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Dear Parents and Families,

The calendar indicates it is winter term and so does the outdoors! Winter brings the doldrums to all of us, not just the students. As parents and family members of students, please keep in mind that traveling in and out of the basin is often challenging, so please encourage your student not to travel home during bad weather periods. Also encourage your student to get involved in activities (indoors and out) to shake off some of the winter blues. Thankfully winter will pass (hopefully in time for Commencement in June – I say that sincerely because it snowed on the 4th of July my first summer in the basin!).

This issue includes information from many Student Affairs departments and athletics so I’m confident you will find it insightful, interesting and helpful. As always please let me know if you have any questions about student life at Oregon Tech. Stay healthy and warm this New Year.

Sincerely,

Erin M. Foley, Ph.D.
Vice President for Student Affairs & Dean of Students
WHAT’S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS?

Students Give Back with the Volunteer Owls

What began as a small group of students volunteering once per term has now blossomed into a monthly service program which promotes giving back to the community while developing friendships and local networks. In addition to the local projects, each spring break the V-Owls also venture to serve a community outside of Klamath Falls. This March, we will be traveling to San Francisco to partner with community service agencies in the Bay Area. Volunteers will be engaged in projects which are selected to demonstrate the wide variety of opportunities for service and to connect with different at-risk communities in the area. After service projects are completed, students will be able to explore some of the famous sites of San Francisco. The trip costs $100 which includes travel, lodging, and meals (students are responsible for any additional food purchases beyond $100). Past Alternative Spring Break trips were spent volunteering at housing renovations with the Sisters, Oregon Habitat for Humanity.

Students can sign up online to receive all announcements via email or they can simply look out for the service project advertisements posted online and around the Klamath Falls campus and sign up for each project separately via email to Josie Hudspeth. Monthly projects are open to all students, staff, & community members. This year so far, students have volunteered with Operation Christmas Child, Klamath Lake Community Action Services, the Marquis Plum Ridge nursing home, and at our own softball field. We welcome invitations and/or suggestions from local organizations & charities for projects which serve our community. For more information, please go to www.oit.edu/communityservice. All questions can be directed to Josie Hudspeth in Campus Life at 541-885-1392 or josie.hudspeth@oit.edu.
Take the LEAD with the Newly Designed Leadership Academy

Students are engaged in a wide variety of activities and programs which aid in the development of leadership and professionalism. From the classroom, to campus clubs, to athletics organizations, and working for a student program, Oregon Tech students receive leadership training and experience throughout their entire collegiate experience. The Oregon Tech Leadership Academy is a program designed to capture their experiences and help them define and articulate their skills. It is intended for campus leaders who want to learn more about how to provide effective leadership; clear objectives and goals; and long-term direction for their organizations as well as for students who are interested in building leadership skills for their professional development.

The Leadership Academy is focused on developing students in six areas of growth: Connection & Outreach, Communication, Diverse Perspectives, Professional Development, Teamwork & Service, and Wellness. Training occurs in each of these areas and together work to build a well-rounded leader. Students determine their own level of participation by attending whichever Leadership Academy events they desire.

Students can earn certificates based on how many events they attend, by getting involved on campus, and serving the Oregon Tech community. The introductory certificate is called Learn, which requires students to attend 10 training workshops. The Engage certificate includes joining a campus organization of some kind with the 15 training workshops. Leadership Academy students will then be involved in training, application, and take leadership roles on campus to complete the Advance certificate. Finally, participants will mentor a fellow student, receive more training and create applied projects to earn the final certificate-Demonstrate. These together, equip students with tools to LEAD. For more information, please go to www.oit.edu/leadershipacademy. All questions can be directed to Josie Hudspeth in Campus Life at 541-885-1392 or josie.hudspeth@oit.edu.

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Housing and Residence Life | Connect. Serve. Lead.

Our theme for the Residence Life Staff is “Connect. Serve. Lead.” We hope that your student has seen this in their Resident Advisor, Student Success Mentor, Service Desk and full-time staff.

Our goal is that each student in our ResHall and Village will “Connect” with other residents. We do this through programming and 1:1 contact. Our staff has provided some great programs in the Residence Hall and Village. We have seen: Family Dinners, Movie and Ice Cream, Bingo Night, Board Game Night, Create your Own Mug, Breakfast, Ice Cream Sundae Night …just to name a few. Your student has many opportunities to “Connect”. Please encourage them to step outside their room and connect with us!

In January we had our 4th Annual TechCon in the College Union. We “Served” over 400 students between Saturday and Sunday. The ResLife staff offered a chance for students to show off their interest and talents in many different ways. We had Casino games, a League of Legends tournament with a shout casting of the Final showdown. We also had Table Top games, Role Playing Games, Dungeons and Dragons, Just Dance and several Magic game drafts and a Saturday night dance. I personally enjoyed seeing the students get out of their rooms and come over and play! It was a great time.

We are now in the process of selecting our ResLife Staff for the next year. Those who will “Lead” by their example both in the Residence Halls/Village and off campus, as well. This is a rigorous application and selection process that is very intentional for applicants. We will have interviews with student staff and our professional staff, hold a group process day and also give the applicants an opportunity to shadow a staff member on duty rounds.

The Residence Hall Association (RHA) is continuing to represent your student within their living community. There will be a Winter Outing coming up in March. Elections for new RHA staff for next year will be coming up in spring term—if your student is interested in running for an elected officer to represent the Residence Halls, be sure and encourage them to come to a RHA meeting. They are held the 2nd/4th Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in our TV Lounge.

Our First Year Experience (FYE) students enjoyed a B.Y.O.B. event when they arrived back in January! It was a cereal night and they were told to “bring their own bowl!” It was great fun and each FYE Student received an exclusive FYE sweatshirt. There are also plans for a Murder Mystery Dinner coming up later this term! Everyone is very excited for this event.

A new service we are providing is the “Housing Shuttle Service.” Once a month, we will provide a Saturday shuttle around town. We have a route that students can be dropped off and picked up at favorite shopping and dining locations. All they need to do is sign up in the Housing Office. We hope this will be a welcomed service to get our students off campus and into the community!

If you find your student is having a hard time connecting or having any questions or concerns, please let us know. We are here to help! You may contact us at 541-885-1094 or reslife@oit.edu.
Financial Aid

Applying for Financial Aid
Filing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is an annual process. The online application is located at www.fafsa.gov. We highly recommend all students complete their FAFSA online as soon after January 1st as possible. Students may file throughout the year but some funds are limited and may not be available at later dates. Filing early gives the best chance of being evaluated for all monies for which a student may be eligible.

Scholarships
Now is the time to apply for a host of scholarships including:

- Oregon Tech Foundation Scholarships, due March 1st www.oit.edu/otfscholars
- Leadership and Diversity, due April 1st www.oit.edu/scholarships
- Oregon Student Access Commission scholarships for Oregon residents, due March 1st www.oregonStudentAid.gov
- [The Oregon Tech Foundation Scholarship process began in December and expects to award over $275,000 in scholarships. With this one application, students can apply for multiple scholarships. Students should submit their application by March 1st. The selection process will take place in April and students can expect to be notified of their award in May. Additional scholarship opportunities are listed on our website at www.oit.edu/scholarships. If you have specific questions on regarding scholarships, please contact Julie Daniels at julie.daniels@oit.edu.]

Award Letters for 2015-2016
The Oregon Tech Financial Aid office anticipates that award notifications for students will go out in early April. Please check our website in March for more specifics. Returning students receive an email to their Oregon Tech email account informing them that they have been awarded. Students will then need to log into “Web for Student” to view and accept their award online. If you are taking a parent loan, please be aware this is a separate process. More information will be available on our website and in the Oregon Tech Award Guide. The Financial Aid Award Guide will be available online in PDF form. Paper copies will be available on request. When students file their FAFSA we may request additional information. Please make sure your student is checking his/her Oregon Tech email and mailbox for important requests. Failure to respond will result in a delay in the award notification.

Oregon Tech Email
Remind your students that Oregon Tech email is important to check throughout the year. Information on scholarship opportunities, financial literacy workshops and announcements are sent to this email on a regular basis.

Helpful Websites
- www.nslds.ed.gov
- www.finaid.org
- www.studentloans.gov
  (financial awareness counseling)
Oregon Tech Emergency Alert Systems

Did you know that Oregon Tech actively utilizes an emergency alert system called OIT-Alert to inform your students of important information concerning their safety? Whether it’s related to inclement weather which could close the campus or delay classes, or a more immediate concern of public safety, the university routinely tests the system to ensure that students have the correct information registered.

Each registered student is automatically entered into the OIT-Alert system with the information they registered with. They are then encouraged to update any phone numbers or emails to receive emergency notifications. Please encourage your student to update their information at www.oit.edu/oit-alert.

The university also began tabletop trainings last year that bring together students, faculty and staff to participate in scenarios such as Active Shooter drills. Instructors are brought in from the Klamath Falls police department to use a training program called A.L.I.C.E. The A.L.I.C.E. program (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate) has been incorporated into K-12 and Universities nationwide. See the program at www.AliceTraining.com for more information.

Additionally, Oregon Tech maintains “Blue Phones” around campus, which are essentially landline phones on blue light poles that are equipped with one large button that can be pushed to connect directly to Campus Safety. The on-duty officer’s cell phone that they connect to also gives the location of the phone to the officer just in case there are issues at the calling end. These phones are available throughout the campus in high traffic areas so you can be assured that your student is just a touch away from Campus Safety even if they misplace their cell phone.

To learn more, visit Campus Safety’s webpage at www.oit.edu/faculty-staff/campus-safety.
The Oregon Institute of Technology (Oregon Tech) Board of Trustees, in its inaugural meeting since member appointments and confirmations last year, unanimously elected Lisa Graham of Bend, Oregon as its initial Chairwoman. The Trustees also unanimously voted Steve Sliwa of the Columbia Gorge as its initial Vice-chairman.

**Dr. Graham** is Chief Scientist at PARADIGNisr, and CEO of Black Canyon Woodworks, both in Bend; and is a Director on the State Board of Higher Education. As a chemical engineer, Graham has worked in a number of corporations – including Bend Research and Dow Chemical – and has served on the Oregon Tech President’s Advisory Council. She has provided leadership to a number of state initiatives that focus on building the workforce pipeline of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) students and graduates in Oregon.

**Dr. Sliwa** is a Founder and CEO of Seeq Corporation in White Salmon, Washington, a software company. Previously Sliwa was CEO of Insitu, Inc.; and he has worked at other aerospace organizations including NASA. He was also the third President of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Oregon Tech’s Board of Trustees voted on three initial standing committees:

- Academic Quality and Student Success Committee will be chaired by Dr. Jeremy Brown, President of Portland Community College, of Portland, Oregon
- Finance and Facilities Committee will be chaired by Dr. Sliwa
- Executive Committee will be chaired by Dr. Graham

Oregon Tech Trustees reviewed and approved bylaws and policies that will guide the governance of the institution. Trustees were also provided with a general orientation on the academic, finance, student affairs, government relations, communications outreach, and other areas of the institution; as well as the scope of the Board’s duties, authorities, and ethical standards.

Oregon Tech’s Trustees will meet quarterly for full Board meetings, rotating between the Klamath Falls and Wilsonville campuses. The Board begins their official authorities on July 1, 2015, but have the authority to initially complete certain actions such as selection of Board leadership and considering tuition, for example.
Events Calendar

**Oregon Tech Fridays!**
1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27

Every Friday is Oregon Tech Fridays! Students should wear Oregon Tech gear to show their Owl pride and support on campus and in the community. If we catch a student in the act of wearing Oregon Tech swag they just might receive a free giveaway from some very spirited staff!

**Last Day to Drop Course for 25% Refund**
Friday, January 30

**Pre-Game Pink Out Fun**
Friday, January 30, 4:00-5:30 pm at College Union Crater Lake Complex
Join fellow alumni, friends, faculty/staff and fans for a Pink Out Tailgater and Silent Auction. There will be free food, drinks, games as well as incredible silent auction items. Don’t miss this event!

**First Wednesday of the Month**
First Wednesday of every month on the second floor of the LRC. The event is sponsored by the Student Success Center and hosted by various campus departments each month. Contact ssc@oit.edu for more information. We look forward to serving you breakfast!

**Breakfast Club**
First Wednesday of the Month
8:00-10:30 am at LRC 2nd Floor
2/4, 3/4
All Students, Faculty and Staff are invited for a FREE breakfast of waffles, bagels, yogurt, fruit, muffins, etc. Breakfast Club is held on first Wednesday of every month on the second floor of the LRC. The event is sponsored by the Student Success Center and hosted by various campus departments each month. Contact ssc@oit.edu for more information. We look forward to serving you breakfast!
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**Business Etiquette Dinner**

**Wednesday, February 4, 5:30-7:30 pm** at College Union Mt. Mazama

Learn proper dining etiquette at the annual Career Services Etiquette Dinner. Only $10!

**Volunteer Owls Project Day**

**Saturday, February 14, 9:30 am-2:30 pm** at College Union Campus Life Office

www.oit.edu/campus-life/community-service

Spread some love at our Valentine’s Day event at the Klamath Animal Shelter! We will get to give some tender LOVING care to the dogs and cats that need extra love.

We will receive an orientation that will qualify you to volunteer at the shelter all year long.

Email josie.hudspeth@oit.edu to sign up!

**Registration for Spring Term 2015**

**Wednesday, February 16**

www.oit.edu/registrar

Registration for Spring Term 2015 begins February 16-26 based on the Registration Schedule. Make an Appointment with your Advisor to go over classes and get your Advisor PIN to register in Web for Student.

**Last Day for Course Withdraw**

**Friday, February 20**

Grad Fair 3/4, 3/5 9:00 am-4:30 pm at College Union

**Last Day to Completely Withdraw from University**

**Friday, March 13**

**Final Exams Week**

March 16-19
Alternative Spring Break Service Trip - BAY AREA

Join the V-Owls in the Bay Area for the 3rd Annual Spring Break Service Trip. We will be jumping into several community service projects in the San Francisco Bay area as well as enjoying some of the amazing sites!

3/23: Depart from Oregon Tech

3/27: Return to Oregon Tech

Sign Up Here!

Events Calendar

March 23

Women's Basketball vs Concordia University
Friday, February 20, 5:30 pm at Danny Miles Court

Men's Basketball vs Concordia University
Friday, February 20, 7:30 pm at Danny Miles Court

Men's Rugby vs SOU
Saturday, February 21, 1:00 pm at Purvine Field

Women's Basketball vs Warner Pacific (Senior Day)
Saturday, February 21, 5:30 pm at Danny Miles Court

Men's Basketball vs Warner Pacific (Senior Day)
Saturday, February 21, 7:30 pm at Danny Miles Court

Men's Rugby vs Willamette
Saturday, March 7, 1:00 pm at Purvine Field

Softball vs Eastern Oregon University Double Header
Friday, March 27, 2:00 pm at Softball Complex

Softball vs College of Idaho Double Header
Saturday, March 28, 11:00 am at Softball Complex

Baseball vs University of British Columbia Double Header
Saturday, March 28, 12:00 pm at Kiger Stadium

To view Oregon Tech Events Calendar: http://calendar.oit.edu/MasterCalendar/

CLUBS/SPORTS

Fall Term President’s and Dean’s List:

Engineering Students Win the 2014 Oregon ITE Traffic Bowl

The Oregon Tech Student Chapter of Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) took home $500 after winning the coveted Bill Kloos Trophy for first place in the Oregon ITE Traffic Bowl on November 20th at Portland State University.

University of Washington took home second place, while two-time defending champions and host Portland State University finished third. Teams from Oregon State University, University of Portland, and the University of Oregon also competed.

The Jeopardy-style contest pits the Northwest’s brightest transportation students against each other and tests students on their knowledge of transportation planning, engineering, and history, with a sprinkling of arcane facts and pop culture thrown in for good measure. The knowledge-building event also brings practicing engineers and students together to network and assist transportation job seekers.

Roger Lindgren, Oregon Tech civil engineering professor and chapter advisor, said the team narrowly made it out of the preliminary round, earning the wild card slot in the final by a mere 100 points. “Then, in the final round Justin Millar, our captain, and his crew were unstoppable, gaining the lead on the second question and dominating the round, winning by 900 points,” stated Dr. Lindgren.

The 2014 Oregon ITE Traffic Bowl student champions are:
− Justin Millar – captain
− Colton Hansen
− Jimmy Le
− Joshua McCullough

Over the years, the Chapter has arranged very successful trips to the ITE Traffic Bowl, the USDOT Region X Transportation Student Conference, ITE Western Region Student Leadership Conferences, and tours including the single point urban interchange (SPUI) in South Medford, the west coast’s first diverging diamond interchange (DDI) in Phoenix, the Eugene I-5 “flyover”, the Willamette River Bridge, and the Antlers Bridge.

The Chapter works with other Oregon Tech student groups, such as the Engineers Without Borders, American Society of Civil Engineers, and Associated General Contractors student chapters as well as the International ITE organization, ITE Region 6, Oregon ITE, and student groups at other Oregon universities to put engineering students in contact with practicing engineers and real-world projects. Funding for the Oregon Tech Chapter is through a grant from the National Institute for Transportation and Communities (NITC).

For more information on events or to become a member please contact Chapter Advisor Dr. Roger Lindgren at roger.lindgren@oit.edu.
Women Student Engineers Share Experience of Building and Launching a NASA Rocket

Just watching the online video of the NASA rocket is impressive enough, but learning that Oregon Tech students were among the participants who built the component parts and then launched it is even more awe inspiring. Earlier this year Oregon Space Grant sponsored a team of three Oregon Tech students who are members of the Society of Women Engineers, and a team of three educators from the South Metro-Salem STEM Partnership to attend the five-day 2014 RockOn! Summer Workshop at Wallops Flight Center in Virginia. While the teachers brought the experience back to their classrooms in the form of lesson plans, Oregon Tech women engineering students presented to a group of 65 fellow Oregon college students, professors, and K-12 teachers at a Symposium earlier this month in Corvallis at Oregon State University.

“This is a unique project in that teachers and college students are learning and struggling with new challenges side-by-side, incorporating the NASA rocket launch experiences and enthusiasm for engineering and space exploration onto their classrooms, college campuses, and learning institutions,” said Jill Hubbard, STEM Network Director, South Metro-Salem STEM Partnership. “We’re really proud of our student and teacher participants for extending themselves in this way, and thankful that the OSGC could support so many students and educators through the rocket development project, the multiplier effect of the Symposium, and sharing their experiences throughout the STEM Partnership.”

Oregon Tech’s Association of General Contractors Place 3rd in Outstanding Chapter with Greenhouse Project

The Oregon Institute of Technology Associated General Contractors (AGC) Student Chapter was selected as the third place winner of a $400 cash prize and the 2014 AGC Outstanding Student Chapter award to be presented on March 18, 2015 at the AGC Annual Convention in San Juan, PR.

This award was given to an AGC of America Student Chapter that undertook a project which benefited the local community. The Oregon Tech AGC Student Chapter constructed three greenhouses for the local tribes in Beatty, Chiloquin, and Klamath Falls, OR.

The Oregon Tech AGC chapter currently has 31 members and 13 student chapter members embarked on the service project, which began in January 2014. Oregon Tech AGC Student Chapter President Earl Matthews wrote, “The purpose of this project was to assist in a USDA-funded research project to determine whether a greenhouse maintained within a community would produce more crops than a greenhouse maintained by an individual. The grant was obtained by Klamath Tribal Health and Family Services with the primary goal of alleviating the food shortage status of most areas around Klamath County; three for the community and three for individuals. The Oregon Tech AGC-ASCE student chapter was in charge of constructing three 10-ft by 20-ft timber framed greenhouses at sites in Beatty, OR, Chiloquin, OR, and Klamath Falls, OR. The greenhouses were designed and prefabricated in the winter term by freshman students enrolled in ENGR101 Introduction to Engineering. In April, the AGC-ASCE student chapter transported materials in the civil engineering trailer

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Oregon Tech faculty advisor Dr. C.J. Riley oversaw the project. “I am incredibly proud of the student chapter for their hard work on this project,” says Dr. Riley. “The recognition from AGC is proof that their efforts to construct greenhouses for the Klamath Tribes last year were important. They really went above and beyond to serve their community.”

This project provided students with the opportunity to help out the local community through their knowledge of designing and fabrication. The Oregon Tech AGC student chapter was able to partner with Klamath Tribal Health and Family Services to assist in the design, fabrication, and implementation of the greenhouses at a low cost. This offered students the chance to get hands-on experience working on a design and build project while helping the community.

UPDATE: Oregon Tech’s ASCE club won the Paul Emerick Training Award for constructing greenhouses for local tribes at the annual business meeting in Vancouver this year.
Oregon Tech Steals One from Northwest on “Black Out for Hunger” Night

Megan Whetstone hit the go-ahead jumper with nine seconds to go, while Charity Degman’s triple to tie at the buzzer for Northwest was off the mark, as Oregon Tech stole a Cascade Conference women’s basketball game from the Eagles, 61-58, at the 4th Annual “Black Out for Hunger” event at Danny Miles Court.

Oregon Tech improved to 15-4 overall and 4-3 in CCC play.

Northwest scored the game’s first six points before Tech’s Megan Whetstone tied the game at 12-all with nine minutes to play in the opening period. Carly McIsaac free throws helped the Owls to their first lead 14-12, moments later.

Tech and NU battled through four more ties before the home team moved up 29-25 on a Tess Armstrong score. NU’s Kalee Fowler would rattle home a trey from the corner as time expired, as the Owls held a 29-28 advantage at the half.

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A Vandenbrink triple and a pair of free throws cut Tech’s deficit to 58-57, and when Charmaine Bradford missed both ends of her free throw tries for NU, the Owls had last possession.

After a 30 second timeout Tech drew up a set play for Whetstone where she caught, turned and banked in an eight footer with nine seconds on the clock to go up 59-58. A NU turnover resulted in Tech’s Carrie Thibault being fouled on the inbounds where she sank both her tries to make it a 61-58 game.

With 2.2 seconds, and 50 feet from the basket, NU’s Charity Degman was the recipient of an inbounds where she took three dribbles and got off a decent look, but missed just left, as the Owls secured the three point win.

Ashleigh Vandenbrink led the Owls with a team-high 13 points, followed by Whetstone with 10 points and five rebounds. Karissa Harbick and Reb Matteri provided a spark off the bench for Tech, as the duo joined Karly LeVeque to finish with nine points each. Matteri grabbed eight caroms and LeVeque seven in the win for the Owls.

Ashleigh Vandenbrink capped an 8-0 run with a 3-pointer and a pair of free throws to help Tech regain a 44-42 lead with 8:47 on the clock.

A pair of Greene freebies for NU with 7:31 to go gave the visitors the lead again, 45-44. The Eagles would maintain the edge over the next seven minutes, moving up 56-52 with 1:21 to play.
Moore’s 30 Leads Tech to 64-62 Win on “Black Out for Hunger” Night

Oregon Tech battled from nine down in the second half, and when a 10 foot runner for Northwest at the buzzer rolled around and out, the Hustlin’ Owls earned a 64-62 win at the 4th Annual “Black Out for Hunger” game in Cascade Collegiate Conference men’s basketball action at Danny Miles Court.

Oregon Tech improved to 11-6 on the season and 4-3 in CCC play.

Oregon Tech and Northwest battled through six ties in the first half, the last at 21-all with 4:42 to go, before back-to-back Tomas Ogbaslassie triples propelled the Eagles to a 27-21 lead just a minute later.

Three Lavar Moore free throws, and a Tyler Van Kirk basket down the stretch, closed out the scoring for the Owls in the opening period as the home team trailed 28-26 at the intermission.

NU marched out to a 9-2 run to open the second period sending the Owls to their biggest deficit of the contest, 37-28, with 14:47 remaining.

Lavar Moore would connect from long range on Tech’s next possession, spurring a 10-0 run, as the Owls took their first lead since five minutes to go in the first half at 38-37.

NU, however, regained a 41-40 advantage on a Cody Shackett field goal, but it was all Tech over the next five minutes, moving up by double-digits on an Austen Flint trey with 5:12 to go, 54-44.

The Eagles closed to five points, 49-44, but a short jumper from Moore pushed the lead back to 10 points at 58-48.

NU managed a comeback using a Jeremy Paull triple, followed by back-to-back treys from Ogbaslassie, to pull to within 63-60 with 45 seconds remaining.

With time winding down, NU’s Thomas Jordan stole the ball going the length of the floor for a layup to cut the Eagles’ margin to 63-62 with under 10 seconds on the clock.

Tech’s inbound pass went to Lavar Moore where the junior guard was quickly fouled. Moore hit his first free throw attempt but with a miss on his second gave NU the chance to tie or win.

The Eagles, off the miss, took the ball the length and when a runner from the free throw line rolled around and out Oregon Tech secured the two point win 64-62.

Lavar Moore poured in a game-high 30 points, while Austen Flint added 12 in the win. They were the only two Owls to reach double-figures. Josh Johnson tacked on eight points, including 2-for-2 from the 3-point line, to go with four rebounds and four assists in the win. Bryan Beard grabbed eight rebounds and Tyler Van Kirk seven with Brandon Bautista handing out seven assists on the night.
Redevelopment of Moehl Stadium Sport Field

Oregon Tech is planning a $2 million capital bond redevelopment of the Moehl Stadium Sport Field to repurpose it for both track and soccer. The proposed redevelopment would be the first overhaul since 1995.

“Currently our men’s and women’s soccer teams travel almost 9 miles round trip to conduct practices and games off of the Oregon Tech campus,” said Chris Maples, president of Oregon Tech. “Having a soccer field will ensure that our students have an on-campus facility for their athletic needs. It will also save travel time and expenses, will be safer when returning from night practices and games, will provide an enhanced student environment on the Oregon Tech campus, and will save water because we will be switching from grass to turf.”

Men’s and women’s intercollegiate soccer teams, as well as track and field teams at Oregon Tech compete in the NAIA’s Cascade Collegiate Conference. They attract male and female student athletes from across Oregon and from many neighboring states.

This project is made possible through designated capital construction bonds that the university received specifically for campus facilities; these bonds cannot be used for instructional-related operations.

The new facility is anticipated to include:
- 120 x 75-yard collegiate all-season turf soccer field
- New 8-lane, 400-meter rubberized surface track in a double bend configuration (to accommodate the soccer field)
- New light poles and lights on the south side
- New long/triple jump runways and pits
- A new pole vault runway in a reversible configuration
- New shot put rings and refurbished landing area
- A new throws area to include hammer, discus, and javelin located west of the current solar field
- New ADA parking spaces in back of the stadium

This renovation not only has a significant impact on Oregon Tech’s men’s and women’s soccer programs, but also improves the track and field facility and provides availability year-round for other programs, such as intramurals, club sports, and other special events, including Oregon Tech’s annual graduation event in June.

“We’re excited about having a high-quality facility for our student-athletes and all of our students, community members, and fans,” said Athletics Director Michael Schell. “This is a great way to extend ourselves into the Klamath Falls community, and further the reputation of our sports teams and facilities.”

The first phase of design is in progress and Oregon Tech will break ground on construction in May 2015, with the field opening in early Fall 2015. A request for proposals for the construction phase will open before the end of the year, with the expectation that it will create local labor jobs.