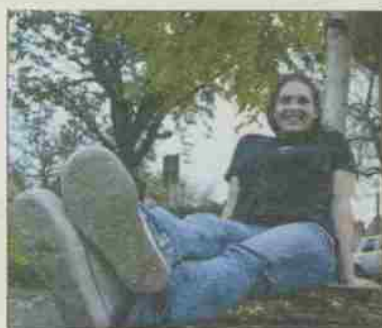


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Thefts have averaged  
**one per day** since  
the beginning  
of the semester.

**Sixty-two**

unattended personal  
items left in Hatfield  
Library, Sparks' lockers  
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## Increased theft shatters sense of security

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PCUN workers would receive the benefit of increased business if they became suppliers to Bon Appetit

## ASWU may back PCUN for Goudy

By CHRIS FOSS  
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This week ASWU Senator Jessie Ford will put a resolution before the Senate to increase the quantity of organic food offered to Willamette students. The organic food in question is sponsored by the Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste (Northwest Treeplanters and Farmworkers United), a small migrant workers' rights union based in Woodburn. If the Senate passes the resolution, and if Bon Appetit is willing to purchase PCUN-sponsored products, Willamette would become the first university in the nation to offer any amount of food product that is recognized by a farmwork-

ers union.

According to PCUN organizer Cassandra Ogren, not only would Willamette students benefit from having more pesticide-free choices of produce, they will also be helping the union increase its exposure through its affiliation with a major Northwest university. "We're looking at it as a benefit to farmers," says Ogren. Currently PCUN is Oregon's largest

Latino organization, consisting of 5,000 members, 98 percent of which are Mexican and Central American immigrants.

PCUN was brought to the attention of ASWU's Food Committee by junior Jaime Arredondo

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## Bachelor bucks

By KATE d'AMBROSIO  
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Competition was heated between Willamette students last Friday night, as they bid on

Willamette Bachelor started last year when David Tercek, who had heard of other schools organizing similar fundraisers, decided to begin the event on Willamette's campus. This year, Josh Tooley took on the task of organizing Willamette Bachelor. All 17 participants were requested to participate, and were also asked to make a video and get fitted for a tuxedo. All the date activities were donated by involved businesses.

At the end of the night, Sigma Chi's philanthropic endeavor earned nearly \$3500, an impressive sum in comparison to last year's \$2700. Sigma Chi President senior Patrick Kelley said that the increase in donations is likely because this is the second year that Willamette Bachelor

has been held, so people have high expectations for the show and were more likely to attend and donate money.

All of the proceeds from Willamette Bachelor are donated directly to the Make-A-Wish foundation, which is an organization committed to granting wishes to children with life

threatening diseases. Since 1980, Make-A-Wish has exploded into a worldwide phenomenon that has granted wishes to more than 110,000 children.

Children between the ages 2 1/2 and 18 are eligible to be granted a wish, and selection is based upon medical criteria set by the Make-A-Wish foundation.

The organization does not consider socioeconomic status in its selection of participants, and is committed to making the wish-granting experience a family endeavor.

Sophomore Aliah Lutfi donated \$820 dollars on Friday night to Make-A-Wish, and was by far the largest individual contributor. "I have the money so I might as well put it to good use," she said. "I'm glad the bidding went that high, and I'm still going to donate when I'm older."

She also said that the goals of the Make-A-Wish foundation have personal significance, since she had a family member who died of cancer. Lutfi was glad that her

check will go directly to the foundation, but is not fully satisfied. "I wish it was on a more personal level," she said.

Junior Janessa Chastain also said that her donation to the foundation was heart-felt. "It's a really important cause to me, and it's definitely worth supporting."

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## Public Eye

### SURESHT BALD SELECTED AS PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education recently honored politics professor Suresht Bald as Oregon's 2003 Professor of the Year. The U.S. Professors of the Year Award Program was created to increase awareness of the importance of instruction at the undergraduate level. Winners are chosen from all 50 states based on their dedication to undergraduate teaching.

### JUNIOR ASWU SENATOR CANDIDATES ANNOUNCED

Juniors Steph Harding and Paul Crisalli have filed petitions for the position of junior class ASWU senator. Current junior co-senators J.P. Hill and Danielle Page will vacate the position to study abroad at semester. There will not be a candidate forum as both Harding and Crisalli are currently studying abroad. ASWU will provide information on the candidates to all members of the junior class. Elections will begin on Monday, Nov. 17 at 9 a.m. and end on Tuesday, Nov. 18 at 5 p.m.

### ECOS SPONSORS FOREST AWARENESS ACTIVITIES

ECOS will be sponsoring a slide show by Jeremy Hall of the Oregon Natural Resources Council in the Bistro tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. concerning old growth forests. They will also be sponsoring a hike on Sunday, Nov. 16 starting at 9 a.m. The hike will take place through an old growth forest.

### HONORED LATIN AMERICAN AUTHOR WILL SPEAK

Ana Castillo, a 1987 winner of the American Book Award will speak in Cone Chapel today at 7:30 p.m. Castillo is a Xicanista, poet, essayist, novelist and children's fiction writer. Her lecture is titled "My Mother's Mexico" and is funded through the Hewlett Grant.

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# CAMPUS SAFETY REPORT: JAN. 25 - FEB. 2, 2003

## CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Nov. 3, 7:25 p.m. (Collins Science): A broken window was reported in the men's restroom.

Nov. 5, 9:18 a.m. (Smullin Hall): An employee reported finding damage to his office door. It appeared someone tried to pry the door open.

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID

Nov. 1, 4:57 p.m. (TIUA): A student burnt her hands using hot water. WEMS treated the burns at the scene.

Nov. 2, 3:21 p.m. (Hatfield Library): A student reported a painful shin injury suffered while playing football. He was transported to the Salem Hospital for treatment.

Nov. 3, 6:37 p.m. (Pi Beta Phi): A student reported a hearing problem. WEMS evaluated and suggested they seek further treatment at the hospital.

## POLICY VIOLATION

Nov. 8, 2:33 a.m. (TIUA): Officers contacted an intoxicated student after he set off an alarm while attempting to enter Kaneko from the balcony. He explained he was trying to visit a friend.

## THEFT

Nov. 1, 4:30 p.m. (McCulloch Stadium): Staff reported that several items were stolen from the locker rooms during a football game.

Nov. 2, 12:33 p.m. (WISH House): A student's bike was

stolen from the front porch. Nov. 3, 11:04 a.m. (Sparks Center): A student's wallet was stolen after leaving it in a cubby.

Nov. 3, 4:02 p.m. (Sparks Center): A student's wallet was stolen after it had been locked in a locker that morning.

Nov. 3, 7:30 p.m. (Sparks Center): A student's bicycle was stolen from the front of Sparks. It had been secured with a cable lock.

Nov. 4, 3:11 p.m. (Matthew Parking Lot): An employee's bicycle was stolen. It had been secured with a cable lock.

Nov. 6, 3:30 p.m. (14th Street): A student's car had been broken into. Speakers, an amplifier and CDs were

stolen. Nov. 7, 7:20 a.m. (14th Street): An officer discovered two vehicles with broken windows. Owners were notified and reported stereo equipment and a snowboard were stolen.

## TRESPASS

Nov. 7, 1:35 a.m. (Shepard Parking Lot): An officer contacted a man who was working on his bicycle. The man had bolt cutters in his possession. He was issued a trespass warning and told to leave.

Nov. 7, 8:40 p.m. (Montag Center): A 40-year-old male, who was recently released from jail, was found in the Montag Center. He was somewhat intoxicated and was told to leave campus.

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# Pastor's daughter going her own way

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Sophomore Leslie Schiesswohl has heard and defied all the typical expectations surrounding a pastor's daughter. She sits down with her skateboard and a cup of Bistro coffee to help the Collegian set the record straight.

#### On Growing Up:

Schiesswohl's father is a Methodist pastor. Her mother is an immigration attorney. In the Methodist church, the Bishop is the only stationary figure and moves his pastors around the country from parish to parish. Schiesswohl was born in Colorado, but she moved 16 times because of her father's work.

Moving almost yearly presented her with the challenge of having to constantly make new friends. This in turn created some trust issues for her. Although the instability was difficult, and she at times felt bitter and resentful for being shuffled around from state to state, Schiesswohl appreciates the strength and confidence gained from overcoming these obstacles.

"It made me who I am today," she said. Being a part of so many geographically and culturally diverse communities also opened her eyes to the different world-

views and ways of life in our country. In Utah, she lived as a minority among primarily Mormons. In Indiana, she was immersed in the Baptist religion. All these experiences were made possible by her father's work, and she recognizes how unique and educational her upbringing was.

#### On God:

Her parents never forced religion on her. Growing up, Schiesswohl always participated heavily in the church. She was very religious until her junior year of high school.

At this point, she disavowed organized religion, which she blamed for having to move so frequently. It seemed too impersonal and not enough about an individual's relationship with God. She now considers herself a deeply spiritual but not religious person. "God's all around you, in the swaying of the trees and the birds. You can see signs of him being with you. He's more of a companion."

She says her father was a little put-off by her decision, but that he and the rest of the family supported her choice.

"He knows I'm still spiritual and am following a faith." The faith she chooses is no longer that of the Methodist church, but it is her own deeply personal system of beliefs.

#### On Stereotypes:

"It's one of the most aggravating things," Schiesswohl

said of the assumptions people make about a pastor's daughter. In addition to the expectation that she be a devotee Methodist, Schiesswohl also endures social stereotypes.

People assume a pastor's daughter must be conservative, prissy and naïve. Schiesswohl is anything but.

#### On Rebellion:

Angry about being taken from so many homes and having to debunk so many myths, Schiesswohl began acting out in high school. She would stay out late or go out drinking. This lasted until she left the church.

"Once I stopped going to church, I was like, 'OK I have rebelled enough' and could start making my own person. It took me a couple of trial and errors to find the right path to be who I want to be."

Realizing their inability to control her, her parents focused on providing guidance, rather than discipline, while she worked through her rebellious stage.

#### On Willamette:

Schiesswohl appreciates the freedom of college life, where there is no church attendance requirement. She relishes being able to explore where her passions lie.

"Now that I'm at Willamette, it's really opened my eyes to all of the opportunities that are out there," she said.

Currently a psychology



ERIC LAM

Sophomore Leslie Schiesswohl breaks the mold of a religious upbringing.

major, she is interested in animal behavior and communication patterns. She thinks humans can learn from animals and better understand how to share the world with them once the language barriers are broken down. Schiesswohl spends much of her time studying and focusing on school. She is also involved with

Wulapalooza. She enjoys the Tuesday jam circles where drummers, including her boyfriend, congregate and play. She also likes watching the fire spinners under the Star Trees.

#### On the Future:

A passionate environmentalist, Schiesswohl's voice grows animated as she talks about bio diesel and other ecologically friendly advances.

Her goal is to educate people on what they can do to protect the environment. She sees herself becoming an activist, possibly after first joining the Peace Corps. Satisfied that she has provided a glimpse of the real Leslie Schiesswohl, beyond the label of "pastor's daughter," she concludes the interview.

Extending her hand affably, she says good-bye, grabs her empty coffee cup and skateboard, and walks away. She has somewhere else she needs to be.

Not Bible study, but dinner at her boyfriend's house.

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Last week's winner of five Bistro Bucks was Bob Macfarlane correctly guessed the stage in Hudson Hall.



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Senior RA Lesley Meier hangs out with her residents in Doney.

## RAs roles of enforcement and friendship conflict

By BRITTON LATULLIPE  
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Working for Residence Life as a Resident Assistant isn't like any other job on campus.

More than being just a job, it's a life style.

Willamette's RAs are expected to set an example for students through their behavior. They never get a break because they must always be ready to assist students and report what they see. RAs aren't just enforcers of Willamette policy, they are also here to help students with everyday college life throughout the year.

Junior Lauren Fiala, RA of Lausanne basement, said that most of her involvement with students is positive. She helps students plan events, helps them with homework and is there to help them in whatever situations arise. Many Willamette students fail to see this side. Instead, they see the RAs as another version of their parents, breaking up their fun whenever possible. Yet, RAs are fel-

low students as well. Therefore, when students fail to follow the school rules, the situation can be just as hard on the RA as it is on the students who are written up.

Sophomore RA James Haines, second floor Doney, said that writing up his friends is the hardest part of the job. Haines became a RA because he wanted the benefits of having his own room and free room and board, among other things. Before he started the

job as a second semester freshman, he didn't realize how difficult it would be to write up his friends. He thought it would be easy and that his "friends would be the most understanding."

He had expected his friends to know that it was nothing personal, only his responsibility to the job. "You only get written up if you get caught and you usually only get caught when you do something stupid, so you deserve it," Haines said. "It can be frustrating for RAs when students get mad at them, but it is just one of the downsides of the

job. All jobs have downsides."

Fiala said that sometimes friends lay guilt trips on RAs when they are written up. RAs have a responsibility to the job first. "People need to remember that it's a job. In the real world you have responsibilities and you have to fulfill your responsibilities," Fiala said.

Writing up friends "is the classic RA problem at any university at any time," said Stasha Liesik, area coordinator with Residence Life. "We can only warn them ahead of time that they may end up needing to document a friend."

Some students understand and sympathize with their RAs. They realize how important and challenging the job must be. These students also say that RAs are nice to have because they can relate better to the students.

Freshman Mimi Danh said that if she were written up by her RA, "I would respect him for carrying out his job, and at the same time feel stupid, on my part, for putting him in such a position." She feels close to her RA and said, "People need to step out of their bubble and get to know their RAs."

## Students observe month of fasting

By SARAH KASSEL  
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Sophomore Iman Al-Basquami meets her friends for lunch in Goudy, patiently watching as they eat their food. She hasn't eaten since early morning and will not be able to eat again until dark. As a member of the small Muslim community at Willamette, Al-Basquami is fasting for Ramadan.

"It's actually pretty easy," she said. "I'm happy with myself in that I've been ignoring temptation. I

mean, that's a part of what Ramadan is about."

Her friend, junior Aliah Lutfi Ali, begged to differ. "I'm not doing so well," she said. "Sometimes I remember to fast, sometimes I don't. It's easy to forget. At home we're babied. You hear the call to prayer five times a day, there are breaks at school to pray, the bars shut down and there are no parties. Here, it is a real test of faith."

According to Mona Luqman, Assistant Director of Forensics and PR representative of the Rizwan Mosque in Portland, "Ramadan is the specific month within the year that Muslims are required to fast. Previous prophets were all told to fast, and this is sort of a codification of previous teachings. Another big part of Islam is charity. It is a month when you can be like the majority of the world who don't have enough food. It is a month to cleanse and better yourself and apply it to the rest of the year."

Like Luqman, Lutfi Ali and Al-Basquami are attempting to adequately practice their faith, but are finding it a struggle without a support system. The closest Mosques to Salem are in Corvallis and Portland.

"Although going to a Mosque is kind of a guy-thing in Kuwait, it would be nice to worship with others,"

Al-Basquami said. "In the Arab world, Thursday and Friday are the weekend, with Friday being the day of rest."

Al-Basquami thinks she has a solution to the problem. "I've been to church several times while I'm here. You have to take what is offered," she said. "And yet, I'd like to create a Mosque at Willamette. It wouldn't have to be an actual building; it could even be a room with

the Koran and a really quiet, religious atmosphere."

Lutfi Ali is excited about the idea as well. "It would be so cool to

have a place like that," she said. "It would be great for everybody, and then they might understand."

Both women find the Willamette community doesn't understand their faith. Neither often mentions Islam in conversation.

"Once people hear where I am from, they immediately make assumptions," Al-Basquami said. "This is a huge insult."

"I never thought that Willamette students were prejudiced or ignorant," Lutfi Ali said. "But then I had some bad experiences last year, and it completely changed my mind. Iman and I had put up some posters on our door from back home. She had one with Kuwaiti presidents, and I had one with women in traditional garb. They were taken down because they were considered offensive. One girl asked us, 'how would you feel if I had a Klu Klux Klan poster on my door?'"

Lutfi Ali said that she was asked to turn off her traditional music so many times that she doesn't even play it any more.

"Our culture and religion is mysterious," she said. "But we have our values just like anyone else. When I first left the United Arab Emirates, my father told me to 'ignore the ignorance.' I didn't get it then, but I get it now."

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ALIAH LUTFI ALI  
sophomore

# ARTS

## Body piercing, holey form of expression

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As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches, many students look forward to a nice relaxing weekend with the folks. There is nothing like the feeling of seeing mommy and daddy again. Everything will be perfect, right?

Wrong — you forgot to tell the parents about the new addition to your body. Yes, The new shiny silver or gold piercing you got to express your independence. Who knows, maybe your new nipple piercing and Prince Albert, a piercing below the belt, will be OK with the folks.

Historically, body art has been a form of expression for different cultures from the Egyptians to indigenous tribes of South America. In today's society, body piercing is a fashionable way to express one's individuality.

Director of Student Health Services, Vickie Simpson, advises students that are considering a piercing to do their research. "Think it through.

Who knows, maybe your new nipple piercing and Prince Albert, a piercing below the belt, will be OK with the folks.

Why you are doing it? What do you want to accomplish," Simpson said. "Make sure that you are going to a licensed, reputable fac-

ility. Piercing studios have to be licensed in Oregon."

Simpson recommends that students check out the stu-



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dios to make sure that they have a license and sterile equipment.

Since different parts of the body heal at different rates when pierced, Simpson believes that students need to take care of themselves to prevent serious infection. "People really have to follow the recommendations of their piercer and do exactly what they are supposed to do as far as cleaning and handling of the jewelry and site,"

Simpson said.

Sophomore Lesli Okorn, who proudly has eight piercings believes that her addiction to getting her body pierced is healthy. Okorn said that she gets pierced at Jori Zan's Body Piercing on State St. "They are really cool in there. Everything is really sterile," Okorn said.

Senior Suzanne Marsh shares the same addiction to piercings with Okorn. Marsh, like many students, got her

first piercing in college. "I got my first piercing in college to see if I could physically take care of myself away from home," Marsh said.

If you are considering a piercing, Okorn believes "that it's always a good idea to try something in your ear to see how it's going to heal."

For more information regarding piercing your body, you should stop by the Bishop Wellness Center and pick up the pamphlet,

## CREATIVE CORNER

### Moon

Among manzanita shadows goes  
an old garter snake,  
wiping upwards  
under the crackling eaves  
of fallen leaves.

It weaves itself into  
the scent of ceaseless decom-  
position,  
a rapier flowing uphill,  
a rubber tube whose  
red and yellow scales have  
rubbed away with heat and  
friction—  
bright flecks in dirt.

At the hillcrest  
the old garter stops,  
slender body curved moon-  
like  
in silence,  
immersed in the blown  
rhythm  
of summer burnt grass.

Where it remained,  
maggots ate its flesh,  
flies sowed their young

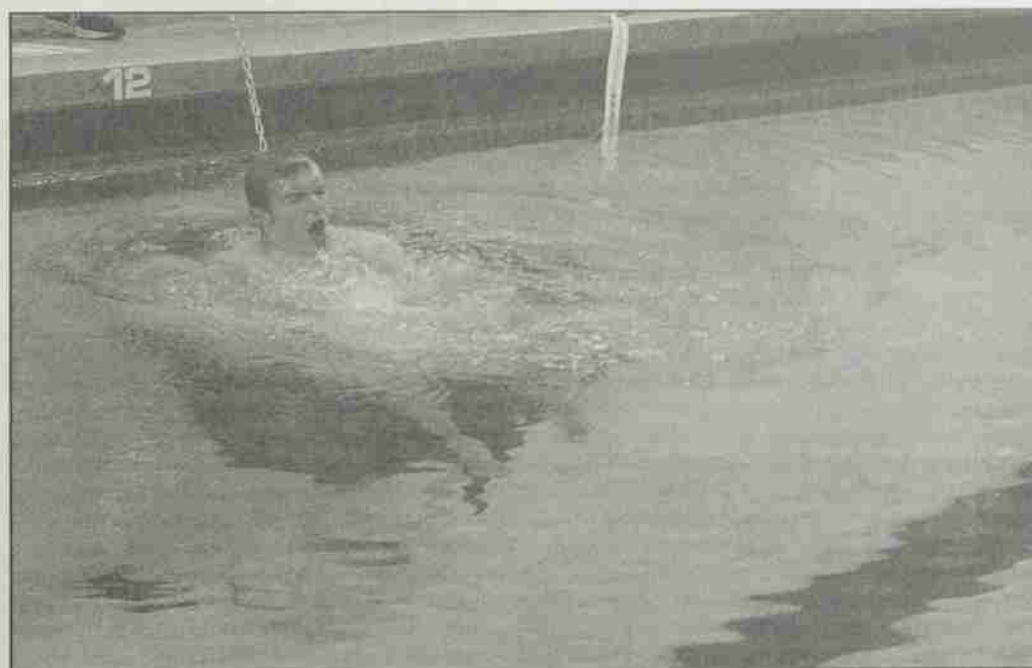
raccoons gnawed its bones,  
and blades of grass plumed  
moonward.

### Rainforest

Lighting jumpstarts the after-  
noon and a hail of shadow  
flushes birds downstream to  
blink wetly under the veined  
spread of banana leaves  
whose green pads hang in the  
humidity of bloomed lilies  
shaking sporadically—deep  
thunder, close thunder  
accompanies the scattered  
flashes and brushes your  
cheek, despels reveries,  
thrums through your stom-  
ach to your mouth which  
waters and wonders if sounds  
satiates as well as mangoes  
fallen in ripeness, soft, aro-  
matic like the clouds, which  
are ripe too, and rifting with  
rain, thick globules whose sil-  
verglinting faces you can  
almost discern before they  
turn dirt to mush, a mush  
welcoming your toes into an  
umber solaced warmth.

Poems by Dan Davy  
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## RAYNE ESCAPES 'IMMERSION'



LUCAS HERNANDEZ

## Magician emerges from coffin

Jackson Rayne emerges from beneath the water in the Spark's pool where he was chained and placed in a bag before being shut into a wooden coffin on Nov. 7. He successfully completed his escape in front of a full crowd with smoke and music from the "Top Gun" movie soundtrack playing in the background.

## Talk of the Millstream

Last Friday, the newly formed Dean Search Committee met for the first time, missing one thing: a student representative.

Several days earlier, ASWU had appointed junior Andrew Swan to the committee after an application process.

The requirements for the position included a status of good academic standing, defined by ASWU as a 2.5 GPA for holding leadership positions.

After Swan had been appointed and had met with politics professor Joe Bowersox, the chair of the committee, he was informed that he was no longer eligible for the committee.

"The President's Office didn't want me to serve on the committee and wanted someone who wasn't majoring in any department represented (by other faculty members)," Swan, who is a Politics and Philosophy major, said.

The President's Office also revealed that they wanted a student with a 3.7 GPA or better. Bowersox confirmed that the minimum GPA was set at 3.7 and believes that a misunderstanding between ASWU and the committee led to the appointment of Swan, who did not meet the criterion.

"Academic dean search committees are a different kind of beast than other committees that students sit on. We need to put our best academic foot forward," Bowersox said.

As to questions that what Swan calls "other factors at play" affected the decision, Swan said "I have nothing to hide."

Bowersox agrees that it was strictly a GPA issue that led to the rejection of ASWU's student nomination.

If the 3.7 GPA requirement is held as the standard, the University is doing a great disservice to the students that it seeks to represent.

To believe that a student



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### Commentary

with under a 3.7 GPA is incapable of making an outstanding contribution to this University is purely intellectual snobbery.

If it is truly a matter of GPA that is keeping Andrew Swan from the committee, the University is in the wrong. The administration has undermined the work and judgment of ASWU.

"Academic dean search committees are a different kind of beast than other committees that students sit on. We need to put our best academic foot forward."

JOE BOWERSOX  
politics professor,  
chair of dean search  
committee

Surely we can assume that ASWU nominated Swan in good faith, believing he was truly the most qualified and willing member of the Willamette community to serve

on the committee despite his simply "average" GPA.

"I want to be on the committee, I was the rightful student nominee, and I'd like to carry out my duty," Swan said.

Aside from the ridiculous GPA requirements, not allowing for students and faculty within the same department to serve on the committee is also an interesting requisite.

It implies that students and faculty, regardless of the age gap, differences of opinion and relationships to the Willamette Community will somehow have identical perspectives as to the qualities of the perfect dean.

Clearly, Swan is not the issue here. Rather concerns arise from the excessive importance placed on something as arbitrary as grades. Why place a GPA requirement higher than the requirement to graduate cum laude from Willamette on such a position?

It is discouraging that the University has advanced to such a level of elitism that individuals who are merely average on a campus full of clearly above-average individuals are looked down upon and denied certain opportunities.

## Organic farm collective may start to supply Bon Appétit with fresh produce

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... serving as spokesman for a coalition of students and faculty from M.E.Ch.A., UNIDOS, Spanish Club, Students for Justice and Peace, and the Native American Enlightenment Club. "My main objective is to bring social justice to the farm workers in Oregon," says Arredondo, the son of migrant workers.

That objective is reflected in the primary goal of the project: educate students about their food, where it comes from, who cultivates it, and how it is cultivated. Included in that project is the opportunity for Willamette students to be able to choose from more organic foods during mealtimes.

Arredondo and Ford cite the existence of considerable student support as a huge reason why PCUN-endorsed products should be allowed to come to Willamette.

This support stems from a special event in Goudy at dinner on Oct. 13, when several of Willamette's Latin American clubs sponsored a special serving of PCUN-endorsed organic corn, and also petitioned students to sign an endorsement. Ford says the groups received over 500 signatures.

PCUN currently endorses the following organic products: organic strawberries and blueberries from Nature's Fountain Farms; organic chestnuts from Thomas Paine Farms; and organic corn from Egor's Acres Farms; all of which Arredondo and Ford would like to bring to Willamette.

Unfortunately, this limited number of products is the main factor behind Bon Appetit's hesitation to do business with PCUN, says Bill Masullo, general manager of Bon Appetit's Willamette operations.

"One thing that matters to me is availability," says Masullo.

"When the strawberry and blueberry crops are in, school is not, and that's a bit of an issue. We don't want a season-

al produce program. That's not an option."

However, Masullo supports organic food in principle. "Ideally, our first choice is local organic sustainable farming," he says.

And the Food Committee acknowledges that Bon Appetit already uses some organic products, and that it continues to make improvements in the quality of the products that it purchases for its Willamette operations. However, they believe there is always room for improvement.


As far as making students aware about the source of the food they eat, Arredondo and Ford hope to improve on Bon Appetit's recently unveiled education program by giving it better exposure.

Bon Appetit has an elaborate system of food labels for different types of products known as "Circle of Health." Currently the labels are only available for viewing on Bon Appetit's website and in discreetly placed pamphlets.

Ford hopes to expand on the labeling system by getting Bon Appetit to place labels near the actual products in its various cafeterias around campus.


"Ideally, our first choice is local organic sustainable farming."

BILL MASULLO  
goudy manager



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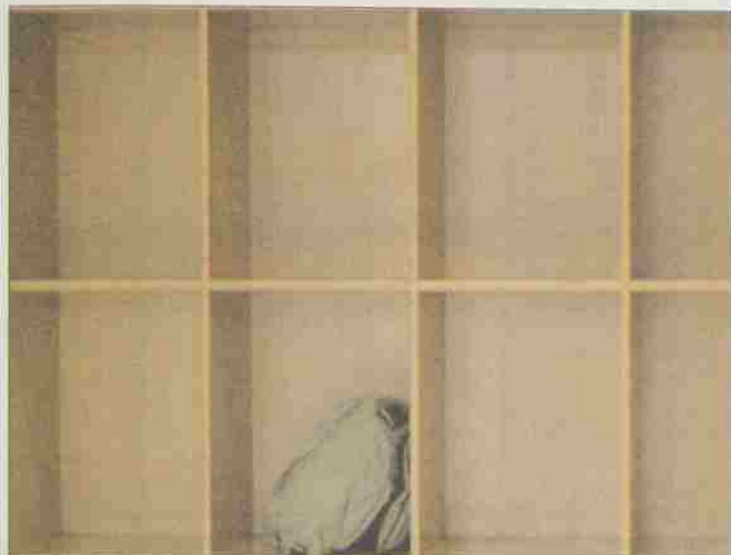
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STACY WEST

Empty cubbies in Goudy are a sign of the lack of the Willamette student community's trust. After 15 thefts so far Goudy now allows students to carry their bags into dinner.

accepted."

"In order to prevent this from happening ... they need to do a bag check. I would pay an extra \$5 a month to have someone stand their and check my bag," Vandehey said.

Such an idea is under discussion, according to Tuthill.

"We are ...making steps to start checking backpacks, have a person there where you bring a backpack in and get a number," he said. Student activity groups may also get the chance to be a bag checker for the week and be paid for their activity, as a sort of fund raiser.

Campus Safety devises "Sting" operations to prevent thefts and catch thieves. Stings are set up during times that most items are stolen, in high traffic areas. Tuthill and his fellow officers will leave objects like a backpack, complete

with an alarm, and be ready for when the alarm sounds to issue arrests. These operations are not usually successful.

"Students here, and staff members, feel that it doesn't happen at Willamette. They think they come here and somebody else is going to take care of their stuff ... We cannot do that for you," Tuthill said, implying the need for common sense to be exercised by members of this community.

"What really needs to happen is that students need to step up. If they see someone suspicious, don't be afraid to up and ask them what they are doing. We pride ourselves on being a community. If that is really true, if that is really played out then we should be helping each other out and preventing these things," Vandehey said.

## Former car thief speaks out

By KEENA PRESNELL

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**Q. Ball park figure, how many cars did you break into?**

**A. Thirty to thirty-five.**

**Q. Why?**

**A. My friends were doing it. It was easy money. It wasn't so much stealing cars as stealing stuff out of them. I guess some people do it for drugs, but in high school it would be to go get a CD, or to get that person.**

**Pretty much just take them and strip them and then you sell the pieces.**

**There is always people who would buy them. A lot of times people would steal to take it for a joy ride. They wouldn't steal it to take it. They would take it to ride it.**

**Q. Was it a club?**

**A. We were all friends, and that is how we got started. Everyone I did it with was one of my friends. You don't really want to do it with people you don't know.**

**Q. Were you caught?**

**A. No.**

**Q. Have your friends ever been caught?**

**A. I have had a few friends that have been in jail. They have been in and out. Car theft in Tacoma, it is a problem, but there are so many**

**people in jail that you get caught usually you get probation. My friend Willy in high school went to jail for three days. He was fined \$500, nothing really big. These people, most of them, really didn't go on to do much, but it would look really bad on your resume for someone trying to find a good job.**

**Q. Your friends got caught? What for?**

**A. You would have to be caught breaking into a car, and the police officer would be driving by and they would think "that guy looks like a creep." but most of the time it was no more than a month or two in jail, unless you were caught with the car itself.**

**Q. Why weren't you afraid?**

**A. In most places (like in Salem), I know many people who have done it here. Chances of getting caught are like one in a million, literally. The only thing you really have to worry about is having the owner catch you, but that is still unlikely.**

**Q. What did you look for in a car to steal?**

**A. There were certain areas in Tacoma where police just didn't go. A typical car would be a Honda Civic or Accord**

**... it was easy enough, you would just pick the lock. They are just the ones that students usually own and students are the ones who have CDs and radios in them. That is what you would steal, mostly. Oh, you could do it in like five minutes.**

**Ex-thief,  
Broke into  
over thirty  
different  
vehicles**

**Q. If you had a car on campus what would you do?**

**A. People put alarms on [cars], I don't know how much good that is.**

**If you have a crappy car with an alarm, they might just leave you alone because it is not worth the hassle. But if you have a really nice car, and you have an alarm it might deter them a little bit.**

**Mostly, I would say that if you keep a bag in the car, anything that looks like it could be worth anything over \$10, [it] is going to be a target. People will come by, and they just look in the window and if you have your purse sitting there or a bunch of CDs, then you are almost a guaranteed target.**

**Q. What do you think of it now?**

**A. Oh I hate it, I mean I look back and I am not proud of it. It was stupid. And when something gets stolen from me you totally know what the other people think: they just want to kill somebody.**

## Students react to theft:

Campus theft skyrockets this semester causing student concern.

COMPILED BY KELI SANDOBAL



"I think it's mildly amusing. It's forced me to become

less attached to my belongings, and it makes me feel like things are being circulated."

Lindsey Butler  
Senior



"It's disconcerting because most people are well off. I

feel really comfortable leaving my stuff all over the place."

Will Cannon  
Sophomore



"I think with the history with theft in Goudy there

should be security steps taken. Until then, I'm not going to abide by their rules."

Curtis Bell  
Junior



"I know it's a problem. It sort of surprises me because

it's college and I thought people would be more mature."

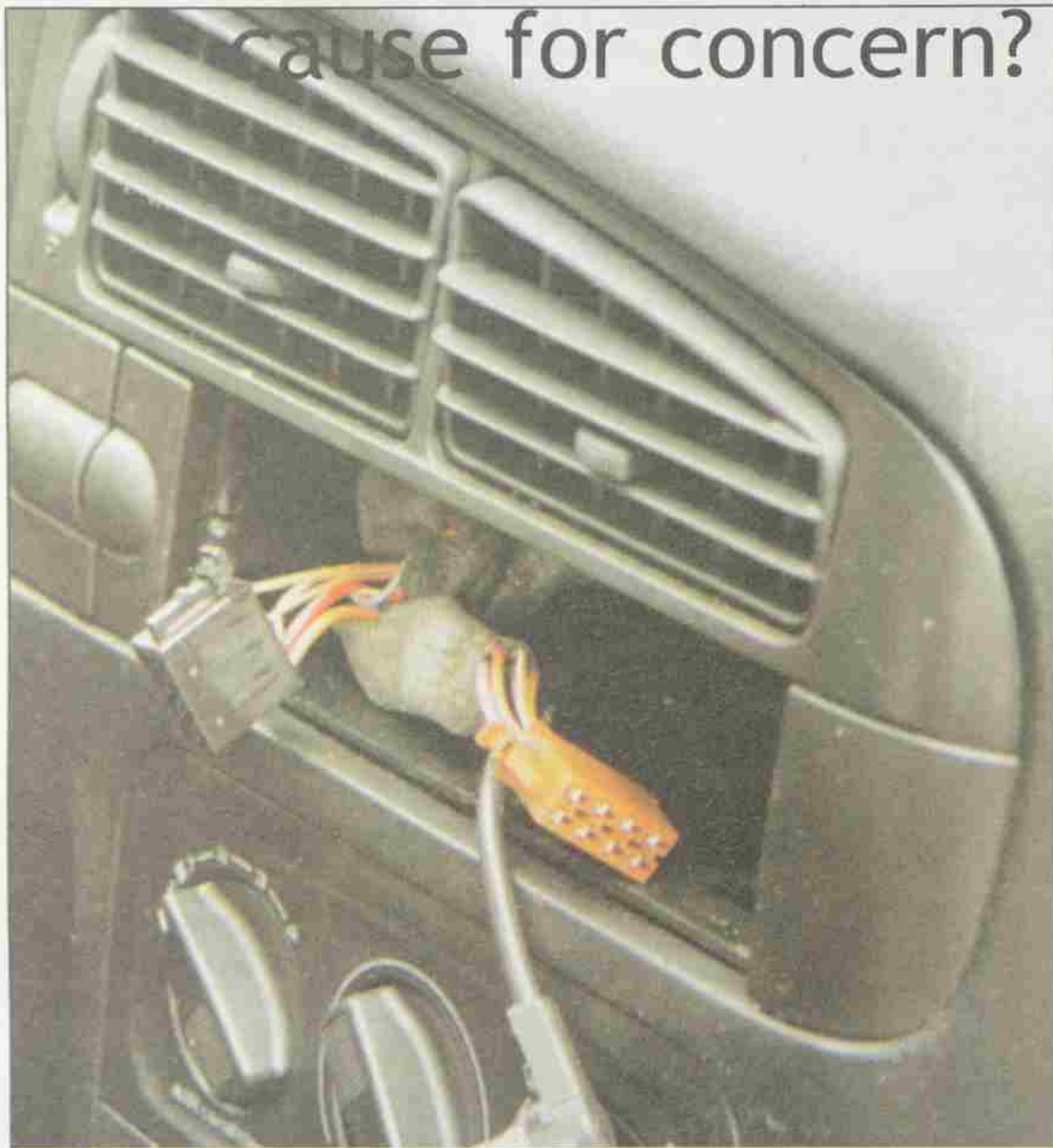
Elizabeth Humprey  
Freshman



"I had no exposure to it, and I don't know anyone who has."

Scott Kennedy  
Sophomore

# Campus theft: cause for concern?



KEENA PRESNELL

ABOVE: The thieves had broke into the back passenger window and removed the stereo from this junior's car, parked in Matthews. Matthews leads the lots in theft with 23 break-ins. Sparks is a close second with 19 for the year and counting.

LEFT: Senior Campus Safety Officer Steve Tuthill assists a student whose car had been broken into, and had glass shards left across the back seat. Twenty-seven cars have been stolen since the year began. The problem extends beyond vehicles. With just over one theft a day, Campus Safety is hard pressed to find a quick solution.



How many reported thefts? Numbers seem too high? What's being done to stop the problem on campus?

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Since Aug. 29 of this year, 89 thefts have been reported on campus, averaging more than one theft a day. Thirty-four cars have been broken into in the Kaneko, Softball, and Sparks lots. Sixty-two unattended personal items left in the library, Sparks lockers, and Goudy have been stolen as well.

Campus Safety is hard-pressed to combat what Senior Officer Steve Tuthill of Campus Safety calls "a significant increase in the amount of thefts" compared to previous years. This rate increase is similar to citywide and countywide increases, indicating a trend of increasing theft.

Junior Nick Symmonds was surprised by a man in the backseat of his Toyota 4-Runner one night and threatened by a metallic object he believed to be a gun. The suspect threatened to "put a hole in (Symmonds') face." The subject took a CD player, and amplifier, and a jacket from his car and damaged the back window. "The worst part about it was that I was in the Sparks parking lot for about three and a half hours, and not once did a Campus Safety officer drive by," Symmonds said. "No matter what, we need more officers on duty around the clock."

Freshman Danielle Eisenbarth's cloth top for her Jeep was slashed. Her stereo was removed and console was damaged in the night. Her jeep was parked inside the gates of the Kaneko lot. The damage ended up costing a little over \$600 to replace. Eisenbarth still is forced to park in the two lots. "There is nowhere else to park and that really concerns me, I even park in the softball lot, and I don't feel that is too safe, either," she said.

Junior Stephanie Vandehey's backpack, containing her car keys, registration, textbooks, and a considerable amount of cash, was stolen a month ago from the Goudy cubbies. "After they gound out my bag was stolen, they immediately put a boot on my car so they couldn't take the car. I am not as concerned about my car being stolen. Stealing a backpack

from Goudy is one thing, grand theft auto is another."

This line between misdemeanor and felony has been crossed. On Oct. 31, the thefts turned more serious as a car was stolen from the Sparks parking lot. Up until then, all items stolen from campus would be classified under property damage or theft.

With so many cars parked on campus around the clock, Willamette is a focus for car thieves. Consequences for illegal actions come in the form of paper. Most people caught are arrested are issued citations, or tickets.

"We catch them, and we call the police. The police come, write them citations that cite them for court. And that is it. They take the cuffs off and they are out doing it again before we can get back here and write a report," Tuthill said.

In addition, the jails are too full and police are too understaffed to deal with the problem, he said.

Goudy Commons is a common area of theft problems. Students are required to stow their bags in the cubbies to prevent food and utensil theft. With many bags left in such an open area, unattended, students grow leery of taking the risk with their possessions. "I won't leave anything in the cubbies at Goudy. I know they can't do this for everybody and they shouldn't because food theft is so bad," Vandehey said.

Bill Masullo, Goudy manager of Bon Appétit, says that food theft is not any worse than normal. He maintains that being highly visible, and having staff working next to students keeps students from grabbing food and utensils "just with being visible on the floor with different managers I think that cuts it down...It is kind of the nature of the beast. I'd rather people didn't take things off the tables, or feel the need to take cups and plates back to their rooms...I mean, it sucks, but that is just

"We catch them, and we call the police. The police come, write them citations that cite them for court. And that is it."

Steve Tuthill  
senior campus safety officer

# OPINION

## Documents create a beacon of freedom



JOHN WICKRE

A few years ago, after traveling to Washington D.C., I was asked what my favorite site was. I remembered the various sites I had visited. The hollowness of the Lincoln memorial, the intellectual inspiration derived from the Jefferson memorial, and the rich layers of history surrounding the Capitol.

However important these monuments were, none of them rose to the level of what I found at the National Archives. Located in the National Archives building, I found the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.

The ideas contained in that small glass case contain infinitely more value than the grandest statues of marble or the most impressive buildings found anywhere in the U.S. Capitol, and for that matter, the world.

Those two documents are the foundations of a new kind of nation, built upon principles never seen and rarely dreamed throughout history.

In the Declaration of Independence Jefferson writes, "That to secure these rights [Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness], Governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the Governed."

It is in the Constitution that we are able to take these lofty philosophical ideas enumerated by Jefferson, and provide the blueprint of a government that would allow such a society

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- DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE (1776)
- THE CONSTITUTION (1787)
- GETTYSBURG ADDRESS (1863)
- LINCOLN'S SECOND INAUGURAL ADDRESS (1865)
- MLK JR.'S "I HAVE A DREAM" SPEECH (1963)

\* according to John Wickre

exist. From this I dare say that the United States of America ranks as one of the most important, if not the most important, nation ever to exist.

I say this not from the size of our various industries, but rather the ideas inspired by this country. The United States has served as the beacon of freedom whose influence, intellectually and militarily, has spread that liberty to people in vast areas of the world.

I once read a banner that was hanging in the UC back when I was a prospective student. It said something to the effect that patriotism is merely derived from the fact that you were born in a certain country.

I suppose many of those who were born in Cuba and decided to flee by raft to the United States would feel differently.

Patriotism is about understanding the moral clarity of our ideals and believing that the Constitution, which binds us as a nation, is one of the noblest documents ever presented to mankind.

## Hey, hey, ho, ho why the hell did we go?



JEFF EXTINE

I read a rather sobering article recently about three young soldiers who had all recently lost parts of their legs while serving in Iraq. These three soldiers, Tristan Wyatt, Erick Castro and Mike Meinen, all under the age of 24, amazed me with the courage and strength they displayed.

However, at the same time, I couldn't help but be sickened by their story. These three young kids are over in Iraq, giving everything to their country, while in return their president and his administration are abusing their patriotism.

The President claimed that Iraq was a threat, that they had weapons of mass destruction and that they needed to be taken down. Not only are we discovering that the administration was probably lying to us, but the New York Times reported that the Iraqis were actually willing to let U.S. soldiers investigate the existence of WMD and that they were also willing to hold elections.

Now, instead of pursuing a peaceful method to solve the Iraq threat, President Bush and his cronies have decided to invade Iraq and use the spoils to pay off contributors to his campaign.

So, President Bush, why exactly are

we over there? It seems like our welcome has been worn out, and we haven't even been doing a great job rebuilding Iraq.

Reports issued before the war detailing the need for a coordinated reconstruction effort went ignored, and many horrible decisions were made in the process.

Now that things aren't going very well, the government is trying to keep the media coverage on its side.

Small incidents and wounded soldiers no longer get coverage—now only deaths get reported.

Even then, the media hasn't been allowed to cover the arrival of soldiers' coffins on U.S. soil, and President Bush has been trying to avoid talking about them.

This past week, 15 soldiers died in a helicopter attack. President Bush gave a speech the next day and failed to honor these brave soldiers, choosing instead to spew his usual rhetoric.

While the problems are being ignored and the buck keeps getting passed around, more U.S. soldiers are dying and getting wounded.

President Bush needs to face the responsibility for his decisions instead of silencing criticism. Change is needed, and President Bush isn't going to give it to us.

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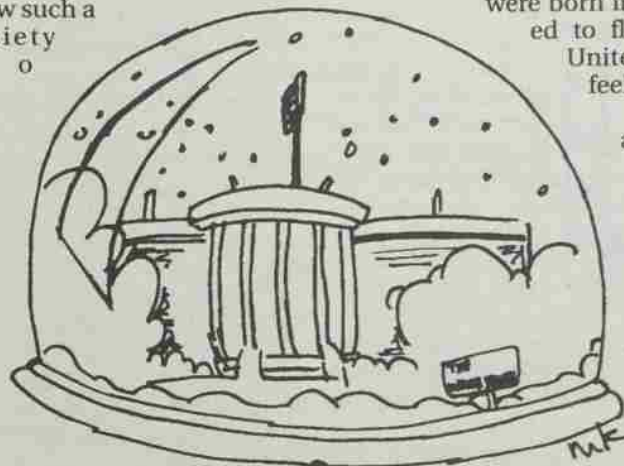


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### THE WAR IS OVER..OR IS IT?

U.S. deaths since 05/01/03.....	254
U.S. deaths since the war began.....	392
Total wounded.....	2,279
Dead Iraqi civilians.....	7,880
Money spent.....	\$95 billion (and \$87 billion more on the way)

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# EDITORIAL

## Student judiciary – finally!

We fought the law and we won!

It has taken longer than most would have thought possible, but reform of the campus judiciary is finally underway. By the end of April, a student judiciary pilot program will be hearing cases and making judgments based on policy that students helped write.

This group will then set the stage for the establishment of a campus-wide student judicial board next fall that will be selected through administrative screening and student election.

This is no five-year plan. This is just around the corner for current Willamette students to help realize.

All of this is scheduled to coincide with the launch of the residential commons. We have the commons plan to thank for much the coming change. We can thank those who were fed up with the system; those who were willing

to sensibly speak the truth to power. It is now our turn to accept a sense of duty.

Students must involve themselves to ensure their ownership of this victory for self-determination.

The current process is the brainchild of two committees established in order to reevaluate Willamette's penal code, an arbitrary and unaccountable system currently operating out of the Residence Life offices. No doubt they have their work cut out for them.

As of this week, Residence Life director Marilyn Derby's sanction review committee has met twice to begin sample case studies. They have just begun a process that will run through the end of February.

The judiciary/governance working group, another committee under the auspices of the Residential Commons planning bureaucracy, is establishing procedures for the "j-board."

Who are these people?

Twenty-three members of the community – students, Residence Life staff, administrators, and alumni. They, like us all, want to see an end to the knee-jerk \$50 fines. They want to see an end to hidden hearings and the inscrutable power that has long governed our lives here at Willamette.

You don't know these people? They are your voice in the change that is about to happen. If you are underage and get caught drinking, if your room is overcrowded after quiet hour, the subsequent fines and community restitution you receive will be a direct result of their influence.

Talk to them. Tell them your horror stories. Truth and reconciliation should be their goals. Knowing what does not work will allow them to create a campus democratically governed by the majority of its population—the students.

## Overbooking can be overcome

There are many ways to measure the success of a Willamette event. You can look at the quality of the speaker or activity in question, the level of organization, the entertainment and the educational value.

Possibly most important, is the level of attendance. Without significant attendance, the other aspects of an event can lose much meaning. Clubs will host events that end early because of lack of attendance. What is the cause? Apathy? Ignorance? These are undoubtedly factors. Most often, sparse attendance is a result of clubs overbooking.

Although Willamette students possess a wide range of talents, being in two places at

once is not one of them. There is a solution: coordination and communication. And who better to facilitate that communication than the Associated Students of Willamette University?

In fact, ASWU is taking steps to do just that. The Transparency and Accountability committee, co-chaired by junior Bracken Killpack and freshman Joyce Yang, are preparing a master calendar. There are currently two events calendars. One, created by Residence Life and posted in campus bathrooms, lists mainly Residence Life events. Student Activities website, is seen only by a few people who look at the website every day. Neither calen-

dar is sufficient to achieve the kind of promulgation needed to combat overbooking and its attendant problems.

ASWU's steps to deal with the problem are in the right direction. Starting shortly after Thanksgiving, ASWU will begin producing a more inclusive master calendar which will be widely posted and, hopefully, widely read.

Students, particularly club presidents and other student leaders, need to take an active role. ASWU is doing a commendable job trying to solve a difficult problem, but students must participate. Overcoming overbooking will ultimately depend not on ASWU, but on the students ASWU represents.

## Booty Call

Besides "the keg's tapped," what are the three worst words in the college lexicon? Here's a hint, they've been making the front pages of major newspapers for the past several months.



KEVIN  
BOOTS

Time's up. "Another tuition increase" is the answer. Sometimes it seems like it's the answer to far too many questions on college campuses today. Worse though, it's the answer to most states' budget woes.

Every five years Congress conducts a study of federal aid to higher education. This year's study has led to much huffing and puffing in Congress and, more importantly, threats to blow tuition down.

The study has all kinds of alarming statistics, such as state by state tuition increases ranging from 48 percent to 80 percent over the past ten years.

This has led to proposed federal legislation that would punish profligate schools by placing them on a watch list that could result in lost federal aid in 2011.

This legislation doesn't address the root causes of the problem. The reason massive tuition increases dominate headlines is because state legislatures are trying to balance their budgets on the shoulders of their higher education systems. This is the cause of a 40 percent increase in fees at the University of Arizona.

Taken contextually, these statistics belie much of the debate. The 40 percent increase meant a jump from \$1,000 to \$1,400.

However, at the point that 22 percent of low income students are unable to receive any higher education because of the costs, as reported in the Sunday's New York Times, it's hard to make

an argument based on context.

The Northwest stacks up pretty well against the rest of the nation. According to statistics from Willamette's Institutional Research

Planning Support department, the average increase for Northwest colleges was 5.61 percent as opposed to 10.5 percent nationally.

Willamette's average increase, over the past four years, was only 3.94 percent. Willamette is clearly doing much better than, say, OSU which had a 19.22 percent last year, thanks to budget cuts.

Still, it's tough to feel sorry for universities demanding more money when various studies show gross inefficiencies in their operations.

For example, a study sponsored by the state of Massachusetts (cited in the same New York Times article) said that many universities spend proportionately massive different amounts on the same expenses. If the inefficient ones "borrowed the practices of their slightly more efficient peers" the state could save \$100 million annually.

College is one of the best investments anyone can make. Some studies claim that a college graduate can expect to make 80 percent more in their lifetime than high school graduates.

Higher education is economically important to individuals and, at least as important, to the very fabric of society. It's critical that everyone should be afforded the opportunity to attend college. Clumsy, punitive legislation is not the answer.

But universities need to operate more efficiently, hopefully before the money's tapped and the higher education party is over.

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## SPORTS

## Cold shouldered by the NCAA

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After a 3-0 victory against Linfield last Saturday and a very successful regular season, the women's soccer team found themselves snubbed by the NCAA for an at-large bid to the NCAA Division III national tournament for the second straight year on Sunday.

The announcement was a huge disappointment, but less than a surprise.

"The word disappointed doesn't even describe how we feel about not getting a bid into the national tournament. The selection process is very bias and we knew that going into Sunday, but we didn't think the system was this dysfunctional," senior defender Stacy Clarke said after hearing the news.

The NCAA having overlooked the Bearcats seems very similar to the situation last season, as Willamette was not invited after they were not able to nab the Northwest Conference Title and Puget Sound moved on with an automatic bid.

Puget Sound also won the NWC title this year. The Bearcats were ranked in the top 10 nationally all year long and despite ending the regular season ranked ninth nationally, were unable to get one of the 10 bids offered.

The tournament consists of 45 teams; 35 conference champions with automatic bids and 10 teams who receive at-large bids to participate.

While it is difficult to comprehend the NCAA's decision-making process for at large bids, the Bearcats are particularly confused with the position they find themselves in.

Trying to make sense of the decision, head coach Jim Tursi said, "Even with our record, our national ranking, and considering our head-to-head wins over other ranked teams across



JULIE TOMMELEIN

Sophomore forward Brenna Hindman scurries to beat a Whitman player to the ball in their Nov. 1 matchup. The women's soccer team will miss the NCAA national playoffs for the second straight year.

### Women's Soccer

the country that received playoff bids, expecting or hoping for a bid this year would be a lost cause since we are a west region team and the NCAA takes cost of travel as part of the process. Leaving us out is often a result of this."

Junior midfielder Claire Reinert expressed her confusion and frustration with the process. "A team we beat 8-0 this year in pre-season (Savannah School of Art & Design) is in it, in addition to many teams

with records that do not even compare to ours. I just really hope that this can serve as a motivational tool for next year," Reinert said.

Although their season came to more of an abrupt end than they had hoped, the team praised their departing seniors for an impressive season and their efforts to leave Willamette's home-

unbeaten streak intact. "The graduating class is part of this unbeaten streak since 1997. They have been a part of upholding a standard within the program

and the leadership that they have continued to provide for the team has motivated and organized the future of the team for success," Tursi said.

Reinert added praise for the seniors. "I think I am saddened most by the fact that this season did not end on a just note for our seniors. They deserve a national title. They are not only amazing players, but they are some of the most quality individuals on this campus."

Departing senior defender Joey Muchlinski expressed her feelings toward her Bearcat soccer career. "I feel lucky to have been able to play with such a high caliber group of girls. My experience was only as good as it was because of my teammates and our mutual passion for the game."

## ChalkTalk

### VOLLEYBALL ENDS SEASON WITH A WIN AND A LOSS

The Bearcat volleyball team wrapped up its season last weekend with a loss to Puget Sound and a win against George Fox. Willamette lost to UPS in four games 1-3 and defeated George Fox on Saturday in four games as well, 3-1. The Bearcats ended the season with a Northwest Conference Record of 10-6 and an overall record of 18-8, good for third in the conference.

### NETTERS GARNER CONFERENCE HONORS

On Monday, Bearcat netters senior middle hitter Jenni Linden and junior outside hitter Kristen Halleck were named to the first-team All-Northwest Conference volleyball team. Halleck had 328 kills during the season while Linden had 301.

### SWIM TEAMS UNDERWAY FOR SEASON

The men's and women's swimming teams have begun their 2003-2004 season and were in Salem last weekend to compete against Puget Sound. Puget Sound took wins away for both the men and the women as the men had 111 points to Willamette's 77 and the UPS women won 132-68. The Bearcat swimmers will be at home again this Saturday when they take on Pacific and California State Hayward at 1 p.m. at the Sparks pool.

### RUNNERS SHOW STRONG ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

The cross-country teams have shown strength in the classroom as well as on the course this fall. The men's team has an average grade point average of 3.34 while the women's team has an impressive average of 3.67. To receive NWC All-Academic, an athlete must have a GPA of 3.5.

### SKIERS AND SNOWBOARDERS GET READY

At Mt. Bachelor Ski Resort there are nine inches of snow at the base and 12 inches at mid-mountain. Timberline Lodge is reporting a snow depth of 11 inches at the lodge.

# REVIEWS

## How does one begin to build a nation?

By DUNCAN ROBERTSON

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Directing takes a forward role in the upcoming performances of "Our Country's Good," by Timberlake Wertenbaker, which opens this Friday in Willamette's Kresge Theatre.

The director, Tori Haring-Smith, a university administrator and guest artist to the theatre this semester, gives credit to the actors. "They did it 100 percent," she said. That is what is so marvelous about this show. The cast has become a community. Part of this has to do with the show itself. It is an ensemble piece, so the supporting characters end up with equally important scenes as the leads.

Another reason is Haring-Smith. She was described as an "actor's director" who makes herself available to the actors if needed. According to senior Ryan Carty, who plays Lt. Ralph Clark, in the past week she "basically handed the show over to us."

The other reason? "These kids are incredible," Haring-Smith said. "This is a show

### PLAY

that has challenged everybody."

The major plot concerns the first British penal colony in Australia. The jailors don't want to be hated, nor do they want to slack off on their duties. The convicts don't want to give in to the system, nor do they want to be captives. In an attempt to civilize and educate the convicts, Lt. Clark (Carty) attempts to produce a farcical play with the convicts.

Senior Jenna Ciralli, who plays the part of Liz Morden, called the play "one of the best theatrical experiences at Willamette." Ciralli said that she didn't feel an automatic connection with her role, and called her difficulties "a gradual process of getting in touch with inner loathing and bitterness."

Supporting actresses freshman Sarah Hamilton and sophomore Lesli Okorn pull off impressive performances that render the audience silent.

As Haring-Smith said, the show has been a difficult

undertaking. The cast is large and diverse. Twenty-two actors are used in the production, plus three musicians that open the show. Five dialects are spoken on stage at any given time. There are at least four plots going on throughout the show, all of which are engaging and none are mutually exclusive.

The lighting and stagecraft are exemplary and help to involve the audience in the performance. The stage appears to be bare and virtually desolate, but every scene provides a new perspective of space. More than a few times the formerly placid stage is transformed by lighting, dropping sand bags and trap doors. The audience encompasses the stage, making it at once a symbolic island (just like Australia) and an inclusive venue.

The whole point for Haring-Smith is to "emphasize the human element" in this piece.

"This is not a normal play," Haring-Smith said. "The audience is not going to know whether to laugh or not and that is just fine."



LUCAS HERNANDEZ

Sophomore Scott Herman (Ketch Freeman) holds senior Jenna Ciralli (Liz Morden) to be measured for her noose.

## 'The Matrix': Third time concludes with no charm

By STEVE DUMAN

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Everything that has a beginning has an end. Thank God.

Last Wednesday at 6 a.m., "The Matrix Revolutions" was inflicted upon the world and it managed to leave its formerly excited audience with two resounding questions: (1) When did the Wachowski Bros. forget how to make movies? and (2) Have they been hanging out with George Lucas?

The special early morning release was a brilliant gimmick. Originally intended to allow a simultaneous worldwide release time, it actually ended up allowing all of those

### THE REEL DEAL

disgusted by the conclusion ample amounts of time to warn everyone.

"The Matrix Revolutions" marked the final installment of "The Matrix" trilogy, the final chapter of the story started by a much, much better film released back in 1999.

But don't lose all hope: what "Revolutions" lacks in good, it certainly makes up for in pretty consistent bad — from dialogue to action sequences, it generally struggles.

The film picks up where "Reloaded" left off, which was probably its first mistake. Once again, Neo (Keanu

Reeves), Trinity (Carrie-Anne Moss) and Morpheus (Lawrence Fishburne) battle the race of artificially intelligent machines that have enslaved the human race. Man, I hate robots.

But it would be difficult to say that Reeves, Moss and Fishburne have starring roles, as their parts in the film were essentially replaced by several new characters (introduced in "Reloaded," of course) for whom we care approximately

nothing at all.

I realize that in saying this, I'm essentially proposing that Keanu deserved more screen time. Keanu. More screen time. Does that clarify things enough? The man may know kung fu, but his list of attributes diminishes quickly from there.

Of course, it has moments worthy of a watch, such as an extreme close-up bullet-time punch to the face, and...hmm. That's pretty much it.

Where the film goes wrong is in its amnesia effect. It

### THE MATRIX REVOLUTIONS

Director/Writer: Andy & Larry Wachowski

Playing at:  
Santiam and  
Movieland

Rating: R

seems the Wachowski Bros. forgot all those things that made the first one great.

For example, I remember it being really cool when they would go inside the Matrix. They kind of forgot about that whole Matrix thing.

About half way through I found myself wishing I was plugged into the Matrix, mostly because having a giant needle in my head sounded equally, if not more, appealing than the film itself. Also, it might help me forget that they made the two sequels.

I actually managed to track down Reeves for his reaction to the final film. He stated, quite succinctly and appropriately, "Whoa."

# NWC rivalry headed this way

If ever there was a time to jump on the Bearcat bandwagon, the time is now, as the Willamette football team prepares for its biggest test of the season.

This Saturday marks a historic game in the WU world of sports, as the undefeated Wildcats of Linfield will navigate through the cow pastures and cornfields of McMinnville to square off against Coach Speckman's boys at McCulloch Stadium.

Linfield, ranked third nationally, is no stranger to success in the Northwest Conference, as they are in the midst of a 22 regular season game-winning streak and have clinched their 48th consecutive winning season.

This season the Wildcats have been steamrolling opponents, averaging over 45 points and 460 yards a game in total offense (148 rushing and 312 passing), with a margin of victory of more than 31 points a game.



STEVE ALBAUGH

Linfield's made-to-order passing attack is headed by senior quarterback Tyler Matthews (284 pass yards per game) and junior wide receiver George Carter (114 reception yards per game), a South Salem product who's highlight reel grows with every game.

Defensively Willamette (296 yards allowed per game) and Linfield (328 yards allowed per game) are well matched.

The Bearcats have the edge in the defensive match up, but they will need to play a near perfect game to topple the Wildcats, and that means shutting down the Matthews and Carter combination that is one of the best pass and catch tandems in Division III football. The good news for the Bearcats is that Matthews dislocated his finger two

weeks ago against Menlo, the bad news is in the event that Matthews cannot play, backup Blake Kluse will, and considering he threw five TD passes last week is his first start, the Wildcats appear to be in good shape regardless.

In order to win this game, cornerbacks seniors Eric Lewis and Roderick Edwards and junior Brian Stuhr will have to step up big in the secondary, while senior cornerback Marcus Boards will be in charge of locking down the Wildcat playmaker Carter.

Coach Speckman will also be looking to his front four of senior defensive linemen Nate Matlock, Josh Vierra, Jeff Na and junior Blake Cam to get after Matthews. If the WU wrecking crew does come through, the Bearcats will be in good shape on Saturday, if Greg "G-money" Reed and the offense take care of business as usual.

I'll be honest, Willamette is not Pac-10 football, and I cannot expect to see an abundance of tailgaters doing keg stands, streakers running rampant or a huge crowd at McCulloch stadium.

I can only hope that after seeing Linfield narrowly defeat the Bearcats over the past three years, the seniors will show up for this game for one last push.

If that is not reason enough to make the journey across Mission Street, then how about the fact this game will decide who wins the NWC crown or that it is the closest thing to a rival Willamette has.

If you don't like any of the reasons I have provided and you don't end up going, it's ok but this is the last stop for the Bearcat bandwagon and the playoffs don't allow "Johnny-come-latelys."

Sadly, ABC sports announcer Keith Jackson may not be announcing the game, but this pivotal match should provide all the excitement of a good old-fashioned CAT-FIGHT on the west coast.

## Standings

### VOLLEYBALL

Linfield	(14-2)	(23-3)
PLU	(13-3)	(21-5)
<b>Willamette</b>	<b>(10-6)</b>	<b>(18-8)</b>
Whitman	(10-6)	(15-10)
Puget Sound	(7-9)	(16-12)
George Fox	(7-9)	(12-14)
Pacific	(5-11)	(10-12)
Whitworth	(4-12)	(10-18)
Lewis & Clark	(2-14)	(2-18)

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

Puget Sound	(12-1-1)	(16-1-1)
<b>Willamette</b>	<b>(11-1-2)</b>	<b>(16-1-2)</b>
Whitworth	(9-5)	(14-5)
Pacific	(6-7-1)	(11-8-1)
Whitman	(6-8)	(10-9)
PLU	(5-9)	(9-11)
Linfield	(4-10)	(9-10)
George Fox	(1-13)	(3-15-1)

### MEN'S SOCCER

#### NWC ALL

Linfield	(11-2-1)	(16-2-1)
Puget Sound	(10-1-3)	(13-3-3)
Whitworth	(9-4-1)	(12-5-1)
PLU	(7-5-2)	(11-7-2)
<b>Willamette</b>	<b>(7-6-1)</b>	<b>(8-8-3)</b>
Pacific	(3-11)	(6-12)
George Fox	(2-10-2)	(5-12-2)
Whitman	(2-12)	(6-13)

### FOOTBALL

#### NWC ALL

Linfield	(4-0)	(8-0)
<b>Willamette</b>	<b>(4-0)</b>	<b>(7-2)</b>
PLU	(2-2)	(5-3)
Lewis & Clark	(1-3)	(3-5)
Whitworth	(1-3)	(3-6)
Puget Sound	(0-4)	(0-8)

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## Football

# Bearcats smash Pioneers

By BEN RAINVILLE

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With a 59-7 demolition of the Lewis & Clark Pioneers, the Willamette football team set the table for Saturday's game against the Linfield Wildcats.

"Last year, we were one play away against them," senior quarterback Tyler Gaspard said earlier this season in anticipation of Saturday's game. "This year, we will make that play."

Saturday is the most important afternoon in Willamette's season.

A loss would hand the NWC regular-season title to Linfield, and because of two pre-season losses, the Bearcats would probably not be invited to the NCAA tournament.

If the Bearcats win, however, they will hold the NWC trophy and receive an automatic invitation to the NCAA tournament.

The Bearcats will enter the Linfield game with great momentum.

In their game over the weekend, the Bearcats traveled to Lewis & Clark and produced the fourth-best running game in Division III this season.

The Bearcats rushed for 518 yards on Saturday, despite resting most of their offense in the second half.

Fourteen different players carried the ball for Willamette, led by junior running back Calvin Keyser-Allen's 103 yards on seven carries.

The Willamette passing game was also impressive. Bearcat quarterback Tyler Gaspard completed 11 of 26 passes for 148 yards and two touchdowns.

Eight different players scored a touchdown for Willamette.

The game against Linfield will start at 1 p.m. on Saturday at McCulloch Stadium.

# Wildcats avenge early season loss

By ALEX COMPTON

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Facing the Linfield Wildcats in the final match of the season, the Willamette men's soccer team dominated the first 45 minutes with continuous ball possession but failed to outscore their rivals during a dramatic second half that ended in a 2-3 loss for the Bearcats.

Entering the game with a NWC record of 7-5-1, the Bearcats had no hopes of lengthening their season with an invitation to the NCAA national tournament.

With a handful of starting seniors taking their positions for the last time, Willamette strove to upset the top contender for the conference title on Saturday afternoon at McCulloch Stadium.

The Bearcat defense stood firm during the first half and disallowed virtually every offensive Wildcat run. Sophomore goalkeeper Dane Meier was able to make monumental saves against the few attempts that breached the defensive line.

The score remained 0-0 after the first 45 minutes of regulation.

Just three minutes into the second half, however, junior midfielder Kyle Gouveia struck a half-volley past Linfield keeper Phil Haines from 15 yards out. Senior forward Ben DeSanno was credited with the assist.

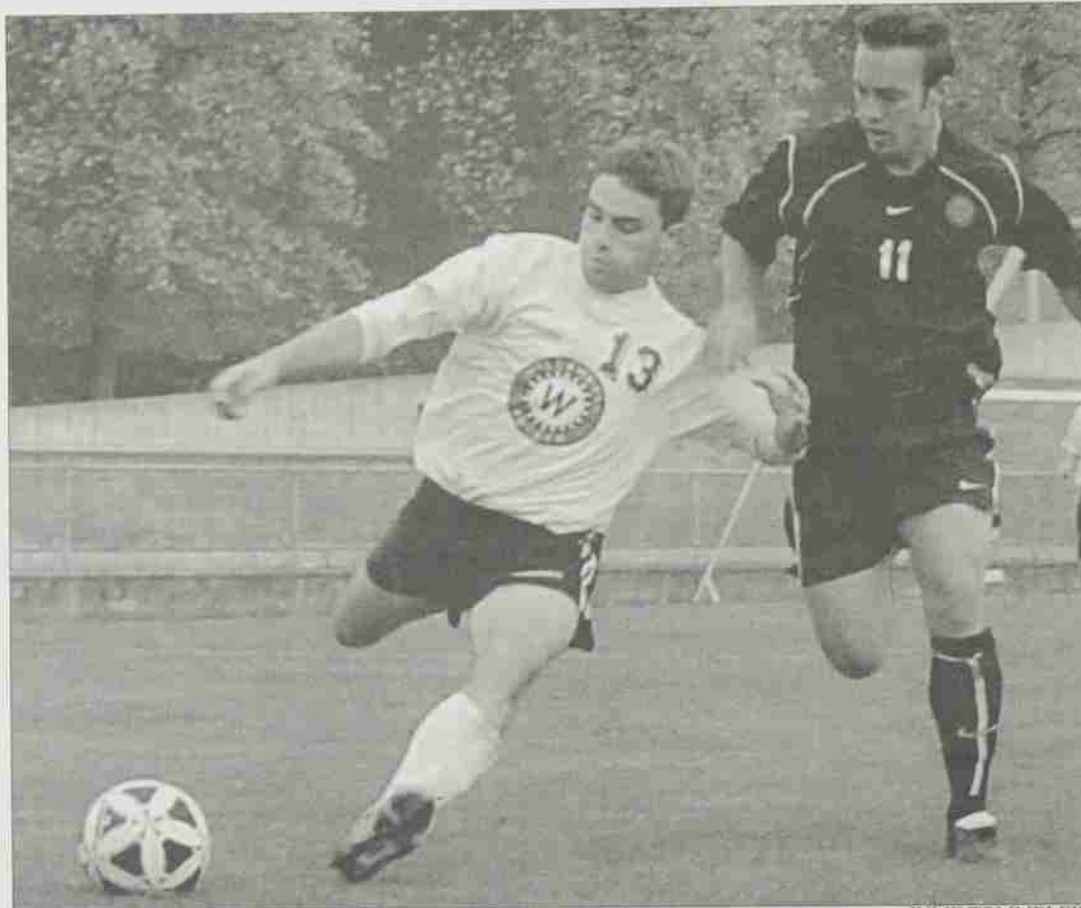
After breaking the stalemate with a devastating goal, the Bearcats exhibited excitement that ultimately drove the opposing team to match their level of play through aggression and persistence.

With the tension turned up a notch, emotions ran high as every 50-50 ball turned into a battle.

Junior defender A.J. Nash received a yellow card just moments before he assisted senior striker Adam

"I feel the transition from this year to next will depend on the seniors and their willingness to accept the coach and his decisions on the field."

JIM TURSI  
head coach



JULIE TOMMELEIN

Junior defender A.J. Nash boxes out a Linfield player for possession of the ball during the Bearcat's final game of the regular season. The men will not be moving on to the national tournament.

## Men's Soccer

Moshofsky, who was able to trap the aerial pass with his shoulder and blast the ball into the back of the net before the keeper could shift his stance.

Fifty-six minutes into the match, the Bearcats led 2-0.

Regardless of the two goal deficit, the Wildcats turned the game around and proceeded to dominate ball possession in the midfield for the remainder of playing time.

Linfield's diligence paid off quickly as Wildcat Jason Wong set up his teammate Harel Harelson with a pass that enabled him to lob the ball into the back of the Willamette net from close range.

Eight minutes later, Linfield tied the score with a controversial goal from

Aleko Lilly that struck the crossbar and bounced just beyond the goal line.

The Wildcat offense continued to relentlessly attack the opposing half and succeeded in scoring the go-ahead goal in the eighty-first minute when Abe Gardner struck a quick turn-around shot from a sharp angle into the right corner of the net.

Linfield's offensive tenacity is exemplified by the post-game statistics, as the Wildcats outscored Willamette 24-15.

Reflecting on their last performance, the seniors were disappointed but chose not to dwell on the loss.

Senior midfielder David Tercek said the Bearcats were "the closest team we have had in four years." He elaborated on the team's overall performance by say-

ing, "We kept each other motivated" but that the squad "needed help on discipline during the second half."

While substantial credit is due to head coach Jim Tursi for the team's success this season, he will not be returning to coach the men's team next fall. The midfield and defense of the team will remain practically intact, but they will have to adjust to another managerial change once again.

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Tursi said.

The fall soccer season of 2004 will undoubtedly be revolutionary as the Bearcats play under their third coach in four years.

# COMICS

**TETRIS RECORDS**  
By J. DOHERTY

OKAY, SO I LOVE RUNNING A GAMING STORE AND EVERYTHING BUT I HATE HIRING EMPLOYEES...

THE REASON BEING BECAUSE MOSTLY I GET SOME REALLY STRANGE APPLICATIONS

SO, YOU GUYS ARE CALLED THE MARIO TWINS THEN?

YEAH IT'S A ME... MARIO.

YO.

**THE WU SIDE** BY GINA JOHNSON

This history essay is kicking my butt.

I'm sorry.

I really think the prof's lost it this time!

I mean, this topic has NOTHING to do with history.

Let me see, you're just over-reacting...

"Inverse black hole. Discuss."

GRRR

Okay, yeah, you're doomed.



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