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Mice infest residence halls

Some students are against Residential Services' use of snap traps to control the rodent population and instead would prefer the implementation of live traps

By JEFF CARLSON

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Willamette's Eastside residents have unwanted guests staying in the walls and crevices of their buildings this semester: mice. Due in large part to the advanced age of the buildings and the moderate winter last year, the mice population has grown severe enough that Residential Services has placed snap traps along the walls under desks and beds in students' rooms to stifle the problem.

Matthews 2nd Floor Resident Assistant Maya Karp said that the problem has existed, though not to its current extent, since at least her freshman year in 2003. "It was no big deal then," she said. "The attitude was basically to just walk it off and try not to freak out if you saw a mouse." However, when she moved to Belknap 1st last year to be the RA, she first encountered the vermin, and things became a little different. "I was like, okay, now it's in my face," she said.

During RA training this year, Karp and some of her fellow Eastside RAs encountered a number of mice. According to her, it was recently discovered that some mice were managing to crawl through the space between the walls and the blinds in some rooms in Matthews Hall.

Terra Hall RA Les Miller recounted a hairy moment when he and one of his residents opened up the Outdoor Club closet in his hall. The closet was filled with assorted gear and leftover snacks from last year. Attracted by the food, the mice nested, defecated and urinated in the closet over the summer. Miller and the resident braved the stench and sifted through a box of food, at which point a mouse "flew out of the box straight towards the resident," according to Miller. "That dad gum varmit nearly took her finger off."

Miller claims to have caught two live mice in his room and two by snap traps thus far this semester. Although he does not always hear about the catches since housekeeping takes care of it, he knows that at least three mice have been caught in the basement and one in the gear closet.

In the past, some Terra residents have complained about the use of snap traps because they considered



This mouse was trapped on Matthews 3rd, one of the rodent hotspots.

photo by NOAH ZAVES

them inhumane. However, even though they are mandatory on the Eastside this year, Miller has said he has not heard any grumblings from his residents.

However, there are other students who are bothered by the use of traps. Junior Erin West, a hall representative for Lausanne, which has also had reports of mice, said she would like the university to try more humane traps first. "If they completely exhaust all other means of trapping, even some other lethal ones, then I'd understand, but I have a real problem with dead animals in my room," she said. West suggested trapping the rodents alive and donating them to raptor rehabilitation centers. She said her parents have cared for injured birds of prey in the past.

Miller, Karp and West all think that Residential Services has not been concerned enough with the threat of disease. Miller notes that although the possibility of being infected with the Hantavirus is rare, he thinks that more should be done. "It is something I think they should

be a bit more concerned about than they have been," he said.

According to a protocol form from Residential Services, hall housekeepers are primarily in charge of disposing trapped mice during the daytime. Students can dispose of their own traps if they wish, provided that they use rubber gloves provided by Residential Services. On nights and weekends, students can call Campus Safety to send someone to dispose of mice and traps.

"We're not saying to people, and never have, 'We expect you to do this on your own,'" Director of Residential Services Cheryl Todd said. "We can provide supplies if you want to take care of it, but otherwise it's up to the students to call and say they need to get us out there."

Although Willamette is consulting Leupitz Pest Control about placing bait stations and alternative poisons outside halls, the university strongly discourages students from using conventional poisons in their rooms, as mice could then die in the walls and cause other problems.

Commission brings new perspective

By SARAH MILLER
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What do Willamette University and the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California have in common? According to ACE Fellow Dr. Julie Filizetti, "Most notably, both institutions share a commitment to academic excellence and student success." Filizetti is herself a common link, as she has come to Willamette from her position as associate provost for academic affairs at the NPS. Her work here will largely be with the Commission on Academic Excellence, an initiative created in August by President Lee Pelton.

Filizetti said she chose Willamette for her ACE Fellowship for many reasons. "I knew that I wanted to work at a private university, a liberal arts college," she said. "I thought that this would be a great place to be, and many of the things in the strategic plan I think are very interesting, including this Commission on Academic Excellence."

It is in part Filizetti's experiences with strategic planning and assessment that make her an asset to Willamette, especially in reference to her work with the Commission. Both President Pelton and Commission co-chair Robert Dash have cited this experience as a major strength

she brings from her experience at the Naval Postgraduate School.

Throughout the course of the fall semester, it is the charge of the Commission to research and gather information about potential centers, a process that will include the Willamette community. Dash stressed that the Commission's work will be "a process involving as many constituent groups as possible." Hearings will be open to all students and faculty, at which ideas and recommendations are encouraged.

"I think that every student and faculty member should be interested in improving our image and making Willamette better," said Jordan Rash, a CLA senior and student-member of the Commission. This spirit is embodied by the Commission's charter, which states that its main goal is to "identify a set of academic activities or Centers of Excellence that strengthen the academic mission of Willamette University." Specifically, the centers will focus on strengths already present on campus in addition to new areas appropriate for Willamette determined by the Commission's evaluation.

Filizetti's role in the coming months will be to provide background research and assistance to the Commission. "We're

COMMISSION ON ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The 15-member Commission is headed up by co-chairs Professor Robert Dash and Trustee Joan McNamara. Other members of the Commission include Professors Karen Hamlin, Karen Holman, Roger Hull, Ortwin Knorr, Jerry Gray, Peter Letsou, Fred Thompson, Dean Robert Hawkinson, Vice President Kristen Grainger, ACE Fellow Julie Filizetti and three students, Jordan Rash and Natalie Sims of CLA and Joshua Lute of the College of Law.

going to look at what other universities have done in terms of forming centers; what centers are out there, what are the policies and procedures," she said.

Guided by the information gathered from its own members, as well as the Willamette community during the fall, the Commission will use the spring semester to make final candidate recommendations for Centers of Excellence and submit them in a report to the president by May of next year.

ASWU Constitutional Bylaw

Sec 1. The purpose of this policy is to set guidelines for the operation of the Class Councils and to provide a means of redress in the event that chairs of the council do not meet said guidelines.

Sec 2. The rules set forth in the subsections of Sec. 2 apply to the Chair of each year's Class Council.

A. The Chair must be a full-time, full-year student. This rule becomes effective June 2006.

B. The Chair must commit to 2 Class Council work hours every week, which must be recorded with times and tasks accomplished and turned into the ASWU Executive advisor of the particular class every 1st and 15th of each month. If there is not two hours of class council work, the chair must submit a report to his or her class council members and the ASWU advisor. This rule becomes effective October 2005.

C. The chair of the sophomore, junior, and senior class council must attend the annual Student Organizations meeting conducted by the Office of Student Activities at the beginning of the year. A representative for the chair may attend the meeting in his or her place if he or she is unable to be present at the meeting. The freshman class council chair should go to the meeting if a chair is already established. Otherwise, the ASWU advisor to the class will give a presentation to the freshmen class council on the pertinent information needed for conducting events.

Sec 3. The Chair's failure in completing Sec 2 part B of the Class Councils Bylaw will result in the ASWU advisor recommending a review of the class council chair by the members of the class council, giving the council the ability to remove the chair and elect a new chair.

Sec 4. Every April the class council chair is to be elected by the class council for the following year, except in the case of the next year's incoming freshmen, which will elect their chair at the beginning of freshman year. This rule becomes effective April 2006.

This bylaw was passed by the ASWU Senate on September 22nd, and will be up for its final vote pending the ASWU budget. All questions concerning the bylaw can be directed to Vice President of the Executive, Amanda Guile, at her ASWU office 503-370-6058, extension 4423, or by e-mail at aguile@willamette.edu.

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CORRECTIONS

The article entitled, "Former Secretary of State, Colin Powell, to speak at WU" contained the following errors:

- The article incorrectly insinuated that Powell's visit to Willamette was related to the university's Atkinson Lecture Series.

—Correction: There is no connection between Colin Powell and the Atkinson series.

- The article incorrectly stated that the purpose of having Powell come to Willamette is to kick off the public phase of a scholarship campaign to raise \$125 million for student scholarships.

—Correction: The total goal of the campaign is \$125 million, of which \$36 million will be raised for scholarship assistance for students in the College of Liberal Arts, the College of Law and the Atkinson Graduate School of Management.

- The article incorrectly stated that the university hopes Powell will help raise the remainder of the \$125 million for the scholarship campaign.

—Correction: The campaign has raised \$60 million to date, and the university hopes that Powell's speech at the Salem Conference Center will help maintain campaign momentum.

- The article incorrectly stated, "Students must show IDs to get a ticket (for the Q&A session with Powell) and may only purchase one."

—Correction: Students do not need to purchase the tickets; they are free.

The Collegian strives for accuracy and clarity in its reporting. We sincerely and humbly regret these errors.

Needs More Cowbell



BRE STEPHENS, CHRISTINE RIIPPI, MAGGIE SHANEYFELT

After doing stupid things all weekend—flooding washing machines, spilling an entire bottle of Listerine in a drawer, running into the clock tower, etc.—we realized Willamette's campus is full of ego-crushing scenarios. Our fellow Bearcats need more than just the student handbook and a Straight Talk session to ease them through.

So we have devised an underground, only-available-on-the-black-market leaflet entitled "Worst Case Scenario: Willamette." Due to copyright laws, we can't actually publish it, but we will share our latest three scenarios in hopes that someone, somewhere, will learn something.

Scenario 1: You're walking through Goudy, looking cool because that Red Hat Guy gave you the nod, and BAM! You plow into the wall. Your tray and its contents go scattering within a 10-foot radius. Would the proper reaction to this scenario be to curl up in the fetal position in the middle of Goudy? NO! Do you know what's on that floor? Learn from Maggie:

"It's true, I'm a tray-dropper. Big trays, small trays...I've dropped them all. But what I've learned is that I am not alone. Everyone is bound to drop a tray once in a while, so save your tears for later. Leave everything on the ground and run. Move fast, stay low to the ground and hope that no one will remember your face."

Scenario 2: You run into your roommate from freshman year and casually ask, "How was your summer?" The reply: "Well, I finally had that colonoscopy!" Before you know it, you are stuck in a detailed conversation and are having procedure photos forced upon you. How

do you escape? Is it OK to assume the fetal position this time? Those internal hemorrhoids are scary but, NO! Learn from Christine's vast experience in awkward conversation:

"I can sympathize with both the conversation killers and survivors. If you do get stuck, gracefully exit by relying on a few key phrases, such as, 'Hey! A nickel!' or 'Ooh! A squirrel!' This is a safe one because chances are, there will actually be a squirrel in the vicinity."

Scenario 3: Your computer just crashed halfway through your download of the latest episode of "Arrested Development," and you have to IM your roommate because Red Hat Guy just gave you a second nod. WHAT DO YOU DO? Here was Bre's experience:

"Second semester of freshman year, I went through a terrible loss. There was a freak, gasoline-fight accident... and wake me up before you go-go... orange mocha fraps... Well, Bre takes her "Zoolander" way too seriously and was unable to continue her story. We've found that Willamette has these great resources called "computer laboratories" because not only do you get to look like you're actually doing something productive, but you can also safely feed your AIM addiction.

These were just three of the many worst-case scenarios that can happen here at Willamette. Other scenarios include: "When Mallards Attack!," "Mill Stream Fungus Removal" and "What to do When Mistakenly Referring to the Members of an Entire Department as 'a-holes.'" If you would like to own a leaflet, please give us funding, publishing rights and a typewriter. We'll get right on that.

Katrina kegger attracts police

By JAIMIE STILZ

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Salem Police and Willamette Campus Safety broke up a student-organized, but non-school-sponsored event, the Keg Crawl for Katrina, on Sept. 17. Devised in order to raise money for the Hurricane Katrina relief fund, the theory was to get off-campus locations to host the event, have participants make donations for the relief fund at their respective entrances and then let those people go in and party.

Advertisements seen around campus prior to the event were responsible for alerting Campus Safety. People involved with the event were contacted and met with Campus Safety prior to the actual event. Gibbs also spoke with Residence Life over the telephone. "They threatened everything that [ended up] happening," Gibbs said.

The night of Sept. 17, there were three houses involved in the keg crawl, two of which police entered. "I had only been at the house a few minutes, and hadn't consumed any alcohol there, when someone said, 'Campus PO!'" freshman Kaitlyn Pulhamus said. "A fire extinguisher was set off, there was smoke everywhere and when things calmed down there ended up being police surrounding the house."

One house was not cited, but undercover agents of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission entered a second house and cited the individuals inside for minor in possession. At the third house, the OLCC confiscated a keg, weighed it and found it to be unopened. Underage individuals present there received warnings but were not cited, as there were no infractions cited by the OLCC due to the fact that the keg was not tapped, according to Gibbs.

Pulhamus said that everyone under the age of 21 who had been drinking had to stand in a

certain area and do a sobriety test. This test consisted of the minors following a policeman's finger with their eyes without hesitation. "I hadn't had much to drink [earlier that night elsewhere], but I didn't pass the test," she said. "The police didn't account for people being too scared."

"Plus, they moved their fingers outside the bounds of peripheral vision, so there was no way people could do it without hesitation," Pulhamus said. Pulhamus and junior Lauren Brooks said the Salem police were overly harsh in their citations at the party. "The police who did the tests were mean," Pulhamus said. "Campus PO were pretty cool, but the Salem police were not."

Brooks agreed with Pulhamus. "The [Salem] cops were very, 'Get against the wall and don't move.' I tried to sit down and they yelled," she said. "They could have been a lot nicer." Salem police officers involved in the incidents could not be reached for comment at press time. Brooks said that Campus Safety took the names of the partygoers and the Salem police warned them that upon their next offense they would be subject to a \$250 fine and minor-in-possession issuance. Several people tried to flee the scene, but the police soon apprehended them. They were cited with MIPs and police evasion and are currently awaiting further legal action.

Liquor Control statute 471.430: "No person under the age of 21 years shall attempt to purchase or acquire alcoholic liquor." Statute 471.410 (2) states, "No one other than the person's parent or guardian shall sell, give or otherwise make available any alcoholic liquor to a person under the age of 21 years." Punishment, according to statute 471.410 (4), is a Class A misdemeanor. "Upon a first conviction, a fine of \$350."

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Jelderks: Graduate with gavel

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So this one time, the deputy sheriff, the juvenile director, and the circuit judge were on the courtroom floor trying to subdue an escaping defendant. A bad joke? No, a true story from Willamette alumnus John Jelderks on a crazy day in Wasco County not too long ago. Judge John Jelderks graduated from Willamette University in 1960 and the College of Law in 1964.

Jelderks said he first considered a career in law when he was in high school. He and his debate partner, George, were excited about the prospects. However, during his high school's career day an attorney spoke at length about the negative aspects of the profession. Jelderks took a long time to get back into the idea, and George ended up as the head of the math department at the University of Pennsylvania.

While a student at Willamette, Jelderks was involved in a variety of activities. He was the president of the Sigma Chi fraternity, and earned the "Rotarian of the Month" award.

Laurel Tiller, an attorney at law, also graduated in 1960. He remembers going to school with Jelderks. "He was a good looking student, he worked hard like the rest of us, and he was very popular."

Lou Hiesel, a retired pilot for Eastern Airlines, had several classes



Jelderks will be one of the participants in this year's Mentor Day on Nov. 8.

Photo courtesy of Wallulah and John Jelderks

with Jelderks. He remembers him as being quite sharp and an outstanding student. He also remembers Jelderks as active in student government. "We all knew he was a leader," said Hiesel.

In fact, Jelderks did not decide to become a lawyer until the end of his undergraduate studies at Willamette. When he realized he had no career plans, he attended Willamette's law school, and from there his career took flight. After clerking for Justice Gordon Sloan of the Oregon Supreme Court, Jelderks was elected District Attorney for Marion County. His next position was District Attorney for Hood River County. After a year of private practice, Jelderks decided to try something new.

When Jelderks first became a judge, he was the youngest circuit judge in Oregon. "When I first became a judge, I would actually have liked to have had more experience as a lawyer, but in the area where I was, in Mid-Columbia, there was only one circuit judge, and the position only opened up once every 25 years or so," he said. "So, when my predecessor decided to retire, I decided to take a chance at it, or it would be 25 more years before I'd have another."

Jelderks explains that the cases about which he cares the most are not the high-profile ones. He cares more about child custody cases than about billion-dollar fraud suits. "Those cases have a tremendous impact on people's lives," said Jelderks.

One case that garnered national

THE CAREER OF JOHN JELDERKS

- 1960: Earned BA from Willamette University
- 1964: Earned JD from Willamette College of Law
- 1965: Elected District Attorney for Marion County
- 1966: Elected District Attorney for Hood River County
- 1972: Elected Presiding Circuit Judge, 7th Judicial District
- 1984: Heard case of Rajneesh cult
- 1985: Named Judge of the Year by Oregon Trial Lawyers Association
- 1991: Appointed U.S. Magistrate Judge
- 1995: Earned Willamette Distinguished Alumni Citation

and international publicity was that of Kennewick Man. Kennewick Man was a 9,000-year-old body unearthed by the Army Corps of Engineers along the Columbia River. Jelderks had to determine whether scientists should be given the opportunity to study the ancient remains, or whether Native American tribes had the legal authority to bury the remains.

According to Jelderks' ruling, the scientists were given permission to study the bones. The decision was appealed to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, which sustained Jelderks' verdict. Another high-profile case over which Jelderks presided was that of the Rajneesh cult. In 1984, followers of the Indian guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh contaminated ten salad bars in The Dalles with salmonella, infecting about 750 people.

Jelderks has also had some fun in the courtroom. One of his favorite

stories takes place in traffic court, featuring a defendant with a history of traffic violations. Jelderks said, "I looked at this guy's record and it was literally as long as both of my arms." Jelderks realized that the man had been cited for a wide variety of offenses and said, "It looks to me like you have been convicted of violating almost every statute in the traffic code." The defendant replied, "Well, judge, I try to learn from my mistakes, and not make the same one over again."

According to Jelderks, the legal profession has had a drastic impact on his life. "I'll never forget the first night I was elected as a circuit judge," he said. "A good friend and her husband, who was a lawyer, called to say congratulations, and said 'I'm sorry we won't be able to socialize anymore.' And that's when I realized that your role changes when you become a judge."

MENTOR DAY CONTINUES TO GROW

- Mentor Day is a long-standing Willamette tradition that pairs students with mentors in their field of interest.
- Willamette's annual Mentor Day began 16 years ago, started by Jim Booth, Nancy Norton and Jon Carder. In the ensuing years it has grown dramatically, now matching 75-90 students with mentors each year.
- Mentor Day is a unique opportunity for Willamette juniors and seniors to spend an afternoon shadowing a professional in a career they are considering. Willamette alumni throughout the Portland area participate, and students get to select a mentor from an anonymous list of career descriptions.
- Once the matches are made, the students and mentors meet each other on Nov. 8. Students will eat lunch with their mentors and then follow them to work for the rest of the day.

EDITORIAL:

Derogatory comment crossed the line

We, the Collegian editorial staff, sincerely apologize for having printed an inflammatory comment last week that contradicted everything in which we believe: tolerance, acceptance and the limited opportunity for freedom of speech. John Swanson's use of a derogatory term for homosexuals simply should not have been published, and we are sorry for having hurt and offended so many of our readers as a result of our lack of sufficient vigilance.

Although we regret having caused students, faculty and staff to place less faith in the paper's role as a platform for open, yet civil dialogue on campus, we are thankful to see so many people speaking out for respect and open-mindedness.

If the pieces we printed didn't cause people to discuss, disagree, even passionately argue with one another, we would not be doing our job. We are committed to work toward publishing diverse opinions from diverse people and groups on campus. However, students' right to exercise their freedom of speech using our paper as a vehicle is by no means an unlimited one.

Everyone is entitled to his/her own opinion; everyone is permitted to share that opinion in

the Collegian if, and only if, it is expressed in a well-argued, well-supported and well-written piece.

Imperative in the realization of each of these elements is the ability to articulate a certain point of view, however unpopular it may be, in a mature and appropriate manner. Harassment, obscene comments, racial/ethnic/sexual slurs and the like are not acceptable. Writers can still convey opinions of all sorts without resorting to vulgarity; in fact, they will undoubtedly be more effective in their arguments if they choose to refrain from tasteless name-calling, which only indicates a lack of depth in their reasoning.

Kudos to those who have voiced the idea that freedom of speech should not remain unchecked, and here's to a continuing effort to get a handle on the evasive line that divides liberty and indecency so that the Collegian can strive to be the best possible voice of the students. We will continue to encourage all students to share their opinions but will work to be ever more meticulous in preventing the publication of harmful words that discourage constructive discourse.

OPINION:

Spirit piece tragically mistaken, inaccurate

Playing music. Caring about environmental issues. Creating beautiful and meaningful works of art.

CHAS
BESBEARS,
BROOKE IVY
&
ELLIOT
WILLIAMS

There are countless ways that Willamette students contribute to both their campus and their world. Perhaps you have noticed that making hurtful and derogatory remarks is not one of them.

The recent opinion piece urging students to "pump up the Bearcat spirit" was tragically mistaken in many ways. It is truly a sad statement when the incredible talents and passions of the students on this campus, as well as the tremendous support provided by administrators, faculty and staff, go so blatantly unappreciated. First of all, Willamette students are far from apathetic, as the piece suggests.

And whether it is football, music, politics, service, or just spending an afternoon with friends, all students' interests deserve respect and acknowledgment. Secondly, the university's support of students is complete and not conditioned on the activity or the people involved. One perfect example of this is

the photo art series hanging in the Montag.

Whether or not all agree with its political message, this series illustrates how our university supported one student's passion for art enough to buy several of his pieces, recognizing the artistic value of what some consider an "offensive, perverse display." We should all consider ourselves lucky to have the administrative support we do to express ourselves on this campus, logistical issues at tailgate parties aside.

More importantly, the recent opinion piece was unnecessarily rude and insulting to many people on campus, from ASWU Senators to faculty. By far its worst insult was to the gay and lesbian community and their allies. The use of the term "limp-wrist" was incredibly offensive. Even worse was the casual way it was used, with no apparent thought to those who would be deeply hurt by it.

Derogatory terms such as this should never be used lightly. In fact, they should never be used at all. Words have incredible power to hurt and intimidate those they are directed against and have very real ramifications in people's lives. Additionally, terms which

display such bigotry and insensitivity are not only inappropriate in *The Collegian*, but in all representations of Willamette, such as signs held at football games. (We appreciate and share Erica's thoughts about this matter in her letter to the editor.)

The fact that such derogatory language could be so flippantly used in *The Collegian* suggests that changes need to be made to the paper's editorial policy. This is not the first time such comments have been published in our paper's pages, and it is time that equally bigoted homophobic slurs are given the same attention as those regarding race or gender. Hopefully, the editorial staff will make the necessary changes so that such language never again appears in the paper.

If we all make an effort to appreciate and encourage each other's passions and interests, without resorting to belittling and name-calling, maybe, just maybe, we will find that the spirit some students think is missing has been here all along.

Chas Besbears, Brooke Ivy and Elliot Williams collaborated on this piece. They may be reached at <cbesbear>, <bivy> and <ewilliam>, respectively.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

John Swanson's opinion pieces have in the past toed a fine line, generalizing and disparaging a number of groups and individuals, including but not limited to homosexuals, feminists and environmentalists. Last week's opinion piece was no exception. In choosing to use the homosexual slur "limp-wrists," John punctuates in sad irony the pleas for tolerance articulated in the letter to the editor across the fold.

Beyond its derogatory wording and offensive connotations, John's narrative quest for tailgate greatness misses the point. Might some of us have chosen Willamette for more than its excellent athletic spectator offerings? In dismissing the musical, environmental and leisurely interests of his peers, John sells the community short.

In the future I encourage those groaning about Willamette's "anti-fun climate" to look to the diversity of their classmates and, at the very least, consider how "fun" a climate that casually hurls around epithets is for those they affect.

TIM STUMHOFER
Senior

Willamette advertises itself as a safe environment in which students are encouraged to grow personally as well as academically. Why, then, is our school newspaper printing demeaning comments about a segment of the student population? Perhaps we only encourage people to be themselves if that self is the "socially acceptable, mainstream college student." If, for any reason, one slips out of this culturally defined box, watch out because the closed-minded, stereotypical assumptions are not far behind. John Swanson's article is detrimental to the culture that the administration and the majority of students are working so diligently to foster. Commenting that he came from a town where "only limp-wrists don't like sports" is promoting a viewpoint that if one is gay, one cannot appreciate the finer aspects of a game of football. Perhaps I am displaying my own ignorance, but as far as I am aware, sexual orientation does not have any effect on intelligence.

This article about "school spirit" is a thinly veiled attempt to build up a certain segment of the population at the expense of another. The Collegian receives 18 percent of the student activity fees, which come out of the tuition that every student pays. I should not have to see my money being used as a vehicle for bigotry. If the Collegian continues to publish these demeaning articles, then I should have a choice to unsubscribe. I am ashamed to see Willamette University promoting such intolerance.

SONJA KANICK
Senior

John Swanson is the coolest guy ever! Way to stick it to ASWU for placing priority on the environment over a football team! And the students here? Hell yeah, we definitely need a teen-movie-style high-school clique structure around a college campus so that we can put all those "limp-wristed" losers back in their proper places. What are they thinking, acting like they can do their own thing and get away with it?

There is obviously one and only one cool way to have fun, and if you disagree then you're just not cool, and you uncool people are obviously not invited to our cool tailgate parties, which are reserved only for the cool people. Amen, Swanson! Keep on writing articles!

KEVIN RANCIC
Junior

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LETTER POLICY

We invite your letters to the editor. Letters can be received by postal mail, email, campus mail or fax (see contact info on page 2).

Letters are limited to 150 words, must include your name and phone number and must be submitted by noon Monday, the week of intended publication. The Collegian may edit letters for length and clarity.

CORRECTIONS

The article entitled "Questioning the new Kaneko Commons" in the Sept. 21 edition of *The Collegian* incorrectly stated that the Kaneko dorms and the university apartments are going to be "torn down." In actuality, additions will be made to the buildings. The Collegian apologizes for this inaccuracy.

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'Hasty conclusions' shine bad light on Commons

For the past three years I have served on the Residential Commons Implementation Squad, now the Residential Commons Steering Committee. Clearly, those of us who have worked on the commons project need to initiate more thorough education of the campus community on just what a commons system entails.



KIRSTEN
WESSELHOEFT

The Collegian editorial on the Kaneko project that appeared in the Sept. 21 issue showed serious factual errors and lack of understanding, which I would like to clear up.

First of all, to say that the Commons System involves "living with professors" is highly misleading. There will be one faculty mentor associated with each commons, which is to say a ratio of about one faculty member for every 350 students. These mentors will live in their own completely private, freestanding houses, with proximity to the physical commons community.

Secondly, the editorial appears to assume that students will be obligated to live in their commons for their entire time at Willamette. However, the current policy of allowing students to move off-campus or join a Greek organization during their time at Willamette will be continued.

What the Commons System will offer for students who choose to live off-campus or in a Greek house is a continuing affiliation with a group of students who have a shared residential and social experience—an affiliation that may be strong or weak, depending on the individual.

Furthermore, the Commons System will

offer all students a wider variety of living arrangements and will greatly increase the number and flexibility of on-campus apartments, providing students with greater autonomy and independence within the campus environment.

The editorial also states that Kaneko and the University Apartments "do not need to be torn down." This is absolutely true—and neither of these buildings will be torn down.

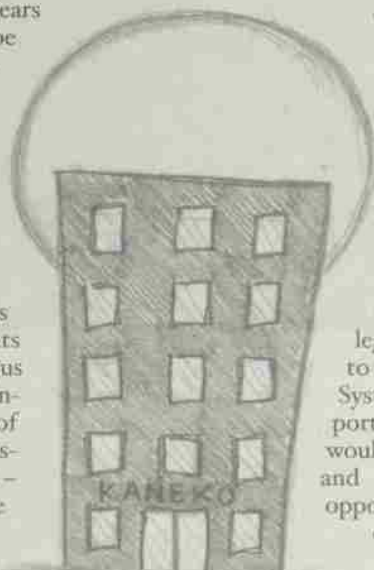
Add-ons are being constructed so that they will be able to accommodate the number of students and the quality of rooms and apartments that will be needed in the commons system. The Matthews-Belknap complex, which is indeed in poor shape, will be torn down when the Eastside Commons is constructed.

The fact that the Residential Commons model is not to be found at every liberal arts college is an argument for this model, not against it. The commons will be a distinctive feature of Willamette, providing students with a unique academic and residential experience during their studies here.

The United States colleges and universities that have implemented a commons system are an elite group, including Harvard and Princeton as well as other small liberal arts colleges such as Middlebury.

There are many more benefits to the Residential Commons System. There are also legitimate grounds on which to oppose the Commons System. As someone who supports the commons initiative, I would like to hear intelligent and well-educated opinions in opposition to it. This kind of debate can only make the program better.

GRAPHIC BY NICOLE REED



Campus officials should not knock charity hustle

Two years ago, some friends and I were walking to campus on a Saturday night. We were approached by a man who was obviously intoxicated, probably not from alcohol. He began making absurd statements and harassing some of us.



RYAN OLDS

The farther we walked, the more belligerent he became, eventually saying, "You guys go to Willamette, right? Well, I'm comin' to Willamette."

Eventually, I told the guy to "get lost" (that's the censored version), at which time he crossed the street facing us and proceeded to pull out a gun from his waist. My friends and I ran and called the police.

When I got back to my dorm, I called Campus Safety to alert them that an armed, intoxicated and belligerent man said he was on his way to campus. The person on the phone responded, "Thanks for calling." She did not ask for my name, and there was no follow-up whatsoever.

Now, fast forward two years later. Some of us who were touched by immense suffering of those affected by Hurricane Katrina decided to throw a stupid little fundraiser, the "Keg Crawl for Katrina." Little did I know that this charitable event, of all things, would actually spur campus officials into action.

Long story short, Campus Safety and other campus officials alerted the Oregon Liquor Control Commission, which sent undercover agents to my house. I am now, being charged with three Class A misde-

meanors, and according to the OLCC, there is a chance of jail time.

I find it to be incredibly unnerving that the state of Oregon cannot even fund an entire school year for its K-12 students, or give access to basic medical insurance to 609,000 Oregonians, yet it somehow manages to finance and coordinate an undercover sting operation on a college party/fundraiser.

I also find it ridiculous that campus officials, who would not respond to a report of a crazed, armed man coming to campus, would attempt to turn college students into criminals. In this case, Campus Safety and Residence Life overstepped their bounds. These entities have illustrated time and again they are a huge waste of tuition dollars as they care nothing about safety or quality of life for the residents.

In conclusion, I would like to say that despite the best efforts of the Salem Police Department, the OLCC, Residence Life, and Campus Safety, the small amount of money that all of us helped to raise at least at my house, will be donated to the University Hurricane Katrina Relief effort and hopefully doubled as President Pelton promised.

Throughout this ordeal, I realize that my current problems pale in comparison to the problems that the hurricane victims have suffered both before and after the hurricane, and that is what really matters.



GRAPHIC BY NICOLE REED

LETTERS (continued from pg. 6)

I've enjoyed reading the Collegian online for some time. My son graduated from WU in May and is currently in graduate school, so the Collegian is our link to his undergraduate experiences.

I was surprised to read the opinion regarding WU school spirit. It may come as a surprise to the author that WU does not give scholarships in athletics. The focus of WU is academics, knowledge and excellence.

His comments on "limp wrists" and the "offensive, perverse art" on Montag's wall only show his ignorance and prejudices. What a shame. Did he possibly take the time to look at those pieces and their relevance to our society?

I know of this icon series and the artist. I know of his

struggles with prejudice and hate. I know how he strived to be just like everyone else and his fear of being himself. I know of his great love for humanity and his prayer that all of us could be viewed as equal.

I know of him because I am his mother and could not be more proud. I would suggest the editorial staff, of which my son was art editor last year, might want to take a closer look at what it publishes. This type of letter only widens the gap.

MICHELE WOODRUFF

John Swanson ("Students need to pump up the Bearcat spirit," Sept. 21) thinks that there is a lack of school spirit on campus. His remark about homosexuals shows one reason some of the student body is lacking in that spirit.

Swanson comments that he went to a high school

where "only limp-wrists don't like sports." It is upsetting that the editors would allow such a comment to be posted. Perhaps in his boyhood, Swanson felt that "only the darkies don't like hockey," but it is not difficult to see why that would be offensive and inappropriate in a University paper. His statement is no different. It is aimed at a group that campus culture has all too often ignored.

This is an indication of a larger problem in the WU community. If our goal is to create an inclusive environment on campus, we may need to reevaluate how we treat homosexuals. This is not only the responsibility of the editors at the Collegian, but of the students and faculty who read the paper as well.

AARON FINKLE
Professor of Economics

Willamette strives to **BUILD** community through **INCLUSIVENESS**

By KRISTEN IVERSON

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If asked to describe Willamette's atmosphere, many students might mention the relaxation of chatting with friends by the Mill Stream on a sunny day or, perhaps more accurately, the terror of working frantically on a term paper in the Smullin computer lab at 3 a.m. during finals week. But would anyone describe Willamette as welcoming to diversity?

INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE

This summer, Willamette's staff, faculty and administration explored this question, as well as whether the university can increase its efforts to create an atmosphere that welcomes diversity of ethnicity, political convictions, age differences, sexual orientation and religious beliefs.

On June 1, 2005, the university's Human Resources department held its annual Professional Development Day (PDD), a voluntary half-day program for all Willamette personnel who wished to attend. The event is in its fourth year, but it introduced a new theme: "Building Community through Inclusive Excellence." University Information Specialist Liesa Kister is one of the 2005 PDD committee members.

"The programming ideas for this theme really took on a life of their own," Kister said. The day incorporated a number of presentations on the subject of diversity and inclusiveness. The aim of the program was reflective as well as goal-oriented, Kister said.

"We wanted to explore what it means to be welcoming to everyone," she said. "The program was really a time of self-assessment, to see how we were doing now."

The agenda included a student-produced video, speakers from Willamette staff members and a discussion of the results of a diversity survey administered to Willamette staff and faculty members.

The video, which was produced by 2005 Willamette graduate Sean Gyshen Fennell, surveyed Willamette and Tokyo International University of America (TIUA) students about their perceptions of various types of diversity on campus.

"This was a remarkable and honest video," Kister said. "We had very high expectations, but the video far exceeded what we had anticipated."

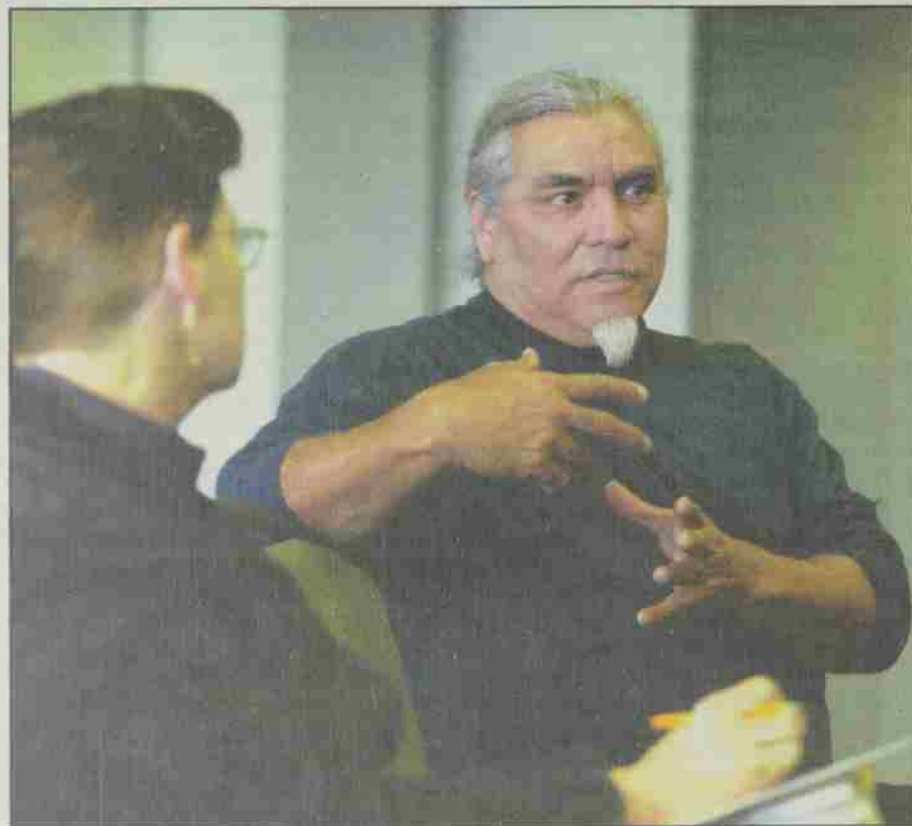
Several students interviewed in the video believed that diversity is truly a high priority for Willamette, but that the campus has yet to accomplish that goal. Former College of Liberal Arts student James Haines expressed his belief that others view his race as one of his primary characteristics.

"Racial diversity is not something I can choose to express. When I walk on campus, I am always a young black male. That's what people see," Haines said.

The video also explored diversity in political beliefs. Some students felt that Willamette's undergraduate population was mainly politically liberal and expressed concern about voicing their conservative viewpoints.

Conversely, some Atkinson Graduate School of Management (AGSM) students believed that the atmosphere at their school was more conservative and did not feel comfortable expressing liberal beliefs.

PDD attendees also received a packet of information and essays about inclusiveness. Assistant Professor Nacho Córdova, who teaches in the



Joseph Quinones spoke on diversity at Willamette during PDD.

courtesy of FRANK MILLER

Rhetoric and Media Studies department, wrote an introduction to a previously published article. Córdova's introduction applauded Willamette for its inclusive ideology and encouraged continued efforts to cultivate diversity.

"Inclusive excellence is fostered individually when we reflect not only on the damaging consequences of the lack of cultural knowledge . . . but on the harmonious community made possible when we value equity, respect and dignity for all," Córdova wrote.

In anticipation of PDD, the planning committee sent out a voluntary assessment survey to Willamette staff, faculty and administrators. The results, measured from 244 responses, were presented at this year's PDD.

According to the survey, 12 percent of respondents have heard insensitive comments of any type "often" (six times or more per year) while working at Willamette. The most frequent comments concerned women (18 percent of respondents reported hearing

these comments often) and religious preference (17 percent of respondents heard them often).

Eighty-one percent of those surveyed reported feeling a sense of belonging at Willamette. However, a smaller percentage of people in "minority groups" felt this way. Only 68 percent of ethnic minorities, 73 percent of those under the age of 36, and 76 percent of non-heterosexuals stated that they felt a sense of belonging on campus.

Overall, Kister said, PDD's new theme was a success, and future sessions will also have a theme of inclusive excellence.

"This year, we saw a growth in attendance at PDD, as well as increased participation. The demographics of which staff members attended also changed - many more administration and faculty members came this year," she said. "We're gearing up to explore the same emphasis next year."

"Racial diversity is not something I can choose to express. When I walk on campus, I am always a young black male. That's what people see."

JAMES HAINES
Willamette alumnus



**WILLAMETTE:
A DIVERSE CAMPUS?**

Willamette's mission statement asserts that the university "cherishes the dignity and worth of all individuals, and strives to reflect the diversity of our world." While opinions differ as to whether the university has successfully fulfilled this mission, many students have observed Willamette's desire to encourage inclusiveness.

"The Maori exhibit and celebrations are good examples of Willamette's welcoming attitude toward diversity," CLA student Kristina Johnson said.

The exhibit, which features woven art made by indigenous New Zealanders, has opened communications between the university and local Native Americans, who visited recently to welcome the Maori to campus. It has also established a connection between the Maori people and Willamette students.

CLA student and Willamette Jewish Student Union president Keara Cummings said that while there are a number of religious, political and ethnic groups represented on campus, the members of these groups represent a very small percentage of the overall student population.

However, in her experience, the university has been helpful toward minorities.

"From a religious perspective, the campus community has been very accommodating," Cummings said. "Willamette isn't very religious to begin with, so my negative experiences on campus have stemmed from being just involved in a religious organization. No one has really treated me differently because I'm Jewish — people are mostly just interested and ask a lot of questions."

"The Maori exhibit and celebrations are good examples of Willamette's welcoming attitude toward diversity."

**KRISTINA JOHNSON
CLA student**

Others believe that Willamette appears to be very inclusive when considered in the context of its surroundings and contemporaries.

"I think [Willamette] is pretty diverse for a private liberal arts college in Salem," Tatendra Chirusa, an AGSM student, said in Fennell's FDD video.

**WHERE DO WE GO FROM
HERE?**

While Willamette continues to do its best to welcome diversity, some stu-

dents see room for improvement.

"A lot of Willamette's diversity is dependent on whether majority groups on campus are willing to integrate with students who are different than themselves."

**RACHEL KAMNA
CLA student**

"Willamette needs a place for minority groups to feel accepted and for them to no longer be minority groups. People are defined by their diversity at Willamette," CLA student Jennifer Regan, who was also interviewed in Fennell's video, said.

There are a number of resources for minorities on campus, and the Office of Multicultural

Affairs is devoted to supporting all student groups. However, some students would like to see the campus community make a more concerted effort to welcome and include minorities of all kinds.

"There are a lot of clubs for minorities on campus," CLA student Rachel Kamna said. "A lot of Willamette's diversity is dependent on whether majority groups on campus are willing to integrate with students who are different than themselves."

In the end, Willamette's goal of inclusiveness may be met if students and staff are willing to interact with each other on a more personal level.

"People here smile — they are open to knowing you," Haines said. "But too often, we don't ever get past the smile."

THE FACTS

- Forty-five percent of Willamette personnel reported being discriminated against at Willamette.

- In 2004-2005, 165 incidents of discrimination were noted by Willamette personnel.

- The response rate to the PDD survey was 33 percent, with 244 people out of 730 responding.

- 58 percent of respondents to the survey were women.

- When asked in what form they had experienced discrimination, 71.8 percent of respondents answered "verbal comments," 31.8 percent answered "ignoring" and 15.5 percent checked "glances."

- Of these 165 cases, 45 were gender-based, 33 were related to age, 31 were based on religious beliefs and 16 were race-related.

- Seventeen percent of all Willamette personnel and 35 percent of ethnic minority personnel reported being dissatisfied with the campus multicultural environment.

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The Cat's Pajamas

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PDX Nightlife:

I love bars. They are excellent. This may seem like a silly, sweeping generalization, but it is not. Alcohol-encouraged conviviality is highly underrated. I'm not talking about taking shots at some house party and deciding that the hot guy standing in the corner is your soul mate. I'm talking about civilization! A true bar with style, with atmosphere, with counters of rich mabogamy. The glittering swank of a cocktail or perfect pour sipped slowly over hours of conversation. Twenty-one at last, I was able to enjoy my summer by becoming intimately acquainted with the Portland bar scene, and here I offer you a few brief recommendations for your next PDX excursion:

1. M Bar

I'm only including the M bar because I trust that most people who read this will not follow through and actually go take up precious space at this lovable gem of a wine bar. With a 25-person capacity reminiscent of one's living room, the M bar manages to make you feel immediately at home. A glass of wine, reliably good and just \$5 a pop, doesn't hurt either.

2. Jake's

A Portland classic. Usually I would shy away from a place that can easily pack in a crowd every night purely based on a reputation earned decades ago. Refreshingly, the atmosphere is unabashedly old-Portland, and its famous Irish coffee revives a weary soul like none other. Go later in the evening for an enjoyably mellow crowd.

3. The Gilt Club

Brand spanking new, the lush opulence of the Gilt Club is unique in Portland. Zorn, the snazziest bartender in town, pours cocktails to die for as awesome, culty-cool movies play silently behind the bar (think "The Secret of Nimh" and "Dr. No"). There may or may not be a cocktail named after me... I need to get out less.

Do the numbers:

M bar: 417 NW 21st Ave

Jake's: 611 SW 10th Ave

Gilt Club: 306 NW Broadway

MUSIC REVIEW: Wolf Parade

Montreal defines new genre

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One of the greatest catalysts for change in rock music has been a change in geography. Each country, state or city seems to produce its own unique sound and thus influences the way rock music sounds.

The south produced the more blues-influenced rock, Detroit created the Mo-town sound, New York saw the rise of punk and the Northwest has defined grunge and has led the way in the current indie rock movement. Now comes the city to the north known as Montreal whose style has yet to be defined.

Montreal is home to several new indie style rock groups that include Arcade Fire, Porion 13 and Soul Haven. All of these bands have created an eclectic sound using a variety of instruments normally not found in rock bands, include accordions, violins and tubas.

The lead singer of Wolf Parade seems to be following this model and somehow finds a strange rhythm in his singing, even though he doesn't attempt to keep pace with the rest of the band.

It appears that the new band Wolf Parade is the next product of Montreal's stellar music scene and is ready to make its mark.

The band's first widely released album will be *Apologies to the Queen Mary* and will be available on the 27th of this month. The band was more or less discovered by Modest Mouse's lead singer Isaac Brock, most known for his out-of-pitch hollering that somehow sounds good.

The lead singer of Wolf Parade seems to be following this model and somehow finds a strange rhythm in his singing, even though he doesn't attempt to keep pace with the rest of the band.

Speaking of the rest of the band, they seem to follow a very clear motto: Keep it simple. No difficult drum beats or drawn out guitar solos, just a steady grind to set a background for the singing. Not that the background sound isn't catchy - it does sound good - but it

is just not the focus.

Like a lot of bands these days, Wolf Parade focuses itself on itself. The songs that can be heard on a stellar pre-release EP are mostly about some band members' childhood or modern exploits by the band.

The track "Shine a Light" follows the band around on a drinking binge, and "You Are a Runner and I Am My Father's Son" speaks about a cowardly father figure who maintains other virtues. All in all, with what is available, it looks like Wolf Parade is preparing to be crowned the next underground band to make it big.

WOLF PARADE

- Originate from Montreal, Quebec, Canada
- Discovered by indie-rock band Modest Mouse's lead singer, Isaac Brock
- Formed 2003
- *Apologies to the Queen Mary* is named after an incident where they trashed the boat of the same name.

BOOK REVIEW: The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time | Mark Haddon

Boy triumphs over mystery, autism

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The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time, by Mark Haddon, has been a staple of the bestseller list since it first appeared early last year and has been haunting me at book stores for nearly as long. You've probably noticed it: its bright red cover featuring an upside-down poodle always lodged prominently with the staff recommendations. With interest and a deadline mounting, I finally succumbed to temptation and picked up the book.

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time is the story of Christopher John Francis Boone, a fifteen year-old autistic math wiz who prefers the simplicity of animals and logic problems to other people. The story opens with a murder when Christopher, who also narrates the tale, finds his neighbor's dog, Wellington, stabbed to death with a gardening tool. Despite his father's insistence that he keep his nose out of other people's business, Christopher decides to mount his own investigation into the dog's murder.

What Christopher's detective work

digs up about Wellington is nothing compared to what Christopher inadvertently discovers about family secrets, particularly his dead mother.

Haddon's writing is engaging and well-paced (at just over 220 pages, the book could easily be read in a day) with some genuine surprises. In Christopher, Haddon has created a sympathetic, well-drawn character who is both intelligent and mischievous, and whose journey we want to follow. Despite this fact, it is hard to identify with Christopher. Christopher does not register complicated emotions the way most people do, and though his autism also gives him a unique, third party-like perspective on the events that surround

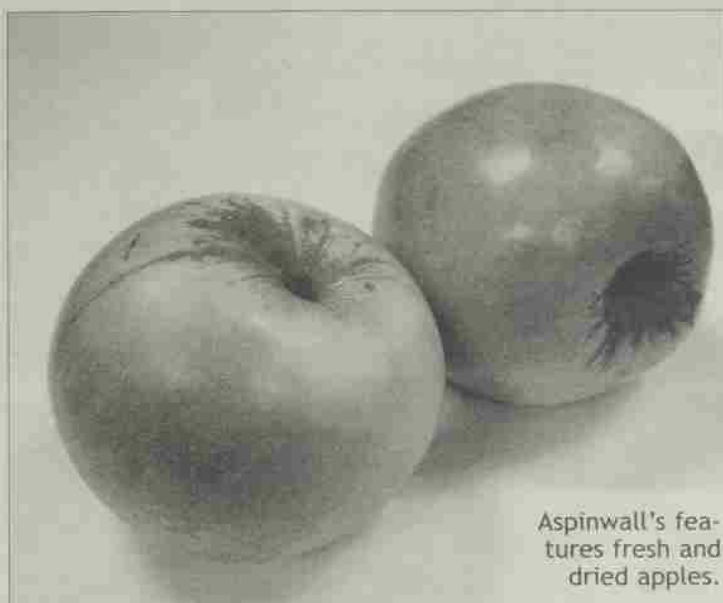
him, it is heartbreaking to watch as he navigates through a world he doesn't fully understand nor understands him. Instead of rooting for him on his journey, we begin to feel sorry for him and even as he overcomes the obstacles set before him, we long for him to return home safely.

Though the novel attempts to end on an optimistic note, with Christopher's family healing and he exclaiming, "I know I can do this because I went to London on my own, and because I solved the mystery of who killed Wellington...and I was brave and I wrote a book and that means I can do anything," part of us knows that no matter how talented and intelligent Christopher is, there will be some things out of his reach.

Mark Haddon's mystery novel with a twist is an intriguing character study and will certainly hold anyone's interest on a rainy day. But, despite the book's length, it is not simply entertainment. Haddon clearly has something to say, but just what that is will be up to the reader. The book is best read for its unique protagonist and his perspective.

THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME

- Published in June 2003
- 240 pages
- Winner of a Whitbread Award
- Steven Cloves' screenplay *The Curious Incident of the Dog In The Night-Time* is to debut in 2006



Aspinwall's features fresh and dried apples.

photo by MEGAN MEIDINGER

PURE FRESHNESS

Aspinwall's Nursery and Produce, located just off Highway 22, offers an array of treats from ice cream to fruit

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Once you visit Aspinwall's Nursery and Produce (5152 Salem Dallas Highway), you'll find yourself returning to this highway fruit stand again and again.

Located about a 10 minute drive from campus on Highway 22, Aspinwall's offers a wide variety of seasonal produce. Coming from Willamette, you'll spot it on the left side of the road. Don't drive too fast, though, or you'll miss it. An assortment of tasty apples, melons, and tomatoes highlight their current selection. Much of the produce is locally grown with select fruits and vegetables from Aspinwall's own crop.

In addition to their fresh produce, Aspinwall's offers dried fruit, nuts, frozen out of season fruit and berries, and all natural frozen ready to bake pies.

You'll go back to Aspinwall's, though, because of their soft ice cream. They get it fresh from Sunshine Dairy Foods. The ice cream has one of the lowest butterfat contents around, so you

don't have to feel too guilty about indulging yourself. Better yet, it tastes delicious. They only have two flavors: chocolate and vanilla. You can get a cup of one of those flavors or a mix of the two for \$1.50, but what makes Aspinwall's special is what they do with ice cream.

They churn out delicious sundaes made with seasonal fruit, whipped cream, and house made waffle cones. If you're in the area at the beginning of the summer, I hear the Oregon strawberry sundae is amazing. Although not as highly recommended, but still yummy, they currently serve a California strawberry sundae.

Aspinwall's also serves killer milkshakes. Many Salem-ites consider them the best around. They offer over a dozen flavors ranging from pumpkin to almost every type of berry you've heard about. Try one and Aspinwall's will exceed your expectations.

They close daily at 6:30 P.M., but if it's hot out they sometimes stay open later. Just don't put off visiting them, the owners close shop every year in the middle of October to travel for the winter.

BENDFILM FESTIVAL:

Festival features more than just movies

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Last weekend, the city of Bend was transformed into a mecca for film lovers as the BendFilm Festival celebrated its second year with a diverse mix of shorts, documentaries, and feature films in an incredible setting.

My companions and I rolled into town Friday night, and headed to the McMenamens' St. Francis School to pick up tickets for the 11 p.m. showing of "Reeker." As we settled into the comfy couches in front of the screen, we planned on getting a good laugh out of what was sure to be a cheesy attempt at B-movie horror.

After being underwhelmed by the opening short "Joy Ride" we were soon eating our words as "Reeker" assaulted us with a horrific game of "I Spy" gone horribly wrong. As we cowered in our seats, peeking through our hands, the opening credits came onscreen. Yes, we were terrified in the first five minutes but the film offered enough cheesy situations and dialogue later that there was at least fifteen minutes total that I watched without my hands partially over my eyes.

The plot centers around five young people on their way to a rave who are stranded at an abandoned motel/gas station/diner (to allow for maximum creepy situations) and face an unknown force that preys on them one by one. Of course, the film had a larger message to convey about fighting death and of course nothing was what it seemed. The "twist" at the ending was unnecessary and con-

trived, I had been guessing it was some kind of warning on the dangers of bioterrorism but it was far less clever and too abrupt to really work.

Director David Payne embraced the horror movie clichés and the actors seemed to be having an enormously good time playing characters with names like Cookie and Trip, who spouted inane comments along the lines of "I saw a trucker - half a trucker!" or "If you smell him, shoot!" The principal source of humor lay in mocking the blind character Jack, having him ask things like "Are you ok?" when everyone can plainly see the guy is missing his arm. By far the best line of the movie sprung from the intelligence of Cookie, the requisite blonde ditz, when discussing what a sweet guy Jack was. "If he could see, I'd give him a big thumbs up!"

Of course, after being fully terrified by "Reeker" we were ready for the final short shown after the movie. "Broadcast 23" dealt with a researcher whose encounter with some kind of furry beast goes horribly, hilariously wrong. No one in the theater will ever regard Crisco in the same way, and the low budget effects made it even more uproariously funny.

After failing to get tickets to "The Olive Harvest" we realized that the beauty of the festival was that there was so much more to do if you couldn't get in to a movie. And with over 80 films showing, there was always another screening at another venue. Mark your calendars for next fall, because the BendFilm Festival is a great way to get out of town and see some amazing films.

For more information: www.bendfilm.org

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Men's soccer team looks forward to complete roster

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The Willamette Men's soccer team "marched into battle" on Saturday against the University of Puget Sound Loggers (UPS) in Tacoma. With seven players out due to injury, among them Mikey Rodrigues and Eric Jacobsen, both key players for the team, the men took only 15 out of 22 players to UPS, two of which were goalkeepers. The Bearcats were able to fight their way to a scoreless second half. However the Loggers were able to put away three goals in the second half for a final score of 3-0. The loss dropped the Bearcats to 2-6 overall and 0-3 in the Northwest Conference. Puget Sound is now 3-2 overall and 2-1 in NWC.

Sophomore Trevor Jones commented on the tough game, "We played a good game but lack of depth hurt us." Senior Daniel Park played an excellent game on Saturday earning himself honorable mention for defensive player of the week. Watching Park play is very entertaining, as the 5'11" defender is a dominant force in the air and a

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strong force on the ground with his quick foot skills.

Senior Goalkeeper Dane Meier is second in conference for saves. With 51 saves so far this year, Meier continues to be a commanding figure in the back for the Bearcats.

The men face off away this weekend against Linfield on October 1st at 2:30 p.m. Linfield is currently third in the Northwest Conference standings, with two wins and two ties. Linfield is returning 18 players and the Willamette men will have to look to their defense to step up and shut down junior forward Chris Paradis, who leads the Wildcats in goals.

Most of our team will be returning to the battle field this week and with a complete roster the men are feeling much more optimistic about their future. Dane Meier remarked, "With so many of our men back from injuries we should go 8-0 in the next games."



Junior defender Paul Slavik fends off UPS in Saturday's game.

photo by ELIZABETH HELLIENSEN

Intramural sports update

Today, I would like to write about one student who works as the IM supervisor from the Atkinson school. This is the first time he has worked as the IM supervisor from the Atkinson school. His name is Michael Robinson. He graduated from the Willamette Undergraduate program this past year and is currently enrolled in the MBA program. He is from Honolulu, HI. When he graduates he hopes to work in marketing, specifically in retail, and possibly in a sports-related industry.

When asked why he decided to work as an IM supervisor this year, Robinson said, "I have worked in the IM program for 5 years, working as both a referee and supervisor. It is very satisfying to give back to the program and help it to both grow and develop through the hard work I put in. The job helps me to develop my skills as a supervisor/manager and helps me to grow for my future profession."

I asked Robinson to describe his job as a supervisor and he stated, "As a supervisor I feel that I help to make the program run. We hire and train referees specifically for each sport. Additionally, we plan out the schedule for the entire campus recreation calendar year. In addition to league IM, we also put on one-day tournaments which students have enjoyed very much in past years."



MASAHIRO SUZUKI

I then asked Robinson how it feels to be the first person to work as an IM supervisor from The Atkinson School. "I feel that it is necessary to bring a bond between the undergraduate and graduate campuses. There is usually tension between the various schools, so acting as the liaison between the two should be very rewarding," Robinson said.

Robinson commented about IM sports in general stating, "IMs are great because they allow you to meet new people, have a fun time and enjoy a sport that you love to play at any competitive level. Students that no longer have the time to commit to a varsity level sport can have a great time playing at a high level."

I think IM sports are great too. IM sports are fun for all students. I have already taken part in IM sports; I had a fun time and made many friends. So I hope many Willamette, Atkinson and TIUA students stay interested in the IM sports events. Also, I will be glad if my articles get the word out about IM sports.

I am Masahiro Suzuki. I am one of the TIUA students. I have worked as the Intramural (IM) sports journalist since I came to Willamette in February. This is my first article to appear in The Collegian this year, although I already wrote twice last semester. I will keep writing about IM sports for The Collegian until I go back to Japan in December.

VB puts up a fight

By ALLISON DELLWO

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VOLLEYBALL

The Bearcat Volleyball team played two games this past weekend, giving their team, which is predominately freshman, even more experience. On Friday, Willamette traveled to Newberg, Oregon to play against the George Fox University Bruins. Both Willamette and George Fox are well-known for being two of the best digging teams in the conference, but in this closely-contested match, the Bruins were able to beat out the Bearcats. Entering this match, both teams were ranked 1-2 in the conference and 4-5 nationally in digs per game, setting the stage for great competition.

In game one, the Bearcats won with a score of 32-30 after leading by four points for most of the game. Whitney Kolb from George Fox evened the score at 30-30, but Willamette's Jessica McGraw made the winning points.

In the second game, the Bruins picked up their pace, hitting .297 compared to .098 in the first game. The ending score for this game was 20-30.

Game three was a closer score, with Willamette rallying to get to a tie of 26-26 with help from kills by McGraw and Durham. The Bruins got back in control after Willamette errors allowed for George Fox to win with a score of 27-30.

After four kills by the Bruins' Linzi Stolsig in the final game, George Fox

was in the lead for the remainder of the game. The final point was made for George Fox after a Bearcat error, making the final score 26-30.

Though the Bearcats may have lost the game, individually the team members did well. Durham had 18 kills, McGraw, 16 and Kelley Lindstrom had 14, while Jessica Drumm had 51 assists.

The following day, Willamette traveled to Portland to play the Lewis and Clark College Pioneers in Pamplin Sports Center. In the opening game, the Pioneers won with a score of 17-30. The leading player from Lewis and Clark was Lara Smith, with 6 kills and a remarkable 545 attack percentage assisting with the overall team percentage of .471.

In game two, the Bearcats fought back, controlling most of the game. The Pioneers had no chance as Jessica McGraw and Jordyn Smith put the game away with a block. The final score was 30-21.

The Bearcats could not keep this intensity up for the next two games however, losing in game three 22-30 and in game four 24-30.

The Bearcats will prove themselves in the next game, playing on the 27th against Northwest Christian, and also for their third home game of the season on Sept. 30th at 7:00 against Pacific University in our very own Sparks Center.

Bearcats steal Homecoming win away from Menlo College Oaks

By ALEX COMPTON
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The Willamette Bearcats football team brought home their first win of the season this Homecoming weekend against Menlo College, as they defeated the Oaks 52-20.

Menlo put up the game's first points with a 31-yard field goal resulting after a 41-yard offensive drive. Willamette answered back immediately when the Bearcats rallied 75 yards in six plays from the Oaks' kickoff.

Senior FL Ryan Hernandez held the ball for 41 yards to give his team a well-earned 7-3 lead with just over 5 minutes to play in the first quarter.

The Oaks nearly perpetuated the cycle but fell short when Junior DT Mitch MacCready turned the ball over on a fumble. Willamette penetrated the Oaks' ten yard line as the first quarter came to a close. The first play of the next quarter saw Senior RB Quentin Brock drive through the Menlo defense to the end-zone, making the score 14-3. Menlo seized a given opportunity when a high-arching punt was fumbled close to goal line and the ball was walked in by a member of the Oaks special teams.

A helmet was lost on the play, but nevertheless, Menlo College narrowed the score differential to 4. Senior Kevin Dean was credited with the next touchdown, as he completed a 12-play series catalyzed by two 11-yard runs by Junior RB Skylar Swinford and Senior quarterback Cameron Walton. The second half ended with another Menlo field goal, leaving the equilibrium in favor of the Bearcats 21-13.

Willamette struck first in the new half after a 67-yard drive that concluded with Senior FL Steve Wilbon's touchdown, one of his three scores that night.



Senior FL Ryan Hernandez and Sophomore TE Tony Davis contributed to the team's 526 yards of total offense during the game.

photo by CHRISTINE NGUYEN

FOOTBALL

Wilbon said, "I feel that this critical win is a much needed stepping stone in pursuit of our team's goal. Through the first three losses, our team maintained faith in our ability. This win is nothing more than a step in the right direction."

The Oaks were finally able to acquire a TD shortly afterwards, cutting the Bearcat lead to 28-20. The Oaks were paralyzed offensively for the remainder of the game, but Willamette would nearly double its

score by the end.

Wilbon charged ahead once again with a 55-yard touchdown sprint to add his second seven point contribution. Later, Walton hooked a pass to Senior WR Michael Plank for a 14-yard gain, which was matched by a Hernandez carry that set up Wilbon for his third and final TD run of five yards.

Willamette's final execution took place when Walton nailed John Irizarry with a 35-yard touchdown pass. Sophomore kicker Matt Bicoocca added 3 points to the final toll, and the Bearcats went home enthused with a 52-20 home victory.

Willamette University racked up a punishing 526 yards of total offense, while the defense had its most successful showing of the season. The Bearcats limited the Oaks to just one touchdown, led by Philip Sweet's 14 tackles and 16 supplied by Senior LB Megdy Khoury and Sophomore DB Ben Fennimore combined.

Head Coach Mark Speckman said of Saturday's performance, "I was worried about their offense. They have some outstanding playmakers. We did a good job of stopping them. Also, we ran the ball on them when other teams struggled. All in all [it was] a good performance."

Willamette will play in its first Northwest Conference match next week at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Washington.



Willamette's defense had its best showing of the season, beating Menlo 52-20.

photo by CHRISTINE NGUYEN

ChalkTalk

DON'T MISS THE BEARCATS AT HOME:

Friday Sept. 30
Volleyball vs. Pacific 7:00

Saturday Oct. 1
Men's & Women's Cross Country Invitational
Bush Park 9:30 a.m.

WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM PLAYS TWICE THIS WEEK

Willamette University's women's soccer team played twice this past week, chalking up a win over the Lewis & Clark Pioneers at Sparks Field on Thursday night.

Juniors Susan Butler and Michelle Gregoire each scored a goal in the first half of the game, only minutes apart from one another, and Bearcat goalie Kari Woody had five saves in the shut-out win, 2-0.

The Willamette women lost to the nationally-ranked University of Puget Sound, 0-2, in a Northwest Conference game on Saturday.

The Bearcat women are now 4-4 overall, and 2-2 in the NWC. The team's next match will be an away game at George Fox University, 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

EUGENE HOPES TO HOUSE THE OLYMPIC TRIALS

Eugene and Sacramento are the final cities in the competition to be the host for the 2008 Olympic trials in track and field.

The USATF's site selection committee should announce the decision on Oct. 14. Eugene was the site of the Olympic Trials in '72, '76, and '80.

The committee looks to be leaning towards Sacramento, which held the '00 and '04 trials and set attendance records. In '00, Sacramento pulled 187,000 fans over the eight days.

Christy's SIDE LINE

He's back to break that record. No one will argue that Barry Bonds of the San Francisco Giants is one of the all-around best players in Major League Baseball. His name will stand in history along with Hank Aaron's and Babe Ruth's. At 41, he just smacked his 707th home run last Wednesday at RFK Stadium, putting him seven homers behind Babe Ruth. Bonds now stands third on the career list behind Hank Aaron, whose record stands at 755; Babe Ruth comes in second with 714. Whether you want it or not, it looks like he will soon be breaking Babe's record.

With the controversy surrounding Bonds, some ask whether we should boo or cheer for him. For the last few years, Bonds has been suspected of taking illegal performance enhancing drugs from his personal trainer Greg Anderson. It's easy to be skeptical; just look at the change in his physical appearance. In 1998 Bonds weighed in at 210 pounds, but just two seasons earlier he had been 180. Currently he stands at 6'2 and 228 pounds.

Bonds has learned to let the criticism roll off his back. "I've been tarnished for being in baseball for years and years. There's nothing you guys can write or people can say that's going to fix that. It doesn't matter anymore. I go out there and enjoy the game."

This past week Bonds dipped pretty low, using Hurricane Katrina as his distraction from the ongoing steroid issues. According to ESPN.com, he stated, "There are still other issues that are more important. Right now, people are losing lives, don't have homes. I think that's a little more serious. A lot more serious." Bonds' comments this last week prove to be an example of his weak maneuvering with the press.

The evidence against Bonds is as follows: in December of 2003, he testified before a Grand Jury that he used "the clear" and "the cream," as suggested by his trainer Anderson. "The clear" is a fertility drug used to mask steroids, and "the cream" is a human growth hormone. But Bonds said that he had no idea that either of the substances was a steroid.

Could he really have been that naïve? I guess some may believe so. To date, Bonds has never tested positive for steroids. However, prior to 2002 Major League Baseball had no official policy on steroid use among players. Currently, the MLB steroid policy states that there will be one unannounced mandatory test of each player during the season; there will also be testing of randomly selected players. The penalties for a positive result are: first positive - 10 day suspension; second - 30 days; third - 60 days; fourth - one year. All are without pay (USA Today.com)

The real question is: if Bonds did use steroids, which looks to be the case, then did the steroids contribute to his performance? Personally, I think it is sad that athletes feel the need to take steroids to make their mark in history. It is cheating to some degree. Even if the MLB creates new testing strategies and tougher penalties, will we ever be able to go back to those good old days in baseball?

CORRECTION

The column entitled "Christy's Sideline" in the Sept. 21 edition of The Collegian incorrectly stated that Paul Allen is not married. Allen is, in fact, married.

The Collegian apologizes for this inaccuracy.



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Sports Profile: LUCAS MAY

XC runner gets into mindset

By BRIAN BEST

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Many Willamette students can be seen everyday running and jogging through campus, either training for sports or simply trying to stay in shape. Lucas May is one of those many Willamette students although he has only recently started running for the Bearcat cross-country team. At Franklin High School in Portland Oregon, Lucas ran for three years on varsity and developed a distinct love for running.

Lucas decided not to run his freshman year at Willamette because he was unsure if he wanted to dedicate himself to a sport the first semester of his freshman year in college. May said, "Coming into college, I wasn't sure if running was a high priority for me at the time, especially my first semester at school."

Lucas had nothing but praise for the Willamette cross-country team, especially the workout and practice program. May commented on the depth and sophis-

tication of the training compared with high school and was deeply impressed by the focus placed on the individual runner. He also found that practice was meant to direct success during races unlike in high school where Lucas found the focus was on pushing yourself as hard as possible every time. Most importantly however, Lucas said that training during the season is a mindset and every member of the team needs to get into that mindset in order to do their best during meets. Lucas said, "The program requires daily physical and mental strengthening, which really gets you into the right mindset."

Not only was Lucas impressed with the training program but also the coaching staff including NWC coach of the year Matt McGuirk. May said, "The coaches give their heart and soul to the team and their success rides on our success."

Lucas is excited for this year's season, especially after Willamette's success at the Sundodger Invitational where the men took first place two



Lucas May ran in high school and is now on the Willamette cross-country team.

— Courtesy of Willamette Athletics Website

weeks ago. He summed up his love of running by saying, "Running is truly a lifestyle and affects all aspects of it, and I really wanted to fill that void this year."

The Bearcats will have their first home Invite this Saturday October 1 at Bush Park beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Outdoor Club scales South Sisters

By STEVE FIALA

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Expecting only partly-cloudy weather, Outdoor Club opened a year of exploration and appreciation of nature on September 10 by braving the blizzard-ridden slopes of the South Sisters.

"We had about 25 people from the Outdoor Club and about 25 people from Eastside (Baxter, Matthews, Belknap, and Terra), who probably hadn't ever heard of Outdoor Club yet," said sophomore and Outdoor Club Leader Brandon Adams. "One of the goals of the South Sisters hike was to introduce a bunch of freshmen to Willamette Outdoor Club and I think we succeeded."

Although the intense wind and snow flurries made it impossible for everyone to reach the top of the South Sister Peak, according to junior and co-Outdoor Club president Jen Regan, "The large

group split up over three trails and had an array of amazing experiences." The South Sisters climb is one journey in a long list of Outdoor Club experiences. Prior to the South Sisters climb, the Outdoor Club has embarked on a variety of Northwest adventures including rock-climbing at Smith Rocks, an overnight backpacking trip near Waldo Lake, camping trips near the coast and day-trips to local hot springs.

"My personal favorite of all the trips was the backpacking trip to Waldo Lake, because there was an unexpected thin layer of snow on the ground, and it made everything look amazingly beautiful," said Adams. "Plus it was cold and we had to suck it up and be pretty hardcore about the whole thing."

According to Regan, the Outdoor Club is already planning for future excursions with a full day of intense kayak training on

the Deschutes River planned for this upcoming Saturday, October 1. The Outdoor Club also plans on embarking on a three-day backpacking trip at mid-semester break.

"The cool thing is that Willamette Outdoor Club really listens to what people want to do, and then works hard to plan something that will do just that," Adams said.

To become involved with Outdoor Club simply e-mail Regan at <jregan> to be added to the Outdoor Club listserve. Outdoor Club is generally low-commitment as there are no meetings for general members. Outdoor Club updates are conducted through e-mails and are only sent out in regards to upcoming trips and events. According to Regan, 112 people are on the e-mail list, but the club is open to the whole campus at any time.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORT

September 17-24, 2005

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

September 20, 2:45 p.m. (Sigma Chi): A student reported that around 4 a.m., someone had sprayed a fire extinguisher through his open window. The powder caused difficulty breathing and required extensive clean up.

September 20, 11:00 p.m. (Sparks Center): An employee reported gang graffiti left on a restroom wall.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID

September 19, 8:45 p.m. (Sparks Center): A student was provided ice and assisted to her room after injuring her ankle. No further treatment was sought at the time.

September 19, 9:15 p.m. (Soccer Field): A student was transported by ambulance to the hospital after falling and receiving a back/neck injury.

September 24, 12:15 a.m. (Soccer Field): A student was transported to the hospital after striking their head on the bleachers while playing ultimate Frisbee.

September 24, 6:14 a.m. (Beta Theta Pi): WEMS responded to a student who had drunk too much alcohol. No further treatment was necessary.

POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE

September 18, 12:54 a.m. (18th/State streets): The OLCC and Salem Police requested Campus Safety's assistance with an off campus party. Numerous minors were charged with Minor in Possession of Alcohol.

September 18, 1:44 a.m. (18th/Court streets): Salem Police responded to a party involving intoxicated minors. The organizers were charged with providing alcohol to minors.

September 23, 8:45 p.m. (Campus): Officers responded to a report of alcohol use in an outdoor location. Several students were identified and alcohol was confiscated.

September 22, 11:35 p.m. (Lausanne Hall): Residence Life reported the smell of marijuana coming from a room. Officers assisted in contacting the occupants. The odor of marijuana was strong in the room, though occupants claimed they had not used the drug.

THEFT

September 20, 9:45 a.m. (Lausanne Hall): A student reported someone had stolen parts off of their bicycle while it was locked in the basement.

September 20, 2:50 p.m. (Kaneko Hall): A student reported his bicycle had been stolen from the west bike rack.

September 23, 9:15 a.m. (Montag Center): An employee reported a large planter on a rolling cart missing from the entryway. It appears someone stole the item the previous evening.

TRESPASS

September 23, 7:55 p.m. (Lausanne Hall): Officers contacted an intoxicated man lying on a bench. The man refused to leave the property and police were called. He then departed toward the State Capitol.

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

* Avoid car break-ins. Don't leave any valuables visible in your vehicle.



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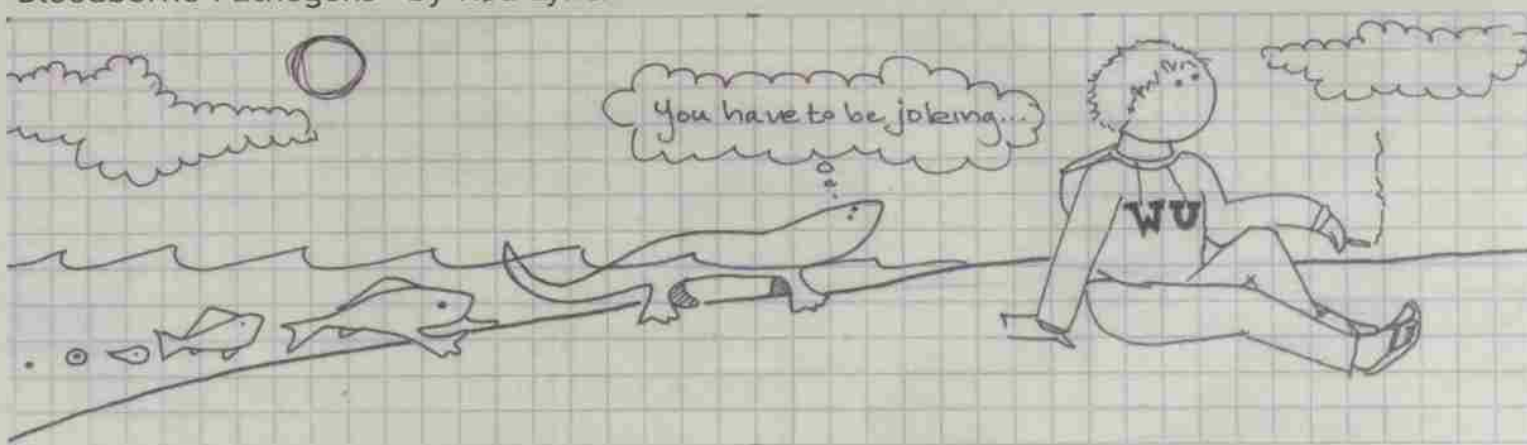
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