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Domestic dispute leads to drug bust

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OSU student Barry T. Washington was charged with harassment, endangering the welfare of a minor, unlawful manufacture of marijuana, unlawful possession of marijuana and unlawful delivery of marijuana this week, according to a Corvallis Police Department press release.

CPD officers responded to a report of domestic violence at Washington's residence on May 18 and determined the parties involved were inside but refused to answer the door.

The Benton County Circuit Court granted a search warrant to the officers regarding the domestic violence report. Upon entering the apartment, officers seized more than four ounces of marijuana, money and a firearm.

Neither of the suspects was seriously injured during the domestic dispute, according to the press release.

Denise A. Skeen, 24, of Corvallis was arrested and charged with harassment and endangering the welfare of a minor.

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Bill Blair, far right, a volunteer from the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform, talks to Emily Houston, a junior at Colorado College, in the MU Quad Thursday during the Genocide Awareness Project demonstration as Meghan Nielson, a senior in sociology, protests the displays.

GAP display inspires debate

Women's Center, Genocide Awareness Project spread awareness on two sides

By Candice Ruud
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Haunting images of bodies hanging from trees, emaciated and tortured concentration camp victims and 10-week-old aborted fetuses took residence in the MU Quad on Thursday as part of the Genocide Awareness Project's pro-life display.

These images were surrounded by metal barriers as a form of protection against those who might feel inclined to destroy or act out against the GAP, as some have done in the past.

According to the GAP, abortion is genocide. In their pamphlet, handed out to those who walked by in

the quad, genocide is defined in Webster's New World Encyclopedia as "The deliberate and systematic destruction of a national, racial religious, political, cultural, ethnic or other group defined by the exterminators as undesirable."

The widely controversial GAP believes that this definition fits perfectly with abortion and that the "national group" described is, in this case, unwanted unborn children.

According to the pamphlet titled "Why Abortion is Genocide," one out of every three unborn children conceived in America is aborted.

"I have family members who have had abortions," said Darius Hardwick, the Northwest regional director for the Center of Bioethical Reform, the center that developed the GAP. "Everyone in my family who has had an abortion is hurting

and suffering from it. I don't pile guilt onto them."

On the other side of the quad, the Women's Center set up booths and handed out free condoms and informational packets about Planned Parenthood in protest of the graphic nature of the GAP's display.

Protestors held pro-choice signs that read "My body, my choice" and held wire coat hangers to remind passersby of a time when abortion was illegal and the dangers women faced with "back alley" abortions when they had nowhere to turn.

Now, having an abortion holds less physical risk than having a tonsillectomy, said Megan Nielsen.

Nielsen, a senior in sociology who is in her first year of working for the Women's Center, said they represented a strong, educated presence

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Ice core leads to discovery of new greenhouse gas

Researchers in geosciences, ocean sciences benefit from information on methane, CO₂

By Daniel Acee
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A new discovery in greenhouse gases and climate effects has surfaced from an ice core obtained in Antarctica that dates back 800,000 years.

The ice core has provided researchers in geosciences and ocean sciences with valuable information that shows patterns of methane, carbon dioxide and temperature levels over that large amount of time.

Edward Brook, associate professor for the OSU geosciences department, was chosen by the weekly science journal "Nature" to write a column about the ice core that was found by the European Project for Ice Coring in Antarctica.

"Direct evidence of past environmental conditions is rare, which makes it all the more valuable where it does occur," said Brook in his article for "Nature." "The EPICA collaboration presented the latest, and longest, record from perhaps the most valuable of these archives: the atmospheric gases trapped and preserved in ice cores extracted from Earth's polar regions."

The ice core is created as snowfall weighs down on itself increasing over time, according to Brook.

This puts constantly increasing pressure on lower snow layers. The layers eventually packed down with great force and sinter together, a geological process that causes powders to form a coherent mass, eventually trapping the air bubbles

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OSU says goodbye to philosophy student

Nicholas Faas, 24, died in two-vehicle accident on Highway 99

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He is remembered for being a young man filled with energy and spirit, a dancer who sang, loved and lived dancing.

Nicholas Larry-Lee Faas, a senior in philosophy at Oregon State University, passed away in a motor vehicle accident last week.

Yesterday, memorial services were held for Faas in a tribal ceremony in Grande Ronde, collaborated by the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

The love, friendship and compassion that Faas gave to those who knew him was honored at the ceremony. "Nick wasn't officially a tribal member, because he was one generation too far removed," said Jacob La Plante, a close friend of Faas and a senior in sociology.

Faas is a descendant of the Petite family and the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde. "The elders of the tribes got together and made a traditional cedar grave-marker for Nick, and they haven't done that for anyone — period. It is a huge honor," LaPlante said.

Cedar is one of the most valuable and usable materials in Northwest coastal tradition. Carving cedar was a hobby for Faas that he shared with his grandfather.

"The effort and craftsmanship would have deeply moved Nick," said Molly Matthews. Matthews is a director at the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde for the Youth Education



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Nick Faas, left, was a senior in philosophy and descendant of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

Program, with which Faas interned.

"There was a beautifully touching, traditional burial song and chant, and in the silence when it was done, it was as if a weight had lifted," said Katherine Allen, a senior in pre-construction engineering and a close friend of Faas.

During his involvement with the Confederated Tribes, Faas became involved with the Grand Ronde/Chinook Canoe Family, and made an annual six-day tribal canoe journey to the Muckleshoot Tribe in Auburn, Wash.

Members of his "canoe family" shared traditional canoe songs with

the mourners.

Faas' fearlessness and loyalty to others was a part of his daily life. "He was flat-out willing to do whatever to make people smile," La Plante said.

La Plante told of a time when he was dared to jump in the Pacific Ocean at 1 a.m.

"It was freezing — middle of January, Oregon Coast freezing — and I didn't want to do it," La Plante said. "But Nick said, 'C'mon, dude. I'll do it with you!' and we just jumped. He didn't have to be asked to do anything."

The 24-year-old had just been accepted into the Sapsik'wala Masters

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ASOSU exposes ability differences

Accessibility Awareness Week shows difficulties students with disabilities face getting around

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You may be wondering how difficult it is to get around campus in a wheelchair. ASOSU offered students the opportunity to test this question this past week.

Every day of Accessibility Awareness Week had a theme. Monday focused on hearing disabilities, Tuesday on visual disabilities, Wednesday on physical disabilities and Thursday on learning disabilities.

"We're just trying to get the OSU student body more aware about what students with disabilities face," said Francesca Guralnick, a junior in political science and member of the ASOSU Accessibility Task Force.

ASOSU had a booth set up outside of Snell Hall during the week, where they gave away free food and informed students about the difficulties that disabled students face.

"I think that's pretty cool," said Abe Hogle, a sophomore in civil engineering. "Nobody really thinks about what it's like for disabled people."

"Our goal is to get students to stop and think about it for a second," said Megan Beltz, a junior in philosophy. "It's really hard for a student with a disability."

Beltz is also the director of the ASOSU Accessibility Task Force.

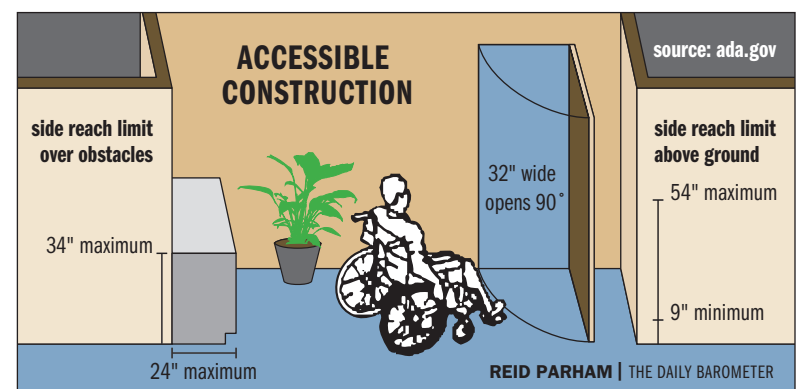
"The task force has a constant goal to make OSU more accessible to all students," Beltz said.

The task force is working to put up maps in the front of all campus buildings showing where the exits and bathrooms can be found.

"The maps aren't just for disabled people," said Beltz. "They're there to help everyone."

Current services available to disabled students include class note-takers, rental wheelchairs, Braille books in the library and computers that can read aloud.

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ICE CORE: Drilling, studies continue

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from each time period into solid ice.

Using a specifically designed drill, teams of scientists spend, at times, up to five years removing six-meter long sections of ice core at a time measuring about 12 centimeters in diameter.

"A relatively small band of international scientists are gradually drilling further down into the ice cap and progressively analyzing older ice cores," Brook said in his article.

Brook has dealt with many skeptics saying that humans have no correlation to the increase in carbon dioxide levels, which are warming up Earth's climate.

"What we are trying to do is to understand gases on many time scales, over thousands of years," Brook said.

A graph of the gases and temperatures found in the ice core shows a spike in methane, carbon dioxide and temperature levels just after the industrial revolution.

This provides valid information about the start of fossil

fuel burning.

Carbon dioxide sat at an averaged level of 300 parts per million over the past 800,000 years.

Once the industrial revolution began, the average moved up to 382 ppm. Methane averaged 800 parts per billion and now have reached 1800 ppb.

Brook and others are attempting to find the patterns of climate change over the entirety of Earth's history.

"Something has to happen to the Earth's system to raise CO₂ levels," Brook said.

"If we found gas and temperature levels to be the same then as they are today, we could say that the greenhouse effects are not ours, but we jacked these levels up so fast we're just waiting for Earth to respond."

Data from the ice core has reinforced the tight link between greenhouse gases and climate.

This link is shown through reactions that the earth has shown since greenhouse gases have started to rise.

"I get a lot of e-mails from skeptics that try to tell me that humans have no direct relation to the increase in carbon dioxide," Brook said. "There is a lot of misinformation out there about how science works, but

none of it adds up."

According to Brooks, OSU has a group of a dozen professors that are passionate about studying the earth's past climates.

"I like this field because it's a global issue, these are the workings of the entire earth," said Brooks. "Its fascinating to just ponder how this all works together. This isn't just an academic issue, it effects all of us."

James Lee is a member of Brook's research team and enjoys having Brook as a boss.

"It's really interesting to watch the progression and changes [of gases and temperatures] over time," Lee said. "You can see epic events that happened throughout history in terms of methane levels."

"I was not totally aware about it [Brook's article in "Nature"], he's very modest and doesn't talk about it a lot, he gets published fairly frequently though," Lee said.

If you are interested in learning more about greenhouse gases and new discoveries in the geosciences and oceanography fields visit science.oregonstate.edu/~brooke

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POLICE BEAT

ARRESTS

1:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 20 — Kaitlin R. Fitzgerald, 30, of Corvallis was arrested near Cascade Hall on charges of identity theft, fraudulent use of a credit card, computer crime and theft in the second degree.

6:46 p.m., Monday, May 19 — Shawn H. Crandall, 36, of Corvallis was arrested near S.W. Allen St. on charges of criminal trespassing in the second degree and failure to report as a sex offender.

12:26 a.m., Saturday, May 17 — Eric K. Miner, 20, of Corvallis was arrested near N.W. Polk Ave. for an outstanding fugitive warrant for another agency.

2:25 a.m., Saturday, May 17 — OSU student Mariska Saraswathi Widharma, 19, was arrested on charges of driving under the influence of intoxicants and minor in possession of intoxicants after being stopped between N.W. 9th St. and N.W. Monroe Ave. for illegal stopping,

standing and a burned out brake light. Widharma had a blood alcohol content of 0.09 percent.

12:13 p.m., Saturday, May 17 — James Johnson, 46, was arrested on a fugitive warrant for another agency near N.W. Circle Blvd. when officers responded to harassment complaints. A responding officer recognized the suspect who was intoxicated at which point he called to confirm the warrant for Johnson's arrest.

2:22 a.m., Friday, May 16 — OSU student Kylen K. Reagan, 23, of Portland was arrested on charges of harassment, disorderly conduct and interfering with a peace officer after an officer witnessed Reagan assaulting a female.

11:25 p.m., Friday, May 16 — David J. Adams, 45, of Corvallis was arrested on a fugitive warrant for arrest for other agency near N.W. Garyanna Dr. while officers were responding to a noise disturbance complaint. The warrant was issued for contempt and assault in the fourth degree.

4:29 a.m., Wednesday, May 14 — David J. Morse, 28, of Corvallis was arrested between N.W. Polk Ave. and

N.W. 14th St. for a fugitive warrant for other agency after being stopped for driving with expired tags.

1:50 p.m., Wednesday, May 14 — Trevor C. Thurman, 19, of Philomath was arrested near N.W. 3rd St. for a warrant for arrest for own agency that was issued for charges of criminal trespassing in the first degree.

4:05 p.m., Wednesday, May 14 — Patrick T. Currans, 19, of Philomath was arrested near N.W. 5th St. for a fugitive warrant for other agency after he turned himself in. The warrant was out of Corvallis Municipal Court for criminal contempt.

12:34 p.m., Wednesday, May 14 — Jason T. Rule, 19, of Corvallis was arrested near N.W. Kings Blvd. on charges of robbery in the third degree and theft in the second degree when officers responded to reports of shoplifting at Fred Meyer. The items stolen included men's dress socks, a T-shirt, a swimsuit and boxers, an accumulative worth of \$66.

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Police Beat is compiled from the police logs of the Benton County Sheriff's Office, Oregon State Police, Corvallis Police Department and OSU Department of Public Safety by a Daily Barometer reporter.

FAAS: Memorable personality, actions

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in Education program at the University of Oregon and was looking forward to becoming a high school teacher.

"[Faas] was a bright person. He wrote one of the more passionate, evocative papers in [my] class on a death-related experience in his life," said professor Courtney Campbell, one of Faas' instructors. "I will not be able to forget his story."

Faas' passion for helping disadvantaged students or minorities was obvious, especially through his work with the Youth Education Program at the Confederated Tribes.

Matthews describes his college internship with them as "one of the most influential things Nick did for his community. Youth loved Nick... His imprint on our lives will be eternal."

Faas tutored students during and after school and served as a role model and mentor for the students, as well as a chaperone for many field trips and camps.

Several of the students who

worked with Faas told stories at the ceremony of how he affected their lives.

The speakers at the service told stories of the compassion that Faas passed on to those he worked and shared time with.

"Hewas hard-looking," Allen said, referring to Faas' completely tattooed arms. "But he was a teddy bear, always surrounded by friends."

The tough 5-foot-10-inch, tattooed figure might have been intimidating, but it belied the deeper character of the person within: complex, highly intelligent, selfless thinker who chose his words carefully.

"He was a total badass," La Plante recalls. "But he made you think twice and look twice."

"Nick is hilarious," said Stephanie Kragness, a senior in education at Western Oregon University and a close friend of Faas. "Being a philosophy major, we often got into deep conversations about life... Everyone sought Nick's advice."

Two of Faas' best friends, Jordan Evans and Asa Kerr, both of Corvallis, agree that he was "the true definition of a friend. He wasn't violent or liked to fight, but... he was

ready to stand up against injustice and protect his own, no matter what."

Friendship and relationships were important in Faas' life, and he demonstrated these values through the time and effort he put into everything that he did.

Faas made friends easily. With his charismatic personality and interesting appearance, it wasn't uncommon to see him striking up a conversation with random people on the sidewalk.

"Every moment with Nick was time well spent," Kragness said.

When Faas' grandfather gave a eulogy at the service, he spoke of the difference Faas made in the lives of others.

"[Even] his tattoos were comprised of words that reflected the values he wished to live by," Campbell said. "Courage, honor, wisdom. In that respect, his outstanding quality is that he walked his body talk."

At the open casket service held Sunday, Allen slipped a note inside, leaving her final thoughts with Faas, although his memory and the things that Faas taught her will always be with her.

La Plant and Allen feel that Faas left his friends and family with the message to "love every day, everything and everyone, as though you had always loved it."

Kerr and Evans found a quote by Shakespeare that they believe describes the way Faas lived his life: "My crown is in my heart, not on my head / Nor decked with diamonds or jewels, nor to be seen: / My crown is called contentment: / A crown it is, that seldom kings enjoy."

Although it may not have been Faas' motto, the way he lived his life gives tribute to the quote.

Through his Native American dances to Gwen Stefani songs in the bowling alley, his charismatic personality that drew others to his friendship, his loves of laughing, singing and the Oakland Raiders, Faas followed his passion for his heritage and packed more into his 24 years than most people do in a lifetime.

One might say that Faas did, indeed, find his crown — not of diamonds or jewels, but of content, and at the end, of cedar.

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GAP: Students avoid, debate Quad display

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needed in the quad that day to show and support the pro-choice believers on campus.

"Their argument is so one-sided and doesn't acknowledge both sides of the issue. In years past I would avoid the quad when the Genocide Awareness Project came to campus because it's scary," Nielsen said, with a sentiment that was echoed by many students.

Alisha DeVogele, a senior in health management and policy who has worked at the Women's Center for two and a half years, disagrees with the ideology of the GAP and noted that people seemed to be largely avoiding the quad on Thursday.

"I've known people who have had abortions, who have had babies and people who have given babies up for adoption. It's a spectrum. We want women to choose what's right for them," DeVogele said. "A woman's life should not be dictated solely by the parameters of her body."

Behind the metal barriers, volunteers for the GAP stood stoically, representing the seri-

ousness of the issue.

"The unborn can't stand up for themselves, so we need to stand up for them," said Angela Schierling, a volunteer and pro-life supporter.

When asked hypothetically if she became pregnant what she would do, Schierling said that she would have the baby, regardless of the situation.

"I don't think the baby did anything to deserve death."

Dana Toma, another volunteer for the GAP, said that the parallels between images of victims of the KKK, victims of the Holocaust and images of aborted fetuses made sense to her, that it all represented genocide.

"Life is an emotional issue," Toma said. "I've known people, and family members, who have had abortions, and these people had huge regrets."

The Women's Center and the GAP, while within 30 feet of one another, respectfully and civilly represented two different views that are at odds with each other all across America.

"I think debate is healthy. In order to be an informed society we have to hear both sides of the argument," Hardwick said.

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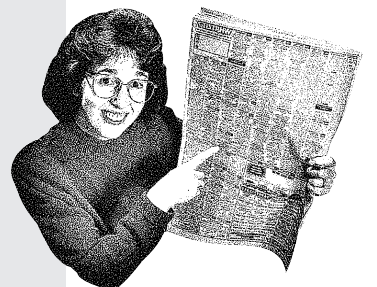
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