

(OSU)  
**GO BEAVS**

While notoriously conservative, Oregon State University is showing some signs of change for LGBTQ students and staff.

The *Daily Barometer* recently announced that Associated Students of OSU (ASOSU) officially expressed their support for same-sex marriage, asking the feds to recognize these unions.

Days earlier the student paper featured fraternity man Dan Cushing, a candidate for ASOSU's Vice President spot (he won by the way), who came out not just to his fraternity brothers at Sigma Phi Epsilon, but to the whole campus.

And the university just hired a new Director of LGBT Outreach and Services, Jeff Kenney. Originally from Nebraska, Kenney is a specialist in Queer student support services.

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**DOMA  
 DOWN**

IN EARLY JUNE A 3-JUDGE PANEL IN THE FIRST CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS UNANIMOUSLY UPHELD A U.S. DISTRICT COURT DECISION FINDING THE DEFENSE OF MARRIAGE ACT (DOMA) UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

THIS ACTION BRINGS THE ISSUE OF MARRIAGE EQUALITY ONE STEP CLOSER TO A SUPREME COURT RULING.

DOMA IS STILL BEING ENFORCED, DESPITE THE COURT'S ACTION.

DOMA PREVENTS SAME SEX COUPLES IN ALL 50 STATES, DESPITE THEIR OWN STATE LAWS THAT MAY ALLOW THESE COUPLES TO MARRY, FROM ACCESSING FEDERAL MARRIAGE RIGHTS.

OREGON'S STATE CONSTITUTION ALSO INCLUDES DISCRIMINATORY LANGUAGE AGAINST SAME SEX MARRIAGE.

ON A RELATED NOTE: BASIC RIGHTS OREGON IS SPENDING THE SUMMER TRAVELING TO COMMUNITIES AROUND THE STATE TO "EXPAND OUR MAJORITY FOR MARRIAGE IN OREGON."

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