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Pelton mingles with students

Students posed their questions to the new president amidst jazz music and sparkling cider.

by **Laura Guerrero**
Staff Writer

Wednesday night, students and faculty gathered in the Cat Cavern to meet Willamette's President-elect Dr. M. Lee Pelton. ASWU hosted the reception hoping to provide the student body with an opportunity to get to know the new president and his family while at the same time having an occasion to mingle.

The informal socializing over jazz music and glasses of sparkling cider provided a great atmosphere for students to meet Pelton and pose their questions and concerns to him.

Among the issues students voiced concerns about were Residence Life, the alcohol policy, diversifying the campus, and the Solomon Amendment controversy.

Pelton eagerly heard students' opinions about the issues that con-



Belinda Stillton gets a chance to talk with new president M. Lee Pelton at Wednesday's reception.

cern them. He made no comment about the Solomon Amendment controversy, saying that he puts his faith in the process already in progress to resolve it. He says that it will be something he will deal with if it is still an issue after he assumes the role of President.

Pelton emphasized that he feels one of his most important roles as President is to promote the

education that extends beyond the classroom, the interaction between students and professors outside of class. This will be one of his major concerns as President.

However, he stressed that before he could come devise any kind of concrete policy he needed

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Campus responds to Statesman delivery

President Johnston's plan is aimed at informing students, yet the tremendous amount of waste generated is a concern.

by **Laura Guerrero**
Staff Writer

Interim President Johnston's experiment to increase student awareness of the world outside the Willamette bubble began February 11th. It is modeled after one done at Penn State and makes newspapers easily accessible to all students.

For ten weeks from the start of the experiment, approximately 500 issues of the *Statesman Journal* will be delivered daily to the door of every residence on campus, excluding the sororities, Terra House, and other individuals that have requested that the papers not be delivered. The cost associated with this experiment is being paid for with funds from the President's account.

Dave Larmouth, director of the Recycling Department, and other ecologically-minded staff and students have voiced concerns that paper, energy, and money are being wasted on the students who do not read the newspapers.

Larmouth spoke with the president about distributing a survey to students asking whether that particular room wanted to continue to receive the paper. "The intent of the program is good, but not every student needs a paper because not ev-



Sophomore Alex Simmons picks up his morning paper at his front door.

ery student reads the paper. A survey that would have to be returned would get papers only to those who actually read it," Larmouth said.

Students generally had positive things to say about Johnston's paper program. Freshman Darcy Olsen said, "I think we should get the Oregonian because the Statesman sucks, but I think it's a good idea."

Rickie Brees agreed, but added, "It should definitely undergo a process of reevaluation with student input."

Larmouth also has suggested alternatives to newspapers, such as news over the internet, in order to minimize waste. The President has agreed to issue the survey. Students who do not want the paper should call the President's Office.

Faculty, students debate the Iraq-US cri-

by **Mona Luqman**
Staff Writer

The conflict in the Middle East has been a central part of America's foreign policy for as long as most Willamette students have been alive.

While many, due to the recent agreement that was reached between the UN and Iraq, may think the crisis is over, for some it is difficult to believe that a crisis which has been so evident throughout their lives could disappear with a simple agreement.

The teach-in occurred this past Tuesday, February 24 from noon to four. It offered students and faculty the chance to learn more about the crisis and it's relevant components. Sixteen faculty and community members presented different aspects of the issue to a constantly fluctuating crowd. Many

of the faculty presenters were disappointed by how few students took advantage of this unique opportunity to learn about the Middle East.

Organizers of the teach-in decided to continue with the program, despite the agreement reached earlier this week.

David McCreery of the History Department organized the teach-in and acted as the moderator as well. The idea for the event came just

last week when, as the crisis continued to escalate, a student responded to questions about the crisis by saying, "What crisis?"

Coordinators decided that the event would feature speeches as well as provide a chance for audi-

ence members to express their own views and ask questions. "I wanted this to be purely academic," says McCreery. The initially-proposed eight speakers in two hours was received with overwhelming encour-

agement, and soon each of those numbers doubled, so the program featured sixteen speakers in four hours.

The speakers at the teach-in included President

Bryan Johnston who spoke about the United States and International Negotiations, Ann Nicgorski whose speech was entitled "Archeological Looting in Iraq: The Human Costs," Pamela Moro with

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—David McCreery
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Criminal Mischief

February 14, 9:35 p.m. (Smullin Hall) - A student reported that someone had damaged the thermostat on the first floor of the building.

February 14, 11:30 a.m. (Doney Hall) - A student noticed a car parked on the sidewalk on the south-east end of the building. Moments later the student noticed the car was gone but there were tire tracks in the grass leading away from the area where the vehicle had been parked.

Emergency Medical Aid

February 13, 5:40 a.m. (WISH) - A student called to request a transport to the hospital because she was having severe stomach cramps. Campus Safety called WEMS to respond to evaluate the student's condition. WEMS checked the student and determined that she should go to the hospital.

Possession of a Controlled Substance

February 10, 10:30 p.m. (Lee House) - Campus Safety received a report of possible marijuana use in the building. Officers responded and found no physical evidence but a definite odor of the drug in the air.

Occupants of the room claimed the smell was coming from some candles that they had been burning.

Suspicious Activity

February 8, 8:56 p.m. (Lausanne Hall) - A student reported that several items of his clothing were rearranged in his room. Nothing was stolen but neither the student or his roommate had any knowledge of how the items got moved.

February 9, 8:05 p.m. (Shepard Lot) - Campus Safety received a report of two suspicious individuals looking into cars in the lot. By the time officers arrived the suspects were gone. Officers searched the campus and surrounding area and observed the suspects in the Amtrak lot. Officers contacted Salem PD since the suspects were off University property. A Salem Officer arrived and contacted the suspects.

Theft

February 8, 5:40 p.m. (Pi Beta Phi) - A student reported that her bicycle was stolen from the downstairs laundry room.

February 9, 12:20 p.m. (Lausanne Hall) - A student reported some parts stolen from her bicycle. The bike was locked in the bike lock area when the parts were stolen.

February 14, 4:15 a.m. (University Center) - While on patrol an officer noticed that the receiver to the emergency phone had been stolen.

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CAMPUS & COMMUNITY

Poets on campus tonight

Carlos Reyes and Vern Rutsala will be reciting some of their poetry at the Hatfield Room tonight at 7:30 p.m. They are the third part of Willamette's *Eight Northwest Poets* series. Readings are free and open to the public.

Library fundraising dinner

The Friends of the Library Banquet will be held on Wednesday, March 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Cat Cavern. Special speakers will be Albert and Virginia Furtwangler. Virginia writes under the pen name Ann Copeland and teaches writing classes here. Tickets are \$10.00 and must be reserved by March 6th. For reservations contact Dayna a 370-6312

Chrysalis deadline approaching

Willamette's Art & Poetry magazine is preparing their spring edition. Deadline for submissions is March 13th. You can pick up forms at the UC Desk or the Writing Center. If you have questions e-mail Helen at <hatsma>.

Lesbian Avengers coming

The Portland chapter of *The Lesbian Avengers* are coming to Willamette to stage a protest in response to the recent editorial printed in the *Collegian*. The theme will be a beauty pageant to show the sexism in a patriarchal society. Mike Benkoski will serve as celebrity judge. The show will take place on March 4th at 6:00 p.m.

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USAC seeks to change the current school policy regarding alcohol

USAC sights legal issues and student safety as reasons for the change.

by Sara Slothower
Staff Writer

This past Friday, February 20, the University Student Affairs Committee (USAC) attended the Board of Trustees meeting at the Salishan Lodge in hopes that permission would be granted for them to rewrite Willamette's alcohol policy.

USAC was granted permission to amend the policy, but this is just the first step in a lengthy process.

USAC's members represent a wide range of beliefs and values regarding the manner in which alcohol should be confronted on campus. The committee is headed by Stuart Tennant and its members include Greek guests Tim Beggs (Kappa Sigma president), Dave Kim (IFC president), Megan Frey (former Delta Gamma president), Chris Murphy (Beta Theta Pi president), Lisa Tilney (former Panhellenic Activities Coordinator), and Jane LaCombe (residence hall assistant), Kyle Behnke, Martin Behnke, Jim Brik, and Jim Bauer.

The committee hopes to write a rough draft of the new policy by early April when they will meet again with the Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees.

There has been much debate among the committee members over how the univer-

sity should approach the subject. However, one thing that is agreed upon is that the current policy is ambiguous in content and needs to be modified to reflect the university's position on alcohol on campus.

Currently, Willamette's policy as found in the Selected Policies Manual 1997-1998, states, "Willamette University neither encourages nor discourages the use of alcoholic beverages, but it does condemn the abuse of alcoholic beverages."

This policy was written under the assumption that it would pertain only to those students of legal drinking age. USAC wishes to directly address the issue of underage drinking in the new policy.

Dave Kim, who has been actively involved in the formulation of a new alcohol policy commented, "I would like to see an

alcohol policy that not only encompasses the judicial sides of the issue but the education side as well. People at this school are going to drink. It is Willamette's educational duty to teach these people how to drink responsibly."

Willamette is not the only university in the process of writing a new alcohol policy. In today's lawsuit prone society, many schools feel pressure to change their policies concerning alcohol to protect not only themselves, but their students as well.

All sides agree that it is important to educate all students, not just Greeks, of the responsibilities involved with drinking.

If you have suggestions or comments concerning the alcohol policy, please feel free to share them with one of the members of USAC listed above.

Terra House uses environmental agenda to promote new programs on campus

Terra house trashes paper proposal. The environmental theme hall will focus efforts on environment education.

by Eddy Abel
Staff Writer

A proposal written by Terra House that would have eliminated colored letterhead advertisement in

residence halls was postponed indefinitely due to complications that arose in the process of approval and execution.

If accepted, the plan would have regulated the phosphate-rich colored paper used for posters in halls. The lack of colored paper was also originally thought to cut Willamette's recycling costs. This also proved difficult since tape and other adhesives used to hang posters make them unfit for recycling. Currently the school receives between \$40 and \$70 per ton of white

paper, but must pay between \$15 and \$30 per ton to recycle mixed paper. Terra House's proposal aimed to increase the use of white paper and reduce mixed stock, which would increase the total revenue for recycling.

The primary focus of this plan, however, had nothing to do with money. The phosphates in the paper and the chemicals used to remove the colors throughout the recycling process and in production of colored paper itself are not reusable and eventually end up in river

systems like the Willamette and its tributaries. This has many adverse effects on the ecosystems of those drainages, including the endangerment of fish and wildlife populations and the contamination of drinking water supplies. The plan was submitted to every residence hall council to be voted on, and was approved by all except Kaneko, whose council felt that aesthetics needed to be preserved and also had some monetary concerns. The proposal retreated to Terra House where vice president Peter Jenkins and

treasurer Andrew Kolosseus tried to amend what Terra House residents affectionately term "Pete's Paper Proposal." However, the proposal met with more resistance in the Office of Residence Life because of the difficulties in the actual enforcement of such a proposition. Realizing the true complexity of their proposal, Terra House abandoned the project to pursue other beneficial programs. The first of these new efforts took place on Tuesday Feb-

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Renovations planned for Winter Street

The renovations to Winter Street will reunite the graduate schools and the main campus.

by Chrissy Wade
Staff Writer

Signs about the Woonerf proposal will appear on Winter Street on Monday. Woonerf, a Dutch word meaning a narrowing of a street to look more residential, is a plan to bring the west and east sides of campus together.

It would narrow the street, add three new crosswalks and widen the present crosswalk, enlarge the lawn area in front of Lausanne and Olin, add a bus shelter, and create bicycle lanes on both sides of the street.

The goals of this project are to make Winter Street more aesthetically pleasing, to make crossing the street safer, and to bring the two sides of campus together.

Ever since the renovation of the Law School, the street has seemed divisive between the two sides of campus.

Neither Atkinson, the Law School students or CLA students are now required to cross the street for classes or other school activities. However, because the university is building the new Hallie Brown Ford Museum of Art on State Street, CLA students will have more reason to cross Winter Street in the future. Some CLA students will have classes on the west side of Winter Street, which will increase the amount of foot traffic.

The Woonerf proposal will hopefully make crossing safer for these students, and also help students feel like both sides are part of Willamette's campus.

The proposal will be discussed on March 12 at a CATC (citizens) meeting, and then at the next City Council meeting. So far, there is support from many other agencies involved, including the YWCA and the hospital, both of which would be affected by the

changes. President Johnston's assistant, Kevin Neely, is helping head the process. He hopes to respond to concerns he has heard from students about parking.

Neely assures students that "this [proposal] is parking neutral." No parking space will be lost, and the project may actually free up more spaces for students by moving the main base of parking closer to Goudy, thus decreasing the number of spots taken by State Capitol employees.

In addition, Ferry Street, between the law school and Hasseldorf, could be widened and 15-20 parking spots added.

Neely hopes that the college supports the project, and so far students are giving positive feedback. Ian Street thought it was a good idea. He said, "It will just keep it [Winter Street] quieter and it will make the law school and the graduate school closer to campus."

If anyone has any questions about Woonerf, they can be directed to Neely in the President's office.

Womyn with wings...



The Educational Programs Committee sponsored Womyn With Wings as the third part of their Community programs series. The choreopoem showed the audience the issues that contemporary women face. See related story on page 4.

Surviving Salem on the weekends

Have you been wondering what to do this weekend? If you are sick of Goudy food and looking for adventure, read on for some fun ideas.

by Lissy Galton
Staff Writer

While professors may think homework is our first priority on weekends, students agree that the weekend is most often used for eating out and relaxing. If you are adventurous, but searching for ideas on how to spend your weekends, look no further. We have come up with a list of things to do at Willamette, in Salem, or in the surrounding cities.

Though students tend to avoid learning on weekends, Salem provides a multitude of museums to visit, such as the Mission Mill and

the Bush House. Polk County also offers the Polk County Museum and the Delbert Hunter Arboretum and Botanical Gardens, as well as an array of parks.

In Portland, one museum that you sceptics might want to check out is OMSI, the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. Students say it's really interesting and everybody should visit at least once.

If spending a weekend visiting museums is not your idea of a good time, don't worry, there are plenty of other things to do. The Mission Mill hosts a swing dance the third Friday of every month. People of all ages are on the dance floor busting moves that would blow *Swing Kids* away. Those of you who missed swing dancing at Black Tie can see what all the excitement was about. Be sure to dress up and bring along six dollars as an entrance fee.

For a low key evening in town, our very own Bush Park is a great

place to run, jog, or just stroll around. For any romantics out there; pack a picnic and take your special someone to lunch. The price is definitely right.

Trips to Portland are always fun if you have access to a car. Every Saturday and Sunday, the Saturday Market is open down by the riverside. It's fun to browse through at all the strange items vendors are trying to unload. Afterward, you can walk around Portland, grab a cup of coffee, go shopping, or try out one of the dance clubs. Evolution and Up Front are the two most popular dance clubs, but women, be careful at Up Front. Sources say it resembles a meat market.

Additionally, the Wellness floor of Kaneko has excursions such as river rafting, sky diving, hiking, and miniature golfing. You can call Brian Duty at 373-3292 and beg him to let you go.

For movie buffs, Salem Center

Movieland and Lancaster offer the ever popular \$3 Mondays, and the movies are always cheaper in the afternoon. Most importantly, the famous ASWU movie nights are back. Today, Friday, February 27th, ASWU will have the Indiana Jones trilogy; *Raiders of the Lost Ark* at 7pm, *Temple of Doom* at 9pm, and *The Last Crusade* at 11pm. The other movies to look forward to are *Trainspotting*, *The Usual Suspects*, *In and Out*, and *The Devil's Advocate*. Next week's 80's flashback theme will bring *The Breakfast Club* and *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* to Smith. The frenzy will also bring a host of fun activities, including an 80's dress up contest and a sock hop.

To top off your weekend entertainment, there is always the pleasure of taking a day off from Goudy food. Willamette students named The Ram, Old Chicago, Kwans, and Red Robin as few of their favorite restaurants. As we are college stu-

dents on a limited budget, none of them are very expensive.

If you are looking for a really nice place to take a date, you might try The Night Deposit, The Inn at Orchard Heights, Nona Rozelli's, or The Olive Garden. If all that is too much, Taco Bell, Boston Market and McDonalds can get you through a weekend without tearing a hole in your wallet.

This Saturday the 28th, the Salem Armory hosts Matchbox 0 which starts at 8pm, but those of us without tickets can find music closer to home.

Don't limit yourself to our ideas of fun. Get out there and see what Oregon has to offer; take a hike, go skiing, or visit the beach. You can call the ASWU Activities Hotline at 370-6733 or the Salem Convention and Visitors Association at 581-4325 or (800) 874-7012. Above all else, don't sulk in the dorm this weekend, make every minute count.

Womyn empower through telling herstory

The coreopoetry event Womyn With Wings brings 'artistic and provocative experience.'

by Alexandra Drexler
Staff Writer

The play *Womyn With Wings* was held Tuesday night in the Cat Cavern. The play was written by J.H. Chapman to illustrate the changes African-American women have gone through since the days of old Africa and how women in general deserve to be respected and admired.

This presentation by Living the Dream, Inc. was an amazing sight of beauty, spirit, and emotion. The strength of the play came from the women who presented it, as they used simplicity to effectively show the changes women go through to find freedom. Props were non-existent, save a few Cat Cavern chairs. No fancy lights illuminated the three

women performers, the only costumes were their plain black clothes and golden headpieces. For the 150 people present in the Cat Cavern on Tuesday night, though, this was a performance of magic.

As you might expect, many men were not present, though the few that came were just as spellbound as the women. The play began with the three actresses, Debrar Chapman, Ayanna Johnson, and Conia Almon, clapping, singing, and dancing. The women used the metaphor of a dance throughout the play to effectively show where women have come from, how they got there, and who they are today. The dance showed how the women were surrounded in stereotypes, but during the dance they found themselves. By the end the women had found God and were in true bliss.

The first half of the play was broken into series of skits, each woman performing the main character in one of them. The first skit

showed a woman who had shot her husband and killed him. She said she killed him because he stubbed her toe, but in actuality she had been beaten, raped and oppressed for many years. To her, killing him meant saving the rest of the world from him.

The second woman left her husband. She was neglected and scorned by him. She first found it easy to leave him, as she could identify an amazing amount of his faults, yet she had second thoughts. She did not have the strength to leave him because she was too dependent.

The third woman was raped, beaten, and left for dead by someone she knew. She found freedom in prosecuting him to educate others. She felt that both men and women needed to know what kind of things happen.

The fourth woman decided to love herself "today." She was a sexual being, mentally and physically, because she found hope. Her

breasts were removed due to cancer; the dance, for her, taught her that she could still have a normal life and be a whole person without her breasts.

The message in the second half of the play was that any woman can find freedom no matter who she is or where she is. The women realized that pain is necessary for growth and that without suffering there can be no healing. The women also realized that they can be whomever they want to be, not the victim or the oppressed.

The performance also dealt with issues of welfare, abortion, homosexuality, and sexuality. The women discussed both sides of the issues. They came to the conclusion that "Diversity is wonderful and it is part of who we are. [Women] are sexual beings and that is something we should be proud of." The performance also states that the world we live in is not one we, as women, can trust, but we do

have each other and are not alone. Women can do whatever they want to, all they need to do is find a dream and believe in it. We are strong, as long as we trust ourselves.

This amazing performance was truly a treat for the men and women of Willamette. If you did not attend you missed "a completely artistic and provocative experience," as sophomore Holly Simpson said. The play was not about being black, it was about being a woman.

To the students of Willamette, performer Conia Almon had a message, "If there is anything I want the world to know, it is that women need to be empowered to learn to appreciate themselves. Men (need) to be able to appreciate their women through love and understanding. And for race relations, God calls us to love one another not based on our color but on our hearts." *Womyn With Wings* is a powerful piece of art that everyone should make an effort to see in their lifetime. Together, these women have shown us

Students learn about date rape and assault

Students get a tough lesson about the effects of date rape drugs.

by Alexandra Drexler
Staff Writer

Because we live in the sheltered bubble of Willamette, we may consider ourselves impermeable to the outside world where rape and sexual assault cases are everyday occurrences. Unfortunately, date rape and sexual assault crimes are more common at Willamette than we would like to admit.

According to Campus Safety Crime Statistics, there were 12 instances of forcible rape on campus between the years of 1993-1996. These statistics may seem low, but the catch in Campus Safety's report is that these are only the number of cases reported. On all campuses nation wide, the rape and sexual assault rate is one in four women, but the report rate is only one in ten.

Although Willamette's rates may be lower than the national average, the crimes of rape and sexual assault still exist here, and that is a fact we cannot afford to ignore. Many programs at Willamette have been implemented to assist those who are victims of rape or sexual assault. Other programs are already in existence which educate those who are ignorant about the subject.

For example, last week, Belknap Hall sponsored an informative session about rape and date rape drugs. At this meeting Liani Reeves, a senior and the president of StART (students against rape together), spoke to the dozen or so female students. The meeting informed students about common date rape drugs.

Liani's reasons for speaking are "so other people will have access to the information I can provide them. It has been worthwhile to me to know that I might be helping in breaking down the bubble that we live in." In addition to Belknap,

Baxter and Kaneko each held educational talks for their residents earlier this school year. For many, these meetings can be a reality check, making people aware that rape and sexual assault issues must be addressed.

Many of us are ignorant about date rape drugs themselves. The drugs are an important piece of knowledge we must all understand to help deal with the issues at hand.

At Willamette, date rape drugs are not known to be common, but you still need to protect yourself. Prevalent outside the Willamette

comes in a \$10 bottle the size of hotel shampoo containers and it is a liquid. This drug is not imported from anywhere in the world. Instead it is made in kitchen's and labs across the nation.

The last drug, Burundangh, is the extract of the borrachio tree in Colombia. It comes in a powder form, and, unlike the other two, it induces hypnosis and does not give off a high.

For all three drugs the same amnesia effects are reported, and victims of the drug are never aware of their condition. It is concealed

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***Amiee Sperr
Senior***

campus are three date rape drugs on the black market.

The drugs are Rohypnol, Gamma Hydroxy Butyric Acid, and Burundangh. The first drug, Rohypnol, is the most common date rape drug. Rohypnol is odorless and tasteless, and it dissolves immediately in liquid.

It comes from Mexico and it is common because the price is only \$3-\$5 for one aspirin-looking pill. The drug is ten times stronger than Valium. It is a tranquilizer which won't knock you out, but will cause memory loss for up to eight hours. This loss of memory usually prevents the victim from remembering the assault. The drug can be tested for in the blood stream, but it has to be tested for specifically.

Gamma Hydroxy Butyric Acid (GHB) effects people just as Rohypnol does. GHB however,

in chewing gum, chocolate, or drinks. Again, these drugs are not known to be common at Willamette, but they could show up at anytime, anywhere. For more information regarding date rape drugs, contact Liani Reeves, and remember that these drugs just enhance the effects of alcohol. Alcohol is still the number one date rape drug. Mixing the two can have deadly effects.

Because the fraternities host parties, they receive a lot of bad and sometimes false publicity regarding the instances of rape and sexual assault.

According to Mike Wherry, president of Sigma Chi, informational sessions called awareness workshops take place in the fall for members, and all of their pledges must take part in one in the spring. Also, Sigma Chi provides sober

party monitors who provide security for both males and females. In addition to the watchful eye of these monitors, sororities designate other monitors to watch out for their sisters.

While we are quick to blame the fraternities, we must be very careful. Alcohol can be found in any of the dorms on campus, and alcohol is not always the direct cause of rape or sexual assault. Alcohol may play a part, but ignorance on the part of males and females has a direct correlation to the crimes.

To the coordinator of the Womyn's Center, senior Aimee Sperr, "it is not just a greek problem. It is everyone's problem. We have a lot of programs in place, however that doesn't mean we don't need open discussion as a community. We need to keep working on this."

The Willamette campus infrastructure is working very hard to increase awareness and safety here. Campus Safety provides escorts during all dark hours of the night, and StART made a proposal with Campus Safety to get better lighting. The President's Council has discussed the issue of parties moving off campus.

It has been discussed, though, that this move may lead to increased numbers of drunk drivers, and instances of people being trapped at the parties with no way to get back to campus. The council has suggested a cooperative effort between Campus Safety and local taxi companies to provide a pick up service for on-campus residents at parties with a ride back to their dorm.

This is an issue that affects us all, male and female. For women, we each have the potential of these crimes happening to us. For men, although it may be rare that you are a victim, it is your sisters, mothers and girlfriends who will be faced with the physical crime itself. It is your job to educate yourself and the ones you love.

There is plenty of social pres-

sure for women to keep quiet and not speak out about their experiences. Women need to be supported, as it is their choice on whether or not to press charges. Silence does not make these issues go away. Silence also does not help educate those who do not yet realize that rape and sexual assault incidents happen here at Willamette. "I think it's a concern but it's something you don't hear a lot about" said freshman Nicole Bankhead. We need to all work together to see that rape and sexual assault become issues everyone has awareness about.

As individuals, the most basic tool for preventing these crimes is education. For example, do not prop doors open in any hall for any reason. Anyone from anywhere could enter your building and even show up at your door. Do yourself a favor, go to an informative meeting to educate yourself and your friends regarding rape, sexual assault, and date rape drugs.

If there are no meetings available to you, contact the Health Center or plan one yourself. The Womyn's Center is a place where anyone can meet. In addition to the main meeting area, there is the Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual Library and the Womyn's Center Library which contain pamphlets and other publications. The center is open whenever the UC is open, and the key is at the Information Desk. Also, the Sexual Assault Advisors at the Health Center will be more than happy to assist you in protecting yourself. Go educate yourself and others who are not conscious of the sexual assault problems at Willamette. There are many of us who have the same feelings as freshman Luke Nickerman does. "Is there a problem?" The resources are out there waiting for you to take advantage. The choice is up to you; help and information is plentiful but you need to seek it out. These crimes are not a myth. They are a reality we all must face, even within the Willamette bubble.

Editorials

American athletes falter again

With the closing ceremonies coming to an end last Sunday in Nagano, Japan, it is back to life as usual for the citizens of the United States. The American patriotism that comes out once every four years (well, now every two) goes back to being nonexistent, and the average American Joe and Jane go back to the daily grind.

The Olympics should be a time when we are all proud to be Americans and whatever else our ethnic heritage has blessed us with, but once again, being proud of some of our American athletes is impossible.

The arrogant mentality of many of the American athletes of late has caused the downfall of what used to be the greatest single sporting event of all time. The Olympics used to be about the young and old making incredible sacrifices in order to participate in the most prestigious competition in the world. Now, it has become a circus act. And the blame falls directly on the professional athletes.

When amateurs dominated the Olympic scene, trashing of hotel rooms was unheard of and bickering over who gets on David Letterman was nonexistent. The U.S. Men's Ice Hockey team made a mockery of the American athlete with their late night partying and their parting hotel vandalism. So they didn't bring home the gold and they were upset—that is no excuse for them to act like a bunch of idiots.

The Women's Ice Hockey team did bring home the gold, and did so with class. Their joy for the game was exciting to watch, even if there was no checking. The disgrace with the women's team came after they arrived home. It seems as though greed has now taken over and problems between the players themselves has sprouted. The captain and media model for Women's Ice Hockey team had been Cammi Granato. But when the team USA goalie Sarah Tueting was invited on the David Letterman Show, Granato's agent forced the show to invite Granato as well. Now, the players are bickering between themselves over the spotlight of Olympic success.

This is not the first time, and, sadly enough, I'm sure not the last time, that Americans have disgraced themselves at the Olympics. We all remember the whole Tonya Harding and Nancy Kerrigan fiasco that had the world shaking their heads at American figure skating. Also, the USA Basketball's Dream Team gave sportsmanship a whole new meaning when they beat teams by over 50 points.

Lately, too many Americans have been set on becoming stars and catching the eye of America. It seems making money off of their Olympic success has caused athletes to compete against each other for stardom not Olympic gold.

The "Magnificent Seven" are a perfect example of using the Olympics to make money. They were all supposed to tour together after the Olympics, but Kerry Strug's vault seemed to vault her confidence and greed and she went off to try and make money on her own.

The American athletes have made a travesty of the Olympic games, battling over the spotlight, and making a mockery out of what is supposed to be the pinnacle of all sporting events.

There is no apparent fix to the problem, but taking professional athletes out of the games would help. Put those athletes whose number one priority is love for the game back in the Olympics and watching will be a joy again. By putting the young, up and coming US athletes back in the Olympics, we could once again be proud to be Americans.

Nuclear Armageddon

While Iraqi crisis makes headlines, a nuclear catastrophe with Russia becomes a possibility once again

With the collapse of the Soviet Union in the early nineties, it appears as if the threat of nuclear Armageddon is finally over. The United States no longer has to be weary of Soviet aggression. In the post cold war era, a deliberate Russian attack on the United States is very unlikely. Despite an end to cold war hostilities, the threat of a nuclear catastrophe is still very real. This resurgent threat can be attributed to both international developments and developments within Russia.

Russia has declined from a global super power to a moderate regional power in less than a decade. As a result, Russia has lost a lot of its military potential. Its conventional forces have dramatically weakened since the end of the cold war.

There was a decrease of Russian military personnel from 3.3 million in 1991 to 1.4 million last year. Satellite capabilities have been lost due to budget shortages. Russia has also lost many of its early warning radar stations, which are a crucial element to an early detection of a hostile nuclear strike, when the former Soviet Union dissolved. Low moral is another problem. All of this has stirred up concerns in the Russian government. Russians know that they can no longer depend upon their once formidable conventional force as a first line of defense. As a result, they have become increasingly reliant upon

nuclear weapons.

NATO's expansion into Eastern Europe, which mainly consists of former Warsaw Pact members, has increased Russian apprehensions about relying solely on their conventional forces as a deterrent toward hostility. They see this as an aggressive move by the United States and its allies. The Russians argue the need for NATO in the absence of a contending military super power. As a result, the Russians have objected to any US or NATO military action which would reveal Russian weakness. The prime example was during the Gulf war.

Guest Editorial

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Many of the weapons that the US obliterated in the war came from Russia. This is the main reason why Russia is against the US using military force to resolve the current crisis in Iraq. In response to NATO's increasing military capabilities, the Russians are extremely fervent in their plan to have and use nuclear missiles as a first line weapon.

Russia's intention to use nuclear weapons as a first line of defense has put a strain on its ailing economy. Thus, there are many signs that confirm the West's worst nightmare about the deterioration of the Russian nuclear infrastructure. Many government employees have worked without pay for

months. This has precipitated into strikes by many employees who oversee Russia's nuclear weapons. Shortages in the budget and mass strikes have left Russia in dire need of personnel. In some places, the only barrier that stands between the missiles and the outside world are two secretaries in charge of checking IDs.

To make matters worse, the Russians not only lack personnel, but they also lack modernization. Many of the computers that regulate nuclear launchings are old and outdated.

There has been more than one incident where a false signal has been sent by the computer. The computers have also been known to switch on the missile and ready them without any orders from a human operator.

Often times the Russian leadership only have a few minutes, at most, to decide if a retaliatory strike should be made. This is not enough time to rationally make a decision that can adversely affect the entire world.

Perhaps future technological advances will bring about a safer weapon (the acme of oxymora), which will not require the destructive force of a nuclear weapon. Until then the nations of world will have to be conservative in their desires to use nuclear weapons. The world is never a safe place when a large nuclear stockpile is the only way to dispel the fears of a nation.

Letters to the Editor



To the editor,

As an ASWU senator and a former member of ASWU finance board, I would like to encourage students to be in favor of the upcoming ten dollar raise in student body fees. The amendment to the Constitution passed in the ASWU Senate by an overwhelming majority and now requires a 2/3 majority vote in favor of the change by the students.

Raising student body fees is

necessary for a number of reasons. First, ASWU will be losing \$8,700 from federal work study money which will expire at the conclusion of the academic year. ASWU provides extensive financial assistance to a wide range of groups and organizations on campus. Groups ranging from WEMS to community organizations to multinational clubs, to religious organizations. ASWU funds and organizes many of its own activities such as Black Tie and movies in Smith Auditorium that provide sources of entertainment and recreation for students. ASWU also provides funds for campus publications such as the Collegian, the Wallulah, and the Chrysalis.

In order to foster an active and diverse student body, these organizations must be maintained through the financial assistance of the student body. As a past member of the finance board, it was difficult at times to deny funds to an organization because budget would not allow it. There are many organizations that deserve full funding, and we can only provide that by increasing fees. Willamette has and will continue to have some of the lowest student body fees among comparable schools in the north-west. I strongly urge you to support this fee raise.

Erik Van Hagen
ASWU Senator

Sports build tradition

18-1. That was the score of the lacrosse game last week between Willamette and Washington State. In a lacrosse game, that sort of score is pretty much a blowout. If this were a simply linear world, as my father often wishes it was, this score would be an indication that Willamette needs some serious help in the lacrosse department.

Maybe, but I've heard stories about another sport at Willamette that started out in the club realm. Crew. Last year's seniors would spin tales of rowing with no coach. Rowing with no launch to accompany them. Rowing with no idea at all of how to row in the first place. No boat-house. No equipment.

Nothing but an oar and some pretty impressive will. (Oh yeah, and a leaky tub of a boat, that has since sunk.)

I had the fortune of joining the crew team at the dawn of its true legitimacy. Two new racing eights and, most recently, a kick-ass boathouse right on the Willamette in all its floating-detergent-bottle glory.

My point? Before crew I was on another team, also in club stage. Rugby. Rugby also had little equipment and little coaching. All that is left of the Willamette Ruggers is a box-full of stained jerseys. It did not stand the test of time, and that is too bad.

In a recent editorial, I attacked Willamette's lack of tradition. The effort being put forth by the lacrosse team gives me hope. If there is anything that perpetuates tradition on a campus it is sports. Sports like lacrosse, rugby, and rowing are sports that have a long and proud history, although not

in this country and on this coast. My message to those lacrosse players who were battered but happy at the end of their last contest: Stand firm. Be proud.

The payoff is big. To be one of the first rowers in a fully functional program here at camp WU is intoxicating. Every time there is a regatta, we are surprising people.

Instead of the crew that limped across the finish line in a wounded fashion, we are now the team that seized the overall team trophy in the Northwest Collegiate Rowing Conference Championship.

Blind Sided

Josh Holland

I am from Pullman, and as a swimmer, I used to walk by the lacrosse field where the cougs practiced daily. That program has

been functioning since I can remember, and they have the advantage of a big ol' budget and a student pool of 24,000. What does this mean? It means the rush is all that much sweeter when two or three seasons from now, you hand them their heads.

I have no doubt that you are fearless now, but do not allow repeated losses to dim your enthusiasm. Rugby died because its players didn't care enough. Crew survived because some people refused to give up. Loss after loss. Lacrosse is the third in this line.

I hope that when I return to go to those alumni dinners where people in suits ask me for money and I stuff myself on beer and crab-cakes, I can wander out and watch the varsity lacrosse team humble the WSU Cougars, or some other hapless team that didn't see the Bearcats coming.

Campus needs to be more accessible

Dear President-elect Pelton and Willamette Students,

I would like to take this opportunity to express to you several different concerns and desires Willamette students have continuously related to the administration concerning the past, present, and future of the University. These opinions are in no way representative of the entire student body, nor in any particular order.

Please help alleviate Willamette's serious accessibility problem.

Willamette's former head football coach, Dan Hawkins, continuously told his team, "There are two types of class... first class and no class." This past week I learned of an issue on campus that would lead me to believe our university is not first class.

This issue pertains to community and university accessibility. Our university prides itself in fostering and maintaining a close-knit community. How often can a student go through the day without having friends and faculty call him or her by name? Each day students meet with one another to talk about the day's activities,

study, have a meal, or relax. Unfortunately, at Willamette, our wheelchair bound brothers and sisters are severely limited in the residence hall, fraternity, and sorority activities they partake in.

Dr. Pelton, Willamette students, faculty, and administrators alike, please close your eyes and imagine a Willamette where you are unable to go to a movie-pizza party in your living establishment's second or third floor. Imagine not being able to meet that "certain someone" you hoped to run into as you stroll through the hall on your way to visit a friend. Imagine not being able to attend your fraternity or sorority's chapter meeting or special function without physical assistance. Now open your eyes. These are but a fraction of the realities Willamette students with disabilities must endure and accept every day of their college life. Does it have to be this way? No it does not!

Before one more building is constructed, before one more campus region is expanded, before one more construction project is planned, this University should own up to its dignity and ensure a working elevator is placed within every dorm, fraternity, sorority, and academic building on this campus.

Presently, all floors in academic buildings at Willamette are wheelchair accessible. However, the majority of dorms, fraternities, and sororities are not wheelchair accessible past the first floor. Lausanne, Doney, WISH, Haseldorf

Apartments, Shepard, Lee, York, Matthews, Belknap, Baxter, Terra House, Alpha Chi Omega, Delta Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Sigma Chi all do not have second and third floor (if applicable) wheelchair accessibility. In addition, the restroom facilities in Kaneko are not wheelchair friendly. Kaneko and the University Apartments are the only student living areas on campus with elevator accommodations. I'm not a math major or statistician, but apparently only 9% of Willamette's student living structures have 2nd floor (or higher) accessibility. This statistic is abysmal!

This past week I had the opportunity to meet with one of Willamette's disabled students, Erik Fast, to discuss the accessibility of facilities here at Willamette. He expressed to me the frustration he must endure each and every day at Willamette from not being able to go to the second and third floors of his Lausanne dorm and other living areas on campus. Erik also discussed with me his former intentions of transferring to another college that had

better wheelchair accessibility. However, after getting settled at Willamette and fostering several new friendships, Erik has decided to stay at Willamette despite the limitations the university places upon his mobility.

Erik's attendance at Willamette is a big plus for our community. Erik is involved in the ASWU student government, is a pledge at the Sigma Chi fraternity, and is active in community service. Many students may not know that Erik was the ASWU chairperson for this year's very successful Black Tie Affair in Portland. This was a huge task for Erik to undertake, especially as a freshman. To lose Erik to another university would not only be a huge loss to his fraternity and our student government, but to the entire Willamette community. This must not happen. As a community, we must band together and ensure we attract people of Erik's caliber to this school as well as keep them here. To do this, we must put our money where our mouths are and finance wheelchair accessibility throughout the entire Willamette campus.

Let's set a precedent for other Universities to follow before the state and federal government mandates it. It may cost hundreds of thousands of dollars, but lets do it!

When considering these suggestions President-elect Pelton, please remember the school motto our founders based this University on, "Not unto ourselves alone are we born."

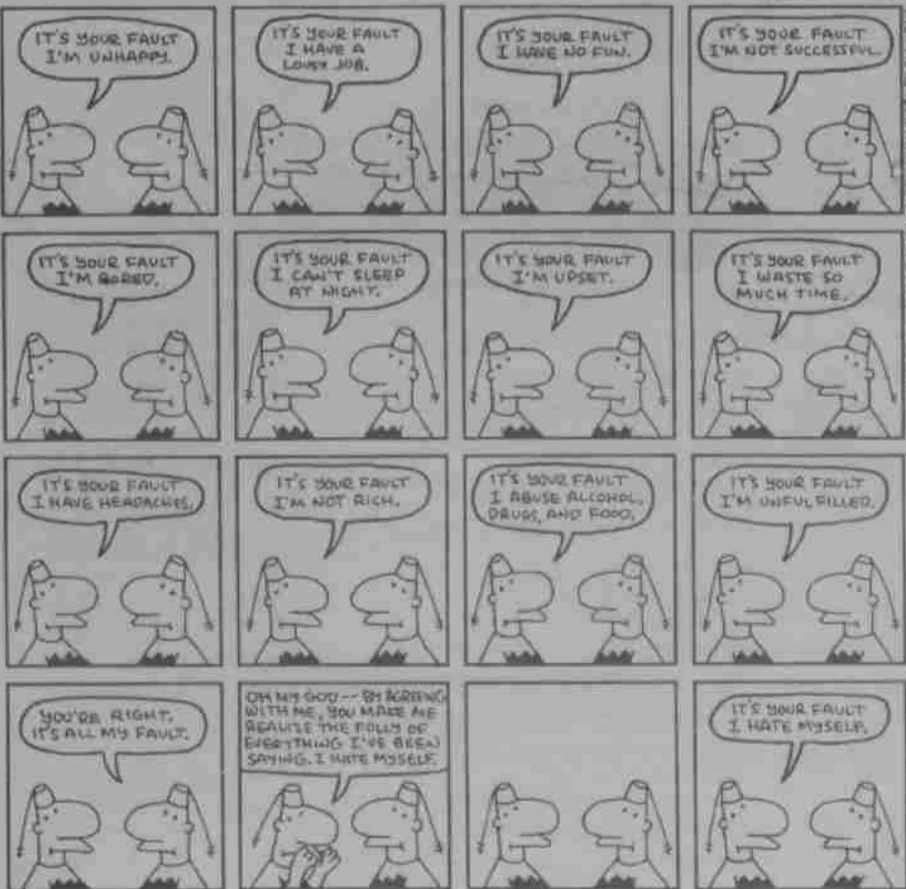


Staff Opinion

Gar Willoughby

LIFE IN HELL

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? ABC

Ask Bobby and Cindy ?

**Ask Bobby and Cindy...
The NEW abc Answers
column needs your
questions, just send them
in, and receive fantastic
advice.**

Yo B & C,

Me and my woman have been fighting for years. We decided to get married a year ago just to piss off our parents.

Now that we've dropped out of AA, we've had time to experiment. I'm seeing a three hundred pound truck driver that does me like there's no tomorrow. My wife also just found out she's pregnant by way of a Great Dane or a Pitt Bull (we're waiting on the ultra sound results).

She gets real moody whenever I'm around, and wishes I were dead. But, anyway, I just wanted to ask your permission to name my baby Cindy if it's a girl, and Bobby if it's a boy?

-Proud Father to be

Dear Dog Dad,

I heard the show "My Wife Slept With my Neighbors Dog" is coming up on Jerry Springer, you might want to give him a call. And, yeah, of course you can name your dog child after us.

-B & C

Dear B & C,

My roommate and I have a mutual friend we met at the beginning of the year. The three of us have been good friends since then. The two of them got together about two months ago, but they recently broken up. I continue to have him over to hang out in our room, though, because he's still my friend.

She has a problem with this, seeing as the breakup was not amicable, and she has asked me to tell him not to come over to our room anymore.

I don't want to lose him as a friend just because my roommate has problems with him. How should I deal with this and be able

to keep both of my friends?

-Stuck in the Middle

Dear Stuck,

Respect your roommate's feelings because you do share that space, but at the same time she shouldn't expect you to change who your friends are for her. Spend more of the time together with your friend in his room or in other places so she can have time to get over him. Don't try to force her recovery period, because it does take time.

-C

My opinion is that you should just get it on with him in front of your roommate. Then, she'll move out, and your problems will be over. You may lose a friend, but, hey, you'll have a date for the next dance.

-B

Hey B & C,

My college fund has dwindled down to nothingness, and my Goudy BBC's are already running

low. Often, when I see squirrels around campus and let them in my window to play in my room for a while, it occurs to me that eating the squirrels would be a good way to save a little cash. How do you suggest I go about preparing them?

-Creative Cooker

Dear Cooker,

Eat it raw, but please don't catch the one with it's ear pierced or the ones with no tails. They're really cute.

-B & C

Disclaimer: The writers of this column are obviously not licensed therapists, so if our answers to your problems don't work out, well, they're still your problems.

Please E-mail your questions to: abcanswer@hotmail.com or send them through campus mail to ABC Answers care of The Collegian.

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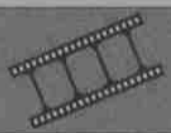
**Who should have
won the Grammy for
Best Album?**



"Pearl Jam!"

Mindie Reule,
freshman"Reo Speedwagon
should win every-
thing."Mya Wonsyld,
sophomore

"The Looniz!"

Luke Wagner,
sophomore

MOVIE

BLUES BROTHERS 2000

- Director: John Landis
- Starring: Dan Aykroyd and John Goodman
- Comment: A hilarious sequel.

When the original *Blues Brothers* movie debuted in 1980, it grossed over \$80 million, and today it's soundtrack continues to be one of the top selling soundtracks of all time. Since *Blues Brothers* was such a hit, I was somewhat hesitant to go see the recently released *Blues Brother 200*. Regardless of the worries I had, I knew the movie was bound to be funny. John Landis is a fabulous director, and since the original he has gone on to direct *Trading Places*, *Com-*

ing to America, and two Michael Jackson videos- *Thriller* and *Black or White*.

Well, I finally found the time to drive down to Lancaster, and I'd have to say I've only laughed that hard a couple times in my life. Whether it was the four rowdy boys who were doing somersaults in the isles and making constant remarks throughout the movie that kept me entertained, I'll never know, but, overall, I'd say *Blues Brothers 200* is a great movie.

The movie begins 18 years after we left the *Blues Brothers*. John Belushi died in 1982 due to a drug overdose, and, with him, died his alter ego Jake Blues. The movie picks up with Elwood Blues', played by Dan Aykroyd (*Ghostbusters*, *Grosse*

Point Blank), parole from Joliet. The movie follows a plot line similar to the first. Elwood is again searching to 'get the band back together.'

Along Elwood's journey he meets a strip joint bartender named Mighty Mack, actor John Goodman (*Raising Arizona*, TV's *Roseanne*). They, along with a young boy named Buster, played by newcomer J. Evan Bonifant, go off in search of the *Blues Brothers* Band. Although two other cast members have died since the original, Cab Calloway and John Candy, many have returned to reprise their roles.

The entire *Blues Brothers* Band, along with Aretha Franklin and James Brown, return to bring the 'Blues' to *Blues Brothers*. Their

journey takes them to a battle of the bands, and, of course, to some fabulous car chases. The movie is filled with random star appearances by famous blues, R & B, rock and country singers. Keep your eyes open for B.B. King, John Popper of *Blues Traveler*, and Johnny Lang.

The movie is hilarious, but I recommend seeing the original *Blues Brothers* movie first, as it enhances the experience. Overall, I'd give the movie my seal of approval. If you love music, especially blues, I would not pass up the opportunity to see the movie or even buy the soundtrack. The soundtrack features music from the *Blues Brothers* Band, Johnny Lang, B.B. King, and *Blues Traveler*.

-By Ellie Bayrd

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Swimming

Erin Smith

Senior



Athelete of the week is Erin Smith of the women Bearcats swimming team. Smith, a senior from Tacoma, Washington, has been on the Willamette team all four years here. Erin did not begin her



swimming career in the traditional way. She was a synchronized swimmer for nine years, but once she felt the competitive rush of racing in high school, she never looked back. After coming to Willamette, Erin immediately found a place on the team swimming the breaststroke and freestyle races. In fact, she made it to Nationals her freshman year. After a two year hiatus, she is again on her way to Nationals in a week, qualified to swim the 100-meter breaststroke and the 1650 freestyle, otherwise known as

the mile. Smith explained that the most challenging aspect of competitive swimming "Keeping mentally focused is really tough for 4-6 miles of training day in and day out."

Coach Al Stephenson commented, "Erin is a student athlete who is very focused upon both swimming and academics. She is very focused, driven and dedicated. Her record speaks for itself in a physically and very mentally demanding sport." Erin is a biology major and is entertaining the idea of going to pharmaceutical school after graduation.

A tribute to Ben Hogan

Golf
Shooting the green

by Patrick Boyd,
Golf Afficionado

How does anyone feel when they lose their hero or heroine--someone they may or may not have known personally but, nonetheless, held very dear to their hearts? To be honest, it is truly an indescribable experience, a humanizing experience and mostly a reminder that we all were created mortal.

This summer I was given this hefty dose of reality when William Ben Hogan teed off at Augusta in the sky. At first I couldn't believe it had happened, then I thought his soul would jump into my body and take it over (I had myself totally convinced that would happen). But, ultimately, I was just left with memories and stories I had read or heard second hand about him. I would like to give anyone who cares to read my column a whiff of his credentials.

Ben Hogan lived a life with hard times: World War II, witnessing the suicide of his father, a near fatal car accident and going bankrupt three times in attempting

to make a name for himself on the young PGA Tour. Regardless of his harsh circumstances in life, though, he made the most of what he had been given and then some.

His relentless practice and unflappable will led him to win the National Open (what he referred to the U.S. Open) five times (screw the purists who say four), he has five U.S. Open medals, the first from the USGA sponsored Hale America Open in 1942), the British Open at Carnoustie once (in his first and only appearance), the Masters twice and the PGA Championship twice. He is the only player to ever win ten tournaments in a year for two years, and, in Ryder Cup matches, he was undefeated as both a player and captain. He was the PGA player of the year four times, the leading money winner five times and the Vardon Trophy winner (awarded to the player with the lowest scoring average of the year) five times. Tiger Woods, you have no hope of ever achieving all this, and you have already had your ass waxed in Ryder Cup matches.

The list above is without a doubt distinguished, but it is far from the reason that I respect and hold Ben Hogan in the highest level of esteem.

..... To be continued next week

Bearcat track team anxiously awaits season opener this weekend



by Henry Nothhaft,
Staff Writer

Twenty years after graduating from Willamette University, Kelly Sullivan has returned to his alma mater to take the helm of the track program where once he was a star athlete. Sullivan, also Willamette's cross country coach, has defined goals both for this season and the long term. Thankful that the program does not require a complete face-lift due to the solid foundation built by former coach Brad Victor, Coach Sullivan hopes to focus his attention on loftier achievements.

This season's goals include improving upon last year's fifth place finishes by both the men and women, developing a team personality, and providing the seniors with a positive and memorable experience.

Although the team does have goals, no predictions are being made. "We're untested, and I'm not quite sure what to expect. We have some very talented freshmen athletes, athletes coming out for track for the first time, and the addition of football players," explained Sullivan. The size of this season's squad has increased dramatically from seasons past, as the roster lists 75 athletes. Sullivan feels the addition of eighteen football players, up from zero last season, will be a noticeable one.

Leadership should be a prob-

lem, as the Bearcats have a strong pool of seniors and returning stars from which to draw. On the women's side Ocean Kuykendall (sprints), Brooke Dille (sprints), Sarah Davis (throws), Nikki Geist (pole vault), and Beth Fitzgerald, a junior and the returning NAIA All-American and school record holder at 800 meters, all provide a solid base of leadership. On the men's team, Sullivan looks to Todd Davenport (sprints & hurdles), Carey Schmidt (sprints & hurdles), Bryce Mercer (distances), and returning NAIA All-American decathlete and thrower Jimmy Watts.

Looking down the road, Sullivan's primary goal is to win NCIC titles on both the men's and women's sides. The first meet will be this Saturday from noon to 3:45.



Patrick Capper exhibits the form and power needed to be a champion high jumper

Lax loses to U of O

Lacrosse

Season coverage by Ben Flint



The Willamette Men's Lacrosse team lost its second game of the season last Saturday to the University of Oregon Ducks in Eugene. At the horn, the score was U of O, 17 and Willamette, 2.

The Bearcats strung together some offense midway through the first quarter, but only after allowing

two U of O goals. Spencer Green led the scoring play for the Bearcats, dodging his mark, and dumping the ball to Ben Flint who managed to slip the ball between the legs of the U of O goalie.

The Ducks controlled most of the second and third quarters, adding fourteen more goals to their total, but Willamette retaliated late in the third with a flurry of shots by Green, Flint, and Josh Robbins. Green added Willamette's second goal after finally finding the back of the net with a long bounce shot on an assist from Flint.

The fourth quarter saw the Bearcat defense really come together to stonewall the Duck attackmen. Led by rookie goalie Mike Lauer, the Willamette de-

fense allowed only one goal in the final period, showing that they will be tough contenders in games to come. In all, Lauer saved more shots than he allowed, giving an excellent performance for his first game in the net. Strong defensive showings were also made by Dan Bair, Eric Baughman, and Mike Colpitts. Midfielder Spencer Green said, "You've got to give our defense credit. Many of them are rookies and Lauer was in his first game. Lax is a fast, high-scoring game and our de is keeping their heads up. That says a lot about their toughness."

Tomorrow's match pits the Bearcats (0-2) against the Pacific Lutheran University Lutes (1-2). The game will be held in Tacoma, WA.

Dissappointing Winter Olympics Over(Thank God!), March Madness just around the corner

Sports Corner

Editorial by
Sean Bevington

The T.V. numbers are in. The message that the American public has conveyed is clear. If the Winter Olympic Games do not contain jealous figure-skaters fresh-off hiring big fat guys to beat their rivals knees in, most Americans just won't care enough to watch. According to recently released statistics from CBS, the Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan were the least watched of any Winter Olympic Games since 1968.

Understandably enough, thirty years ago our relatives and parents had more important things on their minds than the luge or the biathlon, like the Vietnam war and whether or not Paul McCartney was really dead. But why, in the winter of 1998 with

snowboarding and skiing seemingly at the top of everything that is "cool" in American society, did these games fail to generate even a semblance of interest?

The intense time differential between Japan and the USA has been pointed at as a major factor, causing events to be shown on tape delay and even the next day, here at home on CBS. But in 1994 during the Tonya/Nancy Games in Lillehammer, where the time change is only minimally different from Japan's, 42% more people than this year spent their evenings tuned into NBC.

Other people have said that these Games just weren't compelling enough and didn't include the stories that made past Olympics interesting. Well, Picabo Street's gold medal in the Super-G after breaking her leg less than a year ago and suffering a concussion only days before the competition, along with NHL players being allowed for the first time to compete for hockey gold, should have been reason enough for people to watch. The

blame for the failure of these games lies elsewhere, and elsewhere is also known as the Central Broadcasting System.

First of all, CBS's marketing of the Nagano Winter Olympics over most of the fall and winter prior to the Opening Ceremonies was minimal at best. Very few "Olympic Spirit" type commercials were around to excite interest and give people reasons to watch. CBS failed to hype up their games and then put on a show that wouldn't have lived up to any hype had there been any to live up to.

The commentators were boring (I'm sorry, but am I the only one who thinks that Jim Nantz is about as interesting as a blue spot on a blue wall?), the human-interest stories were much too overplayed and the coverage of the actual competitions left a lot to be desired. Too much emphasis was placed on American athletes in events where they had no chance of winning (16th place in the bobsled after all of that preliminary talk-up?), and rarely were we able to watch an entire

event from start to finish. CBS made following all of the action from Nagano difficult and consistently failed to provide complete wrap-up information that could have straightened things out for us. I'm almost happy that the games are over.

Never fear sports fans, college hoops is here to save what little remains of winter. Saturday's huge ACC match-up between #1 Duke and #2 UNC is a rematch of a mid-

January game during which North Carolina blew-out the Blue Devils by twenty points, giving them only their second loss of the season. It is also a preview of

what we are very likely going to see in the ACC Championship game and then later down the road in the Big Dance.

The "Cameron crazies" of Cameron Indoor Arena on the cam-

pus of Duke University were seen camping out over a month ago for tickets to see what could be the best rivalry in college sports. UNC needs to prove that their recent loss to in-state rival NC State was a fluke and Duke is going out to show that they really can beat Carolina, something that they have been unable to do recently.

The basketball season is winding down, conference tourneys are only one week away and only two weeks after that separate us from the 64 team national tournament that is March Madness. Look for the ever-popular "bubble" debates to begin as to who deserves to be in the tournament and who doesn't. Right now Hawaii, Illinois-Chicago, Clemson, Florida State, Indiana and maybe even the Oregon Ducks can be defined as "bubble" teams along with various others. Perhaps the most-perfect of all sports championships, there is only one thing that has me worried about this year's NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament:
it's on CBS.



PLU and Pacific University push Willamette out of the playoffs, team already looking forward to next year

women's Basketball

By Eddy Abel
Guest Writer



It was a heart-breaking weekend for the Lady Bearcats as their playoff hopes were smothered in unexpected losses to PLU and Pacific University on Friday and Saturday night.

Head Women's Basketball coach called Friday night's game "a disappointment," referring to the 70-41 loss to PLU, which turned Saturday into a do or die situation for the team. "We were only shooting 23% all night, which makes it difficult for any team to win a game," Petrie said.

"We didn't know what hit us Friday night," said Katie Edmonds, a sophomore forward for Willamette. "We didn't have

the intensity needed to win that kind of a game."

With Friday's tough loss behind them, the Willamette girls headed into Saturday's game in a must win situation in order to advance to the play-offs. Pacific never gave up, however, and they shot well all game, leaving Willamette trailing close behind at the end of the game, with a score of 75-69.

"We played well, but luck was on their side that night," said Petrie. "We had two people injured in the two games, and those injuries are tough on a young team." Team injuries for the weekend included two starters; KayLynn Charriere, who went down early on Friday night with a sprained ankle, and Kelly Sorenson, who injured her knee on Saturday.

After Saturday's loss, the women's program is already looking towards next season. "That game left a sour taste in our mouths,

which will help us to get inspired to improve in the off-season," said Edmonds.

Off-season training for the team will include individual skills work, individual conditioning and playing, and "plenty of weight training," Coach Petrie assured. "We need to be physically tougher for next year."

The team will not lose anyone to graduation this fall, leaving them with a full roster for next year, but the current team must also not become complacent in the off-season, warns Petrie. "Everyone still must work just as hard to keep improving." Petrie added that despite their youth, she thought the chemistry of the team this year was the best she has ever had, and she looks forward to next season.

The women finished with a record of 13-11 overall for the season, and 10-8 in conference play.



Kirstin Anderson grabs the board and measures up the put back against the Lady Bruins of George Fox. Kirstin will be returning next year to play another season for the Bearcats

by Jeremy Hall

Season ends for men's hoops, team looks strong for next year

men's Basketball

Season Coverage by Dillon Shea



The men's basketball season came to an end Saturday night. The Bearcats finished the season with a 76-63 win over Pacific University. However, a loss to Pacific Lutheran University the previous night had already knocked the Bearcats out of contention for the fourth and final spot in the NCIC playoffs. Willamette ended the season 10-8 and fifth in the conference with a 14-10 record overall.

Friday night the Bearcats played Pacific Lutheran on the road in a game that Head coach Gordie James described as being a "must win" situation. A victory against the Lutes would have placed Willamette in a tie for the fourth and final spot in the NCIC playoffs. The Bearcats, however, dropped the game to the Lutes 87-80 in a game that went into overtime. Kevin VanderBrink sent the game into overtime by making a shot with one second left on the clock.

Jason Downey and Mitch Gregg both had double doubles. Downey, a sophomore lead the team with 21 points and chipped in 11 rebounds. Gregg, a junior added 12 points and 11 rebounds. Sophomore, Sean Gahr scored 19 points and added three steals. Junior Brad Nelson added ten points and four steals. Gahr, Nelson and Gregg were workhorses, all playing for more than forty minutes. Unfortunately, the Bearcats could not find a way to stop Pacific Lutheran's Seth Albright. The Lutes' forward shot 13 of 17 and scored 29 points. "We played exceptionally hard, we boarded exceptionally well against a good team," said James. Junior post, Matt Smith sat out both Friday and Saturday's game with torn cartilage in his knee. "That was definitely a factor," James aid.

Saturday night, the Bearcats jumped to an eight point halftime lead over ninth place Pacific. In the second half, Pacific battled back, and held the lead at one point. Willamette, however, behind a huge performance by junior post Jimmy Watts, erased the small deficit and ended the sea-



Senior and team leader in scoring, Kevin Vanderbrink, confidently shoots a jumper during his last game at Cone Field House.

Vanderbrink will be greatly missed by the Bearcats son with a three point victory.

Watts shot 10 of 12 and scored a career high 28 points to go along with 11 rebounds. VanderBrink, playing in his last game turned in a solid performance with 14 points and seven rebounds. Downey chipped in with another 11 points for the Bearcats.

Gahr got into foul trouble early, picking up his fourth foul less than four minutes into the second half. Freshman Kip Ioane, however, filled in admirably in Gahr's absence. Ioane played 25 minutes, scored six points and only committed three turnovers. "He stepped in and played very well on both ends of the court. He played solid defense and made some good things happen for us offensively."

On the season, VanderBrink led the Bearcats in scoring, rebounds and steals. The senior averaged 12 points and 5.6 rebounds a game to go along with his 43 steals on the season. Junior, Brad Nelson was second on the team with 11.2 points a game. Nelson lead the team with 91 assists and was second in steals

with 30. Gahr averaged 11 points a game and finished second on the team with 90 steals. Gahr lead the team with a .432 three point field goal percentage and collected 27 steals, third best on the team. Jason Downey, a sophomore averaged 10.6 points per game for the Bearcats. Junior, Mitch Gregg and Watts were second and third on the team in rebounds with 5.5 and 5.4 respectively.

VanderBrink and Nelson were both named to the GT All Region Academic Team. VanderBrink and Nelson are both business economic majors with grade point averages of 3.75 and 3.65, respectively.

The Bearcats will be building next year's team on a solid foundation, losing only one player, VanderBrink, to graduation. James said, "To have that experience back with us is something that makes us feel like we have a bright future. Our guys need to keep working on their individual skills and we just want to move up the ladder next year."

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MENS' Basketball

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George Fox (14-10)	13	5
Lewis & Clark (17-7)	13	5
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Puget Sound(10-13)	8	10
Whitman (10-14)	8	10
Linfield (7-17)	5	13
Pacific (7-17)	4	14
Seattle U. (4-20)	3	15

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Go Bearcats!



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George Fox (16-8)	13	5
Puget Sound (14-11)	13	5
Linfield (13-11)	11	7
Willamette (13-11)	10	8
Whitworth(10-14)	9	9
Seattle (10-11)	8	10
Pacific (7-17)	5	13
Whitman(4-20)	3	15
Lewis & Clark (3-21)	2	16

standings current as of January 24th

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Teach-in: students have the responsibility to be informed

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her presentation on classical Iraqi Music, McCreery who spoke on the reasons for Arab world opposition to military action against Iraq, and finally, Lane McGaughy's presentation on Iraq and the American Monomyth.

McGaughy's speech featured political cartoons to emphasize his views on the rampant propaganda that exists. The cartoons showed the public's attempt to dehumanize the enemy, making it easier for the people to hate the opposition. Other cartoons demeaned Saddam Hussein conveying anti-Iraq messages to the reader.

The teach-in was halted for five minutes at precisely three PM for the observance of an international moment of silence. Twenty-five countries and 14 cities in the US decided to, for one week, reserve those five minutes from 3 PM to 3:05 for prayer and meditation for the Iraqi people.

Nader Nazemi, of the Politics

Department spoke on "The Regional Context of the Current Crisis and its History" and raised the question of how far back in history one should look to evaluate the current crisis. Nazemi said that one could look at the present conflict in terms of its history, or one might isolate the here and now.

McCreery's discussion about his experience living in the Middle East gave the audience a new and interesting perspective. "Why does the Arab world oppose military action against Iraq?" He presented three main ideas explaining why Iraq's Arab neighbors do not support the US actions against Iraq.

"Saddam is a very brutal leader, and it is because of that the other nations do not want to band together and try to do something," he stated. They are well aware that Hussein can eliminate his enemies if he wishes. None of the leaders of the Arab countries want to do anything

to anger him.

McCreery also stated that the countries do not trust each other and especially do not trust the US.

Third, McCreery presented the view that the Arab people have humanitarian concerns. There is wide

Be informed. You are citizens and you need to communicate with your government.

— Sam Hall

spread support for the Iraqi people throughout the Middle East.

The last point that McCreery raised was that, although the Arabs hate Hussein, they also like him because after thousands of years of western conquests of the Middle East, he is standing up to the West, and more specifically, the US.

Many Arabs see him as a hero.

A non-faculty participant, Michael Carrigan, Executive Director of Oregon Peaceworks, stressed the importance of action and creating pressure upon the government. "This [Annan-Hussein Agreement] is a short term victory, that came about from the outpouring of opposition to war. The public can not go back to sleep now," he stated. Carrigan also distributed fliers that detailed the destruction in Iraq caused by military action and sanctions.

Sam Hall closed the teach-in by presenting his opinion on the question, "What Next?" He expressed a concern that many people have, namely, that the crisis is far from over.

Hall also expressed his disagreement with a previous speaker: adamantly stating that the action the US took to gain an agreement from Iraq was not called for. "I think that there were other ways to get this agreement. The US thinks that Saddam

should be rid of, and I have a problem with that," he said.

Many expressed disappointment with the number of students in attendance. McCreery stated that at its height during Bill Smalldone's talk on "Let's not forget our History" there were about 120 audience members.

With students, faculty and community members constantly going in and out for the whole four hours, McCreery estimates that were anywhere from 300-400 people who showed up for portions of the teach-in. McCreery believes that it may have something to do with the agreement. "Because we are no longer in a crisis situation, students don't feel that it is as important."

The underlying theme of the teach-in was that no matter what a person's personal opinion about the use of military action, it is important to be informed. "Students, faculty, and the community have the moral and ethical obligation to at least inform themselves about it," stated McCreery.

Pelton: fields student questions

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to learn about the culture and way of life here. He appreciates input from students and says it is an important part of getting to know the Willamette Community.

The overwhelming reaction among the students who attended the reception was positive. Many are optimistic about Pelton's presidency.

"I was so excited when I learned that Dr. Pelton had been chosen as our new President. He seemed really enthusiastic and eager to talk with students," commented Connie Miller after she got the chance to speak with Pelton.

Daniel Bair remarked that he seemed to be a "happy and outgoing individual whose genuine interest in the students is encouraging."

Pelton's informal manner made it easy for students to talk with him. As Josh Bode commented, he struck "me as a personable and approachable kinda guy." These thoughts were wide-spread among the students who attended the reception.

Erin Grizard commented that she thought he seemed "really genuine and sincere and he seems really

enthusiastic for the coming years."

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Racing for the cruise...

Eager contestants braved the rain to cheer on their sponsored duck Wednesday afternoon. The duck race was a fundraiser for the College of Law. Winners received a cruise to Mexico, but competition was stiff with hundreds of ducks floating the length of the Mill Stream.

Terra house: projects in the works

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February 24 when Jeff Dallas, the coordinator for the Portland area Outdoor Schools, spoke at Terra House. He talked about different environmental opportunities around the Portland area and the possibility of a mentor program of sorts, in which Willamette students would work with students from the Outdoor School and teach them about environmental issues. Dallas was only the first of many speakers scheduled to appear at Terra in April and March, "although definite plans have not been established yet," said Torry Bend, Terra House President.

Terra also just concluded a "Terra-ware"

sale, to encourage the use of reusable containers. They are also working with Bon Appetite to try and get a discount for students who bring their own containers. Terra House would like to become an intentional community, meaning residents would have a contractual responsibility to the hall, requiring that they spend a certain amount of time each semester working to enhance the environment. "In the long run we'd like to become an environmental resource for the whole campus," said Bend. "We've got a lot of potential right now for growth on campus, and it's exciting that we might possibly be the beginning of something so beneficial to the Willamette community."

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