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Campus stunned by loss of Cress

By DUSTIN BUEHLER
AND MONA LUQMAN
EDITORS

On Monday, Willamette was shocked by the sudden death of Lawrence Cress, dean of the College of Liberal Arts. Shortly after 1 p.m., President Pelton announced that Cress had died after collapsing on campus due to a blood clot in his lungs.

Cress collapsed soon after 11 a.m. in a professor's office in Smullin. Paramedics were called to the scene, and Cress was taken to the Salem Hospital. According to Director of Campus Safety Ross Stout, the process was stalled when the building's elevator stalled for over a minute and a half. Cress died in the emergency room at approximately 11:45 a.m.

He is survived by his wife, Linda, and his daughter, Meghan.

Cress, at 53, was in his sixth year as dean. He came to Willamette in 1994 after serving as associate dean and Jay P. Walker Professor of History at the University of Tulsa.

Originally from the Northwest, Cress attended Pacific Lutheran University before completing his Ph.D. in history at the University of Virginia. At Willamette, Cress



Lawrence Cress, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, died on Monday.

became the first Dwight and Margaret Lear Professor of American History in 1997.

As a professor, he taught courses on Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Jefferson and the Civil War. He was teaching his Lincoln and Jefferson course this semester. The fate of the class, which meets two more times this year, is still undecided. Associate Dean Don

Negri and History Department Chair Bill Smaldone will meet with students in the class to discuss options.

According to Kevin Neely, assistant to the President, an interim dean will be announced by the end of this week. The position will be filled by a current Willamette faculty member.

In the meantime, the campus is in mourning. Bryan Johnston, dean of the Atkinson Graduate School, remembers Cress as "the best dean Willamette has had. He was the steady hand at the till of the ship moving towards excellence."

Dean of Campus Life Bob Hawkins credits Cress with taking Willamette to new

heights. Cress was responsible for the largest faculty pay increase in Willamette history. Over 20 percent of the current faculty was hired during his tenure, and the net number of faculty increased by 15. Cress' work in the area of faculty and student scholarship provided new opportunities for research, such as the Carson Grants.

"It was his vision and leadership that raised the profile of the institution," says Negri. "I can't imagine how that void will ever be filled. They say that an institution doesn't depend on one man, but Larry Cress was the exception."

Campus officials immediately initiated efforts to honor the late administrator. Less than 24 hours after the dean's death, the University established the Lawrence Cress Excellence in Faculty Scholarship Award. ASWU announced that they will give an award in his honor as well. Both will be given annually.

LAWRENCE CRESS MEMORIAL SERVICE

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- ♦ Hudson Hall of the Rogers Music Center

Bioethicist to speak Tuesday

By SAM HENDERSON
STAFF WRITER

If you are interested in the future of genetics and bioethics, Arthur Caplan, director of the Center for Bioethics at the University of Pennsylvania and the next guest in the Atkinson Lecture Series, will be of great interest to you.

Caplan, a renowned expert in the field of bioethics, will deliver a lecture entitled "Ethics on the Frontier of Biomedicine in the 21st century: From Cloning to Organ Transplantation."

The lecture will be held on April 11 at 8:00 p.m. at Smith Auditorium.

A follow-up question and answer session will take

place on April 12 at 9:30 p.m. in the Hatfield Room of the library.

Caplan is the final lecturer of this year's Atkinson Lecture Series. Tickets are available at the U.C. information desk.

Caplan has authored the books *Am I My Brother's Keeper?* and *Other Essays on Medical Ethics*, to name a few.

He is the director of the Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses and chairman of the advisory committee to the Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control.

Caplan is a professor in the Department of Molecular and Cellular Engineering and Philosophy.

Students recognized nationally

By SARA MAHAN
STAFF WRITER

This year, Willamette University has several outstanding students who have received national recognition for academic excellence.

A professed "change-agent" dedicated to public service, Courtney Gregoire is a Harry S. Truman Scholar. She plans on pursuing a law degree at an institution that emphasizes public policy.

Bob Reinhardt and Sterling Yates have received the J. William Fulbright Award, which is given to those aspiring to study abroad. Both Reinhardt and Yates will travel to Germany.

Reinhardt will study at Jena University conducting research on the Carl Zeiss

Optiks company. Yates will be an English teaching assistant in a German high school. Reinhardt hopes to produce enough material for a journal article, though he is looking forward to having a good time while increasing his language fluency.

Yates is anxious to learn more about the unique perspectives of America, Germany, as well as study International Relations or other German studies.

The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship Foundation sponsors students who want a career in the sciences, mathematics, or engineering.

Biology majors Briana Gross and Scott Tomlins have received this honor. Tomlins is searching for a graduate program in molecular oncol-

ogy. Gross was unavailable for comment.

These scholarships require high grade point averages, clear focus, and continuous re-writing of essay drafts. Cherie Lenzen of the Academic Grants and Awards states that it is necessary to "take the process seriously, but maintain a sense of humor."

In retrospect, many recipients were grateful to select professors and mentors who had been inspirational.

"Ellis always ensures that I have two feet on the ground," reflects Gregoire. Reinhardt attributes his success to Lenzen, Bill Smaldone, and Bill Duvall. "Without their wisdom and support, I never would have been able to get this far."

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Campus reflections

"Larry Cress was an inspired leader. He was able to transcend the pettiness that so often marks academic debate, and forged a solid agenda designed to improve academic life at Willamette."

Kelly Ainsworth
Director of Off-Campus
Studies and International
Education

"He deeply loved the process of learning and the academic experience...he did more for the students than we will probably ever realize."

Erin Dougherty
Senior

"He felt lucky [to be at Willamette]. But we were the lucky ones."

Bob Hawkinson
Dean of Campus Life

"Dean Cress was an intelligent and energetic administrator who combined a passion for teaching and scholarship with a strong devotion to the welfare of our faculty and a commitment to the intellectual development of our undergraduates."

M. Lee Pelton
President
Willamette University

"Larry Cress was a renaissance man. He was what he desired in his students."

Bryan Johnston
Dean of the Atkinson
Graduate School of
Management

"He provided a model of thoughtful growth; he was a man gracefully able to change his mind on the basis of new information or perception."

Carol Long
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Memories of Cress: 'He was a good man'

By DUSTIN BUEHLER
AND MONA LUQMAN
EDITORS

A simple note graced the door of the Dean's office.

"We'll miss you but always remember you," it said. The note was from an anonymous student.

Larry Cress will be remembered. But how will members of the Willamette community remember him?

We both knew Dean Cress, but many members of the Willamette community did not. As we talked with students, staff and faculty, one common feeling was expressed: the bow-tie-clad administrator was very special, and the story of his years at Willamette should be shared.

We talked with several of Cress' closest friends, trying to get a better sense of who he was.

Here are their stories.

Living his dreams

"Larry was a working-class kid from Spokane who saw his dreams come true," Dean of Campus Life Bob Hawkinson said. "He often said that he had the best dean's job in America."

Hawkinson, who served as associate dean at the beginning of Cress' tenure at Willamette, considered him one of his closest friends on campus. When we asked him why he was close to Cress, Hawkinson paused to think of how he could best describe their relationship.

"He was a person of great integrity, humor and insight," he said.

Hawkinson noted that while Cress was not afraid to take tough stands, he always listened to other viewpoints. And if he realized that he had made a mistake, Cress was quick to apologize.

Most impressive to Hawkinson was Cress' ability to devote time to family and friends despite working diligently in his capacity as dean.

"If he was a workaholic. He gave workaholics a good name," Hawkinson said.

When asked what force was behind Cress' desire to serve the Willamette community, Hawkinson thought for a moment, and then smiled.

"He loved life, liked the people around him, and loved Willamette."

"He was one of us"

"It's tough to come in to an academic environment as a new dean," said History Professor Ellen Eisenberg. Often times, a new administrator has a hard time fitting in with other faculty members.

"Larry didn't have this problem. He was accepted by the faculty. He was one of us."

Eisenberg served on the search committee that hired Cress in 1994, and observed him in many roles during his years at Willamette.

"He impressed me with his ability to be fair and straightforward, and his sup-

Four of Larry Cress' friends share memories and thoughts about the dean's character and contribution to the Willamette community.

port of the faculty" she said. According to Eisenberg, when History Professor William Smaldone talked to Cress about running for the Salem City Council, the dean supported the idea wholeheartedly.

Cress had a reputation as someone who fought on behalf of the faculty. Under his direction, a number of grants and resources were established for faculty scholarship.

"He was a great leader. He celebrated the efforts of the faculty in and out of the classroom."

Nothhaft, a student in Cress' Jefferson and Lincoln history class, the dean's image among students progressed from obscure to inspirational.

"He served as our guide, and allowed us to learn from each other," Nothhaft said.

Taking his passion for history into the classroom, Cress regularly taught spring semester courses on Jefferson, Lincoln, and the American Civil War.

"You felt smarter sitting next to him," said Nothhaft. "He was the dean, yet he never came across as intimidating."

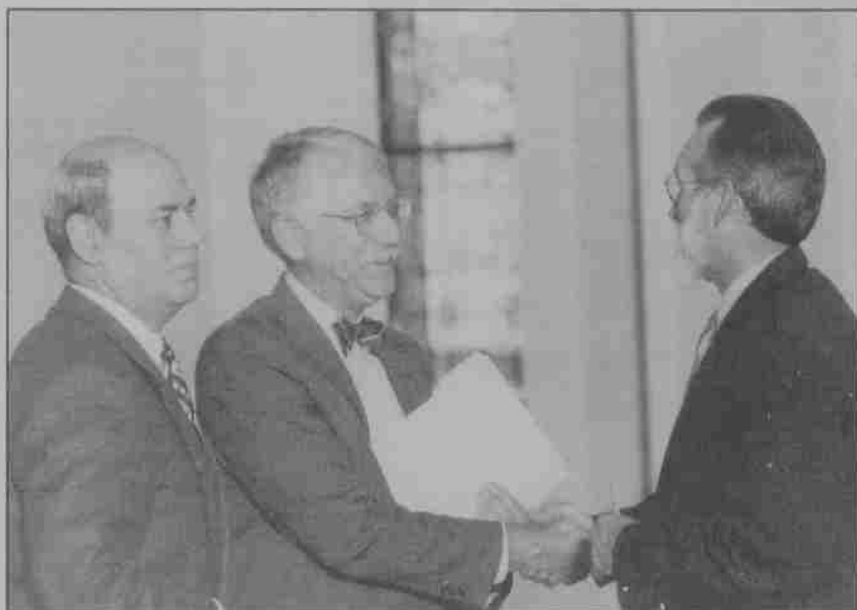
As a professor, Cress had a profound effect on his students. Without hesitation, Nothhaft cites the Jefferson and Lincoln class as his favorite college course. What's more, the junior labels Dean Cress as inspirational.

"He renewed my fire for school."

"This was Larry"

Like everyone else, Don Negri, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts, struggled to find words that expressed what Larry Cress meant to him.

"He was a good man. He was a trusted friend, mentor, and leader in all senses of the word," Negri said.



Larry Cress talks with interim president Bryan Johnston (left) and former Vice President of Academic Administration Todd Hutton (right) at a function in Cone Chapel during the 1997-1998 academic year.

"I look out the window and I see students"

It was September 1994, and Larry Cress was the new kid on the block.

"I look out the window and I see students going back and forth, but I don't know any," Cress said during his first month as Willamette's dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

"I hope that changes."

According to senior Hank

"He was not just dedicated to Willamette. He was dedicated to ideals."

Negri paused, then stood up and beckoned us to follow him.

He opened the door to Cress' office. After turning on the light, Negri gestured towards the room's furnishings and uttered a simple statement.

"This was Larry."

On the bookshelves were photos of the Cress family. The dean's treasured books about the American Civil War, Jefferson and Lincoln stretched out in front of us. On the wall was the colonial map of Maryland that he enjoyed showing to visitors.

On top of Cress' desk were papers organized in neat stacks, a half-filled mug of coffee, and a few uncapped ink pens.

And amid the unfinished work on the desk was a beautiful white orchid in full bloom.

In many ways, the orchid symbolizes the strange contradiction of Cress' death on a beautiful Spring day.

"I've been trying to figure that out," Negri said. "I guess it shows that we live in a world in which life and death, and happiness and tragedy, exist simultaneously."

Leaving a legacy

History bestows a certain degree of immortality upon individuals. Our memories preserve the lives of those we love.

Thomas Jefferson, one of Cress' favorite figures, made immortal by the pens of historians, once said that "If the Wise be the happy man...he must be virtuous too; for, without virtue, happiness cannot be. This then is the true scope of all academical emulation."

At the very least, history should record one thing about Larry Cress. In the memories of his friends, the dean's virtue and passion will forever resonate, and the orchid on his desk will always be in full bloom.



As dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Larry Cress enjoyed talking with students in his office in Smullin Hall.

Future freshmen visit campus this Friday

BY CANNON-MARIE GREEN
STAFF WRITER

Most prospective students visit Willamette before they choose a college on Spring Preview Day, which, according to Lindy Gauntlett, exists "for students to get a feel for a typical day at Willamette."

In years past, Spring Preview Day marks a time when the sun miraculously comes out, students emerge from their dorm rooms, and trees bloom. Campus becomes a huge picnic, complete with volleyball games and frisbee tosses.

The day begins at 9am and runs until 3:30 in the afternoon.

Three hundred prospective students receive tours, dine at Goudy, attend classes, hear keynote speakers and panel discussions about student life.

The activities are "a chance for them to get a taste of all you can do here and to hear it straight from the students," says Gauntlett.

A new part of the day is

called Special Interest Sessions on Athletics, Fine Arts, International Experience, and Community Service.

The mini-panels were created to give prospective students a better idea of what they want to be involved with at WU.

As a prospective student, Lori Biondini, now a junior, felt Willamette was a small, comfortable, and pretty campus.

"The students were really friendly," she says of the experience. With a slight chuckle, she adds, "I was actually impressed with Goudy."

"Spring Preview Day is crucial for Willamette and always proves to be well worth the effort," exclaims Gauntlett, who is a junior and has played a major role in making the day possible this year.

"It's a great way for prospectives to get a taste of life here, meet students, visit classes, and to decide if WU is the place for them."

Carson grants awarded

By JESSIE BOWEN
STAFF WRITER

Ten undergraduate students; Tobin Addington, Michael Birkeland, Anne Evans, Debu Gandhi, Noah Horton, Maegan Lindsay, Cindy Koenig, Johnny Lake, Danielle Mathey, and Julie Sparks; have been chosen this year to receive the Carson Research Grant for the summer of 2000.

The grant, named after former Dean of the College of Liberal Arts Dr. Julie Carson, offers undergraduate students up to \$2,500 for an independent research project.

During their sophomore or junior year, students who would like to apply for the grant submit a ten page proposal detailing their research plans to the Office of Academic Grants & Awards.

The Undergraduate Grants & Awards Committee, headed by professor William Duvall of the history department, reviews the students' proposals and chooses a maximum of ten students to

receive the grant.

Each recipient must have a sponsor in the project's field as a mentor, but this mentor does not need to be a Willamette professor.

This year's winners will perform research in a variety of academic disciplines, ranging from studies in biology, to sociology, and literature.

Some projects include exploring the use of non-medical contraceptives, analyzing salmon restoration in Oregon, and evaluating the future of Roman Catholic nuns in the US.

Senior Michael Osland received a Carson grant for the summer of 1999. He performed marine biology research on the tidepools of Oregon and Panama.

While traveling for his grant, Osland found that people "were blown away that Willamette had an independent research grant for undergraduates," he said.

Often, the recipients' mentors enjoy the project almost as much as the students do. Many professors

kept in close contact with their students.

Professor John Koprowski of the Biology department has sponsored numerous students.

"The neat thing about these awards is they're meant to be independent," said Koprowski. "The responsibility of the sponsor is to take the students' enthusiasm and provide a little direction - to offer them guidance when they need it."

For the professor the process is "kind of fun because we get to live vicariously," said Koprowski.

Professor Suresht Bald has also mentored students. In 1992 she helped Laura Zinniker present her research on the French immigration policy in front of an international panel. Most of the people watching her speech thought Zinniker was either a graduate student or a faculty member. "She was very good," Bald said.

This year's recipients promise to be equally impressive.

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Next Week: The Boss
A review of the
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Roberts shines in 'Brockovich'

Movie: *Erin Brockovich*

Starring: Julia Roberts, and Albert Finney

Directed by: Steven Soderbergh

Verdict: ★ ★ ★ ★ 1/2

By TOBIN ADDINGTON
STAFF WRITER

Steven Soderbergh is responsible for some of the most original, intriguing, and largely unsuccessful films of the last decade. After *Sex, Lies, and Videotape*, he directed such stylish fare as *Out of Sight* and *The Limey*.

Here, in his most mainstream movie to date, Soderbergh has teamed up with Hollywood's most mainstream star. The movie had the potential to be the biggest sellout this side of the millen-

There are even a few moments where she ceases to be "Julia Roberts" and actually becomes Erin Brockovich. Under Soderbergh's direction she finally has a chance to show us more of her range.

nium.

In fact, the result is a unique, gritty, and often very amusing courtroom drama with refreshingly few courtroom scenes.

Julia Roberts (*Pretty Woman*, *Notting Hill*, as if you didn't know) is given the chance to play something other than a movie star—and she sinks her teeth into the brash-talking, tacky outfit-



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Albert Finney and Julia Roberts both have outstanding performances in *Erin Brockovich*.

wearing heroine.

There are even a few moments where she ceases to be "Julia Roberts" and actually becomes Erin Brockovich. Under Soderbergh's direction she finally has a chance to show us more of her range.

Also worth mentioning is a wonderful performance by



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In her newest role, Julia Roberts plays Erin Brockovich.

Albert Finney ("Daddy Warbucks" from *Annie*). As Erin's lawyer boss, Finney's banter with Roberts is priceless.

They have the chemistry of two accomplished, if under-used (or not properly used), actors who finally have the chance to play off one another in parts that both suit their strengths and push them to

find new facets. The film's direction is its strongest asset, and Soderbergh has a clear vision of the reality of *Erin Brockovich*.

The Southwestern landscapes are bleached and blazing under the sun.

Much of the camera work is hand-held.

The entire film has a very real, materially present feel to it.

And, as he proved so skillfully with George Clooney and Jennifer Lopez in *Out of Sight*, Soderbergh really knows how to extract powerful and image-reshaping performances from some of today's brightest (and most typecast) stars.

Erin Brockovich does run a little long for its own good, but instead of sifting through the film for the other flaws (and there are a few) it might be more helpful to consider how basic and cliché-ridden the movie would have been with another director.

If nothing else the commercial success of *Erin Brockovich* will allow Soderbergh to go on making his smaller, genre-busting pictures.

Whether you're a fan of Roberts, Soderbergh, or just have a soft spot for "Daddy Warbucks", you will find this film an ultimately satisfying endeavor.

Led Zeppelin's new album 'Latter Days' shows the best days

By JAMES BANKS
STAFF WRITER

The release of *Led Zeppelin-Latter Days* completes the release of the greatest hits from the mighty Zep's catalogue. *Latter Days* (Atlantic) chronicles the second half of the band's career, from *Houses of the Holy* through the band's final studio release, *In Through the Out Door*.

The division that occurs between *Latter Days* and the initial release, *Early Days*, is quite noticeable, but appropriate. 1973's *Houses of the Holy* served as the transition between the hard rocking, blues-based *Zeppelin* of the late 60s and early 70s, and the divergent

fectly with John Paul Jones' Mellotron playing.

If anything, *Led Zeppelin* learned to slow down their songs. No longer does every song have the intensity and speed of "Communication Breakdown" or "Whole Lotta Love." The track listing definitely indicates this. Nearly all of the ten tracks on *Latter Days* exceed seven or eight minutes.

The last great release from *Led Zeppelin* was *Physical Graffiti* in 1975. The sprawling double album captured the band at its creative peak.

Four of the ten tracks come from this album. "Houses of the Holy," a standard Zep rock tune, is presented after being left off of the album of the same

But the finest track from *Physical Graffiti*, as well as *Latter Days*, is "Kashmir." An entire orchestra backed *Led Zeppelin* when producing this landmark song. A mixture of Middle-Eastern melodies and traditional rock music, it is a thrilling song.

John Bonham's legendary kick drum is slightly phased between the left and right channels, providing an amazing experience when listening on headphones. Jimmy Page's guitar provides a simple ascending riff that locks in perfectly with Bonham.

Robert Plant delivers one of the better lyrical and vocal performances of his career. A video performance of the "Kashmir" live is included as a bonus on the CD.

The last superb song from *Latter Days* is "Achilles Last Stand." The track is quite an appropriate song for a band that appeared to be as brave and powerful as the Greek hero himself.

The song itself is *Led Zeppelin's* final flourish of rock and roll glory. The track features all the hallmark *Led Zeppelin* characteristics: the charging guitar by Page, Bonham and Jones' solid rhythmic foundation, and Plant's banshee vocals.

Latter Days hopefully completes the final version of the *Led Zeppelin* catalogue. Fitting well with the previously released *Early Days*, this album chronicles the mighty *Led Zeppelin* as they finished the twilight of the band's career.

It serves as a testament to the power, beauty, and eclectic musical tastes of one of rock and roll's greatest bands.



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Led Zeppelin performing in a concert in 1977, during the latter part of their careers, but their music still plays on strong.

musical paths that the band would later take.

"The Song Remains The Same" and "No Quarter" displayed *Led Zeppelin's* new ability to shift away from Willie Dixon blues lyrics and move into deeper, darker pieces. Robert Plant's haunting voice on "No Quarter" blends per-

name. "Trampled Underfoot" is a prime example of how talented bassist/keyboard player John Paul Jones really was. Jones took a large role in the band's musical creativity when drug use and car accidents reduced Jimmy Page and Robert Plant's control over the band.

ASWU MOVIE NIGHT



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'Fidelity' soars to the top

By JOHNNY VONG
A&E EDITOR

Verdict: ★ ★ ★ ★

So far this year, *High Fidelity* is probably the best film that's out there. This might be a bold statement to make, but trust me.

High Fidelity may not win any Academy Awards, but it's a film where you will laugh out loud for the whole two hours. There are not any extravagant special effects or cool fight scenes, but the incredible acting will engulf you into the plot.

The plot is your basic love story, where the male complains about the female, and struggles to find happiness. But, in this movie humorous interludes about relationships (I can't say what they are without giving away the movie) along with "Top Five Lists" make this ordinary plot into an extraordinary film. Throughout the film, John Cusack (*Eight Men Out, The Sure Thing, Grasse*



John Cusack and Jack Black star in the new film *High Fidelity*.

Point Blank) describes his "Top Five Most Memorable breakups."

The film stars Cusack as Rob Gordon, a record store owner, with an infinite amount of music knowledge, who recently broke up with his girlfriend Laura, played by Iben Hjejle.

Most of the film takes place in a record store, similar to Ranch Records in downtown Salem. The employees of the

store Barry and Dick are played by Jack Black (*Cradle Will Rock, Dead Man Walking, Cable Man*), and Todd Louiso (*Apollo 13, The Rock*).

However, Black's performance is probably the best thing in this film. Black infuriates customers by belittling them about their lack of music knowledge. I can't describe how good

his performance is, but he reminds me of a friend we all have who is stocky, quirky, and an outright riot.

At times the film seems to lose momentum during the transitional monologues given by Cusack. These episodes are monotonous, and could be eliminated.

But, overall the film is worth going to see for Black's performance and the whole cast.

International Extravaganza

By DAVELEEN DEMARS
COPY EDITOR

It is time again for the annual International Extravaganza.

The event, sponsored by the International Students Association, will be held in the Jackson Plaza April 8 from noon to four.

The extravaganza will feature food, crafts, and music from around the world to celebrate the diversity of the student body present at Willamette.

All students and community members are welcome to attend.

Thought of as the most unusual booth, the Heifer Project allows people to pay for cows and pigs that will support families in developing countries.

Food booths will be found around the plaza and serve a variety of multi-cultural dishes, ranging from French food to Turkish and Moroccan dishes. Students will display their pottery and paintings as well as several charity organizations selling various native artwork items such as jewelry.

For entertainment, the INI Reggae band and Willamette Taiko Drumming Club will perform as well as the North African dancers.

For the children's entertainment, there will be mask making, face painting and other fun activities. In case of rain the festivities will be moved to the Cat Cavern.

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Courtney Gregoire

- * Junior
- * Politics

It is time for change.

Over the past year, I have heard and voiced concerns regarding campus life at Willamette. Lack of unity, decreased student involvement, and the push to move social functions off-campus are just some of the problems facing us. I believe the executive

council of ASWU must address these issues head-on, not behind closed doors, but by bringing together student representatives from all corners of WU.

Now that you understand my vision, let me tell you how I plan to accomplish it. As many of you know, I am a vocal leader willing to fight for all students of Willamette and take on the tough issues. A leader's job, however, does not stop there. As President, I would bring people together with diverse interests, work for solutions through negotiation and compromise, and then use my drive and determination to implement change.

Willamette needs a clear vision and an agenda for change.

Go Gregoire for ASWU President!

VICE PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE



Jennifer Kovarik

- * Sophomore
- * Politics

My name is Jennifer Kovarik and I am running for the ASWU position of Vice President of the Executive. I have been a member of ASWU Senate for almost two years and have watched others complete this job. I have been a member of hall council throughout my time at Willamette, served on

numerous committees, and volunteered whenever possible. I also had numerous leadership experiences in high school including treasurer of a class of 444 people, Honor Society President, and a Girls' State delegate. I believe that with a strong background in leadership and a positive attitude, I will be able to bring much to this position. I wish to continue improvement in communication between students, the Senate, and the Executive, and to further the attempts to address student issues.



Andy Miguel

- * Junior
- * Sociology

To the Students of Willamette:

ASWU has begun to move towards change. The attempted Constitutional reform shows that this is evident. It is critical that the next president has a vision and the structure that can effectively produce a positive change.

I have a vision. I have focused on three key points.

1. The misuse of resources in ASWU affects the efficiency of each office.
2. There is very little communication between the student body and ASWU; this will change under my presidency.
3. ASWU needs to become more accountable on issues and problems within the student body, and earn its dependability for the students.

During my term as VP of Programming I have been responsible and dependable. If elected, I will not give any less than maximum effort to my fellow students. I will leave ASWU better than how it was left for me.



BJ Southard

- * Sophomore
- * Rhetoric & Media Studies

The duties of the Vice President of the Executive are important in many respects. However, as this office has only been in existence for 2 years, there is enormous room for expansion of duties. As VP, I would help to better define this office and make it an outlet for change. Currently the VP of the

Executive's roles include filling in for the President in his or her absence; serving as parliamentarian of the Senate, and taking on any duties the President deems necessary. While this is important, the job is still nebulous.

My plan for reform:

* To attend meetings of groups (such as IFC, Outdoors Club etc) when there are questions of the Executive.

* Establish standing committees on issues that are important to students.

* Work toward increased Senate autonomy.

* Revitalize ASWU News Communications.

There are many policies you can help me to change.

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VICE PRESIDENT OF ADMINISTRATION



Mona Luqman

* Junior
* Rhetoric & Media Studies

For the last three years, I have had the opportunity to work closely with ASWU officers while covering issues and events for the Collegian.

I have come to understand the hard work and commitment it takes to be an ASWU officer. Because of my year as an ASWU Senator, two years as a Collegian Editor and my commitment to Willamette University, I feel that I am qualified to be the next Vice President of Administration.

As a student journalist, note-taking and writing are my specialty. As Editor-in-Chief, managing everything from the budget to office supplies to staff was a daily concern.

As a leader and team player, I bring experience to a position that requires chairing the Elections Board and overseeing ASWU employees and appointed members of Committees and Boards.

I hope to work closely with students of all interests to ensure that ASWU is serving them in the best manner possible.

As a junior, I am excited about serving you, the student body, one last time as the Vice President of Administration next year.



Bryan Ruttkay

* Freshman
* Undeclared

My name is Bryan Ruttkay. I am a freshman candidate running for the position of Vice President of Administration.

I am originally from Seattle, Washington. Currently I live in Matthews and I am extremely involved in the community. I have been Vice President of Matthews/Belknap

for the past two semesters. Being Vice President of a hall council, I am also a member of House of Hall Representatives (HHR).

While in HHR I have been extremely enthusiastic and a strong leader. During the first semester I received the award for "Most Outstanding Hall Council Member For First Semester."

Just this last semester I received the award from Residence Life for "Outstanding Contribution to Hall Government."

I believe that these awards prove my leadership ability.

I am enthusiastic and willing to take on responsibility.

I am concerned about the success of ASWU and the student body as a whole.

VICE PRESIDENT OF PROGRAMMING



Beth Carlascio

* Sophomore
* Psychology

Having been on ASWU programming board this year, I realize the importance of programming on campus. As Vice President of Programming, I hope to serve the Willamette community with an organized agenda, new and exciting programming

ideas, and to open ears to the student's needs.

I know how to program a successful and entertaining event with both the organization of a leader, and the needs of a student.

I hope to bring back the already successful events, as well as adding to it by incorporating bigger music events and a revitalized homecoming weekend.

I am ready, willing, and able to listen to, and work with students who have ideas for programming. I am dependent on the students for support and ideas to have a successful programming year.

I am excited about, and dedicated to ASWU Programming. With the student body support, we can have yet another successful programming year.

VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE



Amanda Conradt

* Freshman
* Undeclared

My name is Amanda Conradt and I am running for Vice President of Finances. I am currently a freshman and have not declared my major. My experiences qualify me to fill this position and I am ready to dedicate my time and energy.

I have been an ASWU senator for two semesters and served on the ASWU Finance Board for those two semesters. I also dedicated myself to ASWU campaigns and projects. The current VP of Finance and I have worked closely this semester. I have become familiar with what the job includes and how the Finance Board runs.

I am aware of problems within the system and have discussed these snags and their possible solutions with the current VP. I will be a valuable addition to the ASWU Executive Committee. I am the best candidate for this position.



Garrett Kuramoto

* Freshman
* Undeclared

By the time you read this, you may have already decided who'll get your vote on Monday and Tuesday. Whatever your situation, however, I urge you to have considered a few things when you cast that vote: accountability, efficiency, and value. Will you know

where your student body funds are going? Will they be there when they are needed? And will you be satisfied with the service your student government provides?

I will make sure that a fairly distributed and justified budget is communicated to everyone and open to input. I will do whatever it takes to see the budget is passed on schedule without delay. Furthermore, I will work with the other executive officers to ensure that we all receive the full value for our dollar.

Please cast a vote for Garrett Kuramoto for VP Finances.

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Next Week: *Study Abroad*

Ethan Knight regales us with a tale of adventure and terror on Mt. Kilimanjaro.

'No money, no ice cream,' and other realities of Vietnamese life

Xin chao cac ban from Ho Chi Minh City, the city formerly, yet familiarly, known as Saigon.

I hope to give you all some insights into life here in Vietnam, because, one, Vietnam is very different than the US,

two, it's nice to know

that there's life outside the WU sphere, and three, that's the whole point of writing this article.

I've been here about five weeks, spending most of my time in the city. Saigon is hazy, hot, dirty, busy, loud, and crazy. I dig it.

About six million people live here, and it seems like everyone rides a motorbike. The streets are packed with them, making the routine trip from my house to my university an adventure every time out.

There really is no traffic enforcement, just the unspoken rules of the people. Simple tips if you're ever here: don't make any sudden jerky movements, don't back-track when you're crossing the street, and don't panic. No problem.

The city folk are a mellow bunch. They spend lots of time sitting at cafes eating, drinking beer, and watching the flow of traffic rather than the clock. On the same block you're likely to see homeless people asleep on the street, a karaoke bar with flashing neon signs, street vendors selling everything from gas to chickens, and countless stands serving all sorts of food— which is an issue in itself. The food here is great— lots of rice, noodles, vegeta-

bles, tofu, and a seemingly endless array of goodies from the animal kingdom. I've been eating mostly vegetarian, but I've sampled from the meat department here and there. Some options for you meat lovers include fish,

squid, chicken, duck, beef, pork, goat, deer, wild boar, snake, frog, eel, and, yes, dog on those extra special occasions. The parts of these animals offered up as dinner are especially intriguing— tongue, spinal cord, foot, blood, skin, intestines, heart, liver, stomach, testicles, penis, and the delectable uterus. Tasty treats indeed. As for me, I tried frog legs the other night and they taste like, you guessed it, chicken. And because I'm feeling a bit guilty, I want to say sorry to my best friend Maggie at home in New Hampshire. I want you to know I only had one small piece.

I mentioned before the fondness of beer drinking in Vietnam, a profound understatement to say the least. Beer drinking is a common habit from late morning to late night, at least among the men. After the government allowed for the privatization of the beer market several years back, over 300 breweries have sprouted up around the country. Most of it is bottled beer, but

that is changing with the conception of the Bia Hoi, translated as "fresh beer." These popular spots offer fresh draught beer particular to each location. Kegs are rolled in daily and business ends when the beer runs out. At

around 14 to 25 cents a glass, that usually doesn't take long.

Also popular is snake wine, a kind of rice/herb wine which gets its unique flavor from the gutted snake added to each bottle. The snakes are set up menacingly in the bottle, threatening you with its fangs. Not only is it fun to drink, it has a serious kick to it as well. Taken a shot at a time, this potent but sneaky wine could put Ted Kennedy under the table.

As I mentioned before, the snake was gutted before being added to the bottle. Well, in Vietnam very little goes to waste. A specialty of Hanoi, where I'll be visiting in a few weeks, consists of taking a live snake, skillfully

splitting it down its side, and draining its blood into a small goblet. Add a bit of brandy, mix, and you've got yourself all natural Viagra times 1000, or so I'm told. They say that a minute or so after you drink it you can actually feel a warm surge of energy flow through your whole body. When that feeling hits, you then swallow whole the still beating heart. Any time I've asked about this blood potion I usually get a sly smile accompanied with an, "all night!" I'm looking forward to trying it.

Although I have enjoyed the city, it's the countryside that I really came to see. After a solid month in Saigon I was beginning to wonder if it was really there. A few hours out of the city and there you have it. We traveled to the Mekong Delta last weekend to tromp through rice paddies, float down rivers and canals (think *Apocalypse Now* minus the arrow attack), visit fruit orchards, and check out one of the last authentic floating markets in the world. The delta is indescribably beautiful, basically a tropical paradise. The people there are known as the most friendly and hospitable in the country, and they are. They live in, with, and for the water. It's a tough life, but a simple and satisfying one as well.

I feel confident in saying this because we have gotten to see and do much more than the average tourist. Our academic director, an

amazing woman, was a big part of the war resistance effort back in the day, and the Vietnamese government knows and trusts her. Because of this, we have the freedom to get off the beaten path and see the real Vietnam. Next week, we head to Hanoi for a three-week journey all the way back to Saigon in which we will see just about everything there is to see. I can't wait. For anybody looking to go abroad, I have to say that if you haven't checked out S.I.T., you're out of your mind. Just an opinion I thought I'd share.

To close I would like to share a saying I've learned that has helped me through the tough times I've had here:

No money, no ice cream. Such is life.

Throughout Saigon, a haunting ice cream stand jingle is heard from every corner, every alleyway, everywhere. Once thinking I would kill myself if I ever heard it again, a friend of mine translated the lyrics of the jingle for me: "No money, no ice cream. Such is life." How stupid! How true! How perfect! When the euphoria of the first few weeks in a new place wears off, the littlest things can become frustrating and aggravating, but you just have to shake it off. Paid too much for that cyclo ride? Such is life. Ate the chicken penis soup thinking they were baby corns? Such is life. Want an ice cream cone but forgot your money at home? Such is life. Give it a try sometime, it works wonders.

Thanks for listening WU, say hi to the ducklings for me.

Adam Sullivan is a junior from Exeter, New Hampshire.



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As Sullivan says, "About six million people live here, and it seems like every one rides a motorbike."

Santiam Flycasters Annual Fly Fair

On April 8, 2000, the Willamette University Intramural & Recreational Activities, along with the Santiam Flycasters will feature their annual fly fishing fair from 10:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M., at Sparks Center, on the Willamette University campus.

There will be several expert fly tiers set up at tables, demonstrating the art of fly tying. Also, there will be fly casting demonstrations and instruction.

There will be 3 or 4 presentations featuring different aspects of fly fishing, and there will be a raffle to give away a fly rod and reel set, some of the flies tied that day by the tiers, and several other fly fishing related items.



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Editorials

Willamette's Blue Heron

The death of Larry Cress has shocked Willamette. Hopefully we will learn a lesson about life as well.

As the sun rose slowly over the Willamette campus on Monday, a solitary Blue Heron waded through the Mill Stream.

Professors and students paused and watched. The bird kept strutting, oblivious to the bustle of campus life.

The Willamette community likes to bustle. We attach importance to material things, such as grades, papers and tests. We are ambitious. Perhaps after this last Monday, members of our community will realize what is really important.

On that beautiful Monday morning, Willamette lost one of its own. Larry Cress, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, passed away after collapsing on campus.

Students and faculty were shocked and left numb. Cress was too young to die. He was too healthy. He was too important to the campus. And he was too loved by

the Willamette community. Students, staff and faculty close to Cress were left in a daze. As the week went on, many gazed around campus, wishing that somehow they could catch one last glimpse of the man with the trench-coat, wide-brimmed hat and bow-tie, briskly walking across campus.

Cress has left a legacy at Willamette. Hopefully the community will learn a lesson as well.

It is time that we stop placing irrelevant material goals and ambitions above the truly beautiful things in life: notably, friends and family.

And maybe it's time we blow off a few of those "important" meetings to watch a Blue Heron.

The Blue Heron is a graceful bird. Its movements and mannerisms are fascinating and admirable.

We bow our heads and say farewell to Larry Cress, Willamette's Blue Heron.



Aftermath of reform vote

Next year ASWU should once again attempt to reform the constitution. Problems still exist.

When it came time to vote on proposed reforms to the ASWU constitution, students did not speak quietly. Instead, they yelled in protest.

In a stinging rebuke, Willamette students voted down the changes 70% to 30%. Amendments to the ASWU constitution must muster a two-thirds majority vote. Ironically, the two-thirds majority voted against the reform package.

As proponents scamper back to the drawing board, many campus leaders are asking themselves one question: what now?

There is only one suitable answer to this question. Reformers must re-group and press on with their efforts to amend the constitution.

While it will be hard for ASWU to have the stomach to pursue reforms after the recent vote, changes to the

constitution are needed. The failure of one reform package does not mean that problems do not exist in the constitution.

Throughout the constitutional amendment campaign, opponents of the package stated that students should wait for a better package of reforms. It is now time for these opponents to step up to the plate and deliver by providing the better package of which they spoke.

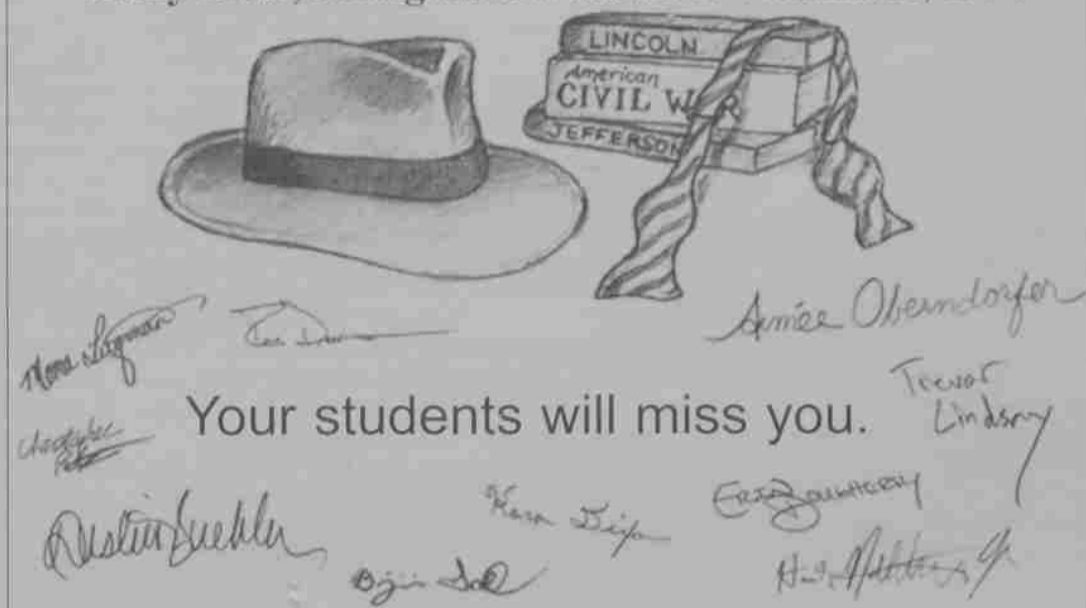
In this month's ASWU election, students should demand candidates to submit proposals for constitutional reforms. The issue should command the attention of all candidates.

It would be unfortunate if constitutional reform proposals were swept under the rug because of the recent vote.

After all, true leadership can be bold action in the aftermath of defeat.

"I look out the window and I see students going back and forth, but I don't know any. I hope that changes."

-Larry Cress, during his first month at Willamette, 1994



Your students will miss you.

DUSTIN BUEHLER / COLLEGIAN

Remembering Dean Cress

What a week! Monday started as a beautiful spring day. The sun was out, the trees were in full blossom.

Early that morning a Great Blue Heron visited our Mill Stream—usually a good omen. Students hit the quad, frisbees in hand, as soon as classes were out (and maybe before).

And then something shattered our Oregon spring time and our Willamette business-as-usual.

Dean Larry Cress was stricken, taken to the emergency room and died. We are still in shock — doing what we can to ease the pain for his wife and daughter (who is just finishing high school this June), and trying to ponder our own great loss.

Dean Cress was an untiring worker, both for faculty and for students in the College of Liberal Arts. Many times — early and late and on weekends — when nobody else was parked in the lot next to the Theatre, you'd find his red Pathfinder there, and the light on in his Smullin Hall office.

But he was not just the guy



SPECIAL FEATURE

Chaplain Charlie Wallace

who runs the CLA ship, signs students' diplomas, and works hard to make them worth more.

He was also a good friend and colleague, a person we all respected and genuinely liked. We'll miss him because

"...we all can learn some important lessons. One of them is to remember the ways that Dean Cress has influenced us, and be grateful."

he did an important job well; we'll miss him because he was a good man.

There is no lesson worth the loss and pain that we all feel, at one level or another—

death has violated our community and we don't know why.

But this is one of those "teachable moments" when we all can learn some important lessons. One of them is to remember the ways that Dean Cress has influenced us, and be grateful.

Another is to cherish the relationships we have, with one another and with the world around us, and strive to live gracefully. "Life is too short" for long-term grudges and petty bickering and disengagement with all that's good, true and beautiful; so are four years of college!

This difficult week will end, and we'll convene Sunday in Hudson Hall to officially remember Dean Cress. Spring will keep on coming; Passover and Easter will arrive.

All three will remind us of deliverance and new life. And maybe the Blue Heron will return... an omen of possibility and promise after all.

Charlie Wallace is the Chaplain of Willamette University.

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Letter: Response to race issues series

I am a white student who transferred to Willamette this past September.

I must admit that I have been embarrassed by the school's lack of racial diversity.

This problem is not only evident in our prestigious universities, but also in our local and state governments.

As for the "non-white" students at Willamette who

feel unwelcome, I would like to offer an apology. I am glad that you are here.

I try to make eye contact and smile at everyone I pass. I encourage everyone to greet people with a smile.

It will make you and those around you feel less alone.

ALICE ANTLEY
Junior

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Softball team having best season in years

By KATE HAAS
STAFF WRITER

Over spring break, Willamette played in the Sunwest Tournament in Anaheim, Calif. They met teams from all over the nation and came home victorious with a 5-1 tournament record and defeated the sixteenth ranked team in the nation.

The Bearcats' single loss was to the country's second ranked team. Head coach Damian Williams said, "Spring break was really great for the team. The program has had great success."

The strength the team showed in California is indicative of the direction the softball program is headed. Coach William's effort to create a strong foundation of

leadership through returning players coupled with new talent is evident.

The team has an overall record of 13-6 and a 6-3 record in conference play.

Although the season is only half over, the team has already won more games than in any other season since 1993.

The Bearcats' record manifests itself in the cohesiveness of the team. Junior Calley Campbell said, "Energy on the team is really high. I am proud to be a part of the team this year. It's come really far since my freshman year."

A highlight of the season was after the spring break when the team swept Lewis & Clark for the second sweep of the season.

Perhaps part of the team's success should be accredited to the solid pitching staff. In the Lewis & Clark series, sophomore pitcher Shasta Journey had two wins, with freshman Haley Boston picking up a win also.

The team lost three games last weekend to Pacific Lutheran, the top ranked team in the conference. The Bearcats put out a good effort, keeping the games close.

The Bearcats lost the first game 2-1. The second game Willamette lost 7-1. The Lutes completed the sweep with a 6-4 win on Friday.

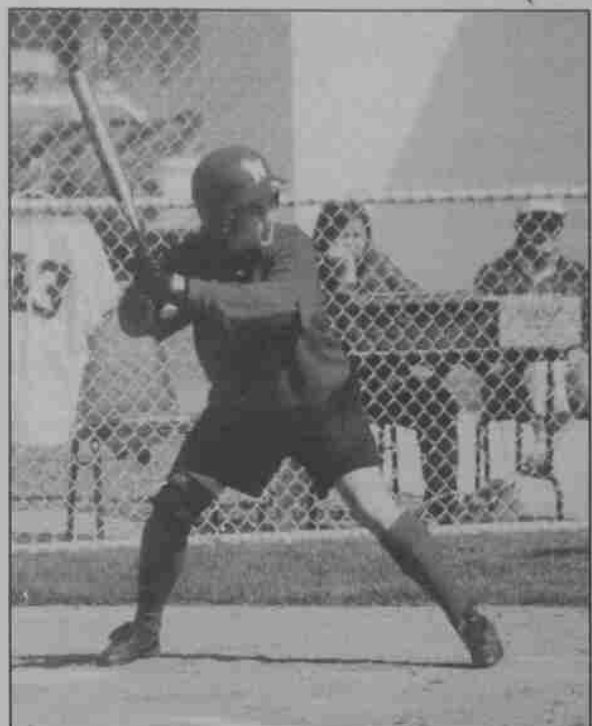
In the final game of the series, the team's only senior, Jamie Taylor, went 3 for 3 and picked up a team high two RBI. Junior third baseman

Genesis Heath went 2 for 2 with one RBI. Freshman second baseman Sherrie Mabie chipped in with a 2 for 4 performance.

Looking to the upcoming games this weekend, freshman Maria Ortiz said, "Next weekend will be a test to see if we can get back on track. We need to prove how well we can do..."

The team plays Concordia on Thursday and then travels to Spokane for the weekend to play Whitworth.

Ortiz said, "We have a great mesh of players, from the girls who played for the old coach, to those who have played for both coaches, to the ones who are Damian's first recruits. I am very excited to see what will come."



MOE DESROCHERS

Senior Jamie Taylor at bat in Sunday's game against Pacific University

Men's and women's crew teams fare well at Humboldt

By SHANNAH FIELDS
STAFF WRITER

If the success of the Willamette men and women's crew teams during spring break is any indication of the team's potential, then fourth year coach Rod Mott

should be very encouraged.

"The women's varsity-four had a dominating performance on Saturday, winning by 16 seconds," Mott said of the boat's first race at the Redwood Invitational at Humboldt State in Calif.

Last season, the Willamette

crew teams made some impressive showings.

The women's varsity-eight boat was the Northwest Conference champion and finished second at the Pacific Coast Championships in May.

Also earning a medal at the Pacific Coast Championships was the women's lightweight-four boat.

Unfortunately, several of the members of the varsity eight boat did not return this season, so the team races a varsity-four boat.

Leading the way on the women's side is senior Jami Madson, who rowed on the varsity-eight boat that performed so well last spring. Joining Madson in the boat is senior Sophia Little, junior Christy Bainbridge, and sophomore Ann Thibert.

Besides the varsity four, the Bearcats also have a varsity lightweight-eight boat that includes three freshmen, two novice-eight boats, and a JV-eight boat.

"Overall we did pretty good. The varsity-four met expectations and the novice

boats learned a lot," Mott said after the team's first regatta.

Youth will reign on the men's side because most of the returning members are sophomores or juniors.

"We've got a good talent base, so it's just getting the experience now," Mott said.

The two seniors on the team, Grant Norling and Scott Adams, will play a tremendous role because they have each rowed for four years.

Like the women, the men also competed in the Redwood Invitational and showed excellent potential.

"The men had a pretty dominating day. We won the novice-eight, novice-four, and got second in the lightweight-eight in a close race with Berkeley," Mott said.

"We had breakage in the varsity-four, but still finished second. The men's varsity eight also won pretty handily."

Other than the trip to Humboldt State, the men and women spent the week of spring break training, doing daily doubles on Tuesday and Wednesday.

"That work will show itself this weekend," Mott said, speaking of the upcoming Husky Invite. "I think we'll do well - our spring break training should kick in."

Following the Husky Invite, the Willamette crew teams will also compete in a new regatta in April, sponsored by the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association (WIRA). Every team on the West Coast will attend except for Pac-10 schools.

"We're trying to gear towards WIRA championships in two weeks," Mott said. "It'll give us a really good early indication of where we are on the West Coast."

Also on the spring schedule are the Governor's Cup, a regatta hosted by Willamette in Salem, the conference championships, and the Pacific Coast Championships. The Governor's Cup will occur on April 22.

In order for either team to qualify for nationals, they must finish first at the Pacific Coast Championships where they compete against both Division-II and III teams.

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Baseball team drops two of three to Linfield

By CANNON-MARIE GREEN
STAFF WRITER

After going 4-6 over ten games during Spring Break, Willamette's baseball team returned to face the Linfield Wildcats. Saturday, Linfield played host to a double-header, where Willamette fell victim in both games. "I feel like our pitching gave us a chance to win both of those games, but our lack of offensive production killed us," said head coach Dave Wong.

The first game seemed to put junior Nik Lubisich on display, as he pitched six complete innings and scored the only run. The Bearcats, however, lost the game 3-1.

After scoring one run in the first inning, the Bearcats struggled at the plate.

Brown pitched six innings, faced 23 batters, and allowed four runs. Defensively the Bearcats continued to struggle, committing four errors. Senior shortstop Garet Luebbert and senior second baseman Ryan Hazelbaker scored Willamette's two runs. In the seventh inning, Nick Anderson relieved Brown. Anderson only pitched one inning, but allowed four more runs. The deficit threatened to spiral out of control, but sophomore Chris George closed the game in a clean 1-2-3 inning, ending the game 8-2.

Salem for the last game of the series.

The Bearcat bats finally came alive, as Willamette destroyed the Wildcats 16-3.

"We got great pitching again," says Wong. "[Junior] Brad Ferrin did a great job keeping them off balance and working out of a couple early inning jams."

Ferrin pitched seven innings and allowed two runs, as he faced 28 batters. Freshman Tyler Hunnex relieved Ferrin in the ninth inning, allowing one run. Finally, junior Lindsay Fansler closed the game, ending it 16-3.

"We did a better job of getting the ball in play and working the off side offensively," says Wong. "We made them make plays... We took advantage of their errors and walks."

Indeed, the Bearcats went on a hitting marathon, scoring one run in the first inning, four runs in the second, five in the fifth, and six in the seventh.

Lubisich, playing DH, scored four runs and knocked in two RBI.

Junior Paul Duman, first base, added three runs to the tally. Luebbert contributed two runs and one RBI. Junior catcher Jason Searle chipped



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Senior Ryan Hazelbaker picks up a hit in last Sunday's win over Linfield.

Bearcats at a Glance

Willamette vs. Lewis-Clark	0-14
Willamette vs. Lewis-Clark	2-13
Willamette vs. Central Wash.	3-0
Willamette vs. Lewis-Clark	4-10
Willamette vs. Chico State	3-2
Willamette vs. Chico State	2-6
Willamette vs. Chico State	4-10
Willamette vs. Pacific Univ.	15-2
Willamette vs. Pacific Univ.	5-3
Willamette vs. Pacific Univ.	9-11
Willamette vs. Linfield	1-3
Willamette vs. Linfield	2-8
Willamette vs. Linfield	16-3
Overall Record:	12-10, 3-3 in NWC

The victories were the first for Linfield in conference play.

"The losses on Saturday brought about some changes in our lineup that may or may not have made a difference on Sunday," said Wong.

The following day, Linfield traveled to

in with two runs and two RBI. Sophomore Matt Benjamin, playing left field, also had two runs and three RBI. Fansler, playing right field, knocked in a run and two RBI.

George, the team's second baseman, also added a run. Hazelbaker went three for five and knocked in a team high four RBI.

"We had a bunch of hits, but I still feel we're capable of better production," remarks Wong.

The Bearcats, who had four errors of their own, were helped along by six Linfield errors.

Saturday, Willamette will go head-to-head against George Fox, who leads the conference in "every statistical category pitching wise," according to Wong.

Wong said his team will need solid pitching and hitting to contend. He also sees the upcoming series as one of the most important for both teams.

Sophomore Lori Bokovoy leads women's tennis team

By SHANNAH FIELDS
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A true athlete does not like to lose, and sophomore tennis player Lori Bokovoy is no exception.

"I don't like to lose and I wanted to be solid all year," she said. "I want players to know I am good."

Bokovoy came to Willamette from Edina, Minn., where she played soccer, basketball, and tennis for her high school.

After her sophomore year, Bokovoy decided to completely end her days participating in high school sports altogether.

"I quit because I wanted to focus on school work," Bokovoy said. "The people on

the tennis team weren't the nicest and I didn't want to be around that."

Bokovoy began playing tennis on a club time at the age of five. Through the club program, she practiced three times a week and competed once a week in a match against other kids in her age group or level.

After not playing her final two years in high school, Bokovoy decided to return to the courts for the Bearcats.

"As a freshman, I asked around and talked to people on the team," she said. "During winter break, I played every day to get back into it." In the spring, Bokovoy played number-four singles and number-one doubles.

"At the very beginning, I wasn't playing well. I lost the first seven matches, but I improved a lot at the end of the season," Bokovoy said.

Interestingly enough, she found the athletic transition not as difficult as she had expected. Under former head coach Phil Whitehead, Bokovoy found there was not as much pressure.

"The coach was very laid back and the competition was not as tough as I thought," she said.

She finished the season satisfied with her efforts and that of the team, which finished fifth in the Northwest Conference after going into the championships ranked seventh.

During the summer before

her sophomore year, Bokovoy took lessons and returned to the team this past fall ready for another season. She competed in a tournament at Whitman in the fall, but she spent the majority of her time simply practicing.

"I feel really good right now. Before I was a baseline player, but now I can serve and volley," she said of her improvements. "In the match against Linfield (Feb. 23), I felt confident and my game was perfect."

Bokovoy also noted the change in team attitude with the arrival of new head coach Carl Swanson.

"Carl wants us to win. He hates to lose and so do I, so there is more pressure to win," she said. "He directs us

well and is very organized. He sets up practice lessons during the week, tennis retreats and challenge matches."

The practice has paid off for Bokovoy, as she is currently the number-one singles and doubles player on the team.

Her doubles partner is junior Renee Purdy.

"She's [Purdy] a very good doubles player and we are playing well together," Bokovoy said.

Bokovoy's strong work ethic and desire to win will be instrumental, not only in her own success, but the success of the team as well.

"I want to stay on top and continue to win and improve, but I want the team to do well too," she said.

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CAMPUS SAFETY REPORT: MAR. 20-APR. 2

ASSIST OTHER AGENCY
 March 21, 2:12 a.m. - (State and 12th St.) While on patrol, Campus Safety witnessed three individuals break into a car. Campus Safety pursued and apprehended one while the others fled the scene. The suspect was then taken into custody by Salem Police.

BURGLARY
 March 20, 9:11 a.m. - (University Center) An employee reported three of four hinge pins had been removed from the back door of the Financial Aid Office.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF
 March 22, 9:00 p.m. - (University Center) While on patrol, Campus Safety noticed someone had tried to open the back door of the copy machine vault.

March 23, 5:35 p.m. - (Law School) A student reported someone had broken into the pool table coin box and stolen the coins inside.

March 27, 9:09 a.m. - (Belknap Hall) An employee reported restroom stalls had been painted without permission.

April 1, 3:55 p.m. - (Kaneko Hall) An employee reported a

vending machine on the third floor had been damaged.

CRIMINAL TRESPASS
 March 21, 7:15 p.m. - (Law School) While on patrol, Campus Safety stopped eight individuals. Seven were issued trespass warnings and the third was arrested on a previous warning.

March 23, 1:47 p.m. - (McCulloch Stadium) Campus Safety responded to an employee report of four juveniles refusing to leave the stadium area. All four were issued trespass warnings.

March 27, 7:19 p.m. - (Atkinson GSM) Campus Safety arrested a male who had been previously warned to not return to campus.

March 29, 4:45 p.m. - (Gatke Hall) Campus safety responded to a student's call for assistance with an irate individual. Campus Safety issued a verbal warning to the man to not return to Campus and the man left.

March 31, 10:29 p.m. - (Rose Garden) Campus Safety contacted a suspicious and possibly intoxicated male and issued a written trespass warning. It was later discov-

ered that the subject had a warrant for his arrest.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID
 March 31, 8:50 p.m. - (Pi Beta Phi) Campus Safety and WEMS responded to a call of a student suffering from seizures. WEMS evaluated and it was decided the student would be fine without further care.

SAFETY/SECURITY VIOLATIONS
 March 21, 12:26 p.m. - (Maintenance West) An employee reported finding a syringe. Campus Safety took the syringe into evidence.

POLICY VIOLATIONS
 March 20, 8:33 a.m. - (Doney Hall) An employee reported he had found evidence of smoking in the non-smoking computer room.

March 31, 7:05 PM. - (Lee House) Campus Safety contacted two students entering a room through the window.

April 1, 11:38 p.m. - (York House) Campus Safety responded to a call of incense burning in a room. The student was not home and no candles were actively burning.

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
 March 20, 2:16 a.m. - (Alpha Chi Omega) While on patrol, Campus Safety found a door open. The offer to search the house was declined by the House Director.

March 20, 10:37 a.m. - (Theater) An employee reported someone had broken into her desk and stolen keys.

March 26, 3:40 a.m. - (Delta Gamma) While on patrol, Campus Safety found a door open and, with the permission of the House Director, conducted a search. Nothing out of the ordinary was found.

THEFT
 March 20, 8:33 a.m. - (Doney Hall) An employee reported a couch that had been seen on the front porch was now missing.

March 20, 9:13 a.m. - (University Center) An employee reported that stamps and cash had been stolen from the information desk. A desk drawer had also been damaged.

March 20, 11:48 p.m. - (Law School) A student reported his wallet, keys, dri-

ver's license, cash, leather planner and Palm Pilot had been stolen from the Law Library.

March 21, 8:59 a.m. - (University Center) An employee reported a drawer had been damaged and cash had been taken from the information desk.

March 31, 3:25 p.m. - (Matthews Hall) A student reported an 18-speed mountain bike was stolen from the bike rack.

April 1, 7:23 p.m. - (Lee House) An employee reported three shower curtains had been taken from a second floor restroom.

HARASSMENT
 March 28, 3:45 p.m. - (Sparks Parking Lot) A student reported intimidating and harassing notes from an unknown suspect had been placed on their car. The vehicle had also been damaged.

March 30, 12:50 p.m. - (Museum of Art) Campus Safety responded to an employee's call that an unknown male had spit on her near the Museum. The suspect had left the scene before he could be identified.

Constitutional reforms defeated in student vote

By DAVELEEN DEMARS
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The proponents of ASWU reform faced defeat March 15 as the results of the Constitutional Reform vote were announced.

455 students came out to vote. The final tally: 137 students in favor of reforms and 318 students against.

ASWU President Erik Van Hagen believes the main factor that led to the defeat of the reform was the limited time ASWU had to get the reform together.

"I wish we had more time," said Van Hagen. "The more people we talked to the more success we had."

"The ASWU Constitution, as written, requires serious thoughtful change," said

senior Katy Fraser, VP of Administration. "However, as 70 percent of all voting students indicated, the changes embodied in the reform did not reflect the direction students want ASWU to go."

Senior Chris Roberts agreed. "I am glad that the students did not pass this version of reforms. ASWU still has problems that need to be fixed and I trust the new executive will help fix these problems."

"Clearly I was very disappointed," said Van Hagen of the final results. "ASWU is going to continue to suffer from lack of direction and organizational disfunction. But I do feel, also, reform will be addressed by ASWU in the future."

Survey seeks student input

By DAVELEEN DEMARS
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Beginning the morning of April 10, Willamette students can officially air their grievances and praises about their time at Willamette.

Campus Life is sponsoring a "student satisfaction measurement survey" to get student input about their experiences at Willamette.

"We get a lot of anecdotal and impressional feedback from students and we are hoping to get a full and representative response from students through this survey," said Dean of Campus Life Bob Hawkinson, who was personally involved in forming the survey.

The survey will not be in the traditional paper form but will be conducted online. Students can log in using

their student ID number and take it at their convenience without the hassle of having to turn anything in.

The questionnaire covers a variety of topics including overall satisfaction with Willamette, academics, faculty, preparation for the future, and a variety of personal questions involving housing and activities.

The results will help in the Campus Life Task Force and in planning for student activities.

The purpose of the survey is to get a sense of the level of satisfaction of students at Willamette.

Students completing the survey, which will take approximately 15-20 minutes, will receive two dollars in Bistro Bucks in the mail and be entered into a drawing to win one of five \$100

gift certificates redeemable at local merchants like Eddie Bauer and Anderson's Sporting Goods.

Additionally, the residence hall that has the most residents responding will win a privately catered "lux Bon Appetit" study break in their hall.

If off-campus has the greatest response, the study break will be in Goudy.

"It is a really good opportunity to hear from students," said Hawkinson. "I really urge students to fill it out, especially the response of off-campus students whose views are often under-represented in surveys."

The surveys will be available online the morning of April 10 through midnight on April 21 at <www.discoverwhy.com/willamette>.

Campus undergoes reaccreditation process

By DANIELLE MATHEY
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It is once again time to renew Willamette's university status.

Every university has to meet a number of standards to be accredited as a university. Willamette is accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges, Commission on Colleges.

Next January, the school is expected to submit a report to the Commission, in which

it makes a detailed self-review. After that, according to the Assistant Dean of Campus Life Deborah Loers, a team of reviewers will visit the university to meet with staff members for three days.

Approximately six months later, a report describing whether the university has met the standards will be released.

Each department must produce a report describing the strengths, weaknesses and effectiveness of their

activities, says Loers.

The standards that the Commission will especially review include students, faculty, the library, institutional integrity, physical resources, finances, governance and administration, mission and goals, and effectiveness.

In order to prepare the report, a committee of campus officials, professors and students has been formed.

The committee meets every two weeks. Each member is responsible for looking

at one standard, and the committee works in small groups between meetings.

Loers stresses the need for the best report possible.

"The Commission has been asking for more and more detail," she says.

This is because the campus evaluates itself, and the Commission then approves the evaluation.

The more detail that is included, the easier it is to show the federal government that schools are meeting

standards, as well as answer any questions that Congress may have.

Loers points out that a self-governing body, such as the Commission, is forced to be strict in order to avoid increased federal regulation.

Right now, the campus committee is in the process of completing that detailed report. It should be revised next fall, and the Commission should visit Willamette to finish the reaccreditation process next April.