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Editor's Note



KEVIN BOOTS

Hello again. The last time I wrote, it was to announce exciting new changes and additions to the Collegian. Today I write with similar intentions. First, and most exciting is the new, online edition. Today at noon, if you type www.wucollegian.com into your internet browser you will be able to read the Collegian online. This new, online edition is the product of a semester's worth of blood, sweat and tears. I hope you enjoy it. It is, admittedly, very much a work in progress. For the moment, the online edition will replicate the print edition; in doing so, conserving paper and serving the vast Willamette commu-

nity of abroad students, alumni and parents. As the online edition evolves, it will contain exclusive, online only features and material. Perhaps even extra campus safety reports. Additionally, we have changed our paper edition's content slightly. In response to a ferocious campus wide apathy, the ASWU report has, regrettably, been eliminated. However, in order to incorporate ASWU, we have expanded the news section, as well as created a conventional wisdom feature that follows in the footsteps of the greatest newsweeklies in the nation. The staff has worked extremely hard to put out this new, better paper. I think you'll like it. Now go check out our website.

Administration selects alum's firm

By AVI KATZ

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Robert Packard had to be as far away from Willamette as possible to do the right thing. As chair of the Board of Trustees and a member of the planning firm that the university is negotiating with to design the upcoming Kaneko Residential Commons, there was a potential conflict of interest.

Yet, in completely removing himself from the selection and negotiation process, the class of 1973 graduate and senior partner in Zimmer Gunsul Frasca Partnership Architects (ZGF) has taken steps to avoid the appearance of influencing the project.

"The Board of Trustees has an established conflict of interest policy for such instances," VP of Finances Jeffery Eisenbarth said. "Robert Packard, as Chairman of the Board, recused himself from the selection process in accordance with the policy and promptly and fully disclosed the

potential conflict of interest to President Pelton."

ZGF has collaborated with Willamette in the past as the principal designer for the Mary Stuart Rogers Music Center and Hudson Hall in 1998 as well as the Olin Science Center in 1998; both of which were constructed before Packard joined the Board of Trustees. The firm is also responsible for designing the Master Plan for the Commons System and was one of several architects that were sent the initial Request For Proposals (RFP) back in November of 2004.

Five planning firms, including ZGF, responded to the RFP for the Kaneko Commons. Four finalists were selected to present their plans to the Facilities Trustee Committee, Financial Affairs Trustee Committee and the Residential Commons Steering Committee in late November. Earlier this month, Eisenbarth, Pelton and VP of Administrative Services Jim Bauer began contract negotiations with ZGF for designing

and managing the project with final approval by the Board of Trustees set for early February.

"We are proceeding with negotiations with ZGF for the planning and construction of the Kaneko Common System," Hawkinson said. "At this point, nothing had been finalized between the university and architectural firm."

As a private university, Willamette is under no legal obligation to enter into a competitive bidding process for construction and other outside contracts. In implementing a selection process, Willamette included student, faculty, staff and Board of Trustee input and inquiry on the design of the project from each architectural firm.

"The primary questions that I and the other students panel members asked the candidates were centered around student involvement in the designing process," ASWU President senior Bracken Killpack said. "In order to construct a commons building it is vital to have extensive student input. The architectural firms that I preferred were the ones that were the most committed to seeking and using student input."

"In order to construct a commons building it is vital to have extensive student input"

BRACKEN KILLPACK
ASWU President

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Rush secures Greek presence

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The annual spring rush, which serves to recruit new pledges for the various campus Greek affiliations, turned out large numbers of participants in both the fraternity and sorority systems. The ability of the fraternity system to produce large pledge numbers was of utmost importance as it secured their ability to retain their current campus facilities.

Last semester, Residence Life announced that fraternities unable to fill their houses to 90 percent capacity would no longer be able to remain on campus. At the time of the announcement only one fraternity, Sigma Chi, was above the 90 percent cutoff.

However, all of the five campus fraternities have had successful pledge numbers, which may continue to rise as signing boards have not yet closed. In addition, a large amount of fall pledges contributed to the elevated membership within the fraternities.

The sorority system also brought in a high number of rush participants with 116 students initiating the process on Monday. After the week's activities Alpha Chi Omega signed 29 pledges, Pi Beta Phi signed 23 pledges and Delta Gamma signed 21. These numbers are comparable to those from last year, and up considerably from the 2002 rush.

A revamped marketing plan, jointly initiated by the PHC and the IFC may have factored into this year's successful recruitment. "We definitely tried to increase our efforts," PHC President senior Annie Brown said. According to Brown, a primary goal of the Greek system was to increase their visibility on campus. Programming such as the campus-wide broadcast of the movie "Troy" and a successful Greek Week contributed to the increased visibility.



ELIZABETH CAULEY

Delta Gamma signed 21 pledges following recruitment.

Additionally, both Brown and IFC President senior Nathan Love collaborated with Dean of Campus Life Robert Hawkinson to issue a letter to all freshmen regarding the positive aspects of participating in rush.

According to Love, the fraternity system also initiated changes in their rush policies for this year's pledge class, dropping the nearly 50 observed rules in previous years to five.

Among the changes from previous years was the decision to abandon the requirements that rush participants attend tours of all fraternity houses. Instead, potential pledges could determine which houses to visit based on their interest in the organization.

"By keeping it simple we could enforce our rules," Love said. "We had just one violation this year, as opposed to last year when there were lots of violations that went unpunished."

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Emmy winner Cokie Roberts to speak at Hudson Feb. 3

By KEENA PRESNELL
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Emmy-award winning broadcaster, author and political commentator Cokie Roberts will be the featured guest for the Feb. 3 Atkinson Lecture in Smith Auditorium at 8 p.m. The second semester installment of the series invites Roberts to deliver her presentation titled "The View From Inside Washington."

Associate Vice President for Communications Janis Nichols hopes that Roberts "can clear away a lot of the clutter and explain in simple English why things are the way they are—or why not." Nichols explained that Roberts has the advantage of personal relationships with some of the most powerful people in Washington. "These are relationships with people who write and

enact laws that touch our lives."

Roberts, a political commentator for ABC news and senior news analyst for National Public Radio, has an extensive work history that would make her appealing to the eclectic liberal arts student and faculty. For 15 years she has covered Congress, politics and public policy for ABC News. From 1996 to 2002 Roberts co-anchored an interview program alongside Sam Donaldson.

Making a living in broadcasting for over 30 years, Roberts has won countless awards to sit on the mantle beside her two Emmys. Some of these include the 2002 Nancy Dickerson Whitehead Medallion of Excellence in the Field of Mass Communication, and the highest honor in public radio—the Edward R. Murrow Award.

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Roberts will be this year's second speaker in the Atkinson lecture series.

Public Eye

WILLAMETTE NAMES NEW UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN

Willamette University recently named Deborah B. Dancik as the new University Librarian. Dancik, who is currently the Associate Director of Libraries at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, Canada will begin her duties at Willamette on July 1. Dancik has served on the Board of Directors of the Association of College and Research Libraries, which is a division of the American Library Association. She is also a member of the editorial board of Portal: Libraries and the Academy. Dancik is replacing previous University Librarian Larry Oberg.

GREGOIRE SWORN IN AS WASHINGTON GOVERNOR

Democrat Christine Gregoire, and mother of Willamette sophomore Michelle Gregoire, recently took office as the Washington State Governor. Gregoire slid by Republican candidate Dino Rossi in the third and final count by a margin of 129 votes of the 2.9 million ballots cast, marking the closest governor's race in American history. Although Gregoire was sworn into office on Jan. 12, Rossi and fellow Republicans have filed a challenge in the courts calling for another statewide vote to take place this spring.

ENVIRONMENTALIST SPEAKS AT HUDSON HALL

Author and environmentalist Terry Tempest Williams will visit Willamette on Feb. 10 as the featured speaker at the Fourth Annual Dempsey Environmental Lecture. Williams is the author of numerous books, including "Refuge: An Unnatural History of Family and Place" and "Red: Patience and Passion in the Desert." The Dempsey Foundation funds the annual lecture and conference, which addresses environmental issues. The lecture is free and will take place in Hudson Hall at 8 p.m.

Talk of the Millstream



AMY RATHKE AND ISALY JUDD
news editors

It is with heavy hearts, dear readers, that we issue our first column of the semester. Are we sad because this is our last spring at Willamette?

The last time we'll get to watch the baby ducks swimming in the Millstream, the last time we'll witness the annual migration of nearly-naked bodies to its banks, the last time we'll observe the multiplication of couples across campus as the weather gets warm...?

No. We're just bummed that school wasn't in session over New Year's so that we could bring you a warm and witty column about our resolutions for 2005. Fortunately, we bounce back from the depths of despair pretty quickly. Yes, we here at the TOMS desk have many aspirations for the coming year.

Not only are we hell-bent on getting ourselves on the university web site, but we also want to answer the age-old question of whether or not Prince Darius ever actually has a point.

In order to prepare ourselves for this grueling semester, we spent much of our breaks in "training" for "success." By this, we mean we spent the month sitting on our couches and watching TV—while working on our knitting projects, of course.

We also discovered a new passion over break: collecting those oh-so-patriotic bumper magnets so that our cars will show that we stand more united and support our troops more than you do. Sure, you might be thinking, "But all those magnets are just going to collect dust in your closet, next to your pile of yellow Livestrong bracelets and various memora-

bilias displaying a crying eagle in front of the Twin Towers!" To you we say, "The only ribbon we need to complete our collection is the-camouflage one. So there!"

While at home, we discovered some truth to the blue and red labeling that has become so prevalent in the media since the presidential elections.

For example, Isaly went home to Wyoming and proceeded to get into not one, but two yelling matches with locals (they don't call them rednecks for nothing) while enjoying ringing in the New Year at the Rustic Pine Tavern.

We guess you could say these news editors fall in the blue category. Amy's blue state of Washington swore in its new blue governor, but not without endless protest from the red candidate who narrowly lost the election.

The blue and red game is really kind of fun. In fact, we considered naming this column "Red, White and WU," but only because it sounds so catchy. Let's try it with Willamette: we can probably all agree that Terra is a blue dorm, and if there is a red dorm, we'd have to pick Baxter. The bistro? Blue. Montag? Red. However, it doesn't take long for this labeling to reach the point of ridiculousness. In fact, we're sure we've offended at least one of our readers by labeling them with sweeping generalizations about their political views. We'll keep pondering the red/blue dilemma at the Dempsey lecture by Terry Tempest Williams—a Utahan environmentalist with a Mormon background.

Car destroys Kaneko security fence

Manager of Building Maintenance Jim Jewell says it could be as long as three weeks before a new gate is installed

By CHRIS FOSS
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At approximately 2 a.m. Saturday morning, a silver or cream-colored vehicle struck and disabled the gate protecting the Kaneko parking lot, senior Campus Safety officer Steve Tuthill said. The car left the scene before Campus Safety could arrive.

The damage to the gate was so extensive that it will have to be replaced. Tuthill said that the impact bent the gate up to four feet off the ground. "The gate was struck with such force that a vehicle could drive through it," he said.

The impact alerted several Kaneko residents who were socializing in freshman Katherine Fricks's room. "It sounded like a dumpster being turned over," freshman Max Antinone said. Fricks said that the group then went out onto her balcony and saw the car reverse and speed away from the scene.

Tuthill said that the Campus Safety officer on duty that night was attending to a medical emergency when the incident occurred. The officer discovered and reported the damage to the gate at 2:17 a.m., 12 minutes after Fricks and her friends notified an RA of the incident, Fricks's roommate Amanda Schieber said.

The officer contacted maintenance, which arrived on the scene and removed the gate between 3 and 4 a.m. Manager of Building Maintenance Jim Jewell said that three of the posts that guide the gate were bent out of place, rendering the card-activated control of the gate inoperable.

Since the vehicle left behind no usable evidence, neither Tuthill nor Jewell are certain exactly what caused the crash. Jewell speculated that weather might have played a factor. "I think it was very foggy," he said. "I think the fellow was coming down Bellevue, missed the stop sign and just drove in."

As for replacement of the gate, Jewell said that he would be receiving cost estimates from contractors S&W Fence on Tuesday and Outdoor Fence this week. "I'm guessing, and it's pure speculation, two to three weeks," he said, regarding a timetable for the installation of a new gate.

Jewell said he would not know what the cost of the new gate would be before a contractor is hired, but Tuthill estimated that the replacement cost will probably be as high as \$3,500 or more. Jewell said that he is

"The gate was struck with such a force that a vehicle could drive through it."

STEVE TUTHILL
Campus Safety Officer

uncertain which campus department will pay for the new gate.

Tuthill said that Campus Safety has increased its patrols in the area to the extent that it is able until the new gate is installed. "We've got a whole campus to watch," he said. "We're spread pretty thin." In addition, Tuthill said that Willamette Watch has also increased its patrols to supplement Campus Safety.



MEGAN MEIDINGER

This wreckage is all that remains after last week's vehicular homicide to Kaneko's gate.

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A Dash to Jordan

Politics Professor Robert Dash spent three weeks of his winter break in Jordan at a seminar about Islam and Middle Eastern culture.

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During winter break, Professor Robert Dash of the politics department journeyed to Jordan for a three-week seminar focusing on the political and cultural climate of the Middle East.

The Council of American Overseas Research Centers, the Council of Independent Colleges and the U.S. State Department sponsored the event titled "Teaching about Islam and Middle Eastern Culture." It featured programming about the history of Islam and the overall region, Arab culture and the complicating aspects of the Arab-Israeli conflict in the context of American foreign policy.

Dash, who has taught comparative/international politics and Latin American Studies at Willamette since 1986, said he went to keep up on world politics. "As a comparative person of political science it's very useful to get out of my area (of focus)—Latin America—and gain an appreciation of other histories and cultures," he said. "Also, the obvious reason is that the intense situation in the Middle East is pretty high up on the radar screen."

When speaking of the qualities of the Jordanian people, Dash was hesitant to generalize based on his experience, but he offered his first impressions of the country.

"The most educated class is very cosmopolitan," he said. "They know far more about the West than we know of their part of the world. Those with less education, those with working class backgrounds are remarkably gracious, welcoming and at the same time are intensely interested in the role of the West and especially the U.S. in the Middle East."

Dash said that these people's view of the U.S. and the West is influenced by the media of their region. "Nearly every house, hovel and hut has a satellite receiver on it," he said.

"They get TV stations and radio stations from almost each Middle Eastern country...It's just remarkable, the amount of information they get from these places."

Perhaps more than any other Middle Eastern country, the future of Jordan is tied to the outcome of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Dash noted that "Jordan's population is about 5.5 million people, with 40 to 60 percent of that population Palestinians." He also said that many of those "Jordanian-Palestinians" live on the U.N. refugee camps in Jordan, descendants of those who fled during the war over the founding of Israel in 1948. Dash said that a resolution to the conflict would "be a real boost" for Jordan and the region.

Both the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the U.S.'s war in Iraq are top foreign policy issues to deal with for the long-term, Dash asserted. He said that there is "near-consensus" in Jordan that the U.S. has not done enough to push Israel in the peace process and the Jordanians are "very angry" over the U.S. campaign in Iraq.

"You have a conversation with (the Jordanians) out on the street and nearly first question out of their mouths is 'Did you vote for Bush?'" Dash said. "Nearly all of us would say 'No' but then they would ask why so many others voted him back into office after going to war on false pretenses."

Dash said that before the war Jordanians viewed America much more positively but he also noted that he did not feel uncomfortable or threatened in any way during his



COURTESY OF ROBERT DASH

Professor Dash in Petra, Jordan.

stay.

Noticeable changes in Jordanian lifestyles were occurring around Amman during Dash's stay. He said that Jordanians are expressing their "Islamic identity, especially in terms of clothing. It's more a broader expression of a reinvigorated Islam, public as well as private." He noted, "In it of itself, is not threatening, but poverty and lack of jobs for the educated have stirred up fears in the Jordanian government that many may turn to extremism."

In discussing the political culture of Jordan, Dash called it "relatively progressive" in comparison to other Middle Eastern countries. "There's censorship, there's manipulation of the political system, but otherwise there's little if any violent issues that have plagued other countries."

When questioned if radical Islam was a serious problem, Dash

responded, "Well I guess my question would be: serious problem for whom?" He went on to say that he hoped his class would "dispel some of the stereotypes of the Middle East." He said, "Each country is different, and within the countries, groups, classes and regional places are different. And our popular media does a real disservice in imparting information in this regard."

He said that he believed that because of the "tremendous frustration" in those societies "against economic and political issues" in tandem with "serious concern" of the role of the U.S. and outside countries in the region, a war "could not be waged effectively" against it. "The long term solution for this area is to reform internally," he said. "Jordan, in my mind, is closest in this regard, and that indicates how far (the region) has to go."

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ROBERT DASH
politics professor

NPR news analyst at Willamette

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She was the first broadcast journalist to win the Everett McKinley Dirksen Award for coverage of Congress.

Roberts has been inducted into the Broadcasting and Cable Hall of Fame and was named as one of the 50 greatest women in the history of broadcasting by the American Women in Radio and Television.

In regard to her lectures, the Harry Walker Lecture Agency claims, "Roberts peppers her speeches with insight and wisdom born of personal and professional relationships honed in the halls of Congress... and [contributes a] keen perspective to issues currently facing lawmakers in Washington, DC."

Nicholas also said, "The lecture ends with a question and answer session. Our hope is that Willamette students will ask Ms. Roberts some interesting questions about how things work in Washington as

viewed from the inside."

In addition to her appearances on the airwaves, alongside her husband Roberts writes a weekly column syndicated in newspapers. The two are also contributing editors to USA Magazine and authored "From this Day Forward,"

"[Roberts] can clear away a lot of the clutter and explain in simple English why things are the way they are-- or why not."

JANIS NICHOLS
v.p. of communications

an account of their and other marriages in American history. On her own, Roberts penned the New York Times Bestseller "We Are Our Mothers' Daughters," an account of women's roles and relationships throughout American history. Roberts's most recent book, "Founding Mothers," explores the wives, daughters, philosophers and others who influenced the men behind the Constitution and Declaration of Independence.

Roberts also serves on the boards of several non-profit institutions and this year was appointed to the newly formed President's Commission on Service and Civic Participation. She is the mother of two and grandmother of four.

Conventional wisdom

The week in review with Avi Katz

HEADS *MLK Speech* - Dr. Vincent Harding's message about WU's relation to the problems of the surrounding communities (read poor Salem neighborhoods) is one that needs to be heard. We can no longer be the Golf Course Next to the Ghetto.

HEADS *2nd Floor UC* - As many of us will be heading into our last semester at WU will use all the resources we can (Career Services!) in a last minute scramble. Hats off to those who help us.

TOSSUP *The Weather* - The gods can't seem to make up their minds as it is always partly cloudy with a chance of rain or sunshine. It's nice but makes us weary about the future.

TOSSUP *Inauguration* - A new term for the President means confronting (or creating depending on your politics) new problems at home and abroad. It will be a bruising four years in Washington with entry-level opportunities for WU graduates.

TOSSUP *End of Rush* - When the numbers are all out it will be interesting to see whether the fraternities have filled their quotas to keep their house. Even more interesting will be whether or not the numbers increase from year to year.

TAILS *The Big Question* - Now that we seniors are facing the end of our undergraduate careers we really can't brush off questions about what happens next? The quickest way to end a conversation with a college senior is to ask them about post-college plans

TAILS *Attacks on SpongeBob* - Going after the non-existent or even partially existent sexuality of a cartoon sponge should never be the agenda of any political or social group. Focus on the Family should have learned that lesson from Jerry Falwell's allegations about Tinky Winky.

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Coup d'Coop

On December 26, the gauntlet was thrown down. Gigantic waves crashed over some places in Asia. This showdown has been a long time coming, but it's time to stop being timid, and time to get down and dirty.

I think it's fairly clear: Nature hates our freedom.

Every time we're minding our own business, going to work, writing letters with the address of the sender, watching "Texas Justice" in boxer briefs over a big bowl of Stagg chili with a side of pork rinds holding a squeaking inflatable gavel, nature busts out some damn tornado or earthquake that was not called for in our palm pilot. (Not to mention surrogate gavel-pounding-surface. Bop! Guilty! Plus, I have a gastroenterologist appointment on Monday! Whee!)

It's time to declare a war that we can win, and are already fighting. It's time to declare the War on Nature.

Nature hates the economy. Every time our manufacturing starts to get streamlined and super productive, Nature starts melting the icecaps, becoming the manifestation of the scorching fervor of anti-capitalist sentiment worldwide. Next thing you know, dust devils will be "randomly" hurling rocks through Starbucks windows. Mother Nature? More like Mother Jones.

Luckily, we don't even have to create a different color coded level of danger, because the Weather Channel already has one in place.

Now is the time to act. I wouldn't be the leader of men I am today if I didn't offer solutions. We must hose down this evil Earth with righteous hairspray and smother it in our refuse if we are ever to overcome it. We must cover it in concrete, dispensing cement truck fleets like hardcore silk worms excreting a civilizing sweater over this wild world of ours.

We've got to poison Nature's water supply and all of it's little furry and scaly minions. Our only allies are the squirrels, who understand the need to hoard capital and exploit trees.

In this fight, we must let our corporations and manufacturing firms lead the way. They are the best equipped to unleash the implements of environmental destruction on a mass scale necessary to teach this feisty planet who's boss. By relaxing environmental protections standards, (and when I say relax, I mean like a patient etherised on a table relaxes) we can kill Evil Queen Nature, and declare the remaining smoldering ball of rock and corrosive bodies of water free from the tyranny of nature, and free to embrace democracy.



EVAN COOPER

Recognizing rights with the rest of America

Although it is generally taken for granted today, the creation of Martin Luther King Jr. Day (MLK Day) was a long and contentious process.

The campaign to commemorate Dr. King's birthday lasted fifteen years and was largely prompted by civil rights marches in the early 1980s. In 1983 President Reagan signed the bill into law which created the holiday. Even after its passage there was still contention.

As recently as 1999, New Hampshire referred to the day as "Civil Rights Day." Several southern states commemorate Confederate generals' birthdays on the same day. Given the struggle to commemorate the holiday, one might wonder why Willamette doesn't celebrate the day with the rest of nation.

Certainly, Willamette's celebration of the holiday is laudable. The week long celebration and commemoration of civil rights is definitely a great one. The committee which plans and executes it deserves a campus wide slap on the back. The committee, representing the entire community with students, faculty and administration, works for a year to create the celebration.

This year's celebration was particularly innovative because it went beyond merely celebrating Dr. King to celebrating the entire civil rights movement (which should be the purpose of the

day anyway) with the "Eyes on the Prize" luncheon and proactively promoting the causes Dr. King advocated such as fighting poverty with the fundraising Hunger Banquet.

Given the massive amount of effort Willamette puts into celebrating the holiday, it would be nice if we recognized it with the rest of the nation.

This is not an argument meant simply to relieve students of a day of school. Rather, it is an argument for a symbolic gesture of national unity. Ideally, everyone keeps Dr. King's principles of nonviolence, peace and equality in their hearts every day of the year.

It is on the third Monday of every January, however, that the entire nation recognizes those principles, and the struggle surrounding the application of those principles in society.

Willamette is right to put the extra effort into celebrating the civil rights movement. However, celebrating the holiday with the rest of the nation on Monday does not preclude us from commemorating it the rest of the week.

The only things keeping Willamette from celebrating Dr. King's birthday are easily solved inconveniences involving the academic calendar. Willamette should show its solidarity with the rest of the nation and celebrate Dr. King's birthday on Monday by giving the University a day off.

Testing Kaneko's new card-less entry system

During medieval times, wooden battering rams were constructed to lay siege to enemy keeps and break on through to the other side. This left the settlement and it's goods vulnerable to attack and acquisition.

In modern times, the weapon of choice is a cream colored sedan.

The recent automotive onslaught carried out against the Kaneko softball parking lot's mechanical card-operated gate has left a dent in the hearts and minds of the Willamette community, as well as a \$3500 dent in the university's maintenance bill.

The main issue is: Which department will pay for the new gate? There is a potential for this issue to get bounced around in the bureaucratic system for a while, which will leave the automobiles we love so dear sitting out in the gravel like Bambi's mom in the meadow.

As it stands now, the new gate will take 2-3 weeks to install, which is ample time for the car thief collective of Salem to come to the revelation that, "Hey, that gate's not there anymore."

One of the most high-risk areas to park on campus is in the Kaneko area. Countless car burglaries have occurred here, often in a rash of multiple instances occurring at the same time. One of the main targets in the Kaneko area has been the softball parking lot, for it's lack of lighting and its concealment from the street.

Fortunately, the free-wheeling gate-haters didn't feel it necessary to unleash their fury on the

much feebler automatic gate of the softball parking lot. Perhaps the barbed wire seemed more formidable than two inch thick bars.

The longer this parking lot remains unprotected by an electronic gate system, the more danger students' automobiles will be in. Whether or not the intent of the driver of the mysterious cream-colored sedan was to expose the parking lot to unchecked larceny is unclear. They may well have been blinded by the pea soup fog and/or a few nips of the Wild Turkey, and just happened to careen through a \$3500 electronic gate.

What is clear, however, is that Campus Safety, though they will be doing their best, are not going to be able to compensate for the lack of an actual physical barrier through increased patrols. They have the entire rest of the campus to monitor and protect, and Kaneko lot is a bit out of the way.

In the end, it would be nice if there were some form of an interim solution, in the form of some other temporary physical barrier, or perhaps a well-armed Willamette Watch member who's played lots of Halo 2.

Since neither of these are very realistic options, all we can hope for is that the university installs the new gate as quickly as possible. Hopefully we can hold off the Ghengis Carthief, but 2-3 weeks is a long time to ward off the hammer wielding hordes.

Kaneko dwellers might want to look into the impenetrable James Bond dashboards and windows. Look up Q in the yellow pages.

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Google helps computer addicts learn how to read



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Google, which has recently attained the title of one of the best and most innovative companies in America today, is out to impress even more.

After being established as a viable-for-trade internet-based

stock company, Google is seeking to expand themselves.

First, they made a nifty new email service and now they are on to their next project; making an online public library.

By scanning books mainly from the New York public library, but from a few other sources as well, Google hopes to create a serious online collection of free literature available within a year.

A lot of people have seen this coming for a long time, and how couldn't they with the internet being the primary research tool for just about everyone on the planet? But now Google is tapping into literature geeks, not just people writing research papers.

There are definitely some upsides to this idea, not the least being the hope that people will actually turn off whatever lousy Fox or UPN sitcom they happen to be watching and read again. Or that world literacy rates will go up, or that the amount of trees being cut down for paper will drastically decrease.

All of these reasons are excellent justifications for creating such a library, but there are some other reasons for resisting it as well.

So we all know that the internet has made our world a much smaller place. You can do just about anything online these days,

work, shop, date, and even have sex (does that count as cheating?)

However we must look at the downsides to creating an agoraphobic wonderland.

First off, we are losing our social skills. Spending three hours or so on Instant Messenger is a great way to keep in touch with people far away, but it lessens our ability to have normal face to face conversations.

Secondly, with the increase of availability of whatever goods you might need to survive being online, we just have less and less reasons to get off our fat butts and walk somewhere to get something.

And finally, and possibly the greatest risk of online worlds, is the idea of complete social disconnect. Everyone knows that first hand experiences of a situation will personalize it.

For example, experiencing the horrors of war is no Saving Private Ryan. Without personal experience, will people just stop caring?

If a person never sees, in real-life, someone living in on ends-meat, how likely are they to take up the fight against poverty?

For one, I do not believe that this is possible. Passions, desires and goals must be personal and the only way to make them personal is to live them.

I know I am making a big rant over just wanting to make people go to a public library and that this is the one of the least offensive creations of the internet, but this whole online world freaks me out and I really don't want to live in it so I will whine every time a little piece of the real world is stripped away into the virtual.

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PC on DC

Four more years are here



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With President Bush's inauguration just days away, there has been a lot of talk about the President's accountability

as well as the future of the next four years.

Just days ago, while conducting an interview aboard Air Force One, President Bush claimed that, because he won re-election, neither he nor any of the members of his administration would be held accountable for any of the theoretical mistakes that were made over the last four years.

While I may grant that this last election gave some legitimacy to the Bush

administration, our decision to re-elect the President was anything but a golden ticket that forgave the President for all of his sins.

Part of great leadership is accepting when you make a mistake, and regrettably, that is one thing that this administration has yet to realize.

It does not appear, however, that the "get out of jail free" mentality is foreign to this Bush administration or the previous one.

At this point, for some reason, I seem to recall a story that I heard several years ago about President George H. W. Bush removing a bumper sticker that President Truman affixed to the inside of the desk in the oval office. It read, "The buck stops here."

While I believe that Bush the First has since learned not to pass the buck, I am not so sure about his son.

This last election, about 58 million people voted for someone other than the President. To be perfectly honest, many of the President's votes were not

by people who thought that the President should not be held accountable.

If anything, a large portion of the President's votes came from those voting on morality, those who require even further accountability upon our President.

Nevertheless, I do not blame the President for making such a statement; in fact, it is a pretty good political move.

Right now, Democrats are going through their identity crisis, trying to figure out if they want to become a national party again.

Meanwhile, those that reluctantly voted for the President are not quite ready to question themselves or their votes. President Bush can now go so far as to say that he should not be held accountable

for any previous mistakes, and he can get away with it. It might help him in the next four years.

So, the most surprising thing about President Bush's comments is not that he said it, or that he will likely use it in his policy initiatives this coming year.

The most surprising thing is that very few people have stood up to point out the implications of such a statement. The Democrats might be fractured, but one would think that even the old timers like Ted Kennedy would be all over this.

The only sign from this, then, is that America needs an opposition to the President, someone to make the President stand by what he has said—not someone to just disagree with him for disagreement's sake, but someone to force the President and the Congress to think through the solutions to America's problems. A golden ticket and a rubber stamp are not the answer.

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But Do They Have Oil?

weekly random foreign affairs column



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Iran had better not give us an excuse

If you're Donald Rumsfeld, what do you get the president who has everything? Iran! As part of President Bush's continuing "collect 'em all" campaign of Middle Eastern conquest, the United States has been planning for an attack on Iran (yes, that last letter is an "n," not a "q." Don't worry, this isn't a reprint, even if it seems like *deja vu*). This is all detailed in a new article by reporter Seymour Hersh, who earned street cred as a journalist by breaking the news of American torture practices at Abu Ghraib prison.

Iran, a country that seems to have the same sort of dysfunctional relationship with women's hair that we do with nipples, is ruled by a bunch of freedom-hating Islamic fundamentalists (no, really, this time it's all true).

Although the country is ostensibly a democracy, political candidates need the support of a group of religious zealots to run for office. Political experts call this an "Alabama-style" democracy. Unfortunately for us, Alabama also has close ties to several terrorist organizations and is developing nuclear weapons. So is Iran (just kidding! Alabama already has nuclear weapons).

The Pentagon has been running covert surveillance operations inside the country, using new powers granted to them by Bush. Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld, apparently tired of masturbating to old press briefings from the war in Afghanistan and Iraq (you know, from back when we were winning?) and wanting something new, has pressed for the authority to take over most of the CIA's roles in conducting covert warfare. Unlike the CIA, the Pentagon doesn't have to report to Congress, and so there's no oversight on the operation. This is bad, unless you think the Iran-Contra scandal, run by a precursor to the current special operations group, sets a good precedent.

For those of you who worry about things like unilateralism, at least we're getting help. The Pakistani intelligence services (the same ones

who put our old friends the Taliban in power) are helping the US to identify Iranian nuclear sites. In exchange, the Pakistani nuclear scientist who secretly helped Iran and North Korea develop nuclear weapons programs will not be handed over for questioning, says Hersh.

The main argument in the article is that the Bush administration (who are not participating in diplomacy led by the European Union to convince Iran to dismantle their nuclear program) has already decided to attack Iran when, not if, diplomacy fails. A knowledgeable source was quoted as saying, "It's not if we're going to do anything against Iran. They're doing it." The diplomatic efforts, of course, would stand a better chance if the US was committed to pursuing them. Oh well.

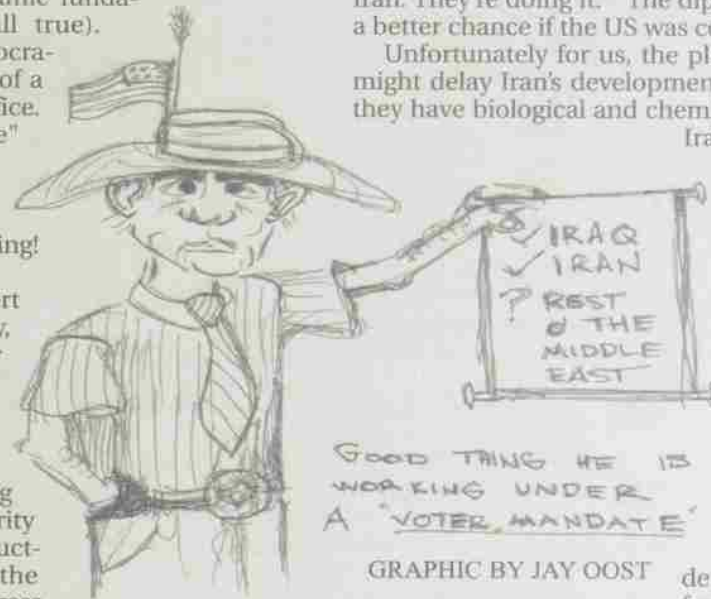
Unfortunately for us, the planned airstrikes and commando raids might delay Iran's development of nuclear weapons, but unlike Iraq, they have biological and chemical weapons. Also unlike the old Iraq,

Iran sponsors terrorist organizations, including Hezbollah, and could easily provide them with these weapons. Before you pause and think, "boy, I can't imagine the government doing something so stupid as attacking Iran," think back over the past few years. *cough* Iraq *cough*

I actually find the idea of secret reconnaissance exciting, but then again, I like Splinter Cell and the Bourne Supremacy, so you can't really trust my judgment on these matters (the conservatives who read this column already know that, of course). I think that it would be prudent to know where all of Iran's nuclear facilities are, but only in case diplomacy

fails, and we should be putting a lot more effort into working with the European effort than planning entertaining but irresponsible uses for our military forces.

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Loaded rhetoric could precipitate a war with Iran



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With Bush's new term starting, as a "liberal" who didn't vote for him, it's hard to find positives in the situation. Thankfully though, Bush's victory has led to the re-opening of disagreements from within the Republican Party, and his agendas can now be criticized in a bi-partisan fashion. For example, his uber-neo-con statements during his inaugural speech have raised eyebrows around the entire political spectrum.

In his speech, President Bush declared his intent to spread democracy around the world and eliminate tyranny. This is a noble effort for sure, but one that is rightfully looked upon as being hypocritical and dangerous. His words seem to imply that he will pursue those countries that have brutal dictators and terrorists among their civilians. While this includes the newly dubbed "outposts of tyranny" of Iran, North Korea, Cuba, Zimbabwe and Belarus it

also includes our allies Saudi Arabia and Pakistan. Those last two are of interest because their populations are highly anti-American.

It's hard to imagine Bush moving to strike down the harsh dictators of Saudi Arabia and Pakistan in order to allow a democratic election of an anti-American leader. So what we are left with is with Bush obviously breaking his own stated intent by selectively spreading democracy only to those countries that we view as "evil" or "tyrannical" (which I'm not arguing against, it's just they need some consistency about whether it's cool to be a dictator or not).

In addition, in all those countries, while they may be under the control of a harsh dictatorship (with some better off than others), the United States won't be welcomed with outreached arms. There is either an abundance of propaganda in the state in question, or an engrained dislike for the United States (North Korea and Iran for example).

So, even if the United States does manage to overthrow the dictatorships without many problems, we

will either have an ongoing determined insurgency by the minority of the population, or a majority that rejects us and perhaps even elects a more dangerous government.

While this whole scenario seems kinda outlandish, the upping of rhetoric concerning Iran is rather frightening. Judging from the past rhetorical drives of this administration, it is as if they already have the plans laid, but is repeating their key phrases and statements in order to prepare the public to accept their actions.

Knowing good ol' down homeboy George W. it seems like he is determined to get another trophy pistol in his office, ganked from the office of some overhyped Middle Eastern dictator. Hopefully though, sense will settle into the minds of Republican Senators who were previously gagged by the fervor of the election. A war in Iran is good for no one.

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One month later

In the stories and connections
that even on the

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It was the stuff nightmares of the worst sort are made of, that keep you awake for hours, the kind that make you appreciate your bed and house as the paradises of safety and good fortune that they really are. The flashing water, the steely undertow, the barrage of cars and trees and houses that had been converted from familiar objects to new and deadly weapons... they were now possessed by the water that was pushing them always towards the helpless and terrified residents. This was all too real.

Looking out at the Indian Ocean now, it would be difficult to guess that anything out of the ordinary had occurred one month ago. The evidence of the tsunami's existence is abundant and horrific yet relegated to the coasts where the wave crashed in on Dec. 26. It would be hard to imagine that a shift in the ocean bed near Northern Indonesia could generate a wave of such incredible length. The wave can extend up to hundreds of miles between crests and travel at speeds nearing 500 mph, which boggles the mind.

Once that hundred-mile wave reached shallower waters it slowed, its height rocketing from the two or so feet it had been traveling at to one much more dramatic – and deadly. Fifteen minutes after the quake, it smashed into the island of Sumatra. An hour and fifteen minutes after that it made contact with the coast of Thailand. In Sri Lanka, when the wave hit two hours after the seismic activity was recorded, it washed up in several waves that obliterated the coastline and eventually stretched a kilometer inland.

The devastation was so severe that it inspired Dr. Wallace Long and the Chamber Choir to provide others with the help they need. That is why, following news of the disaster in Southeast Asia, several members proposed that the choir make a donation to Mercy Corps, an agency providing aid to people in Southeast Asia following the tsunami disaster. Originally Long planned to help finance a portion of the



COURTESY OF AEKARAJ GURUVANICH

A Thai beach reels in the aftermath of the tsunami.

African trip with sales of calendars and a CD, tributes to the group's experience in South Africa.

"We felt like this was too important to be selfish about. It is nice to be doing this – you get something back by giving," Long said. That is why he decided to continue the stream of donations by selling the remainder of the CD's and calendars in the music dept. office. Current estimates put the choir's contribution to Mercy Corps at around \$800.

It is this connection that sophomore choir member Ariel Nelson said inspired students to make the donation to Mercy Corps. "It seemed like a no-brainer. The choir touched people in Africa and this is a way we can continue that tradition in the same spirit."

If Aekaraj "Raju" Guruvanich were asked about spirit, perhaps

we would describe how the Buddhist Temples in his native Thailand were opened up to house hundreds of the homeless and the devastated in the weeks following the tsunami. Or maybe the exchange student would tell you how his father, a doctor in Bangkok, traveled to the disaster zone in the Southern portion of the country to tend to the injured despite his son's repeated requests to the contrary.

"In some of the affected areas, there is talk that this disaster has further aggravated issues between Muslims and Buddhists," he said. "But that is what is unique about Thailand. People help each other out, bringing food to the temples to give to those who have none. The tsunami joined people together."

Sophomore Jenny Johnson and her family moved to Thailand when she was only one.

In the wake of the disaster, "there was a sense of disbelief. My dad was speaking to one of our Thai neighbors and all she kept talking about was all the people that were dead," Johnson said of the disaster.

Another family friend, a trained psychologist, like Guruvanich's father, recently traveled to Phuket, one of the six provinces that was affected by the massive wave, offering his skills in treating survivors. His reports of the chaos of the region hit Johnson hard.

"He described how there were people there wanting, trying to help, but there was no organization, no one to tell them what to do. A group of college students were transporting bodies to be identified. They had no help and no one to tell them when to stop do they continued carrying people for close to 24 hours straight."

CLOSE TO HOME

The Oregon Coast has a tsunami warning system in place.

The Alaskan earthquake of 1964 caused waves that swept down the coast that killed people in Oregon, Alaska and California.

facts from The Oregonian

tions of Willamette community members, it becomes clear
the other side of the world, we aren't so far away.

Sophomore Greg Kieckhefer spent several years in Sumatra growing up and returned to Indonesia in 2004 to work in an ER.

According to Kieckhefer, there are concerns in Sumatra, for example, that a history of governmental neglect will continue even in the face of such widespread and almost total devastation.

"I have heard that thus far the Indonesian government has been supportive and active but there is still talk of whether rebels, political or religious, will take this as an opportunity to bolster their position."

Anthropology professor Pam Moro is concerned about yet another implication of a natural disaster of this kind of magnitude. She has spent time in Thailand on numerous occasions beginning in the 1980's doing long-term research. "Tourism is an extremely important part of

the Thai economy, and anything that scares off tourists will have a tremendous impact on the livelihoods of many Thai. Apparently foreigners who had planned vacations even in parts off the country far away from the disaster area have cancelled their trips, so the impact is truly far-reaching."

The cost of a tragedy like this, it seems, will be measured for some time in hundreds of thousands of lives, to say nothing of the immense negative economic ramifications that will likely continue to mount. In developing nations like many of those in Southeast Asia devastated by the tsunami, a blow to the economy this severe will no doubt have serious long-term implications.

One final aspect of this situation that deserves addressing is the scenario following the immediate flood of aid from people, organizations and gov-

ernments worldwide. Keickhefer experienced first-hand the implications of a massive pull-out of relief staff during his time in Timor, Indonesia.

"There was a culture built around the aid workers - they were another component of the economy, living at a relatively high standard. Once this subset of the economy left the area as violence started to subside, the restaurants, bars and hotels that had catered to them closed." So what will happen to the people of Sri Lanka, India and Sumatra when the foreign aid stops flowing? When the next disaster grabs the world's headlines, when violence breaks out elsewhere and there is a new headlining cause that pulls people, attention and support from the tsunami victims? As Keickhefer so eloquently phrased it, "The biggest pitfall with disaster relief in its short attention span."

HOPE FOR RESOLUTION

Purchase the Chamber Choir CD from the Music Department office in Mary Stuart Rogers Music Hall



Pictures from Thailand demonstrate the devastation of the region following the tsunami. Twelve countries, bordering the Indian Ocean, were affected.

Eight reputable organizations

Red Cross

Along with disaster charity, the Red Crescent, is supplying blankets, cooking utensils and other crucial goods.

www.redcross.org

Disasters Emergency Committee

An umbrella group of UK aid organizations working to provide clean water, food and shelter to thousands.

www.dem.org.uk

United Nations World Food Programme

Seeking donations to feed victims of the earthquake.

www.wfp.org

United Nations Children's Fund

Working to meet the "urgent needs of hundreds of thousands of people" affected by the tsunami disaster.

www.unicef.org.uk

United Nations Refugee Agency

Helping victims of conflict in Indonesia and Sri Lanka. Delivering relief supplies to tsunami survivors in both countries.

www.unhcr.org

Save the Children

Save the Children has more than 400 people working in Sri Lanka, India, Indonesia and the Maldives.

www.savethechildren.org.uk

The World Health Organization

Helping local health authorities establish early warning systems for disease outbreaks.

www.who.int

Care International

Provided food for thousands of affected people in Sri Lanka.

www.care.org

Flicks & Quips

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MUSIC REVIEWS:

SCISSOR SISTERS

Another silly goof-off band like The Darkness this is not (though it's not necessarily a bad thing to be The Darkness). The Scissor Sisters' style borders very close to warranting the "revival band" label dreaded by many indie-rockers who just want to rock out, but make no mistake—these guys are the real deal. The Sisters' roots are easily identifiable—hints of The Beegees, The Spinners, and yes, even a tablespoon of Pink Floyd and a dash of early Michael Jackson are all thrown into the Sisters' recipe for divine-retro-awesomeness. Although their sound runs the entire gamut of 70's disco jams and Elton John-esque ballads, and even occasionally dabbles in some funky tunes from the 80's, the Scissor Sisters still manage to coax out their own definitive style with songs that seem wholly original despite their inherent familiarity.

Rating: 8.5

THE LIFE AQUATIC WITH STEVE ZISSOU SOUNDTRACK

First off let me say that this is one of my favorite films of 2004 and if you haven't had a chance to see it yet go see it before it's out of the theaters (it almost is). The soundtrack is a lot of fun, but some moments just don't translate well from the film onto the album. This is the way soundtracks for quirky movies usually work out. The transitions on the soundtrack by Wes Anderson regular Mark Mothersbaugh and the quaint documentarian/composer Sven Libaek are at times too cute or barely there, especially when stripped of visual aid. Seu Jorge's bare-bones Portuguese David Bowie cover performances rule, and Bowie's Queen Bitch ends the soundtrack with a beautiful bang.

Rating: 8.0

Unreliable memories spic and span Spacey

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Beyond the Sea is a biopic produced, co-written, directed, and starring Kevin Spacey about the Life of Bobby Darin. You probably don't think you know Mr. Darin...but you do. His work is famous in every American city with an oldies radio station. "Splish Splash I was Taking a Bath", "Beyond the Sea", "Mack the Knife", and "Dream Lover" are all old Bobby Darin standards. Uncommon for his time, Darin was a man of many genres. His work is still remembered as jazz, folk big band and rock n' roll. An amazing performer and a pop culture figure our parents probably all know well, he died early at the age of thirty-seven in 1973. This film is Spacey's tribute to the performer he admires.

Though the movie is never sloppy, it seems to lack a depth that is usually very present in a biopic. I craved a real story, about a life. The one I saw was about the performer. Spacey makes no bones about this, in fact and the end of the film there is only clichéd hinting to the man's actual death while claiming that "Bobby Darin is still swinging."

Spacey does do an incredible job portraying Darin. I was surprised to learn that all of the Darin tunes used in the film were diligently rerecorded by Spacey himself. It is remarkable how much Spacey's voice resembles the late performer.

The supporting cast as well does a great job. Although Spacey carries the show, it's obvious that he's supported by excellent group of talented actors. Caroline Aaron (who plays Nina, his sister) and William Ullrich (a talented youngin' who plays Darin as a boy) both nail their parts and them some. Little Ullrich symbolically and literally dances through the film, in and out of Darin's subconscious. Aaron does an excellent job with probably the only seriously treated dramatic scene in the entire film.

The narrative is slightly cock-eyed, drifting both in time and place. This is done with an attention to detail that is to be appreciated in modern cinema, but it tends to become a gimmick to gloss over the actual truth of a complicated and crowded life. There remain some serious omissions to the life of Bobby Darin; The Bobby Darin Show that debuted the same year as his death, his divorce from Sandra Dee (wife of only seven of his last thirteen years), and his relationship and subsequent marriage to his second wife.

I personally find it very interesting that the last few years of Darin's life were some of his most active, yet the film glosses over them in simple montages. Perhaps the film's recurring moral "memories are like moonbeams...we do with them what we want" is too literally taken.

SO WHERE CAN I SEE IT?

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Try something a little 'Off Center' for a change

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HOW DO I FIND THIS PLACE?

'Off Center' is located at 1741 Center Street Northeast

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Off Center is a place you discover. Well, it is a place that lets you feel like you did. It's like a perfect little secret that you're in on and that you relish even just the thought of.

In a time when gentrification feels inescapable, Off Center is a funky outpost of stubborn resistance. Along with the dread-locked waiter hanging out behind the newspaper covered counter, a wall covered in bumper stickers and quotes greets you as you walk in. My personal favorite: "Be patient. This is not a Fast Food place."

And then there's the food. I probably would have been willing to overlook mediocre food and loved Off Center just for being there and being what it is, but thankfully, I didn't have to make any such concession, because the food stands alone.

My only suggestion is to go ready to do some serious eating. The menu offers a wide range of wonderfully unapologetic greasy spoon fare. Juicy burgers, patty melts, and thick, gloppy milkshakes—malted if you ask for it.

Admittedly though, my friends and I were distracted by the slightly less traditional diner food that takes up at least half of the menu. Dave, our wonderfully tolerant waiter, seemed pleasantly entertained by our gung-ho approach to lunch. We ordered massive amounts. Rice and beans, melty burritos that poured off the plates, everything steaming hot and dolloped with sour cream.

Not to mention, of course, what is a diner without milkshakes? Between the bunch of us, we tried both various fruity and traditional chocolate, all of which received 'mmmmmm's of approval.



MIRANDA RAKE

The staff at 'Off Center' restaurant happily poses after a hard day's work.

Crowded into our sparkly silver plastic booth, gleefully diving into our food, my friends and I basked in the down home, slightly hippie feel that pervades the café. By the time we were ready to go, entirely stuffed and entirely blissed out, Off Center felt like home—or at least, as much like home as a diner can or should.

When I came back later that day to take a few pictures for this article, Ron and Dave (chef and waiter respectively) obligingly offered to close 10 minutes early to pose for me. In return, I would like to include Ron's thoughts on their small establishment: "We're the coolest".

Personal Account



KRYSTA DRECHSLER

Willamette Singers lead the audience in their rendition of "When You Wish Upon a Star" while in Disneyland over winter break.

Willamette choirs tour California during break

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Which sounds more appealing:

A) Traveling around California, singing with some of the top choirs in the region, playing at Disneyland, reaching new musical depths, and bonding with your peers?

B) Spending endless hours on a bus, losing your voice, sleeping among fleas and earwigs, scary motels and having all your cash stolen?

Well, both happened to me and my fellow musicians, Chamber Choir and Willamette Singers, while we were on tour the week before classes began. I have never experience anything as exciting, frustrating and exhausting in my music career.

The tour got off to a rocky start during our first day with an icy trek over mountain passes where the brand-new chains on our equipment truck snapped in two.

Despite all this the day ended positively after an emotional performance in Klamath Falls.

We as a choir were inspired by our director, Dr. Wallace Long, who had directed while ill. This set the path for the rest of the tour.

Things would fall apart or fall through

and we keep going, using each other and our music as inspiration.

One of the highlights of the trip was the day spent in Disneyland. While Chamber Choir got the day off to play, Willamette Singers had a memorable opportunity. Singers performed on stage at Disneyland.

Their performance was, in a word, fun. Chamber Choir, instead of getting in as many rides as possible, stood in the audience and cheered them through the set. Most appropriately, Singers performed a sassy version of "When You Wish Upon A Star".

I am so glad that I had the opportunity to participate in this tour. I discovered many things about myself. I loved the challenge that this tour brought both professionally and personally.

At our performances we sold CDs and calendars from Chamber Choir's tour to South Africa.

Dr. Long announced that all of the profits from those sales would be going to the Tsunami relief fund.

It was moving to see the response of the audiences in each town and how quick they were to help others in need. The infinite kindness we encountered will be a lasting memory.

Cinema 21 gives audiences a lesson in 'Bad Education'

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Many of you Portland locals probably already know about Cinema 21, located on Northwest 21st Avenue. For those of you like me, however, who are non-natives to Portland, Cinema 21 is an exciting movie experience.

This historic building contains one screen, which usually plays less traditional movies than most theaters.

Inside the theater, the red velvet curtain still hangs in front of the screen, parting when the film begins. The plush, reclining seats make for a comfortable two hours, although the armrests do not have cup-holders for the moviegoer's ice cold soft drink.

I recently had the pleasure of seeing a film at Cinema 21 entitled "La Mala educación" (Bad Education). This film is in Spanish with English subtitles.

"La Mala educación," written and directed by Pedro Almodóvar, is the story of two boys, Ignacio and Enrique, who fall in love with each other in Catholic primary school. Father Manolo, the

priest, is in love with Ignacio and expels Enrique from school out of jealousy.

The two meet up later in life; Enrique has become a movie director and Ignacio is a writer and actor who insists on being called Ángel.

It seems like fate - Ignacio brings Enrique one of his stories to make a film out of - but there are some unpredictable twists.

The viewer should pay close attention to what is going on in the film, as there are several flashbacks and out-of-order scenes. Don't worry, though; everything pieces itself together by the end of the film.

"Inside the theater, the red velvet curtain still hangs in front of the screen, parting when the film begins."

This film is both sad and funny, and cer-

tainly inappropriate for some audiences. It was rated NC-17 by the Motion Picture Association, and touches on controversial themes such as homosexuality, drug use, and pedophilia, so use discretion kids.

Cinema 21, again located in Portland, is currently showing "The Woodsman," starring Kevin Bacon, and next up is "Sex is Comedy," which is a French film about, well, sex.

CINEMA 21

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Illegal surfing and snake hunting Down Under

By JENNA DILLON

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Take advantage of everything you can in Perth, Australia, but be prepared for some crazy experiences. In the time we have been studying here, my friends and I have dealt with everything from run-ins with snakes to issues communicating with the locals. We all speak the same language, yet I often feel as though it is impossible for us to understand one another. Some great advice: do not ever trust Aussie directions. One Thursday morning, four of us headed out to Armadale, which is over an hour travel time south of Perth.

We arrived in Armadale assuming we were going to have to walk about a mile to the hiking track, which was based on information we were given from two separate people in Perth. We spoke to five different people all around Armadale, including a couple in an outdoor store, a lady at the outdoor information centre and a taxi driver, all of whom one would assume would know a little about the

country in which they live. Two hours later, we were told three completely different sets of directions! So, we decided to fork over \$50 for a taxi which would take us forty miles south to the trail. Right when we were leaving, the woman from the information centre came out and said that we could camp anywhere along the road in the day parks. This woman could have told us this fact two hours ago when we told her all we wanted to do was camp!

So there we were with all our camping stuff trekking down Albany Highway, not really trusting where we were going due to the lack of consistent information we had received all day. Eventually, we ran into a guy parked on the side of the road, who had a great map that would have solved all of our problems had we had it at the beginning of the day! It was exasperating and hilarious; the only person we got correct information from was a random man on the side of the highway. We arrived at the park, only to discover that the woman at the information centre was wrong

once again...no camping and especially no fires were allowed. So, we decided to camp anyway with a fire. Damn Americans can't follow rules.

Another adventure you can depend on having entails finding a deadly python in the outback. On our spring break in northern Australia, we were invited to go on a python trek one beautiful night with a couple of biologists who had surgically inserted a tracking device into two pythons. Every Friday night they go into the hills near Hearson Cove, find these creatures and record information about them in order to learn more about the pythons. We were surprisingly lucky, considering the very large group we had, to find Gypsy, one of the pythons. She was hiding under some huge boulders and wanted to be left alone. As everyone was taking turns looking at two of her massive coils, another smaller snake was spotted. I was near this area and rushed over to check it out. One of the biologists immediately came over, looked under the rocks with a flashlight and yelled, "every-



COURTESY OF JENNA DILLON

The snake around Jenna Dillon's neck is much smaller than Gypsy, the python she encountered in Northern Australia.

one back off!" This snake happened to be a King Brown, one of the deadliest snakes of Australia, and we had no idea where the head was. It was completely terrifying! We scattered off the rocks like little scared children and watched our step the rest of the trek back home.

We had yet another encounter with a snake, although this one was more fascinating than frightening. When we were in northern Australia a family took a group of us to their law ground where sacred ceremonies are performed. Usually "whites" are not allowed to enter these grounds, but Trevor Solomon, the father who took us, really wanted to show us the area.

His culture and family history is dying before his eyes and he wants to share as much of it with others as is possible. So, we found ourselves eating lunch underneath a hut that was made for the ceremonies when a dust tornado, called a *willy willy*, swept through only our hut. A rainbow serpent, which is an Aboriginal ancestor, caused this tornado as it slid through our hut. We were later told that this serpent comes to the law ground only when it suspects someone has broken the law, which they did in bringing outsiders onto sacred grounds. This was so interesting because the snake only came through our hut; it did not go near any other people. I was told from some of the other students that the women at the law ground shooed the serpent away and

told it that we were allowed to be at the area. We are not sure if the serpent was mad at us or the Aboriginal family. Either way, it was the most exciting dust tornado I have ever encountered.

One of the most fun things I have done in Australia was surfing at Wedge Island, an illegal shack community. This was one wild adventure! We drove on dirt and sand roads that were only wide enough for one car for about an hour and a half. Road signs were made of cardboard, old tires, rusted metal from the old shacks and any other garbage the crazy people from this community could rummage together. Our guide was a complete lunatic who called his driving style "sideways driving."

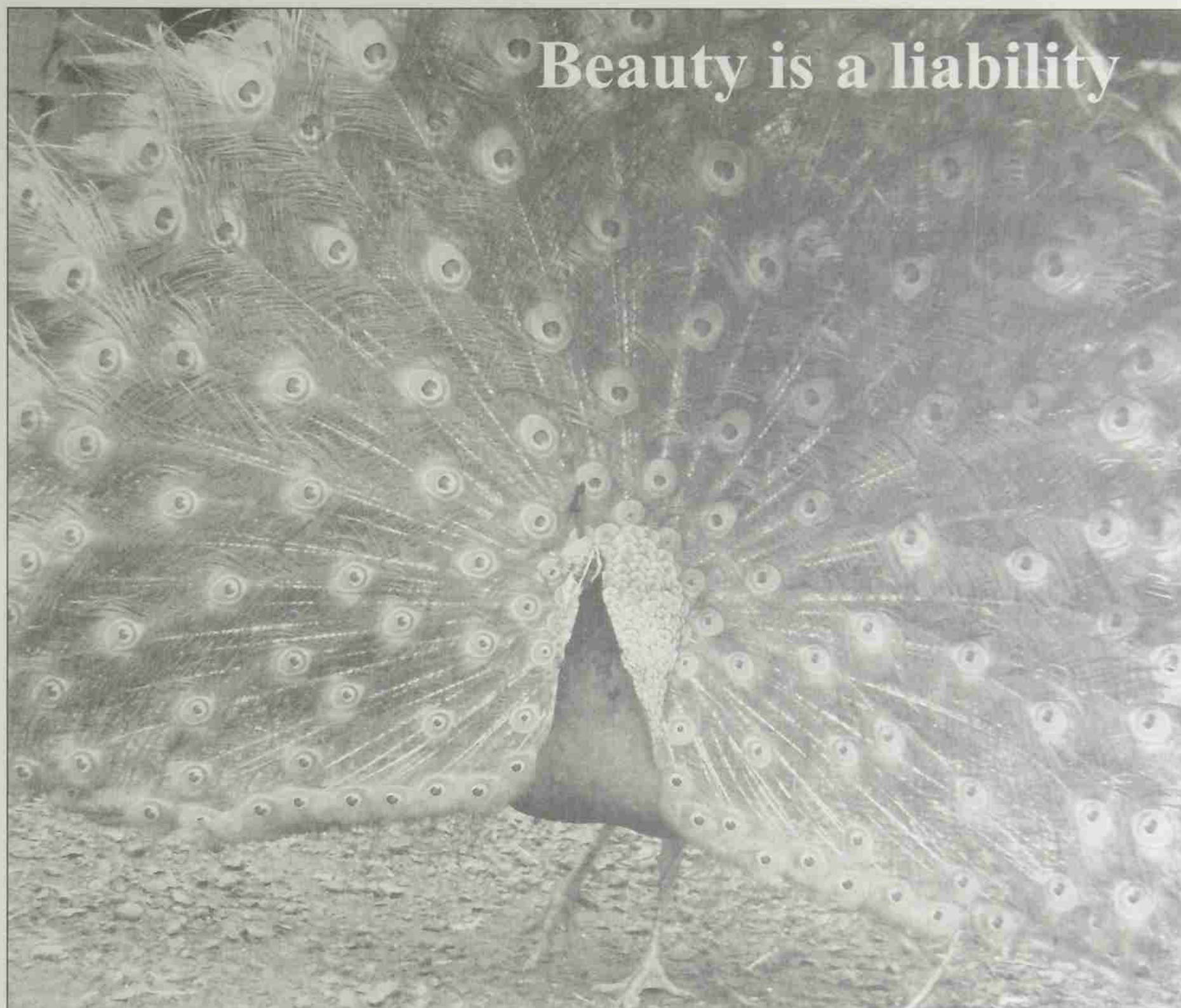
In his car, we were literally flying off our seats, being thrashed around every which way and flooring up the sand dunes. It was a total blast. The shack we stayed in had no running water, the bathroom was four walls with a hole in the ground and the shower was a spout coming out of the rain water bucket. People slept in bunk beds, hammocks, and on army beds on the floor. It was an awesome weekend and the surfing was pretty sweet too.

Perth is an amazing city which never lacks excitement. I have so many hilarious memories from studying here. During a couple of these experiences, I was wishing I had just stayed in my nice, cozy bed back at school. But I am very glad I have taken part in all of these adventures.



COURTESY OF JENNA DILLON

A local family took Jenna Dillon to a lawground where sacred ceremonies are performed.



Beauty is a liability

By ADRIENNE DAVICH

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The French physician Sir Theodore de Mayerne told King Charles I that the 'eyes' on the wings of the peacock "shine curiously like stars and do cast about them sparks of the color of the rainbow." It is no wonder peacocks enchant observers with their kingly crests and velvety plumes of teal, green and gold. Their feathers, like a regal robe, fall behind them in a shimmering train, expos-

ing the brilliant blue on their back.

A muster of blue peafowl, though native to India, Nepal and Sri Lanka, are perpetuating their royal lineage in a pastoral Oregon setting. Never do they migrate from their kingdom of Douglas Firs, crystal waters and a sky that stirs both wildly and gracefully, as if to the movements of a ballet. The peacock's song, reminiscent of crying ladies, becomes part of the Northwestern symphony of rain drops. The lady peahen is drawn to the untamed melody no less than

she is attracted to her mate's plumage. You see - beauty is not merely enviable, it is an organic necessity.

East faces up to the West when peafowl meet their predator, the coyote. The peahen's shallow nest of sticks and grasses rests on the ground. Twenty-eight days pass before the eggs hatch. The peahen, protective mother, stays upon her nest, daring to leave it only once each morning and evening. She violently flies up from her eggs,

squawking, to drive away predators.

A white chick, borne by this blue hen, is an angel, its feathers like fine embroidered lace. Yet this baby is most exposed to the uncompromising coyotes who serenade nearby at night. The laws of survival foretell death, as a diamond stands out even among the most sparkling of jewels. Seldom are white chicks born and seldom do they live to reproduce. Beauty, rather than a lifeline, is vulnerability - one color is condemned and one color grows stronger.

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Men's and Women's Basketball:

Another tough loss for the Bearcats

By LIZ BOWMAN
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Midway through first half against George Fox last Tuesday evening, the Willamette women's basketball team was beginning to break down while competing against the tough pressure of the Bruins.

Several Bruins stepped up their individual play, which allowed George Fox to steal the lead. The Bruins were sparked by the play of Robin Taylor and Liz Clark. George Fox ended the half with a 13-point lead, 20-33.

The Bearcats began the game solidly, leading for a majority of the first 10 minutes in the first half, causing the Bruins to take a timeout. At that time the score was 14-12. From that point on, the Bruins played significantly better, gained the lead and never looked back.

The Bruins used intense defensive pressure to stop Willamette by causing many turnovers that in turn led to several easy baskets.

In the final 10 minutes of the first half, the Bearcats' offense disappeared. Willamette was unable to attempt many shots. In addition, many of those shots were not falling. Willamette's field goal percentage dropped tremendously from the start of the game.

The Bearcats ended the half shooting 29 percent from the floor, compared to the Bruins, who ended the half shooting 48.5 percent. George Fox went on a nearly unstoppable 19-3 run to end the half.

Both teams used defensive pressure, namely different full court presses, attempting to limit

Women's Basketball

their opponents' success in the game. The Bruin's press, however, was more effective, which allowed their team to dominate many aspects of the game.

The second half began much the same way as the first half ended. George Fox went on another dominating run to put the Bruins up by more than 20 points midway through the second half.

The turnovers continued to add up for the Bearcats during the remaining minutes. Willamette ended the game with a total of 30 turnovers.

Also, the Bearcats were unable to get many free throw attempts, which could have been a greater opportunity to reduce the lead that the Bruins held.

Willamette ended the game shooting a blundering 20 percent while the Bruins finished by connecting 40 percent of their shots.

Despite the lack of field goals, the Bearcats were able to out rebound the Bruins by a total of eight, which has been a positive for this squad throughout the current season.

Freshman wing Julia Short led the team with eight points and six rebounds. Sophomore guard Roni Schneider contributed five points, which were all scored in the first half.

Finally, the Bruins commanded a dominating performance by beating the Bearcats with a score of 36-69. The Bearcats are now 5-9 on the season and 2-3 in the Northwest Conference. The Bruins are 9-4 overall and 3-1 Northwest Conference.



CHRISTY NEWELL

Injured senior wing Harold Sublett Jr. made only a brief appearance in the WU game against George Fox University last week.

Bearcats defeat George Fox 94-87 in overtime

By CHRISTY NEWELL
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Men's Basketball

What a game for the Bearcats last Tuesday night against the Bruins! Not a fan could stay in their seats during the last minutes. The Bearcats defeated the Bruins in overtime (OT) finishing 94-87. Senior guard John Olinger was a major contributor, scoring 7 points for the Bearcats in OT.

This marked the first Northwest Conference loss of the season for George Fox University. Olinger scored a total of 22 points, 9 assists, and 7 rebounds. Olinger made the first four points early in OT to secure a Bearcat victory.

Junior guard Drew Miller proved to be another asset for the Bearcats. He scored a total of 22 points, 6 rebounds, and 5 assists. The Bearcats owe much of their victory to their shooting performance during OT. Willamette hit 11 of their 14 free-throw shots and scored the first nine points in OT. Throughout the first half the Bruins and Bearcats were neck and neck, neither ever leading by more than seven points.

The Bruin's high scorer Mark Gayman took 27 points and 7 rebounds for George Fox. With 1:28 on the shot clock Gayman's three point play put the Bruins up by four with the score at 73-77. However, the Bearcats responded with Miller's three to put Willamette within one. Then senior center Todd Lewis made a lay-up with 0:20 seconds to go and put the Bearcats up by one. The Bruins' Aaron Schmick then made one of his free-throw shots to tie up the game at 78-78 taking the Bearcats into OT.

"We had our best offensive performance of the season. We ran our set plays well, took good shots, and exploited some of George Fox's weaknesses on defense," Miller said.

When asked if he felt the team played to their potential Miller said, "We did a lot of things well against George Fox, but there is always room for improvement. Although George Fox is a good team, we could have easily avoided OT to get that win."

The following night the Bearcats played Pacific University at Forest Grove. Pacific defeated Willamette in the last seconds of the game taking its first Northwest Conference win over Willamette. With 0:17 seconds remaining Pacific's Mison Heneley's three pointer gave Pacific a win. The Bearcats finished 55-56 to Pacific.

The game consisted of 12 ties throughout and neither team ever lead by more than five points. Miller led the Bearcats with 13 points. Junior guard CJ Stuvland followed with 12 points and Lewis with 11 points and nine rebounds. The Bearcat's split victory puts them at 3-3 on the season, just two games behind both University of Puget Sound and George Fox University in the Northwest Conference.

As a team Willamette leads the NWC in scoring defense, free-throw percentage, and assists. The Bearcats look forward to taking on Whitworth College this Friday night followed by Whitman College this Saturday night. Both games will be held at 8 p.m. in the Cone Fieldhouse.

Swimmers focus on injury recovery in preparation for conference

By STEVE FIALA

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With two consecutive losses to Linfield College and Pacific Lutheran University last Friday and Saturday, the Bearcat swimmers are looking to break the losing streak with a win over Lewis and Clark next Saturday.

Although the Bearcats made a splash with seven first-place finishes against Linfield, the Wildcats still bested the Bearcats with final scores of 105-101 for the women and 119-71 for the men's team.

First place swims came from junior Elise Tuttle in the 200-yard freestyle, sophomore Becca Fischer in the 400-

yard IM, sophomore Maggie Hake as a member of the 200 yard freestyle relay, freshman Bridget Sutherland in the 100-yard fly, freshman Shannon Gima in the 100-yard backstroke and senior Avery Robinson in the 100-yard fly and 100-yard breaststroke.

Last Saturday's dual meet against PLU brought defeat for both the men's and women's swim teams. The Bearcat men lost to PLU with a final score of 123-62. A key swimmer for the men's team was senior Geoff Kruse who captured the men's only first

Swimming

place finish, with a time of 10:51:88 in the 1000 freestyle.

The women's team succumbed to PLU in the last minutes of competition when the team lost the final relay event of the day. The bearcat women lost 107-97, despite first place swims from sophomore Becca Fischer in the 200 breaststroke and the 200 IM.

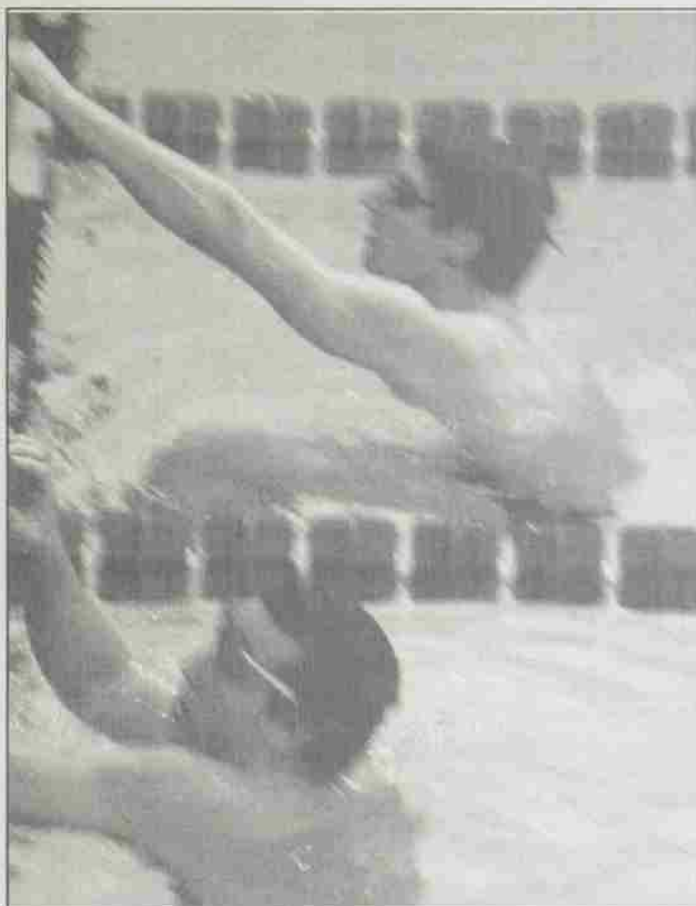
Other significant first place finishes came from freshman Brittany Thiemens in the 50-yard freestyle,

freshman Bridget Sutherland in the 200-yard fly and freshman Shannon Gima in the 200-yard backstroke.

The Bearcat's final regular season meet is next Saturday against Lewis and Clark College. After the meet against Lewis and Clark, the swim team begins preparation for the Northwest Conference Championships the weekend of February 11-13.

"I think we will be in the middle of the pack at conference," freshman Lindsay Mumm said. "Until conference, we need to recover from our injuries and try to stay healthy for the next three weeks."

Strengths of the Bearcat



BRANDON BENNIGHT

After losing two consecutive meets, against Linfield and Pacific Lutheran, the Bearcat swimmers are hoping to beat Lewis & Clark next Saturday.

teams going into the final laps of the season are sheer enthusiasm and an abundance of freshman talent, according to Hake.

Struggles for the swim team are that the men's team lacks depth and both teams

have been affected by injury.

"Injury has plagued the team, which has hampered us in the distance races," Hake said.

Weaknesses and injury aside, Hake is still optimistic for conference.

Hake places the Bearcat women in third place, which they took the previous year. According to Hake, Linfield, Willamette, Whitworth College, Whitman College and Lewis and Clark are all contenders for the third, fourth, fifth and sixth places.

"My only expectation for this weekend is finishing the season off strong with a win," sophomore Kei Otawa said. "I believe that we will see good results at Conference Championships."

ChalkTalk

INTRAMURAL 5 v. 5 BASKETBALL SIGN-UPS END TODAY

Men's, women's and coed 5 v. 5 basketball begins soon. Sign-ups end today, Jan 26. Applications are due by 3 p.m. to the Campus Recreation Office on the 2nd floor of the University Center. Teams are assessed a \$10 fee. Tomorrow night is a mandatory team representative meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the Montag Den. For more information check out the new campus recreation website at www.willamette.edu/dept/campusrec. The site provides information regarding registration, current leagues, rules and regulations, top IM players, as well as team tournaments available outside of Willamette University IM.

ICE STORM OVER BREAK CAUSES CANCELLATIONS IN THE NWC

The recent ice storm caused a cancellation over the break for the men and women's basketball teams as well as the swim team. As a result, the basketball games against Pacific University were rescheduled from Jan. 15 to the following Wednesday. The swim meet against Whitman, however, was not rescheduled.

WOMEN ONLY FIVE POINTS FROM VICTORY, ALLOWING FIRST CONFERENCE WIN FOR PACIFIC

The women's basketball team lost by only five points last Wednesday evening to Pacific University, 57-62. Central Catholic High School grad, 5-foot-11-inches post Vanessa Wyffels was the top scorer and rebounder for the Bearcats, scoring 22 points and eight rebounds and receiving honorable mention in the NWC. At one point in the game Willamette led by as many as five points in the first half. According to the Willamette Athletics website Amy Peterson led the Boxers with 14 points on six of eight shooting as the Bearcats were out-shot 35 percent to 53 percent.

ONLY NATIONALLY RANKED NWC TEAM SLIPS IN D-III RANKINGS

Just shy of being half way into the season according to D3hoops.com, the University of Puget Sound fell five spots from 5th to 10th in the national rankings as of this past Monday after losing to the number two seed in the NWC, George Fox.

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MEN'S SWIMMING

Whitworth	(4-0)	(4-4)
Puget Sound	(5-1)	(5-3)
Linfield	(4-1)	(4-1)
PLU	(3-2)	(3-2)
Willamette	(2-3)	(2-3)
Lewis & Clark	(2-3)	(3-3)
Pacific	(0-5)	(0-5)
Whitman	(0-5)	(0-7)

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Puget Sound	(6-0)	(7-1)
Whitworth	(4-0)	(4-4)
Whitman	(3-2)	(5-2)
PLU	(3-2)	(3-2)
Linfield	(2-3)	(2-3)
Lewis & Clark	(1-4)	(3-4)
Willamette	(1-4)	(1-4)
Pacific	(0-5)	(0-5)

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Puget Sound	(5-1)	(11-3)
George Fox	(5-1)	(10-5)
Lewis & Clark	(3-2)	(7-6)
Linfield	(3-3)	(7-8)
Willamette	(3-3)	(6-9)
PLU	(3-3)	(5-10)
Whitworth	(2-4)	(6-8)
Pacific	(1-4)	(2-11)
Whitman	(1-5)	(3-12)

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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George Fox	(5-1)	(1-2)
PLU	(5-1)	(3-3)
Whitman	(3-3)	(4-1)
Puget Sound	(2-4)	(11-4)
Linfield	(2-4)	(2-2)
Willamette	(2-4)	(1-5)
Pacific	(1-4)	(2-3)
Lewis & Clark	(1-4)	(2-4)

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Eagles attempt to make up for lost time

LINDA
AHMED

So, let me just say that I'm happy for the Philadelphia Eagles. I really am. I mean they deserve it...right? They've had nothing except bad luck in the post season. They haven't won a NFL championship since 1960, six years before the first super bowl.

Until this season they had gone to three National Football Conference Championships three times in a row and lost all three after finishing first in their conference. On Saturday before their game even a group of their fans, which are considered among the most loyal in the NFL, were on TV saying that they'd placed their bets on the Atlanta Falcons, because this year they wanted to win. Then, they proceeded to sing a song about how bad the Eagles choke in the post season. Ouch. I was under the impression that Philadelphia is the city of brotherly love. Just for the record I'd like to state that no Steelers fan would ever go on TV and talk crap about their hometown team. At least, not if they were sober.

According to ESPN.com, Falcons running back Warrick Dunn said that Philadelphia is, "...one of the most hostile environments...a player can play in because the fans are rude as hell."

We all know that the East Coast is not famous for its hospitality, and while this may be true that the population of Philadelphia could stand to learn a little tact, the point is that it is their team. They have stuck with them through losing seasons, the inability to finish strong and the 45-year wait for another title. Just because they can talk

crap about their team losing doesn't mean that it makes it okay for another team to beat them, or to talk smack about them.

If all goes well for Philadelphia they will win in their first Super Bowl Sunday appearance since their 27-10 loss against the Oakland Raiders 24-years ago. According to the scouts at ESPN.com, however, the Patriots have the edge.

New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady is 8-0 in the postseason and has three Super Bowl wrings, and they now have running back Corey Dillon in their ranks.

According to ESPN, "the most highly anticipated match up is on the other side of the ball, where two of the NFL's brightest offensive minds (head coach Andy Reid and coordinator Brad Childress) try to crack the code of defensive gurus Bill Belichick and coordinator Romeo Crennel." I think most of us are more interested in T.O. coming back than the coordinators.

Injuries are already occupying much of the pregame talk. The Patriots are definitely without starting cornerbacks, Ty Law and Tyrone Poole. And analysts can't help but inquire about Terrell Owens. The Eagles have already proved, however, that injuries are not going to stop them on their quest for a wring.

According to ESPN Everyone can agree, though, that if the Eagles don't do a better job of protecting the football the city of Boston will be holding its second championship parade in four months.

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BY THE
NUMBERS

Stats from last week's game against the Falcons:

1st Downs:
Eagles **19**

Total Yards:
Eagles **326**

Passing:
Eagles **170**

Rushing:
Eagles **156**

Penalties:
6/59

3rd Down
Conversions:
7-16

Turnovers: **0**

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January 16 – 23, 2005

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CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

January 20, 8:52 a.m. (University Center): Employees reported someone had tried to pry open a locked drawer. The lock was damaged but entry was not made.

January 20, 1:50 p.m. (Mill Street): An employee reported finding a window broken on his pick-up canopy.

January 21, 9:45 a.m. (Kaneko Hall): Employees reported someone had knocked over the recycling containers and torn a bulletin board from the wall.

January 22, 2:17 a.m. (TIUA): The parking lot gate sustained heavy damage after being struck by a vehicle. The suspect left the scene. The gate had to be removed and will need replacement.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID

January 17, 11:00 a.m. (Art Building): A student fainted during class. She recovered and decided to seek medical attention at a later time.

January 18, 1:03 a.m. (Lausanne Hall): A student fainted in his room. He was transported to the hospital for evaluation.

January 21, 11:40 a.m. (Eaton Hall): A student was transported to the hospital after feeling weak and experiencing a rapid heart rate.

January 22, 1:34 a.m. (Doney Hall): A student was transported to the emergency room after being found in a restroom requesting help.

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January 17, 12:50 p.m. (Belknap Lot): A student reported a theft from their vehicle. The car was parked overnight with numerous belongings inside. Someone

picked the lock and stole the stereo and a backpack.

January 18, 1:40 p.m. (Montag Center): Someone stole a VCR and Playstation from the lounge. They had also attempted to steal an X-box unit.

January 19, 10:30 a.m. (Lee House): Students reported two bicycles had been stolen from the bike rack.

January 20, 10:39 p.m. (Goudy Commons): The catering golf cart was stolen and last seen east-bound.

January 21, 1:45 p.m. (Sparks Center): An employee reported his wallet had been stolen from a locker.

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