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## Gun theft causes campus concern

The recent theft of a firearm from a student's car leads the community to ask questions about university policy

By SAM HENDERSON  
STAFF WRITER

When senior Michael Benedict read about the theft of a handgun from a student's car last week he wondered, "Is Willamette next on the list of Oregon school shootings?" The student whose pistol was stolen, and whose name neither Campus Safety nor Residence Life will release, is currently the subject of disciplinary action. Suspension of the student is being considered.

Campus Safety's 'Safety Information and Crime Prevention Guide' summarizes the school's position on weapons possession. "The University has a zero tolerance policy regarding firearms on campus. If resident students own firearms, and are unable to make arrangements to store them off campus, Campus Safety will store them in a secure location in the Campus Safety office." This service is free.

In effect, a student may not carry a gun on campus, even if they possess proper licensing and registration, and leave it in their car. Marilyn Derby of Residence Life points out that the only possible way of circumventing this is to leave a gun in a car parked on Winter Street, as that is technically city property.

The Campus Safety pamphlet lists four separate weapons possessions violations since 1995; this will be the fifth. It does not discern what kinds of weapons were found.

Director of Campus Safety Ross Stout expressed mixed feelings about the level of

safety on campus, especially in light of this occurrence. A similar offense occurred during the '97-'98 school year when a student left a backpack in Goudy containing a 9mm handgun. The student reported that he feared for his safety, and was therefore arming himself for protection.

From this issue, the question of whether or not Campus Safety officers should be armed while patrolling on campus arises. Stout responded that he believes many at WU "don't want to have to admit that it might be necessary, don't want to see the danger that there really is."

There has been one shooting incident on campus when, in 1982, a law student shot his girlfriend in Belknap, after he was unable to resolve an argument with her. She was not killed.

Though Stout feels the tragedy is that there is now "one more criminal who didn't have a gun, who now does," some feel that the biggest mistake would be arming Campus Safety. One student, who requested anonymity, said he would withdraw if officers were issued pistols.

Officer Steve Tuthill points out that despite this and other incidents, the biggest threat to the well-being of the WU community is that posed by outside elements. WU's location next to the 'felony flats' has always been a matter of concern to students and staff alike.

Campus Safety's book of offenders has pictures of dozens of suspicious persons replete with descriptions like, "career armed criminal," and "known gang affiliate."

Stout estimated that 5 per cent of trespassers on campus are armed. When asked if he feels the necessity to be armed while patrolling campus he replied, "I always feel that."

## Administrators set to leave

The exodus from the fourth floor of Waller Hall leaves three positions open.

By JEFF GOLIMOWSKI  
STAFF WRITER

The fourth floor of Waller Hall, which houses the Office of University Relations, is being run on a skeleton crew after the departures of three employees who combined for nearly 30 years of experience.

Vice-President of University Relations Barbara Mahoney, Assistant Communications Director for Media Relations Melaney Moisan, and Assistant Director of Annual Giving Tobias Read are all leaving for other opportunities at the end of November.

"I think it's great," said Assistant to the President Kevin Neely. "It's unfortunate that we're losing a lot of

experience and dedication to Willamette, but they all have great opportunities." However, Neely is quick to point out that "University Relations is pretty emaciated."

In Mahoney's experience, Willamette's greatest loss will be in Mahoney. The Vice-President has been a Willamette employee since the late 1970s when she began as a part-time History professor. In 1985, she became Director of Alumni Relations and in 1989 took over her current position as

at the Oregon Health Science Foundation in Portland. "This [job] will be more exclusively fundraising and I'm looking forward to the challenge," Mahoney said in an interview Friday "[but] it's been a great privilege to work here."

Mahoney begins her new position on Dec. 1, 1999. Her last day at Willamette will be Nov. 24.

Moisan is also accepting a larger position, though she will remain in Salem. Moisan will become the Coordinator of Public Relations and

Marketing at Chemeketa Community College where she will have the dual advantage of a shorter commute and a larger salary. "I like it over there," Moisan



"It's been a great privilege to work here."

BARBARA MAHONEY  
ON HER TIME HERE AT  
WILLAMETTE

Vice-President of University Relations.

Mahoney is leaving to become Senior Vice-President for Development

noted "I like what they do and they have a lot of different kinds of programs, which

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## Off the Block focuses on culture

By VENICIA ALLEN-ROVIN  
STAFF WRITER

Off the Block, a student run committee, provides a solution to students who are looking for more culture in their lives but are lacking the specific resources, such as money or transportation, to act on opportunities.

This year, Howie Avery, the advisor for the committee, created a panel of seven students to create a group to

plan events.

Sophomore Beth Gilmore, chair of the committee, says she understands the importance of getting off campus. "It makes me sad when people feel there's not enough to do in Salem."

Senior Amy Rayborn took advantage of the \$20 tickets to "Les Miserables" in the fall. "I had really wanted to see this performance and I thought it was the perfect opportunity."

Over mid-semester break, Off the Block tried to plan an alternative trip for students to Seattle. The trip was canceled due to lack of student interest.

Gilmore believes there are a few things that they could have done differently. For one, the project was started two weeks before the break, which meant that advertising was not prevalent or as

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## Barely a chance to read a newspaper these days



The scene in the Smullin computer lab is one of concentration as many students find themselves in the midst of papers and midterms. Even at 10:30 in the evening (when this photo was taken), not an empty computer can be found.

DAN BIVAS

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# WILLAMETTE NEWS IN BRIEF

## Magazine searches for top women

GLAMOUR Magazine is inviting students to apply to their 2000 Top Ten College Women Competition. The competition recognizes the exceptional achievements and academic excellence of female college juniors across the country. Winners receive \$1,000, plus coverage in Glamour's October issue. They also get the opportunity to meet with top professionals in their field. Applications are available in the Office of Student Activities and are due January 31, 2000.

## Volunteer coordinator sought for walk

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Oregon Chapter, is looking for a volunteer who is interested in chairing the Society's annual fundraiser, the "MS Walk-n-Roll, Rain or Shine," for Salem area participants this spring.

For more information about the community chair position, call Event Coordinator Jennifer Hurd at (503) 223-9511 or 1-800-FIGHT-MS, ext. 1, or send an e-mail message to [jhurd@orc-nmss.org](mailto:jhurd@orc-nmss.org).

## Group looks to combat homelessness

The Community Action

Directors of Oregon need help with the Dialogue on Poverty 2000, a statewide campaign against homelessness.

Learn about the issues as well as organizing and event planning. Stop by the Community Outreach Program or email Jessica Glenn at [<jglenn>](mailto:<jglenn>) for more information.

## Volunteers needed at Gilbert House

A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village needs people who are interested in teaching history. No formal teaching experience is needed, just a love of history and an interest in working with kids.

Contact Jennie Madlin at 371-3631 for more information or stop by the Community Outreach Program.

## Community outreach program extends opportunities

Stop by the Community Outreach Program on the Second floor of the U.C. to learn about volunteer opportunities with the following organizations:

- \*Teen Activity Network
- \*Marion County Health Department
- \*C.H.O.I.C.E.S. (Creating Her Own Individual Challenges and Experiences)

## Poet to read works on campus

Muriel Nelson, poet, professor, musician, Willamette alumna, and author of "Part Song" will read her poems and discuss the influence of music and metaphysics on her writing. She will be in the Hatfield Room, Friday Nov. 12 at 4 p.m.

## Old exhibit moves on, new art exhibit opens in Ford

Opening at the Hallie Ford Museum of Art on Saturday, November 6, is "Glen Alps: Collagraphs."

Alps was an internationally recognized printmaker who, at the University of Washington in 1956, developed the printmaking technique of collagraphy, which combined traditional printmaking processes with collage. Alps was an originator and innovator of ideas and techniques whose art continues to question, probe, and delight.

The exhibition displayed in the Study Gallery, the Print Study Room, and the main lobby will feature a range of the artist's work from the past forty years, a recent gift to Willamette University from the Glen Alps Estate.

"Myths and Metaphors," the last show to visit the museum, will travel to the Art

Gym at Marylhurst College November 14-December 15, and then to the Hockaday Center for the Arts in Kalispell, Montana, January 15 through May 20, 2000. The exhibition was curated by HFMA Director John Olbrantz.

## International dinner and entertainment looks to join cultures

A semi-formal dinner, featuring food and entertainment prepared by the Willamette International Students, ASIA club, and students of TIUA, is planned for November 20. Tickets can be purchased at the UC desk, starting November 10. For students the fee is \$5 and for non-students it is \$8. Children under 12 eat for \$3.50.

Students may purchase the

tickets using their BPCs, prior to November 17, or in Goudy Commons, November 15 through 17, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm.

## Flu shots available

The health center is encouraging all students to consider receiving a flu shot. The "influenza season" in the U.S. is from November to March or April.

Influenza kills thousands of people a year and causes many thousands more to have significant time loss from work, school and daily activities. The last large epidemic in the U.S. was in 1968-69 where 34,000 people died.

On Nov. 17, vaccinations are available for \$8.50 at the Bishop Wellness Center from 12-3 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

## Block: Next semester already planned out

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early as it should have been.

Avery believes that the trip should have been advertised as early as mid-September. "I would think that students were interested in the trip, and if it had been posted earlier there would have been a bigger turnout."

The group learned quick-

ly from their mistakes and due to the early advertising, "The Nutcracker" tickets for Dec. 10 sold out in 24 hours, even after 15 more tickets were made available.

"We are very happy with the turnout," said Gilmore.

The next off the block trip will be a Portland Trailblazer game on Feb. 24. Tickets will go on sale after the Winter Break.

# Plans for a student center move ahead

*The hiring of an architect signals the next phase of the process.*

By JESSIE BOWEN  
STAFF WRITER

Architects Four has officially been hired by Willamette to build a new student center between Baxter and Matthews.

The plans for the building began a year and a half ago when Dean of Residence Life Jim Bauer approached ASWU President Erik Van Hagen about a need expressed by students for an area devoted to their needs as residents of this campus.

Although the UC was renovated and vastly improved in 1995, no proper student area came out of the project. There definitely was more usable space, but none designed for recreational needs.

During the 97-98 school year many students took a comprehensive survey, putting into words what they felt that this campus was lacking. From this survey, Bauer and Van Hagen developed a tentative plan and concept of the student center.

The building as currently envisioned will be constructed in the quad between

Baxter and Matthews. The builders will excavate the area around the Baxter basement, and it will be located where the dumpsters are currently. They will maximize the unused space, reorganizing and remodeling the area to fit currently unmet needs. However, no areas presently part of a hall will be touched. "We don't want to infringe on anyone's space," Bauer pointed out. It will not be attached to any other buildings, so it will be accessible to anyone on campus at any time.

The outside of the student center will have a grassy, tiered amphitheater where students can perform outdoor plays, or just use the space to sunbathe. There will also be a volleyball court. The quad, instead of being a hodgepodge of grass and paths, will be organized, and the walkways will lead to a better destination than a parking lot.

One of the most important aspects of this project, for Van Hagen, is having a large space inside the building that students can facilitate for dances, parties, and other gatherings that are currently difficult to organize for a large group of people. This space, which would probably be

around 3,000 square feet, would be exclusive to the students. This would hopefully "fix the need for more student space for a variety of uses," Bauer explained.

In the front of the building there will be a glassed-in atrium where students can sit and watch the world go by.

Besides definitely having one large space, the rest of the building is still mostly undefined. They may build a number of smaller rooms, or use collapsible walls.

The inside will have food of the convenience store variety and laundry machines. Other possibilities are a video rental facility, televisions, copying machines, and video games.

All of the current areas on campus close by around midnight, but "students have life booked up till 10 o'clock at night," Bauer said. After that, "they need a place to hang." The student center will most likely be open at least until 2 am, but the hours will shift depending on how the students are using it. The actual utilization of the student center will change over time. "Part of this project is to maintain flexibility," Van Hagen explained. People may move things around, add furniture, and manipulate it in

ways currently unforeseeable. The building will "evolve based on the needs of the people using it. This can change from time to time." This philosophy allows for creativity and spontaneity among the students.

The student center will be built, but the administration cannot be sure when; the funding will be largely based on a gift, the donor of which has yet to be pinpointed. Besides this possible major setback, people like Bauer and Van Hagen continue with the project in good faith.

President Pelton has been very supportive of the student center. He has made it clear that he wants the project done in a high quality way. It will not be "a Band-Aid solution," Bauer made sure to point out.

If all goes well, Architects Four will start building the center next summer. The construction will most likely go in phases, and Bauer and Van Hagen would like to disrupt residence as little as possible. However, since the money has not yet been promised, there are no definite dates as to when construction will begin.

Both Van Hagen and Bauer feel very excited about the project. Of course, there is a

bit of controversy over whether this project deserves the funding it requires. "Any time you make a decision, whatever it may be, there will always be a group of critics," Bauer said. But they plan to fight for the building if necessary. "No one can convince me there isn't a need for a student space on campus," Van Hagen argued.

Student responses have been largely positive. When asked about the concept, freshman Tracy McWhinney gave her opinion that she thinks "our school needs one big place to go to. It will be more of a unifier, and fun."

Sophomore Debu Gandhi is glad that the student center will provide "a space and opportunity for more on campus programming and interaction, and an alternative to off-campus alcoholic parties."

So far few students have known about the project because it was not definitely going to be constructed, but since now a contractor has been hired, the building will definitely be built within the next few years.

*Due to printer error, a portion of Jessie Bowen's article was omitted in last week's issue*

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## Is Salem as safe as students think?

Students have mixed reactions to the issue of crime in Salem.

By CARINNA TARVIN  
FEATURES EDITOR

Do you feel safe walking in Salem at night? Are there certain areas your instincts tell you to avoid, or do you feel comfortable enough to walk anywhere alone at night? Students have different opinions about the level of crime in Salem.

According to the Salem Police Department's web page, in the area bordered by State, 12th, McGilchrist and 25th Streets, there have been 6 reported rapes, 8 robberies, 52 auto thefts, 396 thefts, 64 residential burglaries and 107 trespassing/prowler reports in 1999.

Students have been the victims of some of these crimes. Junior Adam Dines had three successive detachable stereos stolen from his car.

Senior Ivan Wood also had his car broken into during his sophomore year. However, he had his CD player, radar detector and detachable

stereo face locked in his glove compartment, so the only thing that was stolen was about \$5 in change. His car was parked in the Kaneko lot, which hasn't had any break-ins this year.

Senior Jennie Franck lives in The Forum, an apartment complex across the street from the Safeway. She witnessed an arrest in progress from her balcony one day this fall. One man hid in the bushes and threw fruit at his friend and the officers, while the other man tried to carry on a normal conversation as he was being handcuffed and directed into a police car. According to Franck, the man the police arrested told his



COURTESY OF THE SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE

The statistics and map pertain to the area bordered by State, 12th, McGilchrist and 25th Streets.

friend, "I'll be back in awhile, just going downtown."

Despite the statistics, many students think that Salem is a fairly safe place. Senior Erin Grizard says that she believes students have skewed ideas about crime in Salem, particularly about the area surrounding Kaneko. As

she says, "The first thing we are told as freshmen is 'don't go over there.'" She attributes students' attitudes towards crime in Salem to false stereotypes.

As senior Lindsay Zettel says, "I think that there's a lot of

crime in every city. You just have to know how to avoid it."

Freshman Nate Anderson feels safe in Salem because he hasn't heard about any crimes happening since he's been here. Sophomore Scott Steen is also ready to venture

into the streets, although he adds, "I feel a little nervous to run around Bush Park at night."

Campus safety gives people off-campus escorts approximately 4 or 5 times a night. According to Campus Safety Officer Chris Osterhoudt, students most frequently ask to have rides from campus to the Mill Park Townhouses, which are 2 blocks from TTUA, to the Forum, and to the bus station. Osterhoudt says that he believes the dangerous areas of the surrounding neighborhood are on 14th St, in the area behind TTUA, Bush Park and the Capital Park. As he says, "those places are unsafe for anyone to walk through at night, male or female." The officers try to limit escorting to within 4 blocks of the school, but they consider requests on a case-by-case basis. As Osterhoudt says, "Just pick up the phone and call us."

Crime	Jan-May	Jun-Sep
Rape	4	2
Robbery	4	4
Auto Theft	31	21
Theft	227	169
Res. Burglaries	37	27
Trespassing/ Prowling	54	53

Courtesy of The Salem Police Department's website

## 'I made the sacrifice for my brother'

People who know Kefense Hynson call him a hero, but he says he just did what he had to do.

By DAN RIVAS  
MANAGING EDITOR

To most, football is a grueling, demanding sport full of intensity and grit. For Kefense Hynson, freshman cornerback for the BearCats, it is relaxing.

"I could just play... not think about anything," said Hynson.

Hynson knows that real life is much tougher than football could ever be.

His older brother was in a gang. His younger brother was diagnosed as autistic. And his single mother had to work to support them.

It was Hynson's job to take care of his brother.

Looking back on his life then, Hynson said, "I had the

weight of the world on my shoulders." For Hynson, football was a chance to escape all of that for a few hours.

It became his dream to get out of Oakland, go to college, and become a writer. "Oakland's fast," he said, "it's a hard place to live."

Yet there was a time when he was not sure if he would go to college. "He was really struggling about going off to college because of Lawrence [his brother]," said Michelle Lewis, one of Hynson's grade school teachers at Northern Light School, and one of the school's founders.

According to Lewis, Hynson basically raised his nine-year-old brother from the time he was born and he was not sure if going away to college would be the best thing for Lawrence.

His brother Lawrence demanded more attention than the typical little brother. "I don't think he understands the hassle he was," Hynson said with a smile.

Hynson had to cope with temper tantrums, and at times his brother would physically hurt himself. His brother had difficulty interacting with others and sometimes needed to be held for hours just to calm down.

As he struggled, and sought advice from his teachers and friends, he realized he could do more to help his brother by getting an education.

"He's my hero, he is," said Lewis.

But to Hynson, he just did what he had to do, what he believes anyone else would do too.

"I was the one taking care of him... I made the sacrifice for my brother... I care for my brother a lot," he said.

Like any kid, Hynson felt cheated at times. "I couldn't do a lot of kid stuff. I didn't have much of an ideal childhood. It bothered me at the time [but] I'm thankful that I did that," he said. "I look at stuff now, it just doesn't bother me. I just don't dwell on stuff that doesn't need to be dwelled on. It made me disciplined."

Lawrence is doing much better today, and most of the credit goes to Hynson, said Lewis. She remembers one time when she observed him making sure his brother wore sun block before he went in the pool and thinking to herself, "How does he know to be so loving and so caring?"

Hynson just deflects the praise. "There's nothing special about it, it's just how we are. My brothers are just the most important thing to me."

"The thought of me influencing his life makes me happy."

Head Football Coach Mark Speckman heard about Hynson from his football coach at Saint Mary's High School in Berkeley. "He talked about what a great person [Kefense] was," Speckman said.



DAN RIVAS

Kefense Hynson in action for the Bearcat Football team.

Speckman found out for himself when he visited Hynson soon afterward.

"I was just really impressed with the way people interacted with Kefense on the campus. There's just something different with Kefense."

On the field, Hynson has impressed Speckman as well. As a freshman, he started one game this year, and is usually one of the first players off the bench.

Today, his former teachers Nance Tovar and Lewis speak of Hynson with much pride. "We love him! He's like one of our kids," said Tovar.

Lewis says that the kids sometimes just stare at his picture in the halls of Northern Light School.

"He's like a hero to all the kids here," said Lewis. But more importantly, he is a hero to his brother.

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## Students explore campus lore, legend and myth

There are different ways people or events can gain legend status at Willamette. Here are a few opinions and examples of legends and traditions.

By ANDREA GRAY  
STAFF WRITER

It's a beautiful, sunny April day, the first of its kind this year. All over campus, students dig through sweaters in search of shorts, look under books to find Frisbees and run out into the quad to take advantage of the weather. They are pale and tired but the sun invigorates them and reminds them that they are young.

Spring brings a kind of tradition to Willamette University. When the sun returns and students play like children, it's as if they are taking part in the creation of legend. Despite the intensity of Willamette academics, legends are formed and traditions do exist.

There is Speedo Guy, the

wearer of the metallic g-string, who appears sunbathing in the quad when the weather rolls around.

"Yeah, he has kind of an urban legend thing going on," said Jocelyn Hurley, a senior. "I didn't see him last year. I think he may have moved on to greener pastures."

On December 10, 1971, according to the Collegian from that year, students in Belknap Hall dedicated the north wing urinal to the soon-to-be-fired President Roger Fritz.

Yell King Bartholemew was a different kind of legend. He was the only cheerleader during at least 1918 and 1919 school year, and maybe longer. He played a similar

role to our resident legend, Bearcat John-aka John Rogers.

The Bearcat Football team was in Hawaii when Pearl Harbor was bombed in 1941, and they were stranded there for three weeks until the first three ships were able to take people to the mainland.

They traveled with the wounded people on the hospital ship. But do WU students really have time to become legends anymore?

Tobias Read '97, the assistant director of annual giving, remarked that Willamette is "the first university in the West, rich in tradition, rich in history, quality and depth. Because we have such high quality students, the margin for meaningless fun is limited. Students do so many good things here, but there's stupid fun to be had too."

Marc McAllister, a senior, feels that students are simply too busy to participate in traditions. "The administration wants everyone to be so

busy," said McAllister.

Senior Anna Langland agreed, saying, "Tradition isn't really a value anymore."

This was shown when the 100-year-old tradition of Freshman Glee was eliminated during the spring of '97 because of lack of interest.

Ron Loffus has been a professor at Willamette for 15 years. He believes that the first goal of a liberal arts institution such as Willamette must be to foster learning and scholarship. At the same time, he believes that tradition builds a sense of community and defines who we are.

In response, here are some other legends and traditions of Willamette University:

\* Kiss someone under the Star Trees and legend has it that you'll marry them.

\* Various students have successfully reached the cupola on top of Waller, above the president's office. Legend says that the banister in the cupola is signed by students who have succeeded.

\* The Yellow House: it's not yellow, but its location and continued inhabitation by WU students have made it a



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"Yell King" Bartholemew ready to cheer for the Bearcats.

Willamette legend.

\* Putting soap (among other things, one source recalled crabs) in the Chicken Fountain is a regular occurrence. It has also been climbed, bathed in, and dyed.

## Greek houses lend helping hands

The Greek organizations on campus are making a difference in the Salem community.

By CANDICE LONGNECKER  
STAFF WRITER

Every year, each Greek organization at Willamette hosts campus-wide philanthropy projects to service a part of the Salem community. Delta Gamma's Anchorsplash raised approximately \$1,000 last weekend from the admission, T-shirt sales and spare change collection. "We had a great turnout," proclaims Delta Gamma Cannon Green. Nearly 200 students attended Mr./Ms. Anchorsplash and 250 students were at the pool events. Half the proceeds go to the Oregon School for the Blind and the other half goes to the Delta Gamma Foundation, a program that aids the visually impaired.

Alpha Chi Omega has participated in a national project, Support of Victims of Domestic Violence, since 1992. Hands-on service edu-

cation of domestic violence through campus or community speakers is part of Alpha Chi's "effort to help combat this tragedy plaguing our country and inflicting pain upon families," according to Alpha Chi Omega's website. Alpha Chi provides service at the Salem Women's Crisis Center and has a 3-on-3 campus-wide basketball tournament in the fall to raise money for the center. There are T-shirt sales and a raffle, with prizes from local businesses.

Likewise, Pi Beta Phi organizes Arrowspike in the fall, a campus-wide volleyball tournament. The proceeds go to the Salem Literacy project. Later in the year, Pi Phi will have a Bowl-O-Rama, where the sorority girls will sell t-shirts to raise money for a children's hospital. Leslie Stiwell, a Pi Phi, spoke of smaller-scale service projects that the sorority does for the community. For example, the house works with the Salem Outreach Center and some girls are reading buddies at Bush Elementary School.

Pi Beta Phi's brother fratern-

ity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, had a bowl-a-thon last year to raise money for the Gilbert House, a local children's museum. SAE successfully raised several hundred dollars to benefit the museum. Also, several members spend their lunches involving themselves in the Mentor program at Bush Elementary School.

Sigma Chi's program, Mr. Willamette, went over so well last year that the Interfraternity Council took it over. Sigma Chi has a campus-wide event in the spring called Derby Days, where the proceeds go to Doernbecher Children's Hospital in Salem. The house's Casino Night this fall raised money for the Oregon School for the Blind.

Sophomore Jason Zidell reports that although Kappa Sigma does volunteer work at the Union Gospel Mission twice a month, its main philanthropic event is the Tracy Hoffman Run/Walk. This event happens in the spring in Bush Park, and the proceeds go to the Leukemia Society of Oregon. Tracy Hoffman was a Willamette Kappa Sigma who died

because of Leukemia in 1984. The fraternity raised approximately \$2,000 last year.

Sophomores Ethan Braden and Steve Holman say that Beta Theta Pi's biggest philanthropic effort goes into their Penny Coat Drive, which will happen this year for the second time on December 4 from 12-6 p.m. The men collect old coats and spare change and distribute them to homeless shelters and schools in the community and donate the money to the Union Gospel Mission. Last year they collected about 300 coats and raised approximately \$750. This year, they are planning the event in conjunction with the star tree

lighting ceremony, and will provide hot chocolate and snacks for the public.

The Lou Gherig Softball Tournament, which happens during the Activities Fair, is Phi Delta Theta's philanthropic extravaganza. Lou Gherig was a member of the fraternity. The money raised, over \$500 this year, goes to help combat Lou Gherig's disease. According to junior Tony Mader, more than 50 people competed this year.

The community participation, which Willamette's fraternities and sororities encourage, shows the campus' belief in its motto, "Not unto ourselves, alone we are born."

### LOST: JAPANESE HAIR ACCESSORIES!!

During the Harvest Festival in Sept., a black shoe box size box was lost. It contained Japanese hair accessories: two were pink cherry blossoms, two are silver, one is a comb and one is a ribbon barrette. These were borrowed from Linda Bowers. If you know anything about them, please call Tamami Maeda x6938, Yumi Fujiwara x6810, or Chiro Yono x6516, or feel free to use email! Thanks for your help in finding these treasures!!!

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# Worlds of wisdom



Mount Satseto, called Jade Dragon Snow Mountain by locals, presides over Lijiang in the Yunnan province.

Before I came, I heard that Chinese food in China was different that it was in America. But, in my naivete, I didn't understand what that meant.

"Less sweet and sour... I can deal with it," I thought. I didn't expect, at a welcome banquet on my second day here, that a large plate of deep-fried wasps would be placed in front of me. Nor was I keen on the heated white wine with a fried egg floating in it, despite the fact that it this semi-potable delicacy is reserved only for very special guests.

You see, the Chinese love food, and for that reason it seems apt that I begin this article with a discussion of it.

In fact, some argue that the Chinese feeling for food can be compared to, say, Dennis Leary's feeling for drugs or Casanova's for women. It is the divine wellspring, the Mother Vein, both the means and reason for existence. They love to eat it, they love to talk about it, and they love to talk while eating it, mainly about eating it.

"Do you like Sichuan cuisine? I have a wonderful recipe for spiced fish eyeballs. Hey, how about these boiled eels?" and so on.

To do anything in China, from getting a job to going to the doctor, you need what the Chinese term "guanxi," which roughly means "connections." And to make guanxi you need food. As much of it and as bizarre as possible.

We've had many of our expert academic lecturers teach us over a bowl of pickled chicken heads. And the presence of 12 American college students researching in strange corners of China

is still seen as somewhat suspicious, so receiving state approval of our program requires many plates of salty tree fungus to be given to the appropriate officials.

Perhaps this isn't surprising, considering that more than 80 percent of China's 1.2 billion people are farmers engaged every day in the process of making food. And there are no machines in China to help with the harvesting. Just backbreaking manual labor every day to produce food. It is eaten, and then all the human waste is brought in buckets

back to the field as fertilizer, completing a big nutritional cycle.

Also, many of the com-

"civilizing" its members with hotels and karaoke, or turning their villages into mini-Disneylands where you can watch a "traditional" harvest dance (performed everyday at noon). You can also buy "authentic" minority arts and crafts (invented by a shrewd businessman from Shanghai), and you can take a photo with a real live shaman (for just 5 dollars a pop).

Many folks have an idealism about mysterious cultures: "living fossils" of a better time in the past when people lived in harmony with nature, before cell phones and microwaves disturbed our peace with god. Tourists love to ogle at the strange customs, to go someplace "backward" and "primitive," where they feel they can somehow get a



Rickshaws and bicycles are common modes of transportation for China's 1.2 billion people.

money and time into these areas to "preserve" culture. Unfortunately, they're just encouraging degrading cultural theme-parks.

Yet, while it appears slightly degrading, it's also a necessity. For example, currently I am sleeping on a wooden floor in a traditional Naxi house with a traditional Naxi family. I got put up here because of guanxi with the local tourism bureau. But if I weren't living here, this family wouldn't be either. They have no other way to support themselves.

I spent some time with an old man who lived through more troubles than I can comprehend. Throughout the course of his lifetime, his city was

## Aaron Cavin from The People's Republic of China

mon expressions of the Chinese language involve food, such as "Suan tian ku la," which is literally translated as "sour sweet bitter spicy." It means something similar to the US idiom "S&@% happens." But you don't see this one stated in bumper sticker form on the backs of cars here.

Hardly anybody has a car here. You don't see it on the rickshaws either. I don't know why.

What you do see is often more intangible and difficult to describe.

Everywhere, the land and the people are changing. My study group is located in the Yunnan Province, which has only recently been opened to foreign students and tourists, and the dollars that they bring with them.

Yet, the locals are still terribly giddy about seeing strange pale-skinned red-headed folk like myself, and people ask to take photos with me daily. Bicycle accidents also result from people staring at me instead of the road.

But in Yunnan, the people's way of life is changing dramatically and irrevocably. Tourism has become the most powerful industry in many parts of Yunnan, and while this has many positive effects, such as preservation of the environment in national parks and raising the standard of living for many poor villagers, tourism is simultaneously wiping out many local cultures. It does this by either

glimpse of their ancient ancestry and tap into the inner, simpler, wild person



An ancient shrine in the Western hills of Yunnan.

inside them. And to prove they did it, they'll buy an authentic batik baseball cap or a plastic jade dragon.

And even out here in Yunnan, the locals know what tourists want. They know that culture is marketable, even if the culture they're selling is made up for the purpose of making money off of tourists.

And they cater to tourist desires until their way of life is erased and turned into a commercialized cutesie freak show.

The people themselves become objectified, just like peculiar foods. They are both consumed by the fat tourist market.

This banquet of people's lives and cultures also makes guanxi, as it increases both local and national prestige, luring tourists, researchers, and state funding.

This extends globally as well, as the United Nations, UNESCO, and NGO's pump

## What???

Your weekly dose of irreverent irrelevance. This week: Things to do during an exam when you know you're going to fail it anyway.

By DANIELLE MATHEY  
COPY EDITOR

-Get a copy of the exam, then run out screaming, "Andre, Andre, I've got the secret documents!!"

-Bring a Game Boy. Play with the volume at max level.

-Run into the exam room looking about frantically. Breathe a sigh of relief. Go to the instructor and say, "They've found me, I have to leave the country." Run off.

-15 min. into the exam, stand up, rip up all the papers into very small pieces, throw them into the air and yell out "Merry Christmas." If you're really daring, ask for another copy of the exam. Say you lost the first one. Repeat this process every 15 min.

-As soon as the instructor hands you the exam, eat it.

-Every 5 min, stand up, collect all your things, move to another seat, continue with the exam.

-Get the exam 20 min. into it, throw your papers down violently and scream out, "Screw this!" Walk out triumphantly.

-Come to the exam wearing a black cloak. After about 30 min, put on a white mask and start yelling "I'm here, the phantom of the opera" until they drag you away.

-If the exam is math/science related, work pi and imaginary numbers into most of the equations. If it is a written exam, relate everything to your own life story.

-Try to get people in the room to do the wave.

-Bring a large, cumbersome, ugly idol to class. Pray to it often. Consider a small sacrifice.

-During the exam, take apart everything around you. Desks, chairs, anything you can reach.

-Do the entire exam in another language. If you don't know one, make one up!

-Bring a black marker. Return the exam with all questions and answers completely blacked out.

-From the moment the exam begins, hum the theme to Jeopardy. Ignore the instructor's requests for you to stop. When you are forced to leave, begin whistling the theme to "The Bridge on the River Kwai."

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## Editorials

### Salem's good witches

*Halloween Extravaganza is an event that helps provide a sense of community.*

As five-year-olds ran around the Cat Cavern on Halloween night, Willamette students passing by concluded that these students were a little too young to be prospective freshmen.

These children, although young, are still important members of the Salem community.

Willamette's House of Hall Representatives did a great service for the Salem community by hosting the annual Halloween Extravaganza event for Salem children on Oct. 31.

We believe Halloween Extravaganza is a model for other events. At the very least, it is a Willamette tradition that should continue for years to come.

There are a number of reasons why Halloween Extravaganza is an important event for the Salem community.

First, it provides a safe Halloween celebration for children. Many of the children who attend the event every year come from areas of Salem that are unsafe for trick-or-treating.

Several more come from

at-risk neighborhoods where children are prone to following the path towards juvenile crime, not community involvement.

This highlights the second benefit of Halloween Extravaganza. The event helps foster a sense of community in children.

Interaction among children is key to fostering a sense of community in individuals.

Although they are often discounted as full members of the Salem community, children are really the most important members of our society.

By fostering a sense of community in Salem children, we are helping to change societal mindsets for the better.

We praise HHR and other campus individuals and organizations for sponsoring Halloween Extravaganza this year.

No, the children that came in costumes were not prospective students.

But they were prospective community leaders.

And that makes bobbing for apples worthwhile.

### A kick in the mouth

*Despite success this season, the women's soccer team should not have guaranteed a win last week.*

If there is one truth in sports, it is that anything can happen.

Apparently our women's soccer team didn't realize this in time.

When talking with the Statesman Journal before last week's playoff game against the University of Puget Sound, senior Katie Edmonds spoke her mind.

"I can guarantee we're going to win," Edmonds said. "I'd feel bad being UPS and coming down to play us on our home field. I wouldn't want to be in their shoes right now."

What's ironic is that we doubt that UPS really minded being in their own shoes after they upset the Bearcats.

UPS coach Randy Hanson said that Edmond's comments motivated his team.

This year's Willamette women's soccer team represents everything good about our sports program.

However, loose lips sink ships. The Bearcats should be more careful with what they say to the newspapers.

In our competition-driven world, there is something more admirable than winning:

Winning with humility.

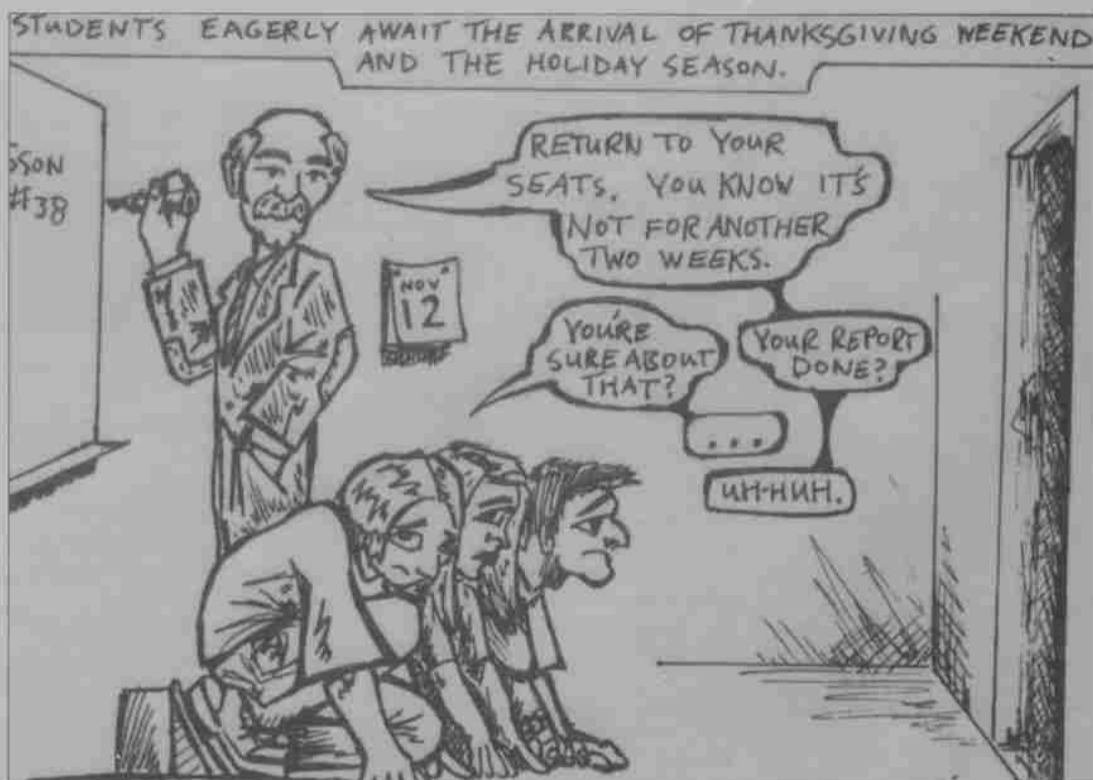
People don't just root for winners. They cheer for winners that demonstrate humbleness and respect for their opponents.

Don't get us wrong. We are extremely proud of the 18-0-2 record amassed by the Bearcats before last week's game. They deserve to be congratulated.

But we also think that comments in the Statesman last week detract from sportsmanship.

In the end, actions speak louder than words.

And that's why the women's soccer team ended up with a cleat in their mouth last week.



KT SUN RUIZ / COLLEGIAN

## Time to say a farewell to arms

In a landmark speech, President Clinton fired the first bullet across the bows of the NRA last Thursday.

Speaking in the aftermath of the Seattle and Hawaiian murders, Clinton expressed concern that "there is a danger that the US has become immune to violence."

Charlton Heston was so surprised that he swallowed his AK 47.

The question which Heston and all Americans must ask themselves is simple.

Is this a sign of real and significant change to come, or is it simply the empty rhetoric of a lame duck president?

Clinton's place in the pages of history has been secured by the diligent work of Kenneth Starr. Starr's report ensured that Clinton will be featured in history books as prominently as Kennedy, FDR, Lincoln and Washington.

Unfortunately for the big man from Little Rock, his place in history is secured for all the wrong reasons.

Could this prove to be the impetus for a president in disgrace to lead the charge against the second amendment?

Undoubtedly Clinton, now emancipated from fears of impeachment and the worries of re-election, must be desperate to secure a slightly more prestigious place in the political archive.

I can see the headlines. Crusading Clinton. Clinton shooting from the hip. Clinton and Charlton fight it out.

Such a story would be an



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Diarmuid Conway

editor's dream.

If Clinton bites the bullet and leads the charge against the second amendment, the headlines would most definitely follow.

**"Coming from a country where people have unlimited access to alcohol and very limited access to guns, I have always viewed the United States with some trepidation. Being shot to death sober is an Irishman's worst nightmare."**

nitely follow.

Even if he lost his fight, at the very least he would be hailed for tackling guns, an issue close to the heart of many Americans.

I am from Ireland. Coming from a country where people have unlimited access to alcohol and very limited access to guns, I have always viewed the US with some trepidation. Being shot to death sober is an Irishman's worst nightmare.

With unique insight, Clinton captured the main problem of guns when he said, "I don't think we understand fully just how much more violent the US is com-

pared to other countries."

Herein lies the key to convincing the American people that their rights and their democracy can be protected in the absence of arms.

Surprisingly enough, every other society in the world has come to the conclusion that private gun ownership is a threat to democracy.

Even more surprising is the fact that most European citizens enjoy a far greater level of basic rights than do their American counterparts.

A right to privacy, a right to free higher education and minimum amounts of paid maternity leave (14 weeks being the lowest in the European Union) are just a few of the basic rights Europeans enjoy.

Could someone give Heston the Heimlich maneuver? I think he's choking by now.

Its time to realize that the American Dream ends too quickly and too violently for far too many.

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## The Weekly Wullabaloo Symposium

Presented by the Willamette University Philomathean Society, the oldest debating society in the West

**This week's question:** Should the United States legalize marijuana?

### YES



Cecile Blot

*Marijuana users are persecuted in our society by a government that devotes too many resources to fighting a battle it cannot win. Instead, we should be devoting these resources to more serious drugs.*

Does smoking marijuana make someone less of a person? Does it make them immoral? Society would say it does. It is time to put to rest the myth that smoking marijuana is a fringe or deviant activity. Despite 60 years of criminal prohibition, marijuana remains the third most popular recreational drug used in the United States, exceeded only by alcohol and tobacco.

Recreational use of marijuana is like having a good beer or a well-deserved cigarette. Yet, marijuana smokers are treated as if they are dangerous criminals responsible for horrendous crimes.

According to the FBI, police arrested 695,000 Americans in 1997 for marijuana charges, the highest number ever recorded. Approximately 44% of all drug arrests in this country are marijuana arrests.

This approach contradicts statements by White House Drug Czar Barry McCaffrey who said, "[We] can not arrest our way out of the drug problem."

Marijuana arrests take enforcement resources away from more dangerous drugs such as cocaine and heroin. Only Tuesday it was reported in the Statesman Journal that drug-related deaths this year in Oregon have increased by 28% from last year.

Heroin was the leading cause, followed by cocaine and methamphetamine.

A war is being waged against the wrong culprits. How many deaths occur

that are only marijuana related? I can see the headline now, "Boy eats himself to death, parents blame munchies."

While marijuana arrests have more than doubled

**"Recreational use of marijuana is like having a good beer or a well-deserved cigarette."**

since 1990, arrests for the sale of cocaine and heroin have decreased 51%. This is not right.

Marijuana penalties cause serious financial and social consequences for those arrested. Under Federal law, possessing one joint or less is punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000 and one year in prison, the same penalty as for possessing small amounts of hero-

in or cocaine.

Federal laws also deny entitlements to marijuana smokers. The 1998 Higher Education Act denies federal financial aid to any student convicted of marijuana possession.

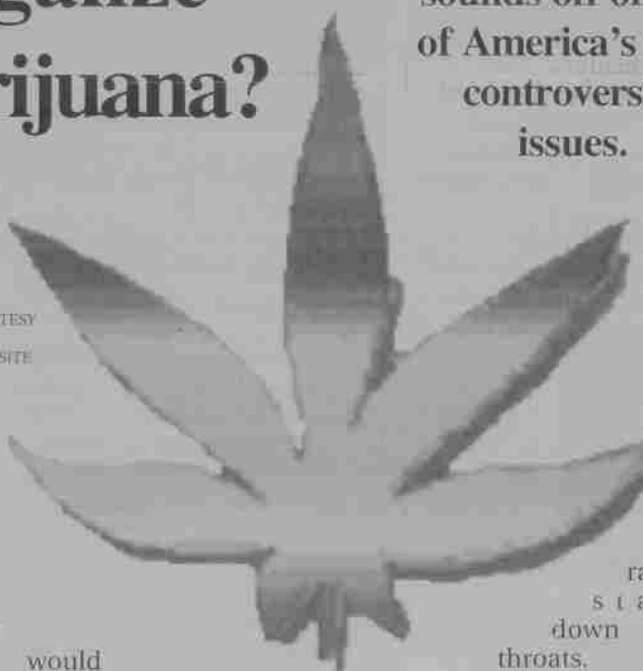
No other offense carries automatic denial of federal financial aid eligibility. In light of this, is closing doors really an appropriate response to a minor marijuana charge?

The current marijuana policy is a dismal and a costly one. It wastes millions of dollars in law enforcement resources and needlessly wrecks the lives and careers of millions of citizens.

Marijuana smokers cannot be deterred. We will continue on waiting for the day when smoking marijuana is seen for what it is, an enjoyable pastime.

*Cecile Blot is a sophomore international studies and politics double major from Denver, Colorado.*

## Should we legalize marijuana?



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**Willamette sounds off on one of America's most controversial issues.**

corporations ram substances down our throats.

### NO



Jeff Golimowski

*It has not yet been conclusively proven that marijuana is beneficial. What's more, if we legalize it, we will open up the markets for corporations like Phillip Morris to make marijuana more addictive.*

I love the way politicians seem to become experts in virtually every field the second they get elected.

Politicians in the marijuana debate apparently have magically obtained M.D.s along with their franking privileges.

This is why I'm against the legalization of marijuana (at least for now).

Of course there are studies "proving" that marijuana is as healthy for you as breathing the air in Los Angeles (okay, bad example, but you get the idea). But there are

just as many studies "proving" that marijuana is worse than crack cocaine, or at least leads to crack.

In the end, the medical community is horribly divided over the issue, but our politicians seem to believe that they know more than all the M.D.s combined.

This is the problem with legalizing marijuana. I'm not opposed to the idea in practice.

In fact, looking at the stress levels on this campus, it probably wouldn't be a bad idea to legalize marijuana. We could all stand to be a little more mellow.

But I don't want to find out in 20 years, as American GIs in WWII and Korea did with cigarettes, that marijuana is harmful.

When we start legislating our way out of problematic medical situations, we start down a long and dangerous road toward eliminating the safeguards we have built into our system of government.

Is the legalization of marijuana a good idea? It is not up to us to decide. It is up to those individuals who actually know something about medicine (like the FDA).

Even if we ignore the fact that our legislators shouldn't make this decision, what

would happen if we go ahead and legalize weed?

When you legalize a substance that has a high potential for addiction and a high potential for profit, you create an environment ripe for corporate takeover.

We know that Phillip

**"I am concerned with the likelihood that we would throw this new legal substance to the eager grasp of corporations."**

Morris and RJ Reynolds have doctored the amount of nicotine in their cigarettes and made them more addictive.

We know that they have marketed their wares to children in the past.

Yes, tobacco is legal. But when we grant corporate control over substances, we open ourselves up to having



IN MY OPINION

Giao Bui

### In careful pursuit of diversity

Two weeks ago I wrote an article about diversity and education.

Mona Luqman wrote a good response ("In defense of minority teachers," Nov. 4), but she misinterpreted my article's main theme.

She implied that I am taking a stance against minorities.

I am a minority. Thus, by nature I am not anti-diversity.

Mona writes, "I do not believe that demanding diversity within faculty in any way devalues white faculty."

I too believe that asking for, not demanding, minority faculty is appropriate.

Students have a right to voice their needs and concerns. However, minority students should be careful how they ask for things when it relates to race and diversity.

**"We should make sure that all people, minorities included, are interacting with professors of different backgrounds."**

Alienating white faculty through miscommunication may only further possible negative stereotypes of minorities.

Next, Mona writes that "racial problems exist because people have little or no knowledge of other cultures."

This point makes the exact same argument that I did in my last article.

If minority students only feel comfortable when a professor is from their own race, then for them diversity is diminished.

Diversity is important. But we should make sure that all people, minorities included, are interacting with professors of different backgrounds.

Thus, for minorities such as myself, white faculty represent individuals that come from different backgrounds.

How will minority students gain "knowledge of other cultures" if they demand more minority professors that think as they do?

Minorities should transcend racial dogma and the temptation to use the rhetoric of diversity in manipulative ways.

If minorities do not open their minds to new horizons, then the will become the thing they hate most — ignorant.

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## Tobin's Take: Pacino wades through "Insider"

**Movie:** *The Insider*  
**Starring:** Al Pacino,  
Russell Crowe,  
Christopher  
Plummer  
**Directed by:**  
Michael Mann  
**Verdict:** ★ ★

By TOBIN ADDINGTON  
STAFF WRITER

My watch broke several weeks ago and I have yet to get it fixed. And thank God. Had I been able to look at the time I would never have made it through this sluggish three-hour, testosterone-centric melodrama.

*The Insider* should have been sensational. Imagine Al Pacino (*The Godfather* films, *Dog Day Afternoon*, *Donnie Brasco*) as 60 Minutes producer Lowell Bergman who gets former big tobacco scientist Jeffery Wigand (Russell Crowe of *Virtuosity*, and *L.A. Confidential*) to be interviewed by Mike Wallace (*The Sound of Music's* Christopher Plummer)—paving the way for the recent multi-billion dollar lawsuits against the most hideous of American corporate families.

The film had all the potential to be a provocative look at how unbelievably difficult it is in modern America to speak the truth.

Unfortunately, under Michael Mann's (*The Last of the Mohicans*, *Heat*) misogynistic, heavy-handed direction, the film never matches the possibilities of the subject matter.

Here, as in *Heat*, the women are nothing more than stick figures drawn to either prop up the men, or tear their world apart. *The Insider* is a world of men making big, moral decisions that

the women of the story (with the possible exception of one scene between Bergman and his wife) simply cannot understand.

Any morality-questioning drama the story might have had is sucked dry as we sit and watch Wigand contemplate his next move.

We are never asked to contemplate with him, relegating the audience to the same ringside, un-involved role as the women in the film.

One of the few fascinating elements of *The Insider* is watching an admittedly fictionalized portrait of a TV news magazine. Pacino does his best to save the film here, as he guides us through the complex and politicized world of TV journalism. His powerhouse performance is all too often undermined by Mann's direction, but he is allowed a few memorable scenes.

Also of note is Plummer who brings class, vanity, age, responsibility, humor, and complexity to his character Mike Wallace.

These two performances, though unable to redeem the film, make it watchable—a feat for which I give them each a star.

Between the horrible score, the weighted script, the leaden direction, and the poor



Russell Crowe, pictured, stars with Al Pacino in *The Insider*.

makeup job on Crowe, it seems that Mann did everything he could to make his film a miserable failure.

Unless you are a rabid Pacino fan—or have a spare three-hour block with which to wade through this over-mythologized, headache-inducing film—I would stay out of *The Insider*. And if you do go, leave your watch at home.

## Operettas receive acclaim

By DAVELEEN DEMARS  
COPY EDITOR

*Evening of Operettas* proved to be a night full of talent and enthusiasm.

The Musical Theatre class presented their semester long project Nov. 6, free of charge, for all to enjoy.

The show, outside of the costumes which were rented, was completely produced by the class, though it looked anything but amateur.

The set design was simple, but successfully accented the show, without detracting from the actual performance.

The performance consisted of three excerpts from

different operettas (mini operas): *The Mikado* by Arthur Sullivan, *Die Fledermaus* by Johann Strauss Jr. and *La Pericolé* by Jacques Offenbach.

The evening opened with the uplifting excerpt *The Mikado*, an operetta about the Japanese culture and the sisterhood and preparation that is a result of a friend getting married.

While the performers changed costumes, the professor/director, Valerie McIntosh, explained the history behind the operettas and the pieces they had chosen.

The night continued with the second piece the entertaining *Die Fledermaus*.

It tells a story about Falke, an Englishman, playing a prank on his dear friend Eisenstein.

He is host to a costume party where he convinces Eisenstein to pursue a mysterious woman, who turns out to be Eisenstein's own wife in disguise.

After another break for costume change and some more tidbits from McIntosh, the night concluded with a segment from *La Pericolé*, a piece about two street performers in love.

The evening was well spent watching the operettas. The singing and acting talents of our fellow students was thoroughly impressive.

## The Bone Collector, please leave it buried

**Movie:** *The Bone Collector*

**Starring:** Denzel Washington,  
Angelina Jolie  
**Directed by:** Phillip Noyce  
**Verdict:** ★



Denzel Washington and Angelina Jolie star in *The Bone Collector*.

By BUCK WILD  
STAFF WRITER

Sometimes, directors get confused about the arc their movie is running on. When they are trying to make a suspenseful film, the suspense is all misplaced. Cheap tricks are pulled to make less-informed audience members jump out of their seats.

*The Bone Collector* is one such movie, and it fails on almost all levels, making a mockery of some very fine actors.

The director Phillip Noyce (*Patriot Games* and *Clear & Present Danger*), tries to create many situations intended to suspend the audience. He attempts to make a state of over-

whelming dread and fear of what is around the next corner. However, even at this, he fails. This movie was, quite frankly, boring.

Denzel Washington (*Courage Under Fire*, *Philadelphia*) plays a quadriplegic forensic officer suffering from ever intensifying seizures. He recruits a young patrol officer, Angelina Jolie (*Playing by Heart*, *Dancing in the Dark*), to do the "dirty" work of investigating crime scenes for him.

A homicide spree sends New York City into a panic making Washington and Jolie work around the clock to find the killer before he commits his next grisly murder.

If this plot sounds familiar, it should. It has been

reused, rehashed, and recycled more times than I can count on one hand.

A redone plot can be forgivable, but with the dialogue in this film, I can find no sympathy for anything the filmmakers were trying to accomplish.

The murders in this film are overly explicit; mostly it seems intended to get a reaction out of the audience. The plot gives the appearance of progression, but in fact nothing ever happens.

The end result caused me to walk away from the theater less intelligent than when I walked in.

It's worth telling everyone now to prevent any more unfortunate souls from wasting their seven dollars on this garbage.

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# Salem's Soulfood Café

By SAM HENDERSON  
STAFF WRITER

"Death before Denny's, son," my dad used to say. And I must add that this adage applies not only to Denny's and Sherri's, but also to the scores of other greasy spoon breakfast joints in Salem.

As a displaced Southern boy, I was dismayed when I came to Oregon by the lack of quality spots in town for a good home-style meal.

It seemed to me that every breakfast I got had been poured from a congealing vat into an omelet and hash-brown mold. Then I found the Off Center Café.

True to its namesake, the Off Center Café is located just off of Center Street, where it meets with 17th, about six or seven blocks from campus.

Since 1981, they have been serving up some of the most original, least oily, and down-



A customer eats breakfast and reads a newspaper, at the Off Center Café

right delicious food this glut-ton has had the honor to inhale. Vegetarians and meat eaters alike will have no trouble finding a breakfast to fit their palate.

Try the Green Chile Tortoise, the Huevos Off-Centros (a fantastic variant on the classic Huevos

Rancheros), or the house special, Bibbles and Squib, which is an English breakfast modified Salem-style. Ask for the latter with spinach, tomatoes, and cheese.

As with any hometown gem-of-a-food-spot, the Off Center Café serves up a personality as enticing as its

homemade bread.

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But don't dismay.

There are newspapers to read and a handy collection of liberal and highly nostalgic memorabilia up and down the walls.

Check out the map of the world according to Ronald Reagan.

Prices range from three to eight dollars per meal, and the portions are enormous.

I could not finish my plate of bibbles.

While they do serve a dinner menu, breakfast is most definitely the cat's meow.

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

- \*Nov. 11: Run Lola Run  
Salem Cinema  
378-7676
- \*Nov. 11-14, 18-21:  
Lysistrata  
Kregse Theatre  
370-6221
- \*Nov. 11-Nov. 14: "The Complete Works William Shakespeare: Abridged"  
Theater! Theater!  
239-5919
- \*Nov. 11-Nov. 20:  
"Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead"  
Portland Center Stage  
274-6588
- \*Nov. 11-Nov. 21: "A Tuna Christmas"  
Pentacle Theatre  
Fastixx
- \*Nov. 12: Jammin 95.5  
Super Jam  
Rose Garden  
Ticketmaster
- \*Nov. 12: Suicidal Tendencies  
Roseland Theater  
Fastixx
- \*Nov. 16: Buckcherry  
Roseland Theater
- \*Nov. 17: Big Bad Voodoo Daddy  
Crystal Ballroom  
225-0047
- \*Nov. 20: Marcy Playground  
Roseland Theater  
Fastixx
- \*Nov. 21: Kid Rock  
Salem Armory  
Fastixx
- \*Nov. 23: MxPx  
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- \*Dec. 9: The Offspring  
Roseland Theater  
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# "No. 4" is not number one

By JOHNNY VONG  
A&E EDITOR

"No. 4," the Stone Temple Pilots newest release, comes as a disappointment. After breaking into the rock scene with album's such as "Core," and "Purple," this new album hasn't reached the level of chemistry that made them famous.

The album is not a complete disaster, as there might be one song worth listening to.

The album begins with "Down," a rather intriguing song. Intriguing in the sense that it entails reckless guitar chords and an aggressive voice on the part of Scott Weiland. But this does not make good music.

The rest of the songs in the album drag on in a similar fashion.

The screeching sound of untuned guitars and mean-



The Stone Temple Pilots album "No. 4" is not going to number one anytime soon.

ingless banter is a theme for "No. 4."

The one glimmer of hope in the album might be the song "I got you." The song is a soft rock ballad, yet there is nothing spectacular about it. However, in comparison to the rest of the album it acts as a refreshment to the ears.

The big closing song is "Atlanta," a dead-on Doors homage, but a really bad one. The song only proves the

point that this album was a waste of time.

If the Stone Temple Pilots were going to make a comeback they should try to make a cohesive and meaningful album.

Like many groups trying to climb their way up the music world they often rush to make a product, rather than worry about the quality of the album.

Another problem the band

possesses is the marketing of their new album.

Last September, lead singer Weiland was sentenced to one year in prison after violating terms on his parole. Weiland's stint with the law stems from previous arrests dealing with drug abuse.

His prison sentence will greatly effect the promotion and touring of this album.

Rock bands with mediocre albums can sometimes revive their lackluster albums by going on tour. Live concerts generate a faithful following of devoted fans and a word of mouth advertisement that is uncanny.

Unfortunately, the Stone Temple Pilots will not be able to go on tour, and promotion of their come-back will suffer drastically.

At the rate they're going, we shouldn't expect an album number 5.

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Next Week: *Fall Sports*  
The football team battles Lewis & Clark for the league championship

## Bearcats thump Lewis & Clark, 42-6

By DANIEL BURNETT  
STAFF WRITER

The Lewis and Clark football team forgot to show up for last week's game. The Bearcats did as they pleased all day, once again embarrassing the lowly Pioneers at their place. The end result was a 42-6 trouncing.

Willamette exploded for a near record of 527 yards, falling only 27 yards short of the team record of 554.

Senior fullback Ardell Bailey led the charge with 138 yards on only eight carries. Freshman Greg Reed was also impressive, earning 85 yards on just three carries, with one of them being a 72-yard touchdown run.

Bailey started the scoring with a two-yard run in the first quarter. Willamette then added three more scores before halftime. Lewis and Clark's only points came on a 15-yard touchdown reception in the second quarter, leaving the score 28-6 at the half. Reed and Bailey each added a touchdown in the second half.

Defensively, the Bearcats were strong once again. The run defense held the Pioneers

to just 15 yards on the ground, and the secondary managed to pick off the Pioneers three times.

One of those interceptions was by senior cornerback Kamell Eckroth-Bernard, who intercepted his fourth pass of the season to tie for the NWC lead with senior teammate, Kyle Banks.

Other highlights include defensive end Eric Thomson registering all three Bearcat sacks, for a total loss of nine yards. Senior strong safety Tim Stewart, a transfer from Roseburg, led the team with six tackles.

Head Coach Mark Speckman was pleased with the Bearcats' efforts. "I think



ALLISON MYERS

Willamette quarterback Luke Atwood (27) runs the ball upfield while Mike Scheper (59), Tom Bailey (66) and Ryan Gold (52) block for him.

the kids played real hard, and it was a good win for us. We still need to work on our execution, and have a lot to work on for our game this week."

The Bearcats still are having troubles keeping the ball in their possession. They turned the ball over five times throughout the game. This may be acceptable when playing a team that resembles a junior high ballet squad, but the Bearcats will have to put it all together when they

face Linfield for the league championship this weekend. With a win or a tie, the Bearcats will assure themselves of their fourth Northwest Conference title in the last five years. However, a league championship doesn't assure the Bearcats of a playoff berth. Willamette must qualify for one of nine at-large berths, because under NCAA Division III rules, the NWC does not get an automatic berth into the playoffs.

## "Bearcat babes" is sexist



SPORTS EDITORIAL

Dillon Shea

Where are the Lesbian Avengers when you need them?

Juniors and seniors probably remember two years ago when the Portland based Lesbian Avengers came to campus to protest what they considered a sexist editorial, written by the Collegian's opinions editor at the time.

Last week, flyers advertising Wednesday's divisional playoff between the women's soccer team and UPS said, "Come support the Bearcat Babes." Alas, we have had no demonstrations from the Avengers. The Avengers should come visit us again, however, because the flyer, produced and distributed by a player on the team, set a bad precedent for women's sports.

The women's soccer team at Willamette is a tremendously skilled and well coached squad. Over the last two years, the team has racked up a record of 37-1-7. The Bearcats have advanced to the Division III Final Four and have been a ranked team for virtually all of the past two seasons.

The flyers, however, send the message that people should watch the women's soccer team play in the divisional playoff because the players look good in shorts, not because the team was ranked third in the nation, and undefeated, going into the game against UPS.

By equating the word, "babe" with a women's sporting event, the flyers undercut the legitimacy of women's sports. The flyers reinforce old gender roles, by placing emphasis on the physique of female players, rather than on their athletic talent.

We would never see an advertisement for a Willamette men's team saying, "Come support the Bearcat hunks. It was inappropriate to distribute flyers that refer to the soccer team as "babes."

## Men end season with win over Linfield

By COURTNEY GREGOIRE  
STAFF WRITER

Men's soccer ended their season last Saturday on a winning note.

On their home turf, Willamette's men defeated Linfield and, thereby, eliminated any chance for post-season play for the boys from McMinnville.

Nothing could distract the focused Willamette offense.

Senior Kelly Walsh opened the scoring in the first two minutes of play with a header off of a corner kick from senior teammate Chase Jordan.

Linfield responded with a goal of their own in the 15th minute.

Linfield picked up the goal by quickly transitioning from

defense to offense with several crosses.

During the closing minutes of the first half, Jordan beat his defender and finished with a low shot to give Willamette a 2-1 lead.

A penalty against Linfield in the 60th minute set up a direct free kick for Willamette.

Junior Scott Tomlins found the back of the net with a beautifully placed shot to the upper V of Linfield's goal.

Minutes later, a penalty against Willamette set up an indirect free kick for Linfield. Linfield answered with a swift cross and finished with a header.

With ten minutes left in the game, the referee awarded Tomlins a red card and forced him out of the game.

The game closed with a 3-2

win for Willamette.

The Linfield players, aware of their post-season fate, held their heads in their hands as time ran out.

Jordan was happy with the outcome.

He said, "It was a great way to end a collegiate career. And it is always fun to play the spoiler."

Doug Pham, also a senior, said, "Beating Linfield was a nice way to end what could sometimes be considered a frustrating four years."

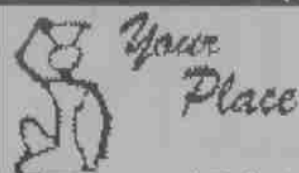
The men ended the season with a 8-12-3 record overall



ALEX SANTA

Freshman Jeremy Staten tries to outrun an opponent in a game earlier this year.

and a 5-7-2 record in conference play.



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# Women's soccer drops to UPS in divisional playoff

By SHANNAH FIELDS  
STAFF WRITER

It came down to money and the NCAA became stingy. Ranked second in the region, the Bearcats should not have had to play the game against the University of Puget Sound last Wednesday.

Because of travel costs, however, the NCAA sent Puget Sound on the bus down to Willamette instead of on an airplane to Santa Cruz, the team UPS should have played.

"If it's all going to come down to money, why do rankings matter? Any team can win on any given day," said sophomore Ashley Holmer. "It just wasn't our day."

The match between the two teams was the third one of the season, and turned out to be a battle. Both of the Bearcats previous games against the Loggers went into overtime.

"UPS played a flat back defensively," said senior forward Natalie Flindt. "Usually teams have one defender in the way back and the other three in front of them. This made it a little more challenging for us."

The Bearcats did manage to break through the Logger's defense several times, but were unable to capitalize on the opportunities.

"We did well on our corner kicks and free kicks. I also thought we played extremely well on the outside," Flindt said. "We had a lot of crosses that gave us some opportunities to score."

In the first half, the Bearcats went up 1-0 on a corner kick that went through the goalie's hands. Sophomore Heather Ebert was in perfect position and picked up the goal.

Willamette held the lead into the second half, but with approximately 35 minutes

remaining in the game, the Loggers tied the score. Neither team could score after that, and regulation ended 1-1.

The four sudden death overtimes that followed failed to yield a score for either team.

After the overtimes, five players from each team were selected for a shootout. Willamette missed its first shot and fell behind after UPS scored on its first attempt. Willamette evened the score when a UPS shot went wide left. But the UPS goalie made another save and Willamette lost the shootout 4-3.

For the season, Flindt was the team's leading scorer with 16 goals. Flindt also contributed six assists.

Senior Katie Edmonds led the team with 11 assists. She also chipped in nine goals.

Sophomore Buffy Morris had ten goals and seven assists for the Bearcats.



FOREST NORRIS

Junior Jenny Bellone dribbles the ball downfield during a home game earlier this season

Junior Jenny Bellone was second on the team with ten assists, she also scored five goals for the Bearcats.

# Volleyball team is one win short of conference title

By SHANNAH FIELDS  
STAFF WRITER

It is always difficult to compete hard all season and then not have any control over the opportunity to play in the post-season. Although the Bearcats spent much of the season ranked in the top six in the West region, their playoff hopes were shattered this weekend when a team from Minnesota was given a bid to play at the regional tournament.

"It was devastating for us and George Fox. I had such a good feeling that we would still be practicing," head coach Marlene Piper said.

Going into the final week of conference play, Willamette, George Fox, and Pacific Lutheran were all tied for first place and were ranked in the region.

On Wednesday, Willamette played at Pacific University and on Friday, the team returned home for a showdown against Pacific Lutheran.

The Pacific match provided a tune-up for the Bearcats, and Willamette won in three straight games, 15-5, 15-5, 15-7. "Against Pacific, I thought our passing was great which allowed us to run the middle. All of our middles hit well. We also served tough which helped us win in three games," freshman Diana Chamberlain said of the Pacific match in which she had 12 kills, 17 assists, and three serving aces.

Also contributing to the victory was junior Kelly Sorenson with 12 digs, 12 kills, and four serving aces.

Going into Friday night's game the Bearcats were tied

with Pacific Lutheran for the conference title.

"I think we came out intense and fired up. Every player on the team wanted the win," Chamberlain said. "PLU had some early points and took off from there."

Pacific Lutheran blocked well throughout the game and made scoring difficult for the Bearcats. Willamette lost the first game 15-7, but came out strong in the second. The Bearcats took an 8-3 lead, but PLU battled back and scored six consecutive points before the Bearcats got the ball back.

The team continued to struggle offensively and PLU surged on for the 15-10 victory. In the third game, Willamette battled, but the Lutes had the momentum and won 15-8.

Offensively, Chamberlain led the team with 23 sets. On the defensive end, Sorenson and junior Renee Purdy combined for 38 digs.

The loss to PLU put Willamette one game behind in the race for the title. Saturday night, Pacific Lutheran traveled to George Fox, another team in the title chase, and defeated the Bruins in five games. PLU's victory gave them sole possession of first place in the conference. Willamette ended the regular season tied with George Fox for second place with a record of 12-4 in conference play.

Three Bearcats were selected to all-conference teams for their play this season. Purdy was named to first team all-conference, Sorenson earned second-team honors, and junior Shannon Pun received honorable mention.

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# CAMPUS SAFETY REPORT: OCT. 31-NOV. 6

## Assist Outside Agency

Oct. 31, 8:08 a.m. (14th and Mill streets) - While on patrol, a Campus Safety officer saw a State Trooper who was detaining three suspects.

The officer stopped to provide cover for the trooper until backup arrived.

## Burglary

Oct. 31, 3:25 a.m. (WISH) - Campus Safety received a call from a student saying that someone had come into her room while she was sleeping.

She stated that the suspect stayed in the room for about a minute after she woke up.

## Criminal Mischief

Oct. 31, 1:50 a.m. (Sparks Parking Lot) - An officer witnessed a student kick the side door of the Campus Safety vehicle and walk off.

The officer pursued the student who ran from the scene. Another officer was notified of the pursuit.

The second officer chased the student for three blocks

and detained him for identification purposes. The student was then released.

Oct. 31, 1:02 a.m. (Grounds Building) - While on patrol, an officer noticed several items had been thrown in the creek.

Nov. 5, 11:20 p.m. (Goudy Commons) - An employee reported finding graffiti in the stall walls of the men's restroom.

Nov. 6, 10:50 a.m. (Atkinson GSM) - While on patrol, an officer observed a vehicle parked in the grass in front of the diagonal spaces on Winter Street.

The vehicle had driven across the grass to give someone a jump start.

In driving across the grass however the student caused a great deal of damage to the landscaping.

## Minor In Possession of Alcohol

Oct. 31, 1:35 a.m. (University Center) - Campus

Safety received a call regarding a wallet that was found in the dining room on the second floor of the building.

The wallet was found amidst substantial evidence that the owner (who was underage) had been intoxicated.

## Emergency Medical Aid

Oct. 31, 3:10 a.m. (Matthews Hall) - Campus Safety received a call from a student regarding another student who was very sick.

Officers and WEMS responded to the scene where they learned that the sickness was due to excessive alcohol consumption.

The student was examined by WEMS.

Nov. 6, 1:30 a.m. (Kaneko Hall) - Campus Safety received a call from an RA stating that there was a student in the restroom vomiting blood.

Campus Safety and WEMS both responded and found the student was suffering from alcohol poisoning.

An ambulance was called to transport the student to the ER.

## Possession of Controlled Substance

Nov. 5, 3:50 p.m. (University Center) - Campus Safety received a call regarding an unusual shipment a student had brought into the Mail Center.

An investigation determined that the package was marijuana.

Campus Safety contacted Salem Police and the student was arrested at his residence.

## Suspicious Activity

Nov. 3, 4:54 a.m. (Haseldorf Apartments) - A student called to report that someone had attempted to get into her room while she was sleeping.

Officers responded to the location and noticed a suspect fitting the description the student had given walking west away from the building.

By the time the officers maneuvered the vehicle in a direction to approach the

suspect he was not to be found.

## Theft

Nov. 1, 8:52 a.m. (Kappa Sigma) - An employee reported finding a stolen vacuum and barricade in the basement of the House.

Nov. 2, 2:16 p.m. (Executive Building) - An employee of the Department of Justice called to report that someone took two items out of their boxes on her desk. The boxes had then been retaped and placed back in the original location.

Nov. 3, 3:13 p.m. (TIUA Bike Storage) - A student called to report that his bicycle had been stolen.

Nov. 5, 9:00 p.m. (Sparks Pool) - While working an event in the building, an officer laid down his jacket.

The officer stepped away from his post to escort someone from the pool area.

While he was gone the jacket was stolen.

## Leaving: A search committee will look to fill roles

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is exciting from a marketing standpoint."

Moisan takes nine years of experience with her.

Read will be moving the farthest from Willamette when he begins his new position on Dec. 6, 1999 as Special Assistant to the Executive Secretary of the Treasury of the United States.

"They called me," Read said when asked how he

achieved this prestigious position.

"They [said] 'You'll be here...' and your life gets turned upside down." Read left Willamette on Nov. 5 after more than two years at his position.

The exodus comes at a particularly trying time for the Office of University Relations.

In April of 1999, President Pelton announced "a restructuring of the senior adminis-

tration of the University" which included splitting the Office of University Relations into two separate divisions: the Office of Public Affairs and the Office of Development and Alumni Relations.

Mahoney had agreed to head up the new Office of Public Affairs and, in the words of Neely, had "already begun to act in a larger capacity" in preparation for her role

change on Jan. 1, 2000.

A search committee was already in place to find a candidate for the Office of Development and Alumni Relations by Feb. 2000.

The new Vice-President will most likely serve as head of both agencies upon assuming his or her duties in light of Mahoney's departure.

Student impact has fortunately been mitigated.

Neely explained that

"University Relations had several very strong years" since 1992 and "Really, there aren't a lot of areas that directly impact student life from University Relations, but they do bring in a lot of money for the operating budget."

It will take about six weeks to fill the three positions, according to Carol Black-Rossow, director of Human Resources.

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