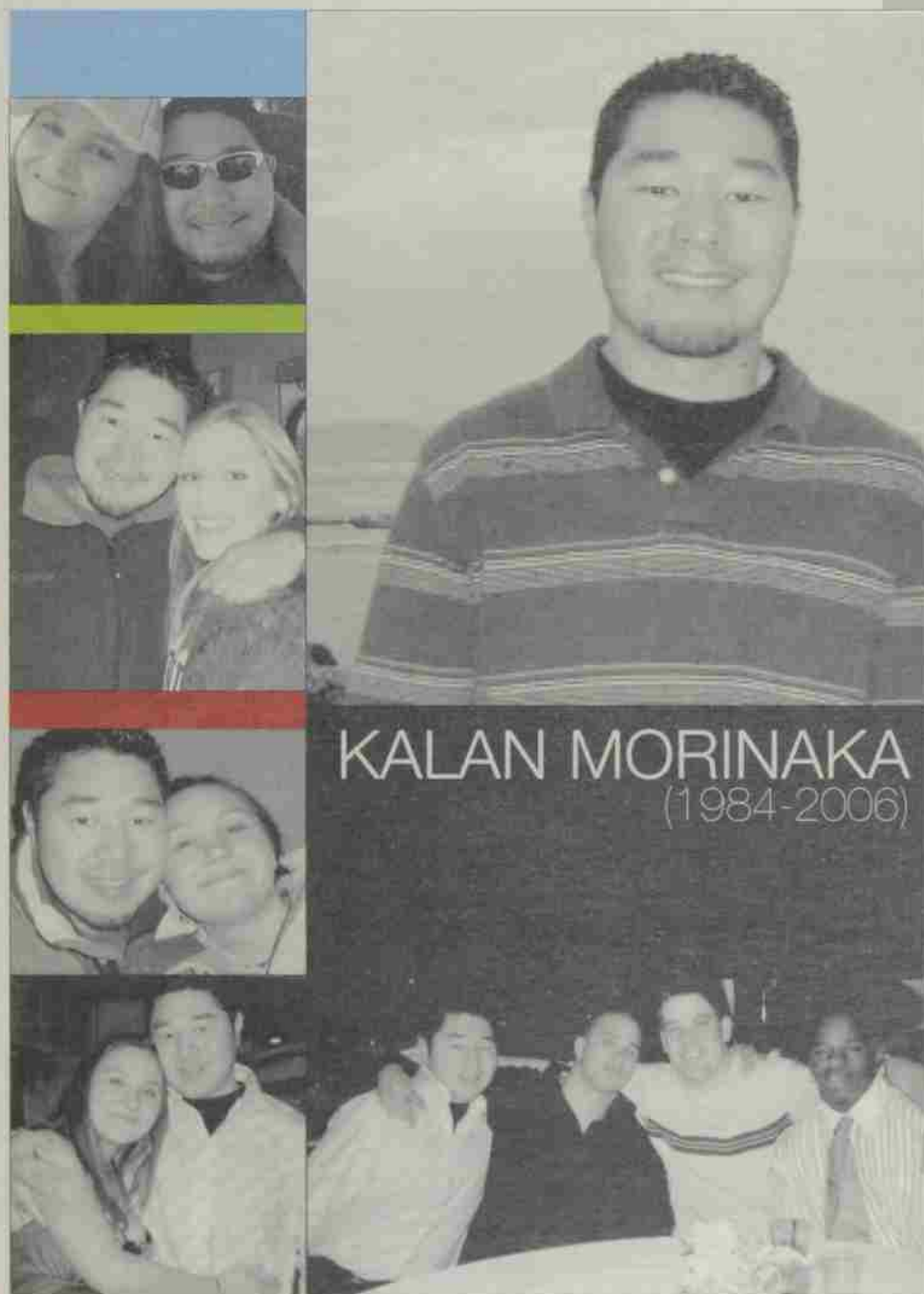


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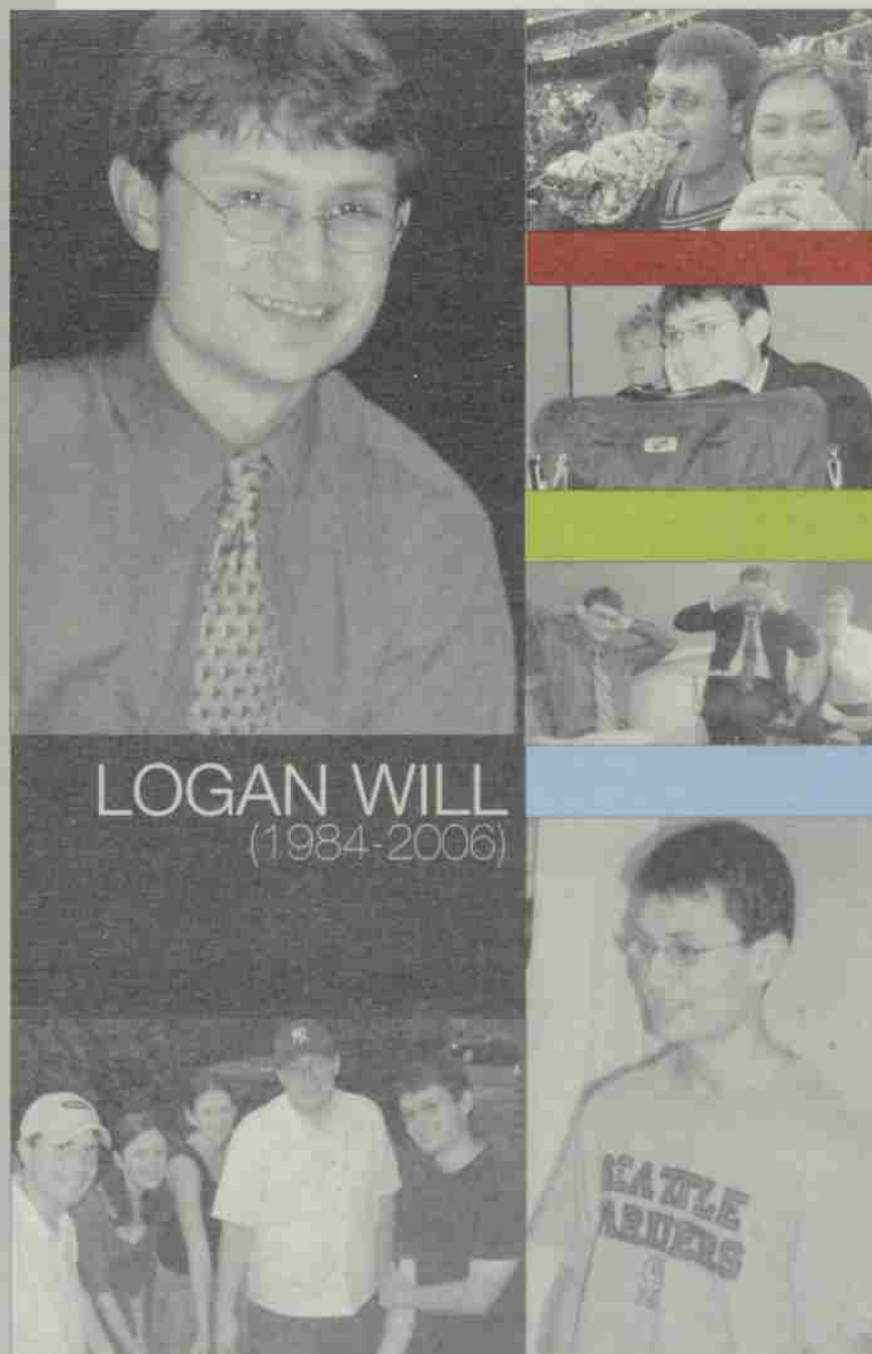
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A CAMPUS MOURNS

Willamette celebrates the lives of two students, Kalan Morinaka and Logan Will, who passed this last year



KALAN MORINAKA
(1984-2006)



LOGAN WILL
(1984-2006)

IN WORDS AND PICTURES

FRIENDS REMINISCE, THROUGH STORIES AND PHOTOGRAPHS, ABOUT HOW KALAN AFFECTED THEIR LIVES -- AND HOW THEY WILL REMEMBER HIM. **FEATURE, 8**

FRIENDS, FACULTY, FAMILY FRIENDS AND POLITICIANS WHO WERE TOUCHED BY LOGAN REMEMBER HIM AT MEMORIAL SERVICE. **NEWS, 2**

Needs More Cowbell



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When NMC travels on one of its many book tours, we are constantly bombarded by the question, "Willamette?" To which we answer, "Yes." Our readers are usually too excited and starstruck to fully comprehend the fact that we did not give a logical answer to a nonsensical question. But really, this simple question has got the wheels turning.

What is Willamette? Is it more than just four vowels and seven consonants? More than a city block? How do people perceive Willamette? We will attempt to answer these questions and more. But, dear reader, realize that, as always, we will draw some conclusions and you will be forced to fill in the gaps yourself. Good luck.

With a little investigation, we found out that Willamette is indeed quite famous. But in the "Idaho-Potato" sort of way. We all know that Willamette is indeed the "First University of the West" (as the letterhead will tell you), but there is a plethora of other random titles that WU holds.

"First University to Enforce Strict Nudity," putting an emphasis on the "casual" in Casual Friday? No, no—you are confusing us with one of those "liberal arts" schools again. Although Christine does have an old chum in California who asked if it was true that Willamette students were permitted to attend class sans clothes. We have no comment yet on whether or not this is true, but we will find out in due time.

A recent title that Willamette holds is "First University to attempt to create a hybrid Duck-Squirrel," otherwise known as, Maggie's Thesis. Jk, jk! But seriously, folks, Willamette does hold the record for most squirrels in a city block.

In terms of the females, Willamette was quite ahead of its time. Back in the day, Willamette's first graduate was a female, Emily York. Ten years ago—amidst the Women's Rights Movement—Willamette had the first female collegiate football player. Is it a coincidence that they beat Linfield that year? We will let you be the judge.

And how about those Star Trees? Rumor around the Mill Stream is that they are quite famous as well. Standing at 14,375 feet each, they are the tallest decorated Holiday Trees on any college campus in the United States. Now, everyone knows the old "Kiss me under the trees, stuck with me for a lifetime" scenario. But apparently if you kiss someone under the trees during the tree lighting ceremony, you will feel the passion pulsating through your body like a giant wave! Oh, wait—you are just being electrocuted. Now you are dead. That was stupid.

There actually is a record that Willamette holds in the Guinness Book of World Records. Gatke was the largest building to be picked up and rolled down State Street on tree logs. Take that, Olin! In your face, Smullin! Up yours, Waller! For all of those campus architecture fans, Gatke is climbing the building popularity charts as we speak.

Now we have provided you with much needed ammunition. So the next time someone tries to ask you about Willamette, do not distract them with your banana hands. Merely respond, then slap them in the face with a Bearcat Attack, Allison Dellwo-style.

'All-American' debater, politics major remembered

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A memorial service was held last night in Hudson Hall in memory of Willamette senior Logan Will, who died Nov. 22 in the second tragic death to hit the class of 2007 in less than a month.

Will, 22, had just begun his trip before noon to Gold Beach, Oregon to spend Thanksgiving with family and relatives when his car lost control on the wet road and was hit on the driver side by another vehicle. Will was taken by helicopter to Corvallis for urgent care, where he died at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center.

University Chaplain Charlie Wallace welcomed mourners to the evening service. Debate teammates of Will shared memories and recited quotes from John F. Kennedy and Bill Clinton, whom Will admired. Former debate teammate John Atkins then recited the 1924 version of the Pledge of Allegiance in honor of Will.

Family members, friends, and debaters then shared memories of Will. Rhetoric and media studies professor and director of forensics Robert Trapp said that Will was more than just a great debater.

"He was a highly ethical debater," Trapp said. "He would never say something unless he knew it to be right."

Following a moment for silent

reflection, the ceremony was concluded by a recital of "America the Beautiful."

Will, a politics major and history and classical studies minor, was also a nationally-ranked member of the Willamette University Debate Union, according to the Salem Statesman-Journal. This year, the group placed first in the National Parliamentary Debate Association's tournament.

Will's deep interest in American politics inspired him to lead the College Democrats on campus and to take an internship in the Oregon State Legislature under Rep. Larry Galizio, D-Tigard during the last session.

A fund in honor of Will has been established at the university. Contributions in his memory be made to: the Logan Will Fund at Willamette University. They should be designated for the Logan Will Fund and sent to Willamette University, 900 State Street, Salem, OR 97301.



COURTESY OF MATT BOST

Will was an active member of the College Dems. and Debate team. Some information furnished from the Statesman-Journal.

▶ additional coverage

The Collegian will run a two-page color feature in memory and celebration of Logan Will in our next issue. We would like to invite any students, faculty or staff to submit pictures or short letters to be considered as part of this feature. Printed submissions should be

limited to 150 words and must include name and class standing. Unfortunately due to space limitations, The Collegian cannot guarantee that all submissions will be used. Please submit your pictures or letters to Chris Foss at cfofff@willamette.edu. Submissions are due Friday, Dec. 1 at 5 p.m.

Freshman Colloquium students reflect on new program

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This Tuesday marked the semester's end of a new freshman colloquium program that was experimentally implemented this year.

In past years, the freshman colloquium has always encompassed a unifying theme—such as World Views: War and Its Alternatives—which has been taught to the entire freshman class.

This year, however, the program was split into many different topics, each of which was chosen by the professors who teaching the individual class.

The process of topic

selection for these classes allowed students to choose from a variety of issues they were interested in, but few students actually received their first-choice topics. "Most of us really like our professors, but not so much the topics we got," said freshman Stephanie Fleming.

Marc Whitehead, another freshman student, said that he is interested in the topic of his colloquium—Picturing Christ's Passion: From the Catacombs to Mel Gibson—but that he didn't exactly choose it. "It was chosen for me," Whitehead said.

Many students echo Fleming's sentiment of being fonder of their professor

than of the actual content of their colloquium class. "I think what really makes a class is the professor," said Whitehead. "My professor was excellent." Other students were impressed by the simple fact their colloquium professors also functioned as their advisors, because it made the advising process more convenient and less harrowing. "I really liked how [Ken Nolley] was my advisor—it made it a lot easier," said Fleming.

Another aspect of the new program that students enjoyed was the variety in the course topics, which was lacking in the unified version of World Views. "I liked that it was split up,"

said Whitehead—"it gave me something to talk about with people." Some of the more interesting course titles include: Blues Music and the Mississippi Delta; Landscapes of the Mind; Honor, Dueling, and Self-Defense; and Indiana Jones and the Search for Our Lost History.

There were students who didn't enjoy the program at all, such as Teresa Skiba, who was in the class Water Conservation. "It wasn't organized or well put-together," Skiba said of her class. "It's like, you're paying for these classes and they just give you one that's like an oddball."

▶ did you enjoy colloquium?



"I did. I really enjoyed the people I met in the class and having a teacher who could teach me and advise me at the same time."

MARC WHITEHEAD
FRESHMAN



"I've made a lot of friends in the class and I've been encouraged to talk more in discussion."

VICTORIA STIVER
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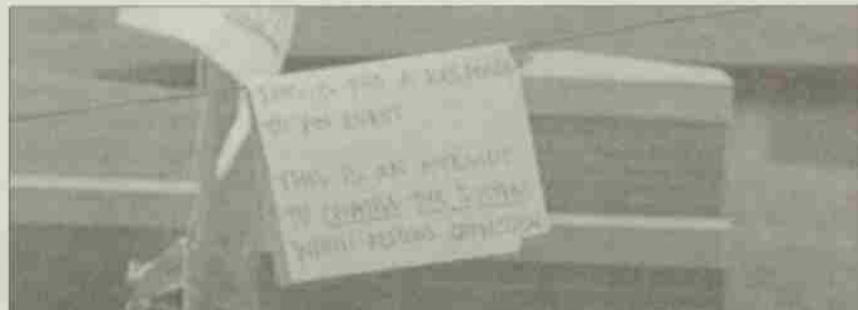
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Students rally in solidarity for social justice



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TOP: Senior Steve Malick presents the Concerned Students for Social Justice's case for providing a safe campus, free of racism and promoting tolerance.

BOTTOM: Amutabi Haines speaks as students look on. The Concerned Students for Social Justice covered Jackson Plaza with signs (RIGHT), and interrupted classes to spread their message.

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A group of CLA students calling themselves the Concerned Students for Social Justice rallied Thursday November 16 in Jackson Plaza.

The students gathered to protest racism, sexism, and heterosexism. The goal of the rally, organizer Steven Yasumura said, was education.

"It's all about education," he said, "educating the professors, the staff and the administration on campus. We're trying to inform people of the issues and address them on conversational levels."

In an interview later that day President Pelton stressed the importance of the event. "This demonstration today, and the numerous conversations that have surrounded it," he said, "have awakened the university to focus on issues around diversity, social justice and equality that need our attention."

Wearing red as a sign of solidarity, small groups of protesters went from class to class to urge walk-outs in support of the rally and to read a letter listing demands for social change on campus.

The letter began with the statement, "We are students who are ready to seek change. We will not be attending our work or your classes today, as we are visibly taking a step toward fighting oppression on this campus."

"I think that it is undeniably true that individual students have experienced intoler-

ance on this campus," Pelton said in the interview, "and believe that it is our job to assess the extent of intolerance and injustice on this campus, and to do our best to make this a welcoming and inclusive environment for those who study, work, live and play at Willamette."

Among the demands listed were an increase in the hiring of staff and faculty of color, the creation of a Social Justice Council, the creation of an American Ethnic Studies Major, and the "creation of MOI and mandatory convocations regarding all levels of social inequality and injustice."

"I think all of our demands are very realistic," senior Amutabi Haines said. "One more MOI is not asking too much for what we are trying to address."

Pelton visited the protesters twice during the morning to express his support.

"I am very, very rewarded to see this broad spectrum of people with good hearts and good intentions," he said.

Pelton requested that protesters refrain from entering classes, but protesters continued doing so throughout the day. According to organizer Jennifer Regan, most professors were supportive but a few objected to the disruption of their classes.

"This isn't an attack," she said.

Pelton said in the interview that the walkouts themselves were not inappropriate, just the disruptions to classes and the learning environment.

The rally originated Wednesday evening when a group of 40-50 students met from 9 pm into the early morning

hours to discuss injustice on campus.

"We definitely talked a lot about our different options and came to the consensus that too much talking was taking place, and not enough action," said organizer Maggie Wilkens. "Not going to class was a way of showing how we are prioritizing these issues."

Organizers denied that the recent controversial YouTube video, "Most Offensive Halloween Costume Party Ever," was the reason for the rally. Most said their actions were spontaneous.

"The YouTube video brought us an opportunity but not focus," organizer Alexander Winslow said.

Student feelings about the rally were mixed.

"There are global issues," said passer-by Cameron Ramey. "Just one example is Darfur. It's great when people want to share their opinions, but not when they want to raise a fist in the air. These people's time could be spent on other allocations."

Junior Kyle Kertay, who left class to come to the rally, said: "It's a worthy cause, but they might be demanding too much."

After meeting Friday afternoon with seven members of the Concerned Students for Social Justice, Pelton announced a six-part plan to increase social justice on campus. His proposition included plans to (1) establish a Council on Diversity and Social Justice; (2) organize a "teach-in;" (3) encourage CLA faculty to quicken their ongoing efforts to examine undergraduate pedagogy and curriculum; (4) develop a CLA

Resource Guide on Diversity; (5) develop an Office of Human Resources Annual Report; and (6) develop a "living wage" standard for the lowest paid WU employees.

Organizers met Saturday morning in Cat Cavern to discuss the plan. Though pleased with the initial results of the rally, the group expressed a general desire to see all their demands met.

"I know this is a volatile situation, but there is a need to move forward," Haines said.

► tunnel of oppression

-Will run from Nov. 29 - Dec. 1 and will be open Wed. & Fri. 2-5, 7-10 and Thurs. 11-5, 7-10.

-This year's rooms are: Global Aids, Gender Identity, Female Genital Cutting, The Chicano Movement, and Racism on Campus.

-In this program, participants are led through a museum-style series of connected rooms which allow the participants to experience various forms of oppression and discrimination including: racism, heterosexism, sexism, anti-Semitism and ageism.

-Loosely based off the Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles, CA.

-This is the fourth year Willamette University will have Tunnel of Oppression on its campus.

Bishop Wellness Counseling Services offer help to everyone

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Many students frequent Bishop Wellness Center for physical health-related issues on campus.

However, according to Bishop counselor Deborah Loers, fewer students are aware of the variety of counseling services housed at Bishop Wellness Center.

"By the numbers present, many students are aware of Counseling Services, but not all due to the range of services offered ... Most people come in through referral from friends," she said.

The office of Counseling Services offers several differ-

ent types of counseling, from disabilities and help coping with trauma to aid in schoolwork. Counseling Services is there for the benefit of students.

Margaret Trout, Director of Health Services, said that the office is a place for academic support. "We don't want students to stress about classes," she said.

Loers said that Counseling Services definitely aren't forgotten, however. The office in Bishop is the first place many people go, but the influence from Counseling Services extends to other places as well. Counseling Services, the chaplain's office and various other administrative offices are connected through referrals or advice from Counseling Services.

Even though the Counseling Services office is busy,

most sessions with patients are short-term: three to five sessions are usually enough. It is a possible source to come back to, even if you want to change counselors.

► counseling services info

- Open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.
- Counselors are on-call after hours through Campus Safety.
- Students can be seen after hours through special arrangement.
- The office serves everyone on campus, including graduate schools and TIUA students.

PROFILE: John Swanson

Senior John Swanson stays active in the Marion Co. politics scene

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John Swanson got a new job on Nov. 16: chairman of the Marion County Republican Party. This is a big change, but not an unexpected one for this politics major and Willamette senior.

Swanson grew up in California's San Francisco Bay Area. When he was 10, his family moved to Jacksonville, Oregon. "I had an excellent childhood," Swanson said, "I had a lot of opportunities at a young age."

Still, it wasn't until his senior year of high school that Swanson discovered his future passion for politics. At the time, he attended the same church as Oregon State Senator Jason Atkinson. Atkinson brought Swanson to Salem, showed him around the State Capitol and even let him onto the Senate floor. "It was just inspiring to me," Swanson said of the visit. "I was fascinated by it." The visit started snowballing Swanson's interest in politics and he chose Willamette for its close proximity to the capital.

Once at Willamette, Swanson got involved with politics. He was on ASWU Senate for a year and wrote for the Collegian Editorial Board, but another group was his calling. "I became very active in the College Republicans," Swanson said. He was the Vice President of the club his freshman year.

In April 2005, Swanson received another promotion, becoming the State Chairman of

the Oregon Federation of College Republicans. When he started, the College Republicans had six chapters across the state and "no money." Now they have raised over \$70,000 and have 21 chapters. In this past election cycle, the College Republicans contacted 100,000 voters.

Beyond that, Swanson has campaigned heavily for several races in the past few years. "I was pretty involved with the Jim Zupancic race in 2004," Swanson said. He was the campaign manager for the Jackie Winters for Congress campaign and also campaigned for Billy Dalto.

"I acted as a supplement to every contested race in Oregon," Swanson said of his political involvement in the last election cycle.

Swanson strove for other goals in politics and was elected the Chairman of the Marion County Republican Party last Thursday. "I was elected by a 384 vote," he said. Swanson is now what he calls "the administrator of the local apparatus." While his job is to raise money to help fund grassroots campaign efforts, he said his goal is to also "put on events (and) make being active fun."

A college student winning such a high position is not unprecedented, though it is very rare. According to Swanson, former U.S. Senator Bob Packwood was the last student who was elected chairman of a county in Oregon, but Swanson is the first in Marion County. He sees the decision to elect a 22-year-old as a call for change and reform to the current system.

Swanson said he feels this reform is need-



COURTESY OF JOHN SWANSON

Swanson, pictured on the right, was recently elected Chairman of the Marion Co. Republicans.

ed. He believed there was not enough grassroots activism in the last election, though he did not see that as the main reason why the Republicans lost. "I feel a lot of our losses were due to national trends," Swanson said. He was quick to point out that he believes an election like this is typical during the sixth year of a presidency. Still, he took an optimistic view of this loss. "I view [this last election] as an opportunity for Republicans to come together on issues," Swanson said, noting that Republicans had dissenting factions recently.

Swanson said one issue he wants to focus on is to "build the party apparatus to win our elections in 2008." He said he is optimistic for the next elections, but is aware that a long road

stands between now and then.

Outside of politics, Swanson has taken part in other activities on campus. He was a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity and expressed regret that the Willamette chapter was shut down last year. Beyond that, he has been involved with several intramural sports and enjoys playing football, basketball and baseball.

Swanson said he is really not sure of his future plans. "I like to take opportunities when they present themselves," he said. "I'm considering military service." Swanson hasn't made any firm decisions about what to do after graduation, but one thing is certain: It will involve politics.

The following Section shall be added to the ASWU Constitution within Article VII (Funds), renumbering subsequent Sections:

ARTICLE VII

Funds

Sec. 1. Income of the Association shall be derived from money received in the form of fees paid upon registration at Willamette University and from other such receipts as may result from the activity program of the Association.

Student body fees are \$88.00 per semester (Effective January 2007). Student body fees will be reduced by 50% for the semester(s) a student is abroad.

1. Student body fees shall increase by one dollar a year

An additional \$.75 per student per semester shall be charged and allocated directly to Willamette Emergency Medical Services to be used by Willamette Emergency Medical Services at their discretion. On the student's account statement, the line of the additional

fee shall read: Emergency Medical Fee.

This fee shall remain in effect until Willamette Emergency Medical Services is guaranteed funds of at least \$3000 per annum by an alternative source or until five years has passed, whereby the additional student fee will be reviewed.

The Willamette University Collegian shall receive funds directly from total student activity fees in the amount of 18 percent. Money shall be transferred directly to the Collegian and monitored by the Collegian Advisory Board. This does not preclude the Collegian from receiving additional funding from ASWU should the need arise.

The Willamette Events Board (WEB) shall receive funds directly from the total student activity fees in the amount of 27 percent. Money shall be transferred by the Vice President of Finances directly to WEB and monitored by the Willamette Events Board Advisory Committee (WEBAC).

A class fee of \$6.00 per student per semester shall be charged and allocated directly to the respective Class Council, where class is defined by Article II, Sec. 1.

1. Class Councils may adjust the class' following year's fee by

- a. Obtaining majority approval of the Senate for use of the Elections Board to conduct a class-wide vote and,
- b. Receiving a two-thirds majority vote of all votes cast by the class.

2. A class may adjust their following year's fee by

- a. Presenting to the Senate a petition

signed by no less than twenty percent of the Class and,

- b. Obtaining a majority approval of the Senate for use of the Elections Board to conduct a class-wide vote and,
- c. Receiving a two-thirds majority vote of all votes cast by the class.

The Collegiate Readership Program Oversight Committee is authorized to negotiate with the commercial operator of the Collegiate Readership Program (CRP) a per student fee of up to \$15.00 per student, per semester which must be equal to the cost, per student, per semester of enrollment of the Associated Student of Willamette University, in the CRP. The fee limit of \$15.00 per student per semester is to be indexed, on March 1 of every year, to the National Consumer Price Index.

In addition to the enrollment fee limit of \$15.00, an additional fee of 50 cents, shall be charged per student, per semester and placed into a general fund until the general fund exceeds \$10,000, at which time the fee will cease to be charged unless the general fund becomes less than \$10,000.

If reactivated this fee may not be charged retroactively.

(effective September 2, 2003)

Sec. 2. Funds of the Association shall be administered by the Finance Board as outlined in the Bylaws.

Sec. 3. The listing of budgetary allocations is as follows:

The ASWU budget shall consist of 93.75% of the Student Body Fees (2.50% shall be taken for the reserve fees, 1.25% shall be taken out for administrative fees by the University, and 2.5% shall be taken out for the ASWU Endowment).

Unallocated funds shall be administered upon recommendation of the Finance Board and with the consent of the Senate as outlined in the Bylaws. Ultimate authority to approve, attach, or modify any budget shall be vested in the Senate.

The Senate shall guarantee a reasonable budget for the publication of all official ASWU publications after submission of their budgets to Finance Board.

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MUSIC REVIEW: WU Jazz Night

Music ensembles jive and wail at annual Jazz Night

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The lights flickered a few times, the audience cut their conversations, shoes shuffled and coughs hushed. So began an evening of jazz on Friday Nov. 17 in Smith Auditorium.

Seven full-suited men filed out on the stage with shiny instruments. As the Bernie Fischer Septet began to play, the stage swelled alive. Freshman bassist Rob Blodgett bumped to the rhythm of the music, his hands jumping up and down the neck of his instrument, while alto saxophonist Jon Collins wailed out the melody, while the trombone section underscored with deeper sounds, together in perfect unison. The tempo rose and fell, feet tapping together all the while.

Next came the Willamette Singers. Matching blue hems swayed in time with the serene crooning of "Tranquil" and jived with the quicker "Come Together." The gamut of sounds ranged from rain sticks and hand drums to beat boxing and scat-

ting.

The Jazz Ensemble closed the night with a Duke Ellington piece. The group was comprised of sophomore Stephanie Good on baritone sax, junior Richard Curry on the trumpet and sophomore Andrew Smith on the piano.

Wallace Long Jr., Professor and Director of Choral Activities, was the program director for Jazz Night. Long came to Willamette's music program 24 years ago with little jazz experience. After summers and sabbaticals studying base piano and drums, Long said he had the tools to reinforce a strong jazz program. He called the program's supporters "one big family" and said that he is grateful for all of the positive support.

Ron Brooks, a Salem community member, said he is a longtime supporter of the program because of his history with and love of jazz. "I used to play the trumpet and I grew up with [Duke] Ellington [and] Louis Armstrong," he said.

Audience member Wendi Butler discussed the group's evolution after the performance. As the mother of senior vocalist Damien Butler, she



MEGAN MEIDINGER

Senior Ben Weyerhauser, junior Hazel-Bell Robinson, senior Casey Hendrick and juniors Eleanor Howe and Tim Hagan perform at the Nov. 17 jazz night concert

has watched the Willamette Singers transform over the past four years.

"The voices are more complex. There used to be a lot more blending," she said. Butler also said she thinks there is an improvement in the group dynamic.

"They have come together really quickly this year... synergy makes a big difference."

Tim Robblee, director of the Jazz Ensemble, has been at Willamette for three years. He said he recognizes the chance for players to bring raw energy to the music, one that fosters a musical addition. Robblee said jazz is the original American art form and serves "a huge integrative force... two different cultures have come together."

► upcoming performances November

29: Wind Ensemble Invitational
30: Joannah Ball Sophomore Voice Recital

December

2: Kristin Roney Sophomore Voice Recital
7: Christmas in Hudson Hall
8: Christmas in Hudson Hall
10: Victorian Christmas with John Doan

16: Holiday Celebration, Willamette Master Chorus
17: Holiday Celebration, Willamette Master Chorus

January

20: 2nd Annual Willamette Saxophone Day

Information from www.willamette.edu/cla/music/events.htm.

See website for show times, ticket information and event descriptions.

Shop fair trade at Ten Thousand Villages

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But you can't find a cheaper plane ticket. Jet towards Court Street, pick up some African handicrafts, and weave your way back to Baxter. The round trip might only take 15 minutes but your suitcase will be full of fair trade treasures that serve as great holiday gifts for everyone back home.

With locations across the country, Ten Thousand Villages is a founding member of the International Fair Trade Federation (IFAT), one of the world's largest fair trade organizations. Oregon hosts three Villages shops in Lebanon, Portland and Salem, with products that represent over 100 artisan groups and 30 countries worldwide. Such vendors provide a fair trade export market for artisan groups to maintain a decent standard of living.

If blind consumerism really ticks you off, you'll be happy to know that the organization's buyers encourage artisan communities to use eco-friendly methods as well as sustainable resources and recycled materials in their products.

The shop is staffed by volunteers. Jan Nolley, wife of Willamette professor Ken Nolley, helped bring Ten Thousand Villages to Salem and continues to work there. That's another

great reason to give the business Willamette support.

Although the shop looks fairly earthy when you walk in the door, rest assured that there are gifts here even for the fashionistas among us. The jewelry selection is lovely, and each piece is crafted with a personal twist. To spice up your dorm room, affordable decorations are everywhere. One Willamette student commented on how a trivet made from coiled recycled paper would look awesome on the wall.

Ten Thousand Villages has a wonderful variety of holiday decorations from around the world. Pick out some ornaments for a handy set of perfect hostess gifts—a custom that we need to start observing as college students. The best part is that the store doesn't need to break your budget. Yes, some items are expensive, but it's easy to snatch up some extraordinary gifts under \$10 and \$20.

So if you didn't hit the mall frenzy last weekend like most of America, there's a high probability that you're not a brainwashed tool of the capitalist machine—and snaps to you. Whoever is still on your holiday shopping list, take a stroll down Court Street and browse some exquisite international handicrafts. If you rather not brave the weather, you can even shop online www.tenthousandvillages.com



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The count: IFAT has 300 Fair Trade Organization members
Geography: 65 percent of members are in Asia, the Middle East, Africa, and South America
Information from www.ifat.org.

MOVIE REVIEW: Casino Royale

"Casino Royale" takes Bond back to basics

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James Bond finds a new beginning in "Casino Royale," the 21st film featuring the adventures of the iconic spy-hero. With new faces, a new mood and a scaled-back palate of pyrotechnic special effects, the film is a much-needed return to basics.

The plot is still recognizably Bond-esque, but an absence of stolen nukes or orbital lasers commandeered by bald super-villains makes it slightly more believable. Soon after obtaining '00' status, Bond (Daniel Craig) botches a mission in Madagascar, but redeems himself by foiling a terrorist plot to blow up an airplane at Miami International Airport.

The main villain takes shape as Le Chiffre (Mads Mikkelsen), a private banker to the world's terrorists. Bond's intervention in his affairs forces the banker to lose on a stock market investment. The financial blow sets the banker in a sticky situation with his dangerous creditors. To rebuild funds,

Le Chiffre engages in a high-stakes poker game against Bond at Casino Royale in Montenegro.

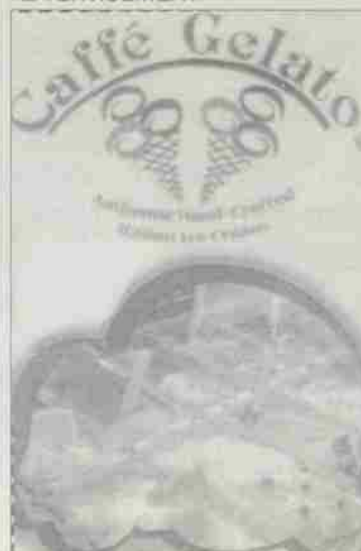
Ironically based on the first James Bond novel, "Casino Royale" is the last EON film to be adapted directly from creator Ian Fleming's writings. As such, viewers finally see the spy in his original conception. Darkly played by Daniel Craig, this Bond is moodier and more vulnerable than previous portrayals. The supporting cast does its job admirably, but it is Craig, a serious actor of outstanding abilities, who gives the film its soul.

The film itself is not without flaws. It lags somewhat in the last half-hour, and the romance comes perilously close to being sappy. But, all in all, the series could hardly ask for a better rebirth.

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The musical group The Trail Band will perform their traditional and original music in a holiday concert at the Elsinore Theater (170 High St SE). Tickets: \$25-\$35, performance starts at 7:30 p.m.

2

Alternative Christmas Market featuring fair trade products, poinsettias and baked goods at First United Methodist Church (corner of Church and State Streets). Hours: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 2, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Dec. 3.

5

Hallie Ford Museum of Art Gallery Talk, a discussion of the Fay Jones: Painted Fictions exhibition featuring 24 works by Jones, a Seattle narrative and symbolist painter who deals with a host of autobiographical issues in her work. 12:30-1 p.m. at the Hallie Ford Museum of Art, free.

IN WORDS AND PICTURES:

Willamette rememb



COURTESY OF SARAH POTTS

Kalan touched the lives of so many people. I was blessed to be just one of them. You know by now that he was a psych major, with a chemistry minor, a great athlete, a caring person, the best friend you'll ever have. But here are some things you might not know.

Kalan and I grew up together in a small farming town in Eastern Oregon. Some of you might be going there this weekend. We both apologize in advance for the smell.

Everyone in town knew him, everyone in town loved him. He was admired and respected, charming and sweet. Growing up with Kalan was always fun. I remember sitting in piano recitals with Kalan as kids, waiting for his brother and my sister to get done so we could go hit the cookies! Swinging our legs, waiting, waiting...

I remember Kalan being sure to match his shirt to my dress for a winter dance, and him cheering me up when our pictures didn't turn out from the photographer-which is very traumatic for a high school girl.

I remember belly-flopping so hard onto a hotel bed with Kalan and our friend Lance, that we broke the legs. Kalan and Lance decided that stacking telephone books under the broken legs would keep us out of trouble with our coaches. It didn't. I remember Kalan sticking up for me, an underclassmen, when the wrestlers chose which statistician got to ride in the senior van on wrestling trips.

Kalan had this presence in our high school. It was always so calming to have him around. He was on Student Government, the football team, the golf team, the wrestling team, and valedictorian of his class, just to name a few. He was someone we all looked up to; he set a great example for everyone.

When I went away to college, Kalan was the one person I knew I could rely on to take care of me, no matter what.

When I was ready to quit, he'd talk me out of it. When I was crying, he would give me a hug. When I was homesick, he would drive me all the way back to Nyssa. He was just like a big brother to me. Always looking out for me.

The last time I saw Kalan before I left to go abroad, we met on campus. He met my new boyfriend and grilled him on his school, age, major, what he hoped to do with his degree... Kalan had to approve this guy before I could date him. Like I said, he was always looking out for me. My big brother.

Kalan left us with the greatest gift he could give: his love and the challenge for us to live every day to the fullest. We should always remember what a true gentleman he really was, and how he made each of our worlds a much brighter place to live.

I love you, Kalan..See you later, alligator.

Amy Jo Johnson

RIGHT • Kalan Morinaka's family.
BELOW RIGHT • Kalan Morinaka and Rebecca Knight.
BELOW • FROM LEFT: Brandon Bennett, Brad Woodward, Kalan Morinaka, Jimmy Williams.



COURTESY OF SARAH POTTS



COURTESY OF REBECCA KNIGHT

He was the most selfless person I will probably ever meet, and the happiness with which he lived life is incomparable. It was a privilege to be his roommate, brother and friend.
Adam Beebe

I just wanted to say that Kalan showed us all what the true definition of strength is. He was a wonderful person who against all odds managed to remain kind, funny and determined. In my whole life I have never known a man to display such qualities when others would have fallen. I love him, my big brother, my friend, my role model. He gives me the strength to overcome all of my worries and will be a constant reminder that I can. I miss him, and not a day will go by that I will not remember him and all that he has done. I will continue to contribute to the ALS foundation as well as spread the word for the Coast to Coast for Kalan fundraiser so that Kalan's memory will live on and we can finally end this tragic disease.

Fran Harris



COURTESY OF REBECCA KNIGHT

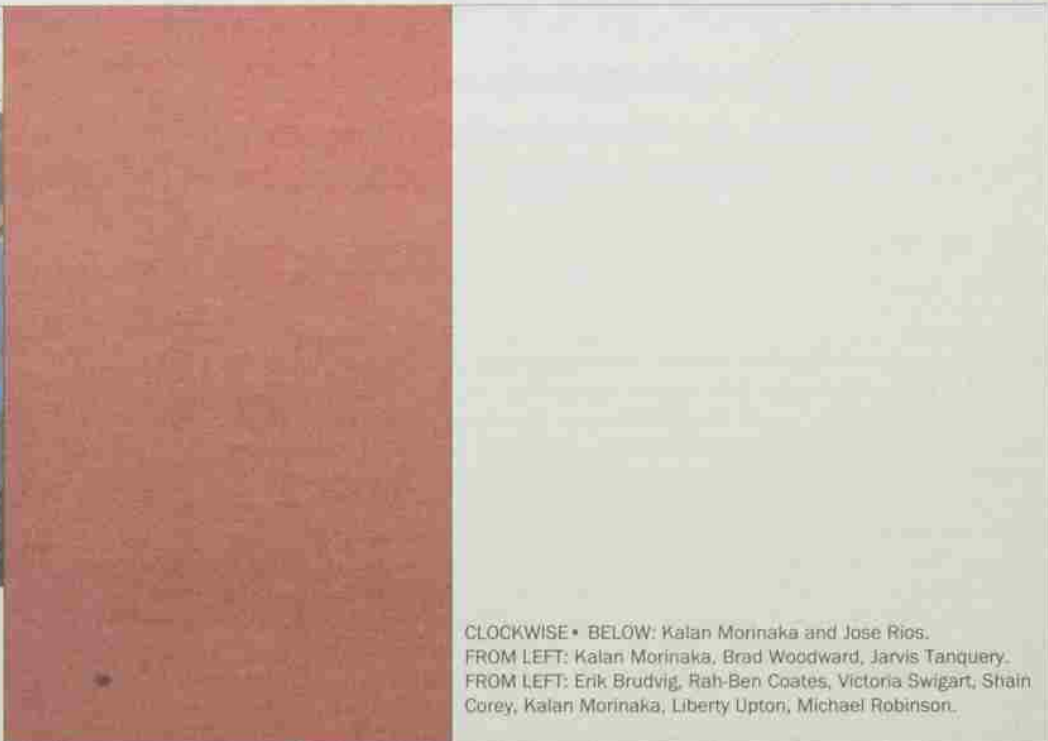
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COURTESY OF SARAH PETERSON

Even though I wasn't as close of a friend to Kalan as I wish I had been, I was lucky enough to have him as my Little Bro. One of my favorite times with Kalan was his Little Bro night. I remember that even when he was dressed up like a giant baby, in silly clothes, Kalan loved being with his brothers and everyone else there. Even when we may have made him look ridiculous, it was obvious in each picture how much he got out of life and how happy he was there. That night was nothing spectacular, but it was hilarious and fun and non-stop laughing. I am so glad that that will be one of my favorite memories with Kalan.

Julie Tommelein



CLOCKWISE • BELOW: Kalan Morinaka and Jose Rios.
FROM LEFT: Kalan Morinaka, Brad Woodward, Jarvis Tanquary.
FROM LEFT: Erik Brudvig, Rah-Ben Coates, Victoria Swigart, Shain Corey, Kalan Morinaka, Liberty Upton, Michael Robinson.



COURTESY OF REBECCA KNIGHT



COURTESY OF REBECCA KNIGHT

Kalan was an amazing co-worker. He was funny and sassy and he always got the job done with a grin on his face. While being president of SAE, and working a job off campus, Kalan picked up the slack around the intramural fields and never complained. When I got to school this year to start work for the intramurals Kalan didn't show up. I called him about four times and left him evil messages asking where the hell he was. Eventually Rebecca called me back to let me know that Kalan wasn't feeling well and wouldn't be able to make it to OD stuff. Kalan then asked her to tell me that the reason he couldn't make it was because he was crapping his brains out. I of course didn't realize the severity of the situation at the time and told him to suck it up and get to work. But that was Kalan always joking around and making light of situations. He didn't complain and just took life for what it was. Some of the best times I had with Kalan were on the dance floor. He had terrible rhythm but loved to dance. Kalan must have had his own beat in his head, but it didn't matter because he was just so much fun to be around.

Liberty Upton

Kalan was one of the first people I knew at Willamette; we were in the same Opening Days group. One of my distinct memories of him is that he was always full of surprises. Our Opening Days group was very close, and also very opinionated. We'd always get into religious and philosophical conversations, and just when everyone was getting real mad, Kalan would say something hilarious and we'd all laugh and calm down. That's how I'll always remember Kalan, he was so funny and smart.

Keara Cummings



COURTESY OF BRYAN SCHMIDT

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Bon Appétit Tourney launches preseason

Despite a strong first half Willamette trails 56-43 to St. Mary's last weekend, but looks ahead to season opener against University of Puget Sound this weekend

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The women's basketball team tipped off preseason play in last weekend's Bon Appetit Tournament hosted by Lewis & Clark College. The Bearcats opened the tournament against St. Mary's University on Saturday, then faced Wartburg College in Sunday's consolation game.

Although Willamette lost 56-43 to St. Mary's, the game was much closer than the score indicates. The Bearcats led for part of the first half, then relinquished their lead on a St. Mary's three-pointer 47 seconds before halftime.

Trailing in the second half 25-22, the Bearcats kept it together and were able to pull to within one on two separate occasions. However, with three minutes left to play, St. Mary's went on a 13-2 run to seal the game.

Willamette's lead scorers were junior guard Rebekah Wells and sophomore guard Maggie Wilkens, with nine points each. Junior forward Tracie Nygaard and freshman forward Keilyn Fujioka also contributed eight points and six rebounds apiece.

Despite taking an early lead in Sunday's game, the Bearcats were defeated 64-41 by Wartburg College. Willamette lost its footing as Wartburg went on a 17-4 run in the first half. Willamette then finished the half down 40-21, a deficit they could not recover from.

Despite sustaining a minor injury in Saturday's game, Wells came in to score eight points and led her team in scoring once again. Freshman forward Brittany Farrer also contributed eight points and six rebounds. Due to Bearcat injuries, Fujioka and freshman guard

Selena Levy started the game and added six and three points respectively.

As this tournament marked the first two games for the Bearcats, Wells said that the team is still learning how to play as a unit and capitalize on their strengths.

"Our team's biggest strength is that all of our players have a lot of experience and we have a lot of individual skills. The team is very versatile as we have players who can play more than one position," she said. "But we are a very different squad than last year so we're still working out kinks and we need to get comfortable playing with each other."

Coach Bruce Henderson, in his second year as head coach, is looking to improve on last year's 5-19 record.

The week's losses did not reflect the Bearcat's potential in conference play, Levy said.

"The teams we played this weekend were good and strong, but they were beatable. We could have come away this weekend 2-0," Levy said.

Levy said that preseason allows the team to become familiarized with each other in preparation of season play.

"But with each game we play, we learn more and more about each other," Levy said. "By the time season comes around and when our team is completely healthy, I know that we will be able to compete with the top in conferences and come away with wins."

► coming up

-WU at Puget Sound
Friday, Dec. 1 at 6 p.m.
-WU at Pacific Lutheran
Saturday, Dec. 2 at 6 p.m.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Basketball splits games in 'Golden Rule' Shootout

Men opened season in 20th Annual Duane Wolfe Shootout

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The men's basketball team opened their season in Caldwell, Idaho playing in the 20th annual Duane Wolfe Memorial Golden Rule Shootout hosted by Albertson College. NAIA powerhouse Albertson soundly defeated Willamette 116-77. The game marks the 110th meeting between the two schools. However, Willamette owns the overall advantage in the series, 68-42.

Albertson, known for its high scoring and fast break offense, traded baskets with the Bearcats through the opening minutes of the game before going on a 13-point run that gave them a 22-10 lead. Willamette committed an uncharacteristic 29 turnovers, allowing the Yotes of Albertson to work their offense. "We played a team that was extremely hot and we didn't take care of the ball," Head Coach Gordie James said. "They did a good job of creating a chaotic tempo."

Freshman wing Dan Nugent was the team's leading scorer with 23 points on nine of 12 field goal shooting and five of six from the line. Sophomore post Tain Cantrell came off the bench to convert 10 of 12 free throws en route to 18 points of his own and was the team's second leading scorer.

The Bearcats set their sights on Eastern Oregon University with the loss to Albertson behind them. The Mountaineers came into the game sporting a perfect 7-0 record and a number 23 ranking in the NAIA poll. Both schools dueled to a 28-28 half-time tie, and proceeded to battle it out in the second half.

The Bearcats connected on nearly two-thirds of their shots from the field and hit over 70 percent of their free throws, putting up 56 points and defeating the Mountaineers by a final score of 84-81.

"Once we get all the pieces in place we should have a very good team," said James. "It's all about getting the right guys in the right place at the right time and we did a better job of that against Eastern Oregon."

Four Bearcats scored in double digits with Nugent leading the way with 20 points along with five rebounds, four assists, four blocked shots and a steal.


Sophomore post Kyler McClary was eight of 11 from the field and scored 19 points. Junior post Ian Mansfield scored 17 points and led the Bearcats with nine rebounds. Sophomore wing Cory Costantino chipped in 14 points to help seal the victory.

After obtaining a split in the Golden Rule Shootout, the Bearcats did not fare so well last weekend at the David Wells Classic in Claremont, Calif. The men dropped their opener 60-50 against Claremont-Mudd-Scripps, then lost to Pomona-Pitzer 80-68 to fall to 1-3 overall on the season.

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Pacific Lutheran	2	0
George Fox	3	1
Puget Sound	3	1
Linfield	2	1
Lewis & Clark	3	2
Willamette	1	3
Whitman	0	1
Pacific	0	3
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL		
George Fox	3	0
Puget Sound	3	0
Whitworth	3	0
Lewis & Clark	2	1
Whitman	2	1
Pacific	3	2
Pacific Lutheran	2	2
Linfield	1	1
Willamette	0	5
MEN'S SWIMMING		
Whitworth	3	0
Linfield	3	0
Pacific Lutheran	2	1
Whitman	2	1
Puget Sound	1	2
Willamette	0	2
Pacific	0	2
Lewis & Clark	0	3
WOMEN'S SWIMMING		
Whitworth	3	0
Puget Sound	3	0
Lewis & Clark	2	1
Pacific Lutheran	2	1
Whitman	1	2
Pacific	0	2
Willamette	0	2
Linfield	0	3

CROSS COUNTRY

Men and women claim NCAA West Regional Championships

Junior Sarah Zerzan claims Division III National Champion title

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The men and women's cross country teams blazed a trail to a NCAA West Regional championship last Saturday, at Prado Park in Chino, Calif.

Junior Sarah Zerzan won the women's individual title, adding another victory to her seemingly unstoppable season. Zerzan completed the six-kilometer course in 21:45.68, besting her nearest opponent by 37.30 seconds.

The Bearcat women won their team title with 63 points, finishing 14 points in front of Colorado College, which scored a 77.

Junior Ian Batch, who took eighth place in the 8-kilometer course, with a time of 25:27.50. The Willamette men won the team title with 75 points, finishing 12 points in front of Occidental at 87.

"This is by far the best season

I have ever had in my life," Batch said. "It's not just the success I have had with records and race wins, it's how everyone on the team has been connecting. I truly owe it to them."

Last weekend's championship was the fifth Regional title in a row for the men's team, making Willamette the second university to claim five consecutive West Regional men's championships. The women became the first team to win four West Regional women's titles in a row.

"We did what we had to do," Head Coach Matt McGuirk said. "We came down here, ran against some very good teams

and won the team championships. We're really proud of the kids. All of the pressure was on them."

As a result of their NCAA West Regional victory, both the men and women earned automatic entry into the NCAA Division III National Championship next weekend, (Nov. 18) at the Voice of America Park in West Chester, Ohio. The National Championships will include the top two finishers in the team standings at each of eight regional sites, plus 16 at large teams.

► WU West Regional times

WOMEN

15. Jena Winger, 23:35.13
17. Maddie Coffman, 23:39.63
18. Ali Maki, 23:42.83
20. Elizabeth Hart, 23:46.73.

MEN

10. Travis Harris, 25:36.0
15. Lucas Nebert, 25:53.41
24. Tristan Knutson-Lombardo, 26:01.25
25. Josh Clough, 26:01.50.

A daily multivitamin: What's in it for you?



SAMANTHA POST
COLUMNIST

Here at school, our diets tend to vary greatly depending on the time of year and the amount of stress we are under. Still, some people are able to keep up with a healthy diet year round. No matter what your diet looks like, you can benefit from taking a once daily multivitamin. "Intake of several vitamins above the minimum daily requirement may prevent heart disease, cancer, osteoporosis and other chronic diseases," according to an article published by the Harvard School of Public Health.

Five important vitamins, which may help prevent or reduce chronic diseases include folic acid, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B12, Vitamin D and Vitamin E. **Folic Acid, Vitamin B and Vitamin B12:** Studies have shown that risk for both breast cancer and colon cancer is reduced in those who have higher levels of folic acid. These three vitamins together have also been associated with a lowered risk of heart disease (however, it has not been conclusively determined yet.)

Vitamin D: Many lacking this vitamin, which can be obtained through sun exposure. Vitamin D helps with the absorption of calcium and phosphorus, which help in the creation and maintenance of bones.

Vitamin E: For a while vitamin E was thought to have a connection to heart disease and heart attack prevention, however testing has been mixed and varied.

According to the article, "a standard, store-brand, RDA-level multivitamin can supply you with enough of these vitamins for under \$40 a year." I know that as college students we have little money and might think that paying for a multivitamin is an extra, unnecessary cost; however, these vitamins could help you to lead the healthy and active lifestyle that you want to have for a long time.

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Don't just let it snow!



CHRISTY NEWELL
SPORTS EDITOR

Snow in November? What a concept! But the question that remains is how creative WU students will exploit this new weather phenomenon.

On the basic level, you can pursue the common, but never dull, snowball throw. It always seems to put a person into a frazzle. Or, you can go to extremes and make the ultimate snowman, maybe even model it after your favorite professor. That will

surely bring a few smiles.

Competitive? Make teams, devise the rules and create an intense IM snowball game.

Hungry? Go outside, collect some snow and create a snowcone. The snow is the most perfect and natural shaved ice you will ever see, so why not then enjoy an organic snowcone?

Snow sports anyone? You may be one of those who just can't wait to hit the mountain. Snowboarder or skier, the snow definitely means good news. Hood, Bachelor, Hoodoo, there are so many choices here in the Northwest. My favorite will have to be night skiing on Hoodoo. It is a comfortable mountain, but

has slopes for more skilled skiers.

More passive? You may just be one of those who appreciates watching the snow while sitting inside by the fire. You might be one of our students from Hawaii who is just amazed by the snow. I love watching them, so full of admiration and excitement.

Most importantly, just don't be the Grinch who is angry with all the hassles the snow brings. Whatever your preference, I just hope you are beginning to feel that winter excitement and are enjoying this beautiful white frost that is covering our campus.

SWIMMING

Otawa, Fischer snag first places in multiple events at season opener

Closed home pool and injuries present challenges for swim team

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The pool in Sparks Center, where the swim team normally practices and holds meets, cracked while it was being drained over the summer.

This started their season with a startling setback. "Not having a pool is a really hard strain on the team, but it shows character that we are making it through this struggle and still doing pretty well," sophomore Lauren Vice said.

The team's new pool is about 30 minutes away in Jefferson, Ore. adding an extra hour onto their practice time. Sometimes the team does not make it back before Goudy Commons closes for dinner. Also, the pool they practice in is measured in meters, while their races are measured in yards.

Even so, the team is staying positive. As Lauren Vice said, "The traveling time is an extra hour of team bonding." The team's dedication is showing in the results. Seniors Kei Otawa and Becca Fischer dominated the competition, leading the men's and women's teams in points.

In the dual meet against Whitman College, Otawa snagged first place in the 50-yard freestyle, the 100-yard freestyle and the 200-yard

breaststroke. Fischer finished first in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-yard freestyle.

Despite these outstanding performances, both the men and women's teams fell to Whitman and Whitworth over the weekend.

Vice added that while some of the more experienced swimmers have been suffering from injuries, the team has some promising new freshmen. Right now, Vice said the team's goals are working out harder and integrating the freshmen.

The team normally takes a trip for winter training (the two weeks in January before spring semester starts) during which they get in shape for the rest of their season.

However, this year the team may remain in Salem because much of the team's funds are tied up in fixing the pool. "We're working on raising money so that we can have a successful winter training season," Vice said. "It's a little hard to stay afloat."

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NW Invitational
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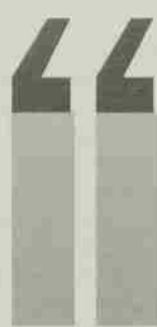
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EDITORIAL

Student social justice group thinks right thoughts, but stumbles too quickly into actions

While their goals are laudable and its willingness to aim high is praiseworthy, the Concerned Students for Social Justice has so far squandered its opportunities to get the Willamette campus firmly behind its objectives.

For example, the circumstances surrounding the hastily organized rally that took place Nov. 16 may have done more to engender hard feelings than support for the CSSJ among the student body. The actions of the few students that



It is not acceptable to intimidate anyone into joining a movement, no matter how righteous the cause may seem."

inordinately disrupted classes while trying to read the CSSJ list of demands undercut the movement almost from the very beginning.

The spreading of rumors regarding perceived classroom interference negated the intended purpose of the actions of the CSSJ that morning: which, according to the flyer members distributed on campus Nov. 16, invites "each of you to join us in this movement to raise awareness of the injustices that are occurring daily in our community." While it is impossible to quantify the level of classroom disruption that morning, the notion that there was enough to justify a response by President Pelton criticizing disruption, both at the rally and within his Nov. 18 letter to the WU community, suggests that there is already some dissatisfaction within the community at CSSJ tactics.

In addition, the list of demands presented by the CSSJ was regrettably conceived of in a hasty manner that also may have robbed the group of support. Conceiving of a rally the night before actually putting one together might have sustained the group's momentum, but it also robbed the group's manifesto of much needed fine-tuning.

It is understandable that the content of the objectives of the group will be refined as time goes on. It is also understandable that the CSSJ may not have been able to attract administrative attention to their cause without couching their language in a demanding tone. But, it is not acceptable to intimidate anyone into joining a movement, no matter how righteous the cause may seem.

Kudos go out with regard to President Pelton's response in his

letter to the community, which by and large did not fault the CSSJ for its shortcomings, as it could have. His letter correctly resisted the temptation to directly respond at length to CSSJ demands and either further criticize or patronize the movement.

Now that the emotional winds swirled up by the rally have begun to calm, it is time for the CSSJ and President Pelton's newly proposed Council on Diversity and Social Justice to cooperate on achieving aims that will strengthen diversity while tackling social injustices on campus in concrete ways. Unfortunately, because of the early missteps of the initial CSSJ rally organizers, they must do so while building support for the cause within a skeptical campus community.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Real Social Justice

The protesters call for increasing diversity within the admission's process. They want a diversity of race, but I believe we need a diversity of class. Why not replace the system of racial preference for admission with a program that insures that the poor and middle class have better access to our school? We should make the FAFSA expected family contribution a realistic one and the admission's committee should take into account how children of the low and middle class often have to work and whose parents cannot afford tutors, all of which hurts their grade point average and SAT scores. I understand the need to help the poor minorities of the United States, but why not broaden the approach to help all those who are denied

entrance to America's elite universities because their social backgrounds act as barriers? Poverty, the cause of so much disenfranchisement in the United States, is certainly not color blind. Therefore, our efforts to combat it should not be either.

Neal Parker

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY

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**The Editorial Board deeply mourns the loss of Logan Will, an invaluable member of our team, and would like to dedicate this week's section in his memory.*

Living well and dying well

SAMMY BASU
GUEST COLUMNIST



"Death is all around us," Michel de Montaigne, Renaissance French philosopher, observed. Given the recent and unwelcome passing of two students beloved and respected by students, staff and faculty alike, this observation has become all too pertinent to the Willamette community.

As we all know, Kalan Morinaka passed away three weeks ago in Nyssa, Ore. from the steadily devouring neurodegenerative disease, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), with which he had been diagnosed in June. This past week, on Wednesday, Logan Will died in Corvallis from the injuries sustained in a car crash near milepost 243 on southbound Interstate 5.

These deaths were untimely, though in quite differently cruel and tragic ways. In response, it is, of course, entirely appropriate to want to reminisce and grieve, in ways that are at once culturally warranted and ritualized yet deeply subjective and uncontrollable. But then what does one do?



Ironically, immortality drains life of significance whereas death gives life meaning."

So central to the meaning of life is death, for Montaigne, that he ventured to define philosophy as the sum of the arts that teach us to die well and live well. Montaigne thought, as such, that it was essential to talk about death, and to make oneself learn how to do so. We still don't know how to do this, most of us. We live in the shadow of what cultural anthropologist Ernest Becker dubbed an inflexible 'denial of death,' in a Pulitzer Prize-winning book of the same name.

As a result we avoid the subject, speak in euphemisms, cling to delusions of our own immunity to it, postpone drafting our living wills in preparation for it, deny those

who seek it as a last resort with dignity, remain only dimly aware of the empirical patterns of its mal-distribution (by geography, gender, income, and signally race), respond inconsistently at best with policy instruments aimed at preventing those patterns, and worse, allow ourselves to be entertained by it, obsess over celebrity versions of it, and justify visiting it upon the Other under dubious premises.

To live well, to the contrary, one must accept the pervasive presence of eventual death, even as one strives to highlight and rectify the circumstances that produce it prematurely and unfairly.

Ironically, immortality drains life of significance whereas death gives life meaning. It is because life is finite, and unpredictably so, that the choices we make carry weight and engrave themselves, act by act, upon our characters.

To honor the death of someone you respected in life is to value his or her choices. It is to let your life be changed in the way that it might have been had the deceased been there still as a role model, or encouraging you, or simply asking you a pointed question. More so, it is to make some aspect of his or her being one's own, to commit to some goal he or she had undertaken with characteristic energy, to undertake to do some of the work that he or she thought needed to be done.

Those of us fortunate enough to have crossed paths with Kalan and Logan know how they determined their commitments, what choices they made, what they did, why they are admirable, how they allowed themselves to be enriched by the company of others and how they gave freely of themselves. We enable them to die well when we live well by continuing their efforts without melancholy.

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STUDENT OPINIONS

Hiring practices should be about qualifications, not about minority status

PAIGE CUDWORTH, KYLE EVANS, JOSH MCKENZIE
GUEST COLUMNISTS



We all know about the Concerned Students for Social Justice (CSSJ) and its 'demands'. Let's get to the point. The hiring practices of a university should be based only upon qualifications.

For example, we would never support hiring a professor who was Native American over a more qualified professor that was white. If the Native American candidate was more qualified in some way, then of course they would be hired, but they should be judged based on credentials alone, not race. If we are going to hire a significant number of people of diverse color and sexual orientation, then we are making minority status a factor in the hiring process. Students opposed to our viewpoint have told us that qualifications aren't the issue. If qualifications are not the basis of the

hiring/admittance process, this university is not about higher learning.

However, a lack of diversity is not the real problem here. What is truly important to a liberal arts education is a diversity of ideas, not skin tone nor sexual orientation. The hiring of faculty should have nothing to do with qualities outside of the candidate's control (e.g. sexual orientation). The premise that a more diverse cross-section of races and sexual orientation will create a broader spectrum of ideas is prejudiced in itself. The assumption that a person's world outlook is dependent on their minority background is the exact fallacy that those promoting social equality should be fighting against.

If our goal is to create some sort of 'utopian' society with the perfect blend of every culture, then we should not focus solely on race and sexual orientation. This campus is overwhelmingly liberal and perhaps disproportionately atheist. Why are these forms of diversity not important to the CSSJ? If we want a true, active arena of debate, then bringing a bunch of strong conservatives and



JADE OLSON

Christians to campus will do far more to further the cause than hiring a handful of minority professors.

The problem here is NOT with Willamette's hiring process. It starts earlier with the fact that minorities are less likely to finish high school, less likely to go to college and even less likely to go on to graduate school and become professors. If we want to change the nature of our society, we have to start at the causes. We should be volunteering to tutor or mentor at-risk youth at the local schools, strengthening the

Willamette Academy program, working towards creating more scholarships for students who cannot afford this university and continuing to maintain a dialogue about these issues. And please, keep an open mind when people oppose this movement.

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Why not now? Let's pick up our feet

DAWN ALBERT
GUEST COLUMNIST



Two weeks ago, approximately 300 students walked out of over 150 classrooms to join Concerned Students for Social Justice in a protest. When I called my mother the following Friday she said, "Wow, it sounds like you are making a lot of changes. Just do the best you can to not get arrested, okay honey?"

Compare this response to that of some of my peers: "Change is slow. We are just students. You are going about this entirely the wrong way." I wonder what has happened to activism in my generation. Instead of protesting, contacting legislators and staging sit-ins, we are in the library reading about revolutions of the past. We are studying women's suffrage and the Civil Rights movement. We are experts of history, but we are not taking active steps to become a memorable part of it.

But I am getting ahead of myself. First, we must acknowledge that we live in an unequal society that systematically oppresses certain groups of people. This oppression is manifested as racism, sexism, ageism, heterosexism,

ableism, and classism among others. I am unable to count the number of times I have been told that oppression no longer exists in this country, and certainly not on college campuses. As one example, people often assert that women are no longer oppressed. In a society where 1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime and 1 in 5 women have experienced attempted or completed rape, how is this argument feasible? I cannot count on both hands the number of women I know on campus who have been sexually abused and/or assaulted. Similarly, there is abundant evidence highlighting the oppression of people of color, the LGBTQ community, the poor, minority religions, and people with disabilities.

Oppression does not exist! This is the perfect punt. It is a recipe for stagnation: we can conveniently ignore our oppressive actions, call those who are hurting "too sensitive," and remain comfortable in our privileges. In essence, we sit still.

Almost everyone I know at Willamette claims to want an inclusive, non-oppressive campus (and ultimately, society) wherein each person has the ability to fulfill her/his dreams. However, recently I see this for what it often is:

lip service. We want such a society, but only if we are not inconvenienced in the process.

Civil disobedience inconveniences people. Our grassroots movement, CSSJ, inconvenienced people two weeks ago. It would be great if this was not necessary, but we have recently seen that minor discomfort provides the needed leverage to begin realizing the goals we often merely talk about.

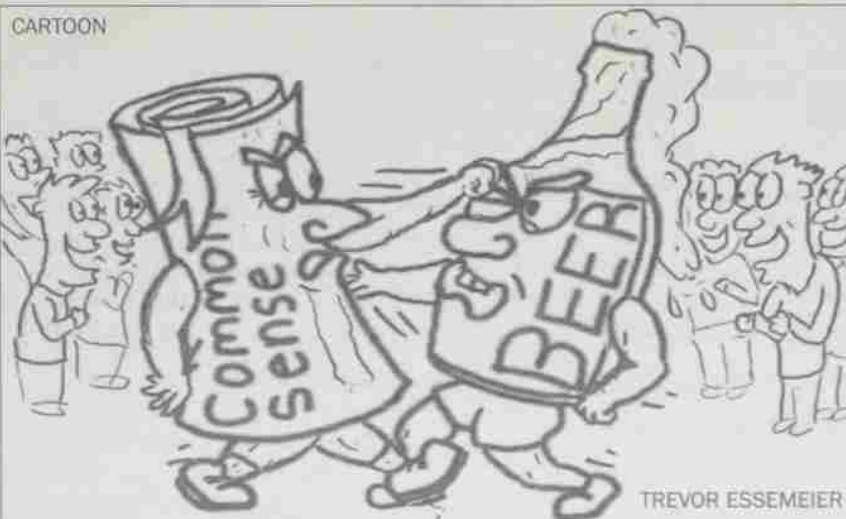
Since the protest, Willamette activists have made change. With administration support, a Diversity and Social Justice Council has already been established. Meetings with all levels of administration have taken place and will continue. Student activists will continue to apply the needed pressure. As I see this campus evolving, I am proud to call myself a Willamette student. Change is only as slow as we are. We cannot wait. Let us all find our voices, pick up our feet, and make ourselves heard today.

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CARTOON



TREVOR ESSEMEIER

POLITICS

The movement's missteps

NICK ROBINSON
COLUMNIST



When I woke up to people yelling about wanting justice and wanting it now, I was excited. I hoped the red-shirted protesters would spark a revival of political activism on a largely apathetic campus. Unfortunately, like many grassroots movements, this one shot itself in the foot.

First, the social justice protesters failed to demand social justice. There was a lot of talk about equality in terms of race, gender and sexual orientation, but scarcely a word about class. Personal wealth is probably the primary factor in dictating who attends or doesn't attend Willamette, and it certainly plays a big role in the formation of cliques.

Ignoring class issues at a social justice protest is like ignoring baseball at a baseball game; why even show up? This institution costs a BMW to attend every year, while a quarter of African Americans live in poverty. The protesters are right that Willamette lacks ethnic diversity, but not because Willamette's students are racist. It's because Willamette is too expensive for a large percentage of minorities to afford.

To be fair, the protestors apparently did address class issues in their meetings with administrators, but they didn't make that obvious to the student body. As a result, the protest appeared shallow and meaningless.

Secondly, the organizers failed to define what problems actually exist at Willamette. I think there probably is some serious discrimination on campus, but the only things I've heard about lately are a costume party and Willamette Idol. Whether these events were really discriminatory, I don't know. I do know, however, that the protesters failed to explain to the students what the problem actually was. I'm all for yelling and demanding things, but I want to know what I'm yelling about and why I'm demanding it.

Finally, the protest organizers' decision to have students walk into classes and demand that people leave was a huge mistake. Many students and professors were justifiably angry about having their classes interrupted. A few said that they felt pressured to walk out of class and ostracized if they refused. One sophomore told me that protesters in her class singled out an African American student and announced he was being oppressed by anyone who didn't walk out with them. Sometimes it's necessary to step on a few toes, but people aren't racist, sexist, homophobic or classist for wanting to study for an exam. Suggesting they are, inadvertently or not, isn't likely to make convert.

To succeed, a call for social justice needs to be inclusive and it needs to educate people about real problems in the current system. This protest clearly didn't get the job done, and backlash from the student body was evident last week. I just hope the recent events don't indict the credibility of those who claim discrimination in the future, and make disparity on campus even more pronounced.

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GOT OPINIONS?

We're always looking to hear from new voices.

If you have an issue that you're passionate about and want to share it with the Willamette community, please contact Lauren Brooks at <lbrooks>.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORTS

Nov. 10 - 23, 2006

BURGLARY

▶ Nov. 15, 2:30 P.M., (Terra House): A student left his room at 8:00 A.M. to go to class. Upon his return, at 10:00 A.M. he discovered that someone had entered his room via an open window and stolen two laptop computers, a camera, a portable media player, and other personal items.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

▶ Nov. 13, 9:57 A.M., (Softball Parking Lot): The protective plastic, that had been placed on a vehicle because of a previous break-in, was removed from a student's vehicle. No additional property was taken.

▶ Nov. 23, 8:00 A.M., (Matthews Parking Lot): Campus Safety observed an excessive amount of littering in the Matthews Parking Lot. Upon an investigation it was discovered that the trash was left in the lot by a student who was identified by the contents.

▶ Nov. 23, 9:56 A.M., (Quad): A non-student drove his pickup truck onto the Quad area to pick up another non-student who had injured his leg while play-

ing soccer on the grass. The driver of the vehicle left ruts in the grass with his truck as he entered and then left. The victim of the injury refused medical assistance, while he and the driver were disrespectful to the Officer on duty.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID

▶ Nov. 12, 2:54 A.M., (Lausanne Hall): A student, suffering from alcohol intoxication, was transported to Salem Hospital for treatment.

▶ Nov. 14, 8:35 A.M., (Walton Hall): A student, suffering from an unknown illness, became sick. The student was transported to Bishop Wellness for treatment.

▶ Nov. 14, 7:42 P.M., (Smith Fine Arts): An elderly lady fell while attending a concert. Salem Fire Department responded and transported the victim to Salem Hospital for treatment. It was learned that the cause of the fall may have been related to recent hip surgery.

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY - FOUND / LOST & MISSING PROPERTY

▶ Nov. 12, 11:54 P.M., (Softball Parking Lot): Campus Safety observed three indi-

viduals lurking and hiding in the parking, a location that has been recently victimized by vehicle break-ins. The individuals were able to elude both Campus Safety and the Salem Police Department. The individuals were described as white male adults, 18 to 20 years of age, wearing primarily dark clothing.

▶ Nov. 20, 7:10 P.M., (Off Campus): A student reported that he lost his wallet containing cash, an out of state driver's license, a credit card, and a debit card.

THEFT

▶ Nov. 18, 8:22 P.M., (Hatfield Library): Two students reported that their jackets were stolen from their study area. Campus Safety had observed what appeared to be two non-students in the library prior to the thefts. The investigation is to be continued.

▶ Nov. 20, 1:46 P.M., (Collins Science): It was reported that an unknown individual stole the two "Unyx Lab" signs that were in room 411 at Collins.

POLICY VIOLATION / MIP

▶ Nov. 11, 1:18 A.M., (Kaneko Commons): Campus Safety responded

to a call of a sick student. It was subsequently learned that four students, under the age of 21 years, had been drinking alcoholic beverages in a room. Two out of the four became ill and Salem Fire Department was contacted to evaluate them.

▶ Nov. 18, 1:29 A.M., (Goudy Commons): Campus Safety Officers observed three students on the roof of Goudy. The students, when confronted, were cooperative and apologetic.

VEHICLE ACCIDENT / INCIDENT

▶ Nov. 15, 12:58 A.M., (State Street @ Liberty Street): A student, driving a University van, struck the side mirror of a parked vehicle damaging that vehicle's mirror.

▶ Nov. 15, 4:14 P.M., (Softball Parking Lot): A student's vehicle was damaged when high winds caused a tree limb to break and fall onto the rear window and trunk.

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

SUDOKU by PAUL FRIEDMAN

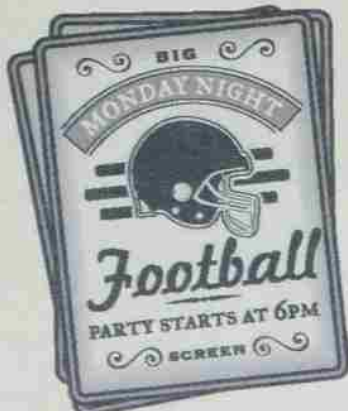
Sudoku rules are easy: Fill all empty squares so that the numbers 1 to 9 appear once and only once in each row, column and 3x3 box. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. Solve the puzzle with reasoning.

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