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Olsen out, Hibbard in at registrar's desk

By CHRIS FOSS

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After 13 years in the position, registrar Paul Olsen departed Willamette in late July. His position has been filled on an interim basis by emeritus Willamette economics professor Tom Hibbard.

According to a report by the Salem Statesman Journal, Olsen left Willamette to begin a consulting job with Datatel Corp. Datatel is a company that works with universities to assist in the management of human resources.

Dean of the College of Liberal Arts Carol Long said that a search committee is currently being formed to find a permanent replacement for Olsen. They plan to find an excellent candidate who will be able to join in January. Long also said that those interested are invited to visit with candidates for the position when they are brought to campus.

In the meantime, Olsen's somewhat sudden departure left Long needing a temporary replacement for him. "I learned about Paul's plans in early July, so we did not have a long time to plan for the transition," she said. Because they needed to move quickly, Tom Hibbard was asked if he was willing to step in as interim registrar. He has long experience with the university and knows it well.

Hibbard came to Willamette in 1973 following teaching stints at the Claremont Colleges, Middlebury College, Simon Fraser University and Oregon State University. He retired from full-time duty in May 2003, but did teach one economics class last term.

Hibbard acknowledged the speed of his transition, but said

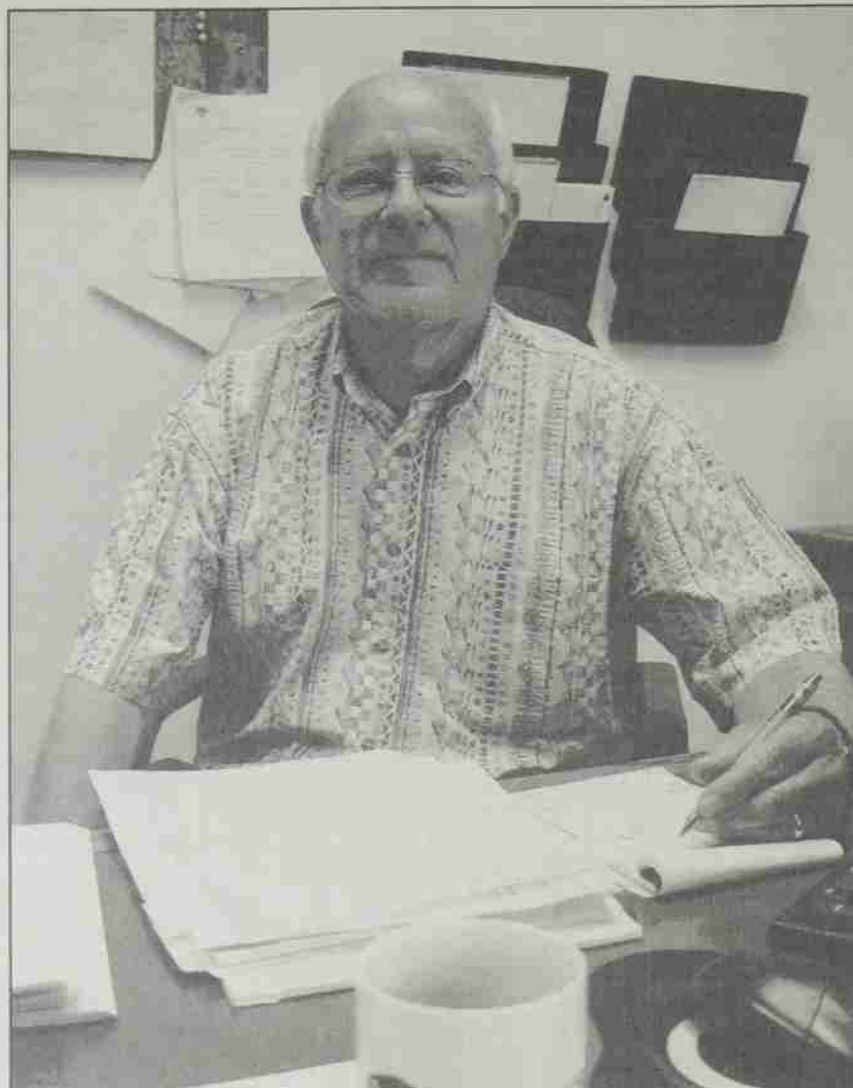
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Tom Hibbard gears up for the challenge his job as registrar.

that Olsen's staff is helping him to learn the ropes at his new job. "I'm sure I'll be learning my job until I return full-time to bingo and crossword puzzles when my interim days are over," he said. "Permanent registrars have specific knowledge that I won't acquire during my short tenure. Accordingly, I'll try to focus on duties that utilize my background as a long-time Willamette faculty member."

Hibbard's prior experience at Willamette includes stints as an Associate Dean, a faculty athletic representative and a member of the Academic Council. This is not his first experience as interim head of a campus department: he once served as the interim director of the Office of International Education.

Despite the changes, Long expressed hope that the registrar's office will be business as usual. "I

think the transition has gone relatively smoothly," Long said. "First-year registration has settled out well, and we are ready for Opening Days. The Dean's Office works closely with the registrar's office, and we are trying to help in any way we can. The Associate Deans, Ann Nicgorski and Jerry Gray, will continue to assist with the fall opening, and we will all work to respond quickly to any issues that arise."

Hibbard shared similar sentiments. "I do hope that it will be business as usual for our students, and faculty and administrators too," he said. "There are four of us in the office, and the other three have been working shoulder to shoulder with registrars for some time. I imagine we'll stumble a time or two, but overall I expect we'll measure up well in serving the Willamette community."



PHOTO COURTESY OF KANEKO BUILDING COMMITTEE

Projected view of the new Kaneko Commons from the perspective of home base on the softball field.

Kaneko residents: watch your heads

By JEFF CARLSON
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Students moving into Kaneko will likely notice some busy activity around their building as they settle into their rooms for the 2005-2006 school year.

During Opening Days, the university plans to move into the first phase of its Kaneko Commons project, the setup of the construction zone. The new building, with significant work expected to begin in the latter part of September, is the first of possibly four commons to be erected on campus in the coming years in order for the university to accommodate more students on campus.

Assistant Dean of Campus Life David Rigsby said that the commons project has four overall goals: to house more upperclassmen on campus, to increase interactions between students of different classes, provide autonomous, self-governing communities for students; and to join the curricular and co-curricular sides of college life by having a faculty member live amongst the students.

Rigsby considered the fourth goal particularly important. "When you have 300 students or so living together for years along with faculty, they get a unique ethos and attitude that enrich the experience," Rigsby said.

On the construction itself, Rigsby said the time between groundbreaking in May and Opening Days was primarily spent reviewing and finalizing plans and applying for building permits. "We're being very diligent about making sure this is what we want before we real-

ly break ground," he said.

The question of how much parking space will be lost to the construction zone is, as of this writing, still unanswered. "That quotient is still in flux," Jan Gardner, project manager for the university physical plant, said. "The university's new emphasis on sustainability may possibly lead to fewer parking spaces in the future, but we're still fairly sensitive to the parking issue," he said.

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physical plant project
manager

According to Sam Galbreath, the university's project manager for the Kaneko Commons, the building is expected to cost \$14 million, including the \$11.3 million target for construction materials. "We can't go over budget," Galbreath said. "We have to support the program as best we can, but it doesn't mean we won't be doing supplemental enhancements over time."

The university has hired Portland-based Hoffman Construction for the project. Galbreath said that Hoffman has done work for the university before,

including construction on the Hatfield Library and Collins Hall. The company was hired also in part because of its willingness to work with the university's sustainability initiative.

"They've been doing a great job especially on sustainability, re-pricing, and leg work many contractors don't do," Gardner said.

The new commons will be certified for its emphasis on sustainability by the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED project (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design). The building will receive 'silver' certification based on the number of LEED checklist goals successfully implemented.

Galbreath said that plans were still on track to have the building finished by next fall. He also had some encouraging words for current residents. "Be patient, share the excitement and understand that we reiterate a commitment to keep them informed of the process so there will be no surprises and make the least possible obstruction to their lives on campus," he said.

The university will soon have a website up for students to track the progress of construction.

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Public Eye

HUT SHUTTLE SERVICE MOVING TO RED LION HOTEL

Starting Sept. 1, the Hut Airport Shuttle, long popular with Willamette students commuting to Salem from Portland International Airport, will move its headquarters and its Salem stop to the Red Lion Hotel at 3301 Market St. NE. The shuttle will also make stops in Woodburn and Wilsonville, but will continue service to PDX. The Hut had been based out of Salem's McNary Field airport for the past 33 years. According to a report by the Salem Statesman Journal, the move was made because the city of Salem was unable to offer the shuttle a long-term lease for space at the airport.

WILLAMETTE ALUM TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR

Oregon state senator and former Willamette student Jason Atkinson declared Monday that he will enter the state's gubernatorial race in 2006, the Salem Statesman Journal reported. Atkinson made his announcement on "The Lars Larson Show," a Portland-based radio talk show that airs on 750 KXL AM. Atkinson graduated from Southern Oregon University in 1992 and went on to earn a master's degree in business administration from Willamette in 1997. If he wins the Republican nomination, he would likely challenge Oregon's incumbent Democratic governor, Ted Kulongoski, who recently announced that he would seek a second term in office.

BUSH MOVE DELAYED

Bush Elementary School's move to its new facility one block east of Kaneko has been delayed by two weeks, the Salem Statesman Journal reported. Classes will start on time at Bush's old location near Salem Hospital, then move to the new site by approximately Sept. 19. The delay will allow the Salem Fire Marshall to approve the school's fire alarm and sprinkler systems.

Talk of the Millstream



LAUREL GRISANTI AND JAMIE GREEN

As seniors with three years of experience at Willamette, we would like to impart a small fraction of our knowledge upon the incoming freshmen.

The first thing you need to know is to avoid people on your birthday. It is safer to hide in one of the boxes under your bed than to be dumped into the Millstream, a popular Willamette birthday tradition. You may think it is just an innocent irrigation ditch running through the middle of campus in the attractive shape of a W, but don't be fooled. Those science-y people that hang out in Olin will confirm that they have found potentially pathogenic fecal coliforms in the Millstream and they might even be able to show you the genetic sequence for one of the coliphages that infect the bacteria. And even if you aren't that science-y, birds must poop somewhere, which is reason enough to avoid getting thrown in.

Speaking of pathogenic bacteria, use caution when eating. Yes, the food at Goudy is generally safe; however, there are important rules to follow. If it looks bad, smells bad and tastes bad, don't eat it. We don't want anybody to contract gastroenteritis. When living in a dorm, this illness will make everybody suffer. It isn't pleasant going into the bathroom and finding the toilet covered with somebody else's vomit. This rule also applies to any food found in your room. Please make a mental note; if the people are complaining about the smell coming from your room, the food is no

good. You may think this is funny now, but people really do have rotting pizza in their rooms that stink up the whole hall.

Always have quarters handy. Friends have grown familiar with me asking for at least a dollar in quarters so I can do laundry. It was so bad that when my roommate left in December to study abroad, her gift to me was \$35 worth of quarters, specifically for laundry. Without at least \$1.50, you won't be able to do a load of laundry. You may find yourself, like many Willamette students, wearing an increasing amount of Willamette clothing, simply because it is readily available at the Willamette Store when you are either too lazy or don't have enough quarters for laundry. Don't forget that the Salem Center is just a few blocks away and clothes there are usually cheaper than at the Willamette Store.

Life at Willamette may seem a bit daunting at first, but have no fear, the majority of students do survive, and we have no doubt that you will too. Even if you have some mishaps like we have had, they have special antibiotic ointments that can cure that skin rash you get on your birthday or the one you get from going into the Millstream when you think 60 degrees is hot enough for swimming. Food poisoning usually only lasts a few days, but the enemies you make from stinky rooms and stinky clothes might never go away. So take these warnings to heart, and the best of luck to you all in surviving freshman year.

Class of 2009 increases diversity

By KRISTEN IVERSON

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As Willamette's incoming freshmen move into their dorm rooms this week, they will arrive with more than shower shoes, wall decorations and a healthy fear of meeting their roommates. They will also bring a quality that Willamette has been striving to recruit for a number of years: diversity.

The Office of Admissions is hoping that the class of 2009 will help to set a precedent of diversity among Willamette's undergraduates. "The word is out that Willamette is interested in a diverse student body, and this class is diverse in many ways," Director of Admissions Teresa Hudkins said.

Eighteen percent of the class of 2009 describe their ethnic background as being something other than Caucasian, a three percent increase from last year's entering class. Hudkins said the Office of Admissions has worked hard to recruit students from all backgrounds with the support of professors and Willamette President M. Lee Pelton. "The campus has been very helpful in our efforts to reach out to the community," she said. "The community at large has felt welcome to consider Willamette, and we are doing as well or better than our peer institu-

A PROFILE OF THE CLASS OF 2009

MEDIAN GPA: 3.758
 MEDIAN COMBINED SAT SCORE: 1230
 NUMBER OF VALEDICTORIANS: 33
 STUDENTS IN THE TOP 10% OF THEIR HIGH SCHOOL CLASS: 41%
 MULTICULTURAL STUDENTS: 18%

tions in recruiting an ethnically diverse student body."

The new group of students is also geographically diverse. "We're excited about the number of students coming from outside of Oregon," Hudkins said. "We're seeing so many more students coming from outside the region these days." This fall's incoming students represent 32 states and 16 countries, and 68 percent of entering American students call a state other than Oregon home.

Hudkins credited the class's geographic distribution to the rise of the Pacific Northwest's popularity nationwide, as well as Willamette's active international connections. "Kris Lou and the Office of International Education have helped create more international interest in Willamette - we have more international students than we have had in a long time," she said.

Although the members of the incoming freshman class are unique in many ways, they do share a common strength: academics. 96 percent graduated in the top 50 percent of their high

school class, and 50 percent had a GPA of 3.75 or higher.

Members of the class of 2009 represent a broad range of extracurricular activities and "the new students are very talented, as they always are," Hudkins said. "There are many student leaders, varsity letter winners and talented musicians in this class. There are also a large number of students involved in community service, which fits nicely with Willamette's motto."

So who is responsible for the arrival of such a diverse freshman class? "This has really been a campus-wide effort," Hudkins said. "We're beginning to showcase the quality of our athletic, music and theater programs in a more visible way. Willamette has been modest about its achievements in the past, but we are very proud of the accomplishments of our students."

Now, of course, Willamette can be proud to welcome a diverse class of 2009 to its campus. "This is a great class," Hudkins said. "We're so happy to have them here."

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Who the Heck is Bob?

By CHRIS FOSS
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Opening Days Coordinator junior Bob Heck has had a busy summer. He worked in Salem during much of that time, taking only a short vacation, then returned to Willamette for good in August to start the final push toward carrying out the annual freshman orientation.

"I get to work at 8 and leave at 4:30, and I feel accomplished every single day," Heck said. "I have taken a very active role in attending new student receptions, attending as many of those as possible. I have been very accessible by e-mail and on the phone, and I have done everything possible this summer to put myself out to the students because I believe that is the role of the Opening Days coordinator, not simply to sit in the office and do work." Heck wants to get out and meet new students, which is easy to do in the summer months.

It was only two years ago, however, that Heck was on the other side of the line as a freshman. Over the course of those two years, he served in several Willamette student organizations and on advisory boards, building up experience in campus leadership.

BOB HECK: IN A NUTSHELL

HOMETOWN: OLYMPIA, WASH.

HIGH SCHOOL: OLYMPIA HIGH SCHOOL

POSITIONS HELD AT WILLAMETTE:

- FRESHMEN CLASS COUNCIL
- ASWU ELECTIONS BOARD
- CHIEF OF STAFF AND OFFICE MANAGER FOR ASWU
- ASWU SENATOR
- OPENING DAYS GROUP LEADER IN 2004
- STUDENT MEMBER OF THE RESIDENTIAL COMMONS IMPLEMENTATION SQUAD
- MEMBER OF BETA THETA PI FRATERNITY

"I definitely just dove in," he said.

By his sophomore year, Heck was ready to become a student leader himself, but he said he needed some encouragement.

"I wanted to take the next step in being a student leader myself. I was ASB vice president in high school, and service has always been something I've been interested in. I've felt that after being an OD leader my sophomore year, I was definitely ready to continue on and serve all of the new students. That was the driving force behind taking the job," Heck said.

"I didn't think about [becoming OD Coordinator] until after the applications came out," he said. "But after talking to a few students who encouraged me to take on the challenge, I got very, very excited about the challenge of facilitating Opening Days and being the student in charge of ushering in the freshman class. I applied and was offered the position and accepted it the same day, and it has been one of the best jobs I have ever had."

Heck applied for the position in November 2004 and began preparations for OD 2005 soon after he was hired. "In the beginning my job was to create the barebones structure that is Opening Days with the lead team members," he said. "That included weekly meetings to decide what's going to go on during training, how we're going to structure training, as well as what's going to go on for Opening Days and how we're going to structure it."

Heck said that one of his main goals heading into OD 2005 was to examine the overall relevance of the program. "A big goal this year for Opening Days was reviewing critically the last few years of the program and saying, 'What can we do better and what can we improve on?'" he said. "The main theme was focusing on improving the overall quality of OD. Every meeting we had was focused on thinking outside the box."

The two most notable changes to the OD schedule in 2005 were the elimination of the Bearcat Bowl, a potpourri of icebreaker games, and the addition of Willamette Night Out, which



CHRISTINE NGUYEN

Junior Bob Heck stood up to the challenge of ushering in the freshmen class as this year's Opening Days Coordinator.

Heck hopes will showcase facets of campus life freshmen tend to miss out on during their initial months at Willamette.

"The event goal is to showcase what actually goes on at night on campus during the year," Heck said. "We will have an open house in the Bistro, the Montag Den will be open for bingo and the Montag Center and C-Store will be open for free student use, as well as both the upper and lower gym at Sparks. We hope to showcase what happens on campus during the year and show students places to study, relax and just take part in campus events."

Heck said that he plans on personally attending many of the OD events and that he insists on being as visible as possible to the freshmen throughout the process. "Going in, I was very adamant about having a partner and a small group of my own," he said. "But as coordinator I realized it's very important to keep the program running, and it's very important to support the lead team. I hired them, and it would not be a good practice to say, 'Okay, I'm busy, you're on your own.' I need to help them as much as possible and give them the support they need behind the scenes. It is very important for me to get out and be visible at every event, talk to new students,

and be around throughout Opening Days.

"If there's a problem with anything, I want students to know they can come to me, and we will right the situation as soon as possible," Heck said. "When it comes down to it, the focus is the new students, and I don't think I can be effective without coming to their level. I care so much about the program that I will make that a priority, whereas in the past some coordinators might not have done that. For a long time I feel OD has been a mystery program. But we're open for business this summer and we're more than willing to be accessible to anyone that needs anything."

Heck said that the OD tradition has been a positive one, and he hopes his program builds off the success of previous years. "The goal for this year's OD is to build off the positive programming that has occurred over the history of the program and to give a facelift to those elements that are outdated," he said. "We want this to be the most complete orientation program of any college, and I really think the blueprint that has been set up is the most complete. I would put our program against any others, and we would take the cake. Opening Days really is the paramount orientation program."

Early arrival policies lack consistency

For most Willamette students, the "summer break" process is a no-brainer: pack up and leave by noon on a specified date in early May, and come on back any time after 10 on a certain morning late in August. Just check the calendar, enjoy that last night and last meal on campus, go home for a few months and get dorm life off the mind and then return to find everything all set to for you to go again: your stained mattress begging to be covered and slept on, your card freshly stocked with meal points and fully swipe-able at Goudy.

That is, unless you find yourself on campus, for whatever reason, before that magical date, in which case things get quite a bit stickier. Many students wish to move in early for various activities: sports practices, Opening Days training, newspaper production and on-campus jobs, among others. The reasons for early arrival are all good, but unfortunately, uniform treatment toward all such groups

does not follow.

Sports players, for instance, are already moved in and in the midst of training before they see other students and student-run organizations arrive at noon on Aug. 22, the absolute earliest that most others are permitted to arrive.

Opening Days leaders move in a bit later, but many still arrive before Aug. 22.

Summer break is meant to be just that: a break. It would be absurd to admit just anyone at any time during May, June, July, and Aug. to sleep and eat on campus, even, sometimes, for a price. Large numbers of students require care and supervision. They also have the potential to distract from Opening Days activities, which are meant, of course, to focus on the freshmen. Approval for their early arrival and provision of accommodations on campus should by no means be liberal.

However, early arrival policies and procedures are ripe for revision. Students who play an impor-

tant role on campus before school starts should not have to find a couch off campus when their Willamette beds remain unused, especially when some of their peers have already been granted permission, for some reason, to sleep in the dorms.

Whatever the plan may be, it should be consistent toward different groups on campus. If the selectivity with regard to early arrival is meant to protect the sacred nature of Opening Days, then Residence Life should really look at the message it is giving to freshmen with its policies.

Currently, they indicate that certain groups at Willamette take precedence over others, that sports, for example, trump academics because players have such easy access to campus housing while others have to apply for limited space. Hopefully, that message is inaccurate, and early arrival rules will be corrected in the future in recognition of this mistake.

Willamette not dressed to impress

Willamette nearly jumped out of her new designer dress when she heard the doorbell ring. "No way," she thought to herself. "No way is he here already." She ran over to her window and looked down from her second story window. There he was. Her mail order steady boyfriend for the next four years, the Class of '09, really was here. A quick glance over at the clock made her stomach drop. He wasn't early, either. He was right on time, and to make matters worse, he appeared to have brought his parents along to meet her as well.

"OK, OK. Don't panic. Just focus and get the rest of this done as quickly as you can," she said to herself. She ran back over to her mirror and began sloppily throwing on as much make-up as she could. She could hear her caretakers nervously explaining to '09 and his parents that she would be right down and that she would look just as beautiful as she had appeared in all the catalogues.

The people from Goudy temporarily distracted the folks and their kid with surprisingly good, gourmet-style food. (Sadly, as the relationship lost its new spark, the food would become increasingly bland.)

Willamette was now in full panic mode. The area around her soccer field was not covered up nearly well enough and appeared as if it was one big scar. There were holes all over in areas normally covered by make-up. To top it all off, her best feature, her Waller Hall area, was still in need of serious reconstruction. She was still hurriedly trying to fix all this when her caretakers knocked on her door and said that time was up.

As she nervously descended the stairs and '09 caught first sight for her, she could tell he was disappointed. She didn't appear nearly as pretty as she had in all those catalogues, which were, to be honest, part of the reason he had offered to go on this \$34,000-a-year date. However, as the

evening progressed, it became clear that Willamette had far more charms than just her looks. And besides, first impressions aren't everything.

As the freshman class arrives for Opening Days this year, Willamette is just not at her best. Construction, which possibly was supposed to have been concluded over the summer, is not finished. Our campus just isn't up to normal shape. But remember, Willamette is far more than a pretty face, and besides, this little plastic surgery is only temporary. After classes start and the parents are gone, our old girl will be able to show off why she is such a high class, and priced, dame. It is the people and personality that make this campus what it is, and while the looks are nice, they are not the only thing that matters.

So just relax, first years, and don't let your parents freak out when they see the campus in disarray. She will be in full beauty contest stature soon enough.

Cleanse your Pallett



JOE
PALLETT

Welcome all you freshman to Daycare a la Willamette University. You have no doubt already started to be escorted around campus by amazingly upbeat upperclassman who, if they weren't wearing their OD T-shirts, you'd swear would be wearing rainbow suspenders over psychedelic, unicorn-decorated hippie shirts. Surely when you sneak away from these people, questions will be asked, such as "What are these people on?"

Should you pose this question to an OD leader, you will almost certainly get a bright smile and the answer, "Why, fiddlesticks. Nothing more than good ol' Willamette cheer!" Do refrain from slapping them, because although called for, that is still felony assault.

You will soon notice that apparently you learned nothing in high school or anything about socializing in your earlier years. Mere clay puddy is all you really are now, to be shaped and molded by your new doped-up friends. Escorted around like a child on a leash, you will be taken from activity to activity. What fresh hell is this, you say? Why, yet another activity to show you what an upbeat and community focused place this is.

I thought people in Oregon were supposed to be depressed, brooding types who listen to nothing but Elliot Smith and wonder what went wrong in their childhood. Opening Days is nothing like that. Where are all the cigarettes? Where is all the rain? Why are all these people wearing another color besides black? Who are all these people?

They don't fit anyone's image of Oregon. It seems like this whole process is designed to completely dispel all those stereotypes you have grown to love about Oregon. Really, didn't all of you freshmen come here to learn to be disaffected, starving artists?

Well, hate to disappoint, but this ain't Oregon. It's Willamette. Being a senior, I am still confused as to how all these people remain so peppy and friendly, but they do. It just doesn't stop.

I remember that in high school, the world was harsh, a survival of the fittest type thing. Here people are outwardly friendly, even through all the rain. They don't brood. Barely anyone smokes, and if you do, these people will convince you to stop.

So just sit back and enjoy all this friendly spirit and know that for some weird reason this place just seems to make people nice. Good call coming to Willamette, a friendlier place than Wisconsin.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Education long due for passion over politics

I am an art student and not a political scientist, but it still is obvious to me that one of the greatest concerns of politicians today is education. Many people seem to think that by fixing the school system, we will simply fix everything from poverty to unemployment rates to morality.



MORGAN BAGGE

However, I think this belief is at the heart of the crisis over education. Learning should not be seen solely as a means to an end, like a more healthy economy, but rather a privileged pleasure that should be enjoyed on a level for its own sake.

Obviously, this concern arises from the fact that kids today aren't getting enough education or are somehow being taught the wrong way. To fix this, politicians have prescribed as many cures as they can possibly think of. More money is always a favorite, but the new trend is testing, which I believe takes teaching out of teachers' hands.

Kids take way more required tests than ever before, which all just show that this country is way behind the rest of the world in several important areas like math and science.

Also, I don't think it takes much work to show that the younger this country's median age gets, the less cultured and mentally nourished it is. There are plenty of things to blame

this on: TV, video games, whatever. However, I believe that there are other causes, and I think that the more and more political education becomes, the worse it is going to get.

Over the summer, I worked with kids in a Boys and Girls Club, and I was able to witness how this is changing kids. When I talked to them about school, quite a few were already concerned with getting money out of it. It didn't really seem like any of them were that passionate or interested in what they were learning. How are kids supposed to excel in schools where they just aren't that interested in what they are learning?

I think this problem exists because politicians' only worries about the education system are over how these shortcomings in learning are going to affect the economy. Personal fulfillment does not seem to be a concern.

Kids are taught more and more these days that it is important to go to school because you have to be able to get a job in order to buy more video games. To make sure that the younger generation is getting this message, teachers have been stripped of their titles and now are resembling test administrators.

Teachers, from what I have seen, aren't teaching in the same way they used to. Rather, they are teaching to make sure kids in their classrooms do well enough on arbitrary tests so that they can keep getting paid.



COURTESY OF MORGAN BAGGE

Are children, like these at the Boys and Girls Club, having enough fun with their education?

Instead of literature, kids are studying vocabulary sheets, and art programs are being cut to make room for math skills that will be found on tests. Where is there room for a child's passion to come out?

Another key question with regard to all these other countries that are beating the United States in standardized tests: are they teaching the same way? The answer, as I under-

stand it, is no. Teachers are teaching children a basic curriculum, but they are also allowed to teach them in ways not directly related to doing well on a test. They are allowed to teach and to let a child's mind find personal fulfillment in that.

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Palestinians thrown a bad fish in Gaza Strip

The Chinese proverb goes, "Give a man a fish, and he will eat for a day; teach a man to fish, and he will eat for a lifetime."

Palestinians were given a fish when Ariel Sharon started pulling settlers out of the Gaza Strip. By pulling out unilaterally, without agreeing on logistical considerations with the Palestinians, the Israeli government is weakening Gazans' ability to become self-sufficient and undermining the long-term stability of the region.

Gaza faces a plethora of problems. Poverty abounds, as the unemployment rate hovers around 60 percent. The World Bank estimates that 65 percent of Gazans live on less than \$2 a day. Besides greenhouses that grow flowers and produce, Gaza lacks any major industry or revenue source, causing the area to become a fertile ground for terrorist recruitment. The Israeli security checkpoints and the dense population have prompted critics to call Gaza an "open air prison."

Israel's withdrawal changes none of this. By



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moving unilaterally, the Israelis failed to agree with the PA concerning security checkpoints. Israelis have dismantled the only airport in Gaza and refuse to let the Palestinian Authority control the airspace required to build an airport. Furthermore, Israel prevented the building of a sea port in Gaza. Therefore, all goods must go through Israeli ports, and no agreement to continue that arrangement has been made. A viable Gaza cannot exist without the means to move what little goods they have to market.

Furthermore, no agreement has been made regarding if and how Palestinians can work in Israel. Thousands of people cross the border every day to take jobs in Israel, providing a boost to the Palestinian economy. In the status quo, these workers will be prevented from moving into Israel, further decimating the economy of Gaza.

The foundation for the extremism in Gaza is the abysmal economy. Organizations such as Hamas garner the support of the population by providing social services that the fragmented, hamstrung and corrupt Palestinian Authority cannot, and that the Israeli government will not, provide.

As the economy worsens, more and more people turn to radicals for social services, further cementing their role in society. The deterioration of Gaza's economy, which will come due to the aforementioned lack of security arrangements and from destruction of infrastructure during the withdrawal, will swell the ranks of militant organizations and undermine long-term peace.

Additionally, the Israeli government is undermining any confidence that the withdrawal will create by building more illegal settlements in the West Bank. The Israeli Wall's construction has continued to envelop more and more of the West Bank. The unrelenting nature of Israel's colonial efforts prevents any goodwill result from the removal from Gaza.

The withdrawal from Gaza leaves behind no economy, no infrastructure, no goodwill and a people without the necessary resources. Sharon's move apparently throws the Palestinians a fish, but it cripples Palestinians in their quest for sovereignty and sustainability.

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Willamette class of '09

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The caliber of this year's freshmen class is in the eye of the beholder. Desirably, the class of 2005 is comprised of students from a greater number of states than previous classes, with an increased percentage of students coming from outside Oregon and beyond the West Coast. The incoming class is also culturally diverse and balanced in terms of gender. Many other similar liberal arts colleges in the nation have had difficulties admitting men and maintaining a gender balance. Less optimally, the freshman class has few students coming from the top 10 percent of their high school classes and is statistically small in comparison with past years.

The university's goal for this year was to have a freshmen class that consisted of 520 students, according to Associate Vice President for enrollment Susan Rauch. This number was not reached, however, as the actual size of the class is 445 students. Upon entering Willamette, the class of 2004 had 511 students, and the class of 2003 had 541 students. Rauch claims that no one should be surprised by this decline in admission, as "it is both an intentional and desirable change."

According to Rauch, Willamette has a limited capacity for students due to the size of the faculty and the campus in terms of the number of seats in classrooms and beds in dorms. Also, Rauch states that the deans, vice presidents and faculty of the school believe that opportunities for interaction between students and faculty are central to the quality of the Willamette experience. In recent years, there has been much discussion as to the optimum size of an undergraduate class. It was determined by faculty, who want to keep classes small, and by the Office of Residential Services, which is responsible for all student housing, that the last two Willamette undergrad classes were too large.

One positive outcome of having a reduced number of students is a lessening of crowding in the dorms. Last year, freshmen were crammed into the university apartments and the fraternity houses. These problems exist to a much smaller degree this year, says Sara Ricketts, administrative assistant to residential services. Four men are living in Beta House and some rooms are being made into doubles or triples to accommodate students, but no freshmen are living in the university apartments. The most popular dorm for this year's starting class is Kaneko because most returning students do not tend to choose that dorm. Matthews and Belknap are also slated to house many first years.

The Willamette faculty may have gotten more than it bargained for when it decided to admit a smaller number of students. The university could not meet the desired admission number, falling short by about 70 students. Also, the academic profile of this year's starting class is less optimal than that of past classes. The median high school grade point average dropped from 3.86 in 2004 to 3.76 this year.

"[The decline in admission] is both an intentional and desirable change."

SUSAN RAUCH
Associate Vice President
for enrollment

The most significant change is the decline in students coming from the top 10 percent of their graduating high school classes. In 2004, 49 percent of the students came from the top 10 percent of their graduating classes. This number has dropped to 41 percent this year. Factors that have contributed to this change are the increase in students coming from private high schools and the fact that many schools do not rank their students, says Rauch.

Rauch doesn't believe that the statistics are representative of the academic potential of the class. "Most of the fluctuations in academic profile for freshmen over the past several years have been minor and statistically don't amount to much."

However, percentages and statistics are impor-

tant when they reflect positive changes. The class of 2005 has reversed the decline in multicultural enrollment at Willamette, as the percentage of students in this category has climbed from 15 percent last year to 18 percent.

Contributing to the diversity of this class is the high number of transfer students coming this year. The transfer numbers include international exchange students who are studying at Willamette through the Office of International Education. The total number of transfer students has increased from 72 last year to 91, with 23 international exchange students, which is at least double the usual number.

Dean Carol Long is pleased that the ethnic and geographical diversity of the class has risen. "Diversity of background and a broad mix of perspectives in our student body are sure to enrich educational opportunities for all of us."

Freshmen numbers in perspective

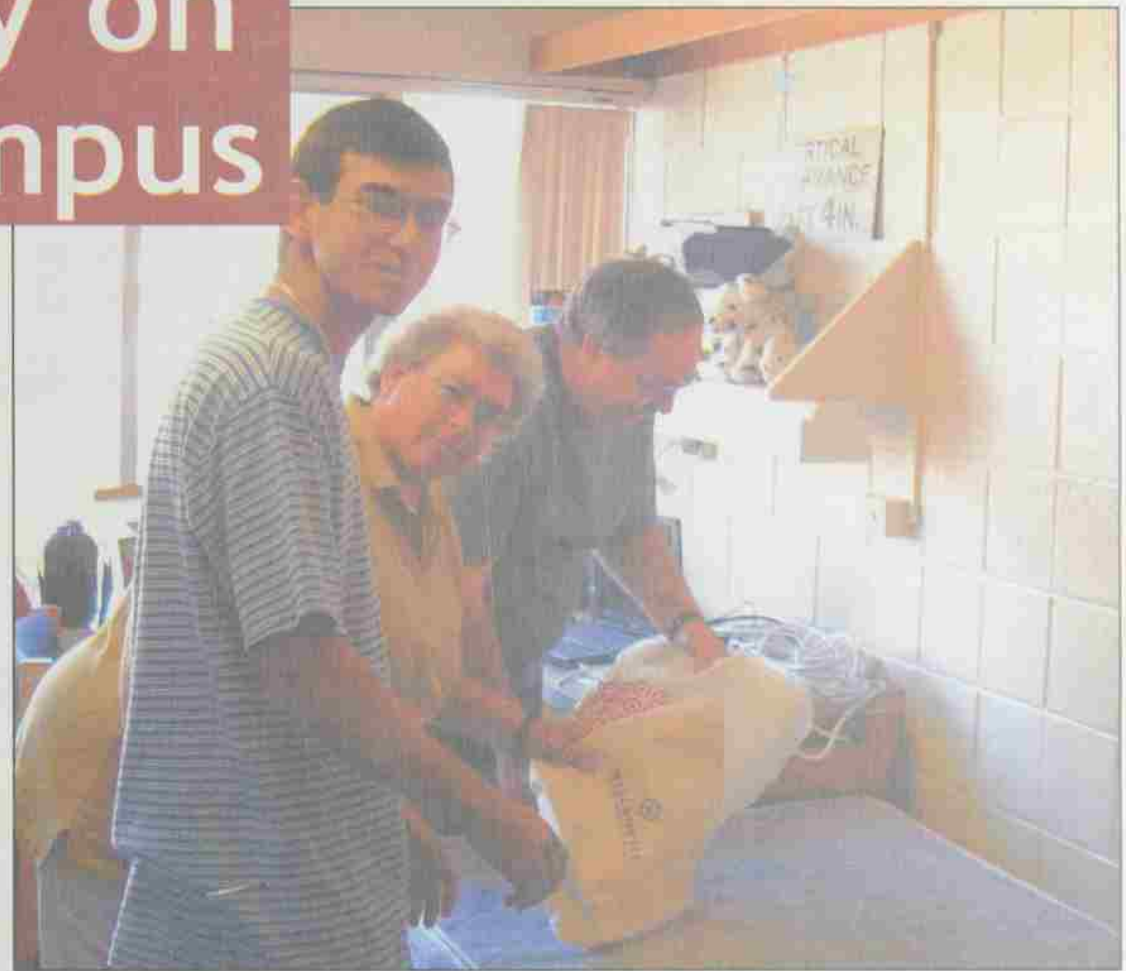
	2003	2004	2005
Freshmen	541	511	445
Transfers	72	72	91
Male	57%	54%	54%
Female	43%	46%	46%
Multicultural	19%	15%	18%
Oregon	39%	37%	32%
Washington	18%	22%	20%
California	17%	17%	17%
Other States and countries*	25%	24%	31%
Median high school grade point average from public high schools	3.83	3.86	3.76
Median college grade point average	3.5	3.38	3.53
Median SAT (V+M)	1240	1260	1240
Median ACT Composite	27	27	27
Top 10%	50%	49%	41%
Top 25%	80%	80%	74%
Top 50%	98%	97%	96%
*2003 = 24 states & 6 countries			
*2004 = 29 states & 6 countries			
*2005 = 32 states & 16 countries			

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9: And we're getting smaller...



First day on campus



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Rake Ranks

By MIRANDA RAKE
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CAFFFEINATE:

I strongly believe that coffee is a necessary component of a life well lived. The bustle of a coffee house, the painfully indie barista, the buzzing rush of caffeine that fuels me through an all-nighter, coffee and coffee shops have been a reliable constant through my college career. Every day I am thankful that Salem, like any worthwhile town in the Pacific Northwest, has more than its share of excellent cafés in which to sit, muse and fuel up. I've rated three Willamette favorites to get you started:

1 The Beanery

More often than not, this is where I end up. The coffee is reliable, and they've got a nice selection of food, from big, yummy burritos to pie à la mode, should you find yourself feeling a bit peckish. Big windows facing into downtown give the Beanery a healthy dose of natural light, which encourages a Zen-like studiousness. The café feels very awake, which I especially appreciate when I'm not quite there yet myself.

220 Liberty St. NE

2 Gov Cup

Always a Willamette favorite, there is an ease and calm to the Governor's Cup. With a big cozy brick wall on one side and free wi-fi, it's a great place to go spend a drizzly afternoon.

471 Court St. NE

3 Coffee House Café

Coffee house is all hippie all the time. While it can sometimes err on the dirty side of hippiedom, I must admit that I do occasionally enjoy their copious amounts of vegan offerings and cushy, broken, slightly sketchy furniture. Also, although coffee is obviously better, they have an excellent selection of teas should you be so inclined.

135 Liberty St. NE

French toast dipped in...cornflakes? Yum!

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Sunday brunch. It is a precious college ritual to be savored and loved. If I may suggest, don't waste it supporting some bland corporate chain. Rather, enjoy some of Salem's unique local cuisine!

To get you started off on the right culinary foot here at Willamette, allow me to offer a taste of Salem's best.

If you are inclined toward the IHOP sort of breakfast, give Busick Court (250 Court Street) a try instead. Long before Rachael Ray brought culinary fame to this restaurant on her show "\$40-a-day," Busick Court had already garnered a strong following in Salem. Once you bite into their massive French toast, you'll begin to realize that Salem-ites may in fact know a thing or two.

This French toast is the real deal. Each piece is made with a very thick piece of fresh bread. The bread is dipped in Busick Court's special batter and then rolled in corn flakes before being expertly cooked on the grill.

Don't worry if French toast isn't your thing. Order an omelet, waffles or a heap of their pillowy pancakes. They are simply enormous. Two people couldn't finish a stack of them. But, don't be deceived into thinking that Busick Court is about quantity rather than quality. The food is just as tasty as it is big.



MIRANDA RAKE

Salem's own Busick Court has dishes that will make your mouth water.

Their lunch menu hasn't gained nearly the same fame as their breakfast, but you can still enjoy any number of delicious American staples such as hamburgers, sandwiches, salads or even crab cakes if you come by here later in the day. Just don't come too late because they close at 2 p.m.

If you have a hankering for something sweet in the mornings instead, head on down State Street until you

reach Lancaster. Tucked behind the Jiffy Lube, you'll find a little-known place called Emilio's Bakery. They offer numerous Mexican pastries for just \$0.45 each. Yes, \$0.45. It's not a misprint. They are baked fresh daily, and no matter what you choose, you will find something delicious. I especially recommend one of the apple turnovers or sweet rolls.

Welcome to Salem, and bon appetit!

My ancestors had scales?!

Bill Bryson's "A Short History of Nearly Everything"

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Bill Bryson's latest book, "A Short History of Nearly Everything," is the story of science and how it became everything it is today. It covers just about all scientific history from atomic theory to zoology and describes how the knowledge we take for granted (think gravity) was discovered in the first place.

Okay, so a 458 page book on science may not be your idea of light reading, but Bryson's response to "the universal conspiracy among textbook authors to make certain their material...never strayed too near the realm

of mildly interesting" is actually fun to read. Bill Bryson's easy-going writing and dry humor keep things flowing nicely, as does the fact that many of the scientists featured in the book are either brilliant, lucky or craaaaaazy.

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Take Carolus Linnaeus, an 18th century botanist so obsessed with sex that he endowed several plants he discovered with such names as clitoria, vulva and fornicata.

The book goes beyond mildly interesting, including such exciting tidbits as the fact that a sizable portion of the pillow you sleep with is made of dust mite dung. But beyond these random pieces of information, it also reminds

you against what remarkable odds you manage to exist at all.

Be grateful that your ancestors (even the ones with scales) were attractive enough to find someone to mate with, and that you have survived disease, volcanoes and various other natural disasters.

And then there's the fact that, on an atomic level, you are made of a bunch of stuff that isn't alive at all. Congratulations.

It's always nice to have an escape from school, must-read-for-classes books. Bryson's book easily fills that need. If you want to rediscover the good, the bad and the freakishly weird about the world, or if you'd just like to read a book that manages to be both funny and profound at the same time, give "A Short History of Nearly Everything" a try.

Salem Cinema offers unique films and atmosphere

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After a summer of underwhelming blockbusters and stale, greasy popcorn, there has never been a better time to discover the charms of Salem Cinema. As Salem's "only independent cinema," the theater offers a refreshing alternative to the mainstream in its cinematic offerings, atmosphere and concessions.

First, and most importantly, the films themselves are an always interesting, diverse mix of art, foreign and independent films. Currently showing is "March of the Penguins," a stunning documentary that has earned glowing reviews and huge audiences both in Salem and across the country.

The incredible and touching journey of these amazing birds, as they waddle and slide their way across the harsh Antarctic terrain, is the perfect way to cool off in the last hot August days.

Opening Sept. 2 is Jim Jarmusch's "Broken Flowers," starring Bill Murray as an aging playboy who reluctantly visits his former lovers in search of a son he never knew he had. Upcoming films include "Murderball," which looks at the sport of quadriplegic rugby and its players, and "My Summer of Love."

With only one screen and 157 capacious plush red seats, the atmosphere is much more intimate than your average multiplex. Concessions include the traditional selections of popcorn and soda, but to garnish the freshly made popcorn, there are decadent toppings like real melted butter, parmesan cheese or brewer's yeast (delicious in any combination). In addition, there are enormous cookies, handmade truffles and a variety of unique candy selections...atypical treats for a movie theater, but just part of what sets Salem Cinema apart from all the others.

Salem Cinema fills an important niche in downtown Salem by providing a venue for the kinds of films that would otherwise never make it to the screen here, and doing so with flair. The distinctive touches in its ambiance and concessions create a place in which both die-hard film lovers and casual viewers alike can enjoy an array of films that are striking, intelligent and always out of the ordinary.

SALEM CINEMA is located at 445 High Street S.E. (in Pringle Park Plaza) and can be reached by telephone at (503) 378-7676. Ticket prices are \$5.50 for the bargain show before 6 p.m. and \$6.50 for students with a valid ID. www.salemcinema.com

Welcome to the Art Department: A Student's Sneak Peek

By KRISTINA JOHNSON

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Exploring Visual Arts with Heidi Grew

Brief Description:

A fun romp through the basic techniques of ceramics, drawing and composition.

Personal Experience:

Heidi allows for a lot of freedom in this class. Word to the wise: There is no need to utilize ALL of the freedom that she gives you.

When Heidi said that I could build a clay figure as large as I wanted, I proceeded to create a ceramic cat so horrendously large and fat that I could barely heft it into the kiln. Then I painted it gold ("wince").

For one of the major class projects, my cat/monster was then temporarily installed on campus behind Collins where it sat for a few weeks. Actually, that's not quite true. It sat for quite a bit longer than "a few weeks."

I didn't have the heart to drag it back to my room, so it sat until grounds crew disposed of it.



Contemporary Painting with Professor Thompson

Brief Description:

Artist, meet acrylic paint.

Personal Experience:

This class gave me the opportunity to use the biggest canvas I have ever built, make the biggest errors I have ever made and conduct the greatest experiments with acrylics that I have ever been able to create.

The first several sessions of Thompson's class were spent entirely working with black and white paint. This was hard for a lot of people. I heard the words "frustrating" and "pointless" tossed around a few times.

However, he IS trying to teach us something very important. Some abstracts work and some don't, and it's important to understand why. I think black and white paint is his version of a padded room where beginners can fool around with the medium without offending each other's eyes with failed attempts at color compositions.



Sculpture and Casting with Professor Hess

Brief Description:

An opportunity to design and create a sculpture, with an emphasis on the technical process of casting. Who knew how fun liquid latex could be?

Personal Experience:

Hess is hilarious. If only he had clones. For me, the entire process of casting was completely new and fascinating. When constructing the clay composition that would be used to create the sculpture mold, Hess wasn't shy and told me exactly where my perspective was "dead wrong." He often picked up tools and smoothed out a lopsided hand or created more depth between two figures. I learned a lot from watching him work on my own piece.

My one disappointment was that I was only able to create one sculpture over the semester. This was mostly due to the fact that my classmates and I were so new to the process that we had to ask Hess about every little step before we could proceed. This meant that many people needed constant personal attention and left me wishing that Hess was a quintuplet.

GRAPHIC BY KRISTINA JOHNSON



Cross country gearing up for fall season

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Cross country, nicknamed "the summer sport that is played out in the fall," is gearing up for the fall season at Willamette.

Both the men's and women's teams have spent the summer months putting in base mileage that will pave the way for their upcoming season.

Consistency is touted as the key factor in training, as women's team members are encouraged to reach 40-55 miles per week, and men aim for 50-72. Having gone the distance in the summer, runners will then be prepared for added intensity in the upcoming months.

Matt McGuirk enters into his second year as head coach of cross country, after having coached both the men and women to team victories at the Northwest Conference and the NCAA Division III Regional Championships.

Additional successes at the 2004 NCAA Division III Cross Country

CROSS COUNTRY

Championships in Colfax, Wis. included two top ten finishes which resulted in a fifth place for the men's and ninth place for the women's team.

The team excelled academically as well, ranking in the national top ten for total grade point average in Division III institutions. The women secured a 3.68 average, while the men earned an average of 3.46.

"By maintaining a "Bearcat Pack" mentality, emphasizing team togetherness in and out of competition, Willamette University will further its reputation as one of the great cross-country powerhouses of the Northwest."

The cross-country program will also see the return of second-year assistant coach and recruiting coordinator Jimmy Bean, along with two new

additions: Chris Sabato and Jed Goldfried.

"Jimmy and I have spent many hours with both coaches in recent weeks, and they are both extremely excited about joining the Willamette family and assisting in any way they can to help carry on our excellent tradition," McGuirk said.

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Cross country looks forward to "fros" talent this year.

erness in and out of competition, Willamette University will further its reputation as one of the great cross-country powerhouses of the Northwest.

"Our men's team is very deep in tal-

ent and dedication," sophomore Ian Batch said. "In order for every individual to succeed this year, we must really come together and work as a team."

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Lance Armstrong leaves his mark in yellow

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... Live strong bands, anyone? Chances are you or someone around you is probably wearing one. So what is it anyway that draws some fifteen million people to watch cyclists whiz by in their bug-looking attire?

This summer marked the seventh and supposedly last victory for Lance Armstrong in the Tour de France. Throughout the event, all sports pages seemed to be inked with his stain. He serves as an inspiration to many not only through his athletic ability, but also his fight against cancer.

As many know, he was diagnosed with testicular cancer when he was just 25. By the time it was discovered, it had already spread to his lungs, abdomen and brain, and he was given a small chance of living.

But for Lance this was not the end; his doctor said he was the most willful person he had ever met. Armstrong underwent four rounds of chemotherapy so powerful that it

left burns on his skin and permanent kidney damage. This, however, did not stop him. Quite to the contrary, Lance came back stronger from his experience.



MEGAN MEIDINGER

Seen one of these lately? You don't have to search far.

He now says that cancer was the best thing that has ever happened to him. His coaches point out that cancer put training and tactics more in perspective for Lance. While he had

once relied solely on his gift, Armstrong's ordeal taught him that cycling is a team sport. He serves as proof that there is life after cancer.

The Tour de France covers 3,500 kilometers and lasts nearly a month. It is the sole test of a cyclist's endurance. The tour brings out at least 15 million people, which is a quarter of the country's population.

Some of Lance's athleticism can be contributed to his build. According to his doctor, his heart is almost a third larger than that of an average man. It beats about thirty-two times a minute, slower than most.

However, when Armstrong is exerting himself, his heart rate can edge up to 200 beats per minute. His first coach knew that physically, he was a prodigy.

Armstrong left his mark in sports history. In the cycling world, he will never be forgotten. He will be the benchmark for years to come. The Armstrong era has finally come to its end, and it is unpredictable who will be his heir.

Football prepares for season opener

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With the school year beginning shortly and the Willamette campus bustling with activity, several fall sports have already begun training for the upcoming season. The largest of these teams is Willamette University Football, led by head coach Mark Speckman, who is looking to take the Northwest Conference championship.

Rival Linfield has dominated the conference in football for many years and even placed first in the nation last year for Division III athletics. The team is looking toward newly acquired freshman talent as well as veteran leadership to drive the team toward victory.

Coach Speckman said that both the offensive and defensive lines have freshman "pushing for playing time." Along with the new players, the Bearcats will rely on many seniors such as Megdy Khoury,

FOOTBALL

Cam Walton, Quentin Brock, Tim Alton and Stephen Wilbon.

Football was one of the first groups to arrive on campus, with its first practice on the Aug. 18 comprising of three separate times: 7:30 a.m. to noon, 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. For the next week, the team will practice a minimum of seven hours a day; the load will slacken as soon as classes start on Aug. 30.

Speckman is optimistic about the upcoming season but commented that the team has a very difficult schedule, "perhaps the toughest in the nation." Speckman also said that the team would employ the same techniques that the Bearcats have

relied on in the past to achieve victory.

Willamette opens the season on Sept. 3 against Western Oregon in Monmouth, Ore. at 7 p.m.

FOOTBALL TRIVIA

The Football Association was founded on Oct. 26, 1863 by 11 clubs meeting in what city?

Answer: London



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Bearcat runners set high goals for upcoming season

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Cross-country veteran Bobbi Wright has high hopes for the women's team, as well.

"If we all work hard, we're going to be successful, and the goal, of course, is to have seven women at Nationals."

Team goals are both ambitious and accomplishable, as they have been in the past years. As McGuirk tells his team members, "Our primary goal will be to win the Conference and Regional titles on both sides, and go to Nationals with a shot at a trophy."

As the defending champions of both Conference and Regional titles, Willamette hopes to send runners to the 2005 NCAA Championships in Delaware, Ohio on Nov. 19. Returning runners with Nationals experience are Sarah Zerzan, Molly Phimister, Bobbi Wright, Elizabeth Hart, and Travis Harris, Ian Batch, Nick Symmonds and Carlos Ruiz. Both men and women also expressed enthusiasm for the incoming freshmen runners and the new dynamic they will add to an already closely-knit team.

The combination of a goal-oriented coaching staff and a highly motivated team will make the Willamette Bearcats a force to contend with on the racing trails this season. With the motivation, drive, and sheer talent of both Willamette cross-country teams, all of that summer training could very well pay off in fall victories.

Welcome to Willamette, Class of 2009



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CAMPUS SAFETY REPORT

August 1 – 24, 2005

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID

August 8, 8:59 a.m. (Alpha Chi Omega): A worker, who was cleaning a window, fell after a bee startled her. She was transported to the Salem Hospital for severe back pain.

August 23, 10:55 a.m. (Law School): A student fell and injured her shoulder. She was transported

to the Urgent Care Center.

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

August 5, 9:45 a.m. (Belknap Lot): A student worker, who was backing up a grounds vehicle, struck a parked car. The owner of the vehicle was notified.

POLICY VIOLATIONS

August 19, 11:15 p.m. (McCulloch Stadium): A vehicle was stopped after it and two others were seen driving on the track. The driver was identified as an assistant football coach who stated it was a stupid stunt.

THEFT

August 1, 1:00 p.m. (Delta Gamma): The house president reported the Greek letters missing from the front porch.

August 15, 5:03 p.m. (Matthews Parking Lot): A student reported that her backpack had been stolen from her vehicle. The thief gained entry through a partially open window.

August 23, 4:26 p.m. (Law Library): A student reported a wallet missing after leaving their belongings unattended for a short time. The wallet was later found in a trashcan with all items still inside.

August 23, 7:04 p.m. (Lausanne Hall): A student reported their bike stolen. It had been locked to the rack with a cable lock, which the thief cut.

TRESPASS

August 20, 7:30 p.m. (Sparks Parking Lot): A juvenile was detained and their parent contacted after they ignored an earlier trespass warning and returned to campus. The parent arrived and took custody of the child.

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

**Bikes are returning to campus and so is bike theft. Please lock your bike with a heavy duty cable lock or a U-lock. Secure the wheels and frame if possible and never just the front wheel, which is easily removed. Register your bike with Campus Safety or write down your serial # (which is stamped under the lowest point of the frame) in case it is stolen.*

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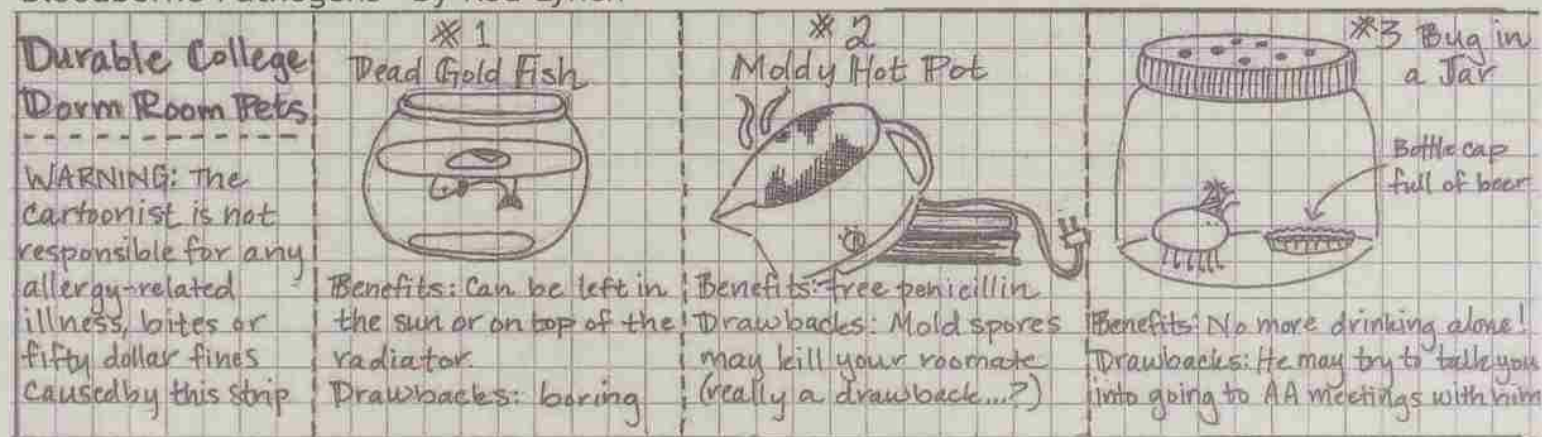
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