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RYOKO SUZUKI

Students hoist TIUA student Yuji Matsui, one of the overall leaders of the Harvest Festival, into the air in celebration. For more coverage on the festival, see Page 2.

Campus Safety, Police: A new policy for parties

By SARAH KASSEL
STAFF WRITER

Willamette students poured from the doors of an off-campus house hosting a party on the Saturday evening of Sept. 7.

The party had just been dispersed, several students received Minor in Possession citations from Salem Police, and Campus Safety had made an appearance. This was, as the Associate Residence Life Director Marilyn Derby put it, "a significant step up in the way things are handled."

Controlled dispersal is the name for this new policy for parties and other event; instituted by Salem Police, the policy also affects and is being

"The idea is to separate those who are under 21 from those who are over 21."

LT. BILL KOHLMAYER
SALEM POLICE

used by the Willamette campus.

"I don't think many people were aware of the change," senior Liz Doerr said.

"I'm not sure I know what it is they do and don't do. I'm not sure of how far the arm reaches. They should clarify how far," senior Cal Cruz said.

According to Ross Stout, director of Campus Safety, controlled dispersal is part of a

much larger program, the result of a grant received from Salem-Keizer Together in order to prevent underage drinking.

In response to the statistic that 1,400 American college students succumb to alcohol-related deaths each year, Salem-Keizer Together, a community drug prevention coalition, received significant funding to prevent both the sale to and consumption of alcohol by minors.

This grant, says Lieutenant Bill Kohlmeier of the Salem Police's department of public information, was received by a coalition in the community...

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Two weeks later, students and staff can still feel fire's effects

By JENELLE WOODLIEF
STAFF WRITER

Two weeks after a fire erupted on Sept. 6 on the Lausanne third floor, causing \$125,000 in damage, twenty students continue to be out of their rooms and housed around campus, according to Marilyn Derby, associate director of Residence Life.

A candle that was left burning in a student's room started the fire.

In the aftermath, questions still arise as to how exactly the students of Lausanne are affected.

Inspections are just being completed and eight rooms require extensive work due to water damage. In other rooms repairs can be done without displacing students.

The amount of damage to personal belongings is yet to be fully determined.

However, the university's insurance will not cover any

damage done to anything but university property.

"Our insurance provides coverage to bring the university's damaged property back to the condition it was

in prior to the damage, without any improvements."

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ERIC LAM

The Sept. 6 fire in Lausanne brought fire trucks to Winter Street and sent firefighters into the building with axes and masks.

Willamette back among top 50

By ANDREW SWAN
STAFF WRITER

U.S. News and World Report, a nationally prominent news magazine, has named Willamette University to its list of 50 best National Liberal Arts Colleges.

This annual compilation ranks Willamette in 50th place along with Lawrence

University in Wisconsin and Illinois Wesleyan University.

Willamette was removed from the top tier of colleges in last year's edition after Harvey Mudd College in Calif. was added to the list.

President M. Lee Pelton announced the news last Friday in an e-mail to the Willamette community.

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WOMEN TOGETHER

WHAT IS IT GOOD FOR?

Leaders of the former "Women's Center" say the group has undergone a "rebirth." The organization has taken on a new name, S.H.E. (Strength, Health, Equality), and hopes to see with it a change in image.

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That's right folks, fall is almost here. And apparently, that means it's time for another war. Raúl Moreno sounds off the lofty rhetoric of White House Administration in an op-ed piece.

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Harvest festival a hit

By AMY RATHKE
STAFF WRITER

Unless you've been living in a hole since you got here, you probably noticed some unusual things going on around campus over the past couple of weeks: late night dance routine rehearsals in front of the Montag Center, strange structures and models being constructed at Kaneko, and martial arts practice on the quad, just to name a few.

All of these things culminated last Sunday as parts of the Harvest Festival, the annual event put on by the TIUA students to showcase different aspects of their culture and show their gratitude to the people of Salem.

This appreciation was expressed in many different ways throughout the day, but perhaps the most striking was the large sign made with soda cans saying "THANK YOU" that was hanging from the second floor of the UC.

Many hours of careful planning and preparation went into the festival, which featured dance routines,



HIROSHI IWASAKI

During the parade, participants raise a *Mikoshi*, or Japanese float, to their shoulders.

Japanese fare, carnival-style games, calligraphy, paper-making, musical performances, a parade, and a comedic ninja play.

The festival attracted not only Willamette students and staff, but many Salem residents as well, both young and old. Some of these were the

Tomodachi (host) families that the TIUA students stayed with in Salem over the summer.

As one TIUA student announced between musical performances on the stage set up on Brown Field, her "time here in Salem" is "very precious" to her, and she requested that everyone "enjoy themselves to the very last second of the festival."

The festival was also an opportunity for Willamette students to watch their classmates perform traditional rituals and customs.

Sophomore Bethany Johnson is in Linda Bowers' Japanese American Literature class, a course where TIUA and Willamette students are paired up in an intensive study of traditional works in both America and Japan.

"I especially enjoyed the tea ceremony," Johnson said. She was on her way to watch her partner from class perform in a traditional fan dance.

"They've put a lot of time and effort into putting this thing on, and it's so fun to watch. And the food is great."



HIROSHI IWASAKI

Masaki Mizobuchi displays a katana, a Japanese sword, for Junior Helen Yi.

Fire damage to student possessions will not be covered by university

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The insurance does not cover personal property that does not belong to the university," said Ross Stout, the Director of Campus Safety and Campus Card Services.

Students' homeowner's insurance will be left responsible for damage compensation. According to Stout, a fund has been set up by various student organizations to help with the cost of replacing damaged belongings.

The TIUA Harvest Festival and Phi Delta Theta's event on Friday helped generate funds as well. However, this compensation cannot begin to make up for the chaos these students have been

forced to go through.

Students will continue to be displaced for up to a month and the Office of Residence Life has yet to return to normal.

"Today is much better than yesterday," Derby said about the calmness of the office.

"There is lots of staff that want to know how to help."

Derby is comforted by how the university has really come together as a community in the face of disaster.

She says that if one faction of the university has been hurt the worst, it is the students.

"Students have been amazing, they have had to go through so much. So many are still looking for

normalcy in their lives," she said.

"It has been frustrating trying to move between rooms while keeping up with schoolwork," sophomore Lindsay Luckey said.

"Since it was an accident, there isn't anyone to blame. It was an unfortunate inconvenience for everyone involved."

In the future, Residence Life may decide to impose stricter consequences, according to Derby, but nothing has been decided.

Derby is thinking about asking the students who were affected by the fire to write about their experience and using those comments as an example to prevent future violations.

New dean has long Willamette pedigree

By BRIAN HALEY
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Carol Long is making a smooth transition from the English Department, almost one week after being appointed as interim dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

Last Tuesday, President Pelton announced his selection of Carol Long to take the place vacated by Tori Haring-Smith as interim dean. Long is starting her 31st year with the Willamette faculty.

While at Willamette, Long's many leadership roles include chair of the Accreditation Steering Committee, 1999-2001; Associate Dean, 1996-99; English Department Chair, 1990-93; Faculty Council, 1987-89; Academic Council, 1979-82; Director of the Oregon Writing Project at Willamette, 1995-present; and faculty representative to the Board of Trustees Executive Committee, 2000-2002.

When asked which of her leadership roles would be most helpful to her as interim dean, Long said that her tenure as associate dean helped increase her knowledge and understanding of the workings of the dean's office and of the university as a whole.

Another leadership position that Long will find helpful is her time as the Accreditation Committee Chair because it taught her about the law and education schools as well as the Atkinson School of Management.

Long has been appointed as interim dean for two years rather than one year. There are a number of factors that contributed to the two year term.

Time is perhaps the biggest issue facing the university's search for a full-time dean.

Long was appointed after the school year had begun and it would be difficult to find another high quality administrator before the start of next school year.

Another reason for delaying the search for a new full-time dean is because many members of the CLA faculty are unsure of the qualities



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Carol Long, the new interim dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

that a full-time dean should have.

Several members of the faculty believe one of the primary tasks of the interim dean should be to lead the faculty in meaningful and productive "conversations."

These conversations include discussions of the acculturation of junior faculty in the community; teaching, research and service roles and expectations; workload; and the set of qualities that the CLA is looking for in a new dean.

"It is unknown whether students will be allowed to take part in these discussions but it would be great to get student input in these matters," Long said.

Long has a list of clear short-term goals that she wants to accomplish during her tenure as CLA dean.

In an effort to ensure that the transitions of future deans go as smoothly as Long's has, the dean's office will be making a year-long calendar of responsibilities for each office staff member.

This calendar will serve as a guide to office staff throughout the year so that new office staff members in the future will be able to smoothly transition into their new positions with little difficulties.

Preparing the budget for next year, continuing to support student research projects, and guiding faculty conversations are all on Long's agenda for the upcoming months.

While Long has not had enough time to prioritize her long term goals, one thing she hopes to work on during her two-year term is Willamette's Ten Year Master Plan that was unveiled last year.

CONVOCATION

"Faith and Doubt at Ground Zero"

Thursday 9/19 from 12:45-1:35 in Cone Chapel

Excerpts of the PBS Frontline documentary "Faith and Doubt at Ground Zero" will be shown and followed by a discussion of how the events of September 11 affected our notions of God, evil, and the potential for darkness in religion itself.

Editorials

Run dude, the cops are here

Something you should know next time you venture off-campus to drink: if the Salem Police Department show up, chances are, you're not going anywhere.

Salem Police can now walk into an off-campus party with two officers and effectively control the crowd, potentially handing out Minor in Possession charges to every person at the party.

Police call it "controlled dispersal."

The new training tactics, which were actually practiced with student volunteers in the Doney lounge last spring, allow the Salem Police Department to take an increasingly aggressive stand against underage drinking. This includes more M.I.P.s, possibly even one for you.

College students are going to drink. It seems that the unintended result of university policy is to drive them farther away from

campus. And now that the Salem Police are taking on with throngs of drunk Willamette students, students will venture even farther.

Is that safe or logical? If Willamette relaxed its alcohol policies, students would stay closer to campus.

An off campus party is a great deal more dangerous than one held within "the bubble."

Now that partying students know that they are more likely to be given an MIP and written up for drinking at off campus house parties, they will flee even farther; to Corvallis or beyond. Last fall's tragic auto accident involving two Willamette students driving home from Corvallis is a sad reminder of the dangers of traveling to and from a party.

The university needs to review its alcohol policy and make students safety more of a priority in this right.

Empower yourself, your hall

Last week's Activities Fair may have left many student's heads spinning, not knowing where to turn with their time and their interests.

All of the opportunities may be bewildering when students already face "time poverty" with their class loads and social lives. For those looking for the dare-to-be-great situation, there is a good starting place and it's close to home: hall councils.

The stigma of hall councils is based on the misconception that they are ineffectual and couldn't tackle real issues if they wanted to — little gets done because so few people attend meetings.

That relationship, of course, works both ways. While the volunteer members of council in each hall were elected last week, no hall constitution allows for its weekly meetings to have closed doors. Attend and make counselors accountable.

Argue and have fun. Vote on hall issues that affect you. Each hall council is empowered to handle real problems that

affect each student living in a particular residence. Lausanne's hall council last year presided over a healthy debate, arbitrating a dispute over smoking close to the building that ended in a vote that included a majority of the hall's residents. Hall councils hold the potential of pure representation.

If you still lack an incentive, participate for the greediest of reasons — \$10 of the council funds has your name on it.

Ten dollars of Student Activities fees per resident is devoted to the treasury of each hall council. It doesn't take much number-crunching to see what kind of spending power the largest residence halls have to wield. Kaneko's hall council will have nearly \$2,000 at its disposal when the dues roll in this semester.

So replace that ancient pool table; remodel the lounge; throw a party.

Find out what you can do in your own hall council. See that you get your money's worth.

Islam: conspicuously absent at WU

Willamette, it's time for less rhetoric about understanding the Middle East and more action. Last Thursday, at a faculty panel on post-Sept. 11 issues, more than one professor expressed a desire to see "greater understanding" of Islam at Willamette. So often we hear from the university of our responsibility to embrace other cultures and strive for understanding. So why does Willamette offer such a pathetically small amount of curriculum studying Islam?

What about teaching Arabic? One Middle-Eastern studies scholar is all the University needs to teach a few classes about Islam and the East, and possibly even Arabic too. Willamette cannot afford to ignore the continuing prominence that Middle-Eastern issues will play in its graduate's lives.

One unit in a religious studies class, which was offered last year, is not enough to devote to a rich and complex civilization that will overtake Christianity as the world's largest

religion in the next century.

So, Willamette decision-makers, now the challenge is to do the only responsible thing and back up the rhetoric with resources for your students. Students want to know about Islam. The ball is in your court to open up the channels of communication. Make it a priority for your students to know and understand about this culture.

Would Willamette devote two weeks of class time in its entire curriculum to one sixth of the world's population? One billion people all over the globe call themselves Muslims. Willamette currently does not have even one class devoted to the study of Islam, or the language of Arabic. It's past time. For Willamette to ignore this significant part of world population as well as our world is to steep ourselves in the comfort of 5th-century Athens, while the rest of the world goes by.

One billion is a number we can no longer ignore.

Theriault Talk



By MICHELLE THERIAULT
OPINIONS EDITOR

If Las Vegas, mountains filled with nuclear waste and brothels weren't enough for you, it looks like there could be one more compelling reason to move to Nevada: legal marijuana.

For some reason I always thought rabidly independent state like Alaska would be first to burn one down at the state capitol, or even our sweet green home of Oregon.

But hell, since everything else is legal in Nevada, why not?

They may be onto something.

Since many of you could probably school me in reasons to legalize the cheeba (I know, I know, we can make planes and castles and stuff out of hemp), I will just go with the basics of common sense.

Reason one: prohibition wastes a lot of time and money.

In the year 2000, over 750,000 arrests were made for marijuana possession.

Each one of those arrests took from four to eight hours in booking and court time.

That's up to six million hours spent busting people for smoking the Acapulco Gold (I've never heard that one but I've been assured that it's a legit euphemism).

What if we spent that money and time finding people who sell heroin and crack, or maybe funneled that money into decaying public schools?

I can almost hear the politicians talking:

Giving money to decaying public schools?

Do we get to arrest anyone?

No?
No arresting?
Oh.

What fun is that?

"This initiative will allow the police to spend more time going after murderers, rapists and other violent criminals," said Billy Rogers the surprisingly clear thinking leader of the largest Nevada pro-legalization coalition.

He also added that he was "incredibly baked." Just kidding.

Nevada hasn't always been so in love with Mary Jane.

A few years ago, a single joint could put you in jail for a year with a felony charge.

States like Ohio have taken the charge for cheeba even further: possession of up to four ounces in Ohio will result in a \$100 fine maximum.

The plan, if it passes, is to allow people over 21 to smoke in their houses,

I can almost imagine Utah walking out on its incredibly tidy driveway every morning and shaking it's head at Nevada because its all hungover and there is nuclear waste in the yard and a passed-out showgirl on the porch.

but not in cars or public places.

So getting ripped in your car on the way to work continues to be a bad idea.

By the way, does it strike anyone as funny that Utah and Nevada are next-door neighbors?

I can almost imagine Utah walking out on its incredibly tidy driveway every morning and shaking it's head at Nevada because it's all hungover and there is nuclear waste in the yard and a passed-out showgirl on the porch.

So Nevada, lots of love to your independent spirit.

In my mind, decriminalizing a victimless "crime" that does little more damage than making you want to sit around and eat Cheetos is long, long overdue.

My friends, there is really nothing left for me to do but reference the oft-quoted words of the great Ben Harper:

"What is of the earth, is of the greatest worth."

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Leaves fall, rhetoric rises

Here we go again. The signs are everywhere. You wake up each morning wondering if you'll wear shorts again this year (unless you're Hawaiian, that is). Overnight lows are nearing the 40s, the wildfires have subsided, and Matt Zaffino ordered rain this week. I've even caught some Freshlings (as Nancy Norton affectionately calls the class of 2006) practicing nonchalant umbrella deployment.



By RAUL MORENO
CONTRIBUTOR

Season premieres are just around the corner. Will Carter and Abby live to kiss again? Let's keep our fingers crossed (but I'll try and avoid swapping body fluids laced with smallpox, if you don't mind). As for other shows... anyone else get that nasty choking sensation during "American Dreams" previews? WEMS is available to serve you during prime time hours, just call extension 6911.

That's right folks, Fall is almost here. And apparently, that means it's time for another war. A week ago, in the wake of the anniversary of Sept. 11, President Bush addressed the United Nations.

His purpose: to deliver a checklist for Saddam Hussein, a means by which Iraq might avoid, in the words of Dan Rather, Gulf War II. According to Bush: "If the Iraqi regime wishes peace, it will immediately and unconditionally forswear, disclose and remove or destroy all weapons of mass destruction, long-range missiles and all related material... immediately end all support for terrorism and act to suppress it... cease persecution of its civilian population, including Shia, Sunnis, Kurds, Turkomans and others... release or account for all gulf war personnel whose fate is still unknown... return the remains of any who are deceased, return stolen property, accept liability for losses resulting from the invasion of Kuwait and fully cooperate with international efforts to resolve these issues... immediately end all illicit trade outside the oil-for-food program... [and] accept U.N. administration of funds from that program to ensure that the money is used fairly and promptly for the benefit of the Iraqi people." President Bush went on to say that the "just demands of peace and security will be met, or action will be unavoidable."

Sound vaguely familiar? It should. Let's recall another speech Bush gave to Congress a year ago tomorrow.

"Tonight, the United States of America

makes the following demands on the Taliban: Deliver to United States authorities all the leaders of al Qaeda who hide in your land. Release all foreign nationals, including American citizens, you have unjustly imprisoned. Protect foreign journalists, diplomats and aid workers in your country. Close immediately and permanently every terrorist training camp in Afghanistan, and hand over every terrorist, and every person in their support structure, to appropriate authorities. Give the United States full access to terrorist training camps, so we can make sure they are no longer operating."

Let's face it, the administration wants another war, and they'd like to start fighting this winter. Cooler temperatures in the Middle East will help desert troops endure protective gear for longer periods without succumbing to heat exhaustion, and the weather will also allow military aircraft greater lift and range.

But Bush and Cheney and Rumsfeld and Rice can't start the fight without justification, without an initial offering of peace designed to appease those who might otherwise oppose their hawkish tactics.

Here's where it gets sticky. Rhetorically the president's speeches amount to calculated preparation for conflict—a far cry from serious diplomatic overtures. Without fresh evidence of an imminent Iraqi threat, the administration is trying hard to validate a new war with an old enemy. By qualifying demands with adjectives like "immediately," "unconditionally," "fully," "permanently," and "every," Bush has created unreasonably high standards for peace.

Baghdad scored points on Monday by offering the unconditional return of U.N. weapons inspectors. Such concessions will undoubtedly buy time and complicate U.S. efforts to reach a consensus on invasion. But don't assume war has been averted. Rather than praising a step towards resolution, White House and British officials have been skeptical of Iraq's announcement, already drawing on the president's lofty benchmark for compliance.

Last season the Taliban were given about two weeks to answer demands before full scale strikes were set in motion. For the Hussein and his people, it's only a matter of time.

Raúl Moreno is a senior in the College of Liberal Arts.

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SWF seeks dignity

"Ladies, are you looking for love?" On a sign in big letters, decorated with bright red marker, and posted by the Intersvarsity Women's Bible Study group, this catch phrase grabs my attention as I stroll into my residence hall.



By ADRIENNE DAVICH
CONTRIBUTOR

I stop to read the rest of this flyer, not because I am looking for love, but because I know that a sign that starts with a stupid phrase like this will have a similarly idiotic ending. I read on, curious as to where a woman is supposed to "find love" these days. But, according to this sign, the search is over. My "identity is already the center of the Perfect Man's attention." Whoa!

Who is this guy and where can I find him? "He wants to get to know [me], and [me] to know him." This guy must be a sure thing. Bring him to me now! I don't care if I have to share him, just show me the love!

Luckily for me, it looks as though I can "find this kind of love with other women who are just like me - looking for trust, community, and support." Well, that is great!

I realize that sex sells, and I am aware that it pervades most advertisements, but why does an organization that obviously promotes a positive life attitude and a healthy, supportive environment for college females, portray women in such a way that can be construed as degrading? First of all, luring women with the question, "Ladies, are you looking for love?" implies a degree of desperation, that women will look anywhere, that they will even be solicit-

ed by an obscure flyer, if love can be won.

Second, the ad suggests that a woman needs to be assured of her "unique identity" through a man, and

that only by being the "center" of a man's attention will a woman truly feel her own worth. Not only does this indicate that women are the subordinate sex, but also it likens the Christian God to that of a "good man."

I am not an expert on Christian theology, but it has been my understanding that anthropomorphic qualities are generally not attributed to the Christian God. Furthermore, it does not seem that the women of a Women's Bible Study group would liken themselves to a dating service.

But, according to this sign, the search is over. My "identity is already the center of the Perfect Man's attention." Whoa!

To the women of the Intersvarsity Women's Bible Study Group: I wish you much success in your pursuit to extend safety, support, and a Christian fellowship to your members.

Your good intentions are admirable. However, a heightened sensitivity towards female degradation in your advertising would be a considerably good step to take.

Certainly a group of exclusive to women who are looking for "trust, community, and support," foster an empowered and independent attitude towards their sex.

Let's not allow there to be any mistake about this.

Adrienne Davich is a sophomore in the College of Liberal Arts.

Get your own sex-education

In first grade sex, was what Dad sent you to mom to talk about saying "I'm not sure Johnny but I bet Mommy can answer that."

In fifth grade, sex was the bastion of rumors as friends would brag about their knowledge

As we entered middle and high school the proverbial older and experienced siblings dominated our understandings of sex.

The youngest child became the library of congress of sex, having access to condoms, stories, and their older brother's playboy that had been stolen from the local grocery.

The high school years were dominated by first hand experimentation for some and the corresponding rumors for the others. We were also indited by media selling us sex appeal. It is clear that as our generation grew older we were constantly learning and challenging our perceptions, understandings, and knowledge of sex.

Where our education failed us is what we have to make up in college. Many of us have assumed that we have learned everything there is to know when it comes to sex.



BY HANS BERNARD
CONTRIBUTOR

This is not only an arrogant assumption but also a dangerous one. The fact remains that whether you are abstinent or sexually active there is still a great deal of information to be learned.

Now that we are on our own we have a personal responsibility to educate ourselves about issues of sex and sexuality. Only by engaging in intellectual discussion can we raise our awareness and understanding of important parts of this issue.

We need to be comfortable discussing abstinence, promiscuity, rape, and sexual assault. We need to work on recognizing (not necessarily agreeing with) homosexuality on our campus. You may ask yourself why are these issues important.

It is important to understand these issues so that some day we can all live in a world where we won't have to be worried about our sons and daughters being raped or assaulted, a world where no person is identified by their sexual orientation as a target of hate.

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Words of the week:

If Ezra Pound were alive today
(and he is)
he'd be teaching
at a small college in the Pacific Northwest
and attending the annual convention
of writing instructors in St. Louis
and railing against tenure,
saying tenure
is a ladder whose rungs slip out
from under the scholar as he climbs
upwards to empty heaven
by the angels abandoned
for tenure killeth the spirit
(with tenure no man becomes master)

- David Lehman

MAGICAL MOMENTS

with Matt Rykels

Karaoke, beer and a beautiful weirdo named Kenny. It's a magical moment indeed.



passing out flyers or advertisements of an upcoming show while rocking out to the voices in his head.

But, when Kenny took the stage, time stood still, never has a more heart-wrenching version of Rich Girl by Hall and Oates been delivered. There was scant a dry eye in the house.

With excessive jumping, wailing and pounding Kenny brought it all, leav-

But, when Kenny took the stage time stood still, never has a more heart-wrenching version of Rich Girl by Hall and Oates been delivered. There was scant a dry eye in the house.

ing his heart and soul in that velour carpet of the Karaoke floor and within the hearts of those of us lucky enough to witness

perfection. For three minutes and twenty-nine seconds fifty complete strangers are joined, swaying to one beat and feeling one pulse.

The cast of Oklahoma, the weird guy running the Karaoke machine, the alcoholic at the bar and four college students, all singing off-key to words as they appeared on the blue screen.

For three minutes and twenty-nine seconds fifty diverse people found common ground and for that I thank you. Thank you Hall and Oates, and thank you Kenny, for showing me the way... I am grateful.

Matt Rykels is a senior in the College of Liberal Arts.

Sometimes in life, it becomes clear. What it means to be a person, what it means to be an American, what it means to be a sensitive male. I tear up when I think about it... walls of tears. I, of course, play it off, just dust in my eye, but there nonetheless.

Not everyone can do what they do. I can't, I've tried and believe me it's not pretty. To be a great Karaoke is something special.

Capture the attention of total strangers with a beautiful song that you didn't write, and you're a god. But fail and you become the drunk girl on her twenty-oner who keeps getting groped by the weird guy running the Karaoke Machine, nothing more than an American Idol reject.

Kenny, as he was called, was great. Not much to look at... picture an unkempt schizophrenic Bob Ross (RIP), but he could Karaoke. Mild-mannered, crazy street personality by day, Karaoke Pimp by night. If you've ever been to Issaquah, Washington you've probably seen him

Weird things happen at college

"Dating Service Creates Program For Psychiatric Patients." WOW, that is a headline I expected to see only in "The Onion." However at the time I was reading "The Oregonian" and there was no element of fiction to the story. Some computer dating company figured that psychiatric patients want dates as much as everyone else does and decided to offer their "fine" services.

Some days, the news surpasses fiction as we all know. The Darwin Awards give testament to that as well as Jay Leno's "Headlines" sketch. But we're in college and we are well insulated from this kind of craziness, right? Things this strange only happen outside the college bubble leaving us free to carry on our normal, secure lives.

Ok, I lie, but life is more interesting with headlines like this and colleges have been able to provide more than their fair share. In fact some of the most inventive and/or interesting lunacy takes place on college campuses across the US. Want to test your knowledge of the college world? Then try to figure out which of these stories occurred and which are gleaned from the imagination.

1) Student receives over \$25,000 as people across the world send pennies to help pay for his tuition.



By DEREK LINDBLOOM CONTRIBUTOR

2) Medical school cadavers are accidentally placed in cafeteria refrigerator.

3) College Students send pubic hair to president.

4) During summer a student, dressed as a referee, spreads birdseed over the football field every day. At the first football game of the year the field is covered with birds shortly the referees walk out onto the field.

Awfully enough, this is true. Students at Whitman planned to send their pubic hair ("bush" is slang for pubic hair) to President Bush as a protest.

5) Deans VW bug is taken apart and reassembled in the campus library.

6) Student at Oxford demands cakes and ale to be delivered

to his class during finals, citing an archaic entry in the campus charter.

Shortly after the cakes and ale equivalent are delivered the student is penalized for forgetting his ceremonial sword.

7) College students and faculty wreak havoc at the capitol during an inaugural party to welcome the new president.

Now let's see how what you know.

1) Yes this did happen. A student at the University of Illinois asked Bob Greene, a columnist for the Chicago Tribune, to include a piece in a column asking readers to send the student one penny. The donations flew in and the student received over \$28,000. (snopes.com)

2) Nope, never occurred. This was adopted from Animal House.

3) Awfully enough, this is true. Students at Whitman planned to send their pubic hair ("bush" is slang for pubic hair) to President Bush as a protest.

4) Nope, this is a legend from MIT and has never happened (snopes.com)

5) There are rumors but no confirmed incidents of this happening.

6) A good example of "be sure you know what you are doing." Sadly, this is just an urban legend. (snopes.com)

7) Yes this is true, and even better, it happened right here at Willamette. President Pelton's Party got slightly out of hand at the State Capitol. (The events described are exaggerated for dramatic purposes.)

Now if you guessed five to seven correctly, congratulations you are a person up to date in underground news. If you got two to four right, go watch some college movies and read snopes.com. If you got zero to one correct, statistically speaking you should have guessed correctly more often.

Derek Lindbloom is a sophomore in the College of Liberal Arts.

Talk about it

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As students, professors, support staff, and all members of the Willamette community we must include a better understanding of sex in our quest to fulfill the university motto "Not unto ourselves alone are we born."

Several organizations here on campus can assist in this journey.

Willamette Men Against Violence, S.H.E. (formerly known as the Women's Center), Angles (Willamette's queer-straight alliance), Students For Sexual Awareness, Students for Choice, Residence Life, The Sexual assault Advisors, and

The Bishop Wellness Center can all assist in this effort.

One of the first things that we can all do is attend the lecture by Allan Berkowitz (Sexuality Specialist) on Thursday September 26 at 7:00 p.m. in Hudson Hall.

No matter what you do over the next year don't write off these organizations or their efforts.

Think of what you want this world to look like for future generations and educate yourself. Take control and we can change the world, one misconception at a time.

Hans Bernard is a sophomore in the College of Liberal Arts.

Axis of evil: Politics of polarization

What have we learned from 9/11? This is the question that four Willamette faculty members tried to dissect on the afternoon of the 12th.

There is so much to say in this column, but so little space to say it in, so I am just going to focus on thoughts brought about by a couple ideas, and hopefully return to others in the future.

Professor Catherine Collins discussed how Bush's speeches about the situation have contributed to polarization of the problem, and how his rhetoric seems to turn the conflict into a strictly black and white issue: You are either for us or against us! Either good or evil! No in between for Mr. Dubya.

Unfortunately, this just emphasizes Bush's lack of intelligence when it comes to foreign policy. The only thing that has come out of forcing countries to take sides is two world wars. Yes, no one in their right mind is going to take the side of Al Qaeda, but if you have looked around recently, you would notice that the only country that is supporting us in our attempts to attack Iraq is Britain.

Even then, only Tony Blair seems to be pushing for action. Now, I should discuss Iraq's supposed fostering of Al Qaeda members.

Say what ever you want about Saddam Hussein and his motives in the world, but he isn't going to do anything to lose the international resistance against a U.S. invasion force. Bush's inflammatory speeches just



BY JEFF EXTINE CONTRIBUTOR

push our allies, or potential allies, away from the United States and hurt his campaign for war.

A clear example of Bush's provocative speech is his infamous "Axis of Evil". What is the point of this kind of speech? It just implies that Bush is trying to pick a fight against anyone who has a different viewpoint on how the world is run.

The Bush regime hasn't tried to end terrorism; it has tried to ensure that the United States maintains its status as the only super power since the collapse of the USSR.

Are we pushing for the international community to come together and fight terrorism, or are we asking them to blindly follow us in our "war?"

Has there been any real progress in attacking the roots of terrorism?

Have we made steps to educate not only our youth but also our entire population on Islamic culture?

Are we pushing for the international community to come together and fight terrorism, or are we asking them to blindly follow us in our "war?"

These days, one needs to look behind the sly political speeches, the patriotic covers, to try and find the real motives for our government's actions.

There will be more highly opinionated columns coming from me in the future. I may sound like a paranoid conspiracy theorist, but these things are happening, and the American public cannot afford to be ambivalent while our government runs amuck.

Jeff Extine is a sophomore in the College of Liberal Arts.

Women's Center undergoes 'rebirth'

S.H.E. becomes the new name of the women's center.

By HANNAH MEISEN-VEHRS
STAFF WRITER

Leaders of the former "Women's Center" announced on Monday that the group has undergone a "rebirth." The organization has taken on a new name, and hopes to see with it, a new image.

The change, the leaders say displays a desire to be available, welcoming, and understood by women and men in our community.

The first visible change will be the titles. The

"Women's Resource Center" will be the group's meeting place, as well as a resource for women's issues and health.

"The atmosphere will reflect celebration, empowerment, and comfort," according to co-presidents Junior Risa Cromer, Senior Sun Yu, and Nancee Jaffe.

The group's name will change to "S.H.E." or, "Strength-Health-Equality." Inspiration for the changes stemmed from a desire to clarify the difference between the group of students and the resource center itself. Included with that, was a strong desire to heighten SHE's appeal.

"We want to be less intim-

idating, more inclusive," Yu said.

Jaffe also said that the group wished to lose an elitist identity and to focus on the important issues.

Men are one group of people the organization wishes to appeal to. "A lot of guys have already come to me and asked, 'can I get involved?' and the answer is, absolutely," Jaffe said.

The group also stated that in the past it had missed the mark in providing a fair and safe space for all women, of every belief and conviction.

"It was not just men that felt left out, it was other women too, and that's what hurt the most," Cromer said.

While the changes may give the group a different "look," the group will continue its activist programming, awareness raising, and service as a resource and education center.

"[The change] is not really radical, just new and exciting," Cromer said.

S.H.E., as the name suggests, seeks to "bring awareness and thought" to issues such as rape, domestic violence, depression, body image, personal health, and equality.

"At first, S.H.E sounds exclusive," Cromer said. "But the acronym applies to all

people." The word itself also comes from the name of a goddess. Cromer commented that this too seemed fitting.

The group is in the process of planning many of its activities. While many of these activities have been put on by the group in the past, members hope that this change will be a positive influence.

Yu said, "We want bigger and better programs, and changing the name will definitely do that."

Some of its most popular activities have been the Vagina Monologues and Take Back the Night in the spring, and Love Your Body Day, which will be held in early October. Jaffe said that at this year's event the group will stress "more ways to love your body, not negative body images."

The group will also be co-sponsoring activities throughout the year with other student organizations.

The Women's Resource Center is undergoing changes in efforts to increase resources and availability to students on campus. Some of its long term goals include more health and counseling resources, permanent funding, and keeping the center staffed.



VICTORIA SAVEY

The door to S.H.E. is open to both men and women.

The leaders said that funding, as with many clubs, poses a big problem and achieving their vision of the Women's Resource Center will be a long term project. For now, Cromer said, "we want to be utilized."

Moreover, Jaffe said, "we want to be an open club, accessible to all groups."

"The Women's Center has always been an influential group, this change will make us more influential," Cromer said. "It's all about safe and healthy communities, that's what we want."

S.H.E meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Women's Resource Center on the third floor of the U.C.



VICTORIA SAVEY

This mural sits on the northern wall of the Women's Resource Center on the third floor of the U.C.

W.E.M.S. scales back

By AVI KATZ
STAFF WRITER

They are the yellow-backed students who, on a moment's notice, rush off to respond to the emergency medical needs of students, faculty, and staff here on campus.

Willamette Emergency Medical Services, or W.E.M.S., is a volunteer non-profit organization of first responders and EMT basics on call daily from 5 p.m. until 8 a.m.

"We receive many different types of calls, from alcohol poisoning to psychological emergencies," W.E.M.S. director senior Jenny Abbott

said.

"Our staff is trained to follow specific procedures to stabilize our patients and assess their medical needs. Once we have determined the status of a patient we can make our recommendations as to their continuing medical needs."

Due to staff shortages this year, W.E.M.S. has had to reduce their hours and no longer can provide 24-hour medical services.

Students who have medical needs during the day can make use of the Bishop Health Center or the Urgent Care Center, which is open daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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ERIC LAM

W.E.M.S. personnel Lauren Fiala responded to an emergency call late Tuesday night outside the U.C.

Law professor takes on new role

By JESSE GOLDBERG
STAFF WRITER

Last January, Professor David S. Clark joined Willamette as the first Maynard and Bertha Wilson Professor of Law. He teaches classes such as Civil Procedure, Comparative Law, Dispute Resolution, and Comparative Dispute Resolution. Professor Clark, with his comparative law background, is helping Willamette Law students enter the age of increased globalization with a solid grip on international and comparative law.

Clark was recently elected President of the American Society of Comparative Law (ASCL) during its annual meeting in Brisbane, Australia. He has been committed to the organization for several years serving as treasurer, delegate, and vice-president before the recent election.

Founded in 1951, the organization's purposes are "to promote the comparative study of law and the understanding of foreign legal systems; to establish, maintain and publish without a profit a comparative law journal; and to provide for research and the publication without profit of writings, books, papers and pamphlets relating to com-



RAÚL MORENO

Professor David S. Clark lectures students at Willamette's School of Law as the new President of the American Society of Comparative Law.

parative, foreign or private international law."

While American institutions make up the majority of the ASCL, the organization consists of roughly 100 institutional sponsors and many individual members. Yet Clark's experience with comparative law is not limited to this prestigious association.

Fluent in several languages, Clark has taught around the world, in such places as Europe, Latin America and Asia. Before coming to Willamette, Clark

taught at the Universities of Colorado, Houston, Louisiana State and Tulsa. He also held the Fulbright Chair in Comparative Law at Trenton University (1999).

Yet with all these time commitments, Clark still has found the time to publish ten books, more than fifty articles on his subjects of expertise, while also serving as the general editor for the "Encyclopedia of Law and Society: American and Global Perspectives."

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Willamette Academy continues to foster positive learning environment

By RICHARD MEDEIROS
STAFF WRITER

Most 13- and 14-year-old students spend their summer vacations hanging out with their friends or traveling with their families, but for the 30 participants in the Willamette Academy, summer was an educational experience. The 30 multicultural students selected for the inaugural session spent two weeks living on campus and eagerly returned this past weekend to continue the program.

"We initially took a lot of risks with this program, several people told us it couldn't be done," executive director Imara Jabari said.

The program has been so successful, however, that the students will soon be interning with WITS to develop a Web page for the university and to better hone their writing, computer and photography skills.

Last weekend, students could be observed typing up their journals in the Smullin computer lab, or walking around taking photographs of the Arrowspike volleyball tournament for the WITS webpage.

"A few months ago some of these students never even held a camera in their hands, and now they're walking around looking like professional photographers taking wonderful pictures," Resource Development specialist for the academy, Paula Ingle said.

According to staff members, the Willamette Academy creates a safe environment for the students to learn and showcase their talents without fear of being put down. The students are very respectful to each other.

The academy leaders go on field trips to such places as Nike headquarters to learn about computer



COLLEGIAN ARCHIVES

Students in the Willamette Academy participate in a workshop in the Montag Center.

graphics and photoshop. "I really like the academy, especially taking field trips," said academy student Narry Miles said.

According to the Willamette Academy staff, the program has high expectations of the students and they are often praised the children on their excellent work. The staff believes that the praise and reassurance gives confidence and better motivates the kids.

Participant Edith Bustamante thinks very highly of the Willamette Academy: "This is the best program ever." She tells her friends at school about it and says that she "highly recommends it."

In addition to photographing volleyball for the WITS assignment and typing

up their journals, the students also worked on their Web pages last weekend.

Not only do they all have Willamette e-mail addresses and University ID cards, they also have personal Willamette Web pages.

"Our goal is to ensure that the children have the critical and analytical skills required for a top-tier four-year college. It is our intention to build upon their current schooling and enhance it through academics, experiential learning, art, and information technology programs," Ingle said.

"The parents have been very helpful in supporting their children in this program. Like us, they want to see what these kids can accomplish in their futures."



COLLEGIAN ARCHIVES

Academy students play a game of chess this summer.

Law professor brings broad perspectives to Willamette

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Clark has already been very active during his relatively short period at Willamette. With his help and contacts, the Law school now offers a foreign study program at Bucerius Law School in Hamburg.

As the only program approved by the American Bar Association, this program offers selected students an opportunity to study comparative and international law in an international set-

ting. Open to only nine countries, this program is highly competitive, and as Clark pointed out,

"Increases in the globalization of the curriculum will put Willamette graduates in the lead for future global opportunities..."

DAVID S. CLARK
PROFESSOR OF LAW &
PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN
SOCIETY OF COMPARATIVE
LAW

"Willamette is the only school west of Oklahoma that allows students to participate. The other accepted law schools are all on the East coast."

With his extraordinary background, Clark is helping the Willamette Law School remain highly competitive with other institutions.

Clark describes Willamette as "a small elite school focusing on four centers of excellence: International Comparative Law, Law and Government, Law and Business and Dispute Resolution".

Given the ever-increasing globalization of law, Clark has high hopes for Willamette Law school graduates.

"Increases in the globalization of the curriculum will put Willamette graduates in the lead for future global opportunities after graduation," Clark said.

Ever occupied with plans for the future, Professor Clark is excited to teach at the Willamette Law School and ready for this new school year.

W.E.M.S. staff still dedicated

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"My experience in W.E.M.S. has been a lot of fun," First Responder senior Ami Silkey said. "Being on duty adds a bit of excitement and unpredictability into one's life."

I went all one year without ever having a call wake me up, and then I had several calls in the middle of the night a couple of weeks in a row.

W.E.M.S. also lets those students who are going into the medical fields gain some wonderful experiences while helping the campus community," he said.

The emergency medical technicians (E.M.T.s), have three to four hours a week of training for a full year in addition to emergency medical labs twice a month.

First responders typically have 40 hours of classroom instruction plus supplemental lab instruction.

In the past those who were on duty during the day for W.E.M.S. responded to

calls via radio as students cleared absences with professors for attending to emergency situations.

"I chose to participate in W.E.M.S. because I love emergency medicine. I am pre-med, and the experience W.E.M.S. has to offer is great for anyone interested in medicine," W.E.M.S. assistant director sophomore Mike Ruygrok said.

"I have learned how to handle stressful situations and to keep a clear head so the patient gets the best treatment possible."

"There are about 12 members of W.E.M.S. currently on staff," Abbot said. "Ideally, we would like to have eight EMT and seven supervisors so that we can provide around the clock services for Willamette."


Anyone who is interested in W.E.M.S. can attend an emergency medical orientation at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 24 at Chemeketa Community College or contact the directors of W.E.M.S. for more information.

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Art class captures city's surroundings with video

Technology and creativity come together in Video Art project.

By AUDRA PETRIE
STAFF WRITER

This past summer Professor Andrea Wallace worked to bring a state-of-the-art technology based project called "Ping-Pong Video" to Willamette.

Three students are now undergoing the project in their Video Art II class with Wallace.

One of the creators of the project, Professor Luis Valdovino of University of Colorado, Boulder, was Wallace's professor when she was a student. Along with Professor Dan Boord of Ohio State University, Valdovino created the project in order for students at two geographically disparate locations to collaborate in creating video art.

The Willamette student participants, seniors Graeme Byrd, Katie Hastings, and sophomore Naomi Corwin, work in collaboration with

students from the University of Colorado Boulder, Ohio State, and the University of California at San Diego to create short video projects in response to one another.

The schools collaborating are all Research I universities, capable of handling the cost of the project and of facilitating Internet2, which is necessary for video conferencing.

"Willamette was lucky to have the opportunity to participate in the project by using Internet2 facilities at OHSU (Oregon Health and Sciences University) for free," Wallace said.

The Willamette students' goal is to create a two minute audio/video piece representing distinct aspects of their environment — Salem.

The first step for the students is to shoot fifteen unique and varying shots of live footage, each no longer than fifteen seconds. They can also gather short sound clips to use as background or for voice-overs.

The students then transfer the clips and sounds to a computer and compress each clip a Macintosh program, and place the clips on the school's server.

Willamette students then acquire University of Colorado Boulder's footage and using that media and their imagination, students

must edit the new footage down to a two minute collage of what they imagine it would be like to live there. When they are finished they compress the piece and place it back on the server.

Students and professors from the different universities will critique and discuss each other's creations at the first video conference at 11 a.m., Sept. 20.

Students view each other's interpretation of their own footage and then re-edit their media. From this they create their own two minute audio/video representation of where they live.

Students from both schools will video conference again on Oct. 4 at 11 a.m. to critique and discuss the second phase of the project, with Ohio State University students sitting in on the conference.

Professor Wallace and her students must travel to OHSU in Portland to use Internet2.

"The most difficult thing about the project is not having Internet2 on site," Wallace said.

"Otherwise, the project is running smoothly so far."

Valdovino said that the skills students are learning in this class have a wide range of uses.

"The project emphasizes the artistic aspect of collaboration," Valdovino said.

"We're exploring video editing as a creative medium in itself."

"It's a phenomenal experience to work with Research I institutions and to be working with Professor Valdovino," Byrd said.

"When you're editing your own footage, it's one thing because you had an idea in mind to begin with, but when editing someone else's footage, it's a whole other thing because they had a different concept in mind and you have to try to create a coherent piece and interpret a sense of place with something you didn't create."

Wallace said that she finds this project exciting "because it balances ideas in conceptual and critical theory with new technology."

"Participation in these projects recognizes Willamette as a university that uses cutting edge technology in the liberal arts education," Wallace said.

Anyone interested in tomorrow's video conference at 11 a.m. at OHSU, or the Oct. 4 conference, contact Andrew Wallace as soon as possible at wallacea@willamette.edu.

For more information on this project and to view student videos, go to <http://www.arts.ohio-state.edu/stirfly>.



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Senior Graeme Byrd and sophomore Naomi Corwin gather material for their "Video Ping-Pong" project.

"Shouting/Laughter" a more intimate Ani

Along-time fan and a first-time listener each review one-half of Ani DiFranco's new double CD.

By ALLISON de la TORRE
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CONTRIBUTORS

ALLISON: Ani DiFranco fans. They are out there, singing at the top of their lungs in their dorm rooms and apartments to one of a dozen well-loved, independently released albums. They are walking through this campus with a lyric tugging at their minds, a guitar riff forcing them to live on. Have you noticed?

Ani DiFranco has built a career out of putting the truth

she knows into her deeply emotional, politically charged, cathartic music, and leading millions of fans on a journey to find that truth themselves.

Following this summer's release of her colorful documentary DVD "Render," DiFranco's new double live album entitled "So Much Shouting/So Much Laughter" has just been released.

The revolutionary singer, songwriter and founder of "Righteous Babe Records" is also set to hit Portland on Oct. 31 for a highly anticipated solo acoustic performance. If you can't make it to the show, her new live album is a brilliant slice of the vibrant world of Ani DiFranco's music.

Recorded in a variety of

Review

venues ranging from Nates, France to Bozeman, Montana. "So Much Shouting / So Much Laughter" will satisfy hungry fans and provide Ani newbies with a sweet taste of her liberating, idiosyncratic style.

Furthermore, this new live collection is essentially two records in one. The first disc, "Stray Cats," is a collection of set list favorites plus a few stray songs that follow them home. The content is definitely refreshing in today's sea of overproduced popular music. If you think Dave Matthews is a god of musical innovation and lengthy jam sessions, you obviously

haven't delved into what Ani DiFranco has to offer.

I automatically sensed the disc would be an experience when the first track, "Swan Dive," began with DiFranco asking to have the guitar turned down, cursing, proclaiming her disdain for the acoustic guitar's tendency to twang, and then forgetting a few vital first words and laughing. "let's try that again!"

I suspect that the "flawed" beginning is actually a very calculated invitation into the exceptionally orchestrated, passionately performed



RIGHTEOUS BABE RECORDS

Ani DiFranco has a new double live album.

songs that follow.

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by luke benke

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"One Hour Photo" doesn't develop

FACE OFF



By JON McNEILL and STEVE DUMAN
COLUMNISTS

SYNOPSIS: Sy the Photo Guy (Robin Williams) obsesses over a family whose pictures he has developed for the duration of its time as a family. Being their one-hour photo clerk and having shared the happiest moments of their lives with them, Sy has come to consider himself a sort of relative in the family. Things turn sour, as they tend to do.

JON: The thing that struck me is just how private photos are and that we never think about someone looking at every single photo that we take. All the bad photos, all the photos we're embarrassed of, all the good and private

photos—there is always someone who has seen them before you.

STEVE: Yes, and in my eyes, that just makes the people at Rite-Aid that much more creepy.

JON: Yes. I think that we can safely say that Sy the Photo Guy is psycho. They don't try to hide that at all during the course of the movie. He is interrogated from the beginning by the dude from "ER" (Eriq La Salle), asking him what he has done.

STEVE: Psycho or just misunderstood?

JON: Um... psycho. It actually reminded me of "Psycho." The very end, — you know the twist—it could end right there with him going to jail, but Hitchcock brings in a psychologist to talk about the condition (this guy's crazy, blah, blah, blah). "One Hour Photo," I think, did the same thing.

STEVE: Yes. It did.

JON: I think it would have been better if they had just cut it at the end and not had him explain, "Why am I so crazy? Here's why..."

STEVE: It's not like we didn't have enough motives for him already. We watched this guy deconstruct as a human.

What more do we need? Obviously he was suffering from some sort of contingent malpractice in his psychological headquarters that left his decompressor unable to stratify wavelengths.

JON: Steve, you obviously didn't say that many big words in our actual conversation. That's cheating.

STEVE: In any case, I did like how much it played with audience expectations. As an audience, we took certain things for granted, and, as the movie played out, none of these things could be taken for granted. It was what some call a "theme."

JON: I think the husband was pretty stupid. The wife (Connie Nielson): very attractive. I don't know who she is, but...

STEVE: Attractive young lady. It was just the whole having the hair messed up in strategic ways that was awkward.

JON: How'd you think the kid (Dylan Smith) did?

STEVE: Excellent.

JON: Yeah, I thought he did well.

STEVE: One thing I look for when a movie is written by the director (Mark Romanek) is choppy dialogue. Directors often miss their own writing mistakes. But I thought the acting was great. I was right in there with them. The problem with the movie, in my opinion,

was that after a while the playing with a u d i e n c e expectations was a let down. We really didn't go anywhere. They built up Sy as a loose cannon, a l e t h a l weapon, and then it just didn't seem

to go anywhere, which is what he wanted to do, but at the same time, we didn't get much out of it.

JON: Yeah, when characters were reaching the point of no return when the film was going toward its climax, I remember thinking: "This can't be the climax, because this is not going to be that

cool." I felt it was just too soon getting to the climax.

STEVE: The movie said: "Hey, look at me! I'm frilly and nice!" Then it let me down a little.

JON: I have mixed feelings about it. I would say that I don't need to see it again. I thought Robin Williams did a good job and so did the wife and kid. I thought the husband (Michael Vartan) was weak...

STEVE: Like you-can-beat-him-up weak?

JON: No. Just a weak character and not written that well. I thought the places it was going to were not the places it could have gone. I felt it had a lot of potential and it let me down.

STEVE: I'm all for the movie because it kept my interest and I thought they built up Robin Williams as a great character.

Though I thought they blew it at the end, I'm going to pretend in my happy world that the end didn't happen, and it was a fully satisfying film. That's how I live. Don't judge me.

Jon McNeill and Steve Duman are juniors in the College of Liberal Arts.

Much thanks, Muchas Gracias

The local Mexican fast-food chain has become a Willamette tradition.

By JESSE GOLDBERG
STAFF WRITER

Within the blocks surrounding Willamette's campus, few places are truly sacred to many students. We all have our special Salem spaces, locations that give us a taste of the real world or even a parallel universe. One location, however, stands above the rest and brings together students and Salemites alike twenty-four beautiful hours a day. That's right — this place is called Muchas Gracias.

For the few students who have never heard of the late-night Mecca that is Muchas, it is an experience all its own. One might think that Muchas was just another fast-food Mexican joint; a smaller yet similar version of Taco Bell or Taco Time. Yet, located in the true heart of Salem, this slightly decrepit establishment with a giant and happy yellow duck on the sign encapsulates Willamette University and the definition of tradition.

Food is key to the experience. For the price of a boring cheeseburger, Muchas offers three rolled tacos packed with beans, meat and cheese. No choice is a bad choice when Muchas is concerned. Muchas, however, offers so much more than mere sustenance.

A person's first Muchas experience is a special moment, not to be taken lightly or casually dismissed.

One remembers minute and strange details that would merely fade from the mind with time, like the paint dripping off the ceiling in large curving chunks or even the giant dumpsters in the back marked "Grease Only." Coupled with the sounds of blaring music and dripping faucets, the scent of sticky ramekins help create an atmosphere unlike any other.

However, while Muchas can be a deeply individual and personal experience, it also creates a community. Sharing the secret is a vital part to the experience as a whole. On any given night, as many as ten or fifteen Willamette students and Salemites can be found squished like sweaty sardines within the meager confines of the shop. No one needs to speak to anyone else. Somewhere within the greasy smell of oil and shredded meat lies a tie that binds

all who encounter it. The high school raver with green hair and glow-in-the-dark body paint sits next to the Willamette football player who sits next to me. Social groupings and stigmas fade away on the brightly colored benches and within white-plastered walls.

When class discussions of political agendas disturb you, turn off the world news and put down your Marxist reading. Perhaps, instead of a socialist revolution, all the world really needs is another trip to ye olde Muchas. Yet while that solution probably will not solve all of the world's major problems, for Willamette students and community members, sometimes the little things, like the smell of grease wafting into the streets on a cool autumn night, can make all the difference in the world.

Jesse Goldberg is a senior in the College of Liberal Arts.



KERRI LADISH

Muchas Gracias awaits for hungry WU students a few blocks down State Street.

DiFranco's passion shines through on double album

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The track "Tamburitzta Lingua" displays DiFranco's gift for putting prose to music. This song serves as an explanation of her politically acrobatic career. Many of her songs directly call for progressive action. Blanketed in layers of acoustic and electric guitar, intense keyboard work, drums, and giddy brass riffs, DiFranco's lyrics ring truer than ever on "Stray Cats." It all comes down to her words, her vision, and her overwhelming passion.

Her lyrics swerve from highly figurative and abstract to intensely blatant and honest. She has a talent for descriptive, observational songwriting and an equal skill for articulating truly intimate feelings. Her strength is countered by a crippling, wounded sensitivity. It is these healthy contradictions and an exceptional range of understanding that allow Ani's music to articulate and accompany our own lives so well.

It is this sort of highly realized willingness to get inside the spaces between human beings that makes Ani's music so palpable. "And what can I do, but wallow in you unintentionally," she continues.

DiFranco's intelligent lyrics and melodies are balanced by her raw, imperfect, and very human delivery. "What can I say, but I'm wired this way, and you're wired to me," she sings in the contemplative anthem "Grey."

TIFFANY: "The media ain't fooling me."

I assure you that this media source is not fooling you when I say that the Ani DiFranco CD "Girls Singing Night" is well worth picking up solely on the value of the track titled "Self Evident."

The CD, released as part of a two disk set, features a large number of tracks with strong feminist messages. DiFranco's singing style is slightly stale but she delivers her messages well. Possibly the most successful track on the album is "Self-Evident." This track is more of a poem than a song. It serves as a tribute to Sept. 11 but also covers issues ranging from abortion rights to the United States foreign policy. Another outstanding track featured on the album is titled "Not a Pretty Girl." This song delivers a powerful message about what really makes a woman beautiful.

Many people may be frightened away from Ani DiFranco's music because of her song's liberal themes. Others may shy away because of her somewhat rough singing style. As a new listener to DiFranco's music I was somewhat doubtful about her music style. However, underneath the rough exterior of "Girls Singing Night" there are diamonds like "Self Evident."

You do not have to be a hard core DiFranco fan to understand just why she is a "righteous babe."

Allison de la Torre and Tiffany Dood are sophomores in the College of Liberal Arts.

IM kicks off new season

By ALLISON de la TORRE
STAFF WRITER

Six leagues of outdoor soccer and indoor volleyball, including men's, women's, and co-ed teams, began the early fall season of Willamette Intramural sports on Monday.

Each team will play games twice throughout the week. Soccer games are held on Brown Field or the Quad from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and volleyball games will

take place in Henkle gym from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Sundays through Thursdays.

According to Director of Campus Recreation, Bruce Mace, one of the exceptional attributes of the Willamette intramurals program is that "all teams are officiated by students."

Intramural supervisors like seniors Dianna Stephens, Roger Rowe, juniors George Hays and Servando Osorio, sophomore Bethany Davidson and TIUA student Emi Sugawara are onboard to make sure that the programs run smoothly and accomplish their main goal, which is, as indoor volleyball team

manager sophomore Lena Hoffman puts it, "pure fun."

Before the season begins, teams seem to spring up spontaneously as students ask friends between classes, around the residence halls, and throughout the campus to join their teams.

"I took the lead in getting everybody together,"

Hoffman said, "because I played sports in high school but I'm not ambitious enough to play (varsity) college sports."

Since students must take it upon themselves not only to register but to make sure that they have a complete team, understanding the intramural registration process is key.

"You have to make your team happen," said soccer team member sophomore Amber Martin. "I missed soccer last year and I almost killed myself because I really wanted to play. The reason I didn't do it last year was because I didn't understand the process."

Hoffman now also understands the importance of being on the ball when organizing an intramural team.

"I went up to the student activities office on the second floor of the UC, picked up a form, went around to my friends, and turned the form back in with a \$20 forfeit deposit," she said.

"We named our team 'Unatohti' because we noticed that almost all of our members were also members of 'Unidos Por Fin,' the 'Native American Association,' 'Ohana (the pre-orientation multi-cultural retreat),' or TIUA," Hoffman said.

Intramurals are a great option for busy Willamette students like those on the 'Unatohti' team because they won't clutter already packed schedules yet they provide students with a great social and athletic experience.

"I don't know everyone on my team so I'm expecting to meet people," Martin said.

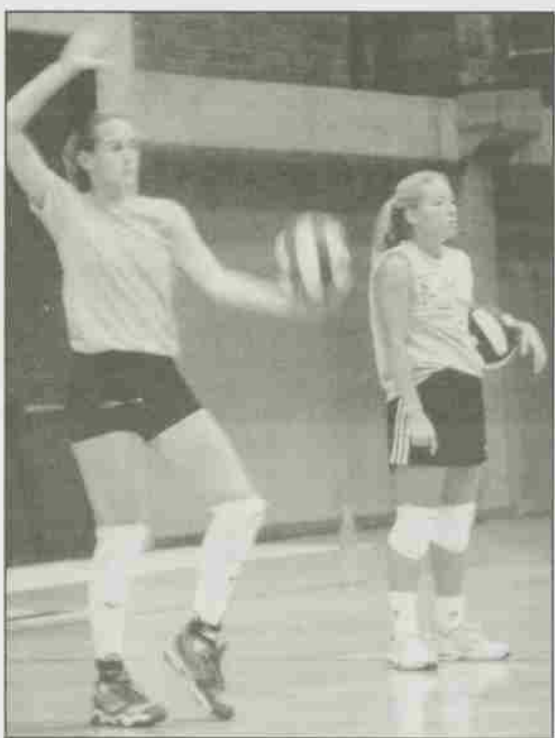
Intramural teams can be as competitive as they want to be. "People can play because they know it will be fun and non-competitive," Hoffman said.

When asked what she's looking forward to, Martin smiles and says, "There are a lot of people on our team that have never played soccer before. I'm looking forward to playing with different levels. I hope just to laugh about that. I hope just to have a good time."

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AMBER MARTIN
SOPHOMORE

Volleyball returns from Calif. 1-3



KERRI LADISH

Sophomore Lauren Thompson and senior Jaime Tautfest practice serving techniques.

By BARBRA HAVRILACH
STAFF WRITER

Volleyball came back last weekend with one win and three losses from the team's second tournament.

Their record slipped from 2-2 to 3-5. The team competed in the Pacific Coast Classic, hosted by the Claremont-Mudd-Scripps and the Pomona-Pitzer col-

leges.

Willamette competed with Cal Lutheran University, Pomona-Pitzer Colleges, Cal State Hayward, and Claremont College. The team competed in California for the competition after hard weeks of preparation in practice.

"Mentally and physically, we were ready to compete," Coach Tricia Wright said, "But there

was a lot of good competition."

Middle junior Jenni Linden said of the team's strengths, was, "we were running a lot of new plays and preformed them well. We really came together as a team."

Hayward ranked first in region last year. Even though the team was prepared, the only win produced was against Pomona-Pitzer.

"Performance-wise, we did well," Wright said. "And, it was frustrating, to have not shown that in wins." However, the team continues to keep their focus broad; improvement is still the goal. Throughout the four tournament games, the number of errors kept dropping. The overall count of errors was also lower than their first tournament.

"We played good volleyball," senior Crystal DeMellow said. "I just think we are learning each other's strengths and weaknesses."

Working as a team was a problem that they had faced in the past seasons.

This year, their focus is on team-playing, using the same techniques. While some might interpret the losses as disappointing, the team still maintains optimism.

"We have a game plan, but more importantly, we have a season plan," Wright said. "It is exciting to see improvement."

Linden said a specific goal for the coming matches is "setting the tempo of the games" instead of letting the opponents take the lead.

The team will play their first home games this Friday and Saturday against Whitworth and Whitman.

Box Scores & Schedules

VOLLEYBALL

ALL		Last Games	
W	L	WU d.	
Whitworth	9	1	Pomona-Pitzer in 4
Linfield	4	0	Next Games
George Fox	8	1	Sept. 20 / 21
Puget Sound	9	3	Whitworth/Whitman (home)
Pacific Lutheran	4	1	
Willamette	3	5	
Lewis & Clark	3	5	
Pacific University	0	6	
Whitman	5	3	

MEN'S SOCCER

ALL		Last Game	
W	L	WU d.	
Linfield	3	0	Western Baptist 5-3
Pacific	3	0	Next Game
Puget Sound	3	1	Sept. 21
Pacific University	2	1	CSU
Whitman	2	1	Hayward
Whitworth	4	2	
Willamette	1	2	
George Fox	1	3	

WOMEN'S SOCCER

ALL		Last Game	
W	L	WU d.	
Willamette	3	0	alumni team
Whitman	3	0	Next Game
Linfield	3	1	Sept. 21 / 22
Puget Sound	3	1	Chapman / UC Santa Cruz
Pacific Lutheran	3	2	
Pacific University	1	2	
George Fox	0	2	
Whitworth	0	3	

FOOTBALL

ALL		Last Week	
W	L	WU d.	
Whitworth	2	0	Mary-Hardin 42-26
Linfield	1	0	Next Week
Willamette	1	1	Sept. 21
Pacific Lutheran	0	1	Humbolt State
Lewis & Clark	0	0	
Puget Sound	0	0	

CROSS COUNTRY

Next Meet
Sept. 21 Sundodger Invitational
Seattle, WA (UW)

All standings current as of Sept. 14.

Men's Soccer bests Warriors

By STEPHEN ALBAUGH
STAFF WRITER

The Bearcats were looking at a two-game losing streak coming into Thursday's contest against Western Baptist University and things did not look good as the Warriors scored a goal early in the first half.

This brief lead, however, would not last long as forward juniors Ricardo Sanchez and Ben Desanno took control.

Sanchez broke through numerous defenders with his deceptive speed and polished foot skills, punching in three goals and getting his first hat trick of the season. Desanno also put on a strong display of offense, scoring early in the first half, but saving room for seconds.

"I felt the offense finished very well with a lot of solid individual play by Ricardo

and Ben, but we will need to improve our team effort to beat better teams," Coach Bob Barry said when asked about his team's scoring barrage on Thursday.

On the defensive end the Bearcats allowed three goals despite many key deflections and saves by goalkeeper Andrew Ward.

Defender senior Michael Ott played like a middle line-

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BOB BARRY
MEN'S SOCCER COACH

backer, knocking down numerous Warrior forwards in an effort to rally the defense.

"It was a frustrating game; we came out

flat giving up our eighth goal in just three games. We just need to make an effort to shutout our opponents and master our new defense," co-captain senior Ott said when asked about the performance of the Bearcat backfield.

Willamette defender junior A.J. Nash and Ott were

given yellow cards while playing aggressively throughout the game.

"From what I have seen we have potential to be very good, once we start to combine our individual efforts we will be strong," Barry said.

This weekend the team travels to Calif. to play Cal State Hayward and University of California Santa Cruz, a Division III powerhouse, just knocked off San Jose State of Division I.

"The trip to California will be our first real test, we'll know more about ourselves after the trip," midfielder senior Michael Semenza said.

The team will travel the week before the Cats enter conference play at home against the seasoned Linfield team. They also face the Whitman team, who returns with the majority of its starters. With conference opponents lurking on the horizon, Barry is looking for the puzzle to come together in Calif. and hopefully transform a win into a streak.

Men race into season



TOM KARNES

Men's cross country runs together during Portland a meet.

By TOM KARNES
STAFF WRITER

The men's Cross Country team has been preparing since mid-August for a season full of potential.

Coach Matt McGuirk spoke of the team's training as a way to "strengthen the depth of the team and to focus on success in Nationals."

Friday's Pier Park Invitational against the University of Portland, Oregon State University, and Oregon State University provided an opportunity for the young team to gain some needed experience in preparation for fulfilling their championship ambitions.

Throughout the pre-race warm-ups the team displayed an element of enthusiasm despite the uncomfortably warm 94 degrees of the Portland afternoon.

Very aware of the pressure of being ranked fourth nationally, the team has bonded as a way of ensuring success in later weeks.

Northwest Conference Runner of the Week, freshman Nick Symmonds spoke of the team's "readiness to step up to the challenge," and

to the commitment to detail that often describes a winning team.

While the first race of the season is always difficult, Willamette displayed a confidence attributed to hours of preparation.

Symmonds finished first among the Willamette men's team and third overall with a time of 24.9 minutes, seventeen seconds behind leader Kevin Smith of UP.

Captain junior Jake Stout commented on the team's performance as "strong. This was a good race for the younger runners to get some experience."

The team's next meet will be this Saturday at the Sundodger Invitational in Seattle, Wash. This will be the season opener for team leaders junior Aaron Yong and Stout, who rested Friday in preparation for Seattle.

Looking ahead, Stout saw Saturday as an important meet in that it "will be a good indicator as to where the team is competitively."

Regardless of any of the team's early performances, it is evident that everyone's focus is on looking to improve and build on an already solid foundation.



MICHAEL ROBINSON

The defense works to keep the Warriors at bay during last Thursday's home game.

Women 'Best in the West'

By JANE LITTLEFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Last Saturday afternoon the women's Bearcat soccer team took on a tough rival — their former teammates. The Alumni team consists mainly of graduated WU All-American soccer girls who come back for a challenge and often succeed in beating the current Willamette team.

This year the Bearcats didn't let that happen. Sophomore Claire Reinert (D) said, we "took it to them and came out with a win."

Head Coach Jim Tursi is confident about the team's success this year. The team has excellent strikers and is very solid defensively.

The Northwest Conference is the strongest in the nation, and all of the pre-season games are extremely important to "let the other teams know that Willamette is on top."

As usual, the University of Puget Sound will give the Bearcats a run for the NWC title. In addition, Linfield and Whitman have both shown drastic improvement this year and could be contenders.

Tursi said that the early team standout is goalie senior Shelby Springer, who has only allowed one goal so far this year.

He is also pleased with the camaraderie between teammates and his team's already noticeable improvement from the start of the season.

Junior Stacy Clarke (D) agrees with her coach that "there's a night and day difference between our first game and where we're at right now. Every time we've stepped on the field we've looked better than the time before and this early in the season that is extremely reassuring."

This weekend the Bearcats are playing top 20-ranked Chapman University in Orange, Calif., a team they often meet in Regionals.

Beating all of the California teams, or being "Best in the West," is important for national's placement, in case the Bearcats stumble later in the season and end up second in conference.

Tursi thinks that Chapman will be Willamette's toughest competition to date, and the fact that WU is flying in on Friday afternoon and playing the same evening could add to Chapman's home field advantage.

On Sunday the women play University of California Santa Cruz before flying home. On Wednesday, Sept. 25, Willamette has its first conference game on home turf against Linfield. The game starts at 3 p.m.

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Controlled dispersal to curb minors' drinking, police say



ADAM NELSON

The new controlled dispersal policy means Campus Safety may sometimes call the police in for aid with large parties.

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...to prevent underage drinking, not necessarily only among Willamette students.

However, he adds that there is a plan for dealing with underage drinking at large parties.

"The idea is to separate those who are under 21 from those who are over 21," he said. "It's a better system than responding to loud party calls with a couple of officers and having them get out of hand."

Stout confirms that controlled dispersal "is a method of dealing with large groups at alcohol parties... the idea is to determine if there are underage people drinking, and if so, then they are separated from those who are of age."

Underage students found consuming alcohol can be given at the most a fine and at least a citation, or M.I.P.

Through the new policy, the police can now be called on campus, should the need arise. However, "there are few situations," according to Stout, "that can't be controlled."

"All of last year, we responded to 50 events, and only two were of the level that we would have needed the assistance."

Campus Safety may intervene in an off-campus party, as happened on Sept. 7, if "the event is within close proximity of the campus, or if

it were known that there were a large amount of Willamette students there," Stout said.

Senior Brian Ruttkay, one of the hosts of the party, confirmed this. "Pretty much the reason that the C-team became involved is that a group of about 40 people walked over from campus."

On campus, notes Derby, there will be little change in the judicial process. She does, however, feel that the consequences through the court system will be significantly different.

Will the new policy serve its purpose? Sophomore J.P. Hill said, "I know of three off-campus parties that were going to happen, but didn't (because of the dispersal of the Sept. 7 party), so if that was the purpose, perhaps it worked."

Junior Christine Greger questions these tactics' impact on the students' safety.

"I think if they raise the stakes too high, they create a reactionary situation where people hop in the car and drive away when the police show up," Greger said.

"I was willing to cooperate with whoever came to the door, but as soon as I saw Campus Safety show up, I felt like I was being babysat," Ruttkay said.

"This was my house. It didn't present any kind of confidence level in us being able to manage our own houses."

After a year, WU returns to top tier of U.S. News and World Reports

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In this e-mail, the president encouraged Willamette to "enjoy the warm glow of this compliment," but also that he is "reminded that the listing is subjective."

Many students express contentment of the recognition but say that the rankings mean very little.

"I'm glad that we made the top-tier, but we're tied for last place which means we can get knocked out of the top-tier very easily again, just like last year," Sophomore Susan Feldman said.

"It means nothing," sophomore Damon Terzaghi said, "It will not change anything about the school, its curriculum, or anything else that governs our day-to-day lives."

Associate Vice-President of Enrollment Sue Rauch said, "It (the rankings) don't particularly change how we market the university. We will continue to emphasize our quality teaching and instruc-

tion.

"How we're ranked doesn't change in any way how we operate on a daily basis."

Rauch compared the rankings to "icing on a cake that's been there the whole time."

"More prospective students will give Willamette greater consideration because of increasing national prominence."

Freshman Trevor Levin said, "I wouldn't say that it's changed my opinion of the school, but it's still nice to get the recognition I know we deserved."

"The ranking affirmed what I already knew," freshman Zach Sullivan said, "Willamette is the best college in Oregon."

U.S. News and World Report ranks colleges on seven different criteria: peer assessment, student retention rate, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources, graduation rate performance, and alumni giving rate.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORT: SEPTEMBER 8 -14, 2002

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Sept. 8, 5:33 a.m. (College of Law): An employee reported damage to a Xerox copy machine. Someone unsuccessfully attempted to pry open the machine to remove the money.

Sept. 9, 6:00 a.m. (Sparks Parking Lot): A Campus Safety Officer reported that after parking the patrol vehicle in the Sparks Lot, he discovered damage from an unknown vehicle.

Sept. 9, 2:10 p.m. (WISH): An employee reported that a vending machine had been damaged and food stolen.

Sept. 11, 7:15 a.m. (Skybridge): While on patrol, a Campus Safety Officer discovered someone had damaged a plastic light cover.

Sept. 13, 2:27 a.m. (Hatfield Library): An employee reported damage in a women's restroom.

HARASSMENT

Sept. 14, 12:17 a.m. (York House): A student reported receiving numerous "prank" phone calls. A Campus Safety officer assisted by arranging a call trace.

THEFT

Sept. 9, 4:25 p.m. (Sparks Center): A student reported that while in the Sparks Center, his wallet was stolen

from an unlocked area.

Sept. 9, 5:45 p.m. (TIUA): A student reported that his \$500.00 bicycle was stolen. His bike had been locked with a cable lock.

Sept. 11, 7:00 p.m. (Sparks Parking Lot): A student reported that someone had entered her vehicle and stolen 10 compact discs. They also damaged her dash, while attempting to steal her radio.

Sept. 13, 5:18 p.m. (Smullin Hall): A student reported the theft of his \$700.00 bicycle which had been locked to a bike rack.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID

Sept. 12, 11:34 a.m. (Sparks Parking Lot): A visitor was injured when the driver of the car he was riding in, drove away before he had completely stepped out of the vehicle. Salem Fire arrived and evaluated the victim, who then refused any medical treatment.

Sept. 13, 9:44 p.m. (Matthews Hall): A visitor injured his foot. Campus Safety and WEMS responded. His injury was treated on-site.

WRITTEN TRESPASS WARNINGS

Sept. 13th, 7:55 p.m. (Doney Hall): Three males were contacted who were not students or visitors and were just hanging out on campus. They were issued written trespass warnings and escorted off campus.

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