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## Law school debates taking on the Feds

by **Chrissy Wade**  
Staff Writer

Willamette had a reputation for being a non-discriminating institution, firmly upholding the community's beliefs. That is, until an amendment passed by Congress forced the school to suppress the ideals that Willamette holds dear. This Congressional Act, known as the Solomon Amendment, states that any educational institution which does not allow U.S. military recruiters to interview on campus will lose federal funding, including Perkins loans, federal work study, and SEO

grants. After the approval and the implementation of this act, Willamette's Law School, and later the whole University, was put on a list with nine other schools that were in violation of this amendment.

This question was at the center of attention yesterday during an all-day forum on the subject. Approximately 40 people were in attendance to listen to speeches on every side of the issue. Talks in the morning included economic, political and legal aspects of the Solomon Amendment. Leslie Limper, the Director of Financial Aid, stated that up to \$300,000 may be lost if the Law

School reinstates its policy, and approximately \$900,000 if the CLA joined them.

Kerry Tymchuk, State Director for Senator Gordon Smith, and Greg Zerzan, from the U.S. House of Representative's Agriculture Committee, participated via telephone, on the political side. They informed the people present that there is very little room for movement in Washington DC on this issue. Tymchuk summed it up by saying that "Legally and morally, you [Willamette] have a winner, but not politically." They also reported that Solomon, the man who wrote the amendment, is a

very powerful man, who no one in DC wants to cross.

Speakers later in the day also included Matt Noles, National Director of the ACLU Lesbian and Gay Rights Project; Charles Hinkle, a nationally renowned Constitutional Law attorney, and the Directors of Career services from the CLA, the WUCL, and Atkinson. The presentations were



Financial Aid Director **Leslie Limper** fielded questions.

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## Crime on campus is rising despite increased enforcement

**Reports of criminal mischief are up 38% from 1996 to 1997.**

by **Autumn Bracamonte**  
Staff Writer

With criminal mischief reports up from 107 incidents in 1996 to 148 incidents in 1997, it is not surprising that Campus Safety has gone so far as to stake out parking lots with night vision binoculars in an attempt to stop the vandalism and theft that have become prevalent on the Willamette University campus. "It's very frustrating," said Ross Stout, Director of Campus Safety and purchasing. "It happens so quickly."

Stout said that in most cases of car vandalism and stereo theft, it takes the criminals about five minutes, and then they are gone. "We don't know who they are, and we don't know how to track them," Stout said. Arrests

involving bike theft and car vandalism have been made in the past, but generally they are held in jail for four hours, or at the most a day or two. "[The criminals] are in there for a short time and then they are back out again. They are just not violent criminals," said Stout.

With few leads as to how to catch the criminals, Campus

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**Ross Stout**

Safety does have a few ideas as to why the crimes are being committed. Stout said in most cases, the offenders are drug abusers, and in certain situations they are gang members as well.

Generally, a car stereo is worth ten cents for every dollar. "If you steal one \$200 stereo you're only making \$20, but steal 5 stereos and you have \$100," Stout said. During the past couple of months, the parking area at Kaneko has become a hot spot for car vandalism. During one night, nine cars were broken into in this area.

Chris Russell was one of the victims of vandalism. Luckily, he had nothing stolen from his car, because the thieves could not find the CD player face. However, the passenger side window was broken in the process and his dash was torn apart in the search for the face. "I managed to fix all the inside damage myself, but the window cost \$200 to replace," Chris said.

Unfortunately, Campus Safety was unable to do much for Chris or any of the other victims. "Campus Safety came out to tell

me that they didn't find [the criminals] and they couldn't do anything about it," Chris said. To help prevent further incidents, Stout suggested utilizing the top floor of the Salem Hospital, especially for cars that are not driven every day.

"The hospital has security cameras on that floor and an officer assigned 24 hours a day," Stout said. "Sometimes what appears to be more isolated and dangerous is actually safer."

Although criminal mischief has had the highest increase, with close to a 50% increase in

reported cases, Campus Safety has also seen an increase in other areas such as Possession of a controlled substance and gang activity.

Involving the possession incidents, Stout feels the increase in due to a stricter enforcement in this area. Resident Life has recently had training for this sort of problem and more and more cases are being brought to the attention of Campus Safety. "Most of the cases reported are exclu-

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intoxicated student then started hitting the first student's vehicle with his hands and damaging the door and side mirror of the vehicle.

**Assault**

January 25, 12:29 a.m. (Sigma Chi) - Campus Safety Officers were called to the House to assist in resolving a situation that had gotten out of control. There were students attempting to gain entrance into the House which was closed. During the confusion a student outside the house was physically assaulted by another student for unknown reasons. WEMS and Salem Fire Department and Salem Police were also called to assist with the situation.

**Burglary**

January 26, 6:00 p.m. (Shepard Hall) - A student reported that his bicycle had been stolen. He stated that he had observed two unfamiliar persons sitting in the lobby reading when he entered the building. Upon returning a short time later he noticed his bike and the suspects gone.

**Criminal Mischief**

January 25, 12:45 a.m. (Matthews Parking Lot) - A student reported that he had been confronted by another student who was intoxicated and seeming to be looking for a fight. The first student attempted to leave the area in his vehicle before there could be any trouble. The

January 30, 9:30 a.m. (Theater) - An employee reported a broken window in a classroom. It was found that someone apparently threw a beer can through the window.

**Criminal Trespass**

January 31, 1:30 p.m. (Matthews Parking Lot) - While on patrol officers contacted two non-students who were attempting to conceal a bag with some type of bottles in it. Both individuals were found to have been drinking. When asked for ID one of the individuals supplied a fake ID. Salem Police were called to assist with the situation. After being cited by Salem officers the subjects were told to leave campus and not return.

**Disorderly Conduct**

January 29, 10:32 p.m. (Shepard House) - A student reported having received unwanted items left at her door. A male student in the hall was identified as being the one who left the items. Officers questioned the male student who denied having left any items. The situation was investigated and officers found that the male student had in fact been harassing the other student for quite some time.

**Minor In Possession**

January 31, 12:15 a.m. (Sparks) - While on patrol officers noticed a student carrying a can and attempting to hide it. Officers questioned the student and found that it was a can of beer and the student was under 21. The student was cited for minor in possession of alcohol.

**Suspicious Person**

January 25, 8:01 p.m. (WISH) - A resident of the building called Campus Safety to report that she was hearing male voices outside her window. Officers investigated but found no one. About an hour later an officer checked the area again and had an unknown person run out of the bushes and across Bellevue into an apartment.

**Theft**

January 27, 10:45 a.m. (Atkinson GSM) - An employee reported having her wallet stolen. She stated that she had left it in her purse in her office while she was in a meeting and when she returned her wallet was gone.

January 27, 11:30 a.m. (Smullin Hall) - An employee reported a video camera was stolen from a classroom.

January 28, 12:39 a.m. (Matthews Parking Lot) - A student reported someone broke into his truck and stole two speakers from behind the seat.

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**Go racing with Andretti**

Omsi's newest film to come to the OMNIMAX in Portland is *Super Speedway: Racing with the Andrettis*. The first film to offer real time, authentic race footage shot by Mario Andretti himself. A special IMAX camera was developed to sit in the cockpit during races at speeds in excess of 230 miles per hour. Tickets for the five story screen are \$5.50

**Claude Frank to play Sun.**

WU's Distinguished Artists Series welcomes Claude Frank, renowned pianist to perform Sunday at 3 p.m. in Smith Auditorium. He will be performing Shubert's Sonata in G-minor and Beethoven's Sonata No. 32 in C-minor. He will also teach a Master's Class on Monday at 10 a.m. in Smith. Tickets are \$18. (student free).

**Jazz Festival XVII coming**

Willamette Music Department's 17th annual Jazz Festival will be held February 14. It will feature 24 high school jazz bands from Oregon and Washington, Willamette Singers, Willamette Jazz Ensemble, and Jazz Festival winners. The highlight will be trumpeter, Conte Candoli's concert that night at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$12 reserved, \$8 non-reserved, and \$6 student non-reserved.

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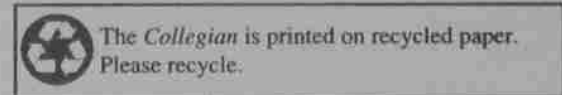
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**STAFF MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THURSDAYS**



# Cornel West comes to Willamette for Dr. King celebration, questions today's racial climate

by Dan Rivas  
News Editor

## West discusses the problems in America and the long history of racism.

Dr. Cornel West, one of the most notable speakers ever to come to Willamette, spoke last Friday at 7:30PM in Smith Au-



ditorium. His speech titled, "Restoring Hope, From Dr. King to the New Millennium" addressed the issues of race, hope, evil and the future of America, by reviewing it's past.

The event was sponsored by the College of Law and included a welcome by Toya Cooper, the Black national anthem, "Lift Every Voice and Sing", an introduction by Bryan Johnston, a closing speech by David Giles, and a reception following the lecture. For both the College of Law and Willamette University, the evening was a huge event.

Dr. West was greeted with thunderous applause by an audience eager to hear what Dr. West had to say. West graciously thanked all those involved with his coming to Willamette and praised the individuals for their achievements and abilities.

West's speech was both a discussion of the achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King and a talk about trends in America and the issue of race. He begins by discussing history, the link between our current generations and previ-

ous generations. He said that great men and women like King and Harriet Tubman had to, "pay a certain price, to bear a certain cost." They struggled in a nation whose history is of struggle and ideals. He called our history a "subversive tradition", destroying and undermining the values that founded the nation. To West, "this tradition raises the most fundamental question of what it means to be human." He cautioned every-

**"What kind of people are we really?"**

-Dr. Cornel West

one not to "confuse this with cheap PC chit-chat." One of the problems Dr. King faced as he fought discrimination was the notion of America being the "ultimate fulfillment of history." With ideas such as "manifest

destiny" deeply imbedded in us, West said Americans are difficult to persuade.

West described our society as a "hotel civilization", a civilization that is "obsessed with comfort and convenience."

West sees the "divide and conquer" mentality within all sects of American culture and attributes that to what he calls "market values" as well as White Supremacy. He points to big money in politics, the emphasis of big money sports in colleges, and a strong economy, but the still declining treatment of the lower and middle

classes, as signs of those values and symptoms of an ailing America.

Dr. West describes himself as a "prisoner of hope" and his words are meant to challenge and provoke people into action.

To West, Dr. King exemplifies "non-market values". West describes King as a "sweet, kind, gentle" man.

Dr. West was a magna cum laude graduate from Harvard University in 1973. He went on to Princeton to earn his M.A. in 1975 and his Ph.D. in 1980. He returned to Princeton in 1987 in 1987 as a professor of religion and was the director of the African-American studies department. Dr. West is now a professor at Harvard University, teaching Afro-American studies and philosophy of religion.

West is often described as a "public intellectual" and is considered one of the most well read and formidable scholars in America. He has written 12 books including the best-seller, "Race Matters". His latest book is "The War Against Parents", a book he wrote with Sylvia Ann Hewlett, but is still forthcoming.

# Billy Dalto resigns as Collegian Editor in Chief

by Scott Mahon  
Managing Editor

Billy Dalto shocked the Collegian Board and staff by announcing his resignation on last Friday. Dalto's position as Editor in Chief had been a controversial one since his appointment last spring. He sighted new career goals and a desire to focus on his studies as his reasons for leaving. The board will name his replacement this afternoon.

As an outsider candidate, Dalto's appointment in late April was not greeted with great enthusiasm by the staff at the

time, who felt that their own candidates had been short changed. They so adimently opposed Dalto's appointment that they had even moved to change the ASWU by-laws in order to circumvent the decision.

Between his late appointment and the lack of previous staff support, Dalto never managed to put together an adequate staff last fall. He ended up having to take on most of the positions himself. The staff colapse cumulated in October when the Collegian stopped printing. Dalto took no small part in reviving the staff to begin publishing again in December.

Dalto's appointment was based on his ability to change the financial situation of the Collegian, which had run up a \$28,000 debt. Taking on the roles of Business and Advertising Managers, Dalto doubled the advertising revenue of the paper and avoided some of the unnecessary costs which had plagued previous budgets. Ironically, Dalto's resignation occured the day of budget negotiations for the semester.

Whether loved or hated, Dalto made Willamette much more aware of the effects of having (or not having) a student newspaper.

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# Willamette's Bubble Radio airs on Sunday nights

by Mike Benkeski  
Opinions Editor

Due to the hard work and dedication of a few Willamette students, Willamette radio is finally on the air. The *Bubble Radio Show* can be heard every Sunday night from 6-8 pm on 1490am KBZY.

In early September, Eric Larson, Justin Beem, Michael Olsen, David Knott, Adam DuVander, Greg Shortreed, Sheridan Horning, Genevieve

Dellinger, and Jason Prosnitz had one thing in common; they all wanted to make Willamette Radio a reality.

The group brainstormed ideas on how to get a Willamette broadcast on the air. After research, many, many phone calls, and some inside advice, the group decided the best option, for now, was to buy radio air time from an existing station.

By working with Mike Trotter and ASWU, the group of committed Willamette students

was able to find appropriate radio time from 1490am KBZY. Willamette radio became a reality Sunday, February 1st and for approximately 15 weeks will have consistent air time. Each Sunday night, from 6-8pm the *Bubble Radio Show* will be broadcasting not only to Willamette students, but to the entire Salem community.

The first show had its occasional glitches, but brought a WIDE variety of music to those who tuned in. The show is mu-

sic based, but features will be done about people and issues important to both Willamette University and the city of Salem. The music played consists mostly of non-popular music, including: Indie Rock, British Pop, Funk Punk, Raggae, Jazz, and House. No matter what your musical preference, though, there will be something worth listening to on Willamette's *Bubble Radio Show*.

So far, Willamette Radio does not have a committed format for

their two hour show. They are experimenting at the moment to see what works best. The station is interested in the public's opinion and can be reached, through campus mail, by simply addressing your comments to Willamette Radio. Listeners can also call in, the number of the station is given out periodically during their broadcast.

For great tunes, tune in and turn up Willamette's *Bubble Radio Show* every Sunday at 6pm.

## Administration makes changes for better wheelchair access

by Lissy Galton  
Staff Writer

**For students with disabilities, is Willamette's campus user friendly? Work is underway to improve access to buildings.**

Though Willamette's campus looks beautiful and collegiate with its old red brick buildings and fabulous clock tower, many of these buildings were built in the early part of the century. This creates a problem when laws are passed, like the American Disabilities Act. Are these buildings practical and "user-friendly" to all students?

Willamette's administration works hard to make these changes possible and for most buildings, access is not a problem.

All academic buildings on Willamette's campus have ramps and elevators, excepting the music building. Considering when these facilities were built, we have proven that our school changes with the times. That's

not to say that a few improvements couldn't be made. Though all dorms have ramps, only Kaneko has an elevator. This confines people in wheelchairs to the bottom levels. The sense of community that grows in a dorm is destroyed when you are unable to have access to upper levels. Residence halls are where students sit and watch *Must See TV*, hang out or just listen to music together. By being denied access to community areas, students miss out on the whole

**"We're doing it because it's the right thing to do."**

-Robin Smithro

Director of disability services

dorm life experience, as well as a large part of the college experience.

Willamette dorms are not the only places that needs improvement. Only one fraternity, Phi Delta Theta, and one sorority, Delta Gamma have ramps. None of the Greek houses have elevators. What happens when someone in a wheelchair wants to join a house? While, the school

is obligated by law to put in a ramp and adjust bathrooms, elevators are not mandatory. This summer, Willamette is building a ramp, and remodeling bathrooms at Sigma Chi for a new pledge. Robin Smithro, Director of Disability Services, says they are not doing it for federal reasons, "We're doing it because it's the right thing to do."

Even more improvements are on the way. In 1990, the American Disability Act made it mandatory that all programs be accessible to disabled persons. For instance, all school activities must be on lower levels of buildings or have elevator access. If there is no elevator, the program must be moved. The same holds true for classes. Many classes in the music building have been moved to accommodate disabled students. The law also states that public places need to be accessible to all people. Buildings built before the early part of the 1970's when the first disability acts were passed can get by as is, unless there is major construction, renovating, or remodeling done.

If buildings fail to comply with the ADA, the federal government will step in and issue fines. Because Willamette is a private university, the govern-

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# Bernstien's *West Side Story* told Willamette style

by Jasmin Chaudhary  
Staff Writer

**Willamette's theater department and choir department merge to create a large scale musical.**

Lenord Bernstien's classic musical, *West Side Story*, has captivated audiences for decades. The enduring story of love, diversity, and ultimately violence, has long embodied the social conflicts present not only in urban life, but in all aspects of society.

In the past, *West Side Story* has been the focus of numerous Hollywood renditions and Broadway musicals. The original musical was based on the love story of *Romeo and Juliet*, by William Shakespeare. Though the time and situation have been

changed, Shakespeare's timeless issues remain the same. In April, students at Willamette will be given the opportunity to see another wonderful rendition of *West Side Story*, minus the expensive Broadway tickets.

Willamette's, *West Side Story*, is directed by Valerie McIntosh and conducted by Dan Rousli. Willamette's interpretation of Bernstien's musical follows the familiar story of Maria and Tony, two star crossed lovers who find that their family and friends cannot look beyond their differences. They must struggle to decide where their hearts ultimately lie.

Playing the lead role of Maria will be Marika Paez, while J.J. Mckenna will play Tony. "The cast is really coming together, the final product will show our unity" says Freshman Kirsten Feyling.

Rebekah Stewart, the previous Danceforce choreographer, has taken the reins and has put

are very excited about the experience of being in such a large production.

When asked how she felt about the production, Angela Smith, a freshman cast in the role of Francisa, comments: "Opening night should be exciting. They couldn't have cast two better people to play the roles of Maria and Tony. There's a lot of talent in this production."

Although the production of *West Side Story* is still several months away, preparations for opening night are well underway and have been since December of last year, when auditions first began.

The production of *West Side Story* will be held April 3, 4 and 5 in Smith Auditorium. For information on tickets, contact the information desk on the first floor of the University Center.

**"The cast is really coming together, the final product will show our unity."**

Kirsten Feyling  
Freshman

together some great ensemble numbers that will light up the stage. Rehearsals started right after break, and cast members

# Pep band brings school spirit to Willamette

by Ellie Bayrd  
Features Editor

**Willamette's pep band is growing and is looking for ways to gain recognition by the University**

The pleasing sounds you may have heard at recent basketball games come from Willamette's very own pep band. Freshman Miles Ward, director and tuba player, along with 15 others, has worked hard to bring school spirit to Willamette sports. Having a pep band at games brings out the best in everyone. People get involved and bring support to the players. Willamette's pep band is hoping to bring these aspects to life in our own backyard.

By the next basketball game, the group will have expanded, bringing the grand total to eighteen. Though they play exclusively at basketball games for the

moment, the hope is that for the 1998-99 school year the pep band will have grown adequately, enabling them to play at football games. For this, they will need more than 50 members, with full sections for a complete sound. The band, as is, consists of a full brass section, trumpets, trombones, tuba, alto saxophone, tenor saxophone, baritone saxophone, clarinet, oboe, and drums.

The comfortable, relaxing atmosphere of playing at basketball games verses the restrictive atmosphere of concerts, appeal to many members who are not in Willamette's classical bands. Another aspect of pep bands

that draws people is the upbeat, exciting, and sometimes hit music they play. Miles says that "Two out of three of the trombone players don't play in the school band and mailed home for their instruments." Miles and the rest of the pep band have

been working very hard to get the band acknowledged by the school,

**"We are working on getting recognized by ASWU, to get more money."**

-Miles Ward  
Freshman

"We are working on getting recognized by ASWU to get more money." Money from ASWU could help buy more music to expand their music library. Next year, Miles hopes that the pep band members will be able to receive class credit for participation.

Some members of the pep band are forming their own band called 'Pig Pen' which will be a New Orleans style funk band. Miles wants interested students to know that the pep band is always looking for new members. You can catch the pep band at the basketball game this Saturday the 7th or contact Miles at



Miles Ward struts his stuff around the band room

## VOICES



Campus Opinion

**What should the question for this week be?**



"The five major countries involved in the Olympics"

Andrea Kemper,  
senior



"Price, patriotism, honor, hardwork, and ... ah, I don't know"

Mike Lee,  
freshman



"Honor, competition, excitement, knee clubbing, and tight asses."

Juliet Lane,  
junior

## Editorials

### Bearcat Athletics

Almost everyday, winter sport athletes are at practice busting their humps just to get the chance to play. They work hard day in and day out, and it is time to show a little appreciation.

Willamette is not a big school playing in big time athletics, but the athletes who do play for the love of the game. Most players realize that their careers will come to an end once they graduate from Willamette, but still want to play. Our University is not known for its athletes, it is known for its academics.

Where there is such a great deal of love for the game, it will always make the games more exciting and fun to be at. So, get out and support Bearcat Athletics.

### Why do we care?

In the midst of more sex scandals surrounding the Clinton administration, it is time to look at the subject from a different point of view. Who cares if Clinton is guilty of all these allegations?

All of these allegations are directed towards Clinton's personal life, and there is no real point to them. It is a bunch of reporters starved for news trying to create hype where there isn't any.

The fact is, once his term is up in three years, he cannot get re-elected. That is not that very long to wait to get a new president plus we are talking about the private life of this man. It obviously doesn't effect how he does his job, so what is the big deal?

People are talking like he should be impeached for what he is accused of doing. What good does that do? Then we've got our pal Al Gore in charge. Wow, what an improvement.

The whole scandal surrounding Clinton just aren't worth the public's attention or worry.

## Saddam and the sex scandals

### While media focuses on sex, Iraq hard at work

What has been happening in Iraq during the media frenzy over the sexual scandal involving the President and Monica Lewinsky? It seems as if the lack of attention in the media about Iraq means that the situation has been resolved. Unfortunately, the scandal has only obscured the developments in Iraq and not put a stop to them. Saddam is still steadfastly trying to develop weapons of mass destruction, and he is still being uncooperative towards the United Nations weapons inspectors. Diplomacy has already failed to alleviate the tension between Iraq and the US. Consequently, Secretary of State Albright is trying to rally support from allies in the Middle East. All of these developments are leading to the inevitability of US military action.

The majority of the US public is in support of a US military action against Iraq. However, some are still wondering why the situation wasn't resolved during the Persian Gulf War. What would have happened if the US sponsored coup d'etat by the Kurdish people was successful? Would the subsequent situation in Iraq better serve American interests? Probably not! Currently, Saddam's rattling of the saber allows the US to freely intervene in the Middle East. Without Saddam's aggressiveness the other

Arab countries in the region would most likely be hostile to the US intervening in the Middle East. To ensure regional stability and the stability of Israel the US needs to find permanent Arab allies. Fortunately, Saddam's attempt to annex Kuwait has enabled the US to build stronger ties with Jordan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, and many other major Arab countries, which were previously either hostile or neutral towards the US. These ongoing crises give the US a chance to strengthen diplo-

inspection teams. This would encourage the UN to lift its sanctions and scrutiny. Afterwards weapons and technology could be traded for oil. Iraq could then begin to amass and stockpile the components necessary for an arsenal of deadly weapons. The acquisition of deadly weapons is always easier when the US is not aware or does not object. A decade or two from now Iraq could have an arsenal capable of wreaking havoc all over the world. By biding his time a dictator can strategically deny the US a hand in Middle Eastern politics, and alienate the US from the Arab community.

Eventually this dictator could instigate a conflict with Israel, which would help to bring many Arab countries together. Fortunately, Saddam is not an insightful person. If he were, then he would have waited to stir up the hornet's nest.

A tyrant who is capable self-restraint is more dangerous than an impulsive one. Saddam's pettiness will allow the US to monitor the Middle East more effectively. Hence, Saddam should continue to rattle his saber so the US can continue to kick his ass!

#### Guest Editorial

Giau Bui

matic ties with its Arab allies, and help to create precedence for US intervention in the Middle East.

The recent developments in Iraq have many people believing that Saddam is a cunning and ruthless tyrant who needs to be deposed. In reality he is only a mediocre leader who has to make concessions to his ego by creating pain and suffering. If he were really cunning, which requires intelligence, then he would learn to use time better. A more intelligent dictator might agree to the stringent UN inspections and wait for the sanctions to be lifted. This theoretical dictator might even offer existing weapons to the UN

# Exploring the great unknown

Late Saturday evening, I found myself staring at the bottom of my empty Martini glass wondering where the night had gone. I was pondering my very existence when I realized another night had almost slipped by without my notice. As I sat back and listen to my friends drunken chatter, I was struck with an amazing epiphany.

It occurred to me that only a few hours ago we had been discussing what we should do for our nightly activity. The same dumb look came over all of our faces and we each agreed that there was absolutely nothing to do in this crappy city we call Salem. We all took turns bashing what we called "So-lame", and the freaky people who live across the street at the capital building. Our bashing had become a habit and went hand in hand with our boredom. We dreamt of being where the action was and doing something fun. The idea of spending the night on the town bounced through our minds with reckless abandon. We all wanted to be where the action was,

and we didn't think it was Salem.

But as my sobering epiphany began to sink in, I realized it was our own fault for another night of boredom and complaining. All we had done was sit around like a bunch of lazy bums and complain. We needed to get off our duffs and find some fun.

Many a time I have heard, and have said, there is nothing to do in Salem. But alas, that is untrue. There are plenty of activities for people to do, the only thing that lacks is the motivation and effort to do them.

Think of all the things Salem offers. For those over the legal drinking age, there are bars to quench your thirst, for those under, there is capitol market.

But besides drinking there are a plethora of different things. There are three different movie theaters in the area, and at least 42 movie rental places. Chuck-E-Cheese, where a kid can be a kid, is located down Lancaster and can provide hours of entertainment with

the right attitude and a little cash. There is Pee Wee golf on Lancaster as well, for all you somewhat athletic people. There is also rumored to be a roller skating place, but I haven't found that yet.

Besides these activities that cost money, there are other, cheaper opportunities. Bush Park is a stone's throw away and with its open fields, makes it's easy to play just about any sport. Bush also supplies ample hills which quickly turn to slick mud after successive slides down them. There is also a skate park downtown, for any one with a bike or skateboard, or someone who likes to see human suffrage.

There is also our own Willamette University. The quad has ample opportunity for sports, and if the lamp posts and Mill stream are used right, it makes for one hell of a night golf course. Sparks center, although the hours are not that great, can provide an indoor place to play just about any sport. Even the

skywalk to Kaneko can be used as entertainment. Besides trying to spit on cars, one can gain incredible speed and excitement by sitting atop a block off ice and descending down the long straight-away toward sparks\*. (Note: For safety reasons, place mattress in front of pole located at bottom of hill.)

All these activities were not the importance or the depth of what my epiphany was all about. It was motivation and attitude, and as the sun began to rise on the start of the next day, I became fully aware of my ingenious trance. I had tried to come up with something I wanted to do but couldn't because Salem didn't have it and I couldn't.

I had come to realize there has to be want and desire to surpass my boredom and I resolve to seek adventure and excitement instead of sitting around complaining and feeling sorry for myself.

My epiphany struck a deep cord within telling me my life was passing me by. After all, your life should be what you make of it, not what it makes of you.

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Michael Benkoski

# The good, the bad, and the Goudy

## The real scoop on Goudy Commons

As the clock hits five, I realize the routine is about to begin again. My buds will be stopping by in a matter of moments to go off to eat.

It is a typical week night, and I hear the clatter of my friends coming down the hall. I grab a jacket and am ready to go by the time they reach my door. We head out and are once again on the way to Goudy.

My usual ego-muffin with ham, french fries and a soda, oh wait we are in Oregon, pop, has worn off and the beginning pains of hunger are creeping up on me.

We saunter up to the nice lady swiping the cards and say "hey" during the awkward 3 seconds it takes her to run your card.

I purose the joint, noticing the blue ceiling, give a quick nod to the sandwich god Rafael and go on my merry way. The walk to the tables is a difficult one, any spillage could lead to humiliation.

As I strolled toward the round table smack in the middle of the giant eating area, I realized all the hunger I had just a few moments ago had vanished. Once again I had entered Goudy prepared to stuff my face with delicacies of all kinds. And once again, I opted for the Pizza Bar.

As always, I sit with my friends and we begin to piss and moan about the food

quality. Our cracks about Goudy dinners are usually the same. We laugh the same chuckles at the same remarks made almost every time. Soon we are laughing pretty hard and then our laughter turn to groans when someone decides to make a rice ball or drops their beans to make that appetizing splat sound.

After our chuckles and groans subside, we realize that we are going to eat what we have picked out and the tone suddenly gets more serious. It is at this point in our meal that our nightly ritual of checking out chicks begins.

As we eat and watch the incoming crowd, each girl is rated on a scale of 1-10, but 6.9 being the highest. Every member of the round table discussion

shares his rating with the other members and either a debate ensues or a moment of staring silence.

The military system of location is used to spy out a hot chick. For example, one member of the round table may say, "My three." Meaning: "check out the girl directly to my right". This system works well, but can get complicated on crowded nights. Any miscommunication can be deadly, especially if a debate ensues and the argument is about different girls.

Obviously there are code names for all of these girls. Whether it is Kaneko third, UC woman, or RA 1st floor, each member knows

who is meant when the nickname is announced.

The arrival of any one of the "Goudy Chicks" means for the corresponding member their day has been made and is fully complete. Don't get me wrong here, this is not a group of pathetic stalkers who go ape when we see a girl, it is simply finding best of our situation.

Anytime I go to Goudy, no matter how bad the food, I have a good time. People may bash the food, but it really isn't bad. For mass production it is a lot better than other colleges around the nation. But the food is just a part of the Goudy experience. It is what goes on, the laughs shared and the stories and conversations you have with your friends. It is the brilliant quotes said and the beautiful women

who eat there.

Although the Goudy food can be hit or miss, a good time is always had. To put it in the words of my friend, "The food sucks, but the T. and A. keeps us coming back for more."

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# There is nothing better than a good prank

## It is time for students to let loose a little

Imagine coming back to your dorm room from a hard night on the town or a long drive. It is around 4:30 in the morning and all you want to do is to get into bed and fall asleep. You open your door, flick on the lights, and something just doesn't look right. Everything in your room has been moved to the opposite side. We are talking the full job here. Bed, refrigerator, posters, clothes, drawers, pictures on the wall, the TV and computer, everything.

After the initial shock and the question of "What the hell happened?" you decide to crawl into bed and get some sleep and figure things out in the morning. As you go stretch your feet out, they are stopped abruptly by the sheet. To add to the shock of your new room, your bed has been short sheeted and in order to have a good night's sleep you have to totally remake your bed.

You have been the victim of a brilliant prank. Chances are someone was having a little fun at your expense. But here at Willamette, things like this don't happen often enough. Students need to let loose a little, and play some good old-fashioned pranks.

Too many students here are up-tight and into their studies way too much. I understand the point of college is for an education, especially at a school like Willamette, but college is also to have the best times of your life. It is time to grow not only mentally, but socially. You can be a kid for possibly the last

time in your life.

College life should be about having the most fun possible while learning. I understand the concept of balance, but there is no harm in pulling an all-nighter one night, if it means a road trip the next.

Be spontaneous and go out late at night. If there is a party, go to it. Don't spend your college years locked up in the library getting book smart. Go out and experience life and learn about the real world. I'm not saying fail all of your classes and drop out, but I am saying lighten up a little.

The college experience is one which is supposed to be full of good times. I want to look back on my college days with fond memories of

crazy times and lots of laughs.

I want to have stories like the ones my dad tells me. Like the one about the time his RA went out of town and they cleared out all of his stuff, I mean completely bare, and put in straw and hay. Then they went to some pet shop and bought a pig and some other farm animals. When their RA got back at 2:00 in the morning, his room was a barn yard.

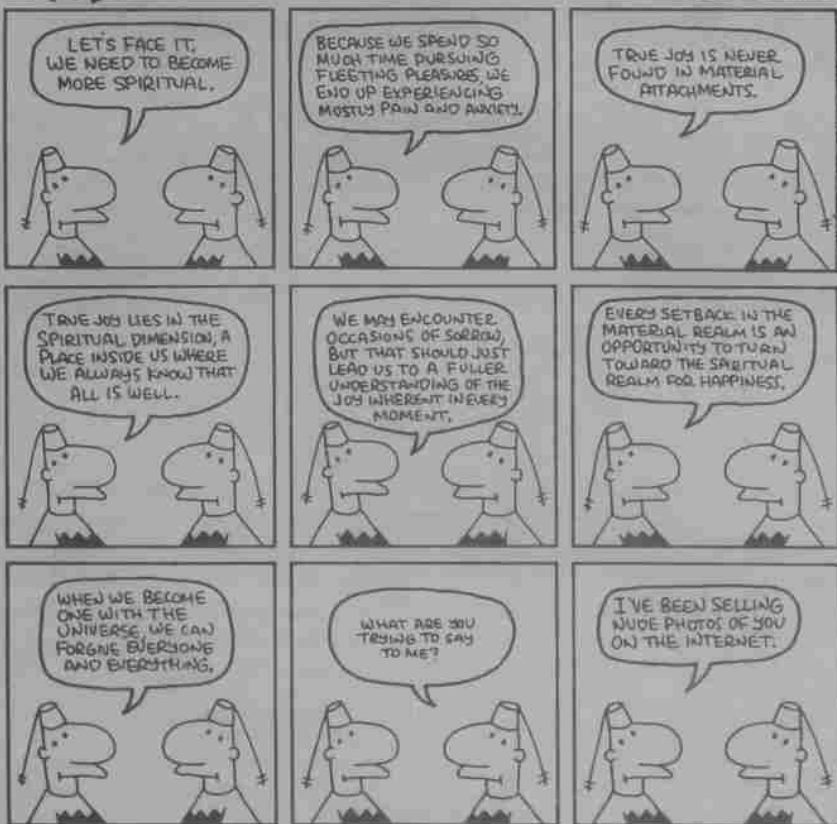
It was stories like these that made want to go to college, to experience life, to have funny stories I could tell my kids. So far I have not witnessed many funny stories or crazy things. As students we need to cause more havoc. I don't mean destruction of property or anything of that nature. I just mean some good, old-fashioned fun.

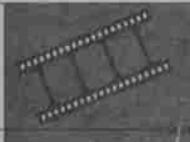
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## Film

### GREAT EXPECTATIONS

- **Director:** Alfonso Cuaron
- **Starring:** Ethan Hawke, Gwyneth Paltrow
- **Comment:** Great retelling of Dicken's classic tale.

For those of you who aren't familiar with Charles Dickens classic tale *Great Expectations*, seeing this 90's remake by Alfonso Cuaron will be an exciting experience. People familiar with the original text are cautioned that the director takes a new spin on the story and changes much of the dialogue. Overall Cuaron's *Great*

*Expectations* is a fabulous version of Charles Dicken's original novel.

The love story is told through the eyes of Finnegan Bell, played by actor Ethan Hawke (*Reality Bites*, *Dead Poets Society*) Hawke's character begins the tale as a young boy, living with his aunt and uncle in a poor area of Florida. As the tale progresses, Finn is invited to 'Paradiso Paradoto' where rich eccentric Nora Dinsmoor and her neice, Estella live. The amazing estate looks like deserted paradise. A beautiful pool and lush ivy hide the fabulous mansion. The character of Dinsmoor

is played by veteran actress Anne Bancroft (*Home for the Holidays*, *GI Jane*), who lights up the stage with her enthusiasm.

Dinsmoor seems to orchestrate the lives of Finn and Estella through the film, though it seems like her objective is to break his heart. Estella, played by Gwyneth Paltrow (*Emma*, *Seven*) is a cold calculating player. When Finn paints her portrait, she discards it, though she later makes a pass at him. She continues to plague him as they grow older and he falls deeper in love with her. When she moves on with her life, he

gives up on enjoying life, until a mysterious benefactor finances a art showing for him in New York. (The actual artwork for the film was provided by Francesco Clemente) In New York, Finn meets up with Estella and much of his past that he tried to leave behind.

Though the story is depressing at parts, the acting is spectacular and the ending makes it all worth while. It gives a true to life look at modern love and relationships. Ethan Hawke, Gwyneth Paltrow and Anne Bancroft give spectacular performances. Even though I

wanted to slap Paltrow's Estella throughout most of the movie. Robert DeNiro (*Heat*, *Wag the Dog*) and Hank Azaria (*Grosse Pointe Blank*, *The Birdcage*) are fabulous in their small, but pivotal roles. I really enjoyed seeing this new 90's version, even though I am not a fan of Charles Dickens novel. The eclectic soundtrack for *Great Expectations* boasts new music from The Verve Pipe and Tori Amos and is available from Atlantic records. It is a mix of popular and alternative music which will appeal to people with different tastes.

-by, Ellie Bayrd

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# Life after the Broncos

## Top ten sporting events to look for in 1998



men's  
**Football**

by Matt Kosderka,  
Staff Writer

This year's Super Bowl was as complete as it gets: two great teams, the best quarterback in football, a sentimental fan-favorite, a great half-time show and a tight, exciting victory that gave the AFC its first title since 1983. In light of this, it would be easy to view the rest of the goings on in the sports world as purely anticlimactic in this early part of 1998. However, there is plenty of life after football for the die hard sports fan if you just look around a little. Here are ten reasons to get excited about the sports world even though the football season is over.



1. College Hoops. Is there really anything better than college basketball? With the Big Dance only six weeks away and conference rivalries heating up all over America, February is a key month for NCAA hoopsters and their fans. Three teams are apparent favorites: North Carolina, led by inside-out tandem Antoine Jamison and Vince Carter; Duke, paced by the sharp-shooting Trajan Langdon and great team

play; and defending champs Arizona, currently averaging an amazing 96 points a game on the backs of sweet guard play from Mike Bibby and Miles Simon. Stanford, Princeton, Connecticut, Purdue and Utah are more pretenders than contenders, despite their high AP rankings, and nobody can overlook UCLA, New Mexico or Southern Carolina once we get closer to the Tourney. They don't call it March Madness for nothing.

2. Tiger Woods. With the PGA Tour just getting underway three weeks ago, Woods has already claimed his first tournament of the season. The man is only twenty-two years old and most golfers stay professional until at least the age of 60, so it seems to me to be a matter of time before Tiger becomes the first golfer since Bobby Jones to win all the Grand Slam events in the same year. Although anybody who saw him tossing clubs around the course in frustration during last year's US Open has to question his mental maturity, Tiger's physical ball-striking abilities leave no doubt as to who the greatest golfer in the world is today.

3. The NBA. Hmmm. Truthfully, if it weren't for young, exciting teams like the Cavaliers and the Nets, the Eastern Conference would only have Larry Bird's Pacers as something even resembling an interesting surprise. In the West, the Lake Show starring Shaq Fu Vs the

Sonics will be as good a conference race as basketball can deliver. But the question still remains as to whether or not anybody can beat the Bulls in a seven game series. Anybody want a six pack?

4. Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan. NHL players will be allowed to play in the hockey competition for the first time which should allow for some good, hard fought games, especially between the US and Canada. If you are planning on tuning in for the curling, ice skating or bobsledding all I can say is that there is no accounting for taste. Luge and all of the skiing events will be fun to watch if the Japanese can figure out how to stick some snow on their mountain. El Nino strikes again!

5. Spring Training. The only thing that is certain going into this baseball season is that the Florida Marlins will not repeat as World Series Champs after their team was virtually dismantled during the off-season. Spring training games start in the middle of March and the season opens on April 5th with two new teams, the Tampa Bay Devil Rays (AL) and the Arizona Diamondbacks (NL) serving to dilute the talent in the Majors just a little bit more.

6. Women's Tennis. Although the lovable Martina Hingis continued her domination of the Women's ATP Tour with a win in last week's Australian Open, new-

comers like the Williams sisters, Venus (17) and Zarina (16) are breathing exciting life into a sport that needed it. Does the men's tour even exist anymore?

7. The Seattle Mariners. Although trade rumors are swirling around ace lefty Randy Johnson, ARod, Junior, Edgar and Jay are enough to keep the Northwest's best fans jacked up enough to fill up the dismal Kingdome on consistent basis. Look for more of the same from the M's, lots of runs scored and no bullpen help. If RJ really is traded, Mariner fans better hope that a new #1 starter is part of the deal or else they might be in for a long season.

8. The Trail Blazers. Sorry Sonics fans, but Salem really is just a suburb of P-Town and the Trail Gangsters occasionally play some interesting basketball. Also J.R. Rider hasn't been in trouble for two months, setting a personal best.

9. The Portland Winterhawks. Only about forty-five minutes away from Willamette lies the best team in the Western Hockey League. Get a bunch of friends together and go up and watch them play, you won't regret it.

10. Willamette Sports. The Winter season is underway and spring is just around the corner featuring a Bearcat Baseball Squad

that finished a half-game out of first place last year. Watching your fellow students excel on the athletic field is a great way to relax.

Just for good measure, here are five things not to get excited about.

1. The Denver Nuggets. 4-41? Congratulations Denver, on winning seven percent of your games. The only thing remotely interesting about this team, besides Bobby Jackson's ears, are whether or not they will set the NBA record for one-season futility.

2. The WNBA and the ABL. Is there anything that we need less than two women's basketball leagues?

3. Heavyweight Boxing. Until Lennox Lewis fights Evander I couldn't care less about the big guys. If you want decent boxing nowadays, you have to go to the lighter weights.

4. Latrell Sprewell. I'm sick of hearing about "the incident." Go away Latrell, you were suspended from the NBA and you deserve it. Face the facts.

5. Charles Barkley. When will we understand that his Royal Roundness is an ingrate who can't keep his mouth shut? If you are still listening to what this guys says and not shaking your head you deserve to to be thrown through a window.



# Lacrosse gives women new sport at WU



women's  
**Lacrosse**

by Spencer Green,  
Sports Editor

## Women's lacrosse emerging as a new sport at Willamette

Women's lacrosse, unlike the men's game, is not a full contact sport but that doesn't mean that it is not physically demanding. Players are constantly running the entire length of the field and moving to get open. Amanda Zee, one of the more formidable women's players as well as the leader of the team, described the sport as "a cross between field hockey and lacrosse." Women are equipped with a stick, but no padding. The only contact that can be made is when one player hits another players stick which means that women's lacrosse is a game of quickness and extraordinary skill. The most distinguishing component of the women's game, though apparently missing at Willamette so far, is the traditional uniform which consists of a kilt.

Whether they wear kilts or not, it is great to see the expansion of athletics at Willamette and all women are welcomed to give lacrosse a try. (Practices are Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri from 4-5 pm @ Brown Field)



Amanda Zee and Stephanie Ross practice passing at Brown Field

Women's lacrosse emerging as a new sport at Willamette

There is a new sight on campus these days and it is not the construction of the new music building. With the guidance of women's basketball coach Paula Petri, a girls lacrosse club has formed at Willamette. Though still in the developing stages, Willamette's women lax players have been assembling at Brown Field in the afternoons to take part in a sport originally developed by Native-Americans.

Women's lacrosse, predominately a sport played on the east coast, is now starting to gain popularity in the Pacific Northwest. Petri, who both played and coached at the Division I collegiate level, says, "There are about four or five other collegiate teams in the Northwest, but many regional schools and clubs are in the process of developing programs."

# Down the backstretch towards Nationals

## Swimmers make final bids for national honors

### Swimming

Season coverage by  
Peter Osborne



The Willamette University Swim Team goes into its final two meets of the regular season off of a high note this last Saturday by defeating Lewis and Clark University. Both the mens and womens team scored victories over the diminutive Lewis and Clark Team, but for many it was on of the Better meets. "It was fun to see everyone so spirited and enjoying the meet," said senior Siri McElliott. The meet was the final home meet for seniors McElliott and Erin Smith, the only two seniors on the whole team. For some on the team it meant another chance to qualify for nationals, but for others it was a chance to work on some of their off events.

This latest win was nothing new for the Bearcat Swimmers. At six and one, the women are on pace to win eight before heading

into the Northwest Conference Championships in Portland, while a much improved Mens squad has already improved on last years three win season by already winning four meets and having two left before conference. Sophomore Justin Hopkins sees the team as much improved. "Most people are swimming faster. We've already had six guys qualify for Nationals, and three of them did it against Lewis and Clark." This success has come on the heels of a good recruiting class and a shift in coaching that put Assistant Coach Al Stevens as Head coach of the team. For some of the swimmers like Hopkins there is little difference. "I think that there is more of a change for him personally, but as far as the swimmers go, there isn't much of a difference." Not all swimmers feel as Hopkins does. Siri McElliott feels that, "Coach Hopkins is a bit more vocal than last year but still pretty cool."

Then next few weeks pose a challenge for those swimmers that have not yet qualified for Nationals and is a chance to taper down and get further prepared for those who already have.



A member of the women's team exemplifies excellent form in the butterfly all the way to the finish

## Women's basketball looking to finish strong and make playoffs

### women's Basketball

By Dillon Shea  
Staff Writer



The Bearcat women came away from their annual eastern Washington road trip with a split, beating Whitman Saturday night after a disappointing loss to Whitworth on Friday. The Bearcats and Linfield are in a tie for fifth place in the conference with a record of 6-5.

The Bearcats started off strong against Whitworth, taking a six point lead into halftime. Willamette extended the lead to 15 in the opening minutes of the second half, before sophomore center, Kirstin Anderson had to sit down with four fouls. With Anderson, the Bearcats leading scorer and rebounder out of the game, the Pirates went on a 29-9 run to take control of the game. By the time Anderson got back into the game, with five minutes left, Willamette had lost it's commanding lead. Petrie said, "Whenever Kirstin has to sit out for ten minutes it is obviously going to change our game."

Despite the loss, head coach Paula Petrie said she was happy with the team's first half play. "I was happy with how we finished the first half. Gina Pieretti and Jami Madsen did a great job inside, it was a very physical game." Anderson had a double double, leading the

team with 14 points and 12 rebounds. Junior, Peggy Waliezer also chipped in with 13 points.

The Bearcats fared better Saturday night against Whitman. Petrie said, "I thought we came back well, after the loss on Friday." The Bearcats were up by 11 points at the half, before Whitman battled

will match up against Lewis & Clark, which is currently in seventh place in the conference. Saturday night, the Bearcats will play 9-2 Puget sound, which is in second place in the conference.

Anderson, who is averaging 16.4 points a game is second in the conference in scoring. She also

ranks third in rebounding and field goal percentage. Anderson's field goal percentage, .569, is eleventh in the nation. Freshman Kelly

*I thought we came back well, after the loss on Friday "*

— Paula Petrie  
Head Coach

back to take a lead. Willamette, however, recovered and took control of the game for 75-70 win. Anderson racked up her second double double in as many nights, again leading the team with 19 points and eight rebounds. Waliezer also had a big night pouring in 18 points for the Bearcats.

With seven games remaining in the regular season, the Bearcats still have their eyes set on the playoffs. The top four teams in the conference advance to the playoffs, Petrie thinks the team still has a chance but, she recognizes the team, "Must win all seven to advance to the playoffs." The Bearcats begin a four game homestand this weekend, Friday night, Willamette

Sorenson is second on the team in scoring with an average of 11.1 a game. She is also leading the conference and is fourth in the nation with her .470 3-point field goal percentage. Sorenson ranks sixth in the conference in steals with 2.35 a game. Junior point guard Kaylyn Charriere is first in the conference and eleventh in the nation with six assists per game. Sophomore, Allison Wick is fourth in the conference in both blocked shots and field goal percentage.

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# Men's hoops drops a pair; four game homestand coming up



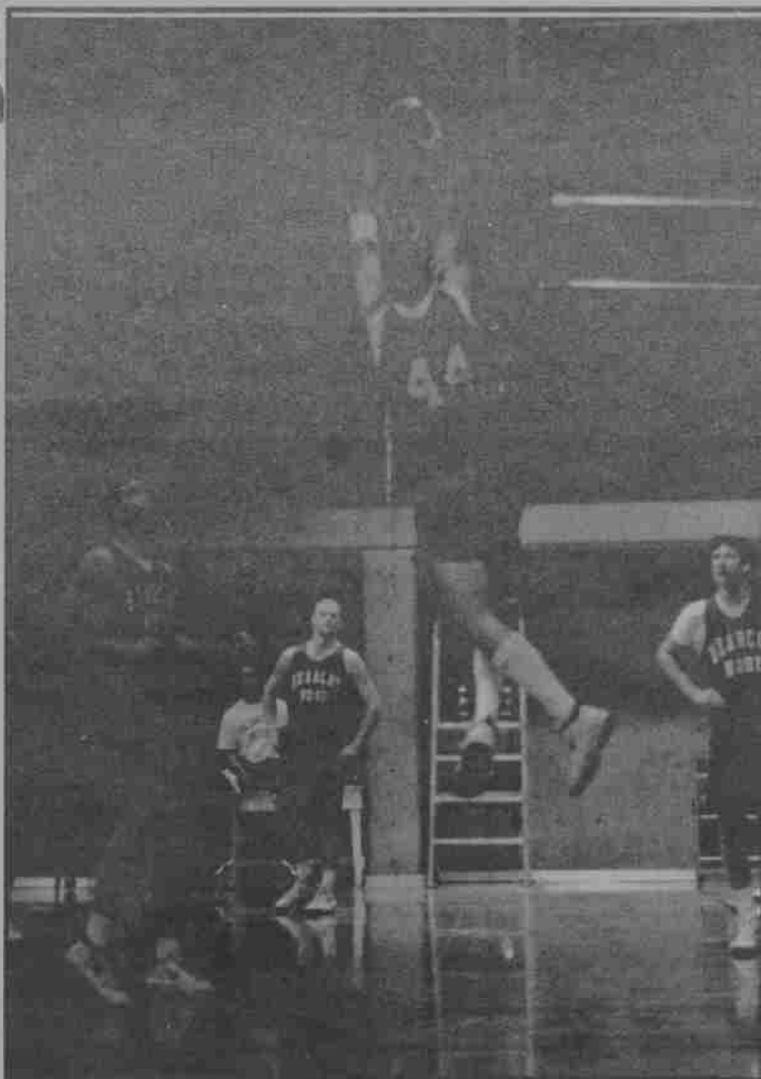
The Willamette Men's basketball team dropped a pair of road games last weekend to Whitworth and Whitman. The final score of the Whitworth game was 61-74. Against Whitman, the Bearcats, played close, but lost by a final score of 59-65. The two losses dropped the Bearcats to 9-8 overall with a 5-6 conference record, leaving them in a tie for sixth place.

Whitworth is leading the conference race with a 9-2 record and is currently the No. 5-ranked team in the nation. "We played well defensively, but we also made some mistakes that hurt us," said head coach Gordie James. Sophomore, Jason Downey lead the team with 12 points against and junior, Jimmy Watts lead the team with seven rebounds.

The following night, Willamette played Whitman, the number five team in the conference. "We played our best defensive game of the year against Whitman," said James. Willamette was down by three points at the half, but the Bearcats were never able to establish a lead. The Bearcats, may have fared better had they not shot just three of 22 from the three point strip for the weekend.

Commenting on the game against Whitman, James said, "It was as good a second night effort as we have ever had on the trip. It is always a tough two games." Mitch Gregg lead the Bearcats with 12 points, he and Watts also lead the team with six rebounds a piece. James said his interior players, Gregg, Downey and Watts, in particular had a good weekend.

The Bearcats open up a four game homestand this weekend, hosting Lewis & Clark and Puget Sound. Lewis & Clark is second in the conference and was ranked No. 12 in this week's NAIA poll. Puget Sound is 5-6 and tied for sixth in the conference with Willamette. Earlier this season, the Bearcats beat both Lewis &



A Willamette player performs a sweet dunk during practice as his teammates look on in disbelief

Clark and Puget Sound on the road. Lewis & Clark, ranked third in the nation at the time, got blown out by the Bearcats 95-77.

With seven conference games left, the Bearcats still have a chance at making the playoffs, but

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- Gordie James  
Head Coach

they cannot afford many more losses. "This is a huge weekend against Lewis & Clark and Puget Sound. We need to get back in the playoff hunt," said James.

The Bearcats feature a balanced offensive attack, with no player averaging more than 11 points a game. Three players, however all average over ten points a game. Kevin VandenBrink is lead-

ing the team with an average of 10.9 points a game, followed closely by Brad Nelson and Shawn Gahr with 10.6 and 10.5 points per game, respectively. Downey is not far behind his teammates, the sophomore is averaging 9.8 points per game.

VandenBrink is and Watts are leading the team in rebounds with 5.6 and 5.4 per game. VandenBrink is also in the top ten in the conference in 3-point field goal percentage, .464, and steals 1.65 per game. Gregg is the only Bearcat player who is in the top 20 in any individual category, his

.603 field goal percentage places him nineteenth in the nation. Gregg is also fourth in the conference with 20 blocks. Gahr is eighth in the conference with 3.9 assists per game and Downey's .558 field goal percentage is currently ninth best in the conference.

## BEARCAT BOX SCORES



### MENS' Basketball

#### Conference Standings

	W	L
Whitworth (13-4)	9	2
Lewis & Clark (14-4)	9	3
George Fox (10-7)	8	3
Pacific Lutheran(11-7)	7	5
Whitman(8-9)	6	5
Willamette(9-8)	5	6
Puget Sound (7-9)	5	6
Linfield (6-11)	4	7
Pacific (4-12)	2	9
Seattle (3-15)	1	10

Standings current as of January 24th

Last Week  
Fri.-Sat., January 30-31  
Whitworth def. WU 74-61  
Whitman def WU 65-59

This Week  
Fri.-Sat., February 6-7  
Lewis & Clark at WU.  
Puget Sound at WU



### WOMENS' Basketball

#### Conference Standings

	W	L
Pacific Lutheran (11-5)	10	2
Puget Sound (8-8)	9	2
George Fox (9-6)	8	3
Whitworth (6-8)	7	4
Linfield(8-9)		
Willamette(8-8)	5	5
Seattle (7-6)	5	5
Pacific (4-13)	2	9
Lewis & Clark (3-15)	2	10
Whitman (2-14)	1	9

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### MENS' Swimming

#### 1997-98 Meet Results

Date	Results
Nov.1	PSU 130, @ WU 75
Nov.8	Cen. WA 121, @ WU 84
Nov.14	@WU 124, Seattle 75
Nov.22	@ Lin. 125, WU79
Jan.17	@WU 113, PLU 88
Jan.24	WU 146, Ev. St. 17

Last Week  
Saturday, January 24  
Willamette def.  
Lewis & Clark

This Week  
Saturday, January 31  
Willamette at Whitman  
Willamette at Whitworth



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Willamette at Whitworth

## Prestigious Poets come to campus

**Clemens Starck, Willamette's current poet-in-residence, is among eight Northwest poets to come to campus this semester.**

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Willamette will be honored with the presence of a poet-in-residence on campus for the spring semester. Award winning poet, Clemens Starck, who will be teaching a Thursday evening poetry writing course, was awarded his residency through the Witter Bynner Foundation for Poetry, the first time that Willamette has been a recipient of such a prestigious award.

Starck, a carpenter by trade, is widely published and was awarded the Oregon Book Award for Poetry in 1996 for his "Journeyman's Wages". He is not new to the Willamette community having taught here twice before as well as leading a group of students to Russia.

In addition to teaching, Starck will also be a part of the Eight Northwest Poets series that will begin Friday, February 6. He, along with the Witter Bynner Foundation, Ann Copeland who is the Hallie Brown Ford Chair in English and the English Department, have organized the series, which

as its name indicates, will feature eight of the northwest's most talented poets.

Tonight, the first night, will feature University of Oregon professor Dorainne Laux, who is the author of two poetry collections, as well as Ingrid Wendt, winner of the 1988 Oregon Book Award. Two weeks later, on Friday, February 27, Carlos Reyes, publisher of Trask House Books, Inc., will join 1992 Oregon Book Award winner Vern Rutsala. Friday, March 13 will bring Barbara Drake, who is the author of five poetry books as well as two textbooks on writing poetry, and widely published professional gardener Charles Goodrich. Starck and Robert Peterson, a former Willamette poet-in-residence and author of nine poetry collections will present their poetry on Friday April 10. The last session of the series on Friday May 1, will consist of readings by students from Starck's poetry class. All readings take place on Friday nights at 7 PM in the Hatfield Room.

The presence of Starck will give students the opportunity to explore their poetry writing skills under the guidance of an award-winning poet and the Willamette community will have the opportunity to experience outstanding poetry.

## Gang activity is also on the rise

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sively marijuana incidents," Stout said. "We know other substances exist on campus but not to a great degree." I think the resident assistants feel a definite responsibility to report these problems, Stout said.

The increase in gang activity has not

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made a huge jump, with only four cases reported this year. However, when compared to zero incidents of gang activity in 1996, Campus Safety is keeping their eyes

open for any trouble. "There are 1200 known gang members in Salem," Stout said. "This does not make it a huge problem, but it is a problem." Many of the gangs are not centered in the Willamette area of Salem, but there is a known White Supremacist (skinhead) group in the TIUA area of campus. "We are keeping a watch on it," said Stout.

There have been numerous complaints against Campus Safety this year, due to the recent increase in crime. However, there has been an increase in enforcement and numerous outside calls have been made to Campus Safety regarding suspicious activity. These calls are one of the greatest assets of Campus Safety. "Please call Campus Safety if you see suspicious activity," Stout said. "We need to be called immediately, it really increases the chance of safety."

## Military recruiters still coming to Willamette

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aimed at informing the campus, and specifically the Board of Trustees, of the possibilities that the University has, and the repercussions of these choices.

Willamette adopted its non-discrimination policy in 1982. Since the U.S. military cannot provide credible proof of non-discrimination based on sexual orientation, they have not been permitted to recruit on campus.

In 1996, however, Congress amended the Solomon Act so that it denied federal funds to those Universities that limited military access to their college. Thus in July, 1997, the Defense Department listed ten schools, including Willamette University's College of Law, which were ineligible for federal funds due to their violation of this amendment. Later, this penalty was extended to include the entire University. Realizing the potential loss of millions of dollars in student aid, Interim President Johnston made a temporary exception to Willamette's policy to exclude the military.

The faculty of the Law School issued a resolution in September that "urges the Board of Trustees to immediately retain expert civil rights counsel to represent the University... subject to advice of counsel, to immediately institute litigation... [and] explicitly limit the duration of the exception to the Non-Discrimination policy." On October 10, the Student Bar Association "urges that the exception [to the Non-discrimination policy]... be terminated

at the earliest possible date." Finally, on the 14th, the College of Liberal Arts' faculty produced a statement to "urge the Board of Trustees to support the president's initiative to consider (and if feasible to pursue) litigation to protect our non-discrimination policies."

The issue became more visible when, on October 15, a United States Army recruiter came to the Law School. Two rallies were held in protest, with approximately 75 people in attendance. An open-mike session was held in the afternoon, when law professors and a few students voiced their opinions. Some supported the suggestion to seek legal council. Others were willing to risk a loss of money and fight for their beliefs.

These suggestions did not go unheard. The Board of Trustees gathered on October 24 and formed a committee to review the issue. They also asked Constitutional Law attorney Charlie Hinkle to study the legal issues and develop some options and strategies. These findings will be discussed in their meeting this month.

The last official stand by a group was adopted on November 14, when the College of Law's Board of Visitors urged "the Board of Trustees of Willamette University to reinstate" the non-discrimination policy. The Board of Trustees meets again on February 21 to listen to the suggestions of the committee formed to research this issue.

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