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**Economic Course Wins National Competition**



Members of the Economic Simulation Course from left to right: Advisor Don Negri, President Rhiannon Kruse, Ivan Wood, Sabrina Webb, Seth Peck, Nykki Hardin, Advisor Garret Asay and Rob Laizure.

By **MONIQUE ALLEN**  
Staff Writer

Six students from the Economic Simulation Course were honored last weekend at an international competition in San Jose, CA. Over forty schools in the US, Canada, and Mexico competed in

the 35<sup>th</sup> annual Business Policy Game, and Willamette University came in first.

Rhiannon Kruse, President of the team, said she was amazed the team had done so well when she found out they had won. "I wanted to jump up and scream, but I couldn't. It was surprising to everyone that a liberal

arts school had done so much better than many business schools that were there."

The six team members were Rhiannon Kruse (President), Ivan Wood (co-VP Strategic Planning), Rob Laizure (co-VP Strategic Planning), Nykki Hardin (VP Production), Seth Peck (VP Marketing), and Sabrina Webb (VP Finance). Their advisors were Don Negri, Professor of Economics, and Garret Asay, senior economics major.

The Business Policy Game, created in 1964, is based upon a computer program that creates a hypothetical economy in a manufacturing industry.

Each team forms a business, and must make weekly decisions regarding finance, marketing, and production.

The competition lasts for three months, and is concluded with a competition that was held in San Jose this year.

Willamette has competed in the game since 1967, and Willamette students brought home the first place trophy in 1991 as well.

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**Hawkinson Named New Dean of Campus Life**

**PRESS RELEASE**

President M. Lee Pelton has named Robert Hawkinson Willamette's new dean of campus life, effective immediately. This position, currently designated as vice president for student affairs, has been changed to reflect closer programmatic ties between curricular and co-curricular student life.

Hawkinson will work closely with the deans of the College of Liberal Arts, College of Law and the Atkinson Graduate School of Management to develop programs that seek to integrate academic, residential and social life.

There will be no change in the offices currently reporting to Hawkinson, who has served as interim vice president in this position since September.

Hawkinson has served on the politics faculty at Willamette since 1982. He plans to continue as a part-time member of the department and will teach both politics and general education courses.

Hawkinson attended Chicago public schools, Swarthmore College

and the University of Chicago. Before coming to Willamette he taught at the University of Alabama, Birmingham, and the University of California, Santa Cruz.

At Willamette he has served as the original advisor to the Bistro, a founding coordinator of World Views, a member of the Goudy Commons planning committee, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts (1993-96) and chair of the Working Group on the Curriculum. Most recently he has been the principal organizer of the Chicago Cluster in the general education program.

"I am very pleased that Bob Hawkinson has agreed to this appointment," said Pelton. "He has already exceeded my very high expectations in this important area of the University. He is a good listener, an insightful and creative thinker on curricular and campus ethos issues, and someone who is deeply committed to Willamette and its students. He has earned the respect and confidence of faculty, students and staff. I have no doubt that he will make significant and lasting contributions to the long-term welfare of the University."

**Rhetoric and Media Studies Department Sweeps Awards**

By **BELINDA STILLION**  
Staff Writer

Willamette's Rhetoric and Media Studies Department rocked the Northwest Communication Association just this last weekend, where it swept all undergraduate award categories.

Senior Dave Hanon won first place in the undergraduate student paper category.

Sophomore Brit Toven took home honorable mention for an undergraduate student paper.

After dominating two of three award categories for undergraduate schools, Willamette did not sit pretty.

They continued to sweep the competition taking the prestigious

award of top Undergraduate Research Institution.

Huge props to the accomplished and proud Rhetoric students and faculty representing Willamette University.

Participants and research gurus attending were Sophomores Adam Sullivan, Miles Ward, Brit Toven and Seniors Kay Lyn Charriere, Ben Henderson, Jesse Gnehm and Dave Hanon.

Professors David Douglass, Catherine Collins and Jeanne Clark accompanied the troop to the two-day conference to not only pick up the utmost merits possible, but to advise the students before making presentations on their papers.

Ward believes that "the experience should serve as an example to all writing centered courses," for

"being forced to present your research shows you new things about how to improve your writing."

Having reason to be proud of his own writing, Ward added, "Willamette cleaned house—and that's all there is to it."

Their accomplishments deserve great praise, for snatching any of these awards is not easy.

Held annually in Coeur D'Alene, Idaho, the conference invites more than 20 state and liberal arts institutions as well as community colleges to submit entries of research papers.

Well over 70 papers from Oregon, Washington, Montana, Utah and Canada competed with our stu-

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**1999 Carson Research Grants Awarded**

By **KATY FRASER**  
Contributor

As Willamette University celebrates the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Carson Undergraduate Research Grant, ten more scholars have been selected to receive the prestigious award.

The 1999 winners are Torry Bend, Cathy Brown, Lyn Delmastro, Eben Dickinson, Katy Fraser, Deborah Ann Kermer, Vi Ly, Michael Osland, Matthew Reudink,

and Warren Wood. As in years past, the proposals vary widely in subject matter and represent a number of different disciplines, ranging from dance to biology, and will be carried out in assorted locations around the globe.

Warren Wood, whose project integrates chemistry and archaeology, will conduct his research while on an excavation in Northern Syria.

Similarly, Michael Osland will travel to Panama to undertake part of his juxtaposition of Oregon and Panamanian rocky intertidal spe-

cies. The Carson Undergraduate Research Grant was first awarded during the 1989-1990 school year in honor of former CLA Dean Julie Ann Carson.

According to Dean Cress, his predecessor had a genuine interest in fostering undergraduate research opportunities for Willamette students.

Though the funds for the grant

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**Grieving for Colorado and Kosovo**

Students embrace at a vigil in Cone Chapel on Wednesday in response to the shootings in Littleton, Colorado and the bombings in Kosovo. Both tragedies have touched the Willamette community.

*Photo by Ann Taylor*

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## Campus Safety Report for April 11-17, 1999

### Burglary

April 15, 1:30 p.m. (Olin Science) - An employee reported that someone had forced entry into a room and stole an electronic balance. A cable securing the balance had been cut in order to remove it.

### Criminal Mischief

April 15, 1:40 a.m. (Smullin Hall) - An employee reported that someone had ripped the phone in the east entry off the wall.

### Criminal Trespass

April 15, 6:39 p.m. (Stadium) - While on patrol, an officer observed a dispute between several people in front of the Stadium. One of the people involved had been previously issued a trespass warning. The individual was placed under arrest. The officer turned the suspect over to Salem Police.

### Emergency Medical Aid

April 12, 12:57 p.m. (In a Campus Residence) - While on patrol, officers received a call that a student was hyperventilating and hypoglycemic. WEMS was called to respond and arrived at the same time as the officers.

WEMS evaluated the student and determined that she did not need further medical attention.

April 13, 12:31 p.m. (Crosswalk Near Goudy) - Campus Safety received a report of a vehicle/pedestrian accident on Winter Street. Officer responded and called for WEMS to do the same. Upon their arrival WEMS began assessment while officers maintained traffic control. Salem Fire and Police arrived and took over the situation.

April 15, 3:20 a.m. (Hasekoff Apartments) - A student called to report that she had been stung by a wasp and was wondering if someone could come take a look at it.

The student stated that she was not allergic to bee stings but that she did want to be checked. Officers and WEMS responded to the call. WEMS evaluated and treated the student.

April 14, 5:15 p.m. (Doney Hall) - A student came into the Campus Safety Office seeking treatment for an injury to his finger. Officers called WEMS who responded and treated the student.

April 15, 6:57 p.m. (Goudy Commons) - Campus Safety received a call of a student who had fainted. Officers responded and called WEMS to the scene. WEMS checked the victim and thought it best to call for an ambulance to transport the student.

### Minor In Possession

April 11, 1:05 a.m. (Matthews Hall) - While on patrol, an officer noticed two student walking across the parking lot. Just before they entered the building one student lost her balance and fell.

The officer followed the couple into the building and made contact with them in her room.

The officer determined that she was very intoxicated but did not seem to be in any danger.

The other student was going to be staying with her to make sure she was okay.

### Theft

April 13, 11:15 a.m. (Delta Gamma) - An officer received a report from a student that two credit cards had been stolen from her purse and had been used at several locations to make purchases.

The officer advised the student to contact her credit card company and also the Salem Police to report the theft.

April 14, 4:28 p.m. (TIUA) - An employee called to report that a bench seat belonging to a van had been stolen. The seat had been removed from the van and left in the foyer when it was taken.

April 15, 11:15 a.m. (Goudy Commons) - An employee reported that someone had taken a large glass decorative jar from the serving area.

April 15, 12:30 a.m. (Goudy Commons) - An employee reported that a student ate a food item while in the serving area and attempted to leave without paying for it.

## Extravaganza Draws Crowd



Photo by Alexandra Cowen

Over a hundred Willamette students enjoyed themselves at WISA's annual International Extravaganza held in early April.

## CARSON: Wide Range of Topics

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came initially from the university, Willamette Trustee and Alumnus Bill Long later stepped in to endow the award and continues to do so today.

Professor of History Bill Duvall, who served as the Chairman of the Carson Grant Committee this year, says that the award "affords students the opportunity to do some relatively sophisticated research."

He looks on the process as an apprenticeship of sorts for students, wherein undergraduates have the chance to pursue a specialized course of study under the close guidance and supervision of a sponsor.

Dean Cress says this is exactly the sort of opportunity Willamette wishes to provide its students.

"We want to give students a chance to experience the learning process," explains Cress.

As a provision of the grant, all recipients will give final presentations of their research during the 1999-2000 school year.

Beneficiaries of last year's Carson Grant awards completed their presentations just last week.

The topics that will be researched by award recipients are:

"Silk Constructions of Femininity Based on Female Forms of

Botticelli, Michaelangelo, Correggio, and Titian," T. Bend

"Happy Feet: Enhancing Balance and Agility in Older Individuals Through Tap Dance Training," C. Brown

"The Palace of Versailles: A Place of Memory in the French National Consciousness," L. Delmastro

"The Harmony and Discord Between Lithography and Etching: A Virtual Research Project Through the Creation of Two-Print Series," E. Dickinson

"Exploring the Political Ramifications of Urbanization: A Study of Incipient Political Systems in Early Bronze II-III Transjordan," K. Fraser

"An Investigation Into the Perceived Quality of Classroom Materials," D. Kermer

"Hainan Island: A Study of Gender Relations from the Periphery of the Communist Revolution in China," Vi Ly

"A Comparison of Rocky Intertidal Species Diversity in Oregon and Panama," M. Osland

"Investigation of Simian Retroviruses: Addressing the Safety of Xenotransplants," M. Reudink

"Chemical Analysis of Middle Bronze and Iron Age Ceramic Vessels from Tell Nimrin (Jordan) and Tell Tarqur (Syria)," W. Wood

## ECONOMIC: Course Educates

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The success of these Willamette students is remarkable.

Their hypothetical industry had an ending quarterly net income of \$8.5 million, a market share of over 30 percent, stock prices that were 80 times higher than what it was originally, and a production capacity that surpassed the limits of the computerized game.

According to Kruse, "the judges told us there was no competition for first place.

They had difficulty deciding second and third place.

They also told us our performance was more like a graduate school than undergraduate."

Rumor has it that the Economic Simulation Course may be on its way out due to budgeting concerns.

However, these students learned many valuable lessons and would be sad to see the program go.

Rhiannon Kruse said, "I learned more in this class than I have in any of my other classes."

According to Garrett Asay, "The Business Policy Game provides students with 'hands on' experience. This is not a course that is necessarily taught. Students learn it themselves. You have to make decisions based upon limited information, which is how most decisions have to be made in the business world."

The Willamette team was generously sponsored by PIMCO (Pacific Investment Management Company), which is a leading institutional money manager with more than \$158 billion in assets under management.

The Willamette team wishes to express their gratitude.

## Bookstore SPRING SALE!!!



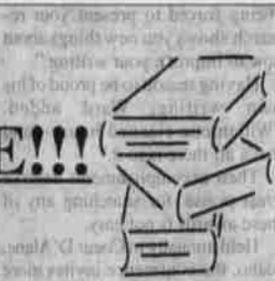
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## Tobin's Take: *Cookie's Fortune*

(film reviews from Tobin Addington)

**Film:** *Cookie's Fortune*

**Starring:** Glenn Close, Julianne Moore, Charles S. Dutton, Liv Tyler

**Director:** Robert Altman

**Playing at Salem Cinema**

**Verdict:** ☆☆☆☆☆

*Cookie's Fortune* marks the return of one of American cinema's living legends, **Robert Altman** (*M\*A\*S\*H*, *The Player*). That is not to say he hasn't made recent films—in fact, he's averaged one a year for quite some time. Unfortunately, Altman hasn't achieved this kind of energy and intimacy in ages. The Altman style of filmmaking has always been extremely actor-friendly. He brings together a fantastic cast of talented actors and lets them work together as an ensemble. He often uses long takes, allowing the actors to play out a scene at their own pace. In some of his recent films (*Kansas City*, *Ready to Wear*) this style has not brought appealing results. Finally, with this southern gem, Altman's formula once again works like a charm.

The story meanders around the closely connected stories of the residents of Holly Springs, Mississippi. **Glenn Close** (*Dangerous Liaisons*) and **Julianne Moore** (*Boogie Nights*) play a sisters who find their step-mother dead. **Liv Tyler** (*Steal-*

*ing Beauty*) does a delicious, *Arra-geddon*-redeeming turn as Emma. Moore's rebellious daughter. Every mannerism Close brings to her megalomaniacal character, especially when directing the play or controlling her sister, is right on the money. And all the performances are just as good. Moore pulls herself in and under-plays the Close's

dimwitted sister with fabulous results. **Charles S. Dutton** and **Patricia Neal** deliver a warm, funny, *Driving Miss Daisy* relationship with-



out bowing to clichés. Even **Chris O'Donnell** (*Circle of Friends*) gives up the cardboard substitute-for-acting that he used in the atrocious *Batman and Robin* and is delightfully dorky as the youngest member of the police force, and Emma's love interest.

It is easy to see why Altman is considered a great filmmaker. He handles all the darker subject matter of *Cookie's Fortune* with a light touch, but never an irreverent one. It takes quite an artist to paint with such a light brush. The film is really a multiple character study, and it is the characters that are the heart of the movie. As we meet these endearingly wacky individuals we can only guess as to what motivates them. But we care and so does Altman, and that's what makes *Cookie's Fortune* such a fine film. Funny, light, and masterful, *Cookie's Fortune* is a breath of fresh southern air from a truly great American filmmaker.

-Tobin Addington



The film is never without a laugh. Police investigations, cover-ups, and an Easter play all get wonderfully roasted by the hilarious script. The script pokes fun at southern manners, interwoven families, and small town gos-

### This Week at THE BISTRO

-Fri, Apr 23:  
**Reggie Garrett & The Snakeoil Peddlers**, 9pm  
-Wed, Apr 28:  
**Open Mic 7ish/Bish**

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1 May 1999 Brown Field  
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**MAIN STAGE**

- Noon Helenkiller
- 12:40 Greenhorn
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- 1:50 Shannon Knepper
- 3:05 Pretty To Look At
- 3:55 Herschel Patch & The Gleekers
- 4:45 Rockin' Teenage Combo
- 5:35 Pigpen
- 6:25 Calobo
- 8:25 Rubberneck
- Also featuring: Kim Goodell
- Team Bolo
- Hawaii Club

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- 2:00 Alex James
- 3:00 Bryan Barnell & Bob Reinhardt
- 6:05 & 8:00 DJ Optimus Prime & NC Szyzygy

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## TOP TEN REASONS TO GO TO WULAPALOOZA '99

10. See the band **Hellenkiller** get sued by the politically-incorrect patrol for having a name that's way too cool
9. Free Tunes: How often are you going to be able to see over a dozen bands, including two top-notch Northwest bands, for abso-freakin'-lutely free?! The answer: Only once a year, at Wulaplooza!
8. President Pelton will make a guest appearance playing the banjo and bongos for **Calobo**
7. Student Bands: We've got some incredible talent lurking in the shadows here at Willamette, and this is a time for them to shine and for everyone to check it out!
6. See **Matt Fargo's** haircut and fashion sense and discover why his band is called **Pretty To Look At**
5. "I knew them back when they were a little band playing at my school." Yes, uttering that phrase could be the closest some of us get to stardom: witness fame in the making with some up-and-coming bands!
4. That environmental speaker that bored everyone to death last year has been banned from campus, and if he's seen, he'll be tied up to a tree belly-first so he can really know what being a "tree-hugger" really means
3. Other Cool Stuff To Do: If you remember last year's festivities, you'll recall that it wasn't just free tunes, but other fun stuff: art tables, a big balloon castle, and more. See what they've got planned this year!
2. President Pelton will also be making a guest appearance with the **Hawaii Club**, in a special performance of the little known "M.Lee Hoola"
1. It's the coolest thing we've got! Ask any other school if they've got an all-day music and fun festival, and you'll almost for sure get a "Yeah, right." This is going to be an incredible event! Free tunes, free fun—it's gonna kick ass. So show up in Brown field and the Bistro on Saturday, May 1st for a great day and more fun than you can possibly handle!

brought to you by the a&e editor, so if you don't like it, it's his fault

## The Collegian Music Guide

This Week, This Month, and as Far into the Summer as Possible

**APRIL 23RD (FRI)**  
-PETE KREBS & THE GOSSAMER WINGS (CD Release Party), Plus GARDENER @ Berhati's Pan (PDX)  
-SUNSET VALLEY w/ THE PINEHURST KIDS PLUS MAGIC FINGERS ALSO NIVEN & MANDARIN @ La Luna (PDX)

**APRIL 24TH (SAT)**  
-LIQUID SOUL & MER-KA-BA MOTHERSHIP @ La Luna (PDX)  
-94.7 NRK SNOWJOB: GOLDFINGER, ZEBRAHEAD, THE FLYS, & THE AMERICAN GIRLS @ Mt. Hood Meadows

**APRIL 25TH (SUN)**  
-FRONT LINE ASSEMBLY w/ SPAHN RANCH @ The Fenix (Seattle) (ticketmaster)  
-DIGITAL UNDERGROUND w/ PHAT CITY SMOKEHOUSE PLUS SIGNIFIED MONKEY ALSO HUNGRY MOB @ La Luna

**APRIL 26TH (MON)**  
-CRASH TEST DUMMIES & SIX PENCE NONE THE RICHER @ La Luna

**APRIL 27TH (TUE)**  
-PETE KREBS & THE GOSSAMER WINGS w/ RICHMOND FONTAINE @ La Luna

**APRIL 28TH (WED)**  
-UNDERWORLD @ Showbox (Seattle) (ticketmaster)  
-LA LUNA EMPLOYEE TALENT SHOW @ La Luna

**APRIL 30TH (FRI)**  
-GOMEZ w/ MOJAVE 3 @ Berhati's Pan

**MAY 6 & LIT @ La Luna**  
-THE AMERICAN GIRLS @ Tonic Lounge (PDX) RUMOR!!!

**MAY 10TH (MON)**  
-THE CREATURES (Featuring Siouxsie Sue & Budgie) @ The Fenix (Above) SEATTLE (ticketmaster)  
-MIKE NESS w/ DEKE DICKERSON @ Roseland Theatre (PDX)

**MAY 21ST (FRI)**  
-WILCO w/ Special Guests @ Roseland Theatre

**MAY 28TH (FRI)**  
-JONATHAN RICHMAN @ Berhati's Pan

**JUNE 2ND (TUE)**  
-BLONDIE @ Civic Auditorium  
-BEN HARPER @ Hult Center Eugene (ticketmaster)  
-BUILT TO SPILL @ Crystal Ballroom

**JUNE 3RD (WED)**  
-BUILT TO SPILL @ Crystal Ballroom

**JUNE 18TH (FRI)**  
-RAMMSTEIN w/ SOULFLY plus MINDLESS SELF INDULGENCE @ Roseland Theatre

**JULY 6TH (TUE)**  
-VANS WARPED TOUR: BLINK 182, LESS THAN JAKE, SUICIDAL TENDENCIES, SEVENDUST, THE LIVING END, PLUS MORE in Downtown Portland somwhere

**JULY 11TH (SUN)**  
-COWBOY JUNKIES & LEO KOTTKE @ Washington Park Amphitheatre (PDX)

## HOT TIPS

for the week of Apr 23 - Apr 30

WHAT: eXistenZ  
WHEN: April 23  
WHERE: Statesman  
WHY: Director **David Cronenberg** (*M. Butterfly*) leads an all-star cast in this satirical, futuristic, cyber-punk thriller. When a woman (**Jennifer Jason Leigh**) creates a virtual reality video game that is incredibly realistic and pro-reality, anti-game fringe group targets her for assassination, she flees into the game. The line between reality and virtual reality become increasingly vague and decidedly dangerous. Expect a very Cronenbergian approach to this hip issue, with plenty of edgy, even sick jokes. The rest of the cast includes **Jude Law** (*Gattaca*), **Willem Dafoe** (*Platoon*), and **Ian Holm** (*Big Night*).  
-Tobin

If the weather's good this Saturday, haul your butt up to Mt. Hood Meadows and hit the slopes while checking out some great tunes at **KNRK's SnowJob** (including the American Girls!) -Bob

Call the venue for more details...

# Feydeau's Farce 'A Flea in Her Ear' Opens This Weekend

By CARINNA TARVIN

Staff Writer

The long-awaited spring play, *A Flea in Her Ear* is about to take Willamette by storm. This pure farce is promising to be a hilarious tour de force.

The story of *A Flea in Her Ear* takes place in Paris at the turn of the century, and was written by the King of Farce, Georges Feydeau and translated from French by John Mortimer. Although it was written and takes place almost 100 years ago, Sophomore actor Daniel Banakus said that it has very modern themes.

Audiences will be entertained by a story of mistaken identities, secret meetings, and misplaced jealousies.

One miscommunication sets off a ridiculous chain of events, and the only people who know what is going on are the audience members.

Junior Jimmy Lyon said that the play is essentially about controlled pandemonium.

Everything that can possibly

be turned into a joke, is. Director Steven David Martin explained that one of the challenges of the production is that it is exhausting because everyone is constantly moving.

There is an urgency to the acting, and, as Martin said, "We're not going to stop to wait for the audience to catch up with the jokes."

Lyon and Banakus agreed that people should watch the play more than once in order to catch more of the hundreds of jokes. But, as Lyon said, "Steven would clobber us if we gave away any secrets."

Martin also said that the story is

based in reality, even though it is extremely absurd.

He said that the actors are challenged to keep their performances from getting too phony or fake,

which is the normal tendency when acting in a farce, since reactions are so exaggerated.

In his words, a farce is not so much

Lindsay Buller, Ben Carr, Nick Williams, Amanda Byron, Alejandro Gutierrez, and George Carlsen. The production team is choreographer Kimberly Christensen, set designer

harder to ascertain in a tragedy or more serious play.

Banakus said that students should come to the play because it is colorful, fun, quick paced, and out of control. He also said that the script is well written, the costumes are outrageous and the set is wonderful.

He, Lyon and Martin all emphasized that it is simply a fun play and that people shouldn't expect a moral or message, just a good time.

As Martin explained, sometimes people feel guilty about watching something simply for its entertainment value. However, he countered that idea by declaring that "It is very freeing to let go and enjoy laughing."

*Audiences will be entertained by a story of mistaken identities, secret meetings, and misplaced jealousies.*

an exaggeration of normal happenings, but a depiction of a heightened reality.

According to Banakus, the play takes relatively normal characters and throws them into the most absurd situations.

There are 25 or 26 people involved in the show, and Martin has said that when they are all coordinated and working together, the result is brilliant. Lead actors are

Christopher Harris, lighting and sound director Clay Everett, and costume designer Kristine Kearney.

When asked why he chose to direct this play, Martin said that he had directed or acted in the last three plays Willamette produced prior to directing them here.

He wanted to challenge the actors with a genre that they haven't worked with before and the audience hasn't seen before.

He said that people generally assume that acting in comedies is easier than in tragedies, but that it is actually a considerable challenge.

If the audience isn't laughing, it is immediately obvious that the play is failing, which is something that is

The Willamette University Department of Theatre Presents:

## A Flea in Her Ear

A Farce  
by Georges Feydeau  
Translated by John Mortimer  
Directed by Steven David Martin

Preview:  
April 22 @ 8pm

Runs:  
April 23, 24, 29, 30, May 1 @ 8pm

Sunday Matinees:  
April 25, May 2\* @ 2pm

Student Matinee:  
April 29 @ 11am

General Admission will be \$10 on Fridays and Saturdays and \$8 on Sunday.  
The price for students and seniors every day will be \$6.  
\*This performance signed for the hearing impaired.

Kresge Theatre, Willamette University (503) 370-6221



# Seeing the True Colors in the History of Oregon

By ANNALIVIA KOMYATE

Staff Writer

Oregonians have buried some surprising history in their past. Professor Darrell Milner of Portland State University's Black Studies Department uncovered some of these little known facts last Wednesday with an amazing collection of slides and historical anecdotes about the Oregon Trail experience.

His lecture, part of the Humanities Center Lectures, was held in the Hatfield Room on April 15.

Between certain pro-slavery elements, and later, Hollywood, our traditional view of pioneers, covered wagons and cowboys just doesn't have any colored faces in it except those of Native Americans and now and then a Hispanic or two.

A careful look at the real history of the Oregon Trail starts with the driving forces behind the Westward Ho! movement: the climactic national controversy and crisis between pro and anti-slavery factions over equal statehood representation culminating first in the Missouri Compromise, and finally in the Civil War. Professor Milner covered more history than is possible to cover here, but a few highlights might whet your appetite for more.

First of all, a few misconceptions need to be dispelled. As Professor Milner pointed out, a fourth grade textbook in use in Portland Public Schools today shows our blindness to truth in history: it states that the pioneers came West and found a beautiful land where no one had ever lived before.

Along with the omitting of thousands of Native Americans who were already here from text books, Milner reminded us that the Spanish came out West and established communities 150 years before United States citizens came.

Mexico and Spain owned most of the West and Southwest, and there were hundreds and thousands of Spanish Mexican peoples in the West before English and United States settlers ever came.

So where do African Americans fit in to the history of the West? First of all, Professor Milner began with the early explorer, Coronado, who, in 1500, brought 300 black slaves with him in his explorations of the West.

In those next few centuries, the Spanish had more slaves than America ever had, and yet they had a different color line in their society than we did.

More than a few blacks "made good," and the last Mexican Governor of California before our purchase of it was an African Mexican in 1840.

The same thing happened in the French and English communities just North of Oregon: the first Governor of Vancouver and British Columbia was a black Englishman named James Douglass. More than a few blacks coming West on the

Oregon Trail, finding themselves unwelcome in Oregon, turned North and went to Vancouver.

There are other fascinating facts. We have credited Lewis and Clark for their ground-breaking trek across America; we have even given Sacajawea a little credit for leading them.

But we never knew that we owed a black man named York, Clark's personal slave and servant, for getting them through the difficult journey. Clark was so grateful for York's invaluable service that when they returned to the East, he officially rewarded York with his freedom.

*...a fourth grade textbook in use in Portland Public Schools today shows our blindness to truth in history: it states that the pioneers came West and found a beautiful land where no one had ever lived before.*

Funny how, through the ages, the pictures painted of this famous journey only show three people, instead of four. And mountain men, those impossible and invaluable rough-necks who led wagon trains and found passes through the mountains—did you know that a number of them were black?

Go look up the names of Jim Beckworth, and Moses Harris for starters. Beckworth discovered an important pass through the Sierra Nevada, yet he's been shown as a white man in TV's westerns.

And there was Jesse Stahl, the

best bronco rider in the world, but not allowed to compete at early Pendleton Roundups. At least 20% of all cowboys on the range from here to Texas were black.

Then there were the black Americans who actually founded some towns—like George Washington who founded Centralia, WA, in 1870.

It was fascinating to see real life photos of these folks, and there is no denying the African heritage of some very interesting and important people in the history of the West. No, as Professor Milner said, "race issues cannot be separated from our history."

And the most important race issues had serious implications that have changed the course of history even to this present day. One of the most serious was the exclusion of blacks from obtaining land in Oregon.

Laws were created to exclude blacks from Oregon three different times in the 1800s and effectively kept almost all black settlers out during the entire Oregon Trail period and beyond.

The land that the Federal Government freely gave to white settlers created the economy and society that we have today. It was a kind of Affirmative Action for whites if you will. In fact, by the time you read this, the Oregon Legislature will have passed a resolution and Gov-

ernor Kitzhaber will have signed a proclamation acknowledging the 150th anniversary of the Territorial Exclusion Act of 1849, in recognition of the losses suffered by minorities in the whole Oregon Territory during the settling of the West. This took place at the Capitol on Thursday, April 22.

If Oregon land had not been given away freely, settlers would not have been able to come here and create our society.

Oregonians who have descended from early settlers know full well that their beginnings here were based on a gift of land which has turned into an incredibly valuable resource for their families throughout the last 150 years.

Just think what could be if blacks had been allowed the same privilege.

Instead of a large-scale disparity in the socioeconomic situations of African Oregonians compared with white Oregonians, we might have an equitable society in which today's Affirmative Action policies might not be so imperatively necessary—might not even need to exist!

Professor Milner deserves thanks for a fascinating and enlightening lecture. Thanks also goes to the Humanities Department, who sponsored his lecture, and to Professor Frann Michel, who organized it.

The last lecture of the Humanities series is next Monday, April 26th, at 7pm, in the Hatfield Room, titled "Erasing the Boundaries of Tradition: Mexican Women in Oregon," with Professor Susan Cabello from Pacific University.

# Hawaii Club Hosts Annual Lu'au this Saturday

By JASMIN AMICK  
Staff Writer

This Saturday, April 24th, will mark the 10th anniversary of Willamette University's annual Hawaiian Lu'au.

The Hawaii Club and its numerous volunteers will be sharing many native Hawaiian traditions, as well as cultural pieces from other Pacific Rim islands.

The approximately 30 Hawaii club members and numerous others who are interested in learning about native Hawaiian traditions have joined together to organize one of the largest and most attended Lu'au's in the state of Oregon. Beginning practice in Novem-

ber of 1998, the performers have created a masterful collage of Hawaiian music, dancing, pig roasting, and of course, fire-eating.

Sparks gym is expected to be packed with over 1,000 students, faculty, and community members as they sample traditionally-cooked pork roast cooked by the traditional Ka-lua method. Hundreds of pounds of Hawaiian lava rocks and rock salt have been flown in order to roast the four pigs over the heated rocks overnight at Brown Field.

The Lu'au, "reminds us of



home," said Lei Panui, one of the traditional dance choreographers. "It is a lot of stress, but it brings us together."

She and the other dancers have been practicing since last fall, learning traditional steps and putting them together in an entire dance melody, including traditional dances from Hawaii, Tahiti, the Cook Islands, New Zealand, and Samoa.

Preparations have been particularly lengthy and time consuming since Spring Break, with practices

four out of five weeknights and for three hours on Saturdays.

The Lu'au is the largest event organized by the Hawaii club, but their involvement with area high schools and neighboring colleges has been outstanding.

Willamette's Hawaii club has participated in Santiam High School's cultural exposition and Oregon State's Lu'au, and hope to continue to become more involved in the Salem community to support diversity and the maintenance of

cultural traditions. The Hawaii club is a great way to "share part of yourself with another culture," said Ginnie Hazlett from Honolulu, HI. It is a great social group that works towards a great event that brings in so many different people. The Lu'au tickets are currently on sale in the University Center for \$10, which includes a great night of entertainment, food, and a raffle ticket for a drawing for a free trip for two to Hawaii.



Tickets are available at the door, but are going quickly so buy your ticket today in the UC!

## Hawaii Club's Lu'au!

April 24, 1999

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Tickets are on sale NOW! until Wed. April 21st, at Polynesian University Center, Mon. - Fri. 10:20 am - 2:30 pm



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## Victims of Rape and Abuse 'Take Back the Night'

By ANNALIVIA KOMYATE  
Staff Writer

Another successful "Take Back the Night" rally was held at Willamette University in Cone Chapel last Sunday, April 18, at 6:30pm, the event was put together by Mags Greenlee, Willamette Womyn's Center Coordinator.

Five speakers shared various experiences, valuable lessons learned, and solutions found, with an audience that was well-represented by both men and women from the campus community. A.J. Tally, Multi-cultural Competency Coordinator for Marion County, began with a journey into her past, when as a child she watched her father abuse her mother, and then was herself violated and hurt as a teenager. Liani Reeves deeply examined the story of her rape that she has been sharing with others and working through during the last three years, and cited frightening statistics that remind us why we are doing this event.

She also shared with us some of the failures she has encountered in her work with women in crisis because of the strong need for an enlightened justice system. Disrespect for women who have been raped is still very prevalent in our system. Rich Villemeyer, working with Solutions, a battery inter-

vention education program for men, shared some enlightening facts and reasons why men abuse women and emphasized their need to take complete responsibility for their actions. Speaker Annalivia Komyate journeyed into her past also, searching for the reasons why abuse toward women has been a three generational cycle in her family, and finding some solutions to break the cycle.

Finally, Deb Loers from Willamette University Counseling Services shared her perspectives and encouraged the event and the openness that is necessary in order to deal with and hopefully prevent abuse in the future. An Open Mic followed, and several people shared additional experiences and thanked and encouraged the main speakers who had bared their hearts for the sake of openness and helping others.

After this touching program filled with emotion, the audience and participants lit candles to carry and marched silently to the steps of the Oregon Capitol Building, where Amy Sperl, from Mid Valley Women's Crisis Center, spoke of her life's work with women in crisis.

Sitting on the steps of the Capitol as the dusky evening fell, more and more people who had come to listen, began to speak. Sharing continued until all who wanted to speak had a chance. The evening ended with a reception in the Alumni Lounge on the third floor of the University Center.



## Your Cosmic Connection by Madame Sitara: Apr 23- Apr 29



"The Voice of the Rising Star"

**Aries (Mar. 21- April 20)** There is no need to keep worrying about financial concerns. Things are going to get better soon. A new opportunity is coming that will provide you with economic relief. With fewer worries, you should get outside and enjoy the nice weather.

**Taurus (April 21- May 21)** It's time to reexamine your past goals and realize the opportunity for a fresh start. It's a great time for you to start something new and find more interests. If stress is getting you down, find new outlets for your energy. But don't overexert yourself.

**Gemini (May 22- June 21)** Someone new is on the horizon and could offer you a brilliant romantic possibility. Keep your eyes peeled for someone who inspires the creativity that hides within you. Try a new hobby or sport. You will be surprised at your talent and ability.

**Cancer (June 22- July 22)** As usual, you feel torn between various aspects of your life. You have been a great comfort to someone in your life, but now it is time to start spending more time away. Help those around you find other things to do.

**Leo (July 23- Aug. 22)** You need to focus on the necessary changes that need to be made at home and with your family. As your responsibilities increase, you will need to turn to someone for support. Don't forget your tried and true friends. Keep motivated.

**Virgo (Aug. 23- Sept. 23)** You need to make a plan and stick to it. The less you change your mind, the easier it will be to get done what you need to do. A little quiet time will be helpful in letting you get your priorities straight.

**Libra (Sept. 24- Oct. 23)** Don't let a busy schedule let you ignore things that need to be taken care of. Don't slack in the exercise department. You need to keep your body active to help ward off stress. Getting out of town could rejuvenate you.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24- Nov. 22)** You have had to assume a lot of responsibility lately but things are starting to settle down. You should be able to give some responsibility to others now. When you do that, you will be free to reflect on your experience and learn.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 23- Dec. 21)** Lately you have been feeling a sense of confinement. What you need now is to leave behind the craziness of the world for a little bit. Even if you can't go someplace new and exciting, be sure to take a mental break.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22- Jan. 20)** If something didn't go as planned earlier, it is time to try again. You have renewed energy to attack the task. Call on the help of others to support you. Be proud of your accomplishments. You deserve the recognition.

**Aquarius (Jan. 21- Feb. 19)** Life is too short to be wasting your time on people or things that don't make you happy. Get out and do something that excites you. Even finding a new hobby could bring you intense pleasure. Don't be afraid to try something new.

**Pisces (Feb. 20- Mar. 20)** Take a deep breath and try to relax. Life seems to be speeding past you and you can't catch up. Don't worry. Things are going to slow down soon. Try and stay atop of your tasks and be diligent. You will be heartily rewarded.

## LETTERS

## Take Back The Night Willamette

I've been at Willamette for three years, and have participated in START's annual Take Back the Night, three times. Each time, I grow a little more. Each time, I share a little more of myself. And each time, I feel safer than the year before.

I am taking back the Night in my life. I am exorcising the fear and anger against the abuses I have suffered. I am learning how incredibly valuable I am, and how much I am worth respecting. And I am gaining an incredible amount of respect for others.

I want to thank each and every person who came to Take Back the Night last Sunday evening.

I want to thank the women who came to share their stories in order to help others. I want to thank the women who came in order to learn from others.

And I want to especially thank the men who came, because you made us feel just a little bit safer in our world. You showed us that as women, we are not alone in our fearful experiences. We have men around us who actually care enough to hear our experiences and promise to relate them to other men.

I am so encouraged with the knowledge that every person who leaves an event like this will see the world differently, and will participate more actively in changing the things they see as wrong, instead of keeping silent.

Silence. The silence is screaming. Liani said, and I heard it. Every year, as the silence is broken little by little within me, the screaming grows fainter and fainter, turning into an outspoken message with purpose. I hope the same experience is taking place for everyone who is participating in the breaking of the silence.

I am graduating this year, and hope that new energy will take over where we have left off, those of us who have made this event an important part of our experience at Willamette. I will attempt to come back year after year and hope to see an ever-increasing awareness and participation happen.

I hope to see a young man from Willamette University willing to stand up in the future and talk about what he has seen his mother go through, and how it has affected his life. Or his sister. Or a friend of his.

This issue is not only damaging to women. I hope to even see a young man who has realized that his actions towards women have been disrespectful, and is willing to share his experiences as he works through those changes he is making in his life.

I hope to hear someone share how they interfered with someone else's life—a friend, or an acquaintance, or a relative—and has seen changes for the better because of it.

And I hope to see more young women attending to learn how to empower themselves before a destructive experience happens to them. Take Back the Night is not just for those who have been through something horrible. Take Back the Night is for everyone in our community. The night belongs to all of us.

When its reputation is stained, it reflects on all of us. April is Child Abuse and Sexual Assault Awareness Month. It's as good a month as any to be reminded of everyone who is suffering in silence in the world.

And a great many of you reading this article have suffered in silence, and only you know it. We are breaking the silence in order to make it just a little bit easier for you to break the silence. Do it.

By Annalivia Komyate

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## OPINION

## Colorado: So Many Questions And So Many Answers

Many of us are asking ourselves why Tuesday's events were possible. What environment or conditions would have fostered such rage? How could we allow children to feel so isolated or so alienated? Why did the kids have access to guns, let alone pipebombs? Why now? Why in the suburbs of Denver? Why didn't anyone see these kids crying out for help?

Searching for the answers to these questions leads to frustration. We discover that the issues are too complex and easy solutions elude us.

This is just one example of the disorder and violence that traverses our globe. Littleton shows us what tragedies occur when people are excluded, rather than included. This is

By EMILY MIDDAGH  
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Editor

not unique to Colorado, nor to the United States. Exclusion, and its violent results can be seen from Colombia to Kosovo.

The Littleton massacre is a manifestation of so many things. Its incomprehensibility can leave us grasping for comfort and stability. We must remember that just as the causes leading up to this crisis stem from so many roots, so must the solutions.

There is no one way to stop children from killing each other. Restricting guns, hiring security guards, using metal detectors and

putting up more walls are not solutions. They are band-aids on a social body that aches all over. There are no specific, isolated answers to comprehensive problems.

This doesn't mean throw up your hands and do nothing. It doesn't mean to wring your hands in despair. It doesn't mean we should give up on humanity. Rather, it is a pause for reflection.

Cry if you feel you need to. Sit in silence if that's what comforts you. Talk with your friends or Professors. Think, process, and aspire for something better.

We have a lot of hard work ahead of us, but that is a good reason to do it. Littleton is an example prompting us to reach out to others.

## We Should Not Be Bombing Serbia

I strongly disagree with the conclusions of your lead "Letters" of April 16. We should not be bombing Serbia.

There are other ways to attempt to stop Milosovic from persecuting the Albanians in Kosovo. Bombing Serbia is immoral and illegal. Destroying large numbers of factories, bridges, railroads, and power supplies that are necessary for civilian life is foolish and counterproductive.

Our current actions give the Serbian people legitimate reason to accuse us and NATO of terrorist war crimes against them.

We are conducting an undeclared war, wanting POW status for any of our military that are captured, but

By SAM HALL

Contributor

not willing to have Congress officially declare war. The final lines of the editorial last week seem to conclude that sometimes the only way to stop a bully is to be a bigger bully. This is the tactic that the U.S. has adopted in recent decades.

Worse, we usually do not attack the bully, we pick on his supporters. It usually does not work. It certainly does not convince our opponents that we are right or that they should do anything but look for the opportunity to thwart our orders.

We should think again about the meaning of President Bush's statement that we would need to go to war

against Iraq to show the bully Saddam Hussein once and for all that might does not make right. We need to learn from past leaders such as Gandhi, King, Mandela and Carter who showed how nonviolent methods can work in similar circumstances. We should have stayed with and strengthened the program of unarmed peace monitors that the international community began last year. We can still enlist neutral third parties, including the United Nations, to broker a cease-fire and the reintroduction of neutral peacekeeping people. Serbia is unlikely to surrender to the demands for NATO troop occupation made at Rambouillet while they can still resist in any way.

## Freedom Versus Equality: A Paradox

By ANNALIVIA KOMYATE

Writer

I have always supposed that freedom and equality went hand in hand. When I thought of equal rights, I always assumed that it meant "right to be equal." When I thought of freedom, I always assumed that it was the "freedom to obtain equality." Since these were my definitions and my concepts, I have always been frustrated with our society whenever it seemed to contradict these definitions.

You all know the familiar facts of our history, and know that these ideals expressed in my definitions have never been reached. But why have they never been reached? This has been the burning question of my own personal search for understanding and perspective in viewing history. A very astute professor pointed me back to the beginning of our country and one of our founding fathers, James Madison, and to his Federalist Paper #10. What an eye-opener! I am beginning to grasp the significance and implications of a seemingly insignificant and particular idea that appears in a very short section of this document. This idea is contained in the words:

"The diversity in the faculties of men, from which the rights of property originate, is not less an insuperable obstacle to a uniformity of interests. The protection of these faculties is the first object of the Government."

The "rights of property?" Hmm. It goes on to explain that men have unequal faculties in their ability to acquire property, and therefore unequal possession of property results, which leads to an obvious conflict of interest between all concerned (which inflicts our whole society!). Okay, so that seems rather "duh" to you, but when I really contemplate this simple little idea in

consideration with all the problems that our society has with inequality between classes, races and sexes, it really seems profound. In other words, since solutions are my goal when I face problems, I need to get to the root of the problem before the solution can be found. And the root of this problem is that "rights of property" statement. Put this right of property into context with the most famous statement of the Declaration of Independence: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." Now, it seems to me that the implication here is that the "rights of property" of Madison's Fed. 10 are part of those "unalienable" rights to pursue life, liberty, and happiness. We can re-word this concept to clearly state a simple idea: Everyone has the right to get what they can get, and keep it when they get it.

It sounds a bit greedy when it's put like that, doesn't it? And yet, who can disagree? (If you can, please write me, because I am anxious to question this theory!) At this point, I don't know anyone, and I mean anyone, who is willing to give up a whole lot of what they've got just because the guy next to him doesn't have as much. I mean, this would be really wonderful, but I have no faith in it occurring! A lot of historical figures have tussled with this issue, because there just seems something crass about this "unalienable" right. A quote from an early 1800's advice manual, appearing in one of my history books, puts

it plainly: "True republicanism requires that every man shall have an equal chance—that every man shall be free to become as unequal as he can." Is this supposed to be exciting? I am having real trouble buying this, but can't think of any alternative that truly embodies freedom. Therefore, I have come to the conclusion that true freedom is bound to lead to inequality. And I am not happy with that conclusion, not one tiny bit. Meanwhile, I look around me with a different perspective. On the one hand, I can imagine how incredibly egotistical we must have been to the Native Americans when they realized we really took this unalienable right seriously. If we could manage to get all the land, then we were entitled to keep it! And that's not counting the fact that we stole it most of the time.

But on the other hand, to imagine attempting to redefine these rights today, as some governments have this century, by "redistributing" everyone's property more equitably just doesn't seem possible, or even good. Frustration! There has got to be a balance somewhere. Perhaps that balance is by necessity a compromise. While I don't for a minute condone many things that are not right about our society, I have to admit that there is a lot of freedom to complain and negotiate here.

Perhaps I would rather have this strange mixture of freedom and non-freedom, equality and inequality that our society offers today than an upheaval that doesn't have any guarantees. Perhaps I should be satisfied with our ability and freedom to keep working towards the most equitable ways to partially satisfy everyone and yet not expect to fully satisfy anyone. A Paradox. Maybe that is what compromise is all about.

**A Response To Professor Silverstein's Rebuttal**

**BY PAUL JUNGWIRTH**  
*Writer*

army. It is about restraining violence within national borders. When is that job finished? An extended war with clear objectives is one thing; an indefinite war is quite another. Our job is never done, for as soon

**Contrary to Professor Silverstein's implications, atrocities against Kosovars have increased, and the flood of refugees began when we started bombing.**

as we leave, the Serbs and Kosovars will go back to fighting. To maintain peace we must establish a military presence in Kosovo, which is part of the nation of Serbia. Even though the hilly terrain will impede an offensive war, let us say we succeed. When the Serbian troops withdraw, they will strew the cities and countryside with land mines, which, incidentally I'm sure, will kill far more Kosovars than Americans. Then we will be fighting guerrilla war. It is Serbian land, and they need not conquer it by conventional means to achieve their objectives. But our purpose will be finished, and our troops' job will be to stay

put—unless Clinton wants to push on to Belgrade and overthrow the government. Our experience in similar circumstances demonstrates the effect on moral. If Bosnia is an example, our troops will wonder what they are doing, what their purpose is, and they will doubt the motives of their leaders. They will doubt with good reason. Already top-ranking military leaders have expressed concern over involving ourselves in Kosovo. That is unprecedented. It is doubt so strong it overpowers all motivations the Pentagon has towards war. Already Clinton's war—not really a war but a conflict—is growing. He has requested 30,000 reserve troops. Russia has explicitly threatened escalation. Politicians are discussing reinstating the draft. The Serbs have attacked villages in Algeria. This is war behind our backs, begun with levity, perpetuated by foolishness, and ending no time soon. It is senseless attrition and uncontrolled escalation.

Professor Silverstein is right that if the question comes down to a real war, I fall on the side of peace. But even a real war is preferable to this senseless and interminable grinding away of bodies. Our wishful thinking that a few cruise missiles can solve the problems of a region historically torn by conflict will only exacerbate the death toll, and eventually we will find ourselves in the very war we hoped to avoid. Wading into quicksand is no better than leaping, and leaping at least inspires the requisite consideration.

**There Is No Theory Without Praxis**

**BY LYSHA WASSER**  
*Writer*

theories that we study. To go through a college career without putting the theories we study of whatever discipline to the test, is in all essence separating yourself from the real world.

This is the type of intellectual pretense I hate. Willamette ought not be an ivory tower separated from the "real world." It ought to be a launching pad for people who choose to study and analyze this world while at the same time actively trying to change it.

We must not forget that the fundamental reason we study is to become better human beings, and the first lesson at becoming a better human being is understanding human beings.

No matter how many books you read, you can't relate to or understand human beings if you don't spend time with them, of all walks of life.

Willamette students need to become more involved with their community. Not because it will look good on your resume, not because it will make Willamette more prestigious, but because you will enjoy life more.

No material possession can compare to the genuine smile you are given from someone who recognizes the good work you do. I am writing this article because of the experiences I have had with 100 Good People.

I also write this article because of the tremendous potential I know each one of us as students have. We all have tremendous potential to change this world we live in. I write to my fellow students because they need to know that the members of 100 Good People share this philosophy.

I thank Professor Silverstein for his thoughtful and polite rebuttal. He is correct that I have serious doubts about the war in Kosovo, but right now another issue seems more pertinent: as long as we are intent on intervening, must we do it like this? Contrary to Professor Silverstein's implications, atrocities against Kosovars have increased, and the flood of refugees began when we started bombing. Yes, there were grave human rights violations before that, and that raises the dilemma I discussed in my last article, but Clinton's missile campaign has only escalated the bloodshed. I find the nature of Clinton's war predictable and ironic. It is predictable because it is a tentative half-measure designed to make us feel good about ourselves. If we cared about the Kosovars, we would be taking effective steps.

Professor Silverstein is right that it takes time to raise a full-scale military campaign. So are we raising one? Not deliberately. Instead we are letting ourselves sink deeper into a conflict from which we will be unable to withdraw. Clinton's war has been a gradual war. First we sent U.N. peacekeepers. Now we are conducting a missile and bombing campaign. Soon we will send in ground troops. At that point we will be fighting an unconventional war on difficult, heavily mined terrain, with low troop moral and no clear objective. The war in Kosovo is not about conquest or defense. It is not about pushing back an invading

I write this opinion piece with a happy heart. I have just returned from a meeting with 100 Good People. For those of you who don't know who they are, they are a group of Salemites of all ages, colors, and creeds, who have a very simple philosophy. Injustice is wrong, and if it affects any part of our community, then it affects us.

Indeed they follow the Willamette motto, "Not unto ourselves are we born." It is great to get out into the community and interact with people outside the bubble that are just as concerned as I am about shaping the world they live in. These people have nothing to do with apathy and are willing to fight the hard fight for a more just world. I am proud to go to their meetings.

I hope that as this year goes on, and after I graduate, more Willamette students will get involved with this organization. The reasons are numerous as to why anyone should join this organization. First off, these are good kindhearted people, and it is invigorating to interact with those who are unwilling to accept anything less than a fair and honest society.

When I go to those meetings you can sense the energy in the air. People from all different walks of life united to work for a better community; no hidden self interests, just pure selflessness; it puts more jump in my step, and it makes me feel happier that I am acquainted with more quality people.

But secondly, and completely relevant to us as students, is the simple fact that there is no theory without praxis. Studying theory is irrelevant if one is unwilling to actually get involved. Theory is created through interactions with other human beings. Through those interactions of talking, laughing, crying, and even fighting, we come up with

I hope that there will be a strong symbiotic relationship with 100 Good People and Willamette in the future, and I have many reasons to believe so.

They worked intricately with us in our desire for a more just and reputable police department, and they will continue to be present on our campus. Along with many members of the Salem community we will meet this coming Tuesday at 6pm in City Hall with the Salem Police Department.

The meeting will occur to ensure that the SPD will proceed with the action plan the Salem community has offered aimed at eradicating the discrimination that debilitates our police force.

Once again we Willamette students have the chance to be the ace in the hole that our Salem community can rely on to ensure positive change for everyone.

It is easy to get down on your potential. It is easy to say, "There are just too many apathetic people." It is easy to say, "That won't work." It is easy to say, "What can I do?" It is easy to give up.

That is what I hear some of my good friends saying, and it makes me sad because I know they are missing out on so much.

For those who say those things, I feel sorry for them because they might just miss out and sharing a profound experience with our brothers and sisters in 100 Good People.

It is easy to be disillusioned, but it is fun to fight for something better when you are surrounded with good people who work for something better with no other drive than complete selflessness.

There are great people in this Salem community, and I feel proud to know some of them and call them friends. I invite you to find out about the feelings I write about.

LETTERS

**The US/NATO Bombing Campaign In Kosovo Is Wrong**

I would like to respond to Prof. Todd Silverstein's letter (in response to an earlier letter by Paul Jungwirth) in which he supports the US/NATO bombing campaign in Kosovo.

I too have wrestled with this issue and have arrived at a completely different conclusion. I have lived (1992-1994) and worked on an excavation in the Balkans (Greece) for about eight years and I have been a witness to the influx of both Albanian and Serbian refugees (not to mention those from Poland, Romania, Bulgaria, and Russia) into Greece throughout the nineties. Recently, while watching television footage of Kosovar Albanian refugees streaming across the borders, I am reminded of the similar stream of Albanian refugees that I encountered along the Greek-Albanian border while visiting an Orthodox monastery in that area in 1992.

That was my first real experience with this particular situation and with the utterly helpless feeling that one has when faced with a desperate problem that is too evil, too big, and almost too difficult to comprehend. Since that time, my colleagues and I have hired numerous refugees (from all sorts of Balkan and former Warsaw Pact countries) and have worked beside them all on my excavation on Crete.

And, we have heard their painful stories during late nights over stiff drinks in the local tavern. The situation that we encounter today in Kosovo is by no means new; the current, so-called "crisis" is, in my opinion, more a result of US/NATO bombing than anything else.

After hearing the refugees' stories as well as listening to my own brother who spent 1995-1996 stationed in Bosnia, I do not doubt all the horrible things that have been done to the Kosovar Albanians under Serbian rule. The central question, however, is whether US/NATO bombing will alleviate the situation and cause Milosevic to give up his policy of ethnic cleansing or whether it will just make things worse. So far, the latter seems to be true.

The use of such remote and massive destructiveness from the air is disproportionate to the stated goal, does not promise independence or even safety for the Kosovar Albanians (and is therefore illusory), and has not succeeded in humbling the Serbs (nor the Iraqis for that matter). It has succeeded in bringing about a massive refugee problem, a humanitarian disaster that promises to destabilize the region for many decades to come. Like the Palestinians that I saw in the Bega'a Valley Refugee Camp outside Amman, Jordan, in 1997, many of these displaced people and their children are destined to live out the rest of their days in a filthy camp.

It also strikes me as grotesquely hypocritical that certain NATO countries involved in the bombing, like France, are unwilling to take any of these refugees even on a temporary basis, while other NATO countries, like Greece, which is not directly involved in the bombing and is already full of refugees from earlier Balkan wars, has generously agreed to take even more. In addition, the US/NATO bombing campaign has succeeded in causing a large and unpleasant cloud of the material used by NATO forces to interfere with Serb radar to form over the Greek island of Euboea (long-term environmental and human impact presently unknown) and could easily cause other massive environmental and humanitarian calamities in the future if it continues. For example, there are two nuclear reactors just outside Belgrade (and, three additional nuclear plants are in operation in Slovenia, Hungary and Romania within a distance of 100-200 kilometers from the Yugoslav borders). What if they are accidentally hit? Will we chalk that up to "collateral damage"?

As for the comparison of Milosevic to Hitler, consider the following from the Greek media (which is reporting this war from an entirely different perspective): 1) On April 1st, Vradini featured a swastika capped by a cartoon head of President Clinton that was accompanied by the caption "The 'cannibal' rejected Primakov's proposals while playing golf;" 2) On April 2nd, Eleftherotypia compared the Hitler of 1941 to Clinton of 1999 and accused NATO of "not even respecting Easter." Vradini called President Clinton the Antichrist for "refusing to halt the bombings during Easter;" 3) On April 8th, the front page headline of Vradini was "Adolf Clinton insists on the annihilation of the Serb nation." I could multiply the examples indefinitely, but no doubt you get the point. Here we are in the realm of hyperbole and propaganda.

Comparing Milosevic and/or Clinton to Hitler as well as using the word "holocaust" to describe the current situation in Kosovo only serves to inflame irrational sentiments and to belittle the as yet unparalleled experience of the Jews (and others) in Hitler's death camps during WW II.

So, if Milosevic is not quite Hitler and if US/NATO bombing is not really the best solution, what shall we do about this increasingly awful situation? Call me naive, but I think we should call a cease-fire and return to the negotiating table with a view towards a regional solution and without our high-horse, nonnegotiable demands. We should recognize that, in the words of Robert Kaplan, "in the Balkans, no wars are local." And, we should realize that, in this Balkan neighborhood, we have little credibility and absolutely no right to take the moral high ground.

Our government has long been silent about the ethnic cleansing of the Kurds in Southwest Turkey and about the similar ethnic cleansing of the occupied area of Cyprus which began in 1974. And, we were also the ones who were silent when the Kosovar Albanians began driving the Serbs out of Kosovo in the early 1980s, the very issue that led to Slobadon Milosevic's rise to power.

By Ann Nicgorski

# NHL's Quest for Lord Stanley's Cup Faces Off

By MICHAEL BENKOSKI

Editor

As the new baseball season kicks off and the shortened basketball season comes to a close it is perhaps the most exciting time of the year.

But the excitement is not generated by any of these American past times, but a Canadian one.

In the midst of losing one of the greatest to ever play any sport, Wayne Gretzky, the NHL has entered the month and a half long play-offs. The long awaited seven game wars between two teams started Wednesday and will continue until only one team is left standing. Anything can, and does, happen in the month of madness. The action is fast and furious with each game being the most important one.

This year there are the powerhouse favorites, but like every year some will fall early to the sleeper teams that have put it together in time for a play-off run. Here is the run-down for the first round:

## Eastern Conference

### #1 Devils Vs. #8 Penguins

Pittsburgh's league leading scorer Jaromir Jagr will face off with one of the top defensive systems and goalie in the league. The Devils were upset last year by the 8th seeded senators and they look to gain revenge this season.

**Prediction:** The series will come down to the other goaltender, Tom Barrasso, and although he will hold up well, he, Jagr, and the Pens are no use for the Martin Brodier and the Devils. Devils win series 4-2.

### #2 Senators Vs. #7 Sabres

The Dominator has carried his team into the play-offs and now he must try to carry his team through the play-offs. Alexi Yashin had a stellar season for the Sens, but he'll have to prove his worth in the play-offs. Both teams are proven play-off winners which could make for a good series.

**Prediction:** Ottawa breaks through early on the Dominator and although the games are close, Buffalo is no use for the surging Senators. Sens win series 4-1.

### #3 Carolina Vs. #6 Boston

The red hot Bruins head into the play-offs as underdogs in seeding, but the favorites in season points. Their remarkable 7-2-0 finish is something to ride on in the play-offs. Arturs Irbe needs to stand on his head for the 'Canes if they want to get by the first round.

**Prediction:** 'Canes put up the good fight, but lose quick. Bruins win series 4-1.

### #4 Leafs Vs. #5 Flyers

The Flyers are a bruised and battered team notorious for early post-season exits. With Eric Lindros out recovering from a collapsed lung, and Mark Recchi still out, the Flyers are weakened offensively. The Leafs on the other hand have the most potent offense in the League and the solid goal tending of Curtis Joseph makes them a contender.

**Prediction:** CuJo and Leafs make quick work of the hurting Flyers. Leafs win series 4-0.

## Western Conference

### #1 Stars Vs. #8 Oilers

These two teams met two years ago in the first round of the play-offs and the Oilers stunned the Stars.

This year the Oilers come into the play-offs hot as ever and look to continue their play-off success. The Stars finished with the best record in the NHL and look to avenge their loss two years ago. The Stars will be missing their captain Darian Hatcher for five games because of his hit on Jeremy Roenick, but the Oilers are missing key play Bill Guerin who is out with a knee sprain.

**Prediction:** This series gets ugly. In a feisty battle the difference is goal tending and the Stars Ed Belfour beats the Oilers Tommy Salo. Stars win series 4-2.

### #2 Colorado Vs. #7 Sharks

Colorado's acquisition of Theo Fleury makes their offense even more of a threat and a cup contender. Fleury, Joe Sakic and Petr Forsberg are known Shark killers, but San Jose is full of former Avalanche that are always pumped to play their former team. The Sharks also head into the post season with some hot goaltending by Steve Shields and late goal scoring by their younger guys. The Sharks' mixture may be just right for play-off victory if Colorado Patrick Roy can be beaten.

**Prediction:** My home town bias makes me believe the Sharks young guys and goaltending will yet again bring a play-off upset. Sharks win series 4-2.

### #3 Red Wings Vs. #6 Ducks

The Wings' late season acquisition of Chris Chelios, Wendel Clark, and Ulf Samuelsson make their quest for a threepat an accomplishable fate. Their defensemen are tops in the league with better depth than any other team. The Ducks are an offensive minded team with the majority of their points coming from two guys,

Teemu Selanne and Paul Kariya. These teams hooked up last year and the Red Wings swept them in a close series.

**Prediction:** The Red Wings goalie, Chris Osgood, will be tested and hold up against the Ducks. Wings win series 4-1.

### #4 Coyotes Vs. #5 Blues

The Coyotes were the hottest team in the beginning of the season, but cooled off to finish 4th in the West. But the biggest reason to worry is the loss of Jeremy Roenick. Roenick was knocked out of the play-offs when the Stars' Darian Hatcher caught him with a high elbow, shattering his jaw into three pieces and breaking eight of his teeth. The Blues have gotten sniper Geoff Courtnall back from concussion and have been on a bit of a streak lately. The series will be an interesting one, but neither team has a legitimate shot at the cup, or making it out of the second round.

**Prediction:** Coyotes can't seem to generate enough offense to beat the Blues. St. Louis wins series 4-3.

The quest for Lord Stanley's Cup will be in full swing this weekend, and the brutal battles will have started to develop. The first round will, like always, produce some upsets and controversies. Edmonton may be the sleeper in the West, and if they can get by Dallas in the first round, they could do some damage. On the other hand, Dallas has established itself as the best team in the regular season and they definitely have something to prove. Detroit is by no means a sleeper, but are probably the favorites for winning the cup. With all of the late moves to get veteran defensemen and scoring,

Detroit is definitely the team to beat in the West.

Toronto in the East maybe a surprise to a second round opponent. Their high powered offense and solid goaltender make them a tough team to beat in the East. The Leafs also play a depleted Flyers team in the first round, which could give them plenty of rest for the long road to the Cup. The Senators have had past success in the play-offs, but as underdogs. This year they are favorites, being #2 in the East, they are not the best team in the East and may possibly be knocked out as early as the second round. The Devils are #1 in the East and because of the brilliant goaltending they are a strong candidate to win the East.

In the Western Finals I see the Red Wings and the Stars battling it out for the right to play for the Cup. The series will be a rough and feisty one, but Detroit will prove once again why they are from Hockey Town and win the series 4-2.

In the Eastern Finals I see a contrasting battle between the offensive minded Leafs and the defensive minded Devils. The series will come down to the goaltending of the Devils' Brodier. But I think the Leafs will prove to be too much in a thrilling 7 game series.

The Cup finals will be more interesting than last year's sweep, but the outcome will be the same as the past two years. Detroit will win its third Cup in a row and prove they are the definitely a dynasty. Detroit's late season trades prove to be the defecence as Clark provides solid scoring throughout the play-offs and Chelios and Samuelsson make Detroit's defense unbeatable. Wings win Cup 4-2.



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# Nice Weather Produces Good Results for Track

By CHRIS LYKE

Staff Writer

Similar to the big yellow sphere in the sky, the Bearcat track team shone brightly last weekend in the George Fox Open held in Newberg. With a strong field of Northwest Conference schools in addition to a number of NCAA Division I competitors and talented open athletes as well as outstanding temperatures, all in attendance were piqued for solid efforts. Willamette came through with a number of new conference qualifiers as well as numerous season best and personal best performances.

The meet began on Friday evening with the distance events—from the 3,000 to the 10,000 meter runs—and warm conditions. Senior John Urdal started things off as he ran well in the steeplechase and has a good chance for a conference qualifier this weekend. Sophomore Amber Strickler got the ladies off on the right foot with a strong second place finish in the 3,000, while senior Tonya Sanders also turned in

a season best time in that event. Then in the women's 5,000, sophomore Lisa Starkey ran well enough to qualify for conference and senior Kristana Kinnett ran a personal best. On the men's side senior Chris Lyke qualified for the conference meet in the men's 5,000 and sophomore Andy Forster followed with his best time ever in that event.

The remaining events were held Saturday, which included senior Beth Fitzgerald continuing her outstanding season by running a new school record of 2:09 in the women's 800 meter run.

Perhaps most impressive was the fact that she ran it all alone, blowing away the field to win by nine seconds. Along with her new record, she also bettered her best time in the nation for NCAA Division III.

Also in the 800, freshman Buffy Morris ran her best time of the season and qualified for conference. In addition, fellow freshman Carmela Lieras and sophomore Jenny Bellone turned in good times in the 400 and 200 meter dashes respectively and sophomore Tansy Middag

ran a personal record in the 400 hurdles.

In the women's field events sophomores Gina Pieretti and Monica Scott continued to launch the spear amazing distances as they finished second and fourth respectively in the women's javelin. Also, J.J. Hurley had her best jump of the season in the long jump at 16' 2".

In the men's 800 meter run, there was a trio of Bearcats who ran fast times in Stephen Cruise, Joey Janota, and Bryce Mercer. In addition, Brian Robertson ran well in the 1,500 to give him a conference qualifier and a season's best time. Earlier in the day, hurdlers Eddie Abel and Phil Rubio both ran personal best times in the 400s. Rubio also teamed up with fellow seniors David Denardo, Erik Lutz, and Jimmy Watts in the 4 x 400 meter relay to run their best time of the season.

Denardo finished second overall in the open 400, while Adhem Heidelberg also ran his best time of the season in the one lap event.

In the field events, Watts placed in both the long jump and the jav-

elin and threw his best mark of the season in the latter. Also, freshman Matt Graham qualified for the conference meet in the javelin with his best throw of the year in 170' 7". Another freshman, Pat Halstead heaved the shot put far enough for third place overall.

In other throws, senior Jay Douglass had a good day in both the discus and javelin, nearly qualifying for conference in both.

Finally, Andy Miguel jumped well in the long and triple jumps,

which should be enough to get him into conference.

This weekend the team travels to Portland for the Lewis and Clark Open for one last chance to qualify for conference for those who need it.

Many of those who have already qualified will be not be competing this weekend in preparation for the Northwest Conference Championships which are set for April 30 and May 1 at Pacific Lutheran in Tacoma.

## Bearcat Crew Dominates Waters

By SUZIE SENDELBACH

Staff Writer

This past Saturday, April 17, Willamette Crew traveled to Eugene in order to compete on Dexter Lake.

The sky was clear, the sun was out, and the wind was low, making for ideal conditions as the Bearcats took on five other schools, many of which they have been competing against the entire season.

It was evident that all of their hard work is paying off as the team made a successful showing. The women's varsity eight proved its strength once again, taking first with a time of 7:39.

The men's varsity eight was also victorious, with a first place time of 6:58. The men's JV eight demonstrated their abilities and finished with a time of 6:31, yet another first place for WU.

Seen around campus carrying buckets of Willamette River water last week, the women's novice team survived spring initiation. Members of the Willamette community did not see them with their heads shaved, as is traditional for the novice men initiated just before spring break.

As part of the week's activities, the novice women got a taste for the history of Willamette Crew. They were fortunate enough to take part in something that is at the root of the Willamette rowing program, the long walk to and from the shed

that formerly served as the "oar house" while carrying the boat. Back at the regatta, the women's novice eight was able to win another race for the Bearcats. They beat OSU and Seattle University with a time of 7:53.

Other first place finishes were captured by the women's varsity lightweight four and one of the two mixed eights that finished first and second. These mixed boats are raced for fun and are comprised of four male and four female rowers. However, the race of the day had to be the coxswain's race.

This is an event that is rarely raced, in which a team's coxswains take the place of rowers in a four-with (traditionally) the heaviest male rower as the coxswain. Needless to say, this was certainly an entertaining race.

Come the end of a long day, the Bearcats were able to toss nearly all of their coxswains into the chilly waters of Dexter Lake. The Bearcats are coming to the close of their 1999 spring season. For some, this Saturday's Cascade Sprints offers the largest races they will see this year.

For others, it serves as a preview of the Pacific Coast Rowing Championships in Sacramento, CA the weekend of graduation, May 15-16. All in all, this year has proven to be successful for Willamette Crew as it continues to make a mark in the rowing scene on the west coast.

## B-Ball Drops 2 of 3 to PLU

Two tough losses leave the Bearcats in third place

By JENNY FRANKEL-REED

Staff Writer

In crucial conference games, the Willamette baseball team faltered, dropping both games in their Saturday doubleheader last weekend to slip from their second place position to third. The first game of Saturday's doubleheader ended in a disappointing 3-1 loss.

Later that afternoon, the Bearcats held onto a 2-1 lead for seven innings, but PLU's eighth-inning, pinch-hit grand slam won game two for PLU. Finally on Sunday, Willamette managed a narrow, 10-9 win over the Lutes to wrap up the weekend 1-2. Willamette dropped to third place in the NWC with an 11-5 conference record, 16-13 overall, and PLU improved to 6-8 in the NWC after the weekend.

Lubisch pitched well for his first conference loss of the season in the first game Saturday against PLU. It was a duel between superb pitchers who didn't allow a lot of hits and good defensive plays. Lubisch kept

Willamette in the game until the very end. The score remained tied 1-1 until late in the game when the Lutes went up and took the game 3-1.

Saturday's second game looked like a sure Willamette win until nearly the end. Barry Ford replaced pitcher Brad Ferrin in the seventh inning, and was replaced by Zach Allen in the top of the eighth. With the bases loaded, Allen gave up a grand slam homerun and the Lutes went up 5-2 on the hit to claim the victory.

For his performance Saturday, freshman pitcher Andrew of PLU, gained NWC pitcher of the week honors. Andrew threw a 3-hitter, striking out six. He also hit the pinch-hit grand slam to win the second game.

In Sunday's contest, the seventh and ninth innings held the most excitement. Garrett Luebbert and Mitch Gregg led the way in the seventh inning by belting homeruns out of the park. Four Willamette runs were scored in the inning, pushing the

men ahead and showing off the power of the Bearcat bats behind the plate.

Allen came into the game in the seventh inning and had an outstanding pitching performance.

Up by just one run with the bases loaded and no outs in the ninth inning, Allen finished the game and didn't allow a run. The next three hitters popped out and saved the win for the Bearcats with a final score 10-9.

There is more home game action to catch in what looks like will be a sunny weekend in Oregon.

This Saturday the men take on league-leading Linfield in doubleheader play before heading to McMinnville for a third match-up on Sunday against the Wildcats. Linfield boasts an impressive 13-1 NWC record.

The teams are at the top of the league and the competition should be high this weekend. Saturday's home action begins at 1:00 at John Lewis Field in Bush Park. Sunday's game starts at noon.

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# Model United Nations Delegation Goes To New York

By MARION HUNT

Staff Writer

On March 29, six Willamette students traveled across the country to New York as participants in the Model United Nations National Conference. Model UN is the name of a class and a club here at Willamette.

As part of the Politics department, Model UN teaches students about the actual system representing countries worldwide.

Students that participate play the roles of delegates who represent various countries in simulated UN committee sessions.

Lauren Proust, Jason Zidell, Jennifer Kovarik, Amanda Wilson, Matt Varner, and Luke Knickerman joined 2400 other college students from around the world and the US for the national conference.

The majority of the conference was held in the Grand Hyatt Regency hotel in New York City.

However, the delegates were also able to spend two days meeting in the actual UN headquarters.

At the conference, along with schools such as Brigham Young,



"The group really worked well together and it made it a really great trip."

-Amanda Wilson

University of Florida and Georgetown, Willamette was assigned a country.

Representing Armenia, WU students participated in six days of simulating the actual United Nations

During this time, the WU delegates had the chance to meet with

the current delegate of the Republic of Armenia, Ambassador Stranboulian.

Matt Varner commented that "this was an incredible experience because Amba-

sador Stranboulian spent two hours with us answering our questions and discussing our committee issues."

The topics discussed in the Model UN forum clearly resemble those topics covered in the real

UN.

Nuclear disarmament, overpopulation, and world health are just a few of the topics addressed throughout the week.

The students spent every day learning about the UN procedures and putting their newfound knowl-

edge to work.

The Willamette team had little time for leisure activities as they spent their days indoors with other students.

"We pretty much worked all day every day so we didn't really do much around the city," said Jennifer Kovarik.

"We did, however, cruise 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and went to see the performance of *Les Miserables* on Broadway."

The opening ceremonies of the Model UN conference featured the Secretary General of the UN, Kofi Annan.

In addition to getting the chance to hear one of the world's great diplomats speak, one student cited another opportunity that was an unforgettable experience.

"One of the best moments was when, near the last day, we got to push the actual voting buttons the UN members use," said Kovarik.



Matt Varner and Amanda Wilson at the UN headquarters in NY.

Amanda Wilson cites Model UN as a valuable experience in human relations.

"All of your research pays off at the conference when you are able to apply your knowledge and benefit from the knowledge of the other delegates."

If you are interested in joining Model UN, the course can be found in the Politics section of the WU course catalog and it is worth a quarter credit.

The Model UN delegation would like to thank those who gave financial support for the conference.

## Sigma Chi's Derby Days!

Last week, Sigma Chi's annual philanthropic event, Derby Days, successfully raised money for Doernbecher Children's Hospital and brought the sororities and independents together for some healthy competition.



Sigma Chi's annual Derby Days is a combination of money raising events, healthy competition and bonding. The week included a search for the Derby, football games, crazy bat races, and Sigma Chi Jeopardy. The week ended on Saturday with a lip sync and dance at the Ramada Inn in Salem. The money raised from the week goes to Doernbecher's Children's Hospital.



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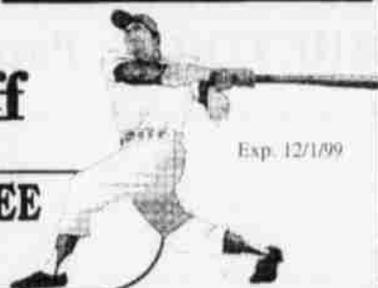
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perstar writers in a rigorous evaluation process.

Willamette students first sweat over producing impressive research papers then selected by members of WU's Rhetoric faculty to submit to the competition.

Once in the NCA's hands, the papers were blindly reviewed by seven pairs of critical eyes who rank-order the papers, ultimately finding who wins the big prizes.

Not only did two of Willamette's seven papers take all undergraduate research paper categories, but the group collectively earned the utmost prestige for Willamette.

Ranked first as an Undergradu-

ate Research Institution, Willamette shines as a producer of seven super-charged papers.

Collins proudly says, "We could not have done any better in a competition unlike any other."

Our kudos-winning papers were Hanon's "Captain Planet and The Planeteers, Redefining the Child's Role Through Empowerment" and Toven's "A Narrative Analysis of Rosewood: A Comparison Between 'The Rosewood Report' and the Film."

Although individually unrecognized, the other five students returned no less praiseworthy.

Gnehm stated, "As a rhetoric major, taking part in such a prestigious competition was an invaluable ex-

perience."

While the experience was no doubt an invaluable one, it was also fun.

The group spent one afternoon at the movies seeing "The Matrix" and ultimately, interpreting the movie's rhetorical value.

Collins says that "the group's next project is to produce a joint faculty-student research paper analyzing the movie."

Thus, the talent of Willamette's Rhetoric and Media Studies Department shines brighter than all the rest in the northwest.

While our award-snatching students bring home the big trophies, they continue to work on inventive projects for next year.

### Proposed Change to AWU Bylaws: Add a TIUA Representative on the Finance Board

Whereas, TIUA students pay the \$120.00 per year student body fees and should have representation on the Finance Board;

Whereas, TIUA students can request funds from the Associated Students for their activities;

Whereas, the addition of a TIUA representative on the Finance Board would allow for more equal representation of all constituents of ASWU;

Whereas, ASWU seeks to provide an environment where TIUA students actively participate in student government;

Therefore, be it enacted by the

Associated Students that:

Article V, Section 1 of the ASWU Bylaws be amended to read (changes are italicized):

*The membership of the Finance Board shall consist of the ASWU Vice-President of Finance (who shall act as chairperson), two ASWU senators elected by the Senate, one TIUA student representative appointed by ASTIUA each semester, and five students recommended by the Elections Board with the endorsement of the Vice President of Finance and confirmed by Senate.*

### CORRECTION

In the article, "Convocation Addresses Current Sexual Assault Policies" in last week's Collegian, a student was miss quoted as having said "the administration seemed to just want to cover-up the incident." This quote was taken out of context. The student stated that she was frustrated with how long her case took to settle. She believes the issue that needs to be worked on is that many students feel the University tries to cover up sexual assault that occurs on campus and thus are reluctant to come forward. She in no way believes that the University would try to cover-up any crime that takes place at this university.

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