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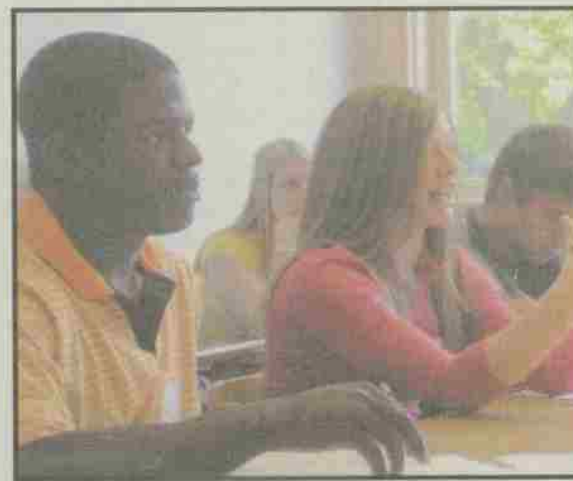
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Willamette is offering health kits and free tuition to victims of Hurricane Katrina. The university has also agreed to match monetary donations of students, faculty and staff.



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The new school year brings a new academic department to the Willamette campus. American Ethnic Studies will now be available as a minor, with introductory courses available this fall.

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Hurricane relief efforts at Willamette

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Hurricane Katrina slammed into the U.S. mainland on Monday, Aug. 29. Within days of its landfall, as the devastation it left behind became clear, particularly in New Orleans, students and staff at Willamette responded to the unfolding disaster.

The hurricane forced the approximately one million residents of the New Orleans metropolitan area to evacuate and left as much as 80 percent of the city under water.

Universities in Katrina's path were not spared the hurricane's wrath. In a letter to the student body, Willamette President M. Lee Pelton said that 75,000 students have been displaced by the storm.

Two of those students have already found Willamette accepting them with open arms. Associate Dean of the College of Liberal Arts Ann Niegorski said that the two students, both freshmen, arrived last weekend and have already begun attending classes.

She also said that Willamette welcomes New Orleans-area students who wish to continue their studies in Oregon.

"It is a limited window of opportunity," Niegorski said, adding that the offer will be extended to the students at least through this week.

Dean of Campus Life Bob Hawkinson said that he met with faculty and staff last Friday to initiate campus-based relief efforts. He said that many of the staff members he talked with had already begun organizing relief activities on their own.

The Chaplain's Office has mounted two major responses to the disaster.



Health kits wait for delivery to needy hurricane survivors.

photo by CHRIS FOSS

Last week the office began collecting health kits to send to needy persons being sheltered by the United Methodist Community near New Orleans. Assistant to the Chaplain Holli Davenport said she estimated that 100 kits have come into the office. The kits were shipped out today to the Methodist relief depot.

Back on campus, the Chaplain's Office has centered the year's first convocation around a discussion on Hurricane Katrina and Willamette's response to it.

University Chaplain Charlie Wallace said that a variety of faculty and staff will lead the convocation. "People with some experience or expertise will talk about the situation and what Willamette can do to alleviate it," he said.

Hawkinson said that right now

students can best assist relief efforts by contributing to the already-commenced donation collections on campus.

He said that students might be able to play a more practical role on the ground in New Orleans next semester, possibly as part of the Community Service Learning department's annual Take a Break program during Spring Break.

"There is plenty of work to do, and by March [the city] will be better able to absorb the kind of help Willamette students could give," he said. "Right now they need expertise."

On Monday some residents of New Orleans were allowed to return briefly to collect personal belongings, but a total evacuation order remains in effect indefinitely for the mostly submerged city.

How Can We Help?

--Attend the first University Convocation, "Katrina: Catalysts, Catastrophe, Compassion," which will address what happened in the Gulf Coast region and what Willamette's response will be. The event will be held from 12:45-1:45 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 8, in the Hatfield Room at the Hatfield Library. Speakers will include Willamette professors Emily Drew and Gerry Bowers.

--Make a bracelet for \$5 at the meeting of Blazing Hearts Wild Minds on Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 8:30 p.m. in the Montag Den. Proceeds will go to the Red Cross to benefit hurricane victims. Students will be able to keep bracelets they make with the assistance of the Salem shop The Bead Trunk.

--Donate to the Red Cross through a special fund Willamette has set up. The university will match dollar-for-dollar every donation. Students can make checks payable to the Red Cross or Willamette University and deliver them to the Cashier's Office, as well as send checks through the mail in an envelope marked "Red Cross" or place their donations in collection jars at the Bistro or the Mail Center.

Greek houses get a head start for the fall

By WILLIAM MOCKRY

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As students return to Willamette in the fall, beach blasts, black light dances, toga parties and barbecues light up the weekend social scene, and a whole host of weekend activities revolve around the fraternities' and sororities' recruitment events. But why are they recruiting now, when formal recruitment week isn't until the spring?

According to junior Moses Mendoza, Kappa Sigma recruitment chairperson, the earlier the houses start recruiting, the better. "Even though Rush is technically in the spring, it starts right when you get back," he said. "Nobody's going to want to join a house without ever having gone there, without ever having done anything at that house. Having Rush in the spring gives us the opportunity to get to know people and to have them find the house that's right for them."

Unlike most universities, where students rush at the very beginning of the school year, Willamette has a deferred recruitment system that gives students an entire semester to find out which fraternity or sorority, if any, is right for them. Junior Alex Hargis, Delta Gamma recruitment chairperson, says the Willamette system makes sense.

"It's really great because it lets the freshmen get settled in at fall semester without worrying about, 'Do I even want to join a Greek house?'" Hargis said. "It lets them get involved in other activities

and get their groups of friends."

The extra semester is also a bonus for the Greek houses, which have time to get their names out there by hosting fall recruitment events. The mood of fall recruitment activities is an informal one, and events such as movie nights and barbecues draw students into the Greek houses without the pressure or time commitments of formal recruitment week. The goal, according to junior Ben Swartley, Sigma Chi assistant recruitment chairperson, is to make the visitors comfortable.

"We do stuff to get the freshmen in a group together and mingling with us," he said. "We get a chance to see them, and they get to see what we're all about, ask any questions they want to."

This year's recruitment is especially vital for the fraternities. Unlike the sororities, fraternities have been threatened in recent years because of low occupancy numbers. Willamette policy states that Greek houses must reach 90 percent occupancy levels in order to stay open. Four out of five of the fraternities are currently on probation because they were unable to reach that number.

"It's one of those things that's kind of a nagging worry in the back of your mind," Mendoza said. "But if you make it seem like it's a desperate struggle, what kind of environment is that? Nobody wants to join that kind of tension." However, Mendoza feels confident about the upcoming year and the recruitment events of the fall.

"We feel that the whole Greek system is ready,"

he said. "We're geared toward a fantastic recruitment year. We're all really pumped. We're really excited."



Panhellenic Council members Chelsea Wessels, Christine Riippi, Erin Miller, Maggie Shaneyfelt and Keara Cummings spoke at the all sorority meeting on Sept. 1.

photo by LAUREN GARDNER

New departments interdisciplinary in nature

By KARI BASSETT

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This year faculty and students at Willamette have a new academic department, American Ethnic Studies, which was approved as a minor by a faculty vote last May. At the same time, the Women's and Gender Studies Department recently secured approval of a major program after a number of years of planning.

Willamette made this new depart-

ment possible by hiring Emily Drew to teach the introductory course. Drew's task is to teach at the introductory level and to ensure that two courses are offered each year in the department.

Acting chair Thabiti Lewis expressed his support for Drew. "We're very excited to have her here," he said.

One of the goals of American Ethnic Studies is to try to have programs related to race and ethnic studies on campus, such as lectures from worthy

speakers and other community awareness projects. Drew said students in the department will learn to "study, critically think, analyze, and from that, take action."

American Ethnic Studies has ties to the departments of anthropology, religion, English, history, sociology, film, rhetoric and politics. "I think we have a very nice area of coverage," Lewis said.

Now that the minor program is in place, the faculty is preparing its next project: establishing a major in American Ethnic Studies. "I imagine we will have a major in two years, tops," Lewis said.

American Ethnic Studies thus hopes to reach the status of the fledgling department of Women's and Gender Studies. Acting chair Frann Michel said the department formerly known as Women's Studies underwent the process of becoming a major in order to "reexamine and bring the program up to date, redesign and rename." She said the purpose of the new program is to show students "how gender works in the world, how it gets that way and what they can do about it."

While the Women's Studies depart-

ment has been around for years, only a minor was offered in the subject; a major could be obtained by petition. Michel said that the ability for a major program to be offered has come about because more faculty have come to the campus who have an interest in and an expertise in women's studies.

One of the big changes in Women's and Gender Studies is that along with adding more courses, the department is becoming more of an interdisciplinary field.

"It really allows students to go into pretty much anything," Michel said. She said that gender study shows students the "intersection of gender and some other social power."

Women's and Gender Studies sparked freshman Katherine D'Zmura's interest enough for her to consider it as a major. "I feel it is very relevant in today's society, and it would complement the other majors I am considering, which are psychology and art history," D'Zmura said.

Students who majored or minored in Women's and Gender Studies have gone into social service work, law schools, library work and many other fields.



Students in Intro to American Ethnic Studies benefit from new professor Emily Drew and her extensive background.

photo by KARI BASSETT

Scattered Showers with a Chance of Chatter



LAUREL GRISANTI AND JAMIE GREEN

Knock knock. Who's there? Boo. Boo who? Yeah, well people in other countries are crying too. We here at Willamette complain about a wide variety of things: bad Goudy food, for walks across campus, difficult classes and annoying roommates. We enjoy self-pitying so much that we tend to forget those less fortunate than us, throughout the world and in our own country. We are some of the most fortunate people in the world. We have plenty to eat, clean drinking water, beautiful surroundings and the opportunity to receive a wonderful education. As the school year progresses, we should strive not to forget the billions of other people in the world, many of whom do not have the luxuries we possess.

As high school students, many of us were required to better our communities. We both had the experience of planting trees and flowers to beautify our cities. During Jamie's school's Founder's Day each class was given a service activity to perform. One year her class was told they were going to plant trees but ended up next to an irrigation ditch pulling out chicken wire. Several students were taken back to school due to allergies, while another group was chased by bees protecting their hive. However, the next year her class was able to plant trees and flowers at a Habitat for Humanity site and was able to interact with the family who was going to live there.

We've also volunteered working with young children. Laurel had the joy of running a math booth in an afternoon program

for underprivileged children. One of her many projects was to help with origami, an activity that appealed to both her artistic and intellectual side. The only drawback was that children don't have the manual dexterity of older people. Thus, she had to try to teach complex patterns of folding paper to little people who couldn't fold. It didn't help that all of the patterns were too complex for even her to figure out and that the most difficult patterns were the most desired. It might have turned out fine if somebody had shown her how to do the origami, but they left her to figure out how to do it, while a dozen kids were crying because they couldn't make their bird look like the one in the picture.

Jamie volunteered working with kids at an after-school program. One day she had the kids build marshmallow towers to see who could construct the tallest one. The kids were a little young for the task, as one group of kids ate the marshmallows before all the groups had received some, while other kids decided to start stabbing the marshmallows with their straws instead of building.

There are many local service opportunities you can get involved with. Student clubs like Circle K have short-term service projects, while the Student Activities office can point you to longer-term projects. There are many people in the Salem community who need the help, and it would be awesome to show that we at Willamette are interested in the greater community.

Goudy increases prices

Willamette's food service provider also changes chefs and extends dinner hours

By CHRIS FOSS

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Extended dinner hours and rising prices are only the most visible of the changes in on-campus dining for the 2005-06 school year.

Freshmen and returning students dining at Goudy Commons and Cat Cavern will likely deal with change on and off their plates with the service provided by Bon Appetit.

Students living in Kaneko have been subject this year to the unexpectedly early closure of the building's dining hall. The facility had originally been slated to close halfway through the school year, but ASWU President Tyler Reich said that the closure was accelerated in order to facilitate quicker construction of Kaneko Commons.

When Kaneko Commons opens for the 2006-07 year, Reich said that the cafeteria there will not serve dinner, in order to encourage the entire student body to dine together for at least one meal.

For this year, in order to accommodate the approximately 100 Kaneko students displaced by the closure of the dining hall, Goudy has extended its dinner hours to 7:30 p.m., one half-hour later than in 2004-05.

Higher-priced food has been another surprise for returning students. "There hadn't been any price increases for three years," Goudy general manager Beth Delmar said.

She attributed the increases, effective August 1 in both Goudy and Cat Cavern, to increasing health insurance and minimum wage rates in Oregon, as well as to the fact that Goudy now pays gas surcharges on their deliveries.

Despite the dramatic rise in gas prices last week, attributed to the damage to oil

refineries in the Gulf Coast caused by Hurricane Katrina, Delmar said she does not anticipate the need to reevaluate the prices in Goudy until the end of the year. "Barring any catastrophic problems, we won't raise prices again this year," she said.

A more subtle change in Goudy this year comes in the form of a new executive chef to oversee student options for dining. Former Goudy sous chef Paul Lieggi was promoted to the position three weeks ago after the departure of former executive chef Wes Boese.

Lieggi said he has already started planning changes to food options at Goudy. He instituted a new dining option called "North American Road Trip," which will feature cuisine from a variety of different regions across the continent.

The first month of the program will wind up with Oregon cuisine. In fact, Delmar said that Goudy will feature food created with all-local ingredients on Sept. 29 as part of a nationwide program done by all of Bon Appetit's restaurants.

Student response to the changes is still hard to measure this early in the semester. Operations manager Francie Gilmer encouraged students to properly and constructively fill out comment cards, located near the exit to Goudy.

"Normally, if people leave their extension, I call them," Gilmer said.

"We compile them once a quarter into groups and chart them to see if there's one thing people are requesting."

Students filled out 12 comment cards during the first week of school, but none of them left a number for Gilmer to reach them at. She said she will also try to e-mail students who express constructive recommendations to improve Goudy.

FOOD PRICE INCREASES AT GOUDY

*Selected food price increases in bold

Food	2004-05 Price	Price	Difference
Cereal	\$1.05	\$1.25	+\$0.20
Bearcat Breakfast	\$2.95	\$3.25	+\$0.30
Waffle	\$1.50	\$1.75	+\$0.25
Coffee 16 oz	\$0.90	\$1.25	+\$0.35
Juice 16 oz	\$1.40	\$1.40	\$0
Soda 16 oz	\$1.05	\$1.05	\$0
Hamburger	\$2.55	\$2.95	+\$0.40
Bacon cheeseburger	\$3.95	\$3.95	\$0
Teriyaki chicken	\$3.35	\$3.95	+\$0.60
Small soup	\$0.95	\$0.95	\$0
French dip	\$2.50	\$3.25	+\$0.75
Tuna melt	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$0

Dan, Dan, the fire man

By PAIGE FOLSOM
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Envision spending your summer on a solitary roost on a mountaintop, remaining on your high perch through all types of weather. A hundred miles of densely forested wilderness stretches into the horizon, and you are entrusted to monitor this expanse for wildfires, calculate their location and radio them into the district ranger's headquarters.

For most of us it is hard to imagine, but sophomore Dan Moak has insight into this solitary experience. From mid-May through the first week of August, Moak was posted as a lookout in Arizona's Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests.

Moak's parents became lookouts for the first time in 1980 and continued to spend summers watching for fires while they raised their three children. In fact, while pregnant with Dan, his mom experienced complications and was evacuated from a lookout by helicopter.

Although he has grown up at summer campsites, this was Moak's first solo stint in a lookout. While his family members stayed at a lookout in their home state of Montana, Dan traveled to Arizona and began work at the Escudilla outpost near the Arizona-New Mexico border. "Spending your summer on a lookout and working your summer on a lookout are two different things," Moak said.

Escudilla Lookout rests on Arizona's third highest peak. The tower's metal base beams are 60-

foot stilts topped by the 14-by-14 foot, wide-windowed cab where Moak worked and slept. "I was up every day by 5:30 a.m.," he said. "The tower's windows let in so much light that it was hard to sleep past dawn."

Moak's lookout is equipped with a stove, refrigerator, wrap-around catwalk and cot, but the structure has neither electricity nor running water. A gutter system rigged on the tower's roof channels rainwater into a metal tank below. Every three to five days Moak filled a container with fresh water and heaved the 40-pound vessel up his steep steel ladder to the top. "You use a lot less water," he remarked. "It led me to appreciate modern conveniences much more as well as realize that they're really not necessary."

He found this to be especially true when the stove broke. "The tower is three miles away from the trailhead and a fifteen-minute drive from there to the nearest town," Moak said. Throughout the summer he received food and supplies by mule train and became a master Ramen chef.

Moak's family summers, backpacking trips and lifeguarding days prepared him to be a lookout. Otherwise he did not receive much formal training. "One day a representative from the Forest Service pointed out landmarks and said, 'You'll figure it out by listening to the radio,'" Moak said.

Moak learned how to interpret weather patterns and anticipate where lightning might create new fires. "The most exciting time to be a lookout is when a storm is in your viewing area," Moak said.

"It's disconcerting when the metal structure is swaying, but then you think, 'This thing has been standing for decades, so it will probably be OK.'"

He described the energy of a gathering storm front, with its powerful gusts, cumulus clouds and jagged electric sparks, all elements that Moak said would warrant closer surveillance of the affected area for several weeks afterward. "You look for thin, bluish smoke columns," he explained.

Sometimes Moak watched planes fly overhead to check for fire activity. However, he empha-



Sophomore Dan Moak spent his summer watching for fires in Arizona.

photo by TATIANA MAC

sized that technology has not yet overtaken the lookout. With binoculars and an orientation instrument called a firefinder, Moak could pinpoint a blaze within about a mile or two of its actual location. Plumes of road dust, vapors rising after rain and fires obscured by ridges complicated the job a bit. However, Moak reported 20-30 "smokes" by the end of this season.

Throughout the summer, Moak's human interaction was often limited to two minutes a day on a dispatch radio. He said that his few surprise guests included a herd of bull elk that liked to hang out underneath his tower, wild turkeys, songbirds, traces of a wolf pair, bear cubs and curious weekend hikers who passed his tower and requested group photos with the lone ranger.

For a little noise and some outside news, his "savior" was NPR. "The isolation was harder than I expected," he said.

However, the philosophy and environmental studies major appreciated the period of peace to think, read and trek between shifts and on days off.

"A large part of what draws me to the job is the place. When I go out on hikes, I don't take a cell phone, or a radio, or a GPS unit. I am completely alone. No one else on earth knows exactly where I am, and that is a pretty incredible feeling."

"It's neat that in a world of 6 billion people, there are still places you can go to be completely alone," Moak said. "When I am up at the lookout during a lightning storm, or out on a hike, I feel like I have very little control. That feeling for me is humbling and, strangely, extremely exhilarating at the same time."

Rarely has Moak had so much uninterrupted time for introspection. "By getting away from normal life, I got to know myself better than I did before," he said. When asked if he developed any quirky habits during his time in the clouds, Moak quoted Edward Abbey: "You live too close to the city if you can't pee off your back porch."

Likewise, Moak made the most of his own remote balcony; at Escudilla Moak rarely bothered with the long climb down to the outhouse. After spending so much time alone in natural surroundings, coming off of the mountaintop was its own culture shock, but it may not be the last time Moak spends at a lookout. The National Forest Service has invited Moak back, and he hopes to include more summers at the tower in future plans. Among firewatchers it is said: "Once a lookout, always a lookout."

"It is hard to imagine not doing it again," Moak said. Next time, though, he said he plans to bring a dog for company.

ESCUILLA LOOKOUT

-Lies atop Escudilla Mountain, the third largest peak in Arizona, at 10,912 feet above sea level

-Located within the 5,200-acre Escudilla Wilderness, which was designated in 1984 inside the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests

Source: GORP.com

Students should focus on aid, not criticism

Willamette students' fall arrival on campus fell right in step with the occurrence of the worst natural disaster in American history. As they were catching up with friends, making Target runs and purchasing books, citizens in New Orleans and other southern coastal towns were boarding up their houses in anticipation of Hurricane Katrina.

However, just as most Willamette students who enjoy these annual rituals come from well-to-do families, the majority of Southern residents who managed to evacuate before the onset of the storm were those with necessary funds at their disposal.

Thousands upon thousands of people without the means to escape had no choice but to face nature's assault. Many died, and many continue to perish as they await supplies or rescue in their homes, in the streets, in hospitals and in New Orleans' Superdome, now an unsanitary mass of human flesh.

The media is chock-a-block with images of the hungry, the weak, the outraged, of the corpses left abandoned. Stories abound of lawlessness; citizens are sniping, sometimes randomly, other times at officials and medical personnel attempting to offer aid. Others are raping, beating and looting.

Is this happening in our country, really? The situation seems unreal.

Thus, it is easy to treat it as such. Well-

removed from danger and tragedy, some Willamette students get lost in their busy academic and social lives and pay this unprecedented calamity less mind that they ought, assuming that they remain fully informed of its severity. Others who do keep up with the daily news reports see the media's tendency to criticize, criticize, criticize and simply follow suit.

Did the state and national governments take Hurricane Katrina's threat seriously enough? Should they have evacuated people sooner? Why weren't over 300 busses in New Orleans, now rendered useless, mobilized to evacuate people out of the city before the hurricane hit?

Why didn't the government realize long ago that the levees weren't nearly strong enough to withstand any sort of aggressive storm? Why aren't there more National Guardsmen present to quell the anarchy and attend to the victims?

Does the government's seemingly slow response have anything to do with the fact that the majority of citizens still trapped are black?

The questions are endless. While all representing valid concerns must certainly be addressed in the near future, they should not take priority at this time. The foremost objective of the Willamette community ought to be offering immediate aid, preferably financial, to victims.

The citizens trapped in New Orleans and other cities are all asking the same questions we are. Though they undoubtedly appreciate the fact that others share their criticisms, our echo will do them little good in the here and now.

Our action, on the other hand, will bring them closer to escaping the devastation, to eating, to recovering, to rebuilding.

Willamette has taken the first step; not only by agreeing to accept transfer students displaced by the hurricane free of charge for a full semester, but also by setting up a relief fund, the proceeds of which will be matched by the university and then forwarded to the Red Cross.

The responsibility now lies with the students and faculty to continue their compassionate, community-minded tradition by taking a moment, if they are able, to fill out a check.

"Is this happening to our country, really? The situation seems unreal... The questions are endless."

Privacy act discourages family interaction

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is designed to protect students' right to privacy in an educational environment. However, the guidelines of privacy are so stringent that they are creating divisions in family relations that should not be regulated and determined by the government. Effective since Nov. 19, 1974, FERPA gives students sole access to their educational records maintained by an educational institution.

FERPA does not allow administrators and faculty to give parents any details pertaining to their child's grade reports, class rank or transcripts. Parents cannot even access their child's application for graduation. Professors are unable to alert parents if they are concerned about a student or if they want to compliment a student's achievements. The only access that parents can have to their child's records is the information in the directory.

It is unfortunate that Willamette, an institution that prides itself on its family-oriented activities like Parents and Family Weekend, has to legalize the relationship between parents, students and school. As a whole, American schools

typically encourage parents to be involved, but FERPA blocks this privilege.

The government, ergo Willamette, decides when parent-child interaction should legally end. And yet, offspring are legally kept under their parent's health insurance until the age of 23, unless they choose otherwise. This shows that the typical college student is still dependent on his or her parents. Thus, parents should be able to actively participate in their child's education.

Although it is important for students to know their rights and to be independent, wouldn't it be more effective to let students make the choice to involve their parents, rather than automatically blocking them off?

Naturally, it is possible to show parents a student's term grades or for a parent to sign a release for academic records, but it isn't quite the same as having them arrive in the mail. The essential element of parental involvement in education is eliminated. This is a personal choice that every student should have, not something regulated by the government.

It is impossible to decide when a child becomes an adult, but if someone cannot even

legally consume alcohol or rent a car, should they be allowed to regulate their own academic agenda without parental participation? Advisors are helpful, but cannot necessarily offer the same dedication to one student as a parent.

Privacy is highly valued in this country. And although protecting each person's individual rights is of paramount importance, it is unfortunate that the government has to completely alienate parents from their children in an academic setting. No gray area currently exists when it comes to privacy, but perhaps, in the case of the relationship between students, parents and the college, it should.

Family Education Rights and Privacy Act: In Summary

- Effective since Nov. 19, 1974
- Protects students' educational privacy
- Students in complete control of non-directory information

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Cleanse your Pallett

I have two black inked sketches on either of my arms that I consider to be monuments to the importance of sobriety. My mother literally threw up when she saw my first tattoo, a small dragon by on my right arm named Jasmina, which I got after going to Spain at age sixteen.



JOE PALLETT

"Why? Why disgrace your body like that?" she demanded as I held her hair over the toilet. The best I could come up with was, "Uh, 'cause I'm young."

I figured this was a perfectly reasonable answer. Although a small white lie, it really sounded a lot better than, "I was that kind of trashed where I was considering joining a Spanish biker gang and clearly you need ink done to do that." I, of course, really don't remember much of that night at all; much less picking out Jasmina. But whatever.

So, can I get a 'hell yeah' for being young? Those are the kinds of things that make youth great. However, I am sad to say that I have already fallen off the youth body modification wagon.

Last weekend I found myself at a short film festival. One documentary made me feel like I should just go check in to the nursing home right then. A young man in Texas was talking about the thrill of youth and how there is no other time like it. If there is any time to actually go have something done to your body, might as well do it while your body looks pretty good. This guy truly understands the awesome recklessness of being young, much like I used to think I did.

I then learned that this guy wants to get scarification done. For those who don't know, tattoos have become lame since everyone has them, including people like me, so counterculture types have had to up the ante. This means creating scars through repeated cuttings to make designs. Scarification is out of my league, but really doesn't make me feel old. But this guy wasn't done; he wanted his scar to be the result of getting shot. Like, with a gun.

I then uttered the phrase, "Man, this kid is nuts. Why in God's name would you do that?" As I said it, I saw my youth pass before my eyes. It's over. I can't keep up anymore. I saw the kid pay \$500 to get shot and thrown in an ambulance with a lovely new scar from an exit wound created by a .38 hollow point out of his shoulder. The ambulance then drove off with the future reckless youth that I don't understand anymore and am scared of. I'm an old man at 22.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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President Bush: Asleep behind the wheel

As Willamette students returned from summer vacation last week and trudged back to class, they should be comforted by the fact that their President did the same. George Bush cut short the longest Presidential vacation in history to deal with some nagging problems, a Category 5 hurricane that killed thousands, and people are beginning to ask why the President reacted so badly to the disaster.



BRADLEY DUNN

Bush's excessive vacations and unwillingness to tend to the nation's business is well-chronicled. According to the Washington Post, in addition to his daily two-hour workout sessions, President Bush often refuses to work nights and weekends. Bush has taken 49 trips to his ranch, which accounts for nearly 20% of his presidency. In addition, Bush has relaxed at his father's compound in Kennebunkport, Maine and at Camp David, increasing his time away from the Oval Office. One must not forget that President Bush spent the entire month before Sept. 11, 2001 at his ranch, missing key intelligence reports warning of the forthcoming attack.

Last week was the kicker. After Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans, Mississippi and other surrounding areas, Bush played a round of golf at the Pueblo El Mirage RV and Golf Resort in El Mirage, Arizona, spending a night in Crawford. He finally flew back to Washington two days after Katrina to lead a bungled aid operation. Thousands died and Bush played golf. It sounds very presidential.

This is not to mention the fact that much of the

destruction in New Orleans can be traced back to Bush's budgetary decisions. In 2001, the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) prophetically predicted that the three worst and most likely national disasters were a massive earthquake in San Francisco, a direct terrorist attack on New York City, and finally a hurricane hitting New Orleans. Yet, Bush did nothing except make matters worse. Over the last several years, President Bush has needed money for giving massive tax cuts to the absurdly rich and funding the boondoggle in Iraq. He has routinely cut funding for projects to repair New Orleans flood and hurricane prevention levees. Just this year he gave the Southeast Louisiana Urban Flood Control Project \$50 million dollars less than requested.

Besides the money diverted from flood control to Iraq, another key resource, the National Guard, has been preoccupied with Iraq under this administration. With 40% of Louisiana and Mississippi's National Guard serving in Iraq, the process of evacuating people from the chaos, providing food and water and maintaining law and order have all been handled poorly, if at all.

But don't worry. Kellogg, Brown and Root, a Halliburton subsidiary charged with fraud and price gouging in Iraq, got a \$500 million dollar contract to help with the rebuilding process. At least the administration has its priorities in the right place.

President Bush was once again asleep at the wheel, and this country has suffered dearly. The President's backwards priorities have contributed to the deaths of thousands of people.

Angela Merkel: Possibly the new Maggie?

Angela Merkel. Chances are most people in the United States have not heard that name. But if the German election on September 18th go as the polls indicate, her Christian Democratic party (center-right in Germany) will take control of government and she will become their new Chancellor. At this point, Germany is in desperate need of reform.



JOHN WICKRE

Over the years, the German welfare state has expanded its bureaucracy to gargantuan proportions. Along with absurd regulation (all retail business must be closed on Sundays) and all-powerful unions, Germany now finds itself in major debt and near economic ruin. Unemployment in Germany is around 12% (President Bush was criticized when it was about 6% in the US) and in some areas it is as high as 30%. The current Chancellor, Democratic Socialist Gerhard Schroeder, has made some late efforts at reform, but this has only hurt him further in polls.

The paternalistic role of the state has been ingrained into the German people ever since the days of Otto von Bismarck. It is a dependency on this system, which is leading to economic ruin that is making reform difficult. Socialism is so prevalent throughout Germany that it is embraced by both the right and left (far right in the days of National Socialism under Hitler). Merkel once snapped to her

conservative colleagues, "you have no idea how socialist you all sound!"

Does this mean that Merkel is going to bring sweeping [classical] liberal changes to Germany on par with the United States? Will she become Margaret Thatcher? Very doubtful, as Merkel is more pragmatic in her approach. After all, she has run on a campaign of raising taxes to get rid of the debt, as the people are too dependent upon government spending.

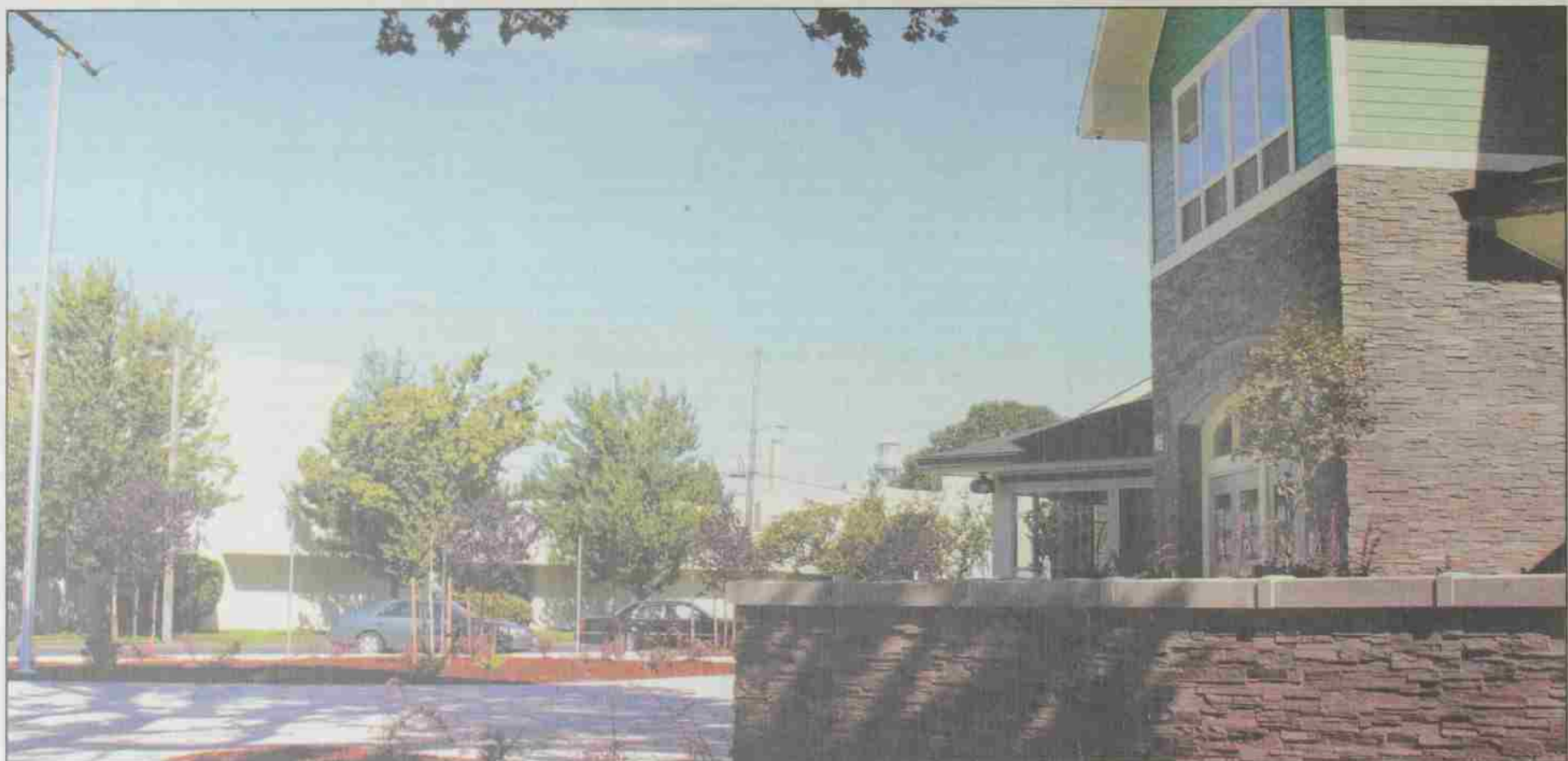
One aspect of this that can't be ignored is how it will affect the dynamics of

European relations with the US, since Merkel is pro-American. Up until this point, Schroeder and Jacques Chirac of France have been working together against Tony Blair in order to create a European Union to counter the United States. Blair and the British government believe that the interest of the United States are one in the same with the Western and Democratic world. Schroeder and Chirac on the other hand, believed that there should not be one super power powerful enough to be unopposed.

With Merkel as Chancellor, Chirac will be alone in his hope to stack the EU against the US. Recently, when Blair visited Germany it was considered a snub that he held a meeting with Merkel before meeting with Schroeder. As Germany and Britain become closer allies, the United States will have will face a much friendlier Europe, thanks to our new friend "Angie."



New site of Bush Elementary puts WU students on notice



Bush Elementary School's new site is located directly across the street from Willamette's Kaneko Commons.

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The completion of the new site for Bush Elementary School, across the street from Kaneko, could change the habits of some Willamette students. The school's new placement means that a significant portion of the university's campus is within the 1000-foot "Drug Free School Zone." Certain violations of Oregon's controlled-substances laws carry stiffer penalties when committed within the zone.

The law, Oregon Revised Statute 475.999, pertains to any illegal transporting, manufacturing or possession of controlled substances in the vicinity of any public or private primary or secondary school. Violators face charges ranging from a Class C misdemeanor with a maximum of 30 days in jail and/or \$1,000 fine to a Class A felony with a maximum of 20 years in jail and/or \$300,000 fine.

The statute does specify general guidelines for considering violations in regards to marijuana use and proliferation. In some cases, delivery of five grams or less, or possession of one ounce or less, of Cannabis will be considered misdemeanors. Any manufacturing or heavy distribution carries the possibility of felony charges.

Director of Residence Life Marilyn Derby stated she did not believe life-

as-usual for students would change much in this regard. "I can't remember the last time we had police involved in drug-related issues," Derby said. "This doesn't change anything for us. The consequences of the university's system are no different."

Campus Safety Director Ross Stout elaborated on the university's policies on marijuana. "We won't be taking any different approach from other parts (of the campus) in terms of identifying pot users," he said, "but if it does come to our attention that someone is selling marijuana, we'll have to contact the police." Stout emphasized that generally students found simply using marijuana will be handled internally by university staff. "The police are usually so busy with methamphetamines and other things that marijuana doesn't interest them unless it is a lot," he said.

However, Stout and Derby both noted that use or distribution of other controlled substances is treated much differently and will almost certainly involve the police.

As for the Salem Police Department, not many things will change on their end either. Like the university staff, they mainly want students, and particularly off-campus students living in that area, to be aware of the law. "We're going to handle everything normally," Sergeant Russ Isham said, "but as part of established protocol we'll work with school authorities and they can enforce their own policies as well."

Isham described the relationship between the police and the university as "pretty good" and based on one overarching goal. "The relationship there is that we make sure things will be safe for everybody," he said. When asked if the new site of Bush Elementary would increase police presence in the neighborhood, Isham said the only foreseeable difference would be the presence of a Student Resource Officer during regular school hours. "After school hours patrols should be about the same," he said.

However, Isham emphasized that

students found with controlled substances are still liable to be brought up on significant charges. "The possession of less than one ounce of marijuana is an infraction unless it's within 1000 feet of a school, then it's a crime," he said. "The violators may be subject to arrest and jail time, so it does become a big deal. Any controlled substance within 1000 feet is a crime."

According to Derby and the others, parents of Bush Elementary children have generally been excited and unconcerned about the new site and its proximity to the campus. To their knowledge, no parents have expressed public concern on the subject of drug use and university students. "Willamette students are so good compared to other institutions," Derby said. Stout said the staff was perhaps the most concerned with this development. "We've had no feedback from anyone other than the university staff concerning letting the students know what the penalties are," he said.

Isham said that students should be aware that this is the time of year when police-student encounters are more numerous. "I know that this is the part of the year, football season, that tends to be the biggest time of the year when we get called out by neighbors complaining of parties and other events," he said. "Kids tend to forget about the police presence when they come back to school from the sum-



The new school's proximity to Willamette's campus may cause stricter penalties for controlled substance infractions.

photo by MEGAN MEIDINGER

mer."

On the university's side, Derby said Willamette had a "fascinating" debate recently concerning its policies on drug and alcohol use. The Sanctions Review Board focused on classifying

violations based on seriousness and made recommendations on how to handle these types of incidents. It was in this process that Derby said, "some were questioning why should we be treating pot any differently than alco-

hol; some responded that since society considers it to be worse we should too, and still others said basically, 'a drug is a drug.' In the end, the question of addictiveness was a deciding factor. Currently, the university generally handles first-time marijuana violations differently than first-time alcohol violations.

The university has four levels of types of policy violations, levels 'A' through 'D.' Each type of violation is subject to a level of sanction that could include fines, counseling, relocation, educational sanction or stiffer penalties. While most first-time alcohol sanctions are considered 'A' level, marijuana or other drug use begins in the 'B' level.

Generally, violating students had to pay \$50 to see Ben Coleman, the substance counselor. However, Derby said this year Residence Life is looking into financing the \$50 for first-time abuses so students will more readily subscribe to the help provided. "We think referral people would be more comfortable referring violating students," she said. Derby thought, though the issue could stir a debate amongst students, pitting those who might not mind having their collegiate fees being used for the program against those who believe strongly in personal responsibility could be beneficial.

Last year, there were 21 reported violations of the university's drug policies. Fourteen of those violations occurred on-campus, and 7 occurred off-campus. There were no academically-related drug violations.

475.999 Penalty for manufacture or delivery of controlled substance within 1,000 feet of school. Except as authorized by ORS 475.005 to 475.285 and 475.940 to 475.999,

it is unlawful for any person to:

(1) Manufacture or deliver a schedule I, II or III controlled substance within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a public or private elementary, secondary or career school attended primarily by minors.

(a) Unlawful manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a school is a Class A felony.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection, delivery for no consideration of less than five grams of the dried leaves, stems and flowers of the plant Cannabis family Moraceae in a public place, as defined in ORS 161.015, that is within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a public or private elementary, secondary or career school attended primarily by minors to a person who is 18 years of age or older is a Class C misdemeanor.

(2)(a) Possess less than one avoirdupois ounce of the dried leaves, stems and flowers of the plant Cannabis family Moraceae in a public place, as defined in ORS 161.015, that is within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a public or private elementary, secondary or career school attended primarily by minors.

(b) Possession of less than one avoirdupois ounce of the dried leaves, stems and flowers of the plant Cannabis family Moraceae in a public place that is within 1,000 feet of a school is a Class C misdemeanor. [1989 c.806 §2; 1991 c.574 §1; 1993 c.78 §1; 1995 c.343 §49; 1995 c.440 §39]

The Cat's Pajamas

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PREVIEWS:

Previews are like mini-movies for the short attention span in everyone. In just a few minutes, you can usually learn enough to make a snap judgment about how cool an actual movie will be. That 10 or 15 minutes before the feature when the previews are shown is one of my favorite parts of going to the movies. Here are some snap judgments on a few recent previews.

Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire

It's not like I wasn't already excited enough – but the way the preview links the past movies in with those little character montages is just so clever...Hermione gets pretty! Ron gets longer hair! Harry...well, if he weren't under 18, I would say he gets hot (but we'll go with...cute)!

Pride & Prejudice

There's no way it can top the BBC version; but I give it bonus points for having Judi Dench in it. Of course, those bonus points are negated by the fact that the new Mr. Darcy doesn't look like he can come close to measuring up to Colin Firth.

V For Vendetta

Every time I see a creepy character in a mask, I get flashbacks to "Saw" and it's hard to pay attention to anything else. But there was lots of flashy knife throwing, cape swirling and swelling music – which means at least one really cool action sequence. Oh, and Natalie Portman shaves her head, that's hard-core.

Family-owned diner is a Salem landmark

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White's (1138 Commercial St SE) is one of Salem's longest-standing restaurants. The place has been feeding Salem since 1936. Tasty, inexpensive American classics characterize this local small-town diner. The menu is fairly simple with a focus on breakfast fare, sandwiches and hamburgers. They emphasize making as much from scratch as possible; including freshly created soups, pies, muffins and biscuits. They even have their own ketchup.

Family-owned for over 50 years, White's has developed a very loyal customer base. The restaurant was forced to close down during WWII because the husband of owner Carole White had to go fight, and again in 1995 due to bankruptcy. However, after each closure, White's has bounced back stronger than ever with the regulars back at their tables as soon as it reopened. More recently, White's has come under the ownership of Don and Donna Uselman who strive

to keep the same personal touch that made White's successful.

White's is a popular spot for weekend brunches amongst Salemites for a good reason. I tried their french toast for the first time recently and have to say they definitely rank up there with Busick Court and Sassy Onion as some of Salem's best. However, White's french toast is covered with bread crumbs, providing a nice contrast to the latter two restaurants' corn flake-coated ones. With so many places in Salem serving such delicious French toast, there needs to be an Iron Chef contest to determine Salem's best. Otherwise, I will forever consider whichever place I last ate at to serve as my favorite. No matter which restaurant you prefer though, you will definitely



White's Diner, established 1936, serves simple, homestyle cooking, specializing in classics such as biscuits and gravy.

photo by MEGAN MEIDINGER

walk away from White's satisfied by a great meal.

Many of White's other menu items are quite popular as well. Their biscuits and gravy are famous among the regulars, while their pancakes are so demanded that they ran out of batter on my last visit. Their scrambled eggs are delicious too, as they

are incredibly fluffy and expertly cooked.

When it comes down to it, whether you want to start your day with a hearty breakfast, or end it with hamburgers and milkshakes, White's is a great place in Salem for some authentic fifties diner food served with passion.

THE CONSTANT GARDENER

Conspiracy, murder plot are intense, but engaging

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"The Constant Gardener" is a rare movie that absorbs you and makes you think at the same time. Directed by Fernando Meirelles, with the same intensity of "City of God," the film travels from the crowded Kenyan villages, to the deserts of Sudan, to London and back with a sweeping urgency. The images are stunning; but what really sets them apart is that they are anything but "National Geographic" in the way they present Africa. Beyond being gorgeous and colorful, there is an immediacy to each shot that keeps the situation in perspective. There are millions of people in Africa for whom this is

their reality, a losing battle against poverty and disease, and Meirelles doesn't want the audience to forget that.

Adapted from John le Carré's 2001 novel, the story centers on a mid-level British diplomat (Ralph Fiennes) stationed in Kenya who is caught up in a deadly conspiracy after his wife's murder. The plot itself is interesting on its own, but Ralph Fiennes' and Rachel Weisz's performances give the film its soul. As Justin Quayle, Fiennes gives one of his best performances in a long time by forgoing his standard tight-lipped man with issues for a surprisingly extroverted performance. Justin is both shattered and galvanized by the death of his wife and his journey is a

search for both justice and wisdom. In the end, it becomes so much more than "whodunit" and more about making a difference in the world, no matter what the cost.

Rachel Weisz absolutely glows as his wife Tessa, and her chemistry with Fiennes makes their complex relationship come alive. While Fiennes and Weisz are responsible for the emotional core of the movie, they are surrounded by an extremely talented supporting cast. Bill Nighy is frighteningly polished as one of Justin's superiors who appears to be devoid of any kind of soul. Danny Huston and Pete Postlethwaite also give superior performances as key players in the conspiracy.

While a film about pharmaceutical experiments in Africa might sound a little bit heavy, "The Constant Gardener" will grab you from the beginning and sweep you away.

The Constant Gardener

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Portland festivals showcase local arts and music

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Boredom. We've all been there. Stuck in the middle of a week with no homework, no parties, and unable to bear the thought of yet another viewing of "Family Guy" reruns.

For those seeking an escape from the mundane, turn your eyes toward the North because Portland is quite literally jammed with entertainment this week as musicians, and artists arrive to take part in an incredible pair of events. Musicfest Northwest and the Time Based Art Festival will be packing concert venues and performance spaces starting Sept. 8 and 9, respectively.

A self-described party, Musicfest Northwest is an annual non-profit festival that gives money to promote music education. The festival features more than two hundred indie and local bands representing just about every genre of music performing at 20 venues throughout Portland. You don't need to have taken statistics in order to figure out that the odds of hearing some decent music are better than good. Along with the plethora of bands, several musically centered feature and documentary films are also being presented during Musicfest. The best part of this extravaganza is that you can purchase a wristband that will get you into all these events, for 30 dollars. That's right, two hundred bands for 30 dollars.

But Musicfest Northwest isn't the only event that Portland has to offer culturally starved college students. In its third year, the Time Based Art (TBA) festival is a showcase for all kinds of artists from around the globe. Run by the Portland Institute of Contemporary Art, TBA is all about pushing buttons, crossing artistic boundaries as well as international ones, and spreading appreciation for all forms of contemporary expression. The festival includes dozens of visual, musical and performing artists in twelve different venues all over the city with spaces ranging from concert halls to old warehouses. The variety of the performers and artists is astounding. The first night alone features a dance troupe, a one man show coming of age story entitled "Travels With My Virginity" and a DJ who uses multimedia to remix film, music and American history. In addition to the wide array of shows, there are also afternoon lectures and talkbacks with the artists themselves. The price of tickets varies for each performance, but most are around 20 dollars.

The great thing about both of these events is that they are an opportunity to expand your horizons as well as fight off boredom. You can see the next big thing before the record labels do or find out what is going on in the global artistic community, all on a budget that most of us can manage. So if you've been craving more entertainment than Resnet has to offer, step outside the bubble and hitch a ride to Portland for some culture. You will be glad you did.

The TBA festival runs from Sept. 9-18. Go to www.PICA.org/tba2005 for a full event schedule and ticketing information. Musicfest Northwest will run Sept. 8-11. Go to www.musicfestnw.com for more a list of bands and places to purchase wristbands or tickets.

Uncloaking Maori Art

A Toi Maori exhibit comes to Hallie Ford Museum of Art, one of three stops on its national tour



Hongi (traditional greeting) between Waha Tauhara and Gina Pacaldo at the dawn ceremony on Aug. 4, 2005 in San Francisco.

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Early last month Yerba Beach in San Francisco was swamped with twenty thousand visitors, witnessed a moving speech by the Maori Queen and experienced a display of weaving that has never been seen outside of New Zealand. Only three places in the U.S. were chosen for this highly celebrated exhibition site...and one of them is Salem.

On Sept. 23 the *Toi Maori: The Eternal Thread* exhibition will arrive at the Hallie Ford Art Museum, fresh from San Francisco and New Zealand. This exhibit celebrating the treasured artistic tradition of Maori weaving will feature a colorful welcoming ceremony in Jackson Plaza on the opening day. The exhibition is centered around a collection of art from over 40 leading Maori weavers.

Historically, the Maori are the indigenous tribes of New Zealand who migrated from Polynesia around 1,000 years ago. Growing in number and popularity, the Maori culture is at the forefront in New Zealand far more than it has been in the past. North Island of New Zealand holds the highest concentration of Maori, where the climate is most similar to the Polynesian islands from which they originate.

The art of the Maori is rich and often reflects their strong relationship with nature. Traditionally tribal, the Maori people's spiritual beliefs are closely linked with their natural environment. This connection is demonstrated by motifs of native plants and

animals in their wood carvings, Maori meeting house adornments and the weave of the cloaks on display. Also known for their tattoo art, prominent male Maori are known to have elaborate designs on their faces or bodies, while important women have small tattoos on their chin to show their rank.

The Hallie Ford exhibit focuses on the large and striking Maori cloaks. Traditionally, these were made without a loom. Two upright weaving pegs would be used to suspend the *harakeke* (or New Zealand flax) and the material would be woven by hand. While the earliest capes were designed for practicality and protection from rain, they increasingly became more ornamental, incorporating dye taken from bark and swamp mud, feathers, and other decorative materials. The most valuable type of cloak reserved for chieftans was made from strips of dog skin. This cloak is called the *kahu kuri* after the first *kuri*, or Polynesian dog, was brought to New Zealand with the original Maori.

Today in some of the capes to be shown at the Hallie Ford, contemporary Maori weavers have added their own spin on the use of traditional materials, incorporating things such as peacock feathers, fishing line and builder's paper. Displayed alongside the precious cloaks from the collections of weaving dynasties such as the Hetet family and the Te Kanawa family, Maori artwork speaks not only of a rich past but of a vibrant present. The exhibit promises to be a striking tribute to a culture that is deep, alive and growing.

Items on display: *kakahu* (cloaks), *whariki* (mats), *taniko* (tapestries), *tukutuku* (wall panels), *piupiu* (skirts) and *kete* (baskets).

Bearcats fall to Western Oregon 35 - 0

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FOOTBALL

The Willamette football team opened up its season with an away game against the Western Oregon University Wolves this past Saturday night in Monmouth, Ore. The game was essentially the antithesis of last year's opening day counterpart, in which the Bearcats defeated the Division II Wolves 38-21.

With 14 new starters and only four returning seniors, Willamette commenced the 2005 season Saturday with a disappointing loss of 35-0.

After the previous year's second place finish in the Northwest Conference and an appearance in the national playoffs, the NWC 2nd ranked Bearcats went into the evening's match with confidence and optimism in their new lineup. Western Oregon's vengeful offense was led by quarterback Mark Thorsen, who completed four touch-down passes.

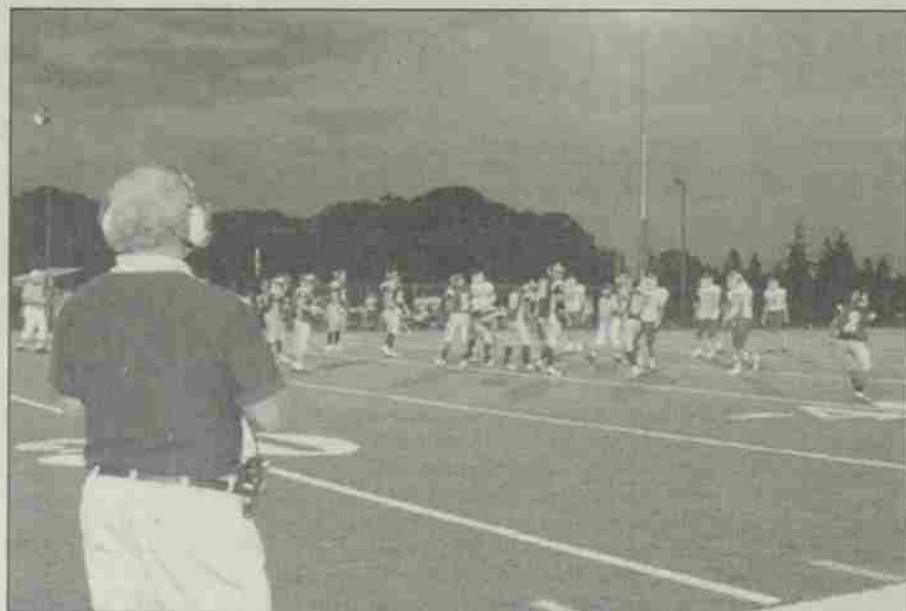
It was the WOU defense that secured the defeat, however, as the line held the Willamette attack to 172 yards of total offense, including only 70 yards on the ground. Coach Mark Speckman was hoping for a better outcome. "I was expecting to win the game. I was worried about our ability to stop the run and also block their defense effectively. We did, in fact, struggle in those areas. I thought defense played hard. Offensively, our execution was not

what I hoped it would be."

The first points were scored when Western recovered a Bearcat fumble and covered the 42 yard distance to the endzone with nine consecutive play snaps. At the end of the first half, the game was still free to be decided, as the Bearcats trailed only 14-0. Thorsen continued the assault throughout the second half with two more short TD tosses, while the Bearcat offense never seemed to overcome the daunting Wolves defense.

That which killed any chance of eliminating the differential was Willamette's one for 15 rate of success for third down conversions. Nevertheless, several WU players were highlighted for their numbers that evening. Senior RB Quentin Brock took 14 carries, contributing 56 yards to the offense drive, while FL Ryan Hernandez added 31 more. Quarterback Cameron Walton went 12 for 20, amassing 102 passing yards without a single interception.

The WU defense was led by Senior DB Tim Alton, who secured 14 tackles overall, ten of which were solo take-downs. Alton explained his side's philosophy going into the game: "Our game plan as a defense was to stop the run and take their All-American 6'7", 260 lbs Tight End out of the game. We knew that they were a big, physical



The Bearcats started their season with a tough game against Western Oregon.

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team and expected them to try and establish the run early." Senior LB Megdy Khoury, second team All-NWC selection for 2004, tallied 11 tackles of his own.

After a disappointing start, the Bearcats must focus on necessary adjustments. Speckman added, "Our entire team benefited from the Western game. There is no substitute for experience. Defensively, we need to align properly and use better technique.

Offensively, we need to improve our blocking and decision making. We have another tough one this week."

The Bearcats will tune their fresh lineup and prepare for an equally challenging contest against the nationally-ranked University of Mary Hardin Baylor. Willamette will host UMHB, last year's runner up for the national championship next Saturday afternoon at McCulloch Stadium.

Women's soccer wins season opener

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

The Willamette University women's soccer team opened the season this weekend at the Bob Baptist Invitational in Wheaton, Ill., followed by the first victory on a brand-new Sparks Field. The team was put to the test for the first time as it took on Wheaton College and Depauw University at Baptist, two of the top-ranked teams in the nation.

Although the first two games resulted in losses for Willamette, team morale remained high, and the women went on to defeat the College of St. Benedict on Sunday night.

In the team's first game of the season against Wheaton, the No. 1 ranked NCAA Division III team in the nation, Jessica Lammers scored the first goal two minutes into the second half. Wheaton's Jenn Binger tied up the game before freshman Emily

Gross scored in the 71st minute, giving the Bearcats a 2-1 lead. Wheaton's Sarah Richardson tied the game again ten minutes later, and the teams played a scoreless first overtime before Richardson made the game-winning goal, 3-2.

The team's narrow loss to No. 17th ranked Depauw University the following day was marked by opposing teams Tory Pavlovich's single goal, with a shot that deflected off goalie Kari Woody. The Bearcats were barely outshot by Depauw, 12-11, but fell 1-0 to the nationally ranked team.

The team was by no means disappointed by its efforts at the invitation. "We went in wanting to do our best, and proving to ourselves, Wheaton, and everyone watching that we could hold our own as a young team. I feel like we did an amazing

job," stated midfielder Alli Tenold.

Team enthusiasm was further bolstered by the newly renovated Sparks Field, which the women found completed after they returned home from their weekend away. "We got back at midnight, and the field was done. We were running around the field. We were ecstatic. It was one of the best moments with the team," Tenold said.

The team was able to convert this enthusiasm into a win on its home turf, christening the brand-new field with a game against the College of St. Benedict. Laura Uhlmansiek scored the first of two goals in the ninth minute of the game, following a pass from Jessica Lammers. Uhlmansiek repeated her success only five minutes later with another goal after a pass from Lammers, securing a 2-0 lead for the Bearcats.

Michelle Gregoire also scored a pair of goals, heading in the first after Uhlmansiek's free kick in the 51st

minute of the game. Emily Gross headed in a cross from Uhlmansiek shortly later, and Gregoire scored her second goal of the game after receiving a pass from Alli Tenold with only twelve minutes of playing time left. Additional highlights of the game included three saves by goalie Kari Woody, who combined her efforts with freshman Laura Holahan for a shut-out.

The 5-0 victory against the St. Benedict Blazers came as a relief after playing the difficult two-game weekend in Illinois. "Everyone put out great effort, and put in a full effort.

There is no way we're not going to win with that," senior April Kyrkos said. Both the team and coaching staff were pleased with their Sunday night performance on their new field. "After playing two tough teams, it feels good to have a good result," Head Coach Jim Tursi said.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORT

Aug. 30 - Sept. 4, 2005

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID

September 1, 6:57 p.m. (Soccer Field): Officers assisted an injured construction worker.

HARASSMENT

September 2, 8:00 a.m. (Campus): Someone placed flyers around campus demeaning a student.

POLICY VIOLATIONS

September 4, 6:48 a.m. (Belknap Parking Lot): A student's parking permit was confiscated after it was found to have been fraudulently altered.

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

August 30, 10:30 p.m. (Kaneko Hall): Two unknown students left a bicycle in someone's room. The bicycle is green and chrome and may have been taken from the west bike rack.

THEFT

August 31, 1:10 p.m. (Sparks Parking Lot): An employee reported that someone had entered her vehicle and stole her cd player and a cd.

September 2, 1:05 p.m. (Goudy Commons): A student reported her backpack had been stolen from a cubby while she was at lunch. It was later found off campus and returned to the owner.

"If you have any information regarding these incidents, please contact Campus Safety."

Volleyball gains valuable pre-season experience

By ALLISON DELLWO
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The Willamette volleyball women began their pre-season this past weekend with a four-game tournament at the Boxer Kickoff Invitational at Pacific University in Forest Grove, Ore. The Pacific Invitational included seven college teams from all over the country.

On Friday Willamette competed against the Baldwin Wallace Yellowjackets, a team from Ohio. After three games, the Bearcats fell to Baldwin Wallace with scores of 17-30, 18-30 and 21-30.

Following this game, sophomore Ashleigh Streng stated, "Since it was the first game we have played this season and we have such a young team, many of the freshmen had a lot of nerves going into their first college-level game."

Later that afternoon, the Willamette women proved themselves by putting up a fight against Cal State University East Bay, a team ranked 11th overall.

The Bearcats dropped the first two games with scores of 21-30 and 15-30 but then rallied to win the third game with a 30 to 27 lead. Willamette barely lost the match with a 25-30 loss in the fourth game.

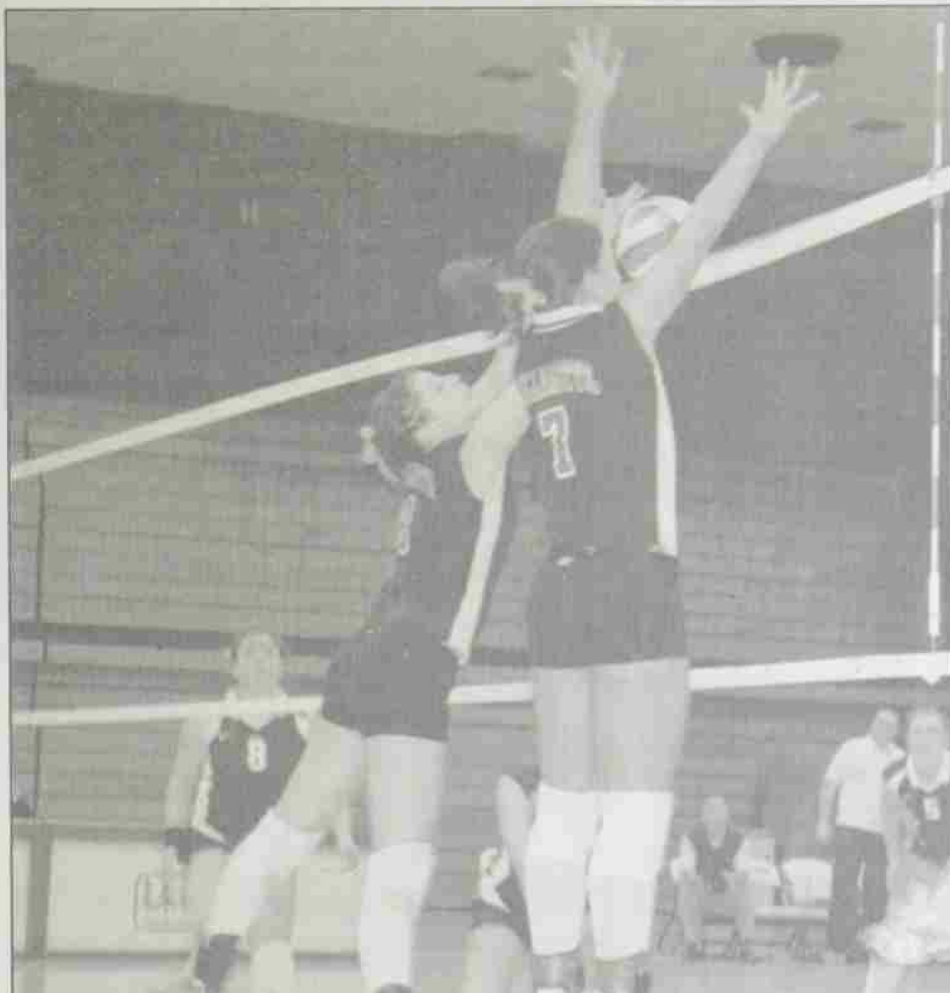
On Saturday, the Bearcats played four games against Gustavus Adolphus, a college in St. Peter, Minn.

This team, like Willamette's, is also mainly made up of young players; it has only one senior compared with our team's two. During the games, Willamette took advantage of the Gusties' 14 attack errors and won the



Willamette's first home game is Friday, September 16 at 7:00 p.m.

COLLEGIAN ARCHIVES



Willamette Women's Volleyball played hard fought matches against teams from across the country this weekend in Forest Grove, Oregon.

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second game with a 30 to 19 lead but could not pull through to win the match. The ending scores of the other games were: 26-30 for the first and 18-30 and 22-30 for the third and fourth.

In Willamette's final game of the tournament, the Bearcats played against the college of Mt. St. Joseph from Cincinnati, Ohio, a team that is ranked ninth overall.

In this match, Willamette "played with intensity, giving the fans a look at the potential that the team hold," Streng said. The Bearcats, having nothing to lose, pushed hard in the first game, barely

losing with a score of 26-30. In the following two games, the team lost some of its focus, losing with scores of 24-30 and 22-30.

"We improved amazingly just in the four games that we have played so far this year. From this point we can only get better," Streng said.

After these pre-season games, the Bearcats have a good sense of what skills they have and what needs improvement.

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ASHLEIGH STRENG

Sports world reacts to Katrina's havoc

By now I am sure you have heard about or seen pictures of the destruction and devastation that has hit New Orleans. Katrina left 80 percent of the city at below-sea-level after two levees broke on Tuesday. The superdome even posed concern for the tens of thousands who sought shelter in it.



CHRISTY NEWELL

The hurricane ripped two holes in

the roof of the building that hosts the Saints and Tulane's football team. Katrina has rocked the sports scene. Sports figures, in turn, are stepping up to offer their aid to Katrina's victims.

Deion Sanders, the Baltimore Ravens' quarterback, has challenged all professional athletes to donate at least \$1,000 dollars apiece to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina. "As citizens of this country, we need to unite to help our brothers and sisters in their time of need. We must all stretch the boundaries of the giving as far as we

are able to, knowing we will enrich the lives of others. Through unity, we can touch thousands," Sanders said.

Other organizations have reached out to help during this time of need, including both the NBA and WNBA. Both have recently announced their fundraising efforts, including a donation of \$100,000 to the American Red Cross.

The St. Louis Rams raised more than \$70,000 in a hurricane relief drive Friday before their final preseason game against Kansas City.

Alex Spanos, owner of the San Diego Chargers, stated that he will match all contributions up to \$150,000 made by fans at the team's opener against Dallas on Sept. 11.

The New Orleans Saints stated Sunday that they are considering playing their home games this season

either at LSU's Tiger Stadium, the Alamodome or at the stadiums of their opponents.

Tulane and the University of New Orleans have canceled their fall semesters in order to clean up the flooding. A number of universities, including Boston College, Cornell, and our very own Willamette have offered to take in displaced Gulf Coast college students.

According to USA Today, Tulane's President Scott Cohen stated, "Our student-athletes are an integral part of this plan. We want our athletes to carry the torch, face and name of Tulane University during this difficult time." Southern Methodist University is currently serving as the temporary quarters for the Tulane football team, whose first game will still be held on Sept. 17 against Mississippi State.

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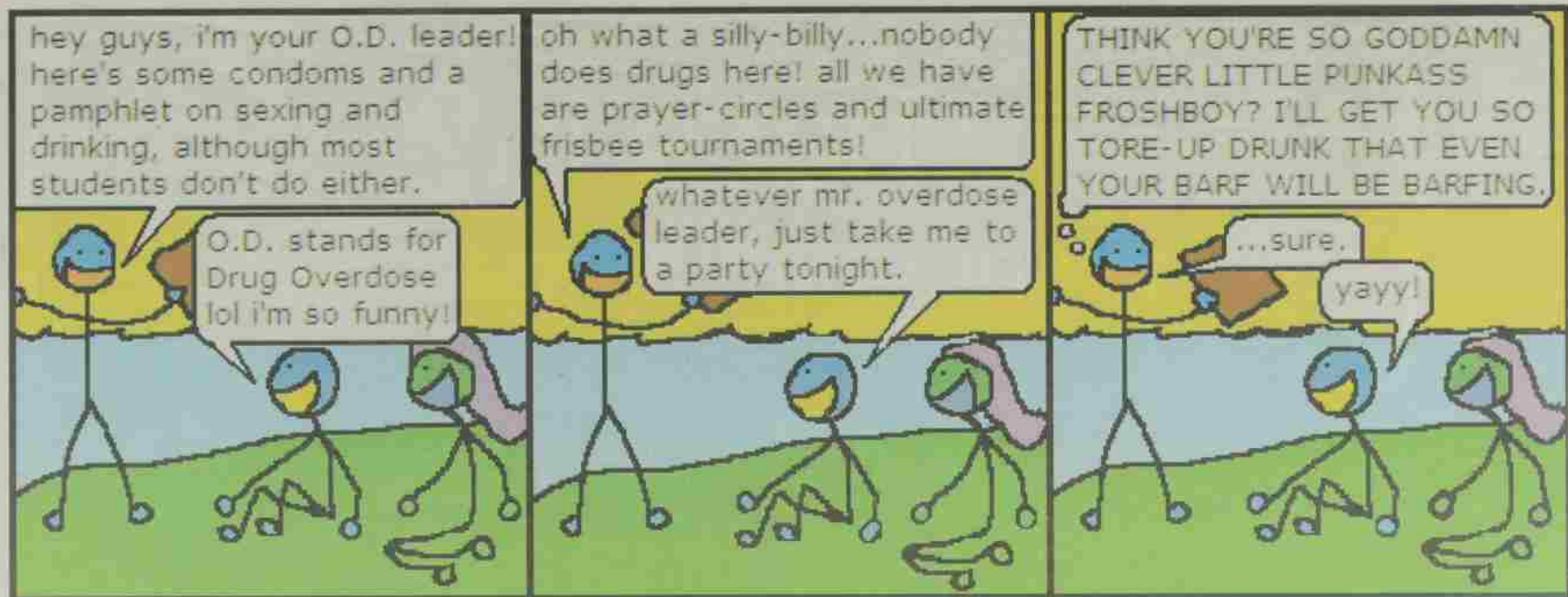
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