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Candidates explain ideas, goals at forum

Three students are vying for the position which Jamie Brown vacated recently after a lengthy illness.

by Christine Schaeffer
Staff Writer

With spring semester rapidly approaching, a successor to former ASWU President Jamie Brown, who resigned two weeks ago due to a lengthy illness, will be elected next week.

Three students are campaigning for the position: senior Chris Littrell, senior Scott Dilworth, and sophomore Geoff Kantor.

During the sparsely-attended Presidential Forum on Wednesday night in Cone Chapel, the three candidates made their goals known to the audience. Each candidate was given five minutes to address issues they felt to be prominent in the election, and discuss how they would bring experience and motivation to the presidency. Following their addresses, the floor was then open for questions and concerns from the attending audience.

Chris Littrell was the first to speak. He emphasized the importance of ASWU being dedicated to the students, and was emphatic about remaining true to the voice of the students. Littrell also praised former President Brown, and said that Brown "redefined ASWU as being the body of the students, for the students."

Littrell focused primarily on his plan to organize a cabinet of students who would represent a wide variety of campus organizations if he is elected. He told the audience that he would contact the leaders and presidents of groups such as Campus Democrats, College Republicans,

Panhellenic, Intra-Fraternity Council, Students Against Rape Together, as well as other campus organizations.

The student leaders who would compose the cabinet would be representatives of the student body. They would relay thought and issues to the president and Senate. Littrell said, "I promise I will increase student voice through the cabinet and we will find resolutions." His vision for the ideal cabinet would be a group of student leaders who would be willing to address a wide spectrum of issues, from the parking situation to the quality of food in Willamette dining halls.

The second candidate to speak was sophomore Geoff Kantor. Kantor began his speech by publicly apologizing for his campaign posters, of which he had several students complain, saying that the posters were sexist. The posters, which declared him to be "The Right Man For The Job," apparently offended some female students, who objected to the gender-specificity of the posters. Kantor apologized by saying, "I was made aware last night that my campaign posters were offensive. . . I had no intention of offending anyone. . . I do apologize if I did offend anyone."

Kantor expressed his desire to continue with the initiatives put forth by the former president. "Anything initiated by Jamie Brown or ASWU Senate needs to be taken and run with," he said. He also presented his belief that the next president would need to be a personality "who will not let the administration push them around."

One of Kantor's major concerns with the University is that he does not feel Willamette has an adequate facility or area where students can go to hang out. He has spent time discussing with Scott Greenwood, Director



(From left) Scott Dilworth, Chris Littrell, and Geoff Kantor sit together before Wednesday's candidate's forum. All three are running for the position of president, which was vacated recently when Jamie Brown resigned.

of Student Affairs, and other administrators, the possibility of converting the third floor of the University Center into a student lounge.

He would like to see the lounge serve as a study area for students, and added the possibility of furnishing a pool table. Kantor said that he had compiled a price list for the lounge, which he planned to submit to the administration.

Other issues which Kantor voiced as critical were the subject of campus parking and the StART safety plan. His goals for the parking situation include the installation of a telephone outside of the Kaneko parking lot for safety purposes, the paving of Kaneko's back parking lot, and more extensive lighting between the school and the hospital.

Senior Scott Dilworth was the final candidate to speak. According to Dilworth,

experience is a crucial element. He verbally submitted his resume to the audience, letting the students know he had been on ASWU Senate for two years. In addition, he spent one year as ASWU treasurer, as well as participating actively on Finance Board. Dilworth told the students he had completed

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- Transcripts of the Collegian's interviews with candidates as well as its endorsements can be found on pages 6 & 7. In addition, statements by the candidates can be found on page 16.

Large grant will fund museum purchase

The Ford Family Foundation's gift will enable the University to purchase the U.S. West building.

by Travis Brouwer
Editor

The University has secured a grant of nearly \$2 million from the Ford Family Foundation to purchase the U.S. West building for use as an art museum.

President Hudson was enthusiastic about the grant. "This is not only an exciting addition to the Willamette campus, but the (museum) will also serve as a bridge to the community. . ." he said.

The two-story, 27,000-square-foot building, which is located one block off campus on the corner of State and Cottage Streets, will house five different galleries. These will include a gallery of Pacific Northwest and American Art, a American Indian

Art and Artifacts gallery, and a General Collection Gallery which will include European, Asian and classical art.

According to Professor Roger Hull of the Art Department, "The museum will allow us to fully present and interpret our art collections for teaching and learning in courses across the liberal arts curriculum." He also feels that it will be an important resource for the community.

Because of the generous donation, the Board of Trustees has agreed to name the museum the Hallie Brown Ford Museum of Art.

The museum will also contain an archive for research materials related to the art collection, such as the Constance Fowler Papers, the Carl Hall Documentation Project, and other materials.

The archive will be used by students as well as scholars from the community. There will also be a class/seminar room and several offices.

Students studying abroad feel alienated

by Katy Fraser
Staff Writer

A number of Willamette students studying abroad are feeling unduly segregated from the rest of the Willamette community.

Students are experiencing difficulties receiving academic information in a timely manner, although Registrar Paul Olsen has made an effort to remedy that.

Many students have complained of feeling forgotten by the Willamette administration once they arrived at their foreign destinations. This has led some to question as to whose responsibility it is to ensure that students are made to feel that they are part of the University.

Kelly Ainsworth, Director of the Off-Campus Studies and International Education Department, has at least half of the answer. He does not know whose job it is, but he knows it isn't his.

In a recent response to an unhappy student in London, Ainsworth wrote, "The purpose of the Off-Campus office is to separate you from Willamette, not make you feel at home. . . It is most certainly not a role of this office or my position to make you feel more comfortable. In fact, if I had my way, you would have virtually no contact with

Willamette while you are gone other than information on registration for the next semester and other academically significant matters. . . I am slightly encouraged that you feel cut off at all."

President Hudson, though not available for direct questioning, communicated his agreement with Ainsworth's estimation of his role through his assistant, Cynthia Addams. Mrs. Addams said that "The President is not uncomfortable with Off-Campus Studies concentrating on helping students to go abroad" as opposed to maintaining frequent communications with students while they are gone. However, Mrs. Addams also remarked that President Hudson does feel it would be appropriate for some office to take on that job. She concludes that this is "matter for some philosophical debate."

While the topic is being debated, a temporary answer has been proposed. The President has generously offered to bear the burden of postage costs for sending the Collegian to students abroad for the remainder of this school year.

This will come as a welcome turn of events for students overseas who have not been receiving the newspaper during their absence

from campus.

Raja Nami, a senior who spent last year in Paris, says that she received three editions of the Collegian while she was gone. "I had no idea what was happening (at Willamette)," she said.

Sarah Zollner, a Willamette student studying in London this fall, says that although she is enjoying the experience, she has met with some disappointment as well.

In a letter to the Off-Campus Studies Department, Zollner wrote that her "biggest frustration is that I have received only two Collegian issues since I have been here. . . We need Collegians as a link to campus, and we deserve them because we have paid for them. Please find a way to make sure that in the future, students are never as cut off from campus as I have been this semester. . . it is simply unnecessary."

Loren Myers, ASWU Treasurer, agrees with Zollner and other students who feel they are being shortchanged. "If they're paying money to go on a Willamette program, they should be receiving Willamette services," he reasons.

Ryan Beckwith, another Willamette student abroad, said that "There needs to be more centralized communication for students in other countries."

Senate re-elects Lott as next majority leader

by Alan Fram
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - Senate Republicans re-elected Senator Trent Lott of Mississippi today to be their majority leader in the next Congress, giving the man who replaced Bob Dole his first real chance to set the chamber's agenda.

A 55-year-old conservative with a penchant for cutting compromises, Lott will guide a Senate whose membership leans further right than it has in years. But complicating Lott's job, this is also a time when politicians from both parties say voters want partisan cooperation, not confrontation.

Lott replaced Dole as GOP leader last June, when the Kansan resigned to concentrate on his failed presidential bid. But Lott inherited a chamber whose members were eager to quickly complete their work so they could plunge into the campaign season.

On the Democratic side, Democrats were expected to choose Sen. Tom Daschle as minority leader. The soft-spoken South Da-

kota, who will turn 49 next Monday, would begin his third year as minority leader. He won his post by a single vote two years ago over Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., and has steered a course that has mixed cooperation with partisan attacks.

Each party's senators were choosing their leaders in separate, closed-door meetings in the Capitol.

The meetings come exactly four weeks after an Election Day that saw voters expand the GOP's 53-47 Senate majority to 55-45. Members of both parties have said that voters - who re-elected Clinton and GOP congressional majorities - want compromise, but Republicans are already ruling out helping the president ease parts of this year's welfare overhaul.

"A significant reforming or undermining the welfare bill, no," Senate Majority Whip Don Nickles, R-Okla., said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Nickles is expected to retain his position, and Connie Mack, R-Fla., will take the No. 3 job of conference chairman. Mack will re-

place Thad Cochran, R-Miss., who promised not to seek the job again after Lott easily defeated him for the top job by a 44-8 vote last June.

Also virtually certain to return to their jobs on the Democratic side are Sens. Wendell Ford of Kentucky, the whip, and Barbara Mikulski of Maryland, who is conference secretary.

The Senate leadership selection was a mirror of what happened in the House two weeks ago, when Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., and their current leadership teams were re-elected by the rank and file without opposition.

The GOP's majority still leaves them five votes short of the 60 they will need to halt Democratic filibusters next year.

Even so, the ranks of their moderates have been reduced by the retirements of senators like Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., and Nancy Kassebaum, R-Kan., most of whom have been replaced by conservatives.

Those changes have created a Senate GOP

that is more dominated by newer, more aggressively conservative lawmakers than it has been in years. As a result, the Senate, traditionally the more moderate of Congress' two chambers, may be more conservative than the House.

There, Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., will have to contend with a slim, 22-vote majority that could give GOP centrists muscle because their support will be crucial to party leaders.

Leadership aides have said Lott will devote more time to coordinating the Republican message and getting input from senators than did Dole, who was renowned for keeping his own counsel. Aides say the leaders are even considering hiring GOP pollster Frank Luntz, who is close to Gingrich, to help improve their effort to sell their policies.

Also this week, senators of both parties begin choosing committee leaders and making assignments to panels. And the Senate's 15 freshmen - nine Republicans and six Democrats - will also go through orientation programs.

TWA upsets families of victims

by Pat Milton
Associated Press

SMITHTOWN, N.Y. (AP) - TWA's symbolic funeral for 15 missing victims of Flight 800 has angered some family and friends, who say they would prefer that the service be held after the holidays.

"TWA just wants all of this to go away, to be swept under the rug," said Aurelie Becker, of St. Petersburg, FL, whose daughter, Michele, died. "We have all been victimized one more time."

TWA spokesman John McDonald said at least 10 families of the 15 unrecovered victims welcomed the service and planned to attend. They will be allowed to place photographs and other personal items inside the coffins.

"Nothing you do on this is going to be met with uniform acceptance," McDonald said. "Every family has its needs. We are trying to meet the needs now of those whose loved ones were not recovered."

The coffins, representing the bodies of those who may never be found will be buried Wednesday at

a service at a cemetery on Long Island. TWA is paying for the ceremony and has covered the expenses of all funerals so far, an airline spokesman said.

"An empty casket symbolizes nothing," said Richard Bergman, whose close friend was never found after the explosion of the Paris-bound jet that claimed 230 lives.

Families of TWA Flight 800, a support group, criticized the airline for holding the service during the first holidays families will be spending without their loved ones. They were upset that families of victims whose bodies were recovered had not been invited by TWA.

"This TWA orchestrated event typifies the disregard that has been shown for the family survivors," states a letter from the group to the airline. "TWA's handling of this entire process has been characterized by arrogance, callous disregard for the impact on families and contempt for the real needs of the people whose lives have been ruined."

Members of the families said they would prefer a service after the holidays.

Simpson may win custody battle

NEW YORK (AP) - A California judge is likely to return O.J. Simpson's two young children to his custody, possibly as early as this week, the Daily News reported Wednesday.

The paper, quoting unidentified sources from both sides, said that a lawyer appointed to represent the interests of Sydney Simpson, 11, and her brother, Justin, 8, has recommended that they be returned to Simpson.

Since Simpson's ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman were killed June 17, 1994, Simpson gave Louis and Juditha Brown, Ms. Simpson's parents, temporary custody of the children.

Simpson also has two adult children from a previous marriage.

Simpson left Sydney and Justin with the Browns after his acquittal on murder charges in October 1995, but sued for full custody earlier this year.



The newspaper quoted sources as saying that the questions from Orange County Superior Court Judge Nancy Wieben Stock show she is skeptical about the argument that alleged domestic violence by Simpson makes him an unfit parent.

In a rare move, the custody hearings have been closed by the court.

Simpson has had a good chance of regaining custody all along, because the courts generally hold that children should be with their parents.

NASA sends spacecraft to Mars

by Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AP) - Stymied by bad weather and a bad

computer, NASA tried a third time to launch a Mars spacecraft carrying the first-ever interplanetary rover. This time they succeeded and liftoff of the unmanned rocket carrying the Mars Pathfinder occurred at 1:58 a.m. Wednesday.

A last-minute computer failure thwarted Tuesday's launch attempt, and rain and wind ruined Monday's try.

Pathfinder is the second spacecraft to be sent to Mars by NASA in the past month. It's supposed to land on the Red Planet on July 4, 1997.

The Global Surveyor was launched in early November but won't arrive at Mars until September 1997.

It will survey the planet from orbit for 687 days, or a full Martian year.

NASA has until the end of December to send the \$196 million Pathfinder on its 10 million-mile journey.

If the Pathfinder does not go now it would have to wait two more years for Earth and Mars to be in alignment again.

Two telephone companies request merger

by Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - MCI Communications and British Telecommunications formally asked federal regulators Tuesday to approve their planned \$20.8 billion merger, contending that it will drive down phone rates on both sides of the Atlantic for consumers and businesses.

The companies announced on Nov. 3 an agreement to create a combined company called Concert, which would provide communications services worldwide.

Their merger proposal, filed Tuesday with the Federal Communications Commission, begins a process in which the public and industry have a chance to give their opinions on the proposal to the commission.

AT&T and some other rivals already contend that the merger would hurt competition and reduce customer choice.

The merger raises some thorny and rarely contemplated issues for

regulators: Most notably whether the proposed combination serves the public interest to warrant a waiver of federal rules that restrict foreign ownership of a U.S. telephone company.

British Telecom is the largest phone company in the United Kingdom. MCI is the second-largest long-distance company in the United States. British Telecom already owns 20 percent of MCI, an amount below federal foreign ownership restrictions.

The proposed merger also is drawing protests from cable companies who expect to compete against MCI in another business called direct broadcast satellite, or DBS, in which television and other services are delivered via high-powered satellites.

Time Warner, Cox Enterprises and the National Cable Television Association are among the parties that have asked the FCC to reconsider whether MCI should be allowed to retain the last remaining U.S. license to provide DBS service in the United States. They contend

that if MCI merges with BT, it would become a foreign owned entity that does not have the right to hold a U.S. DBS license. Tuesday's filing does not address this issue.

The British Telecom-MCI deal would be the biggest foreign takeover ever of a U.S. corporation, with combined annual revenue of \$42 billion and 43 million business and residential customers in 72 countries.

Globally, Concert will rank second only to AT&T as a long-distance carrier, and it eventually hopes to find an Asian partner.

In its filing, MCI said it plans to intensify its drive into local markets, boosting spending for marketing and possibly lowering rates in an all-out drive to woo consumers and businesses. It would do so with the help of British Telecom's deep pockets.

MCI also hopes to offer more volume discounts to businesses that buy its all-in-one communications, which combine local, long-distance, mobile phone and other services in one contract.

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Colleges rebel against *U.S. News*

Universities across the nation have begun to question the value and accuracy of the popular rankings.

by Kelly Walsh
Contributor

Choosing a college has always been a daunting task for prospective college students. But, with the coming of the *US News and World Report's* annual *Guide to America's Best Colleges and Universities* as well as the other publications of the same nature, the choice seems to have been simplified.

It has possibly become too simplified according to some. *US News*, which ranks schools according to their reputation, selectivity, faculty resources, financial resources, retention, value and alumni contributions, has come under fire recently from many institutions because of their attempts to streamline the process of determining the quality of a particular educational institution.

Tod Massa, Director of Institutional Research at Willamette University, says students need to be wary of these trendy rankings. He asks, "Can you really rank a school, comparatively with other schools, in a linear fashion? No, the assumption that you can rank schools 1,2,3 is absurd."

Other institutions around the country, such as Reed University in Portland, have joined in the attack of the *US News* rankings. Reed is recognized as a First Tier National Liberal Arts College, despite its refusal to provide *US News* with the information that is needed to compute the rankings.

One of the formidable giants in the world of higher education, Stanford University, has also taken a stance against the ranking. Members of the student body there, along with the administration, have created the Forget *US News* Coalition, or FUNC.

FUNC is calling on the leaders of institutions to let *US News* know that their rankings are a "disservice to students and to higher education in this country."

The leader of this organization recently told the *New York Times* that the college guide is "like ranking religions by their salvations versus eternal damnations."

The rankings are causing discontent in administrations across the country. The general feeling is that the methodology that used to determine the ranking of an institution, according to Massa, is not necessarily the best methodology for the student.

Consequently, many schools are changing in order to benefit from the rankings, but at the cost of the student.

"Changing the school to boost the rankings probably isn't a sound policy," Massa said.

Massa also pointed out the dilemma that schools face due to the ranking. "My personal reaction to working to improve the rankings at Willamette is that it is a bad idea, but that doesn't mean we won't support it. We still have to attract a high quality of student body," he said.

Many of the critics of the *US News* rankings agree with Massa in recognizing the hazards posed by changing a school for the purpose of higher rankings.

David Davis-Van Atta, Director of Institutional Research and Analysis at Carleton College, another First Tier National Liberal Arts college, recently echoed the sentiments of many institutions on the basis of rankings.

"I think one of the most potentially damaging [results of the rankings] is...that use of input measures as proxies for quality...that are simply measuring costs of attendance, expenditures per student, average faculty compensation, etc. will only serve over time to force colleges not to let their costs fall behind those of the pack. The most outrageous aspect

of the rankings is that, institutions that do find economics, and demand excellence for the lowest possible costs, etc., and keep their costs down through these actions will then actually be punished in their rankings for doing so, with all else being equal," he said.

Massa also expressed his frustrations with the situation when he outlined ways to improve Willamette's rankings. "We could make the school more selective, increase tuition and spend more money, or pound the alumnus for more money, but would that really improve the quality of the school for the student? No. In the real world it's the quality of the job that matters, not test scores," he said.

Another difficulty with the rankings, according to Massa, is that money is such a prevalent factor in determining the reputation of a University. "A school like Harvard which has an endowment of six or seven billion dollars, makes one year in interest what Willamette's entire budget is for that year, so of course their reputation is going to be better," he said.

Massa also feels as though the rankings don't reflect the effort of a school in working with students. "State schools, which admit almost anyone, work like the devil to get students through school in 5 or 6 years, but receive almost no credit from *US News* and are looked down upon as bottom of the barrel schools in many cases," he said.

Many of the critics, however, believe that the situation can be remedied if institutions band together and refuse to grant legitimacy to the rankings. The predominant belief around the country, at secondary schools and specifically at Willamette, is that the schools need to improve for the good of the student. "The trustees need to act with the student in mind, not *US News*," said Massa.

"The bottom line" said Massa, "is that the *US News* rankings don't measure the quality of an institution."

News Briefs

CAMPUS & COMMUNITY

RHA sponsors Ball

Scheduled for this Saturday night, the Sleigh Bell Ball starts at 9:00 p.m. at the Mission Mill and will last until 1:00 a.m. Refreshments will be offered, and a tentative bill of fare includes punch, cake, and cookies. The Ball is sponsored by the Residence Hall Association. Its committee members have put in hours of hard work in order to assure that things go smoothly on Saturday night. The Ball has become something of a tradition at Willamette, with hundreds of students turning out each year. RHA expects to see the same number this year. The Ball is an semi-formal dance. Mike Omeg, former RHA President, reasons that with Black Tie, another formal would be a bit much. In comparison to the February gala, Omeg says that Sleigh Bell Ball is "a lot less formal and a lot more fun." The issue of pictures has not yet been resolved. The chances of finding a professional photographer at this point are probably slim, but a Polaroid may be on hand. If such photography is offered, a small fee will be charged for each picture. Free tickets are available at the U.C Information Desk.

by Katy Fraser

Lessons and Carols sells out

Early Monday morning, a long line consisting of music enthusiasts was formed on the second floor of the UC, anxiously waiting to receive a free ticket for "Lessons and Carols." This traditional choir concert has been extremely popular in the past, evident in the fact that tickets were gone only an hour after opening. The concert consists of religious messages and readings which accent traditional carols and songs sung by Willamette's men's, women's, and chamber choirs. Audience participation is also welcomed in singing carols. "I'm not really into the religious aspect of Christmas, but I enjoy the music," said Erin Stocker, a former participant. The choirs are accompanied by piano, guitar, and other various instruments. Dr. Long of the music department will be directing the entire event. "I think it's beautiful," said Andrea Ledford, a member of the Women's Choir. "It's amazing because we surround the audience with sound... and the lessons are very moving. I look forward to it every year." Performances begin Wednesday, December 11th, as the choirs will be singing for the weekly convocation. Concerts will continue throughout the week. Thursday and Friday's performances will begin at 8 p.m. All concerts are held in Cone Chapel.

by Chantelle Smith

ELECTION: Candidates address issues

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all of his graduation requirements and with that behind him, said, "ASWU will be my first priority."

Parking is an issue with Dilworth, who felt angle parking in Sparks would help allow juniors to be able to park on campus next year.

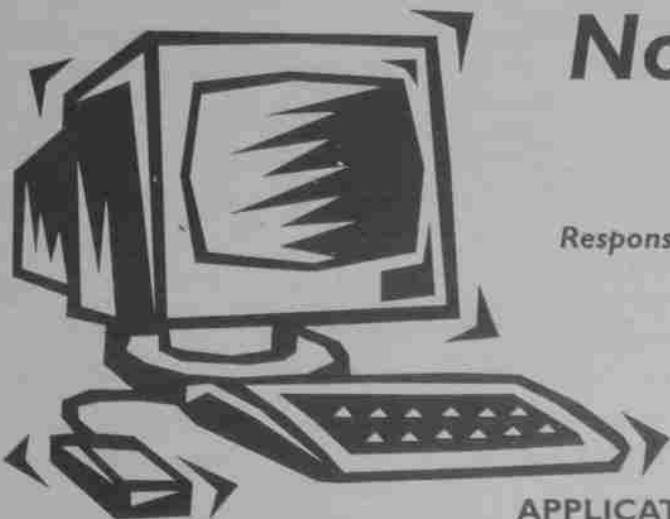
Dilworth would also like to form a student co-op in the bookstore to control prices of books purchased and to help ensure a high amount of money refunded. Also, with President Hudson retiring at the end

of the year and the search for a replacement occurring, Dilworth said that "the ASWU president is really the only representative of students in this situation. I'll make sure that the new president will meet the needs of the students."

Voting for president will take place in the University Center next Monday and Tuesday. If no candidate receives at least 50% of the vote, a runoff election will take place on Wednesday and Thursday. Voting will take place on the first

floor of the University Center.

Since Brown's resignation from office, ASWU Vice-President Tiffany Derville has substituted as president, taking on the former president's duties and responsibilities to the student body. In addition to her new responsibilities, Derville also continued her duties as Vice-President, which she was able to do because of the unwavering support from Programming Board, of which she was in charge.



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Editorials

Dilworth brings experience

The resignation of ASWU President Jamie Brown has left an opening in campus student leadership during a crucial time for student life and issues at Willamette. Fortunately, three students have stepped up to the challenge of leading the associated students. This presidential race has drawn in candidates from a variety of experiences and backgrounds, and each candidate brings a unique perspective to the question of who will be able to most effectively lead the student body into the spring semester.

Geoff Kantor, as a three-term ASWU senator, has exhibited a great deal of enthusiasm and dedication in serving his constituents, having worked hard to pass legislation such as last spring's condemnation of Residence Life and Student Affairs for not considering student input before designating Baxter as a substance-free hall.

Chris Littrell, although he has no direct experience with ASWU Senate, has had several opportunities to demonstrate his leadership skills, including the presidency of Phi Delta Theta. But perhaps his most distinctive quality is that he considers himself to be an outsider to ASWU and hopes to bring the perspective of an ordinary student in to student government.

On the other end of the spectrum, Scott Dilworth is familiar with the inner-workings of ASWU, having served a term as ASWU Treasurer in addition to being an ASWU Senator for two years.

For the fourth year in a row, the *Collegian* has decided to endorse a candidate for President. We made our decision to endorse Scott Dilworth after conducting lengthy interviews with the candidates, excerpts from which can be found on pages eight and nine. The qualities which impressed us most about Dilworth's candidacy were the specific, well-thought out projects which he has suggested, including re-drawing the parking spaces in Sparks to include more cars — one of the first practical solutions to the parking crisis on campus.

Dilworth also brings a great deal of experience to the job of President, having completed a successful term as ASWU Treasurer which was marked by his efforts to make the funding process more accessible to student organizations.

There are many important issues for the ASWU President to address, including the selection of a new university president and ensuring that the administration takes student input seriously. Other still-unresolved issues include safety on campus and the parking situation. Whoever takes this job will have a lot of catching up to do in order to get these things accomplished before the end of the spring semester. We feel that Dilworth has the experience and the vision to accomplish the demands of the job efficiently and effectively.

Logistics of program need work

The University's writing-centered program was implemented with the intent of improving students' education through enhancing their writing skills. Although the basic concept of the program is excellent, its implementation has been less than ideal, making it, in its present form, a detriment to students' educations. Because of this, the faculty of the College of Liberal Arts needs to take a serious look at the writing-centered course requirement.

Despite the fact that the requirement was implemented nearly two years ago, there are pitifully few writing centered courses in existence. Of the hundreds of courses offered next semester, only 20 are writing centered courses. In addition, only 11 of the 26 departments at Willamette are offering writing centered courses next semester.

Sophomores, who are the first class affected by the requirement, are essentially serving as guinea pigs for the new program, and many are likely to find it difficult to graduate on time if swift and decisive action

is not taken.

Because of the lack of writing centered courses, students are often forced to take classes that they would

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not otherwise take and might not be interested in to fulfill the requirement. In addition, the lack of choice makes it extremely difficult for students with tight schedules, such as double majors, to get the classes they need.

For example, as an economics and politics double major, I have very little room in my schedule; graduating in four years will require that I get the classes I need when I need them. In addition, economics majors can take only three elective courses (the other seven courses are all required), and I have already chosen those classes which I feel will complement my studies in politics.

However, because of this requirement I will probably have to take a course which I am not

interested in and which will do me little good. In addition, the fact that there are no writing centered economics courses yet will make it difficult for me to fit into my schedule. When one is approved, it will be very difficult to get into because dozens of students will flock to it. If for some reason it doesn't fit into my schedule, I will basically be out of luck.

The action that must be taken is to approve a large number of new writing centered courses. This would ensure that students would be able to get the courses they need to graduate without major difficulty. In the future, the University needs to make sure that the logistics of a new requirement are well worked out before the requirement is implemented. In the case of the writing centered requirement, this would have involved approving a large number of writing centered courses before the requirement went into effect, and making sure that a large number were approved in the two years following implementation.

As the price of college rapidly increases, the University should be helping as many students graduate in four years as possible. However, the implementation of the writing centered program has worked against this.

There are pitifully few writing-centered courses in existence.

THIS MODERN WORLD

by TOM TOMORROW



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Why is there much ado about NEA funded doo-doo

Do you think that American art resembles dookey? Well, recent articles from *The New York Times*, *the Oregonian*, *Time*, and many other sources suggest so. In fact, the quality of many art projects funded by the National Endowments for the Arts in the last decade have been compared with the quality of human feces.

Andres Serrano... created a photograph of a plastic crucifix submerged in his own urine...

and studios. The debate to censor NEA-funded projects started in 1987 when Andres Serrano, a black, Catholic artist in Brooklyn, created a photograph of a plastic crucifix submerged in his own urine (hey man, its just another body fluid like "the blood of Christ" right?). Called "Piss Christ," this photograph was meant to comment on the commercialization and cheapening of religion.

The second major crisis was the 150-piece exhibition of photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe done in the 1980's. Using a \$30,000 NEA grant, Mapplethorpe included naked men and rough gay activity amongst other topics photographed. Mapplethorpe's motives for these pieces were never fully explained (except for his fascination with homoerotic offensive sexual behavior), for he died of AIDS in 1989.

After discovering these two controversial pieces, Congress decided to investigate the NEA. Senator Jesse Helm and Patrick

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Shelley Markwell

Buchanan were in favor of censoring the NEA as were many citizens whose letters essentially stated that "The NEA has too much money to handle responsibility."

In addition, many citizens have misunderstood Serrano's intentions and still feel that controversial art like Serrano's "Piss Christ" seeks to remove the influence of Christians and Christianity from their society and use tax dollars for obscene causes that display no moral worth.

For those of us who view Christianity and tax dollars as important elements in America today, these objections are understandable.

Therefore, it is not surprising that these issues have been addressed by Congress in the process of setting guidelines and standards for NEA-funded art.

However, in doing this,

Congress has run into conflict with First Amendment rights; the denial of government funding due to artistic content is a form of censorship and a direct violation of the First Amendment that protects the free speech and expression of the artist. In turn, Congress has become the cultural Mafia, controlling art expression.

As a result, these guidelines and standards for NEA-funded art have been viewed by many as tools of political thought while simultaneously smothering offensive projects.

In my opinion, setting standards for artistic expression is unnecessary and ridiculous. If the American people allow Congress to censor controversial art, they are essentially chastising democracy by allowing a small group of U.S. conservatives to create their own idealistic culture in which politically correct moral standards prevail and human free speech and creativity is suppressed.

If such a process of censorship continues, art will become a mere political version of paint-by-numbers. However, I have found the problem is not the existence or circulation of offensive art projects.

Instead, the problem is that these same exhibitions have been partially or fully funded by the NEA, a government agency funded by taxpayers like yourself who do not want to fund these projects.

However, I have also found that one of the results of the censorship debates and the decrease of NEA funding is that a mail order catalog containing censored NEA material has been marketed with its first edition bringing in \$200,000 in sales from the taxpayers themselves! This irony is not hard to recognize.

Therefore, instead of censoring offensive projects and suppressing the thought, inquiry and imagination or the artist in the process of idealizing this restrained human creativity, Congress should give artists freedom of expression and deal with the consequences of human vulgarity when issues arise.

By suppressing the artist, Congress is only denying the fact that humanity has raw and crude behaviors. Moreover, although most Americans would agree that vulgarity should not be encouraged, by censoring indecent art, this vulgarity will never be addressed and dealt with.

Inactivity is fun and rewarding

I was walking frantically to class wondering if I was going to make it on time. It seems that I am late to everything these days. Whether it be class or work, practice or meals; I'm constantly tardy. I began to wonder if there is anybody on earth who is as busy as I am.

I mean, it seems that I am working constantly, and then trying to find time to study so that I can make the grade. A lot of times I get really self-righteous and feel sorry for myself.

I have always wanted to say, "Unless you are working 30 hours a week, or are involved in some sort of extracurricular activity, you absolutely have no right to complain about how you do not have any time." I suppose it's a good thing I keep it to myself.

The truth is that there are many, many people out there who are extremely busy.

I guess part of the college experience is time management, and I think most of us would agree that we always seem to run out of time. Some of us are busier than others.

I have a friend who is a first-year law student here at Willamette. Let me tell you, us undergrads have absolutely no idea what a hard course load actually is.

My friend summed it up nicely when he said, "I studied more in one semester than I did in four years as an undergrad." We seniors going to graduate school have so much to look forward to. Another group of students who are extremely busy are those who work while attending school. I know students who work 30 to 40 hours a week, and still somehow manage to have a full course load, and they even get good grades! How they do it I will never know.

There are so many extracurricular activities that one is able to get involved with. There is debate, sports, theatre and many others, so many activities with which to fill our empty lives.

As students raised in the United States, it seems that we are forced to fill every single waking moment with activity. If we are not doing

PRIME DIRECTIVE: EXTERMINATE

Nate Le Quien

something productive, then we are simply wasting time--which is, of course, a bad thing.

Why is this? I am so guilty of this belief, yet at the same time I despise it.

I guess we have just been raised with the belief that "workaholicism" is the only sure way to achieve success. Why can't we just sit around, enjoy tasty refreshing beverages while being idle?

It seems that we have forgotten how to relax. What's the cause of this? Could it be true that we need to cram our schedules in order to keep ourselves free from evil deeds?

Perhaps American corporate greed has reached a point where we must annihilate ourselves simply to survive. I don't know. All I know is that we are out of control, and have gone too far.

I do not profess to have solutions to this problem of feeling the obligation to stuff our days and nights with meaningful activities. I do, however, have some suggestions to ease the perpetual pain of always having to be somewhere, or to do something.

One thing you can do is just sit around. I know this sounds boring, but if you listen to the passivity of your own inactivity, you might be surprised. After you have done this, you will realize that you need

to help others realize their own personal passivity, and this is where it gets fun.

Of course, this requires a little action, but hey, you are helping others, and besides if you break any laws don't worry, they are simply there to make sure that you remain busy and productive.

Another thing to do is shut down major transportation routes. I know it sounds complicated, but it is amazing what you can do with a

couple of loaded semis. If you happen to know someone who will loan you a dumptruck, it is even better. Take your truck out to any major road and dump a big load of something. It does not really matter what the contents consist of. My favorite is a big load of dead fish.

Another thing you can do, if you are electrically inclined, is cut the power to some big building.

Sure, you might ruin someone's work, but who cares--you are a liberator. The slaves inside will then be free to escape, free in their own inactive lives.

It is up to you to stop the insanity of the modern industrial state. Use your imagination to disrupt the daily lives of all of us who are trapped within. I guess what I am trying to convey through this senseless rambling is that your future is what you make of it. Be wise and do not forget to have a little relaxing fun along the way. Be idle and enjoy it, because it is crucial to your survival.

I do not have any answers. What I do know, is that if we do not slow down, we are going to kill ourselves. Look around, it's already happening.

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Wisom for a wonderful life

Why are we pursuing higher education, anyway? Some of us are pragmatically pursuing that high-paying job. Some of us, including me, are here because we didn't know what else to do after high school.

THE WINGED WAY

Erin Duffy

Others are possibly searching for something a little more transcendent: knowledge, meaning, wisdom. The big picture. The amount of wisdom we gain in four years at Willamette is probably negligible, since so much of it comes from life experience and putting into practice all of the rhetoric we've ingested.

However, that doesn't mean that we shouldn't at least try to let whatever is good and true influence our lives. Wisdom has less to do with education and more to do with the life application of truth. All wisdom has a crucial ethical component.

The question is, what ethic? So many people from all different cultural, political, and religious persuasions make claims to wisdom, none of whom seem to agree. How do we discern true wisdom? How do we find it and incorporate it into our lives?

What kind of fruit will it bear in our actions? The clamor of those who claim to be "in the know" is deafening; we so easily get lost in the confusion. But if we want wisdom, all we have to do is ask for it. Wisdom is actually pretty simple to acquire—it is a gift from God, given when we ask for it in faith. But it in the kingdom of God, it usually arrives in the form of difficult life experiences that shape and train our characters. It's simple, but it's not easy.

God's wisdom is upside-down-inside-out radical that it transforms us into lambs and foals. We will say and do things that don't make much sense to the

world around us; our reputations as sensible people may go right down the tube. "Do not deceive yourselves.

If any one of you thinks he is wise by the standards of this age, he should become a 'fool' so that he may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness in God's sight" (1 Corinthians 3:18-19).

We have a lot to lose when we set our sights on God and His kind of no-holds-barred wisdom. But we gain true understanding of what is holy—what comes from God—and the strength to live by it.

"For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength" (1 Corinthians 1:25). Something in me squishes up into a little scared ball when I realize the extent of the path I've chosen, but the promise and reality of knowing and following God is so exhilarating that it sends goose bumps up and down my arms when I read statements like that. True wisdom is a weighty, powerful thing that brings with it both enormous responsibility and the power to fulfill it.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere" (James 3:13, 17).

As we pursue wisdom, we can recognize it in ourselves by our behavior. Is it becoming more and more loving and humble? Or are we acting like know-it-alls, full of arrogance and ambition? If so, we don't have the real thing yet. The path of wisdom is not an easy one to walk, but the God of peace will be with us. What could be better than that?

Transition to college life opens eyes to alcohol issues

by Jeff Chu
Staff Writer

We've all seen it happen: the young, naive high school student who has never had any alcohol in their bloodstream other than the occasional cough syrup requests a non-drinking roommate for what he or she anticipates will be a dry four years at Willamette. But, by the time that the first wave of parties is over, has filled their balcony with enough beer bottles to start a glass recycling plant, has a photo album full of pictures taken with local area bartenders, and has already worn out the blender Mom sent to make "fruit smoothies."

College provides an opportunity for an exposure to new situations and experiences which includes everything from rooming with a Japanese student to having the chance to decide if one wants to eat pizza bar or salad bar that night at Goudy. For some students, this chance to make choices includes experimentation with alcohol. 89% of students who start their use in college do so within their first year.

Jim Bauer, Dean of Residence Life, attributes this experimentation to the new-found freedom many students have from the rules they may have experienced at home.

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college . . . that there are no rules and being able to consume alcohol is a right they believe they have which is a form of peer pressure. They realize that there are guidelines that they have to follow and because it is

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However, despite the freedom from parental authority, some rules do remain even at a private college like Willamette; including the underage drinking law. Most first-year

students do fall under the age of 21, and it is therefore illegal for them to purchase or consume alcohol.

It is this underage drinking that Bauer is concerned about. Bauer said "If it is brought to our [residence life] attention, then we will confront the individual and take appropriate formal action."

However, Residence Life has been working to do more than punish students who do drink; rather, they are dealing with the underage drinking situation by providing alcohol-free environments.

The development of wellness halls like Kaneko and Baxter is one step towards accomplishing this goal which Bauer says have been a success.

"A whole lot of students have had a very difficult life

because of alcohol; they have lost loved ones to tragedies like car accidents due to drunk driving, being raised by alcoholics, and have lived in a society where alcohol disrupts their life. And now, they need special things to support them, to reduce the pressure and we

do this by creating more alcohol free residence halls."

However, an essential part of being able to solve the problem of alcohol abuse on campus is an awareness of the problem. Bauer says that he does not know if "we have a good feel for actual use of alcohol and drugs on campus."

Residence Life is sponsoring a national assessment survey, called CORE, which will be taken by students in January and February. CORE is a national survey conducted at colleges around the country. It asks specific questions about drug and alcohol use, habits and attitudes. This survey will then compare Willamette with other schools to see how we measure up.

Deborah Loers, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs says that a recent study showed students tend to overestimate how many of their peers drink.

The survey showed that a third of the students on the Willamette campus do not drink. Of the 70% who do, half are heavy drinkers and the other half are moderate drinkers.

Drug use is also dispersed around campus, but there is not as much pressure to use drugs because they are usually thought to be socially unacceptable, so people generally try to hide the use.

Drug and alcohol use remains an issue,

What binge drinking could mean to you

by Jeff Chu
Staff Writer

Binge drinking is something that is often taken lightly; it is seen as a fun game or a quick way to get drunk. There are many consequences attached to binge drinking, the least of which is vomiting.

According to Deborah Loers, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, binge drinking is the consumption of five or more drinks in one hour; a drink constitutes a beer, one ounce of hard liquor or 1 glass of wine.

This amount of alcohol raises an individual's blood alcohol level far greater than the legal 0.08% which poses a serious health risk and may also result in death if too much is consumed.

Binge drinking, according to research is primarily a male activity although some women are also known to binge drink. The purpose is to get drunk fast.

When a person drinks alcohol, 80% of the alcohol is consumed in the small intestine. However, before the alcohol is introduced into the small intestine, it is stored in the stomach.

The stomach is separated from the small intestine by the pyloric valve. This valve controls the rate at which the stomach empties its contents into the intestine for absorption.

When alcohol is consumed, the pyloric valve relaxes and alcohol is introduced into the intestine from the stomach more rapidly. It is absorbed which increases the alcohol content in the blood.

In binge drinking, so much alcohol is

ingested that the pyloric valve weakens and is unable to allow any processing to occur in the stomach and the liver, which can only process about a quarter to a third of an ounce per hour. Thus, the pyloric valve allows alcohol to enter the small intestine at increasingly great speeds.

By overwhelming the body's system in this manner, vomiting occurs.

Loers says that vomiting can be dangerous, in part because the individual can choke on the vomit.

Another danger of binge drinking is that it depresses the central nervous system and with a blood alcohol level of

0.6%, the person is most likely to die, due to respiratory failure.

Brad Victor, who teaches substance abuse, says that if a person is binge drinking, it is important to remove the alcohol from the presence of the individual. "The key point in solving the problem is time. Nothing can speed up the process."

Victor also says that if an individual, has consumed anywhere between four to eight drinks within a one hour period, they may suffer acute alcohol overdose.

If a person has lost consciousness, he or she should be taken immediately to the emergency room. Another point that Victor stresses is that if a person is conscious and wants to sleep, allow them to sleep but wake them every half hour.

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Substance-free parties

Students dance to exhilaratingly loud, pulsing music in the "Baxter Underground." Large speakers and mind warping lights adorn the walls of the recently converted basement of Baxter Hall help parties to find a groove.

As Willamette's first late night dance club, the Baxter Underground provided a substance free area for students to dance, party, and have a rockin' time without the pressures of alcohol or other drugs. A rootbeer keg was provided for those students who couldn't resist the urge to drink after all that dancing. This event was planned in response to the University's apparent need for an alternative to fraternity parties. Baxter Underground was part of the new substance free hall's mission to provide students with new alternatives.

— Jed Jorgensen

Baxter has been around almost a semester; how effective is it?

by Christine Schaeffer
Staff Writer

This year is the initial year that Baxter Hall has had a substance-free environment. At the beginning of the semester, students placed in Baxter were asked to sign a contract stating that they would refrain from the use of drugs and alcohol while living in the dorm.

But, has it actually worked? This has been the question on many people's minds regarding such a policy. Most students living in Baxter regard it as a success because "it gives people who don't want to drink a place to go," said freshman Lou Caputo. Students view Baxter as having a sense of community, because students who don't want to drink are given the opportunity to live with others sharing their same credences.

However, not all students cur-

rently living in Baxter originally requested a substance-free residence hall; most were placed in Baxter because when they filled out their housing request forms they stated that they did not drink. Some stu-

of Baxter were given the opportunity to change dorms at the beginning of the year, yet no one opted to leave.

Lysha Wasser, a resident assistant in Baxter, is pleased by the initial success of the hall. "I really love my job because the social scene at Willamette is definitely dominated by alcohol and I was personally never comfortable with that fact. To be in a position where I can provide fun things to do is very rewarding and makes for a more complete college experience," he said. Wasser and the other Baxter R.A.'s are proud of Baxter and its student commitment towards a substance-free lifestyle.

Despite the positive aspects of living in Baxter, some feel intimidated by the policies. Students who arrive back at the dorm while intoxicated are subject to being written up by the R.A.'s and

while students realize such a policy coincides with the lifestyle they pledged to, many feel it could have dangerous consequences. "I think the biggest problem with Baxter is that people are afraid to go back to their rooms if they're intoxicated," said Olivia Kowal. Another resident, Shelley Smith, agreed. "A lot of people are afraid to come back drunk, and that's really unsafe, especially on the issue of rape."

Many students feel that the contract they signed helps to deter the use of alcohol among those living in Baxter. "It's not so much the substance-free policy that drew me here, but the kind of people who would want to be substance-free," said Helen Atsma. Resident Kristin Thompson feels that Baxter works

fairly effectively in that, "It works to keep alcohol out of the building. I'm really glad I'm here because my lifestyle suits Baxter . . . but there are going to be people who don't go by the rules."

The R.A.'s resolved that next year it will be made much more clear to incoming students about

Baxter's substance-free policy, to ensure that only students wanting that lifestyle sign up to live in the dorm. However, the resident assistants agreed they have had to deal with very few substance-

related problems thus far. Said Lysha Wasser, "People thought Baxter might not work. If we look at the problems versus the successes we've had here, the success of Baxter is a very resounding yes."

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What should concerned students know?

Rohypnol causes great concern on campuses

Rohypnol appears to be the new "in" drug in colleges, earning itself the nickname of "date-rape drug." It can, when mixed with alcohol or other drugs, produce a high that could lead to aspiration, or death.

by Jeff Chu
Staff Writer

Here is a scenario: a girl goes to a social gathering, a party perhaps, and she is offered a drink. She takes the drink, and within ten minutes, she loses consciousness and is raped. Ten hours later, she has no recollection of what happened—only that she is in an unfamiliar bed.

The drink that she was offered did not simply contain alcohol and perhaps a few fruit juices, but also the drug Rohypnol (pronounced ro-hip-nol) which is also widely referred to as the "date rape" drug. Rophies, roofies, ruffles, roofens, loops, wheels, circles, ruffies, R-2, rib and rope are the most common street names for this drug.

According to Clark Staten, Executive Director of Emergency Response and Research Institute (ERRI), Rohypnol is a brand name for flunitrazepam which is a very potent tranquilizer similar in nature to valium (diazepam), but much stronger. The drug is a depressant, so once it is injected or ingested, it produces a sedative effect, amnesia, muscle relaxation, and hinders psychomotor responses (in other words, the individual appears to be very drunk, with slurred speech, no coordination, swaying, and blood-shot eyes, but with no odor of alcohol).

This process can occur anywhere from ten to thirty minutes, and can keep the victim in this state for several hours to ten hours depending on the individual and the amount of Rohypnol introduced into the body. During this time, the victim is often raped since they offer no resistance and will have no memory

of what occurred after taking the drug.

Deborah Loers, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, says that the drug is legal in Europe where it is used by physicians, but illegal in the United States.

Rohypnol is available in a liquid, a pill or a powder. All forms are colorless, odorless, and quickly dissolve in a beverage. What is even more disturbing is that the drug is cheap; a single pill costs between 50 cents to 8 dollars.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) says that more than 1,000 cases of illegal Rohypnol possession have been reported recently in thirteen states. Many of these cases are reported by friends of the victims who witnessed the crime. It is now reported as being one of the "in" drugs, particularly in college fraternities, according to Clark Staten.

Unfortunately, the detriments of this drug are not limited to those listed above. As disgusting as this drug may already sound, it does not stop here. If the drug is mixed with alcohol or other drugs, it produces a dramatic "high." This high may lead to respiratory depression, aspiration and even death. Staten reports that when taken repeatedly, it can lead to physical and psychological dependence. In an attempt to reduce the use of Rohypnol, the drug has recently been promoted to a Schedule I Narcotic, which would make it subject to the same penalties of cocaine, heroin, and LSD possession or use.

Nevertheless, the use of Rohypnol is increasing since large quantities of it are being imported across the Mexican border where it is a prescription drug. Also, it is now being produced in the United States.

The best way to avoid Rohypnol according to Phi Delta Epsilon (medical fraternity) chapter at McGill, a university in Ontario, Canada, is to know and trust the friends who you are going to drink with. Do not accept drinks from anyone unless you see a bartender served, or open it yourself, and if you feel that you have been potentially drugged, tell somebody you are with so they can keep an eye out for you.

Do you or a friend have a problem with alcohol?

by Jeff Chu
Staff Writer

If you think your friend has a problem with alcohol or drugs, one of the often overlooked resources on campus is the counseling center.

The center is not set up to conduct primary alcohol and drug treatment, but they do assess the problem and offer weekly programs for individuals. The specific amount of time depends on each situation. The counselors help students evaluate themselves, and the degree of help that they really need. It is located in Bishop Hall. Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs Deborah Loers, says that "they give people feedback in a caring way."

For some problems, students may wish to get help off of campus. They have several options. One way is to get treatment in a 20 to 30 day program that takes place in the student's home. Another option is an intensive out-patient treatment that runs four nights a week for four to six weeks.

It is important to note that these programs do not require the attendance of the alcoholic or drug dependent individual, since the addiction affects more than just one person. Families and friends are encouraged to seek counseling.

If a student displays problematic behavior due to alcohol or drugs the Universities' judicial system will punish them for their behavior. This behavior could in-

clude engaging in a fight on campus while intoxicated. If the behavior is repeated, Loers says that the administration will most likely suspend the student.

That student will also be assessed to see if treatment is necessary. If the student chooses to undergo treatment, they will have the opportunity to reapply for admission.

Loers stresses that if you are aware of a friend who does have an alcohol or drug problem, "it is important to express concern and still be their friend." She adds that it is important not to drink with them or to encourage or laugh at them while they are drinking because this is a mixed message. Instead, encourage them to talk to someone.

Some possible choices include a counselor, either on campus or not, another student who is currently undergoing treatment or has already completed the treatment.

Another option is the Willamette Peer Advocacy program, which trains students in crisis intervention. Contact Beatrice Much for more information.

The campus counseling services, and workshops are free to all students (both full-time or part-time). For students who are referred to an off-campus counseling program should check with family insurance benefits as they may apply. Counseling is available to individuals or groups and all information remains completely confidential.

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As an ordinary student, why should I vote for you?

The reason you should vote for me is because I have experience through being senator for two years and also having been ASWU treasurer. I've been on the executive board. I know that I can step into office and pick up where Jamie left off and really take care of the issues and make sure that our student voice is represented. Not only that, I have a platform, I have the issues, I also have the answers to resolve those issues and the concerns of the students that are out there. In addition to that, Having finished all my graduation requirements already, I can make ASWU my first priority next semester. I can tailor my class schedule around ASWU, which is something that is not usually possible, but in this case it will be.

What qualities would you look for in a new University President?

I think it is important, you know President Hudson is a great president and what we can really do is find somebody who measures up to him. They really become a president through the process of being a president. I think the important things to look for are somebody that can really understand the issues and listen to people as President Hudson has. Some people have a tendency to shut their mind off and not listen to what people say, but President Hudson has always been one who does listen to people and is always willing to come in and speak with people, but also somebody who has the Business experience and the organization to run the university. That means that they can incorporate the issues in their decision making plans, but also make sure that Willamette University is around in the future. President Hudson has built up the University to where it is today while other universities are in jeopardy, which means if Willamette's not around in twenty years then that means our degree is really not worth that much. So it is important that we have somebody that is going to be able to continue what President Hudson has done and build up our school so its here tomorrow.

How would you motivate students to get involved?

I think over the last two years I've seen a lot of improvement in motivation. I remember my freshman year when filling the committees was extremely difficult. It was always a question of, "Well, we finally got the spots to represent us, but there's nobody on it." I think that really changed with Josh Norman last year and I think that Tim is great and he will be able to continue that. I think that in terms of motivating somebody, if you have a vision and you're doing something that students want they're going to get behind that and help out. I believe that what I am going to work on next semester will be to incorporate new issues that come up plus the long term issues like parking, the bookstore and things like that that need to be resolved this year and leading into the future. Like the state of the students which I'm sure you've all heard of, to outline that voice and what we want, to try and make sure those issues get represented. In order to motivate people, like I said, is to have vision and work first and if you're doing that I think other people will follow. I know of a number of people that are interested on working on the President's cabinet to try and make things happen and so I think it will.



Geoff Kantor
sophomore

It has to do with two main things: experience and dedication. My experience has been quite extensive. I've been an ASWU senator for three semesters. I've passed at least 3 pieces of significant legislation, one specifically condemning Residence Life and Student Affairs decisions about residence halls. I got decisions reversed in two out of the three cases. I did not get Baxter undone. This year, I've been working fairly steadily. I came up with the idea of putting a crosswalk down at the football stadium at the intersection of Mission and Winter. Its something that the city has been working on for the last year and it will be in effect within the next month. They will be not only putting in a crosswalk in there, but they will be putting in an entire light for us to safely get to football games. Now I'm working very hard to get the third floor lounge over there, I'm working on getting that designated a student area. As for dedication, I have agreed to completely forego my winter vacation; as long as there is an administration on this campus, it is the job of the president of ASWU to be here to make sure that decisions are not being made without our voice. I've proven that I have the dedication, I've followed up, and I feel that I have the absolute dedication and experience to fulfill the job better than anyone else.

I was one of only three students, besides those that Jamie asked to attend, that attended the presidential forum about a week and a half ago with some of the board of trustees. I found out from my constituents that they're looking for a president who is willing to be open with the students. Jerry Hudson comes to Baxter every year and reads bedtime stories. Somebody who has an open door policy and is willing to work with and listen to students is what the students want to see here. Somebody who has a strong background and connections, somebody who is going to be able to not be a new person in the business world. Because as president of this university you have two ends: you have the academic end and you have the business end. Jerry Hudson has been unbelievable at raising money which requires connections in the business world, the finance world. Someone who is able to foresee and can push along and improve the academics of this institution. Right now we're trying to get Phi Beta Kappa, and that's something that has been Jerry Hudson's number one goal since he's gotten here and it looks like he will have his wish. I feel that somebody who has the qualities of combining openness to the students, which for me is number one, the business connections, and the academic knowledge.

I think that motivating students is a problem on this campus. Senate meetings, sometimes we don't have quorum. To motivate students, we need to find those students who are already leaders, presidents of greek systems, presidents of independent residence halls, presidents of organizations such as StART, Campus Democrats, College Republicans, we need to draw them into presidential cabinet because it is through them that we can disseminate and get out information to other students. One person as president cannot get out information to everyone on this campus. We need to have the inclusive cabinet, not the exclusive thing. I think that excluding somebody that wants to be involved is an absolute detriment and should not be part of the system. I would also like to see the ASWU executive office, the four officers along with the speaker of the senate put out a newsletter, like Residence Life puts out a newsletter on a monthly basis. That's something more for the secretary, but I would be supportive of and pushing that.



CHRIS LITRELL
senior

As an ordinary student you should vote for me because I'm also an ordinary student. I represent the ordinary student who wants an ASWU that will go to bat for your interests and you would vote for me because you see that I am a good leader and that I have the leadership experience and that I would represent you as a comm

The number one quality is a president who places the students' concerns number one on his agenda. I think that since I've been here you've watched this university become very preoccupied with moving up to the next tier moving up in rankings. It's almost disturbing because at times you feel like the students have been pushed aside to make way for the rankings push. And although the rankings are important, don't get me wrong. You've got to make sure that the new president understands that although its important to create a strong university that is respected and our diplomas are worth the money that we pay for them, you've got to remember that we've got to be happy while we're here. When I go up to talk to the new president I've got to know that he understands the students' needs and he will address those number one on the agenda to make sure that we're happy. I think that's the most important quality by far. If we have a president that comes in with his agenda and doesn't include making a happy campus, this university is going to go down the tubes. If you've ever made an appointment with President Hudson and go talk to him he looks you in the eye and says, "I'll work with you on this and we'll see what we can do" and within a week there's usually results and usually it's in the next day a something is done to help you. We can't do that when we lose Dr. Hudson.

I think motivating students really goes back to increasing the energy level of ASWU and showing people that what we are doing is positive and it's having effects across campus. Having the senators, instead of showing up on Thursday sitting through an hour or two hours of meeting and going back and not saying anything, getting the senators to be really excited about coming to Senate and leaving Senate with energy and going back to their halls and saying "Look, we did this tonight it's amazing, we're getting all these things done. What do you think about this," and just really reignite the energy level and enthusiasm about accomplishing goals and actually accomplishing those goals. If we say we're going to take on this issue, well then within a couple weeks that issue has been taken care of and someone can walk across campus and point to it and say "Look, that just got done" instead of just always coming to ASWU and talking about it and then nothing really materializing.

The statements of the candidates on these pages were culled from interviews with the Collegian Editorial Board. The candidates answered to slightly when necessary for space considerations. A checkmark next to one of the candidates indicate the endorsement of the Collegian Editorial Board and were arrived at after an hour of interviews with the candidates. In the past, the decision to endorse candidates in the community respect the right of a newspaper to express its opinion when it is properly labeled as such.

What would you do to include groups that have felt alienated from ASWU?

The way I've always approached leadership and ASWU is that ASWU does need to incorporate everybody, ASWU represents the whole student body, including on-campus, off campus, if you're abroad, no matter what group you're involved in, you need to be represented. Unfortunately, groups sometimes have been alienated. The best way I see us resolving that is through the President's cabinet and incorporating RHA, IFC, Pan Hellenic, and the students at large and making sure that people are not being overlooked. And also, just in Senate meetings, making sure that those concerns are expressed and that they feel comfortable expressing those. But nobody should ever be shot down for what they believe in.

The first thing is an absolute policy of no exclusion whatsoever. I think Loren Myers has been excellent in this, he has called up groups. As president of the Jewish Student Union, he's called me up to make sure everything's okay, and this has nothing to do with legislation. He's called me up to see if there's anything I needed. I think that's a great attribute. I think that seeking people out, reaching out to people, making sure that they don't have any problems, and if they do, addressing them immediately not saying we'll deal with that later; if there's a problem it needs to be dealt with immediately. Inviting these people in to talk to us in our executive councils. Other groups that have been alienated by ASWU, that have been made to feel scared, I would invite them to Senate, I would support their ideas, and I would be very willing to set up a meeting at any point with these people.

My main campaign thing is the executive cabinet. It just like a cabinet of every person on the campus and I would want people on campus, off campus, as diverse as possible. It might be a little messy in the beginning because of throwing that many views into one big melting pot. It could be a little crazy, but you would get every point of view of the students and I would want the top students. Like I said this evening, you would take the president of Campus Democrats and of College Republicans, you take the president of StART, the president of a fraternity, a president of a dorm, the best leaders from everywhere and assemble 10 or 12 of them. TIUA students, get a good international student, really represent those groups that have never had a stake in ASWU, especially TIUAs, especially international students and bring them in and say, "What do you think? What would you do?" Then talk about it and come up with essential things that everyone can agree on and then they can leave that meeting and go back to their groups and say, "This is what is happening." It'll go to ASWU, and it will happen, and it will come back to me, and I'll make it happen. And then everyone will really feel included in the community.

What distinguishes you from the other candidates?

I'm different in that I have experience. I think my record speaks for itself, having been on a number of committees and doing University Senate. I was on the Finance Board for two years, I was on Senate for two years, I was ASWU treasurer for a year and I was chair of Finance Board as ASWU treasurer for the third year. Last semester, I was on University Standards of Conduct. I have experience, I know the people, I know the administrators. I can get in there and be effective immediately, right over Christmas from the start through to the end of the year. The other thing is that I have a platform that's not my platform, but it's the student's platform, which the students feel is important. I've only been able to outline a few of them in the campaign, but there are a number of other issues that will come up that people don't know about. For instance, the high speed rail that they are planning to put into the campus. People don't know about that, that's in the governors plan. If we're aware of those things and I am then we can make sure that we can try and deal with those issues in proper context. That's how I outline it: I have the experience, I have the time to do it, I have the platform.

On an artificial level, I'm a sophomore. I've been extremely involved in ASWU, I know the current issues, I've been involved with the presidential search in a small level that I can be as a student, but I've also submitted a list to Jamie. I've worked with Jamie on several projects, including the Halloween project. I've worked with people in this community, outside of ASWU and outside of the University so that I know people not only within the administration, but I also know people in the community. I met with the city mayor last year to get fireworks for homecoming, I worked with state officials for that also. I've been dealing with the current issues; whereas Scott has been dealing with ASWU for a long time and he's an excellent candidate because of his experience, he hasn't been as involved this year, and I know the current issues, I will be able to step into the shoes that Jamie left and fill them if I had to starting right now. I know what needs to be done, I know the issues that are on the table right now, I have the dedication and the experience that will let me step in and fill those shoes the second I'm elected.

I think I'm different because I'm kind of an outsider from ASWU. I don't come into ASWU with a ton of experience. What I bring to it is I bring what I think of as really true leadership. I come into this having strong leadership background working with the administration. I have a very good working relationship with people like Jim Bauer and Stuart Tennant and although I have never been through the entire ASWU process I feel that this position—if you look at the past couple of presidents—they haven't had ASWU experience. And that has helped them because they are real leaders. And that is what I offer. I offer the leadership experience.

How would you describe the role of ASWU president?

I think we've seen the role of the ASWU President change in the last couple years, especially with the change to the speaker of the Senate which is a good change because the president should not control things they should be an effective arm of the student body. I think that President should be one to help bring out ideas and can provide information for both the administration back to the students and from the students' point of view. I don't see the President as being a controlling one, but one that works hard and effective to get things taken care of and those issues represented.

The ASWU President is the most important student on this campus, in that it's the only student voice that goes to the Board of Trustees. It is an all-inclusive representative voice which is really dangerous because the president needs to make very much sure that they don't just represent themselves or their personal small group of constituents. The ASWU president needs to be a representative of every student on this campus to the best of their ability and not just represent them by taking their ideas, but pushing for the ideas that the students need here and want. If there's something that a group of students need, to take, for example, the StART proposal that came in two or three weeks ago. That was a wonderful proposal. Liani Reeves did a wonderful job putting that together. When Senate passes something, Senate is the duly elected officials, but it is up to the president and the president alone to make sure that that legislation gets pushed through to the administration and followed through. And lately, Jamie, because of his illness, and Dmitri, did not do that as well as they needed to. And I feel that I will be able follow through on that. It is the job to represent the students to the administration through the legislation written and through ideas presented directly to the president.

The role of the ASWU President, I believe, is ... he or she serves as kind of the figurehead and the grand motivator of everything that happens. The energy and the direction provided by that president needs to be taken in by everyone around them—the officers, the senators, everyone. He or she needs to be the great motivator and serve as a true representative of the students and serve as an example of what all the rest, everyone on the campus should be. The president ultimately is what I would think is almost like the perfect student. It is the person who can lead and associate with every student on campus and sit down and talk about things with every student and like I said, serve as an example. I don't want to preen myself too much, but that's, that's the way I see it.

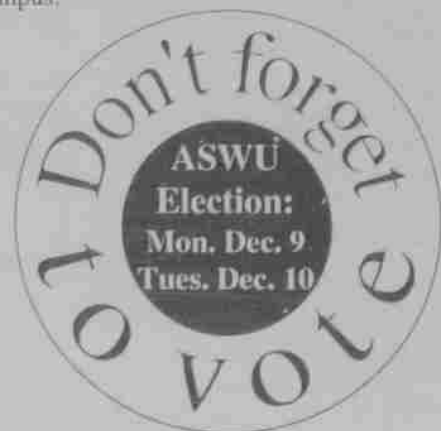
What issues have not been discussed in this campaign that should have been?

I think that one that hasn't been discussed a lot was the next president, which you already brought up. Parking has been discussed. The bookstore has not been discussed I don't believe I've talked about that tonight but I think that changing the bookstore to a student coop would be very beneficial to the students. Greeks, overall, we really need to have good representation there. I really do think that the issues I have been running on are the issues that need to be dealt with. There will be other issues that come up that are more short-term issues that need to be dealt with.

One thing I know that students have said is a problem on this campus is diversity or lack thereof. I know Mr. Sumner, Vice President of Admissions very well. I think that that's one thing that needs to be worked on. I think that's something the ASWU president can directly affect by working with Mr. Sumner and talking to prospective students and even going around to some high schools. Some other issues, from what I was told, the first time there has ever been an event where Greek, independent, ASWU, RHA, etc. have ever done anything together, cooperating not fighting with each other with this Halloween event. It was a huge success. I am a volunteer at Richmond Elementary School and I had about 10 of my students come and just give me the biggest hugs with their parents and I talked to their parents and I talked to several members that worked for Bon Appetit and they said that they had never seen anything so wonderful because it was organized and it took everybody. It took Pan Hel, it took IFC, it took RHA, it took ASWU, and we all worked together to make one of the greatest events this community, the Salem community, has ever seen. I think we need to work on that. I think RHA, Pan Hel, IFC, and ASWU need to work together as one cohesive student body to be a powerful student voice.

I believe the issues that aren't being discussed would be the TIUA students. I think that they have been really left out of this whole process. Things have changed with the University and TIUA students since I was a freshman and had a TIUA student. It seems that they've been pushed to the side for the interests of the University. That's one issue. That's the main issue and I think it's really sad, because that's if you've ever worked with a TIUA student in a TIUA program it's a huge resource to get that cultural perspective. And now freshman don't want to have them as roommates and no one wants to have them as roommates and so they've been put together, so they lose out on their experience and nothing has really been addressed to solve that. And you know, I don't have the perfect solution for that, but I think that it's something that needs to be looked at because it seems that these students are going to waste and they are some of the best resources on the campus.

the questions impromptu. Their response are provided verbatim when space allows; some were edited, Editorial Board. These endorsements represent the view of at least three quarters of the participating candidates has been a controversial one, but the Editorial Board hopes that the members of the Willamette



History of Christmas explored

Convocation

Shelley
Markwell



This week's convocation consisted of an informal discussion about a few ideas that could help the Willamette community celebrate Christmas and other holidays in an alternative fashion.

The primary topic discussed was the issue of Christmas commercialization. Charles Wallace, University Chaplain, mentioned Leigh Eric Schmidt's book *Consuming Rites*. He stated, "Capitalism and Christmas has been so intertwined in America that it is hard to focus on the real meaning of Christmas." In addition, Wallace commented that the Santa Claus that appear in department stores reflect the central focus of gift-giving and capitalism in America.

One convocation attendant, Debbie Epperly, a member of the admissions

faculty, explained that commercialization had a bad effect on her, and thus has tried to abstain from the "hustle and bustle" of the season this year. Moreover she stated, "The effect of less commercialism in my life this year has given me a more calm heart and more of a focus on God and the real meaning of Christmas."

The other attendant, Paul Jungwirth stated that he also dislikes Christmas commercialization. He said that it has affected him drastically since he "come[s] from a family that celebrates Christmas really secularly."

To sum up the discussion, Wallace read a heartwarming Christmas story from Al Martinez's *Dancing Under the Moon* and passed out booklets titled "Whose Birthday is it Anyway?" Wallace also mentioned that the First Methodist Church will be hosting an alternative Christmas Market featuring items from third world countries this Saturday from 10am to 2pm. The profits of the market will be donated to the countries from which the items came.

Senate Report

Jed Jorgensen

A lengthy discussion ensued this week in reference to the use of the room previously occupied by Residence Life. Several possible student uses of the empty space had been proposed prior to this week's meeting. Ideas such as a new student lounge, or perhaps a late night eating place seemed popular.

Concerns were raised by various senators in reference to how successful such plans would be, and specifically if students would make the trek up to the third floor to use such a space.

It was decided that rather than risk creating a student lounge that would be a failure, a separate committee would look into other possible spaces that could be transformed into student space. One suggestion was to expand the Bistro to include a larger lounge area that could house pool tables or a game room.

A re-vote was taken on the legislation regarding the Vice President's seat on

Finance Board due to a procedural error in vote counting during the last meeting. The bill passed this week by a vote of 15-5. Since the measure will amend the ASWU Constitution the bill will be brought to a vote before the student body sometime early next semester.

There were many announcements regarding upcoming events in the next few weeks. On Thursday, Dec. 12 a student band will be performing in the Bistro at 9 p.m. The following day ASWU is sponsoring a Christmas caroling hay ride through Kaiser, departing from the chicken fountain at 8pm.

An auction will be held in the TIUA auditorium on Sunday, Dec. 15 at 3pm. The items for sale at the auction will be available for viewing prior to the start of the auction.

A number of concerns were voiced in regards to the *Collegian's* article on last week's senate meeting. It was noted that there was no conspiracy involved in the procedural error that took place at the previous senate meeting. Also mentioned was the relative size and importance of that article in comparison to the article regarding the retirement of Jamie Brown.

Safety Watch

Nov. 17 - 30



Criminal Mischief

November 19, 3:05 p.m. (TIUA)- A student reported that his rear window had been broken out of his vehicle sometime during the day. The student reported nothing stolen.

November 27, 7:20 p.m. (Hatfield Fountain)- An employee reported that soap had been dumped in the fountain.

Criminal Trespass Arrests/Warnings

November 19, 2:00 p.m. (Smith Auditorium)- An employee reported a transient in a practice room on the second floor. Campus Safety responded and located the suspect in question. The suspect had been verbally cited for trespassing the week prior, for sleeping in another building on campus. The suspect was placed under arrest by Campus Safety and removed from campus by the Salem Police Department.

November 20, 10:45 p.m. (Baxter Hall)- A student reported a man acting very strangely in the lobby of the hall. Campus Safety responded to find a suspect who had just been arrested the day before for trespassing. The suspect was again placed under arrest and removed from campus.

November 23, 11:20 a.m. (Goudy Commons)- A student reported seeing a suspect pictured in a Campus Safety flyer exit from the Beta House and head toward Matthews. As the officers were responding they received a second call stating the suspect was near the UC. When the officers arrived they saw the suspect go into Goudy. When the officers entered the building they were told the suspect had gone into the restroom. When the suspect exited the restroom the officers identified the suspect and placed him under arrest.

November 24, 11:00 p.m. (Law Parking Lot)- While conducting a search for an individual, Salem Police stopped a suspect on a bicycle

on the west side of the building and then called Campus Safety for a positive ID. When Campus Safety arrived they informed Salem that the suspect was not the one they were looking for. However, the suspect refused to give correct information about himself to the officers and was arrested by Salem Police and cited for trespassing on campus property by Campus Safety Officers.

November 25, 8:45 p.m. (East Side of Law)- Campus Safety received a report of a woman hanging around the UC and then later she was in Lausanne asking students if they needed a roommate for the evening. On both occasions she was contacted by a Campus Safety Officer and told she could not do that and that she needed to leave campus. When she was contacted near the Law School, she was still questioning students so she was arrested by the officers and removed from campus by a Salem Police Officer.

November 26, 9:15 a.m. (Campus Safety Office)- A former Aramark employee was told over the phone that he was not to return to campus property and that if he did he would be arrested. He then made a threat that he would take care of any Campus Safety Officer that made any attempt to arrest him. Salem Police Department was called and the subject's probation officer was contacted regarding the incident.

November 27, 7:45 p.m. (Goudy Commons)- A non-student was contacted by a Campus Safety Officer who requested ID from the individual. The subject was uncooperative during the contact but the officer was able to determine that the subject had no business with the University. The subject was told to leave campus and not to return or he would be arrested.

Disorderly Conduct

November 23, 10:30 p.m. (Beta Theta Pi)- While responding to a call the Campus Safety Officers encountered a student who was visibly intoxicated and became verbally abusive towards the officers. The officers attempted to ignore the student as they were dealing with

another issue at the time, but even as they were leaving the student persisted. The student was advised that a report on his behavior would be written.

November 24, 1:00 a.m. (Beta Theta Pi)- While attempting to monitor a function at the Beta Theta Pi fraternity house, a contract security officer reported that any time she tried to talk to anyone, a certain student was always right there asking her what she was doing and why. A Campus Safety Officer responded and found that the student was definitely being a nuisance. His actions were keeping the outside officer from being able to efficiently do her job.

Emergency Medical Aid

November 23, 9:00 p.m. (Sparks Center)- Campus Safety received a call that a man had fainted on the steps outside the building and may have hit his head. Upon their arrival at Sparks they found that the athletic trainer had taken the man to the training room. The man stated that he was feeling dizzy and sick to his stomach and that was why he fainted. Dispatch contacted 911 and the man was taken to the ER by ambulance.

Harassment

November 22, 10:10 p.m. (York)- A student reported receiving harassing phone calls from a caller whose voice he did not recognize. The student reported that he knew the calls were coming from a campus phone but had no idea who might be making the calls. The student has been advised to have his phone number changed and to report any further calls.

Minor in Possession

November 23, 9:30 p.m. (Beta Theta Pi)- A contract security officer reported an under age person consuming alcohol. A Campus Safety Officer responded and located the person in question who admitted that she knew she was not suppose to be drinking. The student was issued a policy violation for minor in possession.

November 23, 10:10 p.m. (Beta Theta Pi)- Campus Safety responded to a report of a minor in

possession of alcohol. A female student was contacted and issued a policy violation.

Theft

November 21, 4:40 p.m. (Law School)- A student reported her bicycle was stolen from the rack near the southeast corner of the building. The bike had been locked with a U-lock.

November 25, 10:00 a.m. (TIUA)- A student reported many parts of his bike had been stolen while it was locked to a rack outside the building. The bike was locked with a U-lock.

Attempted Burglary

November 28, 1:35 a.m. (Goudy Commons)- While on patrol the Campus Safety Officers noticed that the gate west of Goudy was open. Upon investigation they discovered that the padlock securing the gate had been cut. The officers immediately called 911 for Salem Police to respond. When the Salem officers arrived they found the back door to the building also unsecured.

One of the Campus Safety Officers explained to Salem that a pest control service had been in the building that day spraying chemicals. The Salem Officers elected to do a rapid search of the building while Campus Safety

watched the various exits. The officers found no one in the building and the cash in the register was still there. The officers concluded that someone had gained entry but once they smelled the chemicals they decided not to enter.

Suspicious Activity

November 24, 2:35 a.m. (Winter Street Near University Lots)- Two students reported a suspect attempting to break into the trunk of a vehicle parked along the street. Salem Police Department was called to assist in the search for the suspect. A complete search of the campus and the surrounding area was done, but the suspect was not found, although the students were able to provide the officers with a very thorough description.

November 24, 10:50 p.m. (Pi Beta Phi)- Campus Safety received a call about someone lurking in the bushes on the south side of the building. As the officers approached the building, dispatch alerted them that the roof motion detector was sounding. The officers were then told that the suspect had jumped down off the roof into the patio area. The officers conducted a search of the area with the help of Salem Police Department and a Campus Safety Student Escort who saw the suspect go west toward the US West parking lot, but the subject could not be located.

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Book

PROZAC NATION

■ **Author:** Elizabeth Wurtzel
 ■ **Published:** Houghton & Mifflin
 ■ **Comment:** Wurtzel's book does an excellent job of describing why the vast majority of people are currently unhappy.

operandi lately, in music, fashion and attitude. Perhaps this wasn't the best book choice for my Thanksgiving holiday. Wurtzel describes her descent into depression which began when she was around eleven years old. As she describes skipping classes in junior high and going to the locker room to carve into her legs with razor blades (while listening to the Velvet Underground), and explaining her dysfunctional home life, it is apparent that Wurtzel had a troubled childhood (something that, sadly, is not so unique these days).

In some ways, it was appropriate reading for Thanksgiving, since it made me realize that I am pretty damn lucky. So far, my mental health has been relatively stable (don't laugh!) and my parents don't hate each other (and, I never even get around to shaving my legs, so it's unlikely that I'll be near a razor anytime soon). If adolescence is hell, Wurtzel makes it known that suffering can be brought to a whole other level when you are clinically depressed. She had begun life "full of promise," by starring in a few TV commercials when she was younger, while excelling in school.

But then, all of a sudden, the promise was gone, and nobody could understand why. I could feel her frustration as she told about her various break downs, skipping class and curling up in bed, overdosing on allergy pills, and general periods of freaking out. For Wurtzel, being on an emotional roller coaster was everyday life. "So many people spend so much time in adventures meant only to take them out of . . . that placid emotional state where it feels . . . like nothing ever happens. But me, all I want is that nice even keel. All I want is to live in between." This made me feel a little better about my boring, squared in life. Being dark and depressing may have a gleam of romanticism to it from the outside, but Wurtzel completely destroys this mirage. It may sound like Wurtzel is spoiled and over-theatrical, especially when you find out that she attended Harvard, went to England, cruised the countryside in a BMW with a rich friend, and spent a summer working for a Dallas newspaper her sophomore year.

I mean, here I am, pretty darn sane, but I'm not in Harvard and I spent my summer stocking a donut

case in a bakery. Yet Wurtzel herself often wonders why she cannot be happy, since she seems to have it so good. It becomes apparent that another one of the tortures of depression would be knowing that your life is not bad at all, but you are still unable to endure it (says Wurtzel, "I've had it. I am so tired. . . I am twenty and I am already exhausted."). Finally, during her junior year of college, Wurtzel was put on Prozac (she was one of the first people to take it) and is still on it today, as well as lithium. She quoted some interesting statistics on depression; people born after 1955 are three times as likely to suffer from depression, and around six million Americans suffer from clinical depression.

Why are people so damn unhappy lately? I could step on a soap box and describe my little theories, but really, Wurtzel's book already does an excellent job of exploring this, and it's written in nice, let-me-tell-you-my-life-story style. If you've got some time, definitely check this book out. Don't listen to the Velvet Underground at the same time, though.

- by Jessica Girard

Over Thanksgiving break, it was my goal to get some reading in, since the most I had done on my own time up to that point, was peruse some articles out of a back issue of *Mademoiselle* that I found in my room. So, I knew what lipstick was good to wear in late summer, but not much else. I went to the Eugene library, brimming with excitement. What I ended up checking out was *Prozac Nation: Young and Depressed in America*, by Elizabeth Wurtzel. This book seemed relevant since Prozac, as of late, is a much spoken about drug. I know several of my friends are taking it. Not only that, but being young and depressed seems to be the *modus*



Microbrew

JAMMER'S TAVERN

■ **What:** A real-life biker-bar
 ■ **Where:** 12th and Hoyt
 ■ **Comment:** This is a biker-bar that offers the WU student a different perspective on life and it makes for a fun evening

but never had the courage to actually go over. The siren-song of the Harleys called to me; but the less melodious siren-song of the Salem PD, who usually stop by Jammer's a few times a month, helped me to resist. Finally, late one Saturday, after a particularly productive evening with some friends, we all decided it was time to see Jammer's from the inside. We dressed as tough as a couple of whitebread college boys from the suburbs can, and shuffled on over.

A blast of warm, smoky air hit us when we opened the door. It was crowded, with people sitting at every table and standing anywhere else. We made our way toward the stage, where a band that looked like *Quiet Riot* was ripping through a version of Ted Nugent's "Stranglehold."

We lucked into some seats on the edge of the dancefloor, and sat back, trying to take it all in. If you think the skill level of dancers at a typical WU fraternity party is pretty low, then prepare to be underwhelmed. These people suck,

but they are having a damn good time. That's the kind of people Jammer's attracts, and that's what brings my friends and I back there every so often.

Despite how tough Jammer's seems, everyone is there for the same reason you are: to have a good time. There are fat guys with ZZ Top beards and leather pants out dancing to Steppenwolf with their leather-skirted biker mamas; there are old guys in leather jackets talking about cycles; there are guys in jeans and cut-off black T-shirts on the dance floor trying to be smooth; there are even friendly bouncers with biceps the size of my head, who sit in with the band once in a while.

Hanging out with bikers can give a person a completely different perspective on Willamette, and on life, although I'm not quite sure what that perspective is. Checking out the people at Jammer's is the best part, but a very close second is the cheap beer. I know this sounds terrible, but everyone else at Jammer's is loaded, and to really

enjoy yourself, it helps to be headed in that direction as well. And don't expect microbrews—they look at us funny if we order Henry's Dark.

Jammer's is the most fun of any bar in Salem. Free live music, cheap beer, and the whole biker atmosphere is what makes it. I peeked in during the week and it looked alot like Moe's Tavern from the *Simpsons*. If you go, bring cash. They don't take checks or Visa. Bring ID—they card hard. You'll feel more comfortable if you at least try to dress a little tough.

You can never go wrong with black, leather or denim, and if you can combine them all its even better. Never, ever, drive to Jammer's if you can help it. I've watched police cruisers sit down the block from Jammer's and wait for people to stumble out to their cars.

As Steve Johnson so aptly put it, "Everyone needs to party with bikers and biker chicks at least once in their lives".

- by Kjell Holmberg

Some people might say that I live in a crappy neighborhood. True, my bike did get stolen off of my front porch. True, people drive past my house and throw garbage on my lawn. And true, you could film an episode of *Cops* from my bedroom window. But my neighborhood has something that all neighborhoods should have, but not all do: a real-life biker bar.

Jammer's had called to me ever since I moved into Hoyt Manor. Just one block away, I could here the rumble of the Harleys in the parking lot every weekend night,

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VOICES



Campus Opinion

Do you feel that the use of drugs and alcohol on campus is at a problematic level?



"Students tend to perceive a greater problem than really exists, in terms of percentages or numbers."

Brian Duty, sophomore



"In limited cases, because people are in a stage of experimentation."

Tobias Read, senior



"Stricter regulations may be contributing to binge drinking or other unsafe drinking habits."

Ellen Epperson, sophomore



"Absolutely not. We have responsible people on campus, with good, moral character."

Rob Johnson, freshman

DECEMBER 6

Friday

Happy Hanukkah!!!

The Gendered Bureaucracy: Agency Mission, Equality of Opportunity, and Representative Bureaucracies, by Meredith Newman, MPA Program, Washington State University in Vancouver.

Koinonia Christian Fellowship, Hatfield Room, 6:30 p.m.

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Friday Night Worship, Eaton Room 110, 7:00 p.m.

ASWU Movie Night, Jack, Smith Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

What is Life?, presentation by Dr. Lynn Margulis and Dorion Sagan, Schnitzer Concert Hall, 7:30 p.m.

ASWU Movie Night, Jack, Smith Auditorium, 9:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 7

Saturday

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

Senior Yearbook Pictures taken at Registration.

Ceramic Ornaments, fee: \$20, Bush Barn Ceramics Studio, 10:00 a.m. - noon.

Holiday Concert with Deepwood Strings, free and open to the public, seating is on the carpeted floor, except for the physically disabled, Victorian parlor of the Bush House.

Japanese Gift Wrapping, fee: \$18, Textile Design Center, Mission Mill fourth floor, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sleigh Bell Ball, sponsored by the Residence Hall Association, Mission Mill, 9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

DECEMBER 8

Sunday

Annual Bush House Holiday Open House, free and open to the public, noon - 4:00 p.m.

Chamber Winds Prism Concert, Smith Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

Student Chamber Concert, Hatfield Room, 7:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 9

Monday

Womyn's Center Meeting, Womyn's Center, 7:00 p.m.

American Sign Language Club Meeting, Smullin 130, 9:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 10

Tuesday

Human Rights Day!!!

Willamette Community for Choice Meeting, Womyn's Center, 7:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 11

Wednesday

Mellon Fellowships in Humanistic Studies applications due.

University Convocation: Lessons and Carols, Cone Chapel, 11:30 a.m.

Dance Recitals, Kresge Theatre, 4:30 p.m.

Oregon Symphony Holiday Pops with Doc Severinsen, Smith Auditorium, 8:00 p.m.

Campus Democrats Meeting, all Democrats welcome, bottom floor Eaton, 8:30 p.m.

LGBA Meeting, Womyn's Center, 9:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 12

Thursday

Interdenominational Holy Communion Service, Cone Chapel, 12:45 p.m.

Lessons and Carols, Cone Chapel, 8:00 p.m.

Carson Grant Presentation, Performance Flexibility and Security in Micro-kernel Operating Systems, Garrick Olson, Hatfield Room, 4:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 13

Friday

Senior pictures due to the Wallulah, Third Floor UC.

Koinonia Christian Fellowship, Hatfield Room, 6:30 p.m.

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Friday Night Worship, Eaton Room 110, 7:00 p.m.

As *The Knife Turns*, Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre, tickets are \$19.50, Building 50, Chemeketa Community College, 7:00 p.m.

A few holiday volunteer opportunities. . .

Salvation Army

Contact Person: Jennifer at 399-0206

*Volunteers are needed to ring bells for donation collection.

*Volunteers are needed to help with toy distribution collected through Angel Trees.

Gilbert House Children's Museum

Contact Person: Jennifer at 371-3631

*December 10-14 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to help facilitate the Festival of Lights, a holiday celebration incorporating traditions from different cultures from around the world: arts, crafts, games, and food.

*December 23 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Volunteers needed to help with cookie decorating.

*January 20

Volunteers are needed to help with programming for the Happy Birthday Martin Luther King Day celebration.

Salem Outreach Shelter

Contact Person: Linda Sifri at 588-8898

*Volunteers are needed from 10:00 a.m. to noon to play with the kids which can include everything from playing basketball to doing crafts.

Marion-Polk Food Share

Contact Person: Janet Waggoner at 581-3855

*Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to box food from recent food drives so it will be ready for distribution.

*December 7

Scouting for Food: Cub Scouts are doing a drive this day; food will be coming into the warehouse in large quantities and will need to be boxed.

American Red Cross

Contact: 585-5414

*Volunteers are needed to help with the blood drives at the First United Methodist Church. Donators are needed as well as people who can facilitate this event.

Operation School Bell

Contact: 364-8318

*Volunteers needed to assist supplying clothes to children in need. During this time of year, they have a fundraising drive called "Stocking Stuffer" in which they accept financial donations (tax-deductible) to help with the costs of the program. They also collect items as shirts, jackets, school supplies, shoes, and sweatshirts (these need not be new but in good shape for the "second edition" distribution program).

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Team advances to quarterfinals for the first time

Football

by Jennifer Miller
Staff Writer



Willamette has met Western Washington nine times since 1981, going 4-5 against the team. The last time Willamette took on the team was two years ago, and the result was a home loss, 42-12. They have lost four of the past six games, but Head Coach Dan Hawkins contends that this does not necessarily mean the Bearcats cannot come away the victors in tomorrow's battle.

"The biggest challenge for the defense is probably going to be their running game," said junior Rodney Wood.

Players think that Willamette's solid offense should give them the edge in the game.

"I think our offense is going to give them a lot of problems," Wood said. Offensive Coach Mark Speckman sees the game as a chance for Willamette's offensive talent to shine. "We're just going to do our thing (offensively)," Speckman said. "They are obviously the best defensively we'll play all year.

They've got four first team all-leaguers. We've got to be able to handle their defensive line which is the strength of their team."

The Saturday before Thanksgiving break the Bearcats played Bethany of Kansas (8-1, 8-2) at Autzen Stadium in Eugene, defeating them in a 56-35 game of amazing offensive performance.

Willamette rushed for 530 yards and racked up 738 yards in total offense, both of which are school records.

The game, which had originally been scheduled to be played at Willamette's Ogdahl Field, had to be moved to Eugene after the largest rains Salem has seen this year made Willamette's field unplayable.

Junior quarterback Chuck Pinkerton was on fire in the Willamette victory, rushing a career-high of 204 yards and throwing for 208 more yards in the game. He threw three touchdown passes, ran for another score, and was awarded Offensive Player of the Game.

On the defensive side of the game, junior Rodney Wood was awarded Defensive Player of the Game after three sacks and another tackle for lost yardage.

Willamette did give up 450



This season's record setting Bearcats begin play with a kickoff. They will battle Western Washington on Saturday.

yards passing in the game to a team which is known for its passing game. Despite giving up yardage, the team held Bethany to 20 points below its average.

The Terrible Swedes fell behind early in the game, and found themselves in a 21-0 deficit at the end of the first quarter. They were

able to pull the game to a relatively close 35-28 at the end of three periods, but when Pinkerton and Aaron Espadron-Coker went for a 12-yard touchdown pass on the Bearcats' next possession, Bethany couldn't come back to fill in the score gap which kept widening against them.

Junior linebacker Dave

Richardson intercepted Bethany's quarterback Jorge Munoz on the next series, and junior Rich Rideout clinched the win with a 42-yard touchdown on the next run.

The game was the Bearcats first post-season victory in school history.

Rugby players savor their weekend victory over Oregon State College

Rugby

by Jennifer Miller
Staff Writer



Willamette rugby, in a home game, experienced the thrill of victory this weekend in a 10-5 victory over Oregon State College's Division I rugby team.

Part of the team's victory can be attributed to the team's dedicated players including junior Benji Hammond, seniors Bryan Hall and Forrest Norris and coach/player Duffin McShane. The other part of it can be attributed to the team's new scrum/half: a new player known by his teammates as

Pete, who is an exchange student from Australia with several years of rugby experience.

The scrum/half is an integral position to the sport because it is the scrum/half which serves as the link between the forwards and the backs: coordinating the forwards in the rucks, mauls and scrums, forming a solid platform in which to "spin" the ball (a.k.a. creating a play) to the backs for the opportunity to score.

Pete and the team's core players, assisted by a handful of players who come out just to play, helped the team beat their second Division I opponent in under two months. Last month the team took on and defeated the University of Oregon.

Pete works on top of scholastic

"With more game times we have developed a better knowledge for the game."

- Senior Brian Hall



Josh Holland successfully catches the ball in a recent rugby practice, preparing for next semester's series of matches.

requirements, and is just able to come for games, but coach Duffin McShane said that already the difference he makes in setting up platforms for creating plays is apparent. Willamette started the game off on the right foot, scoring a three point penalty kick from 30 meters a little under 15 minutes into the game. At half-time the team was still up 3-0.

In the second half OSU started to warm up, and went on to score a try (missing the subsequent conver-

sion) with 20 minutes gone from the second half. This gave OSU the lead: 5-3. Willamette came back to score with five minutes left, and made the subsequent conversion, giving the Bearcats their second win of the season. Players attribute a large portion of their win to additional plays and practice time since the beginning of the season.

"With more game time we have developed a better knowledge for the game," Hall said. The team, currently 2-1, has taken on some serious competition thus far in the season. Both of the teams they have beaten are Division I schools, which are pulling from a much larger student body pool to recruit their teams' players.

Willamette suffered a loss to Southern Oregon State College last month less than two weeks after their smashing season opener against the University of Oregon. McShane notes how exceptional it is that the team has done as well as they have this early in the season, but also commented that, "It comes down to practice and numbers. Numbers at practice, in par-

ticular." And numbers of players in practice lately have not been plentiful, as any passerby can see. "Many players come just to play, and don't put in the time at practice working out plays, strategy and overall fluidity of the game," he said. "It's hard to find dedicated students who are willing to devote blocks of time including practice time to rugby," Hall said.

There is a possibility that several seniors from the football team will join after their post-season play ends McShane said. He hopes this will improve turnout to weekly practices, which take place every Tuesday on Brown Field next to the University Center. McShane is in the process of planning a trip for the team to take place in mid-February to San Diego, California. He is planning to have the team compete in the O.M.B.A.C. (Old Mission Bay Athletic Club) Rugby Tournament. "It could be a good chance to see and be part of some exceptionally good rugby," he said.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK
S O C C E R



Liz Heaston
Sophomore

Liz Heaston has been chosen as Athlete of the Week for her accomplishments on the women's soccer team. A sophomore defender, she has been playing with the Bearcats for two years, but has been participating in soccer for most of her life.



"I started playing when I was six," Heaston said. Like many other athletes, she came to Willamette because of the academic reputation, but another big factor in her decision was that she would be able to play soccer. Heaston contributes more than an onlooker would realize.

She blocks the opponent's toughest forward and her challenge is to keep them scoreless. Heaston has accomplished this goal in two recent games,

along with many others.

In the conference championship game against Whitworth and the regional finals while playing Simon Fraser, Heaston successfully shut down the opposing forwards. Heaston's speed and determination, combined with her incredible skills, demonstrate her importance on the playing field. She was honored in receiving First Team All Conference this season.

In the Bearcats recent game in the national tournament, Heaston scored the lone goal to lead them to victory, and like before, conquered another challenge keeping the opponent scoreless.

"Liz is one of the quickest and most tenacious players on the field, and she has one hell of a free kick," commented teammate Heidi Hausermann. "All of what we accomplished this season was a team effort," remarked Heaston. The Bearcats ended their season by being ranked second in the nation and with a record of 21-2-1.

-Katie Edmonds

Team finishes with No. 2 ranking

women's
Soccer



by Katie Edmonds
Staff Writer

The Willamette women's soccer team ended their season on Thanksgiving day after a long year of accomplishments. The Bearcats finished their season with a record of 21-2-1, and being ranked second in the nation.

Willamette started off their season defeating two division one teams, University of Oregon and Arizona State. They then went undefeated in the first round of conference play.

In the second round their winning streak stopped momentarily when they tied Whitworth 2-2. They conquered every other obstacle that lay before them. They once again were conference champions for the fourth straight year which allowed them to host the regional tournament at home.

Willamette defeated Whitworth in the semi-finals and waited to play the most anticipated game all season long. The Bearcats defeated Simon Fraser 1-0 and became the regional champs. Willamette had accomplished a goal they set at the beginning of the season to compete at the national tournament. "I couldn't have asked for more, going to nationals with such a strong team my freshman year," commented Jenna Ward.

After winning all these games and finishing their season ranked

extremely high, the Bearcats were seeded eleventh out of twelve teams going into the national tournament. Willamette entered their first game of the tournament with fierce aggression. The Bearcats faced Berry from Georgia. The Lady Furry didn't know what hit them. Willamette pounded the goal with shot after shot, and Berry rarely got the ball over the halfway line.

Late in the second half sophomore defender Liz Heaston took a direct kick. She netted the goal putting the Bearcats up by one. Her lone goal pulled through as Willamette's defense kept Berry scoreless.

The Bearcats second game was against Southern Nazarene University. Senior midfielder Kristy Ell slid the ball past the keeper in the middle of the first half putting the Bearcats ahead. Southern Nazarene retaliated and scored a few minutes before half-time, making it a tied ball game.

Both teams battled in the second half, but the Redskins scored a goal midway through the half going ahead and kept the lead. As hard as Willamette tried they couldn't put the ball in the net. The team that beat Willamette lost to Berry, the team Willamette beat. All three teams ended tying with a 1-1 record.

Southern Nazarene went on to the semi-finals because they had one more goal than the Bearcats. Many of the players are feeling cheated and frustrated because the team that won the national championship was the team that Willamette beat in the regional finals. "The fact that we beat Simon Fraser, the national champion, is extremely frustrating," commented Liz Heaston.

After a while the Bearcats realized what they had accomplished.

"We had a successful season and we should be proud of what we achieved..."

-Heidi Hausermann,
sophomore

"We had a successful season and we should be proud of what we achieved, even though the seeding at nationals was frustrating. It gives us something to build on for next year," added sophomore Heidi Hausermann.

The Bearcats will graduate only two seniors, but two crucial ones. Kassy and Kristy Ell are two players that are hard to replace. Their constant tenacity and hardwork motivated all of their teammates to lift their level of play.

Willamette will rely on veteran players Jamie Barton, Jackie Leibler, and Robin Heard to inspire the team to reach the same goals next season as they did this year. After reflecting on the long season of hard work, tough games, and endless practices, Liz Heaston summed it up by saying, "When it all comes down to it we had fun."

Hoopsters hope to top last year's disappointing performance

men's
Basketball



by Matt Kosderka
Staff Writer

Willamette's men's basketball team found themselves in unfamiliar territory last season, and they have no intention of going back this year.

The Bearcats, after reaching the post season for the past nine seasons, including a national title in 1992, not only missed the national tournament, but they failed to finish in the top four in the conference, and missing the conference playoffs as well.

"I think anytime you don't reach your goal, it just increases your desire for the future," said Head Coach Gordie James.

The Bearcats hope to use last season's disappointing finish as motivation this season, and despite their 1-2 record, they seem to be on the right track. Seniors Jay Moore and Mike Hayter are the lone starters returning from last season, and James is counting on both of them not only leading the stat sheet, but the team as well.

"It's their time to step up and be productive," said James.

So far Hayter and Moore have yet to disappoint. Both have scored in double figures in all three of the Bearcat contests.

With the Bearcats set at the guard spot, considering that James can bring in juniors Ryan Smith and Kevin VandenBrink, as well as sophomore Brad Nelson to spell Hayter and Moore, the Bearcats had just one question left to answer. Who would take over in the middle

where Julius Lowe, Cavan Scanlan and Andy Hakala did so much damage last season?

Thus far, James has gotten great production out of transfer Eric Heinle. Sophomore Jimmy Watts has also

showed flashes of greatness. They will team with senior Louis Schalk and transfer Mitch Gregg to help the Bearcats shut down opponents inside the key.

"They're bound to have periods of inconsistency," said James of his

big men. "But their futures look bright."

And so do their chances of returning to post season play, although their 1-2 start is a little misleading. The Bearcats got off to a great start, with a 94-84 victory over UC Davis in the season opener. Moore threw in a game high 28 points, while Hayter knocked down all 10 of his shots, including five behind the 3-point arch, on his way to a 25 point night. Watts made the most of his first start, chipping in nine points and a team high 11 rebounds.

While the Bearcats had their way with UC Davis, they ran into a bigger challenge in Billings, Montana last weekend, where they took on Montana State-Billings and Rocky Mountain. Both teams were tougher than UC Davis, in fact too tough, as they both handed the Bearcats defeats, the latter by just two points.

"Certainly the level of competition was outstanding," said James of the two game Montana hiatus. "But the scores aren't indicative of our level of improvement. The only way to get better, is to play good teams."

Whether tonight's opponent, Northwest Conference foe Linfield, will be a good team, still remains to be seen, although they always battle with the Bearcats and James expects nothing different this time around.

"Linfield always plays hard," he said. "And they've added a bit of muscle to their front line, so they play physical."

The Northwest Conference opener for the Bearcats is scheduled to tip-off at 8 p.m., in Cone Fieldhouse.



NCIC Pre-season Records

	W	L
Whitworth	3	1
Puget Sound	2	1
George Fox	2	1
Pacific Lutheran	2	1
Whitman	1	1
Pacific	1	1
Lewis & Clark	0	0
Willamette	1	2

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November 30



After a disappointing season last year, finishing second from the bottom, the men's basketball team is working hard in their practices. Tonight the Bearcats will battle Linfield's Wildcats on Willamette's home court, who graduated three starters last year.

Bearcat swimmers make waves against Linfield

Swimming

by Tyler Wilson-Hoss
Staff Writer



The men's and women's swimming teams rode high waves into their dual meet November 23, against Linfield. Swimming in their first home meet of the season, both teams wanted to meet the expectations of Assistant Coach Alan Stevenson. "Our men's team wasn't competitive with Linfield's team last year, so this meet we were hoping to gain ground on them. On the women's side our main goal, as in any of our dual meets, was to qualify as many of our swimmers for nationals. But," he continued, "the girls wanted to beat Linfield too."

Stevenson had to have been pleased with Willamette's subsequent performances. The women sprinted to a dominating performance, highlighted by the qualification of no less than eight individuals and two relays. On the men's side, strong performances by many individuals is a sign of greater things to come the rest of the season.

The women's side of Willamette's swim team flexed their collective muscle against a weaker Linfield contingent. Two relays, the

400 Medley and the 400 Freestyle, qualified for nationals. The 400 Medley included Erin Venable, Beth Brinton, Gerianne Mikasa and Danika Williams, while the 400 Freestyle included Mikasa, Bonnie Bauer, Rachel Cohen and Tami Hondo.

Individually, the Bearcats excelled. In fact, in two events Willamette qualified three swimmers. Teammates Jean Orth, Lindsay Zettle and Becky Fox all qualified in the 1650 Freestyle, and in the 400 IM, Orth, Fox, and

Cammy Farstvedt all came in under qualifying time. In addition, Bauer qualified in the 50 and 100 Free, Cohen in the 200 and 500 Free races, Mikasa in the 100 Free, Brinton in the 200 Breaststroke, and Farstvedt in the 200 Butterfly. "The whole week we were preparing to beat Linfield as a team," said Cohen, "so I was looking to win my races, not really concentrating on making qualifying cuts. It was a nice sur-

prise to qualify."

"Since I've been here," said Senior Orth, "this is the first time we've beaten Linfield. We gained a lot of depth this year with our freshman class, making us one of the biggest teams in the league."

On the men's side, a wealth of strong individual and relay performances left the team with high hopes for the remainder of the season.

Two races, the 400 Medley Relay and the 200 Backstroke, bore the fruits of qualification. The relay team, consisting of Carey Cox, David Horton, Justin Hopkins and Leo Kowalski, just missed beating a strong Linfield relay but did qualify themselves. In the 200 Back, Cox again qualified and earned accolades from Coach Stevenson.

"We were really surprised with his performance," said Stevenson. "It was a great day for Carey."

Other strong performances, said Stevenson, included Mark Juckland's win in the 1650 Free, Kowalski in the 200 and 500 Free

"Our men's team wasn't competitive with Linfield's team last year... we were hoping to gain ground on them."

—Alan Stevenson,
Assistant Coach



A swimmer practices her breaststroke in preparation for the season.

races, Jesse Vaughn in the 100 and 200 Free, Kjell Moline 400 Free and the 200 Breaststroke, and Freshman Hopkins in the 200 Butterfly.

"Justin really hasn't swam the 200 very much, but you wouldn't know it by this race. I don't think he knows how close he is to a qualifying time."

Hopkins himself was more re-

served. "I was happy with my time and that I was able to help the team."

All told, both men's and women's teams were very successful in their battle against Linfield.

"It's a real pleasure to coach these guys and girls," said Stevenson. Next up for the Bearcats is the PLU Invitational this weekend in Tacoma.

Piper, Wright honored with Coach and Player of the Year

Volleyball

by Matt Kosderka
Staff Writer



Like many Oregon roads of late, Willamette's women's volleyball team's hopes of a return trip to the national tournament caved in two weeks ago at Cone Fieldhouse.

After overcoming every obstacle imaginable, the Bearcats finally came upon a bullet they couldn't dodge.

Even without the services of senior outside hitter, and Conference Most Valuable Player, Alicia Wright, the Bearcats' chances looked promising as they entered the Pacific Northwest Regional Tournament.

After all, they were playing on their home floor, where they had been almost unbeatable.

However, their home court advantage was quickly taken from them in their first round match-up with Western Washington.

The Vikings, behind Jana Freeman's nasty jump serve and precision hitting, overpowered the Bearcats the entire match, winning in three games.

The Bearcats knew they had to serve well against the Vikings, if they were going to knock off the No. 4 seed, but they never got the chance. Instead, it was the Vikings who were always serving, and giving the Bearcat defense fits. Willamette never was able to dig the Vikings' serves cleanly, allowing Western Washington to reel off

points in bunches.

Despite their disappointing first round loss, the Bearcats still had an open path to the third and final berth in the national tournament. All they had to do was knock off their next opponent, No. 2 seeded Northwest Nazarene, and then win the consolation final later in the day.

Early on against Northwest Nazarene it looked like the Bearcats would indeed, advance to the consolation final, as they scored the match's first eight points and easily won game one.

But the Crusaders, still hung over from their surprising loss to Western Oregon the night before, came out of their daze, and took over the match, winning every crucial point.

The Bearcats had their chances to put the Crusaders away, but just

couldn't convert their opportunities. Trailing 7-3 in game three, the Bearcats came back to take a 13-12 lead, only to watch the Crusaders pull out the game 16-14. And then in game four, WU

came back from a 6-1 deficit to tie the game at 10-10, before Northwest Nazarene won the next five points and the match.

The loss to the Crusaders not only brought another stellar Bearcat season to a close, it also marked the last appearances of Wright and fellow senior Aspen Phelps in a Willamette uniform.

Wright, one of the most prolific hitters in Willamette history, led the charge all season, before suffering an ankle injury right before the regional tournament.

She returned to the Bearcat line-

All Conference Teams--Coaches' Selections

First Team

Alicia Wright
Vicky Crooks
Kathy Fisher
Sharon Barnett
Amy Peterson
Beth Jayne

Willamette
Puget Sound
Willamette
George Fox
Linfield
Pacific

Second Team

Kim Baldwin
Jill Hertel
Mandy Rockwell
Aspen Phelps
Brooke Mayo
Jana Shorb

Pacific Lutheran
Pacific
Whitman
Willamette
Pacific
Lewis & Clark

up against Northwest Nazarene, but could only serve and volley.

Nevertheless, she will always be remembered for her ability to smoothly approach the net and then pulverize the ball of a helpless opponent. Phelps, who has anchored the middle of the Bearcat attack for the past four seasons, made her final season her best.

The Second Team All-Northwest Conference pick, not only manned her spot admirably, but she played a large part in the improvement of fellow middle blocker Rosie Allen, the Bearcats' lone selection to the Regional All-Tournament Team. Although Wright and Phelps will leave two tremendous holes to fill, the Bearcats will have a strong nucleus returning next season to defend their five straight Northwest Conference titles.

Allen, a sophomore, will team with junior Katie Maier and sophomore Amy Schultens in the middle, while junior Alicia Dyrdaahl, sophomores Jen Schultens and Lupine Skelly, along with freshmen Devon Bakken and Tamara Allen will all return on the outside attack.

Willamette will also have sophomore First Team All-Northwest Conference setter Kathy Fisher back, as well as sophomore Kelly Middal, who can serve and dig with the best of them.

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Who will you choose to represent your opinions, address your concerns, and make positive changes for the future?

Primary Election
December 9 and 10

Run-off Election
December 11 and 12

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Presidential Candidate Statements

Scott Dilworth

Class: Senior
Major: Business Economics
Leadership experience:
 ASWU Treasurer 1995-96
 IFC Treasurer
 ASWU Senator 1993-95
 University Standards of Conduct Committee
 Mortar Board

* EXPERIENCE and the STUDENT VOICE

The student body is at a crucial time in the year. In order for the student voice to be effective this year, the next ASWU president must be an experienced leader who has the ability to work with the administration and ensure that the student voice is not only heard, but listened to. I have that experience. I have served the student body as ASWU Treasurer and on student committees working closely with the administration to ensure the administration hears our voice.

* PARKING

The current parking crisis requires a new approach which meets the needs of the commuting population while maintaining the rights and safety of those living on campus. By reorganizing the Sparks parking lot with angled parking, we can move the parking rows closer together and thereby provide approximately 50 more parking spaces. With this many more parking spaces to meet the needs of both student and staff, the administration will have no excuse to take away our parking rights.

* BOOKSTORE

Currently, 3200 college bookstores are



student co-ops. Students can join for a minimal amount of fifty cents and then return receipts at the end of the year, recovering about 10% of their purchases! Let's make this happen!

TIME, EXPERIENCE, and COMMITMENT

With only a semester to make effective changes, the next president must have the time to devote to the job. I am a senior with all of my graduation requirements complete. Performing the duties of president will be my first priority! I have the ability and the experience of working with administrators. I also have the commitment to make those changes that will benefit you, the student body. X6948

Geoff Kantor

Class: Sophomore
Major: History
Leadership experience:
 Three term senator
 Member of the "Presidential Values Evaluation Committee"
 Overall Manager for Freshman Glee 1996
 Founder and President of Jewish Student Union
 Safety and Communications Organizer
 Halloween Event 1996



Jamie Brown has been a wonderful contribution to the Willamette community, and with his resignation we are losing an important link in the communication system. When I heard of his situation I felt very sorry for him but I also became concerned for the future. I knew that the students of this institution needed someone to lead us for the rest of the year. There are many projects which Jamie has begun: the presidential search, the state of the student, parking regulation reform, an art display for student work in the U.C., and the beginning of the implementation of a student center on the third floor of the U.C. As president of ASWU I will bring with me experience which will enable me to be an active and productive member of this institution. I have worked extensively and intensively with the administration of this institution, and I understand the inner workings of this university. When you elect me president I

will not sit and wait, but will be a man of action and push forward. I will continue those projects which Jamie had been working on and any others that require attention. I know that I am the best person for this job. I know people from all areas of the campus, and will be able to fairly represent students from all backgrounds. If elected I can not promise you grandeur and impossibilities, but I can promise you a president who will: give 110% of his efforts and time, not back down the first time he is told "No", and fight for what you all deserve as students of this university.

Chris Littrell

Class: Senior
Major: Business Economics
Minor: Spanish
Leadership experience:
 Opening Days Leader
 President of Phi Delta Theta
 WU Cross Country Team
 IFC Recruitment Chair
 Mano y Mano (Migrant Student) Tutor

Under the leadership of President Jaime Brown ASWU was redefined as the body and voice of the students. Jaime's resignation leaves ASWU in a vulnerable position with only two places to go: regress into a weak and ineffective body or continue on the established path and become the means through which ideas are addressed and improvements to student life are made. ASWU needs real leadership and that is exactly what I am offering.

The Littrell Agenda

Re-Establish the Executive Cabinet of the ASWU President Composed of the best student leaders on campus, this body will serve as direct student voice to ASWU and to the President. I admit that I don't have the magic solution to every problem and the cabinet will be my eyes and ears to new ideas. The cabinet will tackle the issues such as:
 Improving Safety on Campus
 Expanding the Use of the DCB
 Selecting a Successor to President Hudson
 Renewing the Glee Tradition
 Solving the Parking Problem
 Addressing Food Quality
 Teaching Responsible Use of Alcohol

Leadership

In order to resolve these issues in only one semester the ASWU President must be a



strong leader, focused on the goals, and working well with and for the students. I am the best leader and here are five reasons why:

Group Oriented-As an Opening Days Leader.

Proven Success-As President and a member of my fraternity.

Team Player-As a member of the WU cross country team for three years.

Bringing Reform-As a leader in IFC.

Understanding- As a tutor to migrant students.

Bring Real Leadership to ASWU

Vote
 Littrell
 Innovative Ideas
 Proven Success

Election schedule

The primary election will take place on Monday and Tuesday. If no candidate receives at least 50% of the vote, a runoff election between the top two candidates will take place on Wednesday and Thursday. The winner of the election will be announced Thursday night in Senate. All voting will take place on the first floor of the University Center.

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