partnership between Corvallis and OSU for improved livability, has contributed to past and future improvements for the CTS. OSU has provided \$30,000 a year for implementation and expansion of existing services, especially those routes most used by students. OSU already has a direct contract with the city, and pays \$130,000 into the transit fund annually.

A major goal of the collaboration was to improve the parking and traffic congestion issues in key thoroughfares around campus and downtown. This issue is a moving target for residents, students, city officials and commuters as solutions for traffic and livability continue to arise.

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The next big thing

■ Freshman Trevor Morrison will start at shortstop for OSU; he's receiving high praise from coaches, teammates

By Warner Strausbaugh
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Trevor Morrison's favorite athlete is Darwin Barney — a fitting choice for the 18-year-old freshman shortstop. Barney was immediately the starting shortstop for Oregon State. Head coach Pat Casey said Tuesday that Morrison will be his starting shortstop for the Beavers come Feb. 14 — and he has no reservations about the decision, either.

"He's worked his tail off," Casey said. "He's earned that position and he's going to be good."

Barney was a Freshman All-American and Pac-10 Freshman of the Year in 2005, and was an integral part of the back-to-back national championship teams.

Morrison wasn't an OSU fan back in the mid-2000s during the Beavers' run, but after meeting Barney and watching videos of him playing, the freshman found a former Beaver to model himself after.

"The way he plays is how I want to be playing," Morrison said. "The way he carries himself, especially in the infield. He always has a smile ... it looks like he's having the best time of his life and that's something I really need to work on."

Morrison hasn't played a game for the No. 2 Beavers yet, but he's already drawing comparisons to his idol.

"They both have good work ethic, and they both have an explosiveness to them, athletically, that's very similar," Casey said.

Baseball America ranked Morrison as the No. 137 prospect for the 2013 MLB Draft, but told teams he was committed to the Beavers. That ranking was higher than any OSU player on the 2013 roster.

His allegiance to OSU didn't stop the Boston Red Sox from drafting him in

the 38th round with the hope that they could convince him to sign.

He didn't budge.

"I knew that the scouts were interested in me, but after talking with the Oregon State coaching staff and some of the players ... I definitely thought it'd be really beneficial for me to participate in college," Morrison said.

Now only 10 days stand in the way of his collegiate debut.

Sophomore right-handed pitcher Andrew Moore knew Morrison before

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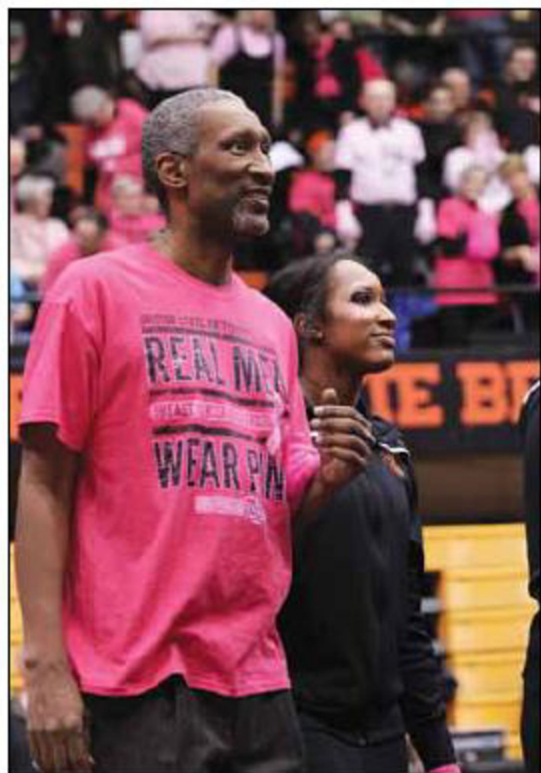
Sophomore Andrew Moore (left) and senior Ben Wetzler (right) mess around with freshman Trevor Morrison (center) at Tuesday's practice.



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Freshman shortstop Trevor Morrison tosses a baseball during Tuesday's practice in the Truax Indoor Practice Facility.

Senior gymnast Brittany Harris (right) walks with her father, Steve Harris (left), before Monday's Pink Out Meet.



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More than gymnastics for Harris

■ Brittany Harris' father, Steve, who is battling cancer, saw his daughter perform for first time in Gill during Pink Out Meet

By Scott McReynolds
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At the Beavers' annual Pink Out Meet Monday, each Oregon State athlete walked across the mats with a cancer survivor. While each survivor provided inspiration for OSU, it was especially true for senior Brittany Harris and the man beside her.

The volume in Gill Coliseum raised a noticeable notch as Harris entered through the tunnel, escorted by her father, Steve Harris, who is currently fighting colon cancer.

"The fact that I was walking out with people who survived cancer, it gave me more hope for my dad," Brittany said. "My dad's a fighter, I know he can beat this thing. (Walking out with my dad

gave me a sense of calm."

The elder Harris underwent his usual treatment for cancer Friday, and almost immediately headed out to Oregon to visit his daughter. Steve and his wife, Harriet, made the trip all the way from Oklahoma, where the Harris family resides.

It was Steve's second trip to OSU, his first since his daughter's recruiting trip four years ago. He's been able to watch her perform in Oklahoma and in some live broadcasts of NCAA events. But never in her home arena.

With the large distance between home and school, Steve and Harriet were never able to make the trip to Corvallis.

"Sometimes people take (having family at the meet) for granted," said associate head coach Michael Chaplin. "When it really hits home, that's when you can embrace the importance of your family, your friends and your life."

Steve has never stopped battling, and is determined to get back in shape, and beat his daughter one-on-one in bas-

ketball, a tradition they've had for years. It's not hard to see his drive and determination in Brittany.

The Oregon State senior is a First Team All-Pac-12 gymnast for the Beavers.

Her father, meanwhile, played five years in the NBA for the Houston Rockets, Golden State Warriors, Los Angeles Clippers and Detroit Pistons.

When they walked out onto the floor together Monday night, it was like a converging of their athletic ties — both passionate competitors.

"It was something I will cherish for the rest of my life, because he's like my best friend," Brittany said. "The fact that he's here, he's fighting his cancer and it's getting better. It just means the world to me."

Harriet Harris has proved just as valuable for Brittany as Steve has.

Her passion and personality — similar to what OSU fans have seen over the past four seasons from Brittany — were on display Monday. She could be seen

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Softball set for season opener

■ Oregon State travels to Tempe, Ariz., to take place in Kajikawa Classic starting Thursday

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Oregon State softball opens its season Thursday when the Beavers travel to Tempe, Ariz., for the Kajikawa Classic.

OSU plays North Carolina State and San Diego State Thursday, followed by Penn State and Cal State Northridge Friday, Colorado State Saturday and finally Appalachian State Sunday.

The Beavers are coming off a 34-24 season in Laura Berg's first year as head coach.

The three-time Olympic gold med-

alist and three-time All-American led Oregon State to a NCAA Regional appearance last season.

The 2013 team tied the OSU single-season record for batting average (.280), and finished fourth all-time in runs with 277.

Sophomore first baseman Natalie Hampton headlines OSU's returning starters, having set a school record for runs batted in for a season (50), and coming up just one home run shy of the single-season record, totaling 15.

Junior Dani Gilmore enters her third season at Oregon State tied for eighth all-time in career batting average (.303), and ninth all-time in walks (75).

Junior infielder Ya Garcia also

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Tang

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Oregon State junior all-around gymnast Chelsea Tang is The Daily Barometer Athlete of the Week after her performance in the No. 16 Beavers' upset of No. 12 Stanford Monday night in Gill Coliseum.

Tang took the all-around title for

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the Beavers, combining for an overall score of 39.350, nearly matching her career-high, which was 39.400 against Stanford last season.

The junior from Eugene also set a career-high in the beam, scoring a 9.925, while leading the Beavers to a 197.100-195.750 victory against the Cardinal in Monday's ninth annual Pink Out Meet to raise money and awareness for breast cancer.

She scored a 9.750 on vault, 9.800 on bars and a 9.875 on floor to round out her scores.

Tang has been instrumental for the Beavers early in the season — Oregon

State is 3-1 in head-to-head competition this year — after an impressive campaign in 2013.

The junior made All-Pac-12 First Team on beam last season, and qualified for the NCAA Championships as an all-arounder, finishing ninth overall.

Tang and the Beavers are back in action Saturday, when Oregon State plays host to No. 22 California at 6 p.m. in Gill Coliseum.

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Riley interviewing offensive coordinator candidates this week

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The Oregon State football team is still looking to replace offensive coordinator Danny Langsdorf, who left the Beavers after recently accepting a position coaching quarterbacks for the New York Giants.

Head coach Mike Riley said he was getting closer to finding the right candidate in a teleconference Tuesday.

"(I'm) interviewing people right now today," Riley said Tuesday. "I'd like to get that done as soon as possible."

National Signing Day is Wednesday, and spring practices begin March 31. Riley is excited about potential versatility with any new hires.

"We can hire a quarterback coordinator-type guy or we could hire a tight ends coach," Riley said. "That's exciting to me because we've always had a graduate assistant coach our tight ends."

Regardless of who Riley decides to go with, he's optimistic whoever gets the job will do a good job for the Beavers.

"I've got a lot of good names and a lot of interest in this job," he said.

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Senior Brittany Harris performs on the beam during Jan. 25's win against Iowa State.

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in the stands wearing pink glasses and a pink scarf while waving pink pom-poms whenever she had a chance.

Monday night was a special moment for her, too, seeing her daughter perform alongside her husband.

"We've been in gymnastics since she was 3, so this is a special time for us," Harriet said. "We're celebrating life, and the fact that she got to live her dream of being a gymnast."

Brittany's parents said she fell in love with athletics at a young age, participating and excelling in many sports. But once she found gymnastics, Harriet said "she's been flipping ever since."

Brittany's passion for gymnastics has

been on display for Gill Coliseum, on her face and in her demeanor during competition, since she arrived on campus.

But for her it's more than that.

"I always dedicate my meet to someone," she said. "I have a picture of my grandma, and she died of ovarian cancer, and my dad, because he's fighting cancer currently. It helps me not just focus on me, I'm doing it for something bigger than myself."

Harris had season-highs in two of her events at the meet, but the important thing for her was to have her family there with her.

"Fight for everything" was OSU's motto for the meet. It's safe to say that's the Harris family motto as well.

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Freshman shortstop Trevor Morrison takes ground balls during Tuesday's practice.

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either of them donned the orange-and-black uniforms.

In the summer of 2012, the two played together for Chaffey Baseball Academy in Seattle. Moore stayed with Morrison and his family for the summer.

Moore immediately noticed the young shortstop's work ethic.

"He'd always be in his garage taking swings or watching video, doing whatever he could to make himself better," Moore said.

In his senior year at Archbishop Murray High School in Bothell, Wash., Morrison hit .550 as the leadoff man, with 46 runs scored, five home runs and a .664 on-base percentage.

Despite attention from MLB scouts and numerous high school accolades, Morrison still came to Corvallis as tentative as every other freshman. But his relationship with double-play partner Andy Peterson and encouragement — and trash-talking — from his teammates has loosened him up since he first came to campus.

"He's come a long way since September, that's for sure," said Peterson, OSU's senior starting second baseman. "He came in a really shy kid."

"They're beating me up a little bit, talking trash, but it's only making me stronger," Morrison said.

Peterson described Morrison as the goofiest guy on the team when he's off the field. The team's freshman talent show is coming up, and Peterson joked that "the kid can field a ground ball, there's no way that kid can dance."

Despite the tough love, the freshman has impressed everyone with his physical abilities. Described as fast, with great hands, a great arm and surprisingly college-ready hitting, the physical tools are all there for the 5-foot-11, 173-pound freshman.

The only hurdle left, Peterson says, is the mental approach.

"The biggest thing we need to work with him hasn't so much been the physical stuff, it's been being a leader at shortstop, being loud," Peterson said. "You're not a freshman any-

more, you're going to be starting in the Pac-12 right away. The sooner he realizes that, the better off he'll be."

Peterson has been taking the role of mentor for Morrison, in the same way former starting shortstop Tyler Smith did with Peterson last year.

Comfortability is key, whether it's Casey getting on him during a practice or scrimmage, or if he botches a ball during a game in front of a few thousand fans.

"I'm just trying to ignore all the bad things I do ... trying to get my mind right for when my time comes and hopefully it's this year," Morrison said.

Like his teammates, Morrison feels like a vastly improved player compared to when he arrived in the fall.

"I'm not making errors every day anymore, which is good; I was making a lot early on," Morrison said. "Now I'm a lot more confident."

Casey has never been hesitant to insert freshmen into the lineup right away. Michael Conforto and Moore were honored as the Pac-12 Freshman of the Year the past two seasons.

Casey's confidence alone makes the possibility of a three-peat for the award seem likely.

"When you have guys like that come along, you feel like maybe you have something special," Casey said. "He certainly has lived up to our expectations thus far."

"He's going to be a premier player in the country when it's all said and done."

The Beavers open the season Feb. 14 at the Husker Classic in Tempe, Ariz. Morrison watched the 2013 College World Series from afar, and he's already eager to get to Omaha, Neb., himself.

He knows what the No. 2 team in the nation expects. It's what he expects.

"Obviously we have plans to make it to the championship and go all the way," Morrison said. "That's our whole mindset and mentality."

Morrison will be anchoring the infield on opening day.

It's right where he belongs.

"The kid was born to play baseball," Peterson said.

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returns for the Beavers having started all 177 games of her career.

Oregon State gets some help after 10 new players have been added to the roster.

Juniors Melanie Dembinski and CJ Chirichigno, and sophomore Kori

Nishitomi all transferred into the program.

Dembinski, a pitcher, posted a 1.64 earned run average at Central Arizona College last season. Nishitomi hit .440 for Longwood, while Chirichigno played at Boston College last season.

The program also welcomes seven freshmen, headlined by two catchers and two pitchers. Catchers Kylie Padilla and Alex Boyd join the roster, as well as pitchers

Alleyah Armendariz and Kylee Crape.

Crape was a two-time Oregon Pitcher of the Year at Rainier High School.

OSU's first game starts against North Carolina State begins at 3 p.m., followed by a 5:30 p.m., matchup with San Diego State.

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Editorial

EdAct just waiting to be used

When someone mentions the EdAct, most students think it has something to do with OSU President Ed Ray, or maybe the U.S. Constitution.

Or they just stare blankly at the person responsible for the jargon being thrown at them.

What it really stands for is Oregon State University's Educational Activities Committee.

The committee used to be a really prominent budgeting board, funding Student Media, recreational sports, the Associated Students of Oregon State University and many Memorial Union groups.

Lately, the only reasonably big names left on the list are Technical Support and Student Media, and Student Media — the umbrella under which the Barometer, KBVR-FM and KBVR-TV fall — is leaving after this fiscal year.

The Educational Activities Committee will soon only be a niche for smaller student organizations.

But considering there are 425 student organizations on campus, many of which may not know that EdAct even exists, being a niche for the smaller organizations could be an excellent thing.

It does exist. Student organizations at OSU should take advantage of it. After all, that is its reason for existing, the meaning to its life as a committee. It's intended to fund volunteer and non-volunteer student organizations.

It works by receiving requests from students that ask for money to fund this event, that activity, that one kegger (not really). The committee then deliberates and says yes or no to the request. This process means that it also serves as a small-scale tutorial for student leaders in how to write grants.

It's important, even if we're ("we," meaning the Barometer) no longer going to be using it. Maybe especially because we're no longer using it. It's a cool opportunity for student groups.

In 2008-09, the Educational Activities Committee budgeted more than \$1.6 million. This fiscal year, 2013-14, the committee budgeted more than \$692,000. Student Media counts for more than \$380 thousand of this year's total.

We're not saying that there's free money for the taking if your organization does its due diligence — but there's free money there for the taking, if your organization does its due diligence. So seize the opportunity, because there are many underrepresented or underappreciated student groups, and they could all use the money.

It's just a matter of knowing where it is and how to obtain it.

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Think about who you're hurting before committing thievery

Thieft isn't a victimless crime. It doesn't matter if it's your roommate stealing your headband, or a date stealing food off your plate — there's nothing worse than being stolen from.

It's not only that you had something taken from you; it's that lingering sense of violation that sticks with you. A person, who you may or may not know, has your property and is handling it like it's his or her own, even though it's clearly not.

One time, I left a flash drive in Milne. A few hours after I left the computer lab without my flash drive, I realized that I had forgotten it. When I went back to the counter and explained that I left a flash drive that looked like a blue alien, the girl said that yes, they had it.

However, when she went to retrieve it from the lost-and-found bin behind the counter, she couldn't find it. I almost climbed back there and looked myself. How could an employee know they had my flash drive one minute and discover it missing — in a place only employees



Gabi Scottaline

are allowed — the next? It makes no logical sense.

She told me to come back. I guess so that the employee who took it could have some time to return it. Needless to say, I didn't get that flash drive back.

I don't understand why people want to take something that isn't theirs. How about you work a little to earn the things you get, or settle with not having the things you can't afford?

But shoplifting and stealing aren't uncommon. It's not just the miscreants and shady people who lurk in the shadows who steal. Three-quarters of all employees steal at least once from their employer, according to StatisticBrain.

That represents a lot of people

who don't care all that much about swiping something they didn't pay for, no matter how expensive.

For me, the flash drive was nothing — compared to what happened last week.

I was charging my phone in the break room of my other workplace, which I do almost every day I work. My phone was exposed in that break room for hours, until I finally went back, unplugged the phone and set it on the table near the lockers.

I won't go into detail, even though the details are quite comical — if you enjoy satire — but when I came back, my phone was gone. I was devastated. I knew it had been on the table when I left, only seven minutes earlier.

Even though I don't like to jump to finger-pointing conclusions, after all my coworkers tried tracking my phone down, the only deduction was that someone had stolen it. I was also 98 percent sure of who it was.

All of my co-workers looked at me from the corners of their eyes, waiting for me to explode with riot-

ous anger. But all I could do was sit there in shock and eventually carry on with my job.

That week was filled with calling the police, trying to track my phone down myself, and eventually finding a replacement. It was great. It wasn't like I had 50 other things to do, or anything.

I have to say though, it was touching to witness everyone come together on the mission to find or replace my phone. Co-workers, managers, friends, roommates, brothers — they were like an army of vigilantes by my side, helping in any way they could (even if it was to be angry for me).

One of my roommates said that misfortune brings people together. I think she's right, but if I ever see that no-good thief again, I'm turning on the bat signal for my vigilante army.

And we will ruin the thief.

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Feeling blue? Dr. Sex exposes truth about male condition in relationships

Dear Dr. Sex, I, being a gay male, and my friend, being a straight female, have a slight disagreement we would like resolved. It revolves around the concept of "blue balls" in a relationship. Her impression is that it is particularly painful for men to not finish during intercourse and that it is inappropriate to "leave them hanging." My

experience has been the exact opposite. For me, it has always been acceptable to end a night without orgasm and it has never seemed to cause me any troubles.

In your opinion, is the concept of "blue balls" a more active aspect in one type of relationship over another, or is it an all-around tool for guilting people into continuing sex?

Signed, Not Papa Smurf

Email questions for the column to forum@dailybarometer.com, with the subject "Ask Dr. Sex." Your name will not be published.

Dear Not Papa Smurf:

You bring up a very interesting dilemma. Research is clear that heterosexual relationships are, in many ways, different from lesbian or gay relation-



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Ask Dr. Sex

ships — but this difference is not one I'm familiar with. Now, don't get me wrong. I didn't say the difference isn't there. I just said I wasn't familiar with it.

Many of the differences we see among these relationships are really more about gender differences. In most instances, the genders of the parties involved can be very similar to one another (lesbian couples and gay couples) or the genders can be very different (straight couples).

Before I answer your question, I think I should probably explain what the condition known as "blue balls" is. Blue balls occurs when a man has an erection for an extended period of time, but does not reach orgasm and ejaculate. If this happens, he can start to feel soreness and pain in his testicles. The pain is caused by fluid congestion in the testicles due to arousal and the influx of blood into the genital region for a prolonged period of time.

Therefore, I am going to make an educated guess and say it may be a real difference between gay male couples and straight couples and here's why:

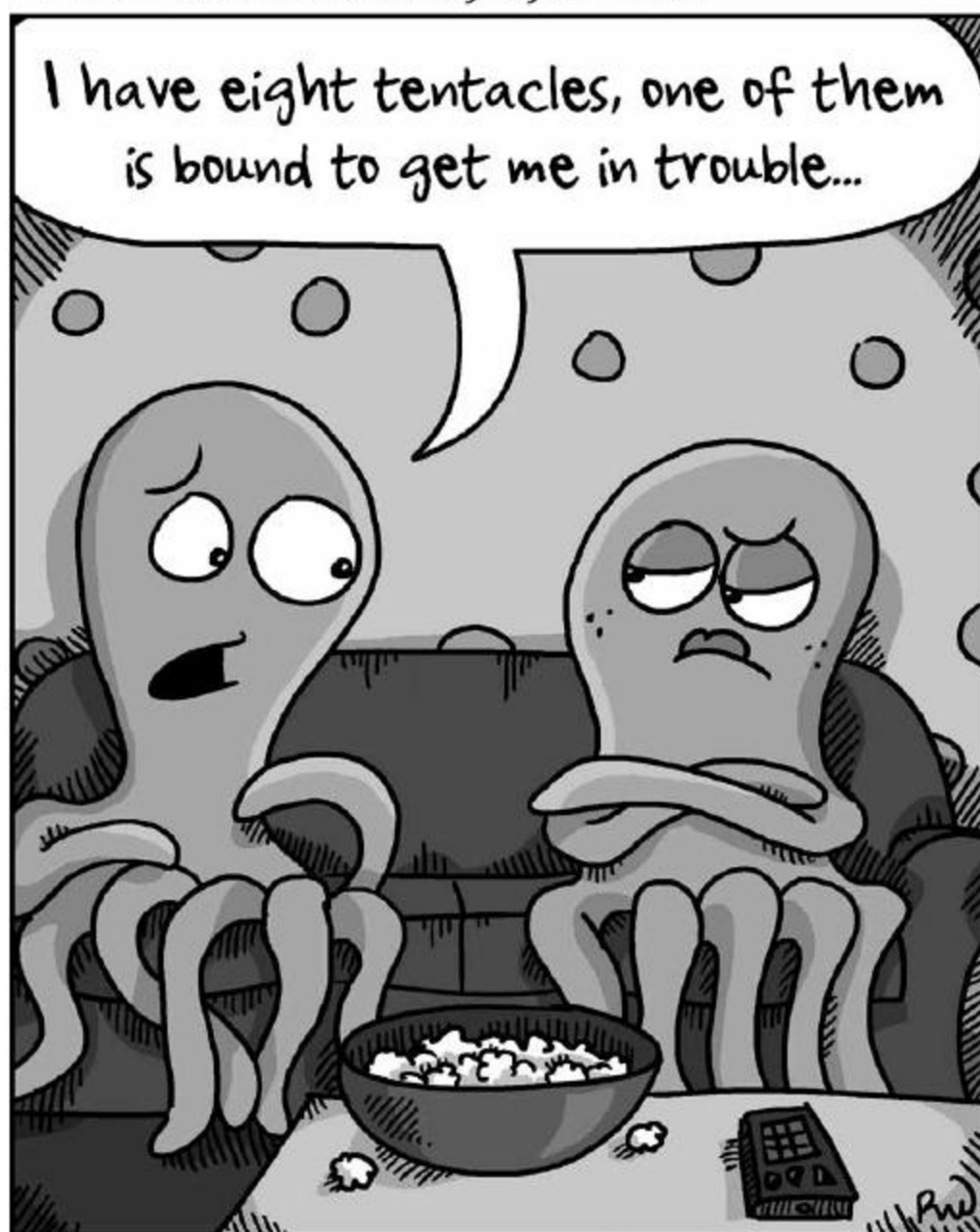
There is much more likely to be a power differential between a man and a woman compared to a man and a man. Now that's not to say that we don't see power differentials in gay relationships, particularly those in which BDSM occurs. However, we are much more likely to see the power differential in straight couples because of the whole gender thing.

As a result, we may see more straight men trying to guilt their female partner into relieving their blue balls condition than we might see gay men trying to guilt their male partner into the same behavior. Because men are more likely to have power over women than over each other, straight men may try to exert that power and get their orgasmic way.

We live in a patriarchal society and there's no getting around that, even though this is the 21st century. That patriarchy permeates most segments of society, including intimate relationships. For centuries now, men have been the initiators of sexual activity; the ones who called the shots. So even today, some men — not all men — feel entitled to an orgasm anytime a woman arouses them.

Thus, the bigger issue here is the guilting part. I think your friend feeling

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Watching Sunday NFL games closer to going to church than you think

The NFL and religion seem to have a lot in common — both have a holy day on Sundays, both have an extremely loyal base of followers and both are exempt from paying taxes in the United States.

That's right. The NFL league office, as well as the NHL and PGA league offices, do not pay taxes.

Now to be clear, this doesn't mean that the \$9 billion the NFL generates in revenue doesn't get taxed. If the money is made through the teams, they are considered a private organization trying to make a profit, so they do get taxed.

What is tax exempt is the NFL league office, which does not generate revenue from TV deals or merchandise. They make their money from the teams paying fees, which totaled to about \$250 million in 2011.

Technically, the NFL league office does not make a profit, and according to their tax papers, they actually lose tens of millions of dollars each year.

This is where my main problem with the NFL starts. The reason they "lose" money is because of the absurd amount that gets paid to the executives.

In 2011, NFL commissioner Roger Goodell raked in just less than \$30 million. Don't forget about former commissioner Paul Tagliabue who retired in 2006, but made more than \$8 million in retirement in 2011.

To put that into perspective, Goodell made enough money in 2011 to be able to have one McChicken every minute for the next 50 years, and still have more money left over than the entirety of what Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson made this season.

Currently, Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., and Sen. Angus King,



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I-Maine, are co-sponsoring the oh-so cleverly named Properly Reducing Overexemptions for Sports Act, or PRO Sports Act.

The act would take away the benefits of the 501(c)(6) part of the tax code that shelters the NFL and other professional sports leagues from having to pay any taxes, which are lumped in with the Chamber of Commerce and other trade associations.

The problem that arises is that even if the act were passed, there would be no tax money imposed on the league because of its lack of profit.

So to make the act worthwhile, there would have to be a big change in the way the league office spent money, starting with the amount it pays out in salaries.

The NFL shouldn't be able to profit off antiquated tax code any longer, tax code that was put into place for the NFL in exchange for the NFL agreeing not to play games on Fridays and Saturdays. The NFL should follow suit with the NBA and MLB, which dropped their tax-exempt status years ago in order to keep their records private.

What am I though, but a flea on a peasant in the kingdom that is the NFL, where Roger Goodell laughs atop his throne of millions?

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Linus Pauling was an equality activist, pioneer of genetic counseling; not eugenicist, racist

Calling Linus Pauling a eugenicist, as was done in the Black Beavers video, opens the door for a conversation about the responsibilities of the OSU community for fact-based analysis.

Pauling was quoted as saying that people who tested positive for the sickle-cell anemia gene should be physically marked so that two gene carriers "would at once be warned not to fall in love with each other."

Those comments, while naïve, insensitive, and even offensive, are best understood in the context of Linus Pauling's life and as a precursor of something we take for granted today — genetic counseling.

This issue is not about racism, but about Pauling's understanding of molecular disease.

In 1949, Pauling and colleagues published a paper describing the cause of sickle-cell anemia, a debilitating disease primarily affecting Sub-Saharan Africans and more than 70,000 African Americans and people of Mediterranean descent living in the US.

Pauling discovered that the disease is caused by an abnormal hemoglobin molecule, rods of which distort red blood cells into a sickled shape that prevents their normal movement through the capillaries.

Sickle-cell anemia was the first dis-

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ease to be described as a molecular disease, and Pauling's work heralded the new field of molecular medicine.

In 1972, Pauling was honored with the Martin Luther King, Jr. Medical Achievement Award for his important discovery.

Pauling believed that much potential suffering could be avoided if parents carrying the traits for molecular diseases like sickle-cell anemia, phenylketonuria, or Tay-Sachs did not pass them along to children who would be doomed to a painful life and premature death.

Today, we call this genetic counseling.

Pauling did not in any way support "directed eugenics" to produce a superior race or to select eye color in children or to eliminate races.

Rather, his guiding principle was to reduce human suffering, a goal shared with Martin Luther King, Jr.

Evidence in the OSU archives shows that Pauling was not a racist or an anti-Semite. For example, Ava Helen and Linus Pauling protested Japanese internment during WW II.

Pauling invited Herman Branson, an African American, to work on protein structure at Cal Tech in 1948, and

Branson was a co-author on Pauling's seminal paper on the alpha-helix, a discovery that ignited the field of molecular biology.

Pauling worked with W.E.B. DuBois on peace and racial equality in 1949. Many of Pauling's collaborators in science and peace were Jewish. Pauling was also honored as Humanist of the Year in 1961 for his substantial efforts to improve the human condition.

Pauling and Martin Luther King, Jr. (both Nobel Peace Prize winners) shared deep mutual admiration, reflected in archived correspondence. Pauling supported King's efforts to increase voter registration among African Americans in Alabama, endorsing a boycott until goals were met.

King lauded Pauling for "deep humanitarian concern" and "genuine good will." Here at OSU, Pauling walked in unity with African American protestors on campus during the walk-out of 1969.

Pauling and King's overarching life goal was to reduce suffering in the world, a lofty goal that endures long after their deaths.

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like it's "inappropriate to 'leave them hanging'" is a clear indicator that she's been guilted many times. The men who do the guilting are going to hate me for what I say next — and I'm OK with that — but there are many paths down which they can go to get relief.

Partnered sexual activity is only one of them.

He could "take care of it" himself — and I'm sure he's fairly competent at that. Practice makes perfect, right?

He also could accept what you said is an option: it's OK "to end a night without orgasm." In this instance, he should just remove himself from the situation that is causing all that

blood to hang out in his balls in the first place.

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