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Alissa Hashisaka, an art major, shares her mixed media piece "Exile" during a presentation on art and social justice Wednesday.

Visions of social justice

Students present art used to confront social injustices

By McKinley Smith
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Students addressed issues of social justice with art during a presentation to the public as part of a pilot class debuting this term.

The two-credit practicum course, cross-listed in women, gender, and sexuality studies and ethnic studies, is paired with a new program: the Arts + Social Justice Living-Learning Community, housed in Wilson Hall. The community is a place "where residents explore social justice issues

through art and creative expression," according to its webpage.

The majority of the class is enrolled in that program.

Charlene Martinez, the associate director of Integrated Learning for Social Change at OSU, said she hopes it becomes a regularly scheduled class.

"We're hoping it becomes a full-credit class next year," Martinez said.

Kaylee Tucker, a freshman in biology, focused her project on gender stereotypes and gender roles. She flipped traditionally gendered colors onto the opposite gender in her piece and surrounded the two people she

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COURTESY OF MICHAEL BURGETT, PHOTO BY JEFFREY MILLER

Emeritus professor Michael Burgett inspects the entrance of a hive of stingless bees. Burgett focuses on stingless bees, traveling to Thailand annually to research them and serve as a courtesy professor at Chiang Mai University.

Bees send researcher buzzing abroad

Emeritus professor Michael Burgett remains active bee researcher at OSU, abroad

By Kat Kothen
THE DAILY BAROMETER

When Michael Burgett found out that a book had claimed there was no stingless bee beekeeping in Thailand, he and his Thai graduate student jumped right on crafting a review article rebutting the error. Bee World, a publication by the International Bee Association, agreed to publish the article within two days of Burgett sending it in.

Burgett, an Oregon State University emeritus professor, has been devoting part of his year—every year—to doing entomological research in Southeast Asia since 1984.

Burgett found a home at the Chiang Mai University in the second largest city in Thailand, Chiang Mai. He is now courtesy professor at the university.

Since becoming an emeritus professor at OSU 12 years ago, Burgett has spent every winter term going back to Thailand, where he conducts research and acts as a thesis advisor.

"When you keep going to one place all the time, they associate you as an expert," Burgett said. "I don't know if I'm an expert or not, but I spent a lot of time in Southeast Asia."

His career at OSU has gone back 40 years, of which his main focus has been the beloved European honeybee.

Of late, his honeybee research has dwindled, but he still works with agri-

cultural economists. Burgett began surveying commercial beekeepers in Oregon and Washington about their colonies, gathering information on who they rent out their hives to and how much money they make each season. His records go back thirty years.

Renting out hives of honeybees to crop growers for pollination is one of the biggest ways commercial beekeepers earn their living.

Burgett's extensive data collection has allowed these agricultural economists to discover more about the relationship between crop growers and beekeepers. Together, they are now working on discovering the economic consequences of honeybee die offs.

The research on stingless bees in Thailand is what has really excited Burgett the past few years.

Stingless bees are related to honeybees, but they have reduced stingers. The stinger on the stingless bees cannot be used for defensive purposes. Burgett said that while they can't sting, they can still put up a fight.

He recalled an instance in which numerous tiny bees had begun to grab on to his arm hair with their powerful jaws and yanked with their tiny might.

The closest stingless bees to the United States can be found in central

Mexico. There are 32 species of stingless bees in Thailand.

Burgett has two main projects he is working on involving these stingless bees. The first is characterizing the hive entrances created by different species of stingless bees.

Stingless bees create their nests inside the cavities of trees and build special entrances into their hive. These structures are how the bees will enter and exit the hive, and they are built in varying shapes and sizes.

A singular, specialized entrance allows for many guard bees to regulate what is entering the hive, keeping out unwanted pests and predators.

What Burgett finds fascinating is that each species of stingless bee has its own type of entrance tube. One species may have an entrance that is

a long, thin tube while another species may have thicker and shorter entrances.

Each species also has its own unique chemistry it uses to compose the entrance tube. Some are made completely of resin collected from trees,

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COURTESY OF FRIENDS OF THE FAMILY MINISTRIES

(From left to right) Brian Dunning plays the flute, Wendy Goodwin plays the violin and Jeff Johnson plays the keyboard.

Winter Sky Tour comes to town

Friends of the Family Ministries brings annual winter concert to OSU, expects big turnout

By Chris Correll
THE DAILY BAROMETER

With Thanksgiving over and Christmas on the horizon, holiday music is on the rise.

Friends of the Family Ministries, a non-profit organization that offers counseling to couples and families

in the mid-Willamette Valley, is once again holding its free winter concert here on Oregon State University's campus.

For fans of seasonal music, the upcoming Winter Sky Tour offers an opportunity to celebrate the holiday season with the people who matter.

Margie Brown, Friends of the Family Ministries special events volunteer coordinator, called Winter Sky "a great way to

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This week in ASOSU

Senate discusses in-house legislation, approves task force director; House hears review of student-fee funded athletic benefits

By Claire McMorris
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Senate

The final fall term meeting for the Associated Students of Oregon State University Senate involved discussion and voting on four pieces of old business as well as the final task force director confirmation.

Two pieces of legislation regarding attendance policy within the legislative bodies were passed with some discussing.

The first bill, JB-74.02, addressed the specific attendance policy around excused and unexcused absences, as well as the absence appeal process.

The second bill, JB-74.03, addressed the proxy process. While it was brought up that it should be required for there to be a valid reason for sending a proxy, the bill ended up being passed without amendments.

Senator Owen Madin, the chair of the student government committee, authored this set of bills to clear up policy that was previously a gray area in the statutes.

The Senate also considered a bill that would officially add the interfaith task force director — a new position this year

— into the statutes of the Congress, but it ultimately didn't pass.

ASOSU President Taylor Sarman had already established an executive order that created the position, and the Senate decided it would be more beneficial to have the position exist under that order for the year before deciding to finalize it in the statutes. The body may revisit a similar bill in the spring.

The judicial procedures were also passed in the Senate, showing more action toward an active Judicial Branch.

Erica Fuller was confirmed as the director of interfaith affairs. Though the bill to secure the position in the statutes failed, she still can maintain her position under the executive order from Sarman.

Her goals for the year include increasing interfaith language on campus, building student ownership of faith and hosting a spiritual wellness week in February.

Senator Laura Galindo also announced that she will be stepping down from her position at the end of the term due to her plans to study abroad.

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House

The ASOSU House of Representatives did not hear much Wednesday, but Priscilla Macy, the chair of the Student Incidental Fees Committee, presented a review of the student-fee funded portion of athletics.

Student fees fund the free student tickets to football, basketball, baseball, gymnastics, wrestling and volleyball events.

The fee equated to \$36.64 per student, per term this past academic year. The review of the department is meant to be a collaboration to better the service for students.

Some of the main findings from the review include requiring more clarity around the policies for disabled students to get tickets, beginning a process that tracks the usage of the program and putting out a poll to students regarding the extension of the ticket service through four years after graduation.

The body once again tabled the bill regarding the College Student Services Administration degree after the university announced they will extend the master's program for another year.

Representative Michael Conan has stepped down from his position after being elected the president of the Student Incidental Fee Committee.

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Reflecting in wake of Gamergate scandal

Gaming club students share their thoughts on what aftermath of Gamergate means for gamers

By Abigail Erickson
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Despite being almost a four-month-old talking point, the Gamergate movement has continued to pop up on various social media outlets like Twitter and 4chan, fueling the fires already burning between gamers.

Media developments like the trailer for "Star Wars: The Force Awakens" and current events like the turmoil in Ferguson continue to spark ethical debates between gamers who use the Gamergate hashtag.

The controversy surrounding Gamergate has continued to divide gamers and game developers. Meanwhile, the Gaming Club at Oregon State University continues to uphold a welcoming environment for all gamers, despite the debates that still surround the phenomenon.

The Gamergate controversy began in August as a series of attacks on game developer Zoe Quinn. According to articles in Forbes and S/Wiki, Quinn had been trying to publish a text-based game titled "Depression Quest" that was based in part on her own experiences with depression in 2013. Since then, she has been the target of harassment and death threats across social media.

However, the #Gamergate didn't truly pick up speed until Eron Gjoni, Zoe Quinn's ex-boyfriend, published an online expose containing explicit details of their relationship and claiming that Quinn cheated on him repeatedly with several men in the video game industry. While these initial

accusations have since then been proven false, Quinn continued to receive threats and hacking attempts from various social media users.

Since the initial incident with Quinn in August 2014, the #Gamergate movement across social media outlets like Twitter and 4chan has erupted into critiques of Quinn, journalists in the gaming industry and developers. Many gamers have come to regard the #Gamergate movement as misogynistic or bigoted, and unlike most trends that pass through sites like Twitter, Gamergate has yet to fade away. People who attribute themselves to the movement by using #Gamergate have also made threats to female gamers like Felicia Day and female developers like Brianna Wu.

Benjamin Pharn, a junior in nuclear engineering, said that he doesn't necessarily see the battle for ethical video game journalism amidst the conflict over sex and race in video games.

"All I see is the harassment of females and those who are against said harassment," Pharn said. "Nothing good will come of attacking women. The biggest con besides that is that, for any non-gamers that know about Gamergate and what's going on, it makes gamers look like sexist pigs."

Pharn said that in his experience with the issue, Gamergate's alleged positive aspects are too muddled by the threats against female developers.

Matt Enloe, a senior in philosophy, said the movement is "a demonstrably false scenario co-opted by a loosely organized group of oppressive and misogynistic individuals intent on abusing others."

According to Enloe, the movement "exposed some of the underlying misogynistic attitudes that are present, though otherwise only implicitly, in

online communities."

Enloe said that women are frequently objectified and demeaned in online culture.

However, Enloe finds the OSU gaming club — of which he is a member — to be an inclusive and safe environment for individuals of all backgrounds.

"(The gaming club's) diversity is celebrated, and it works hard to appreciate and serve the interests and needs of everyone who participated," Enloe said.

Other students at OSU see the Gamergate issue a little differently. Benjamin Arvey, a junior in computer science, sees Gamergate as "a collection of ideas and a collection of people."

Arvey said that much of the mudslinging and conflict between gamers as a result of the #Gamergate phenomenon is quite similar to American politics.

"People tend towards extremism, and as a result (Gamergate) suffers a similar malady politics does," Arvey said. "I'm not going to accomplish anything by going on Twitter and yelling at people. I can't take a single opinion on such a large collection of ideas."

Arvey said that Gamergate has definitely made an impact on the gaming community, and while gamers may think there are only pros or only cons to the movement, Arvey argues that the pros and cons aren't always separate.

"I think a pro is that (Gamergate) has led to greater awareness to issues that have plagued the gaming industry," Arvey said. "However, it's led to a lot of mudslinging and line-drawing though. What's impacted me the most is rather bittersweet because I've seen a lot of people I admire say some very stupid things lately."

Arvey said that the movement, while it may eventually die out, has made a lasting impact on the gaming community.

Nicole Phelps, a senior in computer science, summed up the issue.

"Gamers should not be harassed," Phelps said. "Gamers should be treated as equals with respect, just as any other person should. Online or not, anonymous or not, it is not okay to threaten someone."

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Calendar

Thursday, Dec. 4

Event

Campus Ambassadors, 7:30-9pm, First Baptist Church of Corvallis. Come enjoy teaching, worship and fellowship in the Christian college community.

Meetings

Baha'i Campus Association, 12:30-1pm, MU Talisman Room. Men and Women Equality - A myth or reality? - A discussion.

Friday, Dec. 5

Meetings

Student Organization Resources for Community Engagement (SORCE), 9am, MU 208. Open Committee Hearing.

Events

OSU Music Department, Noon, First United Methodist Church. Music à la Carte: Songs of the Season, University Chorale and the Corvallis Community Choir.



Sunday, November 30

Reported brawl

Corvallis police responded to reports of a physical fight near Northwest Fillmore Avenue and Northwest 25th Street. According to officer logs, a man on site allegedly admitted to "picking" a fight with another man present. The man allegedly also admitted to drinking "nine or 10 beers." The attending officer cited the man for minor-in-possession of alcohol and gave him a court date.

Sleeping at the post office

Officers from the Corvallis Police Department reported to the downtown United States Post Office on Southwest 2nd Street. Reports had come in of a woman who appeared to be unconscious. The attending officer logged that he recognized the woman from prior incidents and was able to determine that the woman was only sleeping. After reportedly determining that she did not need medical assistance, the CPD officer took her into custody for a warrant from Lebanon Municipal Court. The warrant was for contempt of court on original charges of child neglect in the second degree. The officer reported that he then transported the woman to the junction of Highway 34 and Interstate 5, where she was released into Lebanon police custody.

Saturday, November 29

Fight at the Peacock Bar and Grill

Around 8:30 p.m. Saturday, officers responded to an alleged fight at the Peacock Bar and Grill in downtown Corvallis. According to CPD logs, one man had allegedly punched another man in the face while the bar's security staff had been attempting to remove the alleged perpetrator from the premises. The man was allegedly removed after a "verbal confrontation" with the man he allegedly punched. Officers arrested the man for one count of disorderly conduct in the second degree and one count of harassment and lodged the man at the Benton County Jail.

Home vandalism

An officer from the CPD responded to an apartment on Southwest Western Boulevard to investigate an alleged home vandalism. According to officer logs, the front door of the apartment, which had a "large, two-pane window," had been partially damaged. The officer reported that the outside pane of the window had been "shattered," though the interior pane appeared undamaged. According to the logs, the resident of the apartment reported that the damage appeared to have occurred between 5 and 7 p.m. while she had been at the OSU Beavers' football game.

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Suspended bureau head threatens to sue Portland, claims politics

By Jim Redden
PORTLAND TRIBUNE

PORTLAND — Bureau of Environmental Services Director Dean Marriott is threatening to sue the city for what he says is an eight-month campaign of unjustified harassment against him, leading up to the Oct. 22 suspension by Commissioner Nick Fish during an investigation into cost overruns on a BES office building.

Marriott has retained the Janet Hoffman and Associates law firm, which delivered a tort claim notice to the city attorney's office on Nov. 19. In it, the lawyers claim the city and its agents have engaged in "a continuous pattern of tortious and disparate treatment, malice, and reckless disregard for Mr. Marriott's constitutional rights, including violations of Mr. Marriott's due process rights under the Fourteenth Amendment." The letter also claims the city has also violated his statutory rights pursuant to state and federal age discrimination laws and his common law rights.

Marriott is the city's longest-serving bureau head. In the letter, his lawyers claim Fish, who oversees BES, began plotting against Marriott in May because of an awkward TV interview that was not Marriott's fault. The letter names Fish as a defendant in the potential suit along with City Auditor LaVonne Griffin-Valade. Fish suspended him just before she released an audit on the BES office building at the Columbia River Wastewater Treatment

Plant — a facility that cost three times more than the original budget.

Fish declined to comment, based on advice from the city attorney's office. LaVonne Griffin-Valade did not respond to a request for comment.

Among other things, the letter says that the suspension is inconsistent with the way other city managers have been treated when their projects go over budget.

"Although the City justified Mr. Marriott's suspension by citing the findings of the audit report, the plan to suspend Mr. Marriott actually began in May 2014, long before the audit was complete. In fact, the suspension did not arise from conduct ascribable to Mr. Marriott, but was instead a politically calculated maneuver by Commissioner Nick Fish, who unjustifiably blamed Mr. Marriott for a difficult news interview. Suspension for the asserted reasons of an alleged over-budget project is inconsistent with the City's reaction to other over-budget projects. The City is fully aware of numerous City projects over the years that have improved the City yet been well over budget where Bureau Directors were in no way disciplined. The difference in this instance, however, is that Commissioner Fish disparaged and discredited Mr. Marriott to serve his own political agenda," the letter says.

Marriott is the last city bureau head protected by civil service rules. The letter says they protect him for "this politically motivated suspension."

The letter described Marriott as a well-respected administrator and cites a number of projects he has overseen that came in on time and within budget, including the \$1.4 billion Big Pipe project to reduce combined sewage overflows into the Willamette River.

The letter demands the city preserve all records related to Marriott's employment, including emails, text message and cell phone records.

The letter does not state a dollar amount for damages, but says, "As a result of the unlawful acts of the City, its Commissioners, and its agents, Mr. Marriott has suffered damages. He intends to seek all damages entitled to him by law, including but not limited to non-economic damages for humiliation, loss of self-esteem, loss of public esteem, loss of reputation, loss of good will, and significant emotional distress under publicly humiliating circumstances. In addition, Mr. Marriott intends to pursue punitive damages against City agents in their individual capacity, including against Commissioner Nick Fish and City Auditor LaVonne Griffin-Valade. It has been necessary for Mr. Marriott to retain legal counsel, and the City should be ordered to pay his reasonable attorney fees. The City should further be enjoined from future violations. Finally, if Mr. Marriott is successful in this action, he will be entitled to expert witness fees and costs."

Portland region's mayors question Metro's density plan, consortium submits letter

By Jim Redden
PORTLAND TRIBUNE

PORTLAND — Mayors from 25 cities in the region are questioning whether a proposal to increase density will work — or whether it will push many new residents into outlying areas and increase congestion.

The elected Metro Council is scheduled to consider an in-house report Thursday that says most of the people expected to move to the region during the next 20 years can be housed in new apartment and condominium buildings. However, mayors from 25 cities in the region sent a letter to Metro on Wednesday questioning that assumption.

Among other things, the letter says a recent Housing Preference Study commissioned by Metro shows most people want to live in single-family homes. And the letter predicts many new residents will commute long distances to work to live in such homes.

Because of that, the letter says the council should consider encouraging the construction of new "complete communities" near major employment centers. They include a mix of housing types, businesses and such public services as schools.

"The (Housing Preference) Study does not mean the region has to make a choice, as explained by Metro staff, between 'building single-family homes from here to Salem' or implementing the 2040 Regional Plan," the letter states. "Instead, the cumulative results of the Study indicate that the types of development we are seeing and planning for in new urban areas (i.e., with a mix of housing types and nearby amenities for residents — 'complete communities') meets the demands of residents."

Metro's 2040 Regional Plan calls for new development to be concentrated in designat-

ed centers and along major transportation corridors in the region.

The letter was submitted by the Metropolitan Mayors Consortium Ad-hoc, an informal group that meets regularly to discuss regional issues outside of the Metro process.

The council is scheduled to consider whether to expand the Urban Growth Boundary it administers next year. State land use planning laws require the region to have enough buildable land within the UGB to accommodate 20 years of predicted growth. The Urban Growth Report being considered by the council was prepared by Metro planners to help inform next year's decision. It says the UGB does not need to be expanded next year if enough multifamily housing is built between 2015 and 2035.

According to the report, the growth can be accommodated if 60 percent of new housing is apartments and condominiums. That is a reversal of historic trends, where 64 percent of new housing has been single-family homes.

The letter questions whether such a large shift will actually occur during the next 20 years. It also requests Metro to adjust the report to reflect the fact that most people want to live in single-family homes, according to the housing preference study

that was completed after it was written. It found that 65 percent of respondents currently live in single-family detached homes and 80 percent prefer to. In contrast, only 28 percent live in multi-family housing and just 13 percent want to.

The letters says negative impacts of the assumed housing shift would include "forcing those looking for affordable single-family housing to move to neighboring communities outside the Portland Metropolitan region, resulting in longer commutes. We have already seen this through increased growth in the neighboring cities of Canby, Sandy and Woodburn."

According to the letter, the longer commutes would undermine another Metro project that is proceeding on a parallel track. The Climate Smart Communities initiative is intended to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from private vehicles.

The letter also says the urban growth report should reflect the lack of development opportunities in Damascus, the newest city in the region. The report assumes 10,000 homes will be built there over the next 20 years. But the letter notes Damascus voters have consistently rejected the state-required Comprehensive Plan that must be adopted before development can occur. And

the new mayor who takes office in January has promised to disincorporate the city.

"It's been 10 years since Damascus incorporated, during which time the city has seen increased resistance to planning and development efforts. Additionally, Damascus faces challenging and costly infrastructure issues that, without the support of planning efforts, it is not likely to overcome. Given these facts, reliance on Damascus must be eliminated or reduced to ensure that the region can meet its 20-year housing demand," the letter says.

Perhaps surprisingly, the letter was signed by Portland Mayor Charlie Hales. He signed it even though Portland is on track to substantially increase housing density over the next 20 years. Its Comprehensive Plan is being updated to encourage the construction of new apartments and condominiums in designated centers and along major transportation corridors. That is consistent with the Metro report, which says that 58 percent of all new residential construction will happen in Portland, and that 92 percent of it will be multifamily housing.

The complete text of the letter can be viewed here: here.

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while others are made of wax, produced by the bees, combined with resin.

While in Thailand, Burgett has been collecting entrance tube samples, as well as the resin-collecting bees of the hive. He has brought these samples back and enlisted the help of other OSU researchers to discover the chemical differences of entrance tubes between bee species.

Helping Burgett unlock the mysteries of these entrance tubes is Chris Beaudry, an assistant professor of chemistry.

Beaudry said he prepares the resin and entrance tube samples and runs them, with chemistry research associate Jeff Morre, through a mass spectrometer. The mass spectrometry data allows the team to identify the chemical composition of the bee products.

Burgett is also interested in

another aspect of the stingless bee: honey. The commercial demand for stingless bee honey has been growing in Southeast Asia since the 1980s.

Burgett said the stingless bee honey industry in Thailand is now as large as the honeybee honey industry in California. California has the largest honey industry in the United States.

For such a large economic product, not much is known about the chemical composition of the stingless bee honey. Burgett, along with a Thai graduate student, is working on discovering the physiochemical properties of the stingless bee honey.

"There's limited research on stingless bee honey," Burgett said. "About the honey that comes out of the stingless bee species in Thailand, there's almost zero research."

One thing that stands out about this unique honey is that it ferments quickly.

Again, Burgett has brought

his Thai research back home to OSU. Burgett has teamed up with Mark Daeschel, professor and researcher in the department of food sciences, to understand the unique fermentation of this honey product. Christina Vieru, a senior in microbiology, is also working on this project.

"The research entails isolating and identifying microorganisms in the honey that may be responsible for the fermentation," Daeschel said. "We will also identify the fermentation metabolites that contribute the unique flavors and aromas characteristic of these artisan honeys."

They are also working on replicating the fermentation process of the honey once the finer details of the process are discovered.

Burgett will return to Thailand for winter term to continue his research on stingless bees.

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Anthropology major Ryann Boaz used images of six volunteers to create her art piece, which combines components of their faces with a human skull.

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kick off the Christmas season" and said it would be "a nice respite from the busyness and pace of the holidays."

"We like to keep with a Christmas tradition," Brown said. "And it's a rare thing you can attend that's family friendly."

Putting on events like the Winter Sky Tour is an enormous endeavor that requires plenty of planning and support.

Friends of the Family has been planning the show since August, but it still wouldn't be possible without the continued support of donations from local businesses, including the Corvallis Knights baseball team, which allows it to avoid charging concert goers.

Each of them makes contributions to a show that ultimately comes back to benefit their community.

"They really do appreciate being able to give this concert to us," said Cindy Clark from Friends of the Family Ministries' community relations.

"We could not pull this off without them and our

volunteers."

Families from Corvallis and other cities across Oregon attend the concert in droves. This year, Friends of the Family Ministries is expecting a larger audience than ever thanks in part to a specially-featured artist.

Phil Keaggy has been a renowned musician for decades and is considered one of the best finger-style guitar players in the world. His skillset will be headlining the show alongside another group called the Celtic Trio.

Administrative Assistant for Friends of the Family Ministries Ineke Loux said their winter program typically caters to older audiences.

"A lot of them are adults already familiar with the artists," she said. "But it would be a wonderful break from studying."

Anyone hoping to attend should try to arrive at the LaSells Stewart Center by 6:30 p.m. at the latest, particularly if bringing family. A full house is expected, and there's a possibility that latecomers may have to be turned away at the door.

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drew with words that go along with gender stereotypes. In addition to her art piece, Tucker included quotes of gender role reversals from several novels and wrote a poem about the subject.

Tucker said people have always told her to dress more feminine. She loves reading stories where men and women don't conform to gender roles, Tucker said.

Tucker has enjoyed the class so far, she said, and thinks it's great to combine social justice with art.

Jacquelynn Allen, a fourth-year in public health, heard about the opportunity to take the class from Martinez and joined up.

"I love social justice," Allen said.

When Allen first arrived at

OSU, Allen said they weren't very involved, but after they started hanging around the cultural centers, that changed. Allen became involved in Project Social Justice, a program that sought "to develop diverse leaders dedicated to creating a welcoming and inclusive society," according to their website through OSU. Allen reflected on life, social institutions and justice and came out as gay.

Allen said that the 11 new friends they've made in class are "more like family."

Allen read two poems during the presentation, "Love, Hate" and "Apology to Me."

Ryann Boaz, a freshman in anthropology, used artwork to tackle gender discrimination against those who don't fit the gender binary.

For her project, Boaz drew a composite image of a face using six volunteers as inspiration

for different pieces, while she drew a skull for the right half of the face.

"You can't discriminate if we're not different," was the message she said she hoped Simi Valley, Calif. would use to accompany the drawing, which she proposed could be put up on city buses. Part of the class involves taking their art a step further. Simi Valley is currently processing her request, she said.

Boaz said the class has helped her figure out pieces of herself and gender and sexuality.

"They've put a lot of thought and reflection into the social issues they care about," Martinez said.

Martinez said that social justice is for everyone, which "means having more difficult conversations and making engaging art."

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Payton II helps Beavs remain undefeated

■ Payton II records second double-double, leads Beavers to blowout win against MVSU

By Josh Worden
 THE DAILY BAROMETER

Coming into Wednesday night's matchup with Mississippi Valley State, Gary Payton II was leading Oregon State in points, rebounds, steals, blocks and, as a result, minutes.

The junior guard recorded a double-double in the first half — his second double-double in as many games — with 12 points and 10 rebounds, as well as four steals.

He didn't slow down after the break, adding a putback dunk 8:25 into the second half and finishing with 24 points and 16 rebounds, both career highs. The Beavers rallied around his output for a 74-50 victory.

The Beavers (4-2) have not lost at home while MVSU (1-7) has not played at home yet this season. The Beavers have a 7 p.m. matchup on the road against Portland Saturday.

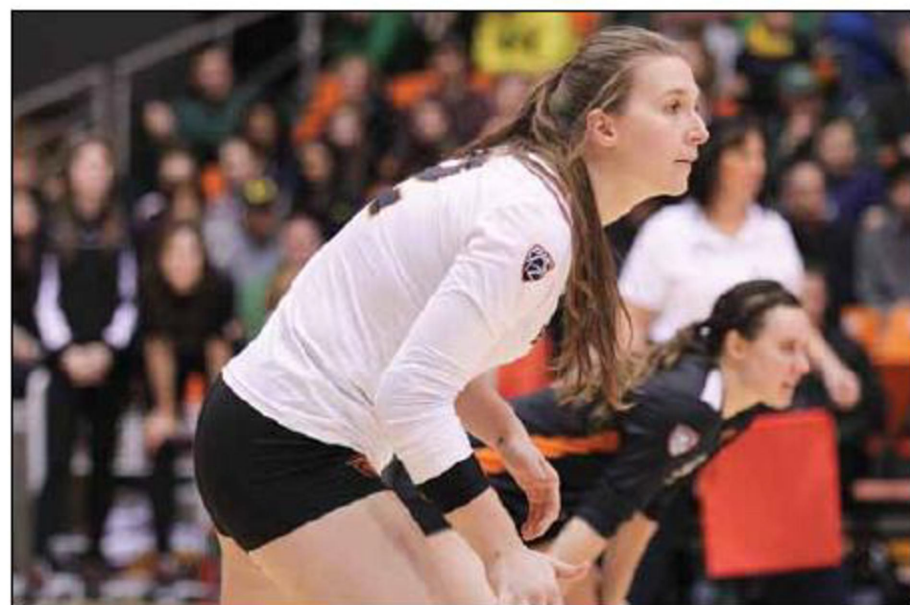
Payton II put up 10 points Wednesday in the first 3:39, and was the only Beaver to grab a rebound in the first 4:16. OSU head coach Wayne Tinkle noticed Payton II's tenacity

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Junior guard Gary Payton II goes in for the reverse and the score against Mississippi Valley State in Gill Coliseum on Dec. 3.

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Sophomore outside hitter Lila Toner gets set for the next point against U of O during the Civil War on Nov. 28.

With win, Beavers make history

■ Women's volleyball has never made it to second round of NCAA tournament, 2014 team looks to set new standard

By Sarah Kerrigan
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Oregon State women's volleyball looks to make history Friday as it plays for what the team hopes will be the program's first NCAA tournament win.

The Beavers take on Creighton this Friday in Topeka, Kansas in their first tournament appearance since 2001.

After a long conference season of 20 matches against mostly ranked opponents, the Beavers are enthusiastic and optimistic about facing a new opponent for the tournament.

"We are excited after the battles of the Pac-12. We look forward to a new team and the challenge in that," said head coach Terry Liskevych.

Oregon State has never played Creighton

before, so neither players nor coaches have ever seen or scouted Creighton on any level.

"We will have to look more in-depth in scouting and take more time to study all aspects of their game," said freshman defensive specialist Hannah Troutman.

Although the Beavers will scout the team, they still hold to their mentality of focusing on their side of the net and not worrying about who's on the other side.

"The important thing is our side of the net. If we all play well we are going to win. If we look at what the outside hitters, middles and setters are doing, whether they are hitting or tipping ... we just have to play our side of the net like we did against Oregon," said sophomore outside hitter Lila Toner.

The Beavers are going into the tournament after an emotional win against ranked-rivals Oregon, in what was the best performance of the year for Oregon State women's volleyball.

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'Best game of the year'

■ Thursday will host packed house of screaming children at Gill, women's basketball couldn't be happier

By Sarah Kerrigan
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Oregon State women's basketball host its Field Trip Day for local elementary schools in their matinee game Thursday against Idaho.

"We want to impact as many lives as possible; by having a field trip game we are providing them a reason to visit a college campus; I think that is awesome," said head coach Scott Rueck.

The Beavers look to host more than 6,000 elementary schoolers from 49 different schools, some coming from an hour away.

"It is a great relationship that we both benefit from — kids get to come and cheer for us and we get to play like crazy for them," Rueck said.

This year will be the largest field trip day that the Beavers have hosted.

With so many kids filling the stands and producing a lot of noise, it is a good opportunity for the Beavers to play in a charged atmosphere.

"It is always so much fun; they always have Justin Bieber music playing," said senior guard Ali Gibson. "The kids go crazy. It doesn't matter how far ahead you are or behind, they are always screaming — every basket is huge."

The team hopes that the field trip day goes beyond just the practice of playing in a big crowd, and sees it as an opportunity to build community by getting younger generations involved.

"It is great to be able to play for a crowd and inspire younger generations," said junior center Ruth Hamblin.

"This team understands the platform they are on, and that is important to them. They use that to impact people as well as the game," Rueck said.

As well as making an impact on

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Nassar

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three digs and two blocked shots.

On top of Nassar's performance against the Ducks, this has been a stellar senior year — a senior year that has led to her being a Pac-12 All-Conference team honorable mention for the second time in her college career.

Nassar doesn't lead the team in kills on the season, but the senior middle blocker is murdering it within the percentage stat for successful kills.

Nassar leads the team with a .346 percentage on the year, while maintaining 1.99 kills per set.

From a defensive standpoint, Nassar has been a threat at the net, where she has amassed 147 blocks on the year, which is more than 40 better than the next player on the team.

This has been her best stat year as a Beaver, and it is not yet over.

Before coming to Oregon State, Nassar hailed from California, where

she attended Temescal Canyon High School.

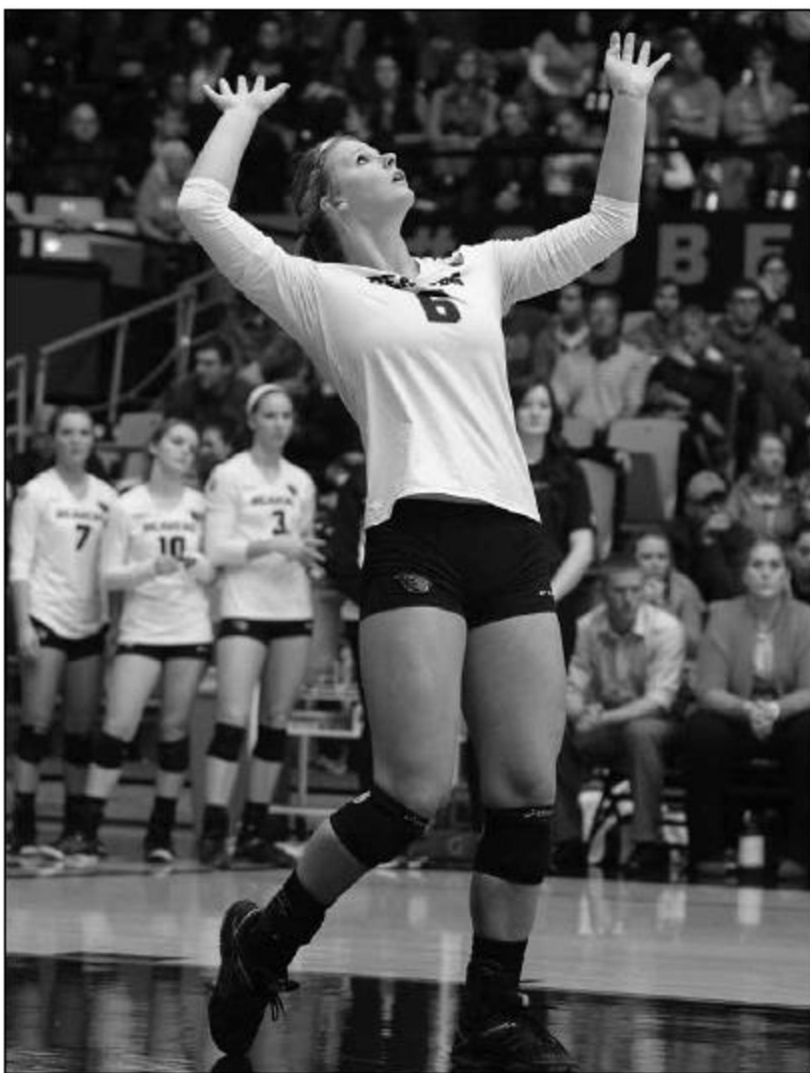
As a Titan, Nassar lettered all four years and holds the school records for blocks and kills.

In her senior year, she was added to the 2010-11 AVCA/Under Armour High School All-America Watch List, and was named Prep Volleyball Senior Ace.

Nassar lettered all four years in basketball, during which time she helped lead her team to a Sunbelt League title. In addition, she holds records within basketball as a Titan for points per game (22.3), and rebounds in a single game (27).

Nassar and the Oregon State volleyball team will now head to Kansas for the first round of the NCAA Tournament, where Nassar looks to build on what has already been an impressive season.

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Freshman defensive specialist Hannah Troutman focus's during service against the Ducks on Nov. 28 in Gill Coliseum.

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The confidence from the win against Oregon and making the tournament is something the Beavers are looking to use to their advantage.

"We definitely have the confidence," Toner said. "We know we can win and are going to make it if we play well. We just have to be mentally set for the game."

"Our mindset is the biggest thing," Troutman said. "If we all have the mindset that we can win, than we will win."

Creighton's biggest threat that the Beavers will need to neutralize — if they hope to get their first tournament win — is senior middle blocker Kelli Browning. Browning leads the team in kills and kills per set with 3.17.

The most effective way for the Beavers to contain Creighton's middles is if they serve tough. In that, Oregon State can take away the option to set the middles.

Serve receive will be a key focus for them so that they will be able to run all their options, including their middles.

"Serve receive is a huge thing," Troutman said. "To be able to play our middles is key, because they do a great job and we get more success if we run the middle."

Creighton is very effective at holding their opponents to low hitting percentages, but the Beavers are confident that they will be able to find offensive production.

"They haven't held any Pac-12 teams," Liskevych said, "and we have been held by Pac-12 teams to low percentages and still found success."

The Beavers are looking for that success to get them to the round of 32 this Friday with a victory over Creighton. You can watch the game streaming through a link on the OSU athletic website, or follow the live stats from the same location.

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from the beginning.

"I look around from time to time and try to see if somebody is ready to go or not," Tinkle said. "Sometimes Gary gets a bit of a blank state. But he was the one guy that from the tip was getting after it from both ends."

His game was consistent — shooting 8-for-12 from the field, 3-for-3 from behind the arc and 5-for-6 from the free throw line — as well as explosive, as played out by his putback slam on a missed three pointer from junior forward Victor Robbins.

"Watching his highlights sometimes, I'm like 'man, he's a gifted athlete,'" said junior forward Daniel Gomis.

Gomis had a significant game himself, logging his first start after a gradual return from a shoulder injury. He recorded a career-high tying five blocks along with 11 points and six boards.

"It's a long time coming," Gomis said of his first start. "They were trying to shoot over me so I just extended and got some blocks."

The Beavers featured Gomis in the post especially late in the game, trying to take advantage of MVSU's guard-heavy roster. The Delta Devils did not have a player

taller than 6-foot-5 that played at least 10 minutes Wednesday, while Gomis stands at 6-foot-10.

Tinkle said his game plan was to "punish them for their lack of size and pound it down low." He added that he saw that game plan come to fruition in the second half, helped by Gomis getting all 11 of his points after the break.

Defensively, the Beavers forced MVSU — a team not known for its prolific offense against any team — into an even worse shooting night than normal. The Delta Devils finished 18-of-61 and only four players scored more than two points.

The Delta Devils' 29.5 percent shooting Wednesday was worse than their average coming into the contest at 32.8 percent, which ranked 350th in the nation out of 351 teams.

The Delta Devils also ranked 332nd in both rebounds per game and assists per game.

Favored by nearly 20 points, OSU never trailed and piled up 31 second-chance points on 25 offensive rebounds. The disparity in height between the two teams played out on the court and in the box score: OSU also outscored MVSU 36-16 in the paint and the Delta Devils shot better from 3-point range (at 30.8 percent) than from inside the arc (22.2

percent).

As the Beavers parlayed a 23-to-8 advantage in points off turnovers into a ballooning lead late in the game, some of the reserves began to file in.

Walk-on freshman forward Matt Dahlen checked in with 2:51 left and the Beavers up 70-48, the second consecutive game Dahlen played in. He also appeared in the Beavers' 71-69 loss last week to Auburn.

He was joined less than a minute later by two fellow walk-ons, freshman guard Dylan Livesay and sophomore guard AJ Hedgecock.

Junior center Justin Stangel and freshman guard Dylan Livesay checked in at the scoring table late in the game but didn't have a chance to enter the game.

Getting to the big lead, though, came from the starters, namely Payton II, as well as 11 points from both Gomis and junior guard Langston Morris-Walker.

"We kept it pretty simple at half-time and told them they needed to do a couple things to get it going and pick up the intensity," Tinkle said. "I'm proud of the way they did that and their focus in the second half."

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Junior guard Gary Payton II displays hands-up defense against the Delta Devils during the Beavers' win in Corvallis on Dec. 3.

Junior guard Jaime Weisner releases one from deep against Sacramento State on Field Trip Day in Corvallis on Nov. 15, 2013.



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the kids, the team is looking to increase its undefeated start to the season with a win against Idaho.

Oregon State is coming off of two wins at the Tome Westin Invitational, which earned it the top place at the invitational.

In their two games away, the Beavers were able to identify some aspects of their defense that need some improvements.

"We saw a lot of improvement in our defense, but we can make improvements in helpside defense," Gibson said. "And our offensive execution was really good."

Hamblin also struggled over the tournament with defense, getting into foul trouble in both games and even fouling out in their first game against Butler.

"For me, it is just being more mentally focused and ready to play, knowing that you aren't always going to get all the calls, and just playing perfectly," Hamblin said.

"For me it is just knowing my angles and playing the gap."

Idaho's defense is very conservative, and it plays a lot of zone defense. It likes to keep players in front and force the tough shot.

The key for the Beavers to beat the zone and find the open player is to pass the ball quickly and wait for the open shot. With the shooting power for Oregon State, they can afford to wait for an open shot.

"You never know who the threat is going to be on any given night. We have so many players who start, and off the bench, that I think that with high pressure, it will just make that a little more well known," Gibson said. "As long as we are passing and unselfish, we will be successful."

Tipoff commences at 11 a.m. on Dec. 4 at Gill Coliseum.

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Eric Garner video creates accountability, social responsibility

A grand jury on Staten Island decided to not indict New York Police Department officer Daniel Pantaleo for his fatal chokehold of Eric Garner, who was unarmed and died during his arrest.

The jury had a wide range of options to choose from — anywhere from murder to reckless endangerment.

Their decision to do nothing has incited protests throughout New York City, featuring crowds chanting, "I can't breathe" — one of the last things that Garner is heard saying on the amateur video of his demise.

This case is one of many in the past months involving the death of a — typically unarmed — person of color at the hands of a police officer.

More recently, another grand jury verdict came back in Ferguson, Mo. a couple of weeks ago, where another police officer was not

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indicted in the death of Michael Brown.

But there is something unique about this particular case: the fact that there is video evidence of the proceedings puts an unavoidable level of accountability on those involved with Garner's death.

There is no argument that Pantaleo took Garner to the ground after he swore at officers in the vicinity attempting to arrest him for untaxed cigarettes.

Garner expressed that he couldn't breathe. These are visual, auditory facts that cannot be disputed.

This video was used as evidence during the grand jury trial.

While it may not have been successful in

convincing the jury members, it's ability to provide an impartial account of the proceedings is incredibly important to culpability of those in the video.

It also provides other viewers with the opportunity to observe this event and form their own opinions about the episode.

Our society is becoming increasingly more involved with these stories.

Having visual evidence helps this involvement grow.

This is good, because when society is involved and interested in something, things have a greater likelihood of changing.

Because society not being involved means more Wal-Marts and generally cruel apathy.

We need more of this kind of evidence available for our legal system and our society's personal assessments across the nation — among

other social changes.

Ways that this can be achieved are through more bystander recordings of events, more watchdog journalism and — if a certain present-giving fat man gifts us with thousands of dollars — police body cameras.

There are still some kinks to be worked out with this last option — public vs. private property laws, what is admissible in court, and of course, the incredible prices of body cameras — but it would be a step in the right direction in the long road of accountability and social responsibility.

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Farewell, my friends: The history of the Satire Emporium

This will be the last column you will ever read that will be brought to you by the Satire Emporium.

We had a lot of laughs, shed tears and collectively agreed yoga pants were good and that fruit flies were bad.

We talked about Netflix bingeing and continued to stay light and airy with those topics by dissecting the way social institutions view gender inequity.

The Satire Emporium might be voted best column of the year by "Rolling Stone" and "Habokan Autotrader," but I've never let that get to my head.

When everything first started, I doubt "Rolling Stone" had ever even heard of the Satire Emporium.

Let's go back to a time where things were simpler.

Life was easier and gas was still atrociously expensive.

This was a time when people cared way too much about materialistic objects and we as a society were apathetic.

The year was 2013, the month was October and it was a Tuesday.

What happens when you combine the childlike wonder and willingness to explore with a pen and paper?



Alec Grevstad

The Satire Emporium

Besides a finished Highlights magazine, you also get the Satire Emporium.

Forged in the battle trenches that we call the library, political satire was born in a place that reeked of broken dreams and bad GPA. It landed, however, on something bigger.

When the Sat EMP, as the cool kids

call it, stops running and your first-born, Johnny, points towards one of your old Barometer issues with his small chubby fingers that are sticky from spilled cranberry juice and asks you how the Satire Emporium ended, you can tell him, "No Johnny, I can't tell you how it ended, but I can tell you how it lived."

The Sat EMP isn't a one-man show.

It's an interdependent web of different components all coming together for a single goal.

I write it, my amazing forum editor Cassie reads and edits it, and other

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World needs more agriculture teachers, get your tips from Dr. Greg Thompson

In 30 years, we may all be naked and hungry.

Why, you might ask? Ask any student in the College of Agricultural Sciences and they'll know the answer.

It is predicted that by the year 2050, our global population will rise to somewhere between 9 and 10 billion people — that's a lot of bodies to clothe and mouths to feed.

So how will we be sure our population won't be naked and hungry?

The answer: Agriculture.

This may not change the premise of the TV show "Naked and Afraid," but at least the rest of us will be clothed.

The Oregon State University Agricultural Education Club sees that the root of this problem stems from education.

We must have an educated population in order to prevent a hungry one.

Most people aren't willing to fill the boots of those standing at the front of the classroom. Agricultural programs in high schools are suffering, being taught by unqualified teachers, even cut because there are not enough people who see the necessity behind agricultural education.

The National Association of Agricultural Educators holds a national convention each year, bringing together agriculture teachers from across the nation for recognition of their successes in the classroom and to gain new ideas from other teachers.

This year, five Ag Ed members traveled to Nashville, Tenn. to further increase their ability to become successful teachers in the classroom.

Jaimee Brentano, who will be entering the Agricultural Education Master's program next fall, gained an inside-look into the NAAE professional organization when she interned with them this past summer.

"I am excited to take all the ideas I learned from my internship to my

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own classroom someday, and to continue to be involved in organizations such as NAAE in order to keep growing as an educator," she said.

Emma Miller, College of Agricultural Sciences student and future Ag teacher, attended this year's convention and identified agriculture teachers as "...a fun and upbeat group of people; not only do they push each other to succeed, but they also provide support when there are difficult days in the year."

"There is probably no greater OSU ambassador across the state than Greg Thompson, except perhaps for Benny Beaver," according to Betsy Hartley — Director of External Relations for the College. "Greg has worked with hundreds of agricultural educators across the state and is deeply respected and admired for his dedication to our agricultural education community."

He is the patriarch of the Ag Ed family and has guided many over the years.

Greg Thompson came to Oregon from Missouri in August of 1996 shortly after receiving his Ph.D. from University of Missouri-Columbia. Before that he attended North Dakota State, where he received his Bachelor's and Master's degrees.

Dr. Thompson has assisted many new faculty and Ag Ed students in reaching their full potential. Many of them wished to give an OSU orange megaphone shout out and share their experiences.

According to Jeff Sherman, Program Leader for OSU's Open Campus, "Without Dr. Greg

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Healthy study snacks important for success

With the end of the term quickly approaching, over the next week we are buckling down to study.

For many students, late night studying is when they're most productive.

However, the downfall can be the continual snacking and the excessive calories we consume.

Aim to snack only when you are hungry and think of your snacks as balanced mini-meals.

Many people nibble when they are stressed, bored or frustrated.

If finals week has you feeling this way, and you are snacking more than usual, let's give some positive snacking suggestions.

Here are some of my favorite snacks for studying: Carrots and hummus, apples with peanut butter, yogurt parfait, trail mix, smoothies, cheese and whole wheat cracker sandwiches, popcorn, almonds, tortilla and salsa and "ants on a log" (celery, peanut butter, and raisins).

Now of course, these recommendations are great, but I also realize that many of you would much rather choose different foods.

Late night snacks, more like Doritos, Cheez-its, jellybeans, chocolate, soda and coffee.

If this is the case, work on mindful eating or paying attention to why you choose to eat certain foods. These foods aren't "bad" in moderation, but many times we overdo it with these tasty treats.

This tends to be because we ignore our satiety cues or feelings of fullness, or we lose track of how much we are actually eating.

Try eating an orange before the Doritos.

As far as crackers and chips that are in larger bags, I like to pour them into a smaller bowl and then put the bag away.

Then when I finish the bowl of chips, I need to make a cognitive decision to go get more.

At this time, you reassess if you want or need more food and if you are full or just snacking out of boredom.

If you crave chocolate, you can try hot chocolate or rewrapping your candy bar after taking a bite. Drinking water while studying will help keep you hydrated and awake.

Also, it will act as a convenient activity: stretching or as a bathroom break every hour or so.

If you are prone to drinking coffee, energy drinks or soda in hopes of staying awake, I suggest you take a nap.

If your brain is having a hard time focusing and "needs" caffeine, you are not going to be productive at studying.

In the middle of the day, try some physical

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activity before caffeine to balance your low energy levels. Physical activity helps to keep our brains fresh, so be sure during a study break to walk around campus or have a dance party.

Although maybe not at the same time. Eating meals helps us get the majority of nutrient-dense foods into our diet.

Grab a banana or smoothie in the morning, sandwich or soup for lunch and stir-fry with veggies for dinner.

Better yet, make a lunch or dinner date with a friend to make sure you take time for meals.

That scheduled event helps you to not get consumed with studying, while giving you something to look forward to.

This accountability has really helped me reduce the number of weekly skipped meals, and allows for some good food and great conversation, too. This week, make plans to eat a meal with a friend or two to keep you accountable.

Before heading to the library or study rooms, create and pack a food stash in your backpack.

Keeping food with you will allow you to eat when you are hungry and feel better about your food choices.

Foods like beef jerky, dried fruits, oatmeal, fruit cups, string cheese or granola bars are good stash items. These foods could be kept in your bag for finals week and when you start to feel hungry, you can grab a quick snack on the go.

Healthy food choices keep your brain and body productive especially during times of stress.

Give yourself a variety for food to choose from and get creative.

With all your snacking during finals, try to focus on eating nutrient-dense foods with some rewarding treats every once in a while.

And if at first you don't succeed, try, try again.

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Thompson, I would not be in the position I am today. Not only was he my Undergraduate advisor, Master's Professor and personal mentor, he continues to be my friend."

Sherman continued, "He truly cares about the success of his students and the students whom they will impact as they become educators. Great educators never stop teaching. Greg is an incredible educator and person. I can't wait to see who he educates next."

Josh Stewart is an instructor and Ph.D. student in the Agricultural Education Department.

Greg Thompson is responsible for coaxing Stewart to leave Texas and come to Oregon.

"When people ask how I wound up at Oregon State University, my reply is generally, 'Do you know Greg Thompson?' I can honestly say that I would not have moved my family from Texas if not for Dr. Thompson. He has developed a reputation and legacy in the agricultural education field."

"Besides the expertise and respect he brings to the profession, he has also managed to create a sense of family within the department. I have the utmost respect for Dr. Thompson because of his years of practical experience. One short conversation with him is enough to discover his passion for agricultural education," Stewart said.

Thompson has a heart for service.

He serves on the board for the Oregon FFA Foundation and the Ag In the Classroom Board. After 17 years in the high school classroom, he still thinks on a daily basis about how to educate the next generation of agriculturalists. It is his passion.

"His welcoming and random personality spills over to all those he comes in contact with," said Thomas Henderson, a graduate teaching assistant in the department.

"While I have only known and worked with Dr. Thompson for four short months, he has been the butt of more practical jokes than I have ever seen anyone go through and he takes it in stride. In fact, he has been known to turn these practical jokes into learning opportunities for the individuals involved."

"You are never bored when Dr. Thompson is around. He has the best sense of humor and makes learning fun. His national reputation of leadership and excellence precedes him," added Dr. Misty Lambert, Assistant Professor and Director of Teacher Education.

This is Dr. Thompson's last term at OSU. Faculty and students throughout the College of Agricultural Sciences, and many whom Thompson impacted from other colleges, are saddened by his departure.

According to his wife Rita, "all he does is work." He is never seeking attention of his own, but is always the College of Agricultural Science's big-

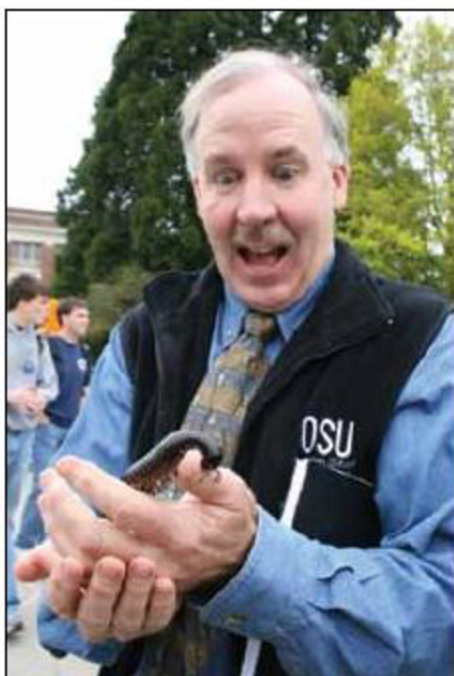


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Dr. Greg Thompson holds a millipede in the Memorial Union Quad during Agriculture Days in 2008

gest advocate.

"He is going to be missed. Not just as a professional who built an outstanding career and leaves a legacy of excellence for everyone to enjoy and build on, but also for being a friend and colleague on campus who loves to find the good in life, enjoys a great laugh and was always available to give wise counsel," Hartley explained.

"As grateful as I am that I was able to work with Dr. Thompson, my fondest memories are from spending time on the golf course with him. Now that he is retiring, my only hope is that he will let me caddy for him when he makes it on the Senior PGA tour," admitted Stewart.

On behalf of the students, faculty and staff of the College of Agricultural Sciences, we would like to thank Dr. Thompson for his service to the agricultural and educational

communities.

He truly is the face of Oregon Agriculture Education, an advocate for all things agriculture, and a great friend.

You will be missed, Dr. Thompson.

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amazing colleagues, like Shelly or editor-in-chief Sean, then finally assess it.

The columns are divided up into how they can best fit like a very old-fashioned game of "Tetris." Our printing press makes the copies and, voila, instant awesomeness.

Everyone I mentioned above and everyone as a whole who works at The Barometer are the foundation for an amazing paper, and I'm glad I was a part of that.

Not only could I bond with you fine folks as we mocked republicans and democrats together, but we learned more.

The letters I received were great and the feedback given was phenomenal.

When you tell Johnny about all of this, his small tiny child-brain might not comprehend the magnitude of the situation — he will in time.

When it comes down to it, you can't spell "Satire Emporium" without "team."

Or "sat," "pores," "rest," "tires" or "premium" if you're crazy good at "Words with Friends," but let's focus on "team."

It takes a group effort to build, make and produce something that is special, and thanks to everyone here I was able to be a part of it.

You know have a little more insight into the emporium's unsung heroes and how impor-

tant they are to not just my column, but to all columnists and staff.

This all being said, I hope everyone passes with at least a C- this term and has an amazing winter break.

I'm, of course, graduating and will be done in winter.

Maybe we'll talk again someday, but to be honest, you guys are like Disneyland people — a great crowd that I can share a special experience with, but also will never see again.

In the meantime, get through the whole "school" thing.

It's worth it.

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