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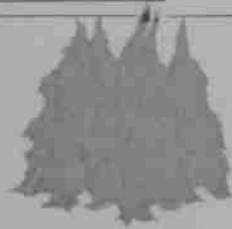
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Willamette removes restrictions for DOD

by Billy Dalto
Editor

Facing a cutoff from federal support, Willamette interim President Bryan Johnston has created a temporary exception to a University nondiscrimination policy, which would allow military recruiters on campus.

In 1991, the Board of Trustees adopted a policy that prohibits discrimination for reasons of sex, race, age, marital status, physical disabilities, sexual orientation, religion, or national and ethnic origin. In that time, Willamette has required recruiters to sign a statement indicating compliance to these regulations. Military recruiters have yet to sign this policy, and consequently, no recruiters have been allowed to recruit on campus.

Willamette was at risk of losing up to \$3 million in federal support under the Solomon Amendment. The most significant cuts Willamette faced came in the form of federally funded work-study and loan programs. The new federal law restricts some forms of funding to colleges with policies considered

"anti-military." Willamette was one of ten schools singled out by the Department of Defense for non-compliance to Solomon.

President Johnston has characterized the Solomon Amendment as morally and legally wrong, as he contends the Department of Defense continues to discriminate against certain classes of citizens. Yet Johnston indicated it is his responsibility to "steward Willamette's resources," and that challenging the Department of Defense would result in certain financial consequences.

Therefore, Johnston decided the best course of action to follow for the present would be to "obey first, grieve later." The exception created is temporary in nature, and has been formulated to expire at the sunset of Solomon.

Johnston has acknowledged his actions may cause students to feel increasingly vulnerable as protections have been temporarily lifted. Nonetheless, Johnston has pledged to explore legal remedies to Solomon, and has enlisted the aid of such allies as the ACLU and the LAMBDA Defense Fund.

Convo addresses Congress

by Dan Rivas
Staff Writer

Two men entered Cone Chapel just before 8:00 PM fairly inconspicuously. There was no exhibition or fanfare in their arrival and each man quickly began to chat with students and faculty. Their entrance set the tone for an informal and personable information session; an activity which was part of the Congress to Campus program.

Illinois Republican, John Erlenborn and California Democrat Tom Rees, both former Congressmen, held a public forum last

Wednesday to discuss what is right and wrong with congress and the importance of public service.

Through the Congress to Campus program, the two former Congressmen visited classes and met with students in order to share some of the wisdom and experience they have acquired through the years.

Erlenborn was a congressman from the 14th district of Illinois from 1965 to 1985. In Congress, Erlenborn has been described as a dependable Republican, but one who would break from his party. Erlenborn is considered a moderate Republican.

In the forum Erlenborn noted

that Congress has gotten a bad reputation, and though it's partly deserved, he said it's a bit exaggerated. His goal was to discuss the need for improvement, for example in partisan politics, and to also highlight some of the good things the Congress is doing, such as attempting to balance the budget. Said Congressman Erlenborn, "(The US democracy) is the best form of government that has ever existed in the world." He said it was the best because it is stable and has endured

the test of time.

Congressman Tom Rees represented the 26th district of California from 1965 until 1976. About Rees the Almanac of American Politics wrote: "(He) has usually voted with the liberal Democratic bloc...he is probably better known for his puckish sense of humor."

During the forum, Rees briefly discussed life after retirement. He said, "I tell people there is life after Congress." Rees discussed grassroots campaigning and "fighting for something you believe in." He tried to spur the people to action to end the current trend of apathy. Rees preached, "Every generation has to find their battle."

Both men encouraged everyone to get involved and make a difference. They said that one person can make a difference, one vote can determine an election.

Today, Erlenborn is an adjunct Professor of Law at Georgetown University, specializing in Employee Benefits and has been a partner in several law firms.

Rees is now Chairman of the Board of the Senior Citizens Legal Center for Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties, serving the needs of low-income citizens and is also involved in organizations to preserve the precious resources of the ocean.

ASWU Senate passes crosswalk resolution

by Billy Dalto
Editor

With little debate, the ASWU Senate unanimously passed SR 979801. Authored by UAP Senators Gar Willoughby and Dustin Buehler, and Kappa Sigma Senator Mark Martin, the resolution encouraged the Willamette administration to promote and facilitate the construction of a safety crosswalk across Winter Street at the intersection of Winter and Mill streets. The resolution was drafted and approved

out of concern for the safety of University Apartments residents and maintenance personnel who cross the busy street daily.

Asked about the chances of a safety crosswalk actually being constructed across Winter Street, Senator Willoughby responded, "We [ASWU Senate] are just trying to make this a more cohesive and safe living environment for the entire Willamette community. I hope that the unanimous acclamation of this resolution will help influence the City of Salem to implement a safer crossing over Winter Street."



Melissa Nixon as Fanny in *On the Verge*, now showing at Kresge Theater. Directed by Andrew Apter, the play will run through October 12th. For more coverage, please turn to page 6.



Retired Congressmen John Erlenborn and Tom Rees share their insights about Congressional reform at a University Convocation.

CALENDAR:

OCTOBER 3
Friday

Jazz Night, Smight Auditorium, 7 p.m. "On the Verge" opens in Kresge Theatre.

OCTOBER 4
Saturday

The Great Oregon Fall Beach Cleanup: From Washington to California. FMI 800-452-2151

WU Cross-Country Invitational. 10:00 a.m.

Football vs. Eastern Oregon, 1:30 p.m. McCulloch Stadium.

Volleyball: Western Oregon Invitational.

Mens and Womens Soccer at Whitman

OCTOBER 5
Sunday

University Worship for Parent and Family Weekend, Cone Chapel, 10a.m. x6213

OCTOBER 9
Thursday

Cliff Eberhardt. Cone Chapel in Waller Hall. 7 p.m.

Lecture at Hatfield Room, Library. "Forged Identities: A Colonial Confidence Man and the Fabrication of an Enlightened Elite." 4 p.m.

OCTOBER 11
Saturday

Volleyball home game vs. Pacific Lutheran University. 7 p.m. at Sparks

WU NOTES

Due to the fact that Salem is a cultural mecca along the lines of Siberian prison camps, none of the following events will actually be occurring in the greater Salem metropolitan area...coming up at Eugene's WOW Hall, the place for all that's cool: Marigold, Hot for Chocolate, The Asthma Hounds, and Johnny Voodoo will be playing "hook-ridden pop-rock" (sounds neat) on October 10, and, unfortunately, Hanson will not be making a special appearance; Strangefolk, Ashleigh Flynn & the

Equestrian Bonnets, and Nectar Way will turn tiny WOW Hall into a mini-version of a Dead concert on October 12; DJ Spooky and Scanner will bring their electronic sound (ooh, the next big musical wave) on October 15. Call (541) 687-2747 for tickets...moving even further out of town, the semi-annual Great Oregon Fall Beach Cleanup will be happening in Lincoln City on Saturday. Call (800) 452-2151 for info on how to gain janitorial experience (you English majors might need this skill)...the

Multiple Sclerosis Association of America is sponsoring an essay competition, with the chance to win one \$5,000 scholarship and three \$1,000 scholarships. Entries must be postmarked by June 5, 1998 (enough notice for ya?). Call (800) LEARN MS (532-7667 to the acronymically challenged) for a registration form...finally, the Oregon State Police is offering summer employment in their Cadet Program. If you really came to WU to learn to be a cop, call (503) 378-2100

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Singer Songwriter

The Office of The Chaplain and Willamette University are continuing The Contemporary American Singer Songwriter Series for the 1997-98 academic year. Cliff Eberhardt (see Calendar section), exploring the in-betweens of good and evil, is the first performer in the Songwriter series.

The Songwriter Series is to benefit the Willamette community and the greater Salem area, so admission is free. The objective of these events is to increase diversity concerning songwriting and broaden our musical horizons with musicians from around the world. Cliff Eberhardt will be performing in Cone Chapel which is a recently renovated, 19th century historic structure, providing wheelchair access and is a non-smoking building. For more information please contact the Office of The Chaplain. T.R.

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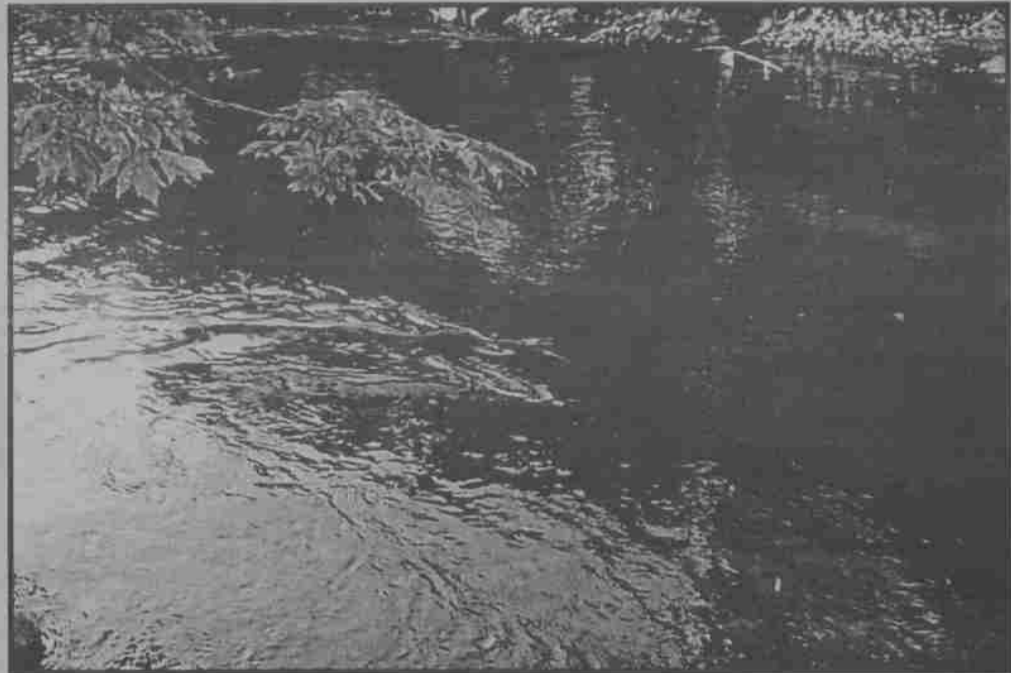
by Billy Dalto
Editor

Following a two year process, Willamette University was awarded a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa this week. Willamette was one of seven institutions selected at the Triennial Council of the Phi Beta Kappa organization. Also awarded a chapter was Lewis & Clark College in Portland.

The presence of a Phi Beta Kappa chapter on the Willamette campus is extremely significant for the University. Having one of the premiere honors societies on campus recognizes the achievements and accom-

plishments of the College of Liberal Arts and undergraduates alike.

Willamette hosted two sight visits by a qualification committee, who recommended the University after their second visit. In the interim between the recommendation and the 38th Triennial Council, Willamette announced the addition of a new music building and a very strong freshman profile. These factors helped to make Professor Allison Blakely, chair of the visiting committee, a strong proponent of the University. Blakely remarked it was difficult to find a liberal arts institution that better fits a Phi Beta Kappa Chapter than Willamette.



Fall Chinook Salmon running through the stream adjacent to the Ram Bar Cafe. Chinook can still be observed breeding in this tributary of the Santiam River.

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Editorials

Family ties

When we left for college it is possible that few of us realized exactly what we were leaving behind. Even if you're from Salem and home is no more than a ten minute walk, the pure fact that you've entered that longed for era of adulthood is enough to throw you and your parents into an emotional maelstrom. The parent-child relationship goes through so many gradations of change during the four (or five) years of college that both sides often feel disconnected or even just disconcerted. As much as we like to think that we've reached complete independence, our parents are still in the back of our minds as we make our first "independent" decisions. A little like our own Jimminy Cricket still haunting us after we've become real; like a welcomed map of the potential roads in this new, uncharted territory. Whether we listen to Jimminy or follow the roads the way our parents thought best we all have to realize the necessity of this step and the importance of keeping close ties through the changes.

Sibling rivalry

Willamette and TIUA are often referred to as sister schools. The term implies a sense of related ideals and interests. Ideally, our two schools are considered one. It is interesting to speculate, however, if we have taken advantage of the full potential of this relationship. During the first few weeks that students from Tokyo International University come to study in America at Willamette they are immersed in the culture; everything from staying awake in a new time zone to attempting communication with a foreign roommate. Unfortunately, after that initial shock, the essential culture blending ends. With the exception of possibly living with a roommate from Japan there is not much hope of interaction between our two universities. Soon after they arrive we seem to separate into separate cliques of Willamette students and TIUA students. It seems useless to have this unique system if no one has any idea how to take advantage of it.

Related attitude

Possible solutions to the often unfair attitude of animosity towards Campus Safety include the thought that maybe what is needed is a new look. This might kill off the negative feelings associated with the organization. In the years it has existed, Campus Safety has always looked the same. The uninviting office is the first put-off a student here encounters. At least five feet lies between authority and the cramped space a mere mortal must enter into. Campus Safety should take a cue from the latest fashion in marketing schemes and become user-friendly by revamping user-relationships.

Problems with bike lock-up

Every year about this time, bicycle theft becomes a big issue at Willamette. Don't get me wrong, I like a good Campus Safety Watch section as much as the next student, but the extent of bike theft at this campus is ridiculous. Three years ago, the thing to have was a chain lock. Surely this type of device was secure enough to ward off would be bike thieves. That didn't seem to work, so the following year Campus Safety suggested the U-lock, which they sell. Well geez, that worked for awhile, until our criminal friends adapted and made short work of U-locks. This year I received a card in the mail advising

me that they now recommend two U-locks to cause thieves to think twice about ripping you off. Perhaps next year they might suggest

FROM THE EDITORIAL BOARD

Billy Dalto

we increase the number exponentially. Will thieves think four times, sixteen times, how about two hundred fifty six times before stealing your bike? But where would you put all those U-locks while you were riding the bike?

It's time to rethink the way we

protect bikes on our campus. Determined thieves have clearly not been deterred by our antitheft devices. Therefore, the University should tackle this on a different level. Be proactive about bicycle protection, instead of being reactive to stolen bikes. It's time for a centralized place for bike storage on campus. One that can and will be protected, assuring students that bikes will be safe.

With all the new projects the University is undertaking, this seems like a worthwhile addition. After all, why should Bon Appetit have two of the only protected parking spots on campus?

The truth about SPAM

After six decades, the Hormel Foods Corporation says its product remains tasty and versatile, but they still aren't candid about just exactly what it is.

SPAM, the original mystery meat, turns 60 this year, a milestone Hormel is heralding with a media campaign aimed at carving out its salty chunk of history.

Hormel has compiled a timeline of the major events of this century, including the many manifestations of SPAM.

At first glance, this resource may seem innocuous enough, but a careful examination reveals the covert and often sinister role played in the course of human events by this non-human (hopefully) meat-esque substance.

For instance, the 1950's marked the production of the one billionth can of SPAM, enough cans to circle the globe 2.5 times.

According to the Hormel timeline, the 1950's also saw the "first American objects launched into space."

Two great moments in Western civilization? Perhaps. But when you pause to consider how Hormel determined the number of canisters of SPAM necessary to girdle the Earth, the ugly truth begins to emerge.

Am I suggesting a high-level conspiracy between Hormel executives and NASA scientists? An extraterrestrial connection? That is for you to decide.

Perhaps the invisible hand - or ground up hoof and snout, as the case may be - of SPAM is nowhere more obvious than in the 1960's. Should it come as any surprise that the tragic assassination of President John F. Kennedy and the introduction of Deviled SPAM coincide, one of the few substances that could have both fueled Oswald's fanaticism and clouded the Warren

Commission's judgement.

Then there were the legal woes of the Rolling Stones, battling and eventually losing to Hormel over the song, "SPAM for the Devil".

However, conspicuously ab-

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C. Reynold Jonson

sent is any mention of the role SPAM played during the Summer of Love. Wonton hedons and hippies, tired of the thrills offered by mere pharmaceutical diversions, are known to have tried smoking SPAM, which is rumored to have eerie hallucinogenic properties (my own experiments continue as of this moment).

A decade later, as the OPEC oil embargo caused gasoline prices to soar, Hormel filled the gap in the driving public's lives by introducing smoke-flavored SPAM (the same formula used today to make Nicoret gum) and SPAM with Cheese Chunks.

A few months later, the stock market went into a tizzy over rumors that a Chillicothe, Missouri, man had developed an internal combustion engine able to run off of the latter. As any Wall Street insider will tell you after a half a dozen martinis and a wad of Prozac, Hormel was able to withstand a hostile takeover bid by Newmont Gold long enough for the Exxon Corporation to buy - and bury - the blueprints for the SPAM-powered engine.

A handful of years later:

"Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall!" then-President George Bush explored in a speech at the Brandenburg Gate. A short time later, borders between the East and West started to open, the Berlin Wall fell and the Cold War era was officially brought to a close by

television commentators everywhere.

Analysts continue to debate the circumstances that brought about this "revolution" - but they need look no further than Bush's tenure as the director of the Central Intelligence Agency and the introduction of Low-sodium SPAM. Without the extra salt, Eastern Bloc leaders were prone to dehydration under the pressure of the people, causing their resolve to crumble.

If only a (Bay of) SPAM formula could have been developed to topple Castro!

But before we decorate SPAM as a national hero, it should be pointed out that Lite SPAM hit the market just in time to cause the World Series to be canceled for the first time in 90 years. Unable to get enough calories, hungry professional baseball players were forced to go out on strike to protest their meager incomes, an action that crippled our national past-time.

Further evidence: Spell SPAM backwards and you get MAPS. What happens when you grind up a map of the world? the borders blur together, threatening national sovereignty and extending the reign of the United Nations - which would explain why SPAM is packaged in U.N. blue.

My fellow Americans, eradicating this threat will not be easy. Hormel has launched a culinary campaign, touting the likes of Cantonese Sweet and Sour SPAM, the Western SPAM Omelet, SPAM Jambalaya and Elegant SPAM Quiche.

Today, 60 million Americans consume SPAM at the rate of 3.6 cans per second. And none of them have any idea what SPAM has done to our country - much less what it is made out of.

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The phasing out of me

In the spring of 1994, I found myself sitting, staring at a glowing computer monitor planning out the essay that would gain me admittance into a fine collegiate establishment like our own Willamette University. I felt that this was going to be easy. I was a fine strapping young lad with various talents, some real, some imagined. I also had a background of public service, some voluntary, some not. I felt I had it all. Except one small thing. My G.P.A. was closer to the mathematical term pi than any substantial number nearing the magical 4.0. Fortunately back in 1994, the well rounded (not the same as well fed) student who may be a little rough around certain edges, was not only

accepted, but honored and revered. OK, there was no parade in my honor upon arrival, but my R.A. Matt Sefnia made a little paper fish with my name on it for my dorm room door.

The point that I am trying to make is not that I equate a little aquatic name tag with celebrity status. The point I am trying to make is that in Willamette's quest to become the academic powerhouse of our generation, they may be overlooking the diamond in the rough. They student who may have not really understood Algebra so in turn skipped half the semester to play Nintendo at his friends house. The other day I was looking at the average scores and qualifications for the

incoming freshmen, and the only category I even came close to was "Has Pulse." I look at my class of rascally scamps, and I think that we not only showed we could hack it at this school (i.e.: we haven't all

PLEASE SHOOT ME

Peter Osborne

been 'asked' to leave), but in many cases we have thrived. Maybe it was just because we had an educational Epiphany from our stellar 'Opening Days' group, or that reading The Storyteller caused us to really grasp our potential as students. Regardless, this class of 1998 has become something to be proud of.

Now I am not saying that my class was a bunch of academic miscreants and slackers. Many of them were valedictorians at their respective schools. It's just that there were also a lot of guys like me who had to think twice about the spelling of valedictorian (Laugh if you will, but if you could see the pained expression on my face as I tried to phonetically spell that 'V' word you'd...well you'd laugh. Hard.). So am I saying that the school should go out and find underachievers who happened to be in some leadership class or secretary of the Dungeons and Dragons club? No, but I do think that when they look at students who do a lot for their community and show creativity in their

lives, that the school should give them the same chance they give people that are exceptionally studious. Both groups I think will make for a better campus. I mean, I needed someone to help me understand French, and in turn I was able to show them the finer points Frisbee throwing. There has to be some sort of balance. Otherwise, people like me would be stuck trying to figure out what x equaled. Personally I don't care what x equals, as long as I don't end up paying more for my Top Ramen and Toni's Pizzas.

Campus Safety opens dermatology clinic

Last week I was talking to a friend who lives in Haseldorf. As seniors we have expressed our concern about the new anti-authority sentiment that seems to be held by many Willamette students. In the middle of our conversation the fire alarm at Haseldorf went off and, being the good, rule abiding citizen that she is, my friend told me she needed to evacuate her room and join her fellow residents outside.

Apparently, some Dorfers were upset because the alarm had gone off two additional times that week. Two of these residents, one clad only in striped boxer shorts and the other with waist length hair (an obvious sign of a troublemaker,) criticized the poor Campus Safety officer who had arrived on the scene. "Why does this problem continue?" they asked with an air of what can only be considered divisiveness.

After suffering an uncalled for berating, the overwhelmed officer responded in the only way she could: "I'm not a mechanic," she said, putting her attackers in their pathetic places. "Campus Safety is in the business of control and restraint. If you need someone's face thrown in the dirt, you give us a call!"

Now, this statement could easily be taken out of context and blown out of proportion. Some students may assert that Campus Safety is a bunch of jack-booted thugs who overreact to minor disruptions in serenity on campus. For those of you who hold that opinion, you obviously do not appreciate the services that Campus Safety provides for us as well as the new services for which this officer provided inspiration.

Campus Safety puts their lives on the line for us every day. They patrol the parking

lots with tenacious vigilance, ticketing every illegally parked car with astonishing efficiency. They keep transients from raiding our caches of aluminum cans and from picking discarded pizza

CAPTAIN SARGASSO'S LOG

Jeremy Hall

from dumpsters. They keep an eye on students who are suspected of smoking the devil's weed, speak out against the government or the Board of Trustees, or have dyed hair and more than two piercings. In short, trespassers and insurgents who threaten the Willamette way are singled out and neutralized.

Campus Safety makes sure that well-behaved Willamette students enjoy the tranquillity and separation from critical thinking that we are entitled to

by our privileged class. Their use of control and restraint make Willamette the nirvana it is.

But all of this is old hat. We've known about the enforced social order on Willamette's campus for years. It is what attracted us to Willamette in the first place. What is particularly exciting is the new services Campus Safety has offered us in the altercation at Haseldorf.

Many Willamette students suffer from lack of exercise, stiffness, and skin problems. Imagine if just one call to Campus Safety could resolve all these problems. Picture this scene:

A student named Johnny looks in the mirror and sees a fat, zit-pocked face and red marks on his neck where he has been rubbing his sore shoulders. He calls Campus Safety and says, "Yes, I'm calling about your new face-in-the-dirt service? I'm in Doney 278. Three minutes? Great." Three minutes later, an officer arrives at Johnny's door, and a brief chase and struggle ensues. Johnny gets in his workout. The Campus Safety officer throws Johnny against the wall and practices a pain hold while pulling back Johnny's arms. Johnny's tight muscles are stretched. Campus safety officer throws Johnny face down in the soil outside the dorm. With force that Johnny could never use on his own face, the sharp clay particles exfoliate the dead skin particles on Johnny's face. Soil enzymes go to work on the oil deposits in Johnny's pores. Johnny wakes up hours later, feeling the last of the endorphins pulse through his exhilarated veins, his shoulders are at last relaxed, and his face feels deeply cleaned.

Letters to the Editor



Quality Off Balance
September 29, 1997

Dear Editor:
In response to Jeremy Hall's article, Government Probes Link Between Logging and Water Quality, the author has left accuracy and balance on the cutting room floor.

Mr. Hall refers to a Salem City Council resolution requesting a logging curtailment which drew international attention. He failed to mention the resolution was overturned by Salem City Council recently.

Michael Donnelly, a member of the Friends of Brietenbush, is portrayed as an expert with satellite photographs showing massive logging on the watershed. No mention is made of the newspaper photograph of The Friends of Brietenbush illegally operating a tractor in the Brietenbush River causing turbidity. No mention of the fine imposed by the Department of Environment Quality either. With timber harvests re-

duced by '95% in the 1990's decade, Rena Merritt of the Oregon Natural Resource Council continues to fret that Clinton's Forest Plan pushes species to the brink of extinction. No mention by Mr. Hall that the ONRC are running a fear campaign using false water quality threats to fundraise throughout the state.

There are over 100 scientific studies compiled in the past 30 years reviewing logging's effects on water quality, yet Mr. Hall grasps at a student's discredited thesis to promote the idea roaded areas are 250 times more likely to suffer landslides. It's patently false.

The story is filled with unsubstantiated claims by environmentalists. How about printing the results of the Oregon Department of Forestry's year long study on the 19996 flood and it's cause and effects? It probably won't be as sensational as Mr. Hall's writings but lets not have the truth get in the way of a big lie.

SINCERELY,
ROB FRERES
Salem Resident

LIFE IN HELL



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Willamette's Theater season begins this weekend with *On the Verge*. The season continues throughout the year.

1997-1998 Theater Season

On The Verge
October 3-12

Uncle Vayna
November 13-23

Hostage
February 26 - March 8

As Freedom is a Breakfast Food
April 2 - April 8

A Midsummer Night's Dream
April 23 - May 3

Theater season begins today

by Jasmin Chaudhary
Staff Writer

The Willamette University theater group has planned several exciting performances for the 1997-98 school year. This year's performances will range from a dance concert to a play based on time travel.

The first performance of the year, *On the Verge or the Geography of Yearning* will run from October 3-12. Directed by Steven David Martin, *On the Verge* follows the lives of three Victorian women and their trek through uncharted lands. On the way they stumble across a time warp, and make their way through the 1950s discovering Mr. Coffee, and among other things, eggbeaters. Cast members include Trish Kimbel as Mary, Melissa Nixon as Fanny, and Emily Strang playing the part of Alex. What

makes this performance so unique is the fact that Brusaco plays eight characters in the play ranging from comical ones to dramatic ones. Michael Brusaco starred in last season's *The Sea*, and *Boy's Life*.

Members of the production team include Christopher L. Harris, scene designer; Clay Everett, lighting and sound designer; Kristine Kearney, costume designer; and Kimberly Christensen, Choreographer.

The play previewed on October 2 starting at 8 p.m. A matinee performance will be held on October 5 and 12 at 12 p.m. The October 12 showing will be signed for the hearing impaired. *On the Verge or the Geography of Yearning* will be shown at the Willamette Playhouse and will offer seating by reservation. Admission prices are \$10 on opening Friday and Saturdays, \$8 on second Thursdays and Sundays, \$5 on preview night, and \$6 for seniors and students, except on preview night when they are

\$3. Individual season passes are also available for \$15 and include admittance into four performances.

On November 13-23, the Willamette Theater will present the classic play by Anton Chekov, *Uncle Vanya*, to be directed and translated by Andrew Apter. *The Hostage*, a light-hearted performance set in 1958 and centered on a British soldier held hostage by the IRA, opens on February 26 and runs through March 8. David Gardiner will direct. On April 2-5, a dance concert *As Freedom is a Breakfast Food* will be held at the playhouse. It will be choreographed by Kimberly Christensen and Margo Van Ummersen, a guest choreographer. The last performance of the season will be *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, a love story by William Shakespeare. It will run from April 23 to May 3, and will also be directed by Steven David Martin.

Students talk Socialism, democracy

by Lisa Lambert
Contributor

Two men cheer at a football game on the UC's television, while four radicals sit across the room and quietly discuss how they will change politics at Willamette.

The four, all members of Students for Socialism and Democracy, don't notice the football fans' noise. Instead, with subdued voices, they discuss a new campaign and volunteer opportunities. Brian Kennedy, the group's chair, looks up from his notes and mentions some members are absent. Someone says the missing people are ill. Normally eight to ten people attend the meetings; 15-20 are on the mailing list.

Students for Socialism... is small, but it is growing. Last year, a handful of people started the organization. They missed the Activities Fair and didn't recruit any new members. Now,

though, the group has more members and regular meetings on Wednesday nights.

"Some students are very excited because this is a new thing," Kennedy said. "At the Activities Fair [this year], though, some people came by to argue. They asked me 'Are you a pink-o?' 'Are you a commie?'"

The group is not Communist. It is social-democratic, which means it believes in "returning decision-making power to people. We reject Communist, totalitarian and fascist forms of government because socialism can't work without democracy," explained Kennedy.

"True socialism," he said, "is radical democracy."

Soon Students for Socialism... will campaign for an initiative on proportional representation. Under proportional representation, the Oregon House of Representatives will allocate seats to different parties based on the amount of votes each party receives. The parties decide who fills the seats. Students for Socialism... thinks this system will help

members of smaller political parties become legislators.

According to Kennedy, campaigning will also demonstrate that the group doesn't "sit around and talk, but acts."

The organization is slightly affiliated with the Willamette University Progressive Union.

While Students for Socialism... faces budget constraints ("We are limited in our fundraising, we can't get a corporation to sponsor a social-democratic group," said Kennedy.) and other problems associated with new clubs, its members still hold onto hopes for political change.

"A lot of people are scared of socialism," said member Christine Heveron. "It isn't against America. It's a path to help the country realize her full potential."

For now, Students for Socialism...s members plot their way along this path by talking and meeting. Quietly.

Congress on campus: a social commentary

Commentary
by Peter Riley Osborne

In a small, insignificant room in Goudy Commons, on a small, insignificant Wednesday, sat a small insignificant crowd of ASWU reps, students, faculty and me. Oh, there were two ex-Congressmen there too. When I walked in, I saw two older gentlemen sitting, eating, having a good time, and I thought, "Cool, the congressmen haven't arrived yet." Then, in my preparations for writing this article, I heard Professor Smaldone throw around words like, "Congressman this" and "Congressman that." I began to realize that the guy across from me with the ranch dressing dribbling down his chin was none other than former Congressman Tom Rees (D; California). So the other strapping not-so-young man must have been John Erlenborn (R.) former Illinois congressman. These gentlemen were describing the satisfaction they experienced in retirement and their unwillingness to get back into the "grind."

"My supporters would ask me why I retired," Erlenborn said, "And I would tell them, 'Hey, even criminals get time off for good behavior.'"

Anecdotes aside, the conversation became more focused when Professor Bill Smaldone asked them their stance on the issue of proportional representation, a subject upon which both former congressmen had a definite and unified opinion. They didn't seem to be for it. Rees appeared to think that, in his opinion, the Democratic party had enough diversity to encompass the entire spectrum of left wing politics. Erlenborn nodded (possibly off). I personally think that the Democratic party has a lot of diversity. I mean Clinton is over six feet tall, while Dukakis was a small man of three feet two inches. Smaldone thought that in order to ensure all of his issues were addressed, he had to be in a party that not only encompassed all of these issues, but made them paramount to their platform. I guess that is what he was saying, but I actu-

ally drifted off as I saw Tom Rees making faces that basically said, "Wow, is this food for real???" I think it is.

I think it is also important for people to not only pursue their political views, but to get the most they can out of their party. Unfortunately, for immediate results, you should vote for the person or party that encompasses the most of your goals, and then bug the crap out of them until they at least give you a fake promise that will hopefully tide them over until the next election. Either way, you get a compromise that hopefully will get things going in the desired direction, unlike Goudy's food, which Rees found out only knows one real direction and is uncompromising.

The whole atmosphere was as feisty as a drunk cowboy in the Black Angus; Or perhaps like a cowboy with the intent to drink. The two former Congressmen felt that it was imperative to have the two-party-system for the stability of the nation. Erlenborn said that electing candidates was meant to be done within the party itself. Smaldone said that it was important to have multiple parties to get more specific needs emphasized, with limits as to how small the constituency would be allowed to be (something like a five percent vote). I was thinking that the rice to chicken ratio in my pita wrap was disappointingly high on the rice end. At one point in the luncheon, Rees tried to show how much more could be done immediately for political change if they utilize the "focal point" of the Democratic Party to pass some of the overlapping agendas. I thought this made sense. At the same time I felt that there had to be a way to get all imperative issues out there, if for no other reason than to tell your party to take what you and at least 5% of other voters feel seriously.

As the luncheon ended, and we were filing out of this catacomb in Goudy, I noticed two things. First of all, every single person in the room was

See "Osborne," page 12

Former WU student competes for Miss America honors

by Andy Kimball
Contributor

1995 Willamette University graduate Tamara Finch was recently crowned Miss Oregon and competed in the Miss America Pageant.

Finch, 24, graduated from Willamette cum laude with a bachelor of music in piano performance with a minor in English literature. She was a member of the Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society, Mu Phi Epsilon Music Fraternity, Phi Kappa Lambda and the Mortar Board. She hopes to obtain a master of music degree and become a college professor.

Currently a graduate student at the University of Wash-

ington, Finch credits her WU experience for helping her realize her dreams. "I wouldn't be who I am today without my Willamette and Salem experience. It has made all the difference in the world."



Senate Report



"I want to do something different with Winter Street," Interim President Bryan Johnston announced this week as guest speaker of the ASWU Senate. "I want to narrow it."

Calling on the Dutch woenurf idea, Johnston cited three main reasons for wanting to narrow the street to two lanes. The first, and most important, would be an increase in safety for students crossing the street. This would be accomplished by possibly adding a front yard to Lausanne Hall, hopefully slowing traffic. Other benefits would be an increase in aesthetics and a tying in of the west side of campus. "Our future lies to the west of campus," Johnston noted.

Johnston also explained Wednesday's memo that was sent out to Willamette students and faculty. "We must find a way—politically, legally, or both—to stop the

government from telling us what to do."

Having taught at the Law School on and off for thirteen years, serving as the Director for Dispute Resolution and as Associate Dean, Johnston should well-qualified to "battle the government." A legal strategy has already been formulated, as mentioned in the memo.

Johnston also took questions from the Senate, explaining the recent conditions of the Mill Stream being due to gate work. The job was apparently supposed to be finished ten days ago.

Also discussed was the search for a new Willamette President. Johnston noted that the search is going well, thanks to aggressive action taken by the school. A group of six candidates has been grouped from recommendations to appear at Portland for "airport interviews." After those, another six will be seen. According to Johnston, if everything is accomplished by schedule, a new President should be chosen by January.

Officer's Reports began with ASTIUA President Tomihito "Yuru" Hirose announcing Wil-

lamette professors' contributions to TIUA summer semester English classes. ASTIUA Vice President Yukari Isoyama also gave mention to the TIUA website, located at www.TIUA.edu. "Yuru" ended the report with his well-known traditional Japanese cheer.

Treasurer Loren Myers began his report by requesting a body be formed to review the possibility of placing a bicycle rack somewhere near Goudy Commons. Myers also noted that around \$3,000 for Work Study came in and needs to be allocated.

In her Vice-President's Report Amber Tribble gave special mention to Homecoming, which will begin the week of October 13. Tribble also requested the creation of an AD-HOC committee to restructure the Programming Board and the Vice-President's role on it.

ASWU President Michael Trotter began his report by asking for qualities students would like to see in their new president. Accessibility, for both students and adults, was mentioned, along with visibility, sense of community, diligence, and having the same priorities as the student body.

Trotter also welcomed Senators to help him look into the military recruitment situation on campus, seconding President Johnston's disapproval of military discrimination by gender and sexual orientation.

New business this week consisted of a \$300 allocation to the newly formed Bearcat Football Boosters, leaving \$1751.88 left in unallocated funds. Anyone interested should call Leila Cooke at ext. 6554.

Next came Senator Huft's appointment by acclamation to the University Budget Committee, followed by the passing of this year's first legislation, Resolution SR979801, proposing the construction of a safety crosswalk over Winter Street.

Myers raised concern over Resident Life's move to prohibit closed fraternity houses this year during initiation week. Announcements this week came from Senator Hirose, stating that TIUA's sports festival will take place at Sparks on October 11 at 10pm.

VOICES

CAMPUS OPINION

How do you feel about a proposal to increase ASWU Fees?



"A modest hike in fees seems necessary to give programs money they deserve."

Jason Francis, Freshman



"If ASWU is asking for more money, then they should ask for more student involvement."

Sheridan Horning, Sophomore



"The only way I could support it if they instituted a mandatory nap time."

Collin Murray, Senior



"Only if they use it for a giant tent over campus to protect us from the rain. I'm serious! Cough, cough!"

Sammy Henderson, Senior

Safety Watch

Sept. 21 to Sept. 27



Fire

September 21, 6:55 p.m. (Haseldorf Apartments) - The building was evacuated when a grease fire started in an apartment. Before the fire could be put out it created enough smoke to be detected throughout the building.

Criminal Mischief

September 21, 6:33 p.m. (Baxter Hall) - A student reported the main door of the building would not close. It was determined that the support arm on the door had been bent so that the door would not close.

September 23, 9:30 a.m. (Shepard Hall) - An employee reported damage to the window screens in the TV room of the building. Upon investigation it was determined that someone had apparently tried to pry the screens off their frames to gain entrance to the building.

September 27, 2:50 a.m. (Kappa Sigma, TIUA) - A student called to report that three individuals had just been inside the building and wrote graffiti in several places. Officers responded and caught up with the suspects at TIUA. One of the suspects fled the scene but the other two were detained for Salem Police. Since the witness did not actually see the suspects write on the walls, no arrest could be made. They were however, issued written trespass warnings.

Criminal Trespass

September 22, 9:15 a.m. (Mill and Winter Street) - Campus Safety received a report of a group of possible Skinheads walking towards the University Center. Officers contacted the group and confirmed through Salem Police that they were in fact Skinheads. One member of the group was arrested for criminal trespass as he had already been warned not to be on campus from a previous encounter. The other three were issued written trespass warnings.

Disorderly Conduct

September 21, 1:30 a.m. (Olin Science) - While on foot patrol officers came across a student down on his hands and knees with his head down. When the officers asked the student if he was all right, he became uncooperative and attempted to get away from the officers. The student was found to have been drinking and was under 21.

September 27, 2:00 a.m. (Sigma Alpha Epsilon) - Officers were called to the House as a result of numerous noise complaints from students. The officers encountered an extremely uncooperative group, and were physically surrounded and verbally abused by several House members. When officers requested that the members step back they refused. All names of individuals involved were referred to Residence Life for disciplinary action.

Emergency Medical Aid

September 21, 1:56 p.m. (University Apartments) - Campus Safety officers and WEMS personnel were dispatched to assist a student who was having severe stomach pains. The student was evaluated by WEMS and transported to the ER.

September 21, 5:15 p.m. (Quad) - Campus Safety and WEMS were dispatched to the area to assist a student who had injured his ankle playing football. The student was transported to the ER for further treatment.

September 23, 12:13 a.m. (Lausanne Hall) - Campus Safety and WEMS were dispatched to a call of a student having a seizure. After a quick initial assessment, 911 was called and the student was transported by ambulance.

September 23, 2:55 p.m. (Smullin Hall) - A student reported another student had collapsed after class. Campus Safety officers and WEMS personnel arrived on scene at the same time. The victim was shaky and pale, and was transported to the ER after an initial evaluation by WEMS.

September 25, 6:27 p.m. (Law School) - A student called to report another student with an injury needing assistance. WEMS was dispatched and they were able to treat

the injury which was just a small laceration.

Harassment

September 24, 1:00 p.m. (Law School) - A student reported that she had been receiving unwanted messages from a former student through various channels. When the student told this person not contact her, he did not comply. The former student was contacted by the Campus Safety and told not to contact the student in any manner in the future.

Minor In Possession

September 27, 11:45 p.m. (Kappa Sigma) - A contract security officer contacted Campus Safety regarding an intoxicated minor attempting to gain entrance into a House function. The student was interviewed by officers and it was determined that he had been drinking. He was issued a citation for Minor in Possession of Alcohol by Consumption.

Theft

September 21, 3:20 p.m. (Lausanne Hall) - A student who had locked her bicycle with both a U-lock and a cable lock reported it

stolen.

September 22, 3:50 p.m. (Law School) - A student reported his bicycle stolen from the rack southeast of Law. The student stated that the bike had been locked with a U-lock.

September 24, 8:10 a.m. (Sparks Center) - A student reported that her bike had been stolen from in front of the building. She had left the bike overnight, but it was locked up with a U-lock.

September 25, 3:25 p.m. (University Center) - A student reported that his bicycle had been stripped while parked overnight in front of the UC. Both wheels and the handlebars were removed.

September 27, 8:00 a.m. (Physical Plant) - A construction worker reported that the key to the track hoe being used in the construction had been stolen. He also reported that the track hoe had been moved and the boom raised.

Slav Says...

Q. Dear Slav-

There is guy that I'm interested in, but he has an unusual style of dress. I don't think it's my place to tell him to dress, but what can I do?

—Please Help

Dear Help-

I agree with you when you say that as women, we shouldn't have to explain to a guy how he should dress. However we should be aware of a few fashion signals before plunging into a relationship. Let's examine a possible ensemble. First we start with the hockey jersey, or any jersey for that matter—a must have item for high school, but let's get real—we're in college now. Flip flops...everybody likes a good sandal, but this denotes a sign of laziness, that I just rolled out of bed look. Ditch it. This falls in the same category as unlaced tennis shoes—didn't mom ever teach you to tie? Black athletic socks, or worse, the white ankle tennis socks. You know the ones...it makes me cringe just thinking about them. And then we come to the issue of cologne. Gentlemen—just a little dab will do ya, no need to bathe in it. Ladies—I know you have witnessed these simple but deadly fashion no-nos, but we too, can do something about it—that's right, walk the other way. Ok, so maybe that is being a bit harsh, but why not opt for the friend route with this love interest. Friends are suppose to let each other know when something looks not write right. Once you set his style in a positive direction then you can shift your status from friend, to girlfriend.

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Inside perspective gained on Willamette football

by Pete Osborne
Sports Columnist

Some people look at our football team and think, "Gee, these guys can't be enjoying themselves. They spend the majority of their time beating the crap out of each other and watching the same game films over and over again. Why do they do it?" Well, let me tell you, this is no where near true (except the part about the films). As a member of the WU football team, I have a plethora of unique and amusing experiences that add a little sauce to a normally plain saltine crackersque day.

Even things as mundane as the bus rides are constant sources of the human experience that you cannot find anywhere else. Case in point, on our most recent trip to Central Washington, our ever chipper driver drove us at a certain land speed record pace as we passed through some of the most beautiful stretches of land known to man. Rolling hill-like... things being plastered by sunlight in much the way a three year old plasters peanut butter at random intervals around the kitchen while preparing his or her first sandwich. As the sun eventually found its way through my window, cascading gently across my face as if to say, "Hi, can we be friends? I'll buy," I found that not even projectile mayonnaise from the person seated across from me, as he lost his titanic struggle with the mayo packet, could spoil the ambiance of that moment.

Now, if that wasn't enough to make you strap on a helmet and play with the Bearcats, I don't know what is. The festivities don't stop at vandalistic sunlight and flying

condiments either. Oh no. Then, there is the pre-game. First is the arrival to the stadium, which is immediately followed by the pilgrimage to the training room. Football players are not only into preventative taping, but we also have something called the "spat job." This is basically the application of 20 rolls of tape around each foot to insure maximum shoelace stability, so I have heard. Known "spat" offender Rodney Wood is probably single handedly responsible for tendonitis in the hands of trainers across the country as they try to completely remove all angles from his foot, leaving him with two neatly taped balls at the end of each leg. This, I have heard, is to help stabilize his ankles and keep them from breaking. This is a good thing, because the coaches hate it when they have to shoot a lineman who has become lame.

Then there are the meetings before the game. Imagine, if you will, Coach Marc Speckman, animatedly describing his "Barrel O'Arrows Plays" that he has to, and I quote, "Shoot the honkeys coming over the hill." This was in reference to the necessity of preparedness the Native Americans needed when combating the forces of well, the honkeys fighting them (I guess on this particular week, Humboldt State was Colonel Custar. I think we fired two arrows the entire game, and one we went and retrieved later.). The meetings seem to rise to a frenzy as we begin our special team roll calls, and Coach Robert Tucker tries to get all the players on the right special teams. Having achieved this, the meetings get down right riotous when Coach Trey Mott gets the "Big



Members of the Willamette Ruggers take part in an individual looping drill during an afternoon practice. Practices are held MWF from 4:30-6:00 in Brown Field and everyone is welcome to participate. No experience is necessary and there is both a men's and women's team. Contact Coach Gerry Hagan at ghagan@cyberis.net or Alex Enna x2894 for more information.

Guys" together for a pep talk that usually revolves around us committing physically aggressive acts during the game that would usually be followed by a jail term if we did them at, oh say, the Ram. In all seriousness, I have come to love Coach Mott's speeches, and really believe that if he told me to, I could go up to the biggest, meanest, toughest guy on the opposing team and give him a wedgie that he wouldn't soon forget. I would.

Finally, we come to the game: the real reason why we play. I mean practice is fun and all, but the whole thing would be pretty pointless without the games. So, here we find ourselves after a week of hard work, both mentally and physically, at our goal: the combat with the opposing team. We run out on the field with our blood boiling, slapping hands or whatever, yelling really loud, and

basically performing precise acts of psychotic behavior. Unfortunately, for your "Scrappy 'Cats," our opponent has a choreographed warm-up routine that consists of cartwheels, and a nice little cheek to cheek duet between the opposing captains. Again, a demoralizing defeat in the battle of the warm-ups. Undaunted, the Bearcats finish their stretching period and head back into the locker room for some last minute motivation and focus. You can only pace, yell and apply eye black for so long. Then, you start thinking about everything in the world: Will I do well in the game? Is my mom here? Are the stars and planets still aligned correctly? Finally, Coach Dan Hawkins brings you all together and gives a speech that teils us that basically all responsibility for the outcome of this game lies on us. This is fundamentally true and gives the

feeling of importance that outweighs our miniscule place in the universe.

Regardless of whether we win or lose, whether Chuck Pinkerton rushes for 1,000 yards, or whether Jackson Baures alters the composition of an opposing lineman's body, all of our work is because it is fun. The great time we have just playing the game--all of this makes it worth it to be a football player. I know that I have seen the Central Washington v. Eastern Oregon game film a million times, but because of films like *Bethany v. Friends* (a classic struggle between two teams that have intimate knowledge of the phenomenon called all-you-can-eat buffet), I know that I always have a place to go for a few laughs. So, come on out and see the lighter side of football, but watch out for surface to air mayo, and the occasional "Honkey Killing" Speckman Arrow.

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WU football player Steve Nass receives the ball during a 7 on 7 drill as Coach Prange looks on.

Undefeated WU football claims sixth place among NAIA top 25

by Mike Benkoski
Staff Writer

The Willamette Bearcats improved their winning streak to three games last Saturday afternoon by defeating the Central Washington Wildcats. The Bearcats pushed their record to 3-0 with a 34-21 win at Central Washington.

After cruising through their first two games, Central Washington proved to be a difficult test for the Bearcats. Willamette destroyed both Humboldt State and Chapman University, outscoring them by a combined 82-20. Central Washington was 2-0 going into the game against the Bearcats and they were ranked 10th in last week's NAIA national poll.

Although a non-conference game, it was still a big win for the Bearcats. Unlike their games against Humboldt State and Chapman University, the Bearcats were forced to come from behind in the fourth quarter.

With 2:04 left in the third quarter, Central snatched the lead 14-13 on a 14 yard touchdown pass. Central's quarterback Casey Jacox hit receiver Dan Murphy to put the Wildcats up late. The Bearcats entered the fourth quarter trailing for the first time this

year. Being behind has not been a usual occurrence for the Bearcats this year.

Both the Bearcat offense and defense were up to the challenge. With some key defensive plays, the offense was able to take control and win the game.

Senior quarterback Chuck Pinkerton had an exceptional game, passing for 238 yards and two touchdowns. One game after becoming the first college quarterback to rush for 2,000 yards, Pinkerton showed his versatility by hurting Central in the air.

Besides the air attack generated by Pinkerton, the Bearcats running game dominated the fourth quarter. Down 14-13, the Bearcats were able to score three rushing touchdowns to put the game out of reach for the Wildcats.

Danny Osborne saved both of his touchdowns for the fourth quarter. Osborne scored from six yards out and had an incredible touchdown run from 68 yards out. To cap the scoring and put the game out of reach for good, Rich Rideout dashed in from 35 yards with just 49 seconds remaining. The Bearcats' dominant running game led them to a come from behind victory.

Osborne finished the day with

122 yards on 15 carries and two touchdowns. Rideout also rushed for over 100 yards, gaining 106 yards on 15 carries, and his late touchdown.

Three games into the season, the offensive numbers for the Bearcats are staggering. Osborne leads the team in rushing with five touchdowns and over 250 yards. Rideout is equally impressive with over 200 yards and two touchdowns. Pinkerton set the career quarterback rushing record and has run it in himself three times. This fearsome threesome looks to lead the Bearcat offense to a brilliant season.

The win over 10th ranked Central Washington looks to move the 8th ranked Bearcats up in the polls.

Saturday, Willamette battles Eastern Oregon. It should be a huge crowd with families in attendance due to Parents' Weekend. The Bearcats hope to improve their record against a tough Eastern Oregon team and stay undefeated.

Team unity keeps runners right on track for weekend invitational

by Maegen Hoeffel
Staff Writer

This Saturday Willamette will host one of the biggest meets in their division at Bush Park. Approximately 700 runners are expected to attend, far more than last year's meet where only about 400 runners participated. Coach Sullivan has invited more schools and unattached runners than last year in order to raise the level of competition. All the schools in the NAIA division are expected to run, along with independent runners from organizations like Nike and runners from other divisions such as those from Boise State, a top competitor in the NCAA division. Runner John Urdal says that a bigger meet is good advertisement for Willamette. Urdal also commented that because there will be more runners out on the course, the race will be much faster.

The race at Bush Park is crucial for the NAIA division schools. The schools are not yet ranked and this Saturday's meet will determine initial rankings. In the past the Bearcats have ranked anywhere from 15th-20th. The last two years the team has ended the season in 18th place; they don't plan on staying there this year. The team is looking to be in the top 15. They have a solid team motivated to make it happen this year, so count on seeing them closer to the top this season.

The runners believe strongly in the importance of team unity. Susan Hale spoke for the whole team in saying, "The team is very close." If the team is not out running, they can be seen at Goudy eating as a team, at weekend barbecues together, or doing foot races. They know that by sticking together on the course they will push each other until the end. This is a good explanation as to why you don't

see much of a gap between the first and last runners at the meets. They are a solid team and plan to use their unity to help them get into the top 15 this year. Chris Roberts said, "I believe we will do well Saturday. The team has gone through intense training the last few weeks." With no meet last weekend, they are rested up and ready for the race. Catch them at Bush Park on Saturday. They'll be worth watching!

Willamette soccer shuts out No. 2 Seattle 2-0

by Dillon Shea
Staff Writer

The women's soccer team bounced back from a disappointing loss against Pacific University with two convincing wins last weekend. Sunday featured a 3-0 win over the University of the Redlands. The Bearcats' encore performance was a 2-0 victory over a previously undefeated Seattle University squad. The Bearcats' record currently stands at 5-1-1.

Senior Jamie Barton got the offense started against the University of the Redlands with her first goal of the season in conference play. Freshman Katie Privette who leads the team in goals, scored twice for the Bearcats, her second and third goals of the season. The Bearcat defense continued to dominate opposing teams, as it chalked up its fifth shutout of the season.

On Sunday, the Bearcats took to the road in a crucial match up against Seattle University. Ranked number two in the nation and sitting in first place in the NCIC standings, Seattle University walked onto the field as the favored team. Head coach Jim Tursi said, "It is rare for us to be the underdog. We are usually the team everybody else is trying to knock off." Sophomore Katie Edmonds scored the first goal of the game off of an assist by Barton. Edmonds also scored the second and final goal of the game, this time with an assist by Erin Moore. The victory over Seattle put the Bearcats in a tie for first place.

"The win against Seattle University was huge. We're in the driver's seat now," said Tursi. "If we prepare ourselves before each game we should go undefeated (for the rest of the season). We don't have to hope that Seattle trips up."

After the loss against Pacific Tursi said Barton, a team captain, stepped up and put pressure on the team to do well in their upcoming games against the Redlands and Seattle University. Tursi said, "Katie Edmonds and Jamie Barton worked twice as hard as they have at any other point this year." Although Barton scored only once, Tursi said he believes the extra pressure Barton puts on the defense helps create scoring opportunities for her teammates.

The Bearcat defense has yielded only two goals since conference play started. "Our defense has been solid. We have only been scored on in two games all year," said Tursi. The defense boasts a stellar .29 goals against average.

Despite nine returning starters, the Bearcats have received solid play from their corps of freshman recruits. Araya Parrish and Erin Moore have started all but one game for the Bearcats. Privette has contributed three goals in conference play, and Jenny Reed and Jenny Bellone have also chipped in with one goal a piece.

This weekend the Bearcats play two games, both on the road. On Saturday the Bearcats will clash with Whitman University, followed by a Sunday game against Whitworth.

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A WU soccer player starts to breeze by a Pacific team member during a recent conference game.

Men's soccer earns a mark in the 'W' column after 3-1 defeat over Redlands

by Jen Davis
Staff Writer

Though the men's soccer team started the season slower than they expected, the Bearcats are now on their way. They had their first breakthrough performance last Wednesday against Redlands. Before stepping onto the field, the WU men knew they possessed the skills to dominate Redlands. Scoring three goals in the first-half, their victory backed up their predictions. Dominance allowed more players an opportunity to be rotated in and everyone performed very well. With a final score of 3-1, the Bearcats now have something to show for their hard work.

WU men took their performance to another level when they played Seattle University last weekend. Though they ended up losing 2-1, both the players and coaches are very pleased with their performance. Since Seattle University carries an undefeated record, Coach Tursi said, "Our guys had good results for playing against such a strong team." Some of the players felt the Seattle University players were a little stronger and faster all around, causing Willamette to play a little defensively. Both of Seattle University's goals were scored off of penalty kicks. Kelly Robbins stated, "The only downfall to last weekend's game was that it was

not a home game. It was by far our best performance this season because we did not need to play physical. Both teams were so skilled there was no need for bad tackles." WU's match against Seattle University forced the Bearcats to rise to their true potential.

Willamette's biggest team strength is that everyone on the field is so versatile. Most of the men can play several positions well. Possessing strikers that also have the ability to defend is a rare asset. Individually, the players are improving as the season progresses. Robbins stated, "Both Scott Tomblins and Garet Luebbert have been playing exceptionally well. They both get the job done every time they get to the ball." Robbins is a junior transfer from Macalester college in Minnesota. Robbins commented that "There has been minimal difference in talents between our guys and the teams we've lost to. When playing the teams at the bottom of the conference the victory is earned by the team that performs well that day."

Though currently in eighth place, Willamette has a huge opportunity to turn their season around this weekend. Playing against Division I Oregon State University last Wednesday warmed their skills up for what lies ahead. Tursi said, "This weekend will determine the outcome of our season. We have a chance to move up four teams. It's possible for us to

move from last to fifth place."

The team may be young but Tursi is already building for next year. "We had two very solid years of recruits and we hope to get more next fall." The more experience the players get this year, the stronger they play in the future. Tursi sees youth as one of their biggest strengths.

Now, Tursi is looking to turn things around. "When we play well this weekend and then beat Linfield we have a run at the playoffs."

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FOOTBALL

Overall Standings

	W	L
Pacific Lutheran	3	0
Puget Sound	2	1
Willamette	3	0
Linfield	1	2
Lewis & Clark	1	2
Whitworth	1	2

Standings current as of September 29

Last Week

Saturday, September 27
Willamette def.
Central Washington

This Week

Saturday, October 4
Eastern Oregon at
Willamette



VOLLEYBALL

Conference Standings

	W	L
George Fox	3	1
Pacific	1	3
Pacific Lutheran	3	0
Puget Sound	4	0
Willamette	2	2
Linfield	2	2
Lewis & Clark	1	4
Whitman	3	2
Whitworth	0	5

Standings current as of September 29

Last Week

Wednesday, October 1
Willamette def.
Lewis & Clark

This Week

Fri.-Sat., October 3-4
Willamette at Western
Oregon Invitational



WOMEN'S SOCCER

Conference Standings

	W	L	T
George Fox	3	3	0
Pacific	3	3	0
Pacific Lutheran	3	2	2
Puget Sound	4	2	1
Willamette	4	1	1
Linfield	0	6	0
Whitman	1	4	1
Whitworth	3	3	0
Seattle	4	1	1

Standings current as of September 29

Last Week

Sunday, September 28
Willamette def.
Seattle

This Week

Sat.-Sun., October 4-5
Willamette at Whitman,
Willamette at Whitworth

Purdy and Fisher lead dramatic five game win over Pioneers

by Matt Kosderka
Staff Writer

Having lost their first four matches against Northwest Conference opponents, Willamette's women's volleyball team looked to be in for a long season. But as in any situation, looks can be deceiving.

The Bearcats had won just one match entering the week, and to make matters worse, they had to embark on a grueling road trip, to take on two teams that they knew very little about, in Whitworth and Whitman. Then, they would have to return to Cone Fieldhouse for two mid-week match-ups against co-conference favorite George Fox and a much improved Lewis & Clark.

However, after traveling for nearly nine hours on a cramped bus, the Bearcats showed no signs of fatigue, as they blasted an overhyped Whitworth team in three games, 15-11, 15-10, 15-6.

"I think there was a real confidence among the kids," said Head Coach Marlene Piper of the women's first conference victory.

While Willamette may have been on top of their game, Whitworth was anything but that. The Pirates committed nearly 50 errors on their serve and kill attempts, almost gift wrapping the match for Willamette.

Although breaking into the conference win

column lifted some weight off the Bearcats' shoulders, more importantly, it built up some momentum that Willamette carried into their next match against Whitman.

The Bearcats manhandled the Missionaries last season, and despite a more athletic Whitman roster, the match was only more of the same, as Willamette won it in four games, 15-11, 15-4, 13-15, 15-11.

On their first winning streak of the season, the road trip to Eastern Oregon looked more like a blessing than a hindrance, as the multitudes of time together led to a more tightly knit Bearcat squad.

Just how together the team had become, was quickly tested, as George Fox rolled into Cone Fieldhouse on Tuesday night. The Bruins had already routed the Bearcats earlier this season, and the Bearcats would have to be nearly perfect if they hoped to avoid a repeat of the two teams' prior match.

One thing that Willamette had to do was serve with precision in order to keep the Bruins out of their quick hitting offense. And the plan worked in game one, as the two teams were even at 10-10. However, George Fox took advantage of a few Bearcats miscues, and reeled off five straight points to win the game 15-10.

From then on, it was all Bruins.

The loss left some doubt as to whether the Bearcats were really improving, or if their matches with Whitworth and Whitman had just

been flukes.

That doubt continued in Wednesday night's match with Lewis & Clark, as the Pioneers stormed out to a 7-0 lead in the first game, before the Bearcats could even catch their breath. They eventually went on to win the first game 15-2.

The two teams see-sawed back and forth in game two, as the lead changed a handful of times, before the Bearcats could grasp control and finish off the Pioneers, 15-10.

However, the team that was on the floor for the first game returned in game three, as Lewis & Clark won eight straight points and the game, 15-6.

With their backs against the wall once again, the Bearcats dug in and refused to go quietly in the match's fourth game. They bounced back from an early 3-6 deficit to take a 7-6 lead, only to watch the Pioneers reclaim the lead at 10-11.

Lewis & Clark looked to have gained control at that point, until the Bearcats benefitted from a little divine intervention. With the Pioneers up a point, a Bearcat kill attempt sailed wide, all but handing the momentum to Lewis & Clark. However, a line judge ruled that the Pioneers had tipped the ball at the net, and the momentum quickly jumped over to WU. Lewis & Clark never recovered after that, as the Bearcats squeaked out game four, 15-13, forcing a fifth and final game to decide the match.

Behind what might have been the best serving performance of the season, Willamette drubbed the Pioneers 15-1 in game five, and won the match 2-15, 15-10, 6-15, 15-13, 15-1.

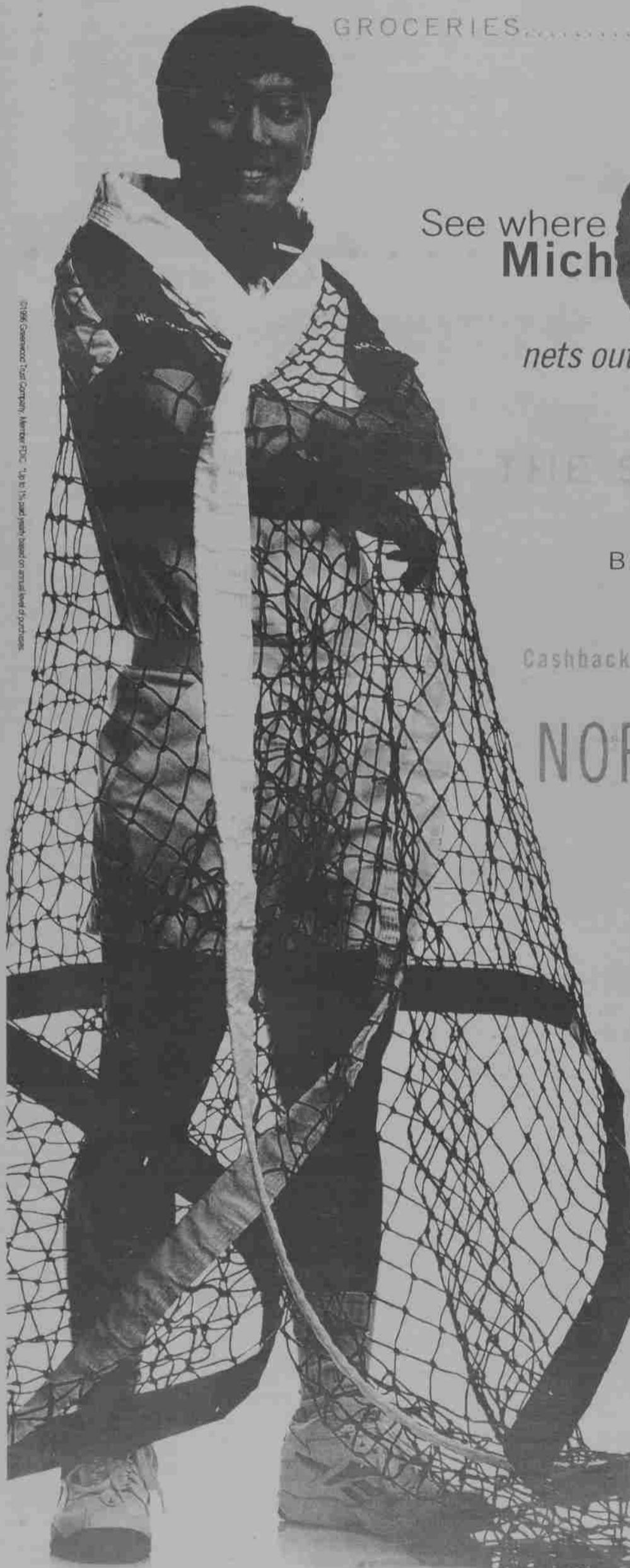
A major turning point came in game two, as sophomore outside hitter Renee Purdy entered the match. Purdy, who missed most of last season with a shoulder injury, showed that she was completely healed, as she pounded her way through the Pioneer blockers. "She needed a chance," said Piper of Purdy, who had come in for an injured Devon Bakken, "and she certainly made the most of it."

While Purdy was leading the Bearcat offensive attack, it was junior setter Kathy Fisher almost single-handedly keeping Willamette in the match with an all out barrage of hustle and defense. "I thought she saved our butt in game four, said Piper of Fisher, the Bearcats only full time returnee. "She just gives it all."

The entire Bearcat team will have to give it their all, if they hope to have any success at this weekend's Western Oregon Invitational.

And good competition they'll get, as they take on Western Washington and Western Montana today in pool play.

Things will only get tougher for the Bearcats tomorrow, as they take on host Western Oregon. While the Wolves lost some key players to graduation, they have reloaded, and are currently ranked among the Top 20 teams in the nation.



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