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Students arrive



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IPC leader senior Jasmin Hanson (right) showing new TIUA students (from left) Takamitsu Hara, Hiroshi Fukushima, and Keiji Yoshimi where the Montag Center is on a map.

By ADRIENNE DAVICH
STAFF WRITER

This week Willamette welcomes another class of Tokyo International University of America students.

The TIUA class of 2002 arrived Feb. 3 and 4 and will call Willamette home for the next eleven months.

In the upcoming weeks these new students will be settling in and adapting to their new environment at not only Willamette, but in the United States.

"They will have to make a lot of adjustments. They have never known each other before," Masumi Otake, a graduate of the TIUA class of 2001, said of the 2002 class.

Otake returned to Willamette after graduating from the TIUA program in order to cheerlead and work at an internship.

Now she is helping to welcome and offer support to the over 100 Japanese students at Willamette.

Otake explained that her supporting role includes "telling them which building is which, like for music or theatre...and I can tell them which restaurants are good."

The majority of support for the incoming TIUA class is provided by International Peer Counselors (IPC), students at Willamette who act like Opening Day leaders to the TIUA program.

The IPCs have led orien-

tations and interviews for the new students as part of the registration process at the Cat Cavern, but this year the entire orientation procedure has been conducted twice.

Because of the terrorist acts of Sept. 11, the TIUA class was split into two travel groups, with one group arriving a day before the other.

To accommodate these special travel arrangements, extra entertainment, such as the "TIUA Social," was provided for the TIUA students who had to wait for the other half of their class to arrive.

The TIUA Social took place in the Montag Funnasium where games and goodies circulated as the new students got acquainted.

Lisa Kister, University Information Specialist, relayed the purpose of the social as "giving them a place to go."

Activities like the social also help to alleviate the anxiety of moving to a foreign country.

"They expect people to be critical of their use of English, not realizing that we're excited for it instead," Kister said.

"It is great to see their English take shape ... and one must not forget, Willamette students teach them stuff they definitely don't learn in the classroom."

Willamette turns 160

By KATIE ARNTSON
STAFF WRITER

On the first day of February, Willamette commemorated the 160th year of the founding of the university. A celebration took place in Hudson Hall, with the State of the University address from President Pelton and the presentation of awards to faculty and staff members.

Dean of Campus Life Bob Hawkinson acted as master of ceremonies and University Chaplain Charlie Wallace gave the opening invocation.

Hawkinson introduced the student speaker, senior Anna Carpenter, a sociology major.

He noted the high honors she has received during her time here, including the Truman scholarship.

Carpenter praised Willamette as being a place where "students and professors freely share ideas," and where questioning old ideas

is the norm and not the exception.

In her closing remarks she emphasized the responsibility of students to use their education in a meaningful way and the need for "empathetic and creative students in the world."

Pelton addressed a variety of topics in his speech about the state of the university and began by saying that "this has been a year that has tested our resolve."

He paid tribute to the two faculty members who passed away this year, Bill Braden and Kathleen Powers.

In reference to the events of Sept. 11, Pelton praised the school for remaining a community of teaching and learning and searching for what brings us together.

He expressed his gratitude to staff and faculty for

their response to the budget situation this year and finding ways to sacrifice to support the university's overall mission.

According to the statistics, the College of Liberal Arts has the most ethnically and geographically diverse freshmen class in our history, with the average SAT score

up 30 points from last year.

The budget numbers show the smallest budget increase in over two decades, fundraising was at \$13.6 million last year and the university has already received five gifts of over \$2 million each this year.

The focus shifted from the school's financial situation to what Pelton considers to be the reason for fundamental success — the faculty, students and staff.

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"This has been a year that has tested our resolve."

M. LEE PELTON
STATE OF THE UNIVERSITY
ADDRESS

Campus hosts peace festival

By BEN NYSTROM
STAFF WRITER

Roughly 400 people from all over the Northwest converged on the Willamette campus Saturday to celebrate the Oregon Peace Festival, a march/rally for world peace and economic justice.

Toting homemade signs with slogans like "Peace is the Way," "It's a Trap," and "Bombs are Dropping While You're Shopping," these demonstrators spent the day marching in downtown Salem and listening to various speakers.

Eaton Hall hosted most of the workshops available at the festival. Festival patrons were able to learn about different political activist groups, sign petitions, and even register to vote. Child

care was available and children got to paint faces and make signs.

Cone Chapel hosted live music and an open mic session.

Despite the different activities, many participants were content with simply standing outside the buildings and sharing their political views.

The Festival had 13 sponsors, including Oregon PeaceWorks, the Oregon Peace Institute, and HEAR (Heal, Educate, Activate, Recreate).

Festival organizer Chani Geigle-Teller, who works at Oregon PeaceWorks and HEAR, said that this year's festival was a very surprising success.

"It's been beyond what we expected," Geigle-Teller said. "There's been lots of energy, and we have people

here from all over."

What made this year's Festival different from previous years, Geigle-Teller said, was the information booths.

"Last year it was just a march. This year the focus is more on the workshops," she said.

Eugene resident Barbara Raisbeck said that though the Festival was exciting, she wished the numbers were better.

"There should be thousands of people protesting what's going on," she said.

Raisbeck commended the people that had shown up for the march and rally.

She said that it was great that "these people all have the courage to stand up for what is right."

Portland resident Jim Kysela said that he went to the Bush protest last month and was excited that he was able to come to down to Salem for the Peace Festival.

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CHANI GEIGLE-TELLER
FESTIVAL ORGANIZER

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Pelton praised the faculty for their accolades and awards.

The university will bring in an ethnic studies professor and a new Chinese languages and culture professor to maintain the student faculty ratio at 10:1.

He mentioned the five new professorships in the Law School and that Atkinson School of Management has the largest class ever with 33 percent international students. Also in the works are plans for a bigger and better art building, improvements in technology and the residential commons system.

This year the university gained a new Dean of CLA, Tori Haring-Smith, and says farewell to administrative staff members Bryan Johnston and Brian Hardin.

Pelton's goals for the future included "intellectual vibrancy" and a university that is "known for its commitment to service." He concluded by thanking the audience for its support of him and the university.

Seven awards were presented to faculty and staff members after Pelton's address.

Jim Ames, Willamette's maintenance foreman, received the Classified Employee of the Year for 2001-2002.

He was announced as the winner of this award at the monthly classified staff luncheon in May, but was officially presented with the award at this ceremony. He has worked at Willamette since July of 1990.

Ames commented after the presentation that it was "good to have the classified staff honored at this prestigious of an event."

He gave further congratulations to the other award recipients and then added "Go Willamette!"

Loren Wenz, a music teacher at South Salem High School, was awarded the Secondary School Award for Excellence in Teaching by senior David Nelson, former South student.

Wenz was nominated by a number of students at

Willamette for this award and said in his speech that it was a "joy to be acknowledged as a teacher" and an "overwhelming and humbling" experience.

These same sentiments were shared by the recipient of Mortar Board's Professor of the Year award, Myles Jackson, assistant professor of History of Science. Although he is currently in Ireland, Jackson heard he had won during a phone conversation with David Douglass, Associate Dean and last year's recipient. At the ceremony Douglass accepted the award on Jackson's behalf and read a statement sent from Ireland. Douglass said, "Myles was deeply honored and humbled by being recognized by the students."

When asked to comment on what makes Jackson such a good professor, junior Dianna Stephens responded with, "How do you sum up what an amazing professor he is in one or two sentences?"

"Myles is a comedian, friend to both students and faculty, gifted historian, and one of the smartest people I have ever met. When he speaks you can guarantee what he says will not be dull." Jackson also received a second award that afternoon, the Lawrence D. Cress Award for Excellence in Faculty Scholarship.

James Friedrich, psychology professor and last year's recipient, accepted it for him and read another statement including the joke that reputation increases with distance and a thanks to the Academy.

Other honorees included the Jerry E. Hudson award winner, an associate professor of law, Vincent Chiapetta, and the two winners of the United Methodist Award for Service to the University and Community, Rebecca Dobkins, assistant professor of anthropology and Debra Ringold, professor of marketing.

Hawkinson closed by saying that honoring teachers and scholars is a great way to celebrate Founder's Day.

Hardin retires after 20 years at Willamette

MICHELLE THERIAULT
COPY EDITOR

When Vice-President of Finance Brian Hardin came to Willamette, the year was 1981 and Willamette was a dramatically different university.

After 20 years of service as Vice President of Finance, Hardin is retiring this spring.

He plans to pursue "a long list of things I have wanted to do," including work on his small farm near Salem.

"I have this bucolic image of a perfect little farm," Hardin said.

Hardin plans to volunteer with local environmental groups, like the Willamette Riverkeepers.

He is currently active in the Salem Watershed Council.

According to Hardin, the university delayed the announcement of his retirement until after they had reached some resolution with the university's budget cut.

This was done to emphasize that Hardin's retirement is not a response to any budget troubles Willamette has



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Brian Hardin in his first year at the University in 1981.

been dealing with for the past year.

"This is part of a plan I've had for a long time," Hardin said.

Despite the budget shortfalls of the 2001-2002 school year, Hardin is optimistic about the state of the budget.

"It has been my experience that we have regular cycles where we will have a tight budget year, and then a budget that isn't tight at all."

Next year's budget will be

one of the tight ones, but will "accomplish everything that it needs to," Hardin said.

Hardin's 20 years of service to Willamette have left him with great memories and strong friendships.

"I have considered myself fortunate to be associated with Willamette University. It has been a wonderful opportunity.

"I will remember most fondly the relationships I had with people here."

Oregon Peace Festival attendees rally for justice

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Kysela, who joined the army when he got out of high school, became a strong supporter of demilitarization when he discovered the investments America had in troops stationed overseas.

"I didn't know we had over 40,000 troops in Japan. What are they doing there?" Kysela said. "That's a lot of wasted money and it's a huge waste of resources."

Kysela said he also thought the current situation in Afghanistan was ridiculous.

"We built the caves we are now bombing. There's so many more terrorists we've trained," he said.

"We sell over half of the world's weapons. What do we think they are using them for?"

Freshman Anna Garner, one of the few Willamette students at the Festival, cited the lack of publicity as a possible

reason for the low student turn-out.

"I just kind of showed up here. I didn't hear much about it, and I didn't know about the first march a couple of months ago," Garner said.

Garner said that she would definitely go to more activities like the Festival if she hears about them in advance.

"It's fun," she said.

The march started at 1:30 p.m., made its way downtown, and ended up on the steps of the Capitol.

Though the demonstrators walked down the middle of the streets and occasionally held up traffic, police said that the march gave them no trouble.

"Everything has gone fine, no problems," Salem police officer Darron Mumei said.

"Most of the protesters have been very peaceful. Everyone is just voicing their opinion."

Mumei said that though the police force would have liked to keep demonstrators

off the streets, "with the great numbers it has been difficult to keep everyone on the sidewalks."

The Festival ended with a speech and book signing by author/activist Winona LaDuke in Smith.

Students interested in more information about the Oregon Peace Festival can visit its website at www.oregonpeacefestival.org, or call at 503-363-7598.

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OFFICER DARRON MUMEI
SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT

Cosmology lecture kicks off Founder's Day

By VANESSA BISBEE
STAFF WRITER

In his novel "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy," Douglas Adams promises readers the answer to "Life, the Universe, and Everything."

In her lecture entitled, "Cosmology: Man's Place in the Universe," Virginia Trimble attempted to address the same issue.

Trimble spoke Thursday to an audience of over 100 community members and Willamette students.

She is a professor of astronomy, history of science, and scientometrics at the University of California at

Irvine.

The speech was given in conjunction with Phi Beta Kappa as part of the activities to commemorate Founder's Day.

The address began on a light note when Trimble explained that her discussion would review the universe from "the beginning of time to the birth of Richard Nixon."

Accompanied by a detailed slide show, Trimble's speech covered the formation of the universe, development of stars, and possible effects galactic evolution could have on the earth.

Trimble employed humor, personal references, and

drawings of stick figures around tables of equations to make her lecture less formal.

Several times, she called for audience participation by asking her listeners to identify a nebula, famous scenery, or literary references which contributed to the names of several celestial bodies.

After finishing her presentation, Trimble offered up the floor for "questions, comments, or other rude remarks."

Many in the audience seemed to enjoy her lecture.

Freshman Ana Moreno, who attended said:

"I found it very interesting and educational. I'm glad I came."

CORRECTIONS

In "School of Education gets \$1.3 million grant," Jan. 31: In "Witness returns," Jan. 31:

Dr. Rich Biffle is Director of the School of Education.

Dr. Steve Rhine (who is on sabbatical leave) is the director of the PT³ grant.

Dr. Jill Weisner has been coordinating grant activities.

Dr. John Tenny is the Interim Grant Director.

Russell Bither-Terry's convocation was on Feb. 6.

Bither-Terry was unable to travel to a town because FARC guerrillas and the military had recently exchanged fire.

The Collegian regrets these errors.

Vagina Monologues return

By ADRIENNE DAVICH
STAFF WRITER

Every nine seconds, a woman is domestically abused by her husband.

At least one in every three females is either physically or sexually assaulted in her lifetime.

Domestic violence is a cycle of perpetual victimization that remains in many ways a silent killer.

On Valentine's Day, Willamette University will present a benefit performance of "The Vagina Monologues," in honor of V-Day.

A rotating cast of celebrities will perform the Monologues in cities all over the country.

A special performance by Eve Ensler,

author of the Monologues, took place in Washington, D.C. earlier this month.

Ensler brought the production to the stage in the mid-1990s as a series of stories based on interviews.

Willamette's performance unites the university with 550 colleges internationally, generating awareness and funds to support anti-violence organizations.

The V-Day college cam-

paign is in its third year, and will continue to raise awareness until the violence stops.

This Valentine's Day will mark Willamette's second year of performing "The Vagina Monologues."

"The idea," senior Katie Krieger explained, "is that we reclaim Valentine's Day as a day to stop violence against women."

Krieger is the director of this year's performance.

"There are a lot of stereotypes regarding domestic violence.

"The Vagina Monologues' break through a lot of these stereotypes, and celebrates the beauty of being a woman."

KATIE KRIEGER
VAGINA MONOLOGUES
PERFORMANCE DIRECTOR

"The Vagina Monologues' break through a lot of these stereotypes, and celebrates the beauty of being a woman."

Krieger is particularly excited for certain creative liberties she has taken as the director of the

production.

An example of such creative additions includes a chorus of cardboard vaginas that will tap dance and chant between acts.

There will, Krieger assures, be plenty more surprises in store for the audience.

"The Vagina Monologues" has been organized by Willamette's Women's Center for the past two years.



NICK PATTEN

Members of the Vagina Monologues' chorus, freshman Jill Summers, senior Ada Dortch, junior Edwin Phillips, sophomore Nicolette Hall and freshman Brie Milgrom, rehearse their lines Tuesday night. Tryouts were conducted in early December and the rehearsals have been held nightly since Jan. 28.

The performance last year proved to be an inspiring success, and organizers have increasingly high expectations for the 2002 production.

"The actresses are especially passionate about women's issues," junior Women's Center coordinator Nikki Trammel said, "and that is part of what makes this show so great."

The monologues portray everything from abuse to personal self-discovery amidst a society where women are brought up to be uncomfortable with their

own bodies.

Chocolate vaginas, T-shirts, and books will again be sold, and a silent art auction will take place.

Information will be available from such community outreach services as Planned Parenthood and The Liberty House at each performance.

"It's going to be a fabulous show," Krieger added.

The Vagina Monologues will be performed at 8 and 11 p.m. in Smith Auditorium on Feb. 14. Tickets are five dollars for students, ten dollars for others. For ticket information, call 503-370-6267.

WU students to teach



NICK PATTEN

Junior Sarah Sutton listens to Director of Multicultural Affairs Lakisha Clark relate her experience teaching in New Orleans in the Teach for America program. The deadline for program applications is Feb. 21

By JENNY ANDREWS
MANAGING EDITOR

Two Willamette seniors have been selected to join the Teach for America program, and applications are still being accepted for the Feb. 21 deadline to be teaching in a classroom in the fall.

Teach for America sets up college graduates with a two-year commitment to teach in a rural or urban area of the United States.

Students can select their preference of location in the

United States but are ultimately placed based on the need for teachers in a given area.

No teaching certificate is needed, and participants receive a monthly salary and a \$9,700 grant upon completion of the program, which can go toward graduate school or paying off loans.

Senior Beth Carlascio was selected for the program over the Winter Break, and will be teaching students with ...

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Animal House



HEATHER CHERPIN

Sophomores Abrie Shroeder and Jane Littlefield, and freshman Ali LaChapelle in costume before performing as characters in Tchaikovsky's "Peter and the Wolf" with Salem Chamber Orchestra at the Elsinore Theatre, Sunday afternoon.

All over 55, still learning

By HEATHER SCHLUDER-MANN
STAFF WRITER

Walking into a Willamette classroom, one would expect to find students between the ages of 18 and 22, but in Smullin B17, this is not the case. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, the Institute of Continued Learning is in session, and the youngest student is closer to 55.

The Institute of Continued Learning, or ICL, was founded in 1992 by a group who wanted to supplement their education with more college level classes. In the summer of 1992, they held their first session, which included about 30 members. Now, 10 years later, the membership has grown to 150 people over the age of 55.

ICL topics and presentations vary greatly, crossing subjects from the politics of cancer to understanding religious cults, evolutionary psychology to the duel of Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr.

The ICL has "gone from an appendage to an intrinsic part of the university," Harold Murray, a member of the original founding group, said. Murray believes that the university has accommodated the ICL very well over the past 10 years.

Professors like David Douglass in the rhetoric department and Jean-David Coen in the music department are on the schedule to give presentations later on in the semester, which runs for 15 weeks.

The original idea for a continued education program came from the East Coast. A group set up a program, the Institute for Retired Professionals, that allowed educated retired men and women to continue learning.

The program eventually spread to the West Coast and was implemented at the University of San Diego and UCLA. Murray and his wife participated in the programs in Calif., and missed the opportunity when they moved to Salem.

In 1992, Karen Fletcher discussed the idea with then-WU president Jerry Hudson, and with help from many more individuals including Murray, the ICL was born.

People involved in the ICL have nothing but praise for the program, though certain sessions may be more interesting than others. For members like Carol Eggers, the music portions of the program are the highlight.

Motives for involvement with ICL vary. Some desire a community while others have a thirst for knowledge. For 76-year-old member Adrienne Steele, the reason, besides loving the programs, is that "it keeps me from being an old person with a mushy brain."

Scenes from outside the Willamette Bubble: Polishing the WU family portrait

As our humble university begins to find itself on the college search lists of high school seniors around the country, Mr. Kessler offers some hints on expanding our image further.



By BEN KESSLER
COLUMNIST

Much has been made about Willamette's desire to boost our national image, and I'm all for it.

Everywhere I go people ask where I go to school, and every time I tell them I get a puzzled look in response.

Non-Oregonian: "I'm sorry, I don't know that school. Is it new?"

Of course I correct them, informing them that we are "the First University in the West," and that we boast the

best faculty and collegiate newspaper in the country.

OK so maybe that best faculty claim is a bit of a stretch.

But regardless, the fact is that we still lack national recognition, and I have devised a few ways to get WU on the map.

Forget the Seattle Mariners rip-off compass logo; we need to make a bolder statement.

As long as we're adopting logos from pro sports teams, let's take the Oakland Raiders skull and crossbones.

No more "First University in the West." Instead we'll do: "Willamette University: You Better Back that Ass Up."

And no more cuddly Bearcats either. Blitz is okay, but we need something a little more...savage.

Something to intimidate visiting teams. Something like a raving Salem "Townie" clutching a 40 oz. bottle of malt liquor in a brown bag.

A little foaming out of his mouth wouldn't hurt either.

No more 'First University in the West.' Instead we'll do: 'Willamette University: You Better Back that Ass Up.'

But these are mere cosmetic changes. We need admissions to work on bringing some high profile names to WU.

Think about it: Who heard of that Stanford place until Chelsea Clinton decided to go there?

Certainly not me. And that school in Massachusetts called Harvard?

It was an unknown to me until Natalie Portman decided to attend.

So I've sat down with a few admissions employees that just happened

to be male, and we've come up with two females we are willing to offer full scholarships to based entirely on their extracurricular talents: Anna Kournikova and Britney Spears.

Yes, Britney and Anna are beautiful women, but I can assure that the decision was made without any regard for their looks.

And yes ladies, we looked at guys too, but Prince Harry's recent drug troubles scared

us off a little.

And nobody can deny that our tennis team and music department will be getting a shot in the arm with these fine additions.

Of course both Anna and Britney will need an overnight stay before they make their decision, and I am more than happy to offer to be an overnight host.

OK, now we're starting to get Willamette on the map. But there are a few more pieces to the publicity puzzle.

1. Have the women's soccer team take over the kicking duties on the football team.

The Liz Heaston story was great and got us on "Today," so let's take it one step further and make them full-time kickers.

Just wait, NBC Sports would be broadcasting WU football every Saturday.

2. Make the locker rooms co-ed. This would be a bold move, but it's just a natural progression: co-ed dorms, co-ed bathrooms, and now locker rooms.

You can't find me a guy who would disagree with this one. And no shower curtains, either.

3. Put WU students on ElimiDate. This would not only bring us quality exposure but it would rev up our stagnant dating scene.

But you'd have to wear "Bearcat Apparel" from The Willamette Store along with a temporary WU tattoo for those hot tub scenes.

Admissions will scroll "The First University in the West" across your back.

4. And in the same vein, have President Pelton go on "Survivor." We all know the Prez is a fit, likable dude, so he would certainly last a few episodes.

Plenty of time for him to represent WU for a nationwide audience.

Now, I liked Danny Glover on MLK Day, but next time let's make sure he brings Mel Gibson along.

Joe Pesci would be optional. The promo would read: "Lethal Weapon, Willamette-style."

There are many options for sprucing up the Willamette public image.

Do what you want. Just leave me my Britney/Anna host stay.

Deal?

AXΩ fundraiser supports Women's Crisis Service

By MIKE KIEFER
FEATURES EDITOR

Concurrent with the V-Day programming scheduled for this week and the next, the Willamette chapter of the Alpha Chi Omega sorority has organized "Wild, Wild West" as its primary philanthropic event of the semester.

As a part of the national organization's altruism against domestic violence, Alpha Chi is donating all the proceeds from the event to the Mid-Valley Women's Crisis Service, which has been the main beneficiary of past Alpha Chi fundraisers.

"We haven't estimated how much we are going to make, but I am hoping for the best," sophomore Becca Legg said.

Legg is Alpha Chi's philanthropy chair this semester and is the chief organizer for this week's activities.

"We are hoping to make this an annual thing," she said.

The Willamette chapter has a tradition of supporting the Mid-Valley Women's Crisis Service, giving cash donations to the facility each fall after its 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament.

In light of Sept. 11, half of the tournament proceeds went to the World Trade Center Fund and the other half went to the Women's Crisis Service.

Alpha Chi's contributions, however, go beyond monetary aid.

"Once a semester we go to help them clean out the Crisis Service," Legg said.

The sorority and the Crisis Service also cosponsored "Kristin's" Story here on campus in October. "Kristin's Story" is the presentation by the mother of a rape victim who

committed suicide.

Scheduled events have centered on an old western theme, including a quilting square on Monday, a screening of the movie "Wild, Wild West" in Smith on Tuesday night, and a covered wagon race last night.

Daily activities will continue through the weekend with a shoot-out tonight held in a rented room in the YWCA on Winter Street.

A change drive is ongoing in Goudy nightly, with sorority members collecting for independents and all the Greek organizations on campus.

Sorority members will also be selling t-shirts specially designed for this philanthropy.

Mid-Valley Women's Crisis Service is located on Winter Street a few blocks north of the Capitol. Several Willamette students volunteer their time at the center as phone operators, carrying the emergency cell phones for several 24-hour shifts per month.

Those interested in volunteering at the Service's phone banks must complete 30 hours of training. Potential volunteers can attend sessions on Tues. and Thurs. nights to fulfill the time commitment.

Legg said that she has had little trouble getting support for the philanthropy from the Salem community, whose businesses have donated generously to help it get off the ground.

All the designed t-shirts being sold by the sorority were sold at discount prices so that the maximum amount of money could be given to the Crisis Service.

"It is always surprising how much people are willing to donate goods," she said.



NICK PATTEN

Sophomores Sara Vomocil, Joanna Thome, Katie Richardson and senior Buffy Morris manning the change drive table Tuesday night in Smith.

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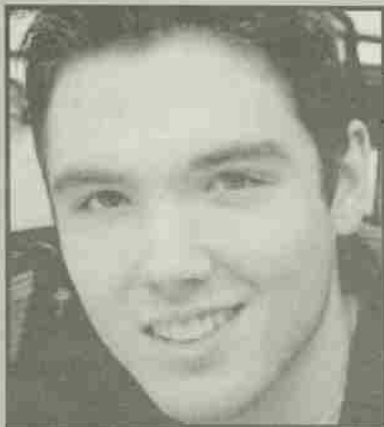


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Question of the Week: Which celebrity would you fight and how?



"Martha Stewart, and I would beat her up with those giant Q-tips from American Gladiator."

-Freshman Michael Armstrong



"I am a peaceful person."

-Sophomore Nicole Robinson



"Tony Siragusa (DT for the Baltimore Ravens). I'll beat him up with books."

-Senior Barry Ford

"Britney Spears, because she is so annoying. I would befriend her and then push her into traffic."

-Freshman Courtney Thorne



"Mary Kate and Ashley Olson. I'll first take on Mary Kate, then Ashley."

-Senior Drew Wheaton



"This is so hard, there are so many. But I am leaning towards Robin Williams. I will beat him senseless with my girly arms."

-Freshman John Konrad



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Grad opportunities

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...emotional, physical or learning disabilities in a Bay Area classroom this August.

Besides the daily struggles of a teacher, she said, "the biggest challenge is going to be not getting ahead of myself." Flexibility is key in this program, she added. "You have to roll with the punches."

Although she doesn't know whether she will continue teaching beyond the program, Carlascio will be certified to teach in California after two years of service.

"That is a golden ticket," she said.

She has considered the possibility of running a pre-school facility that integrates special education into the mainstream classroom.

"This experience will give me great insight into that."

Interim Director of Multi-Cultural Affairs Lakisha Clark taught science in New Orleans through the Teach for America program.

According to Carlascio, is an excellent resource for interested students.

Clark said the program was valuable to learn how to manage and relate to students in a classroom. "I learned nearly as much as I taught," she said.

Clark believes the experience taught her the true meaning of a challenge.

"I had not conceived of what 'tough' really meant," Clark said, talking about her state of mind going into the five weeks of intensive training before she entered her classroom.

According to Clark, the training provided her with the practical tools she needed to survive on her first day of class. She was drilled daily at the Training Institute in Houston, Texas on everything from dealing with parents to

establishing a student bathroom and drinking fountain policy.

Finally in her classroom, she said that only flexibility and tenacity kept her going.

"There are days you will hate it and there are days when you won't want to leave," she said.

Clark still gets email from her old students, who want her to attend their upcoming graduation.

Senior Kurt Johnson will also be participating in Teach for America this fall. He will teach elementary-aged children in "a pretty intense area" of Los Angeles.

"L.A. will be an exotic location for me," he said. "That's what I'm looking for."

Johnson plans to complete a Master's of Education degree at Loyola Marymount University in LA while teaching in the program. From there, he plans pursue a career in public policy.

Both Carlascio and Johnson suggest that applicants for the February deadline have a well-prepared application and interview.

"I've never had a more rigorous interview in my life," Carlascio said, adding that interviewers ask critical questions about the contents of the applications.

"Write from your heart and be really truthful in what you say," she said. "They're really just trying to see who you are."

Johnson emphasized that preparation is key. "Be ready to jump right into the interview," he said. "It's attainable for people who are willing to dedicate themselves and are well prepared."

Applications for Teach for America are available in the Career Services office, on the second floor of the UC. The applications are due Feb. 21.

Winter Holiday



AARON VANDERFORD

Sophomore Kenady Reuland and junior Jesse Ward relax at the Three Pools area of the Opal Creek Trail on a snowshoe hike with the Outdoors Program on Saturday. The Outdoors Program is organizing a Spring Break trip to Zion and Bryce National Parks in southern Utah. For more information contact Zebulon Tolman at <ztolman>.

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Editorials

Bush, Thompson stalk abortion

If you want to get into an argument you're supposed to talk about religion or politics. President Bush and Secretary of Health and Human Services Tommy Thompson have managed to find an issue that combines strong emotions from both of these groups. The expansion of the Child Health Insurance Program (CHIP) to cover low-income fetuses has sparked an interest from conservative pro-lifers and liberal pro-choice advocates.

Whether Bush intends these new eligibility definitions to be the first step in outlawing abortion, his new policy will not help the low-income women desperately looking for adequate prenatal care.

First, with these new definitions, more pregnant women will be immediately available for assistance under CHIP. However, Bush's proposed budget does not sufficiently increase the Health and Human Services budget to deal with this expansion of the program. Most of his federal budget increases are going to military spending and

homeland defense. In his State of the Union address Bush said that he wished to secure the rights of women everywhere. After examining his budget, he doesn't seem to be practicing what he preaches.

Moreover, state governments will not be able to pick up the tab. Many states are faced with the same deficits that Oregon is facing. In Oregon, the Department of Human Resources is going to be looking at sizeable cuts and therefore will not be able to adequately deal with the increased numbers of pregnant women applying for CHIP.

If the Bush administration truly wanted to help poor families receive adequate prenatal care, then it could have extended care to the pregnant women themselves and increased federal funding for them.

Bush may be riding high on an 80 percent approval rating but he will surely see his bubble pop if he truly expects the American public to sit by and watch while he attempts to take away the reproductive rights of American women.

Yucca Mountain: the big yuck

The continued threat of terrorist attack has made American legislators weary of our nuclear waste stockpile. So how are we going to dispose of them?

Dig a 1,000-foot-deep pit in a Nevada mountain and bury 77,000 tons of nuclear waste in it. You would think that government policy had progressed beyond the "sweep it under the rug" stage, but apparently not.

Not only is consolidating nuclear waste a bad idea in general, but the federal government has yet to create the storage technology to safely store this waste. In addition to gaps in technology, it is still not clear whether the nuclear waste would be able to seep into groundwater and poison residents living in the Yucca Mountain watershed.

The main concern with the Yucca Mountain site is geologic activity. Before

continuing with the repository site, the Bush administration wants assurances that the site will remain relatively calm, geologically, and that even if some geologic activity occurs we will not have an ecological disaster on our hands. Unfortunately, the experts disagree whether these assurances can be given.

Aside from being potentially harmful, the construction of this repository and the disposal of the waste are going to cost American taxpayers millions of dollars.

Effective and efficient disposal of nuclear waste is an immensely pressing issue but the United States government needs to go beyond the "sweep it under the rug" strategy and begin to develop technologies that will make the disposal of radioactive materials more environment friendly, less costly, and safer.

Do we really need more guns?

President Bush's proposed federal budget calls for the largest increase in military spending in over two decades. How is this supposed to help the person who just lost his or her job? How is this supposed to help the Enron employees that saw their pension disappear while the corporate executives walked away with millions?

The fact is that Bush is just reading off the script of past Republican presidents and failing to develop a federal budget for the problems currently facing Americans.

If faced with an international incident and an economic recession, BUY MORE GUNS! Now, a pay raise for the men and women in the armed forces is long overdue and the threat of terrorism does justify some increase in military spending.

But during his campaign, Bush touted the need for military reform to deconstruct the large Cold War-era military and transform the armed forces into a smaller, quick-

er, and more mobile fighting force. Apparently reform has gone by the wayside.

The zealotry with which Bush is pursuing this increase in defense spending is frightening.

Each page of his budget that deals with homeland security is numbered with a thumbnail of a Minuteman missile.

Before we rush out to use millions of dollars to purchase new toys we need to think about the consequences. Education, health care, and social security are all desperately seeking funding. And what are we to do with this new equipment if we aren't constantly fighting a war?

We are currently trying to figure out what to do with our outdated equipment from the Cold War. Dismantling will cost us millions and Bush's proposed budget only proposes to repeat this cycle.

We must not let our zeal for war override fiscal responsibility.

Ben's Briefs

California Dreaming

By BEN KRUPICKA
OPINIONS EDITOR

So I was in San Diego this weekend and I'm really kind of sad to be back in Salem.

I miss the sun, I miss the surf, and I miss the restaurants and stores that stay open past 7 p.m. These things I can deal with, but the thing that really gets to me is the unattractiveness of Willamette's campus.

I was aware of this unfortunate characteristic when I returned from Georgetown and now I realize it again coming back from Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego.

It is not that Willamette doesn't keep its campus clean. Willamette spends an exorbitant amount of money on keeping its campus meticulously clean but the campus has no character. It is a mess of different building styles and land-

scaping techniques.

What separates Willamette from other more attractive campuses is consistency. The buildings at other campuses attempt to follow a theme. Georgetown has its stone buildings. Point Loma tries to capture the Pacific coast feel in its buildings. Willamette is a veritable hodge-podge of different styles. You've got Lausanne, Waller, and Eaton juxtaposed with the fraternities, compared to the decrepit theatre building. Even the redness of the bricks won't tie together these opposing architectural styles.

In short, Willamette needs to find an identity of its own and develop the campus around that image. Maybe if Willamette tried to be more like a true university and less like Salem's most expensive country club this character could begin to be found.

Letters to the Editor

Brian Haley's article, "Scholarship Deadlines Approach," in last week's *Collegian*, admirably condensed a great deal of information into a relatively small space. However, I would like to address some potential misperceptions that the article conveys, and clarify some important approaching deadlines.

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Student conversations illustrate desperation

Sometimes our campus is not much more than hundreds of desperate conversations between friends.

The words are usually very quiet and eye contact is minimal, but the topics of these conversations couldn't be more important.

Having already discovered the "meaning of life" (Ramen, lots of Ramen) and the answer to all questions scientific (I'm thinking of a number between 1 and 5), the issues we raise during these conversations tend to avoid anything academic.

No, these are more personal conversations in which there are no "good" answers and we can barely look at the other person who we are talking to because we fear they might actually tell us that there are no good answers.

These conversations tend to follow the pattern of the one I recently had with Bob, my imaginary friend.

Avi: Why is it that it's so difficult to say to someone, "I really like spending time with you because you make me laugh and you're kind and wonderful and I'm just wondering if you'd like to have a cup of coffee?"

Bob: Because it's a really big risk to find out what someone is really like after that first cup of coffee.

Avi: But if I'm willing to take the risk to ask them out for coffee, shouldn't they take the risk to find out?

At this point, Bob will give



AVI KATZ
CONTRIBUTOR

me "the look" and shake his head. Bob has no time for this sort of foolishness from some weird freshman. Bob is married.

And maybe the desperation of this conversation comes from the fact that I'm having it with an imaginary friend as opposed to a real one.

On the other hand, it's just as well because according to Henry David Thoreau (Go Walden!) I am supposed to live a life of quiet desperation. I haven't quite decided on whether I should, but there's more than just that one type of conversation I had with Bob; there are many more.

Person 1: I'm worried about such and such a person and I'm not sure how to deal with it.

Person 2: Hey, you're only 18/19/20/21/human/doing-your-best. Maybe you can't deal with it and you just have to accept that.

Person 1: Probably...It's just tough.

I wonder if in all honesty, the desperation comes from being unable to admit that I really don't know all the answers to all the questions raised.

Maybe the desperation is not so much in the question being asked but the mad scramble for words that will answer it. I can just picture Bob sitting there and saying,

"Why can't he just admit that he doesn't know what to say? Maybe then, he can look his friend in the eye when he admits it. Maybe then it won't be so desperate anymore."

Avi Katz is a freshman in the College of Liberal Arts.

Is that a pen in your lasagna?

This column — entitled "Is that a pen in your lasagna?" — is sponsored by the good folks at Bon Appetit and Goudy Commons.

Yes, for those of you who don't know, at least two students found pieces of a ballpoint pen in their lasagna at dinner on Monday, Feb. 4.

Now, I'm not going to spend the entire column on this disturbing issue because I don't think anything more really needs to be said.

Finding a hair in your soup is one thing; finding a 1-inch chunk of ballpoint pen in your pasta is quite another.

What I really wanted to write about was the intense commercialization of this particular week.

On Sunday the 3rd we had the Super Bowl; on Friday the 8th we have the Opening Ceremonies of the Olympics.

These two stand alone as the most widely-watched



RICH SCHMIDT
CONTRIBUTOR

sporting events on television, particularly by those who are not considered sports fans.

This means a lot of "non-sports" activities to appeal to "non-fans," like the over five-hour Super Bowl pregame show with performances by every bad band on the planet (well, not every one — I don't think Limp Bizkit played) as well as the over-hyped halftime show.

This halftime show, though, was incredible, as U2 played a pretty cool set, and the tastefully somber patriotism was quite a sight

to behold.

The commercials, as always, were something of a disappointment, though there were a few funny ones. We actually had people running in for the commercials, then leaving when the game came back on, a phenomenon which could only happen Super Bowl Sunday.

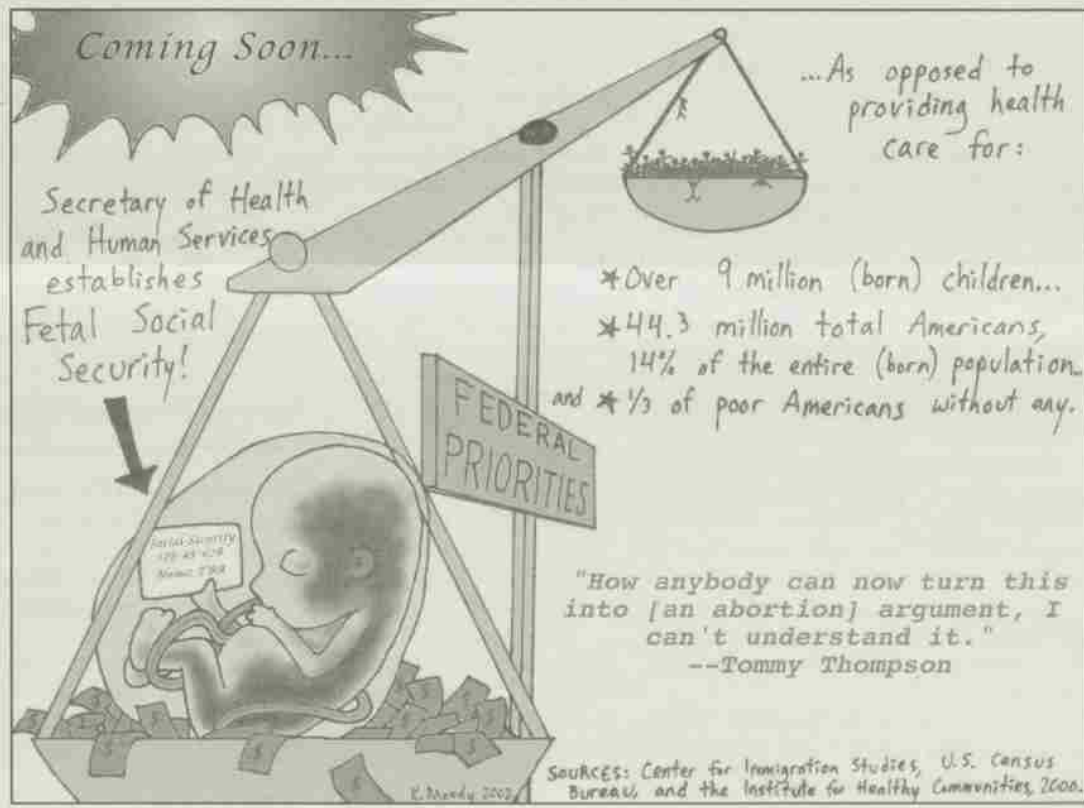
The Olympics, though, are like two straight weeks of Super Bowls for the serious sports fan: too much hype, too many non-sports, and (usually) disappointment when the event is over.

That's OK, because the Olympics are not just about sports, but about the world coming together in a non-military setting. Or something like that.

Just forget, for a couple weeks, the massive corruption which plagues the Olympics, and enjoy watching some of the greatest athletes in the world. And those guys who compete in curling.

Rich Schmidt is a junior in the College of Liberal Arts.

Maybe the desperation is not so much in the questions being asked but the mad scramble for words that can answer it.



The Opinions Section is seeking female, minority, and Greek writers.

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Should we use planes, trains, or automobiles?

I recently traveled by train from San Diego to Salem. It was an experience I am not likely to repeat. The train was delayed four hours (pretty good, I am told, for Amtrak), they lost my bag, and the trip took about 30 hours.

Imagine, though, traveling from Salem to Seattle in about two hours, or San Francisco in five hours. Unless you own a Ferrari 550 Maranello and some sort of stealth radar invisibility device, this cannot be done in an automobile. In fact, with the state of air travel in America, it cannot even be done by airplane.

It can, however, be done by train. Just not in this country.

Anyone who has traveled to Europe or Japan knows that there are trains that travel more than 120 mph

between major cities. The system is designed to be a fast, efficient, and environmentally friendly way to alleviate congestion on major highways.

So, why then does the U.S. continue to underfund and ignore an already antiquated rail system?

One reason is that American politicians love Detroit and American oil.

It is the kind of symbiotic relationship that deserves one tremendous group hug, but in the process, these bedfellows may put publicly funded Amtrak out of business. The car has replaced the train and the railroad barons are all dead.

George Warrington,



DAN RIVAS
CONTRIBUTOR

Amtrak's President and CEO announced Friday that without a \$1.2 billion federal appropriation — an almost \$700 million increase over last year — the system would be shut down.

Last year Amtrak lost \$1.1 billion, citing the inherent unprofitability of long-distance train lines, and frankly, they are right.

The current trains are slow (top speed, which is rarely reached, is 74 mph), the tracks are outmoded, and the trains travel on the ground through major cities, putting pedestrians and drivers at risk if speeds were to increase. Add to this the fact that trains often run behind

schedule due to poor system management and scheduling conflicts with freight trains.

As Europe and Japan have proven, trains can be a savior to escalating freeway congestion and CO₂ levels. And if one wants to argue the point purely on a pragmatic basis, many train rides would be faster than rides by automobile or airplane. It is time Americans got off the roads.

Yet, it will take an act of Congress to bring high-speed train travel to the states.

With low fuel economy cars coming out of Detroit and the constant increase of automobile travel on American roadways, we may have to hold our collective breath waiting for Congress to even make this an issue.

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Jazz flute legend headlines Willamette festival

By **JESSE GOLDBERG**
STAFF WRITER

This weekend, the music department hosts the twenty-first annual Willamette Jazz festival for regional high schools.

As an honored tradition, Band Director Martin Behnke sees the festival as a great opportunity for education on many levels.

"The goal of the Willamette University Jazz Festival, now in its 21st year, remains basically as it was in the beginning— to give Northwest high school jazz ensembles an opportunity to share their music with each other, be evaluated by some of the best jazz musicians, adjudicators and clinicians in the area, and to give higher visibility to the quality jazz education programs in the region," Behnke said.

Using a grading scale with 100 points possible, the OBDA Jazz ensemble evaluation form gives participating bands the opportunity to assess their strengths and weaknesses compared to a higher standard rather

than to each other.

This year continues this change to a non-competitive festival, and despite a lowered number of participating ensembles, the organizers of the festival are still committed to their beliefs.

Seanna Ault, student band-staff leader, said that, "while enrollment seems to be down, I think the nature of music is non-competitive. It is more important to highlight the festival's commitment to higher musical education rather than foster-



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Jazz flutist Herbie Mann will give a concert Saturday night following the WU Jazz Festival.

ing a competitive spirit."

The festival also annually hosts various jazz legends, encouraging students of all ages to interact with the artists and enjoy a concert. Past legends included Ray Brown, Bill Watrous, and even Dizzie Gillespie.

This year welcomes jazz flute legend Herbie Mann.

Mann, originally from Brooklyn, has been playing music since the age of nine. After studying both the clarinet and tenor saxophone, Mann

found his true love with the flute, and has participated in several groups, including Jasil Brazz.

With inspiration from both Latin and African melodies, Mann has released several albums receiving high praise. "Herbie Mann at the Village Gate," and "Deep Pocket" have earned Mann a place as one of the best jazz flutists alive today.

The activities began at 8 a.m. Saturday with various high schools performing in Smith Auditorium until 4:30 p.m., followed by the awards presentation.

Mann will then give a concert from 8 to 10 p.m., featuring the Judges' Choice Bands, the Willamette Faculty Combo, and the Willamette Jazz Ensemble.

Admission for the festival is free, and tickets are now available at the Music Office for the evening concert before 5 p.m. on Saturday or at the ticket office.

For students and staff, tickets are on sale at a discounted price of eight to sixteen dollars.

Kwan's combines clean atmosphere with delicious food

By **JESSE GOLDBERG**
STAFF WRITER

There are plenty of Chinese restaurants to choose from around campus, yet one stands out above the rest. Kwans Cuisine, located on 835 Commercial street (by the Konditerei) has been up and running for over 25 years, and goes far beyond the call of duty to make each meal memorable and delicious.

The first time I walked into Kwan's, I was instantly aware that this Chinese restaurant was like none other. With a giant, and I mean giant, wooden Buddha right at the entry and curly bamboo plants on sale, the mood is set for a great meal.

As I followed the server, I noticed the water-filtration system that allows the water and food to taste so fresh and clean.

Living so close to the Willamette River, I think we all know that water

can be a little sketchy around here, but Kwan's offers an escape from that.

Walking through a multitude of dining rooms, I could see a bar and almost every table filled with happy people.

The menu is incredibly diverse as well. With meals ranging mostly from five to nine dollars, plus a few more expensive dishes, the price is right but the food is better.

With lots of tea, fresh vegetables and rich sauces each one of my friends was completely satisfied. We ordered Chicken Fried Rice, Pineapple Chicken Chow Yuk, Green Pepper Steak and a pork dish.

The meal arrived within fifteen minutes and amazed us all. The chicken dish was especially delicious, combining large sections of high quality white chicken meat with

pineapples, peppers, onions and other vegetables over rice.

All conversation ceased as we all dug into the dishes, coming up for air only when needed.

When we had finally eaten all we could, the waitress brought out our fortune cookies and hot towels to wash our hands and faces. So few

restaurants do their customers the favor of hot hand towels, but it adds so much to the overall dining experience. We were all happy, clean and so very grateful to escape from Goudy with such a great meal.

The only disappointing thing about the whole experience was the fact that we ate all the leftovers!

When we left we were lucky enough

to meet the owner and chef, Kam Sang Kwan. A sweet man with a giant white chef's hat, Kwan has been in the restaurant business for almost all of his life and first trained in Hong Kong, before ending up in Salem.

Kwan's offers both eat-in and take-away meals and provides an escape from the normal mediocre Chinese food we have all become accustomed to.

So where should you go if you want to see a giant Buddha, curly bamboo, and have the option of eating Emu or Ostrich all in one night? Kwan's has it all and more. It definitely earns an "A" for food quality, dining pleasure and of course, for those wonderful little towels.

The phone number is (503) 362-7711 and restaurant hours are 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sunday.

What: Kwan's

Where: 835 Commercial St.

Rating: Buddha-licious

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'Cristo' is a simple story with good characters

By STEVE DUMAN
STAFF WRITER

"The Count of Monte Cristo" rocks my sad, sorry little world. I am one of those unique individuals who has not had the pleasure of reading Alexandre Dumas' novel (which, as rumor has it, follows a similar story-line).

I don't believe this to be a handicap, however, as I felt the film, in its own right, was really dang good.

First of all, it would just be silly to say that the movie was driven by much more than the story. And, since I try to avoid silliness, I won't say that.

The movie relies heavily on its story, and much less on dazzling special effects or painstaking details.

Director Kevin Reynolds put it together, keeping the emotions that it invokes heavily in mind. This is why it works.

I could be a little biased in praising this film, of course, because the two lead actors happen to be my favorite new and hip dudes.

The first is Jim Caviezel ("The Thin

Red Line," "Frequency").

Caviezel plays Edmond Dantes, a kind but naive sailor whose unfortunate meeting with Napoleon brings him into a world of trouble.

The second is Guy Pearce ("L.A. Confidential," "Memento"). Pearce is Fernand Mondego, the son of a count and, by any other standard, a spoiled snob.

Caviezel and Pearce play off each other's personalities exceedingly well, and they provide characters that you love to love and you love to hate.

"Count" will probably not be winning any awards for cinematic brilliance, but it has some very high points.

The first is the character of Edmond Dantes. Dantes finds himself contained on an island prison for thirteen years before finding escape.

Once out, his mind is set on one

goal only: revenge on those responsible for his containment.

After watching the story unfold, the audience sees every reason why Dantes should want to find and avenge those responsible for his wrongful imprisonment.

That's right. We want him to find and obliterate them.

As viewers, this becomes our only goal in watching the film.

Fortunately, in this department, the story de-

livers.

We get to watch Dantes pay everyone back for their sins against him.

There's just one problem: how can you really care for a protagonist whose sole purpose in life is to ruin the lives of others? This is the dilemma I found myself in.

I was rooting for him to destroy, but at the same time I found it difficult to

forgive him for the destruction.

In this way, Dantes becomes a very good three-dimensional character to whom we can relate but, at the same time, cannot.

During this internal conflict, we get to see one of the coolest comebacks of all time.

In returning from imprisonment, Dantes is given a treasure—the treasure of Monte Cristo (thanks to the classically fun old guy played by Richard Harris)—and he uses every last gold coin to go from a lowly, floor-dwelling prisoner to the most gaudy Count who has ever lived. The transformation is just plain fun.

And I guess that's pretty much what makes this movie great: it just makes you feel good.

Anybody could take the time to pick it apart and probably find numerous things wrong with it, but I pity that person.

Its intentions are simple and well executed, for every time you see the bad guy you scowl, and every time the good guy does something good, you want to clap.

What: "The Count of Monte Cristo"

Directed by: Kevin Reynolds

Playing at: Santiam 11

Columnist pursues new challenges



By JACOB BERG
(RETIRED) COLUMNIST

The damn machine has got me, my friends. Pardon my French (or was that Spanish?). The machine traps me, Jacob Ancil Ruben Berg—*Collegian* columnist and all around great guy (and single, too, for all you girls out there).

"What machine?" you ask, "Like the washing machine?" No, not the washing machine, not an adding machine, and not that machine thing those crazy people rage against. This machine is a metaphor for something. I forget what.

But it forms a good story that shall encapsulate this, my final column for the *Collegian*.

That's right; I'm out, finished, kaput, fertig, sayanora to Jacob's writing days.

I have found a new life full of possibilities.

No, not drug rehab. I don't do that kind of stuff. And I'm not leaving to some distant place full of poverty and chaos like Afghanistan or Canada, I'm off to explore a dry world sans humor (I think that makes sense).

Last week, I was elected to Speaker of the Senate. Frankly, a lot of people don't know what the senate does; it is my new job to become a serious front-runner for it and stuff.

But that starts tomorrow—today I write this, a final funny tribute to my great and under-rated career.

I gazed at my wall at the *Collegian* office, more like a shrine

really that the editors made in a back room on the third floor of the UC.

It is decorated with clippings of my articles, an oil painting of me, a statue of me, and various animals that the priest there dictates to be slaughtered to my goodness. I'm sure many of you have a similar set-up in your closets.

But anyhow, as I gazed at this, I realized that I have come a long way.

In the beginning, I wrote a simple restaurant review that propelled me into the public's eye. This was followed by many more restaurant reviews, usually of places where I was afraid to try the specialties and each one increased in its pointlessness.

I then moved on to do some serious articles—BORING. Then I got this job (yay!).

I have managed to make a difference in this job.

Last week I was informed by a member of the library's staff who will remain nameless that the entire staff received a memo telling them to make sure the comics would always be there. He also asked me not to say anything bad about the library again or he would beat me up.

Well, that would be easy IF THEY REMEMBERED THE COMICS LAST SUNDAY AS WELL!

Let's see if that gets a memo.

That's what I was here to do folks, make a difference. If we have those comics next week, well then, I'll have made a difference.

If I impacted one person's choice between taking a date to Jonathan's Oyster Bar and McDonald's (McDonald's

obviously), then I have impacted people's lives.

If the girl then breaks up with that guy because he was cheap and she decides to go out with me because I am funny, good-looking, talented, responsible, et cetera, et cetera, well then, everyone benefits.

Especially me. That's all I'm really going for, people.

Now though, I am off to responsibility and stuff. No more time to squander on these well-researched articles and no more *Collegian* paying for me to eat out at nice restaurants.

Thank you for reading my weekly rambblings, don't get caught by that machine (that I never really explained, but whatever), and try not to cry too much, for I will always be with you.

Well maybe not, but at least you'll always have that Jacob shrine. Just remember: it cannot be lit with candles or halogen bulbs; that makes Jacob statue and Campus Safety mad.

Although, if anything about a Jacob shrine ever finds its way into a Campus Safety report, I'll pay the \$50 fine, 'cause that would be cool.

Peace and Sunday comics for all!

Dance Theatre of Harlem: "Dancing Through Barriers"

Dance Theatre of Harlem will be at Willamette University for an educational outreach program Feb. 11-15. The week-long program will include ballet master classes, demonstrations, and workshops to schools in Salem and Portland.

Started in 1969, the Dance Theatre of Harlem has grown into a world renowned, multicultural, neoclassical ballet company. The "Dancing Through Barriers" program brings dance to schools and communities around the world.

Schedule of Events:

Mon, Feb. 11 – Lecture/demo in Kresge Theatre, 7 to 8 p.m.

Tues. Feb. 12 – Master class in Kresge Theatre, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Wed. Feb. 13 – Athletic workshop in Kresge Theatre, 4 to 5:10 p.m.

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Men's hoops stays on top

By SHANNAH FIELDS
STAFF WRITER

Without a Jordan or Kobe on the team, the Willamette men's basketball team places much emphasis on the team concept.

The Bearcats (16-5, 10-2 NWC) have bought into the team concept, though, and have found success in the form of a current five-game winning streak and a seat atop the Northwest Conference.

"A big thing for us is that everyone does their job and those jobs are multiple," coach Gordie James said. "They know what we can do and they do their job within the system."

The latest victims to fall to the Bearcats were Whitworth and Whitman Colleges last weekend.

On Friday, Willamette handed Whitworth its first home loss of the season 58-55.

It was also the second time this season the Bearcats defeated the Pirates by only three points.

"The Whitworth game went just like every other game this season," junior Marques Johnson said. Johnson finished with 20 points and 12 rebounds.

"We were losing at half-time but both teams played the half pretty even so when we came out for the second half, we didn't play like we were losing. In the end, we ended up playing just a little better down the stretch giv-

ing us the advantage at the end of the game."

Junior B.J. Dobrkovsky continued to play well, contributing 15 points and six assists in the victory.

Defensively, Johnson and sophomore Miles Sandgathe held Whitworth's top player, Brian Depew, to only eight shots.

On Saturday night, the Bearcats played at Whitman College and found themselves in a roller coaster game. As has been the case all season, though, Willamette held on to win 68-61.

"Whitman came out on fire and took a 15-6 lead, but as our guys have done all season, they didn't lose composure," James said.

"They limited Whitman's shots, played tough defense and executed on offense to take a 30-26 halftime lead."

Willamette came out in the second half with the same intensity and held Whitman scoreless for the first 7:40.

The Bearcats opened the lead to 18, but Whitman began to make some shots to close the gap.

"When Whitman made their run we knew they couldn't sustain their pace so we just waited them out and kept playing," Johnson said.

"Basketball is a game of runs, and we knew they would have one. It happens every game."

Defensively, the Bearcats held Whitman to only .356 shooting from the field.

Sophomore Kalen Canaday held Whitman's Ben Fuller to only 4-of-18 after Fuller scored 20-plus points against the Bearcats during the last meeting between the two teams.

"Kalen had some huge rebounds and two key free throws for us down the stretch," James added about Canaday's performance. "His contributions aren't always on the statistics sheets."

On offense, Willamette was led by Sandgathe who finished with 19 points on 13-of-14 shooting from the foul line. Junior Ryan Hepp dished out five assists as well.

The Bearcats will look to maintain their hold on first place as well as stretch their winning streak this weekend when Pacific Lutheran and George Fox come to town.

These will be the final regular season home games for Willamette as well as for senior Brian Newton.

Newton's contributions on offense with his three-point shooting and on defense when he usually guards players much taller than himself have been crucial to the team's success.

"He has an amazing ability to keep his emotions under complete control and that holds the team together when teams challenge us down the stretch," Johnson said.

"This ability has been one of the most important aspects of our team this year."

Swim team glides to win

By BEN STAFFORD
SPORTS EDITOR

It was a Saturday of domination for the Willamette swim team.

The Bearcats rebounded from a resounding loss to Linfield to win nearly every event during the dual meet against Lewis & Clark and Western Oregon on Saturday.

The women defeated the Pioneers 102-57 and crushed Western Oregon 114-35 for their first victory of the season. The men took down the Pioneers 96-44, and beat Western Oregon 97-46.

Though the Bearcats came out confident against the cellar-dwelling Pioneers and club team Western Oregon, they were focused.

"We still had to be on our toes," sophomore Nadia Markovchick said.

There was no letdown as the Bearcats came out of the gate hard and won the first nine events of the meet.

Freshman Emily Conway pulled away over the last 250

meters to win the 1000m freestyle.

"It was a really good way to end my last individual race at a home meet," Conway said.

The women's team was led by juniors Amy Hoang and Sarah Morish, as well Markovchick.

Hoang won the 200m free (2:09:16) and the 100m backstroke (1:05:39), Morish won the 200m medley (2:22:50) and the 100m breaststroke (1:14:88), and Markovchick triumphed in the 50m free (:26:70) and the 100m fly (1:03:88).

"The kids have been swimming extremely well this last week."

AL STEPHENSON
SWIMMING HEAD COACH

Williams and Avery Robinson.

Williams won the 200m medley (2:10:44) and the 500m free (5:19:91), while Robinson won the 100m fly (55:16) and the 100m breast (1:07:28).

The race that summed up the night was the men's 200m free, where juniors

Brian Ruttkay and Alex Fiksdal finished within half a second of each other, far ahead of the other schools' swimmers.

Coach Al Stephenson was duly impressed with his team's effort.

"The women haven't won a meet all season, so the goal was to take this one. That was the focus of this meet," he said. "The kids have been swimming extremely well this last week."

The Bearcats have two weeks off before traveling to Spokane Feb. 15-17 for the Northwest Conference Championships.

The team will take it easier this week, gradually reducing the yardage of workouts while increasing their intensity, a process known as "tapering."

"Hopefully that will get everyone their personal records," Markovchick said.

Though the Bearcats will be going up against some stiff competition at Conference, the team is pumped up.

"Swimmers live for this time of year," Stephenson said.

Bearcat Box Scores

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

	NWC		ALL	
	W	L	W	L
Puget Sound	6	0	8	3
Whitworth	5	1	5	4
PLU	4	1	5	2
Whitman	3	3	5	5
Linfield	2	4	3	5
Willamette	1	5	1	7
Lewis & Clark	0	5	1	5

Last Week

Linfield def. WU 141-60, WU def. Lewis & Clark 102-57

Next Week

no meets

MEN'S SWIMMING

	NWC		ALL	
	W	L	W	L
UPS	6	0	7	2
Whitworth	5	1	5	6
PLU	4	2	5	2
Linfield	3	3	5	3
Willamette	2	4	4	5
Whitman	1	5	2	6
Lewis & Clark	0	6	1	6

Last Week

Linfield def. WU 137-51, WU def. Whitman 96-44

Next Week

no meets

WOMEN'S B-BALL

	NWC		ALL	
	W	L	W	L
PLU	10	2	19	2
G. Fox	9	2	15	3
UPS	7	3	15	4
Whitworth	8	4	13	8
Pacific	5	7	9	11
Willamette	5	7	9	12
Linfield	4	8	9	12
Lewis & Clark	3	9	7	11
Whitman	1	10	7	13

Last Week

WU loses to Whitworth 60-45, Whitman 57-49

Next Week

Feb. 8 PLU 6 p.m. Feb. 9 George Fox

MEN'S BASKETBALL

	NWC		ALL	
	W	L	W	L
Willamette	10	2	16	5
Lewis & Clark	9	3	14	7
Whitworth	8	3	15	5
Linfield	8	4	15	6
UPS	5	7	9	10
Whitman	4	6	8	11
PLU	4	7	11	9
Pacific	4	8	8	13
George Fox	0	12	3	17

Last Week

WU def. Whitworth 58-55, Whitman 68-61

Next Week

Feb. 8 PLU 8 p.m. Feb. 9 George Fox 8 p.m.

Spring sports prepare for upcoming season

Think spring athletes sit around all winter eating bon-bons and drinking chai tea? *Au Contraire.*

By PATRICK SIENG
STAFF WRITER

Spring sports athletes are more than ready to start competing when March rolls around.

Athletes from the baseball, softball, track & field, rowing, tennis, and golf teams have been practicing, conditioning, and meeting with coaches since the fall in order to be fully prepared to take on the Northwest Conference and beyond.

Baseball

The baseball team had 12 practices in the fall and returned in January for its annual strength and conditioning testing.

Hitters also got their first look on video. Head Coach David Wong said there is a lot more to work on to be able to defend the league title.

"We need to do a better job in the area of conditioning if we wish to continue competing for the conference championship," Wong said. "We are a little behind our expectations."

Despite a slow start, with a

month before its first game, the team is going to be strong up the middle, returning all-conference senior catcher Jason Searle, seniors Danny Aguilar at shortstop and Luke Atwood at second base, and junior Andrew Ecklund in centerfield.

Senior Justin Brown will be filling the number one pitching spot vacated by former two-time all-conference most valuable player Nik Lubisich, who was recently drafted by the Chicago White Sox.

The team also has strong prospects. Last year's high school Valley League (Salem area) pitcher of the year Jeff Jensen, Erik Schmidt, Chris Murrell, and Patrick Everett will get their first taste of college baseball.

Softball

Three all-west region starters return for the Bearcat softball lineup as Head Coach Damian Williams prepares for a year "full with leadership."

Key returners Hayley Boston, Marcie Hagen, and Meaghan Sussman will join an outstanding freshman

class composed of Ashley Keaton, Meredith Runyan, and Amanda Lindquist.

"Our freshman have awesome ability and a strong will to win," Williams said. "I think this could be our year."

Track & Field

The track and field team members have been practicing two to five days a week doing various workouts, conditioning drills, and practicing their individual events in indoor facilities at Willamette and on the campus of Chemeketa Community College in Salem.

For instance, distance runners have been running about three times a week in parks, up hills, and in the Sparks Center swimming pool.

Sprinters spend every day of the week preparing in some shape or form. Monday through Friday, the team meets at the track for running, conditioning, and workouts.

During the weekend, sprinters meet in the gym for aerobic and weight training.

Fourteen coaches assist the 125 athletes during the season and help them prepare for their individual

events.

"We have come a long ways; the attitude is very good," Head Coach Kelly Sullivan said.

"Of course the winter is a tough time to be training, but this group has been doing great."

Crew

The crew team has been preparing through the winter with a variety of cross-training activities.

The main source of training comes from working out on the rowing machines, 20-40 minutes, 4-6 times a week. Most also include weights in their routines.

"We encourage people to stay active with a variety of activities from skiing, to swimming, to running," Head Coach Rod Mott said.

The team dynamics start to come together once they start training on the water.

Outlook is also promising for the team with a strong group of upperclassmen mixed with some outstanding freshmen.

"This is the first year for NCAA Division III National Championship on the women's side," Mott said.

"We also have a great opportunity to travel to the East Coast with our top men's and women's crews this season," he added.

Golf

The two golf teams finished out a strong fall season and are ready to hit the courses again in March with their first tournament in Tacoma, Mar. 7-8.

The men's team won the Northwest Fall Classic and will be led by sophomore George Hays and freshman Chris Nutwell.

The men's team is favored to win the conference crown in April when the season wraps up.

Senior Amy Ellingson, who returns from overseas and was a member of the 1999 conference champion team, will join sophomore Tara O'Connor in hopefully leading the Bearcats to another conference title.

Their first home tournament will be at Illahee Hills Mar. 24-25.

Tennis

The Bearcat tennis team is about to start play, with an exhibition match against OSU this weekend.

The team has been practicing at Salem Swim and Tennis, an indoor facility.

"We're coming off a disappointing fifth place finish last year, so we're looking to improve our standing," junior Greg Reinert said.

Tough trip for women's b-ball

By BEN STAFFORD
SPORTS EDITOR

The women's basketball team had a miserable weekend in Eastern Washington. On Friday, Whitworth beat Willamette 60-45 handily. The Bearcats shot 28 percent from the field for the game, including 21 percent in the first half. The Bearcats also turned the ball over 23 times.

Whitworth fared little better, shooting 33 percent from the field with 17 turnovers.

After falling behind 32-16 early in the second half, the

Bearcats went on a 14-2 run to close within 34-30. They went cold, however, and never mounted a serious threat again.

Junior Kasey Sorenson led the Bearcats with 21 points and 11 rebounds. Junior Rosie Contrie added 10 points and seven rebounds. Sophomore Simmie Muth had 7 rebounds.

On Saturday, the Bearcats fell behind immediately 12-1, and never got on track in the first half, shooting 4 for 22 en route to going into halftime down 31-11.

Willamette showed signs of life in the second half,

closing to within 13 points with 15 minutes to play, and within single digits with two minutes to play. But the Missionaries hit their free throws down the stretch to hold off the Bearcats.

Sorenson and sophomore Wenchi Liu had a team-high 11 points. Junior Rosie Contrie chipped in with 10 points, six rebounds, and three assists.

Willamette fell to 4-8 in the NWC, and 9-12 overall. The team returns home this weekend to take on PLU on Friday and conference leader George Fox on Saturday.

Stick-y situation



KELLEN GALSTER

Sophomore Jamilla Rages practices with the lacrosse team on Brown Field.

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Car break-ins prompt more security

Campus Safety has requested funds to install a camera and alarm systems in the softball parking lot.

By BRIAN HALEY
STAFF WRITER

Over the past few weeks, Willamette University and the Salem community have experienced an unusually high number of auto break-ins.

Eight cars have been broken into in university parking lots — seven incidents occurred in the softball parking lot and one occurred in the Sparks parking lot.

Ross Stout, director of Campus Safety, stated that no personal confrontations have been reported to Campus Safety.

He added that it is difficult to discern the thieves from Willamette students as they

probably have similar appearances.

The thieves are usually dressed comparably to students, carry backpacks, and operate in pairs — one to serve as a lookout and one to actually commit the crime.

Campus Safety said there is no reason to believe Willamette students were involved in the break-ins.

Stout said that thieves entering the Softball Parking Lot usually cut through or climb over the fence.

He acknowledged the possibility of thieves entering the parking lot via the sky bridge entrance that connects the parking lot to the main campus.

However, Campus Safety does not believe suspects are using this entrance to the lot.

This is because of the high risk of capture because it is far from the parking lot.

Stout also stated that evidence points to the thieves entering through or over the fence.

In an effort to combat the recent batch of break-ins, Campus Safety has increased security measures, especially in the locations identified as potential target areas.

Campus Safety officers patrol the identified parking lots more frequently.

Additional security is being provided via a contract security agency, Advanced Security.

Campus Safety hired this agency to assist in two ways.

First, Advanced Security officers have been assigned

to be on campus and patrol the softball parking lots daily for four hours.

Although Campus Safety could not reveal these times due to security reasons, the officers will be on campus during the most problematic hours.

In addition to patrolling the TIUA parking lots, the contracted security officers will patrol all of the university's other parking lots at night.

Aside from contracting outside security forces, Campus Safety has requested funds from the Special Projects budget.

This budget is a reserved amount of physical plant funds to finance new equipment purchases, building upgrades, and other expenses that arise throughout the year.

Campus Safety has requested funds for the modification of the Softball Parking Lot and for a camera

and alarm system for the same parking lot.

Students have mixed opinions about the break-ins.

"I'm a little nervous but I don't feel that my car will be broken into ... I think Kaneko is safe place to park my car," freshman Abby Marshall said.

Sophomore Chris Lyke was a victim of one of the break-ins.

"I feel a little bummed," he said. "My window was broken out and stereo stolen. I want more security in the Kaneko lot."

"It cost \$93 to have my window replaced ... I am going to buy an alarm soon."

Stout said that attractive targets encourage perpetrators.

In an effort to avert any future break-ins, Campus Safety advises students to remove any valuable items from their cars that could easily be stolen, sold or pawned.

"My window was broken out and stereo stolen. I want more security in the Kaneko lot."

CHRIS LYKE
SOPHOMORE

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORT: JAN. 28 - FEB. 3, 2002

Campus Safety responded to 198 requests for service last week, including the following:

THEFT/CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Jan. 26 - 29, 4:15 a.m. - 1:50 p.m. (Softball Parking Lot) - A number of students reported that unknown subjects smashed their vehicle windows to gain entry into their vehicles.

The subjects then stole items from the vehicles.

An investigation is being conducted and specific steps are being taken at this time to curtail the rash of thefts from this location.

Jan. 29, 5:35 p.m. (Sparks Parking Lot) - A student reported that unknown subjects entered his vehicle and stole a car stereo, CDs and speakers worth over \$3,000.

Jan. 31, 3:00 p.m. (Sparks Parking Lot) - A student reported that subjects entered his vehicle by and stole a car stereo from his vehicle.

An investigation is being conducted on the above two thefts.

Jan. 31, 7:30 a.m. (Haseldorf Apartments) - A student reported that her vehicle window was smashed to gain entry and the stereo was stolen.

POLICY VIOLATION

Feb. 1, 11:40 p.m. (Terra House) - Campus Safety officers observed a student urinating on the south wall of Terra House.

After a short pursuit the student was stopped and questioned about his actions.

The student was intoxicated and did not realize what he had been doing, which included exposing himself while attempting to run away from the Campus Safety officers.

This case was referred to the Campus Judicial System.

POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE

Feb. 2, 10:37 p.m. (Kaneko Hall) - Campus Safety officers responded to Kaneko Hall regarding a report of incense burning.

The response lead to the finding of drug paraphernalia and alcoholic beverages in a room occupied by under age students.

This case was referred to the Campus Judicial System.

THEFT

Jan. 31, 12:00 p.m. (Goudy Commons) - A student reported that unknown subjects stole her purse.

The purse contained her identification, credit card and ATM card.

Feb. 1, 6:15 p.m. (University Center) - A student reported her purse was stolen from her backpack either at The Bistro or Collins Science.

The student's wallet contained credit cards.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Feb. 2, 10:00 a.m. (Beta Theta Pi) - A house member reported that unknown subjects damaged vending machines located in the laundry room.

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