

## RECYCLE

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posable asbestos-removal suits, rubber gloves and hard hats, weighed all the sacks from a particular building and then separated the contents into piles of recyclables and non-recyclables to be weighed again.

When the results were tallied, Johnson Hall led the list of buildings with a slightly soiled reputation for recycling.

Of 95 pounds of garbage taken from the administration building, almost three-quarters — or 73 percent — could have been recycled in some way.

"Lots of takeout boxes with little plastic deals," auditors noted on their tabulation form for Johnson Hall.

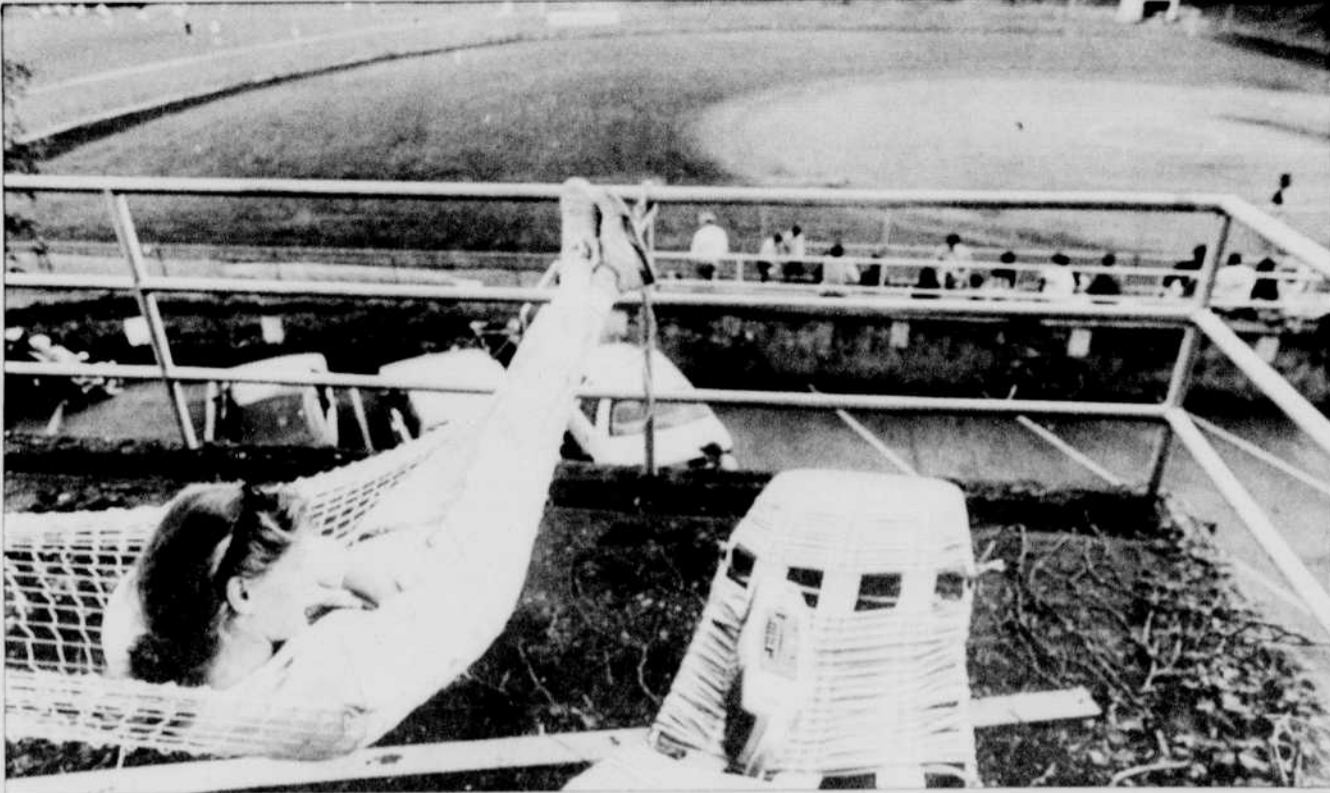
Sorters also separated out 30 pounds of white paper and 16 pounds of newsprint that could have been tossed into recycling bins.

Lawrence Hall didn't perform much better: 90 pounds of garbage from that building included 15 pounds of cardboard and 15 pounds of white and colored ledger.

About 60 percent of garbage from PLC was recyclable, including 10 pounds of cardboard, and 58 percent of trash taken from Oregon Hall could have been kept out of landfills.

Kaplyn said she was pleased with the results of the audit, despite the large amount of paper and cardboard that volunteers sorted out of Tuesday's garbage.

She said the percentage of white, colored and computer ledger audit could have been higher if it weren't for the paper recycling program in place in most campus offices.



### Box seats

Amy Pettersen, women's assistant basketball coach, enjoys the best seat in the house, relaxing in a hammock on a Mac Court balcony as she waits for the second game of a softball double-header against OSU to begin.

Photo by Mark Ylen

# Sexual orientation bill has an uncertain future

By Joe Kidd  
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SALEM — Gov. Barbara Roberts and a handful of top state officials called for legislative approval of a Senate bill on Tuesday that would expand Oregon's anti-discrimination laws to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.



Speaking before the Senate Business, Housing and Finance Committee, Roberts said she strongly supports Senate Bill 708.

"We cannot stand silently by while any Oregonian faces the loss of their civil rights," Roberts said. "In the face of such unfairness, I cannot be silent."

If approved, the bill would add sexual orientation to the state's current criteria used to define illegal discrimination in areas ranging from education to employment.

However, under SB 708, the activities of religious organizations with beliefs incompatible with homosexuality would be exempt from compliance.

The bill would also specifically prohibit landlords from asking about a potential renter's or home buyer's sexual orientation when renting or purchasing a house or apartment.

Whether the measure would affect the University's controversial family housing access policy is unknown, said Melinda Grier, director of legal services for the Oregon State System of Higher Education.

Rep. Carl Hosticka, D-Eugene, said he believes the Republican leadership in the House "will probably try to kill it" by controlling which committee the bill is sent to.

And if the bill passes in the Senate, it can expect opposition from conservative groups outside the Legislature, said Lon Mabon, chairman of the Oregon Citizens Alliance, a political group with a history of opposing gay rights legislation.

"We will lobby against it if it does get out of the Senate and goes to the House," Mabon said.

"We look at 'sexual orientation' as a politically crafted phrase or term to describe what is commonly known as sexual perversion," he said. "We view all forms of sexual orientation, other than a heterosexual relationship, as wrong behavior."

If the bill becomes law, Mabon said OCA will try to repeal the measure in the November 1992 elections, a strategy used successfully with a similar issue in 1988.

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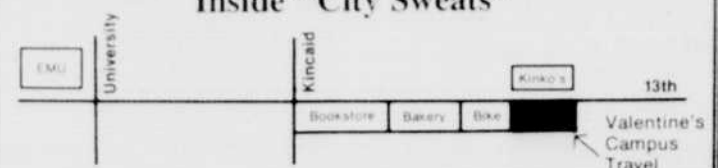
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