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'Tamanawas' takes a break

By Brook Irving and Jason Ronbeck
Managing Editor and Editor and Chief

In the boldest move yet by the new ASUPS administration, the Budget Committee did not award funds to the University's yearbook, "Tamanawas," for the 2003-04 school year.

Provided the recommendation is approved by the ASUPS Senate April 24, the decision to cut the yearbook's budget means it won't be published in spring 2004, a fact that has current "Tamanawas" editor senior Audrey Kittams troubled.

"I feel like something needs to be done about it but I don't think this is the right way, simply because I fear it won't be started again," Kittams said in regard to the proposal.

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SARS scares

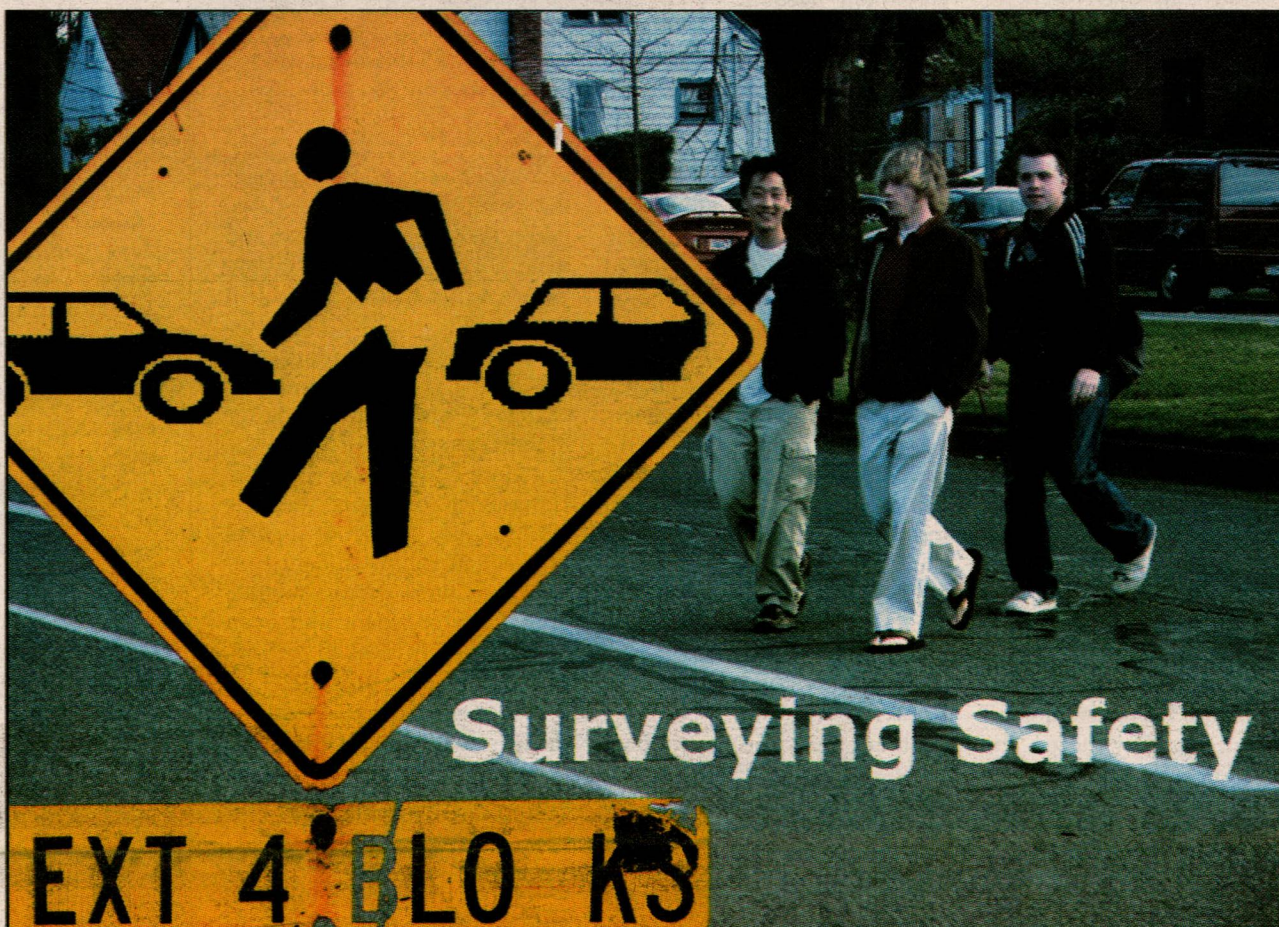
By Colleen Woodrow
News Writer

Recent headline attention has been given to a new health epidemic. Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome has swept across Asia and has begun to seep into parts of Europe, Canada and the United States. SARS has been identified by the World Health Organization and the Center for Disease Control as an atypical pneumonia virus and is from the same family of viruses that cause the common cold.

Of concern to the UPS campus are the students in the Pacific Rim study abroad program that is currently in Asia. The epidemic broke out while the students traveled on Spring Break to various locations around Asia. Students were advised not to travel to areas recognized as hot spots for the syndrome, like Vietnam and China.

In their nine-month tour of Asia, the Pacific Rim students tour Korea, Mongolia, Okinawa, Japan, China, Thailand and India. The program was intended to finish in China, but as a result of the SARS outbreak, it has been diverted to Bangkok,

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Surveying Safety

DANGEROUS CROSSING — Students indicated in a recent survey conducted by The Trail that when using Union and Alder streets they feel most at risk. ASUPS is currently investigating ways of improving pedestrian safety.

By Trail News Staff

A rift exists between student perceptions of current campus safety procedures and ideal security measures, according to a recent poll conducted by The Trail. Over five hundred students participated in the survey that showed where students felt most at risk at UPS, how they thought the University addressed those risks and what they felt would best increase their safety.

The survey results yielded striking differences between what students thought the primary purpose the off-

duty police officers (hired by the University to patrol off-campus neighborhoods) should be and what the University intends the officers to do.

Of those polled, 42.4 percent ranked first that the primary purpose of off-duty officers is to break up and report parties while 1.5 percent thought that should be their primary purpose.

Instead of breaking up and reporting parties, 62.8 percent of students ranked first that preventing violence and sexual assault should be the off-duty officers' principal goal.

The same division manifested in students' notions of the role of Security Services where 25.4 percent of respondents ranked first that they thought Security Services' primary purpose was to enforce parking contrasted to the 1.1 percent that thought this was where Security Services should focus its efforts.

"It's sort of interesting to me, what people's perceptions of us are because, you know, I spend a lot of time with my staff — trying to keep them focused on what I believe to be our mission at UPS," Director of

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Increasing paper usage raises concerns

By Lipika Choudhury
News Writer

Over the past few years the increase in paper usage has grown and shows no sign of stopping anytime soon. Where does this drastic increase in paper usage stem from?

The growing issue cannot be attributed to any one cause. Due to student request, UPS has increased the amount of computers available to students in public areas such as the library, the Macintosh lab and residence halls. In addition to increasing the amount of computers, UPS has purchased many expensive laser printers that are designed for constant use, with the library currently purchasing a second laser printer to satisfy students' printing needs.

An advanced print management system has also been installed to ease printing.

"Since installing the LPT: One print Management System on the printer in the I-Commons, the library has been able to

track printing needs and patterns. From Jan. 20 through the end of March, 177,470 pages were printed off the I-Commons computer alone," Humanities Liaison Librarian Peggy Burge said. "At the same time, it is encouraging to note that an additional 34,720 pages were cancelled from the system. This shows that many students are considering carefully what they actually need to print out."

With technological innovations and the creation and popularity of online learning, there has been a shift from using textbooks and coursepacks to using online mediums.

"When you put something in a coursepack you almost certainly have to discuss it. Blackboard, or any virtual coursepacks, are a great advantage because they allow for changes in the material that is to be discussed with no cost to the student," politics and government professor Bill Haltom, an avid Blackboard user, said.

Programs like Blackboard may be

responsible for the increase in paper usage since students can print multiple copies, which takes place to a lesser extent when professors distribute handouts.

"Handouts seem to be among the most wasteful and environmentally irresponsible ways of providing students with material because there is no way of determining the least amount of copies needed," Haltom said. "When information is available online, the discerning student can click on something and decide whether he or she is interested and then make the decision to print."

Several solutions have been suggested, the most probable being determining the average amount of printing students do each year and charging students who exceed that number per page printed.

Students should not expect to see changes for the coming academic year.

"It is a continuing conversation because the technology (available) keeps chang-

ing," Academic Vice President Terry Cooney said.

For now, the library has adopted several strategies for coping with the mounting problem. The most important being raising student awareness, so that students think twice before printing. This has been accomplished by showing students the estimated cost of what they are printing as well as having students go to the computer station by the printer to finalize their request.

"Requiring students to go up and press print makes students more aware of what they are printing and there is substantially less paper left behind because of this addition," junior Kyle Stetner, who works at the Information Help Desk in the library, said. "There is no denying that these changes force students to realize the benefit of not being charged for printing and if students don't abuse the privilege, hopefully, there will be no reason for anything to change."

'Save the B.T.' heats up

By Anna Diotte
News Writer

As the year comes to a close, some visiting professors are seeing their contracts end. Bryan Tomasovich, a visiting English and environmental studies professor, is facing this situation.

However, a student led campaign hopes to get him reappointed.

Sophomore Steve Larson, who started the "Save the B.T." campaign for Tomasovich, has been diligently working to keep the professor on staff.

"He does so much here, such as being an adviser for 'Crosscurrents,' holding brown bag discussions and supporting students as well as being a teacher in both creative writing and environmental studies," Larson said. "He has an attitude that stresses students finding their own independence and urges them to take an active role in everything..."

Students like Larson learned of Tomasovich's case through personal communication.

"Students were alerted to the fact that I am not being reappointed in two ways," Tomasovich said. "I immediately notified members of clubs such as the Organic Gardening Club and a theme house that I was scheduled to advise so they could begin seeking another adviser, and (second), as students prepared to register for fall 2003 courses, they noted the absence of my name on the schedule."

Tomasovich's students concurred with their professor's sentiment.

"Registering for next fall's classes, Tomasovich was one of the first names I looked for," sophomore Carolyn Stanley said. "I was disappointed when I didn't see his name in the listings. He has been an great professor."

Tomasovich's reappointment was subject to departmental need in the areas he teaches, and there no longer seems to be that

need.

"From year to year, the needs change in departments according to what subjects and emphasis need teaching," Academic Vice President Terry Cooney said. "When talking about visiting faculty, the question is, what is the nature of the need? Do existing faculty fill the classroom needs that we have?"

Members of campus organizations such as 'Crosscurrents,' KUPS, Drummers for Peace, FreakOut! and Campus Greens have signed the petition thus far. Freshman Ethan Allured heard about the petition at a recent meeting of Campus Greens and was happy to sign.

"I haven't gotten the chance to take a class with Tomasovich, but I have seen and heard incredible things about him," Allured said. "He has done a lot for this school, and it was nice to show him my support."

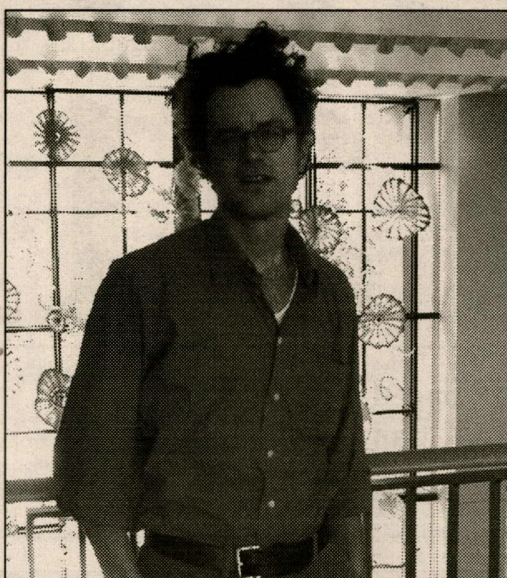
Sophomore Steven Blake, another organizer of the campaign, emphasized that support has been very positive so far.

"With the three petitions floating around, we are hoping to receive about 200 signatures," Blake said. "As of now, we have between 90 and 120 — a good start to our campaign."

To sign the petition, contact Larson or Blake.

Although Cooney had yet to see a copy of the petition, he reiterated the University's policy for visiting professors.

"I appreciate people feeling strongly about faculty and students acting on this, but I hope they can understand that we cannot simply create new positions," Cooney said. "The dilemma is, should we not hire people



ASUPS Photo Services Spring 2002
BEST DRESSED — Bryan Tomasovich was voted one of The Trail's best dressed professors last spring.

who will be successful in a visiting position simply so that we don't make people angry and disappointed when we are unable to let their employment continue?"

Tomasovich was enthusiastic about the petition, and the changes students are calling for in their campaign.

"More is at stake in the 'Save Tomasovich' campaign than my job," he said. "In fact, it appears to me that many students are keen to work with faculty, deans, the president and even the Board of Trustees to perhaps change the hiring processes."

Expressing his interest in the future of the University, Tomasovich stressed the importance of strong professor-student relationships.

"Some have even discussed this change more tangibly, suggesting that a position in creative writing and/or ecocriticism/ecoliterature be created so that UPS could conduct a national search for a tenure-line faculty member," he said. "Why are they suggesting this? Because such a position reflects their interests as students and they desire mentors who share their interests."

• Anna Diotte is a freshman.

'Tamanawas'

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Removing funding for the yearbook is the result of a number of factors according to newly elected ASUPS president junior Darrel Frost.

"During Budget Committee hearings we discovered a very tight budgetary situation," Frost said. "'Tamanawas' has had a lot of difficulty for the past 20 years ... and as the Budget Committee weighed options and was considering the tight situation of the budget the recommendation was made that ASUPS not fund 'Tamanawas' for the next academic year."

The limited budget may come as a surprise to students who have watched their student fees increase in recent years, a fact that had many organizations in ASUPS hoping for a more generous budget next fall.

"The problem with that assumption is that in last year's budget we only had six media departments, there are now seven," ASUPS Vice President Tiffany Barrans said, referring to the newly created film media department Praxis Imago which became a media under former executives seniors Ben Shelton and Chris Abbott.

"That creates a little bit more of a strain when that seventh one that was added is almost the total number of the increase — there's not a lot extra to go around," she said.

While tight budget-woes may continue in years to come, Barrans and Frost assert that next year will only serve as a readjustment period to improve marketing and demand for the yearbook.

"I think the idea in giving it zero dollars ... is that, it is not an attempt to kill 'Tamanawas,' in fact it is directly the opposite, it is an attempt to revive 'Tamanawas' and find a way to develop marketing plans and to develop a better system so that a proper book can still have its quality and yet we can also get the word out to the students and the people who need to be pur-

"It's an important book and even though students don't see that now, if 10 years from now there isn't a yearbook that's going to be a real loss"

—Audrey Kittams
"Tamanawas" Editor

chasing this book," Barrans said. "I think next year is going to be a rebuilding year."

But ASUPS rebuilding plans were met with skepticism by Kittams.

"It's an important book and even though students don't see that now, if 10 years from now there isn't a yearbook that's going to be a real loss," she said.

Despite concerns that the decision may mean the end of the University's yearbook altogether, Frost is confident that next year's sabbatical will ensure a long and healthy life for "Tamanawas."

"We would rather take 12 months off and see many years in the future of a very strong Tamanawas than to have it putter along for another year or two," he said.

But the restructuring year will be far from easy if Frost and Barrans hope to make positive changes for the fledgling book. The two will look to faculty, staff and fellow students for ideas as the year progresses.

The ASUPS Media Board and the current co-assistant editors of "Tamanawas" will be involved with that process.

"As a branch of student government, 'Tamanawas' cannot function currently and will not function in the future properly without adequate student input," Barrans said.

• Share your thoughts about "Tamanawas" at <http://trail.ups.edu>

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Safety

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Security Services Todd Badham said. "I guess there's room for improvement ... if our mission is not really obvious or known to people."

Dean of Students Kris Bartanen responded to the discrepancies between students' conceptions of Security Services by suggesting that increasing communication could lead to improvements.

"Campus safety as a whole could be improved by finding more strategies for sharing information about what services are available or what the processes are," she said. "I think probably a lot of the time people tend to see security in their enforcer role. ... People tend not so much to think of them in their safety assistive roles, but they really have those roles."

Bartanen also claimed that the role of the University in regard to safety, especially with off-duty officers, has changed because of student needs as well as outside influences.

"Things have kind of gone through swings of pendulums ... when I was in college there was a push to get rid of any *en loco parentis* (in lieu of parents), so a lot of changes happened. And then the pendulum swung to a ... bystander position," Bartanen said. "Court decisions have been pushing that pendulum back to more of a middle position where colleges and universities really are being found to have responsibility ... to the extent that folks were for safety and were concerned for the ability of students to be successful here."

While that sense of responsibility has led to the creation of the off-duty officer program, it has also led to misconceptions and created general confusion about the program's role in the lives of students off campus.

"I think that people would connect the University hiring off-duty officers with 'I just got busted' or 'my party got busted' or 'I just got cited,' and people will make that kind of link because they are unhappy," Bartanen said. "They think that they should be able to do what they want to do and I think all that we can do is try to be as clear as possible in saying this is how the off-duty officers work, how they respond and also to be open to feedback. If something different is happening out there than what we think is happening, like officers are treating people badly, or they are harassing someone, then I would want to know that too."

Badham explained what he believed is a primary reason for hiring off-duty officers and ideas for why students may harbor inaccurate beliefs about those reasons.

"There are lots of reasons," he said. "It's to keep the

neighborhood safe but what is that? What does that mean? What does keeping the neighborhood safe mean? Does that mean keeping drunk drivers off the road? Yes. Does that mean keeping fighting from erupting in the streets outside of parties? Yes. Does it mean keeping the neighborhood clean, free of beer bottles and party garbage? Maybe. Studies show that the more clean and well-kept neighborhoods are generally safer and less prone to crime."

Miscommunication has also affected the extent to which students report crimes to campus security and the Tacoma Police Department. Of the 95 students who indicated that they had been victims of crimes at or near campus, 49 reported the incident to Security Services. Students indicated they did not report crimes because they were skeptical of Security Services' ability to assist them.

Badham stressed that, while students opinions may be valid, it is still important to notify Security when crimes occur.

"From my experience the most common reason why people don't report the common thefts ... is because they don't think it's going to do any good — you know, 'What's the point, it's not like you're going to get it back for me,' and they're right — it's very unlikely that I'm going to get it back for you. But there have been a lot of cases when we've been able to use the information to stop it from happening to other people. It is rare but it does happen that we get stuff back."

Despite conflicting ideas on the role and current position of both Security Services and off-duty police officers, 411 students reported that they had not been victims of crimes. ASUPS President junior Darrel Frost is not surprised that many students feel perfectly safe on the UPS campus but still sees room for improvement.

"I think campus is basically a safe place," he said. "The Pat Buchanans of the world would love to build a large fence around the borders — but you can't really do that. ... As open a campus as we have, situated in an urban setting — I think we should feel very fortunate for how safe we are."

Although many students feel unthreatened and generally safe on campus, 52 percent of students indicated that they felt most at risk walking around Alder and Union streets.

Students' concerns about the dangers of crossing Union and Alder streets initiated a dialogue between ASUPS and the Tacoma Police Department. Senator senior Andrew Smith has spent time investigating ways to make Union

and Alder safer for pedestrians.

"I know of at least two or three students who have been grazed by vehicles on Union because of cars parked there on the east side of the street," he said. "It's really hard to see around them until you're actually past the cars. It's dangerous."

Smith is pushing for a traffic light or, at the very least, signs alerting drivers of a crosswalk.

"Even though we do get quite a bit of traffic crossing Union and Alder, the sense that I got from the city of Tacoma is that students are old enough, that they should be able to monitor traffic themselves," Smith said.

Other avenues for improving safety, according to student rankings in the poll, included installing security alarm stations, a neighborhood watch program and increased monitoring of bike racks and parking lots. Of those surveyed, 23.4 percent ranked first security alarm stations as a way to increase their personal safety, followed by 16.1 percent who ranked first increased patrol of bike racks and parking lots. Fifteen percent ranked first a neighborhood watch program as another possibility to develop greater security.

Badham believes a kind of alarm station system is currently in place.

"We do have phones — I think we do a pretty good job of providing a good balance," Badham said. "One thing that you have to remember is that the more devices and things you have out there the more time you spend on maintenance and upkeep because that stuff is just an invitation for vandalism. ... You wouldn't believe the amount of time we spend just keeping telephones working. People steal receivers, yank the cords out, spray paint them — it's a constant ongoing thing."

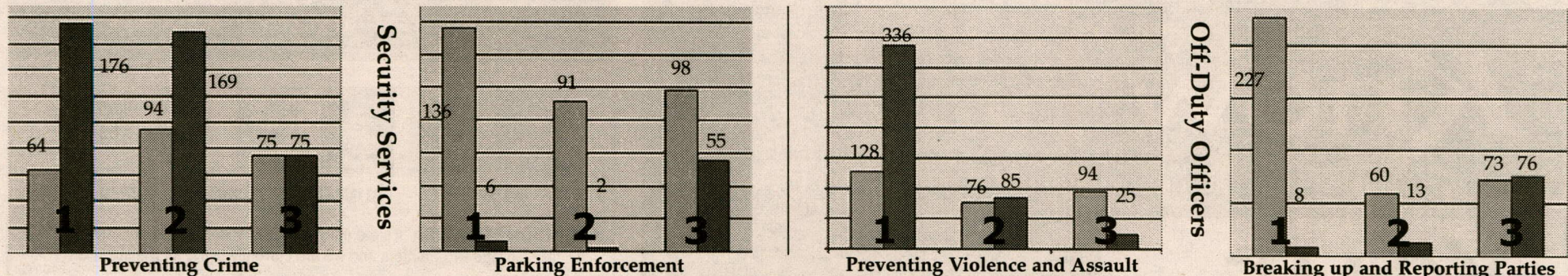
Frost, on the other hand, believes that if there is a demand, it would be something ASUPS would definitely consider.

"ASUPS is very much willing to support something like that," Frost said. "It can be a very difficult thing because on the one hand you want to make sure that everybody feels safe and that they have enough contact but at the same time you don't want bright yellow posts all over that have these flashing blue signs every ten feet that really helps to make the campus really ugly."

For additional survey results see The Trail Web site and look for additional articles forthcoming.

• Megan Buscho, Lipika Choudhury, Anna Diotte, Josephine Eckert, David Hough, Brook Irving, Jason Ronbeck, Katie Rose and Colleen Woodrow contributed to this article.

Here are some of the results from The Trail 2003 Campus Safety Survey. The light gray boxes represent what student's believe the primary purpose of Security Services/Off-Duty police officers is. The dark gray boxes represent what student's believe the primary purpose of Security Services/Off-Duty police officers should be. Numbers inside the columns represent the ranking order of importance, numbers outside represent the number of students who ranked each category. See more online at <http://trail.ups.edu>



Campus Crimes

The following incidents were reported to Security Services between April 2 and 14, 2003:

April 2 at 10:25 p.m.

Security responded to complaints of loud explosions near North 15th and Union Ave. A student in the area stated she saw two males run out of a nearby house shortly following the explosions. She said they picked something off the grass and ran back inside. There was no damage discovered.

April 7 at 7:56 a.m.

Facilities reported the theft of the green bench on the south side of the Music Building.

April 7 at 6:10 a.m.

A student reported the theft of her light blue North Face jacket from the Library. She said she left it on the main floor unattended for a brief period while she went to the bathroom. When she returned, it was gone.

April 8 at 9 a.m.

A University staff member from OIS reported a laser printer stolen from

Thompson 225, the 24-hour lab. The printer is valued at \$1,500.

April 8 at 2:20 p.m.

A student reported her North Face jacket was stolen from the computer commons area on the first floor. She stated she left the coat at her work station briefly to get some papers from the printer. When she returned the coat was gone.

April 8 at 9:30 p.m.

Another student also reported her North Face jacket stolen from the Library. She said she left it unattended in the lounge on the second floor for a few minutes. When she returned, it was gone. No one in the area reported seeing anything suspicious.

April 11 at 10 p.m.

A student in a University owned house on N. 12th St. reported a large sum of cash taken from her room. She stated she was holding the money for a student club on campus she belongs to. There were no signs of forced entry to the house. The student stated the house and her room were most likely left unlocked.

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Thailand. Shifting the last leg of the tour proved difficult since students were scattered around the continent, traveling for Spring Break.

"It was an enormous undertaking. I cannot stress that enough," Jannie Meisberger, Director of International Programs, said. "The amount of work and effort that Elizabeth Bernard (Director of the Pacific Rim Program) put in."

Meisberger worked closely with Asian Studies Program Director, Stuart Smithers, to inform parents about the measures that the Pacific Rim group was taking to ensure safety of the students. Parents' responses have been positive and supportive.

"Parents have e-mailed and written supporting the actions of the program and are appreciative of the information sent to them regarding the students," Meisberger said.

The program travels with Bernard, who has served as the director of the program for the last three Pacific Rim tours. In addition to her position in the program, she also serves as a business manager and a health manager. Along

with Meisberger, the team of staff on the trip worked to alleviate concerns regarding housing in Bangkok, whether the last unit would be able to be taught from Thailand, and airplane tickets returning the students to the United States.

The students in the program relocation are now staying at the Regional Community Forestry Center for Asia and the Pacific in Kasetsart, near the Bangkok airport, where the medical health is reported as "excellent."

Despite the global epidemic, the Pacific Rim program is still on track.

"Crises management is part of my job," Meisberger said. "We're dealing with these two issues. And the program is still continuing — it is still successful academically and benefiting students."

Students were originally due to fly back to Seattle from Shanghai and return on May 13.

Currently, there is no final itinerary of when the students will arrive in the United States.

• Colleen Woodrow is a freshman majoring in politics and government.

Piercing accomplishments

The second in a three part series on departing
UPS president, Susan Resneck Pierce

By Brook Irving and Jason Ronbeck
Managing Editor and Editor in Chief

In just a few short months, as most students relish the joys of the summer, President Susan Resneck Pierce will be giving up over 10 years as University President and taking a well-deserved break on the sunny beaches of Boca Raton, Fla.

Over 3,300 miles away, Pierce said that she wants to be closer to her family. Her daughter, son-in-law and father will live within 20 minutes to the new home she and her husband, Ken, recently purchased.

"If I'm not going to be here, then that's where I want to be," she said. "I'm going to miss campus. I'm going to

miss the Northwest greatly ... I fully expect to have a very full and rich kind of life, it will just be very different. So I'll miss the Northwest a lot, but it will be good to be closer to the people I love the most."

Until then, however, Pierce has a number of things to finish. In one day in early March, for example, Pierce had an interview with a candidate for the Athletic Director position, worked on planning for the new science building, completed job training, met with Human Resources and planned strategies to solve financial aid problems.

"The diversity of things in just one day — and today is not unusual," she said.

Come July when President-elect Ron Thomas takes over, Pierce's days should be more relaxing and not so fast-paced. One of the ways Pierce hopes to unwind is by writing.

"I really want to have the time to write. I write essays now — usually on airplanes," she said. "But to really do a more extended project requires a lot more time than I've been able to give it ... I actually wrote 350 pages on my two-and-a-half month sabbatical, and that was three years ago. I haven't even proofed it because I just don't have the time. So I'm really looking forward to having the time to write."

The 350-page project is a memoir about her mother that Pierce is writing for her family.

In addition to writing, Pierce also plans to do consulting work for companies and institutions that deal with higher education.

She plans to work with the American Association of Colleges and Universities to help schools search for, interview and hire new presidents.

In light of the recent transition process between her and Thomas, Pierce said she would like to work with other presidential transitions and ensure that they work as efficiently as possible. The process at UPS has inspired her to share the knowledge.

"We've had a very positive transition here," Pierce said. "I've gotten interested in presidential transitions ... How do you make that transition, which is obviously an important one, and do it in a way that is truly beneficial," she said she would like to discover and share.

"What I would do is both go spend a couple of days on campus listening to people and write a job description, then spend a day with the president-elect talking about transitional issues," she said.

"I have agreed to work with the Brookings Institution project on reforming financial aid. Looking at the financing of higher education," Pierce said.

The Brookings Institution is an organization that,

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according to their mission statement, seeks to "improve the performance of American institutions and the quality of public policy by using social science to analyze emerging issues and to offer practical approaches to those issues in language aimed at the general public."

In addition to her role at the Brookings Institution, Pierce also wants to address problems with financial aid in another book she is writing about "the irrationality of some aspects of higher education — how we finance it, in particular."

She also wants to improve higher education in general by talking with other schools about what she feels has been a very successful relationship between her and the Board of Trustees.

"I've observed over the years that often when (a presidency) doesn't work, it's because there hasn't been real clarity between the Board and the president about goals and values and other expectations," Pierce said.

She foresees a possible consulting role developing where she can advise other schools and boards.

"I'm interested in talking to institutions about how to clarify their mission," she said. "I can help them) to really focus their energies and their resources. I think I have some things to say about how to affect change."

As for what she would say to Thomas, Pierce said she wouldn't give him any advice, per se, but has offered to give him help and answer any questions he might have.

"I don't think of myself as giving him advice," she said. "What I am trying to do is provide him with as much history and context on as much of the campus and the issues facing the campus as I can."

Although she will be far from the University physically, Pierce said she will always maintain a connection to the school and sees herself continually involved.

"I hope to have a good and warm (relationship)," she said. "I will always feel a part of this place."

Pierce also hopes to return on occasion and will forever associate herself with the University of Puget Sound.

"I'll certainly come back — I hope — for special occasions," she said. "And I will continue to dignify myself in anything I write as president-emeritus of the University of Puget Sound."

Even though her time at UPS has certainly been rewarding for Pierce, the plans she has as she looks forward prove to be equally rewarding.



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LEAVING HOME — President Susan Resneck Pierce addresses alumni during her last Homecoming as president of the University, October 2002.

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Letters to the Editor

Students lack respect for performers

To the editor:

This Saturday, we had the pleasure and honor of attending a concert by the fabulous, Grammy-nominated Gospel Hummingbirds. Our enjoyment was marred, however, by an inescapable sense of embarrassment for the UPS community. This feeling of shame stemmed from several sources. First, the lack of advertising prior to the show led to a very poor turnout. Although approximately eight posters promoting this and other shows now can be seen in the SUB, they are recent additions and were not present for the weeks prior to the performance. This paltry attempt at advertising demonstrates a deep-seated disregard for the performers and their craft. As a second affront to the acclaimed and venerable Gospel Hummingbirds, many members of the opening group, Underground Jazz, chose not to stay for the headlining performers. While we are aware that

several members of the ensemble had a previous commitment to the Senior Theatre Festival show "Big Love," there were also ensemble members without this engagement who chose to leave. It was disrespectful and poor concert etiquette to shamelessly plug their own show and not support the work of other artists. As a final insult, our illustrious and newly elected ASUPS president, Darrel Frost, opted to leave the concert immediately following the Gospel Hummingbird's first song. While it is admirable to support one's friends in their musical endeavors, if he had come to the concert solely to see Underground Jazz, he ought to have waited to see their full length concert on Tuesday. It is humiliating to the University that the elected representative of our student body chose not to support a cultural event. What does it say about our campus community when our own president displays such disregard for performers who deserve our respect? We've never before been so embarrassed to be a part of this student body and would like to sincerely apologize to the Gospel Hummingbirds for the behavior of our peers.

— Meredith Crews, sophomore
Janeka Childs, sophomore

Peace for all is possible in the Middle East

By Ethan Schwaber
Opinions Columnist



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A few nights ago I was playing RISK with some friends of mine. As I held the Middle East, one of my friends wanted to attack me, saying that, "Well, the Middle East has always been at war. Let's keep its reputation up." And then it dawned on me. While the Middle East has experienced more wars than almost any piece of territory in the world, why should hostilities continue perpetually?

I know there are huge political, religious and cultural differences in the region. But rather than looking for their differences, the people of the Middle East should look for their similarities. In short, peace in the Middle East can be a reality.

As the U.S. is wrapping up its war with the Iraqi regime, a new opportunity awaits the Iraqi people. The Coalition has done a wonderful job in destroying the Baath Party regime while inflicting very few civilian casualties. Now comes the hard part. The U.S. and the U.K. must commit to their promises — stay in Iraq long enough to rebuild the nation and establish a viable democracy where people have equal human rights.

Iraq also presents itself as a unique scenario. With state-controlled presses and education systems, the Muslim governments in the Middle East have conjured up a hatred within their citizens towards the United States. Following America's refusal to aid the Shiites in their uprising against Saddam in the early 1990s, no wonder many Iraqis were skeptical of U.S. troops in their country.

Now, however, Iraqis are starting to realize that this time America just might deliver all of its promises. Already, the horrible Hussein regime is dismantled. In establishing a democracy with open and free presses, a new generation of Iraqis can arise with a friendlier attitude towards the United States. With millions of Iraqis happy because of their new freedoms and rights, the millions of Muslims suppressed under the ruthless autocratic regimes in the region might exert enormous pressure to obtain democracies for themselves.

Imagine one-by-one, the autocracies in the Middle East falling. With open and free presses accompanying these changes, America can play a vital role in the process. Without using any military force, the U.S. can lead the humanitarian efforts to help build these nations up. Now envision how

much pro-American sentiment might be created. In the end, this could result in fewer radical Muslims and fewer terrorists. If the Muslims of the Middle East can become happy with new freedoms and rights in viable democracies, the resentment against the West is bound to

diminish.

The U.N. must also exert strict pressure on Syria to leave Lebanon. In the Middle East's real occupation problem, Syria has run Lebanon for the last 25 years as a police state. Many Syrians feel as though Lebanon belongs to them. However, Lebanese sovereignty must be respected, especially since it has been considered a safe-haven for Middle Eastern Christians in the past.

Finally, we get to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Recently, Mahmoud Abbas was appointed as the Palestinian Prime Minister. Although he practically denied the Holocaust during the 1980s, The New York Times also reported him saying on Oct. 24, 2002 that, "The armed uprising against Israel has been a mistake for the Palestinians and must be stopped." If Abbas is truly the moderate this statement suggests, what a blessing he can be for the Palestinians. Finally they might have a leader committed to peace instead of terrorism and violence.

If Abbas is given primary negotiating and leadership powers, Israel might be tempted to elect a more moderate leader than Ariel Sharon, since it is unlikely that Sharon will give an offer the Palestinians deem as fair. Then you take the new Israeli Prime Minister and Abbas and lock them in a room. Might as well throw in some matzah and grape juice to keep the two happy (I would suggest wine, but Muslims do not usually drink alcohol). And perhaps throwing in some dreidals for them to play when they take breaks might help alleviate tensions. Only after Abbas and the Israeli leader shake hands, kiss and makeup do you allow them out.

And there you go. The Israeli/Palestinian problem solved, millions of Muslims living in more democratic states with greater freedoms, Lebanese sovereignty respected and extreme Muslim radicals and terrorists decreasing in number. This may be a hard concept to visualize, but I believe that this could happen within my generation. If this becomes a reality, perhaps our children won't make sarcastic comments about the Middle East when they play RISK.

The Trail's Thumb

Our view of life on campus

Streakers



No fresh strawberries in the SUB



Crew sweeps Meyer and Lamberth Cups against PLU for the first time since 1983



Theft in on-campus houses



Thug #1 in "The Janitor"



Trash in the quad over the weekend



Hitchhiking



Funds for scholarships lacking because of the economy



Staff Editorial

Web site prompts reflection

Recent heated discussions on the Trail's Web site (<http://trail.ups.edu>) have raised interesting questions about the role of a student newspaper within the campus community and how the Web changes student journalism.

Although The Trail is student-run and student-funded (through ASUPS), giving faculty and staff a voice remains an important goal. Just because students run and fund the paper does not mean that it is exclusively for students.

Students (hopefully) make up the highest readership demographic, but readers certainly go beyond the student body. Professors discuss articles and issues raised in The Trail during classes, staff members are frequently interviewed for stories and visitors to the campus commonly grab copies of The Trail to read while on campus or take with them.

Involving as many voices as possible benefits The Trail and the campus community in numerous ways.

A diversity of voices causes everyone to question beliefs and opinions.

In past years, The Trail has been criticized for having a small pool of writers working for the Opinions section, churning out article after article, week after week. Guest columnists not only expand the types of views people generally read in The Trail, but they also give normal columnists a break and chance to develop more complex and well-researched pieces for upcoming weeks.

Recently, for example, professors have joined

students as guest columnists. The point of including professors is not to present "voices of authority" or include overly academic essays in place of typical columns. Instead, as non-students, professors exemplify how The Trail can include an even more diverse set of views.

Whether faulty or staff choose to make their political views public is not up to The Trail nor is it The Trail's responsibility to restrict anyone from being political.

The Web site has proven to be another avenue where The Trail has opened campus discussion. While the Web can certainly open itself up to flame-wars and petty arguments, it can also be a place for even more people to participate in informed and mature debate.

Thus, The Trail has adopted two new policies dealing with posts made to the Web site.

Any posts that make personal attacks will be removed by the Web master. College students have the capacity to make arguments that address issues — personal attacks are a needless waste of space and don't advance the dialogue.

Additionally, Trail writers will not be allowed to respond to responses to their own articles on the Web site.

Both of these additions mirror policies for the print edition of The Trail. Letters to the editor or columns that make personal attacks aren't published and staff members cannot write letters to the editor to react to critiques of their pieces.

While the Web is a different environment, these policies maintain the integrity of the online content and prevent unnecessary and immature personal attacks.

The Trail continues to maintain that it is a forum for campus discussion, and the inclusion of guest writers and online policies help this goal.

Editorial Policy: Columns do not necessarily represent the opinions of The Trail. The Trail encourages all readers to respond to articles or important issues by writing a letter to the editor. Columns and letters in the Opinions section are printed at the discretion of the editorial board. The Trail reserves the right to refuse anything that is submitted for publication. Letters must be signed with a full name and phone number, should contain fewer than 300 words, and are due no later than 5 p.m. on Mondays. Letters may be e-mailed to trail@ups.edu or delivered through the mail to Campus Mailbox 1095.

Antisemiticism remains problematic

By Judith W. Kay
Guest Columnist

Why is it hard to agree when a comment is antisemitic? Activist Cherie Brown identifies two reasons for this difficulty. She suggests that some disallow grades of antisemitic mistreatment. For many the term conjures up images of Nazis; if annihilation isn't being proposed, then antisemitism isn't happening. But antisemitism may be subtle or unintentional.

Also, according to Brown, there is no "visible Gentile movement to combat antisemitism." Men's groups have taken it upon themselves to tackle sexism and "organizations like PFLAG ... work to eliminate gay oppression. ... But there are no organizations with the sole purpose of eliminating anti-Jewish oppression." Although inter-faith groups alleviate religious misperceptions, such groups do not combat antisemitism broadly.

Michael Lerner notes a reluctance to regard Jews as oppressed, which he attributes to confusion about the structural dynamics of antisemitism. Anti-Jewish oppression both blames Jews and sets up Jews to mistreat others.

As a minority in Europe, Jews were often expelled into neighboring lands. The aristocracy would offer Jews protection if Jewish leaders, labeled "Court Jews," served aristocratic interests. Restrictive laws and repeated expulsions funneled Jews into money-lending and tax-collecting. When resentment of peasants surfaced, Jews would be blamed for making Gentiles' lives worse. "If only the Jews weren't so..." the refrain ran, "our lives



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would be better."

The myth of Jewish power reflects the prejudice that Jews create much that is wrong with the world. Hitler blamed World War II on the Jews and after the war, many blamed Jews for the Holocaust. Whenever we find ourselves thinking that things would be better — in the Middle East or on our campus — if Jews weren't around or were to do something differently, antisemitism is probably operating.

Historically, individual Jews and Jewish leaders, to avoid isolation and gain safety, misguidedly colluded in the mistreatment of others, a key dynamic of antisemitism. For Jews, losing the "protection" of ruling elites can feel like certain death; historically it often was. Sometimes Jews are so terrified that they believe any criticism of Israel is antisemitic. This isn't true, and in fact, failing to condemn Israel's harmful policies reinforces antisemitism, because it keeps Jews isolated and vulnerable to attack.

The emergence of Israel was tied both to the attempted annihilation of European Jewry and the need to curry favor from dominant powers — Britain and eventually the U.S. The U.S. has never believed a Palestinian revolution would serve U.S. interests. Consistent with the long history of Jewish oppression, some Israelis want

Sharon and Bush to be allies and believe that security requires power and control over Palestinians. These connections isolate Israel in world opinion and keep Israel vulnerable. Once again Jews find themselves dependent on the goodwill of a ruling power, which could be withdrawn at any time.

Unfortunately, those who condemn the targeting of Jews have not always understood the exploitative role Jews sometimes play. And those who condemn Jewish actions have not readily seen how isolation, terror and threat of abandonment pushes some Jews toward a role of mistreating others out of fear for survival. Ignoring either dynamic isolates Jews from other oppressed peoples, their natural allies in challenging injustice.

Thus some have proposed a criterion: If Jews or Israel are singled out as the primary source of problems or held to a higher standard than others, antisemitism may be afoot.

Let's look at the slogan comparing Israelis to Nazis. This equation suggests that the policies of Israel are as evil as the Nazi policy of mass murder of innocent people. In contrast, Israel is not attempting extermination of Palestinians. Some policies of the Israeli government toward the Palestinians are profoundly wrong and must be strongly condemned, and many Israelis agree. For instance, most of the settlements need to be disbanded. Comparing Israelis to Nazis suggests that Jews are solely to blame for the conflict and that Israel is the sole perpetrator of violence in the region, ignoring the terror instilled by suicide bombings. Hence equating Israelis

...failing to condemn Israel's harmful policies reinforces antisemitism, because it keeps Jews isolated and vulnerable to attack.

with Nazis is antisemitic.

Additionally, blaming Israel for Arab antipathy toward the U.S. or for war against Iraq is antisemitic if it deflects attention away from other culprits — the long history of colonialism and imperialism perpetrated primarily by Britain, France and the U.S. in collusion with Arab elites. We must avoid singling out Israel, while condemning the unhappy role it is playing toward the Palestinians.

Cutting off U.S. aid to Israel is misguided because it blames Israel for its dependence on the U.S. and threatens the survival of Israel in the current period. It would be better to reduce Israel's isolation and help Israel end its mistreatment of the Palestinians. Such an approach would take a strong stand against blaming Jews and reduce tensions that exist between Jews and other oppressed groups.

Antisemitism is something we can study and take action about — and some day eliminate.

• Judith Kay is a professor of religion.

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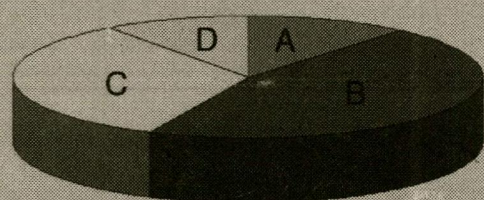
What's your Café drink of choice?

- Just a simple latté, what more could you want?
- It's all about the Naked Juice
- A 16oz. double non-fat extra hot mocha with raspberry flavoring and extra whip cream. Where's the fun if you can't be picky?
- A martini, shaken, not stirred.

Vote before April 23

How do you feel about the FAIR/JUST events on campus and distribution of Middle East information in the SUB?

- FAIR seems to present more balanced events and literature. 11%
- JUST seems to present more balanced events and literature. 46%
- They both clearly have an agenda — they should just come out and say it. It's OK to take a stance. 33%
- You can't fool me, I can tell that The Trail is only trying to start a fight. 10%



Hostile comments towards Muslims fuel hatred, hinder peaceful progress

By Blaire Notrica
Opinions Columnist

Much to the ire of Muslims and mainstream Christians, Rev. Franklin Graham, son of Billy Graham, the evangelical minister, will be leading Good Friday services at the Pentagon. On the one of the most sacred days in the Christian year, the man who called Islam an "evil religion" will be leading worship.

As the Bush Administration attempts to wage a public relations battle with Muslims, Rev. Graham's appearance could not have come at a worse time. For some time now, Muslims at home and increasingly abroad are taking a hostile view towards the United States.

This is not the sort of anti-American anger that fueled Sept. 11; rather, it is anger that is a response to people like Rev. Graham who view Islam as "evil and violent. This is not anger that begets violence," but anger that creates distrust and fear.

Many people around the world believe Rev. Graham and other evangelicals speak the voice of religious America. His words reverberate through the minds of people of all faiths living abroad, and they come to believe that all religious and especially Christian Americans share in Rev. Graham's views.

Graham and others like him are in many ways, more dangerous than Osama bin Laden and his merry lot of terrorists. Whereas bin Laden and his followers may carry out acts of terror and urge Islamic insurgency against the United States and the West, Graham and other fundamentalist Christians are helping to fuel bin Laden's hate. Though Bush has claimed he does not support Rev. Graham's views on Islam and encouraged religious dialogue, Rev. Graham's invitation by the Pentagon may undo Bush's work to embrace



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Islam as a legitimate faith.

Calling Islam evil, however heinous and untrue, has not been the only thing Rev. Graham has done to damage Christian-Muslim relations. In a church service near the Muslim holy month of Ramadan last year, Rev. Graham urged those in attendance to pray that Muslims find Jesus Christ and convert to Christianity. Further, in an interview after Sept. 11, Graham remarked to NBC News, "It wasn't Methodists flying into those buildings, it wasn't Lutherans. It was an attack on this country by people of the Islamic faith." Graham is correct, 19 Muslim men did hijack four planes one Tuesday morning. But, Graham would still like to paint Islam as evil and violent, while letting Christianity off the hook for similar crimes against humanity.

Need we only be reminded that the Pope blessed the Crusades or that the American slavery of men and women from Africa was Biblically sanctioned?

While Methodists and Lutherans didn't fly planes into buildings, Methodists, Lutherans and other members of the varying Christian denominations have blown up abortion clinics, murdered the doctors and nurses who work at these clinics, and beaten and sometimes killed gay men and women.

In April 1995 a Catholic packed a rented truck full of fertilizer and explosives, parked it in front an Oklahoma City federal office building and killed 168 people. Does this mean that Catholicism is inherently evil? Do any of the above named acts

committed by Christians mean that Christianity is a wicked faith?

Many fundamentalist and evangelical Christians have twisted Islam as much as bin Laden has. Ridiculous claims like "Mohammad was a child molester" seek to discredit Islam and its founder Mohammad in a time when many parents fear sexual molestation by religious clergy. But didn't Christ say, "let the children come to me"? Both claims are of course false, but my example illustrates a double standard created by Christians so set in their ways and the beliefs that they become terrorists themselves.

Perhaps, most problematic about Rev. Graham, is that he, and other evangelicals, have failed Christianity. Rev. Graham's version of Christianity is not the Christianity that Christ lived and died for. It is a sick perversion that destroys a faith that, like Islam, is wonderful and awe-inspiring. If Bush wants Muslims to trust him then he must steer clear of Rev. Graham and other like-minded religious fanatics.

Ultimately, Bush as the American president and a Christian himself must work to condemn Graham's hateful actions and words. As a public figure, he must be a model example of Christian living — embracing the lowest of the low, not judging and not waging war.

In the meantime, other Christians must work not to silence Graham's words, but to speak louder. Christians must carry out actions and good deeds that promote the real Christianity taught by Christ, not the perversion running on American television, preached by Evangelicals promoting hate. Christians have as much of an image to keep as the world's Muslims.

• Blaire Notrica, a religion major, likes his gin gold and his piano hot.

Animal torture unacceptable

• *We are no better than the ones we blindly use*

By Whitney Mackman
Opinions Columnist



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Think back, way back, to middle school and the day you either dreaded or eagerly awaited. Yes, it was little froggy dissection day. All I know is that I sympathize with Nikki, from that controversial "Saved by the Bell" episode, where she broke into school and freed the doomed frogs from the likes of Zach Morris and his gruesome classmates. Nikki would have been screwed if not for the gentle Miss Bliss, who convinced Nikki's evil science teacher to allow her to complete an alternate assignment.

Then you got to high school and the moment you were really waiting for: a cat, a pig fetus or maybe even a dog (don't ask, the teacher at my school hit it on the way to work).

Animal experimentation, coined vivisection, literally means "cutting while still alive," and "animal experimentation intrinsically involves the incarceration of animals and subsequent poisoning, mutilation, disease and killing of those individuals. It is arguably the most brutal and most severe form of systematic, genocidal-scale violence in the modern world."

Advocates of animal testing say that it helps medical progress and research techniques. The truth is that results are erratic and unreliable: "Drugs which have minor, or no side effects on animals, have provoked extreme reactions in humans." This fact, provided by the Animal Liberation Organization, supports

the fact that results from tests done on animals just aren't accurate enough to be implemented on humans. It seems rather apparent that the only reliable, responsible and respectable research methods and results are those that have been conducted on humans.

Here's my favorite: Associate Professor at Ohio State University, Michael Podell, induced healthy cats with feline HIV, otherwise known as FIV, gave them methamphetamines and attempted to prove that illicit drugs are harmful to AIDS patients. Thank you Captain Obvious!

I mean, come on people, this type of research is crap and harmless animals are being tormented at the expense of researchers who seem to have a knack for ignoring connections a young child could make.

There are so many alternatives to mindlessly and cruelly contributing to this animal holocaust. Seemingly the most simple answer is learning from the humans who have the disease.

What's the point of injecting healthy animals when there are already diseased humans up for grabs?

Among others, there are mathematical models, computer models and simulators, human tissue, discarded placenta and, of course, the criminals using up our tax dollars on

This information is from an animal rights group called "uncaged campaigns." They released many horrifying facts about vivisection in 2001 including the following:

- 71,261 animals killed in acute lethal toxicity (poisoning) tests — one of the cruelest types of procedures.
- 2,353,507 experiments involved either no anesthetic or anesthetic during just part of the experiment.
- 246, 844 animals bred with "harmful genetic defects"
- 25, 043 animals suffered injections into the brain
- 44,019 animals were forced to inhale substances
- 6, 496 animals were directly physically injured

death row. Don't even say "cruel and unusual punishment" because, in reality, we are no better than the animals we torture.

I'm somewhat terrified of what our future will be since we are currently and rapidly destroying our relationship with pretty much everything on this planet.

It's about time we pull our heads out of our asses (and the animal's ass for that matter) and re-evaluate our nonexistent right to afflict such pain on other individuals. When it all boils down, aren't we supposed to "love thy neighbor," or even brother for that matter?

• Freshman Whitney Mackman is looking for a major.

try and support our troops to voice their opinion — it is also important to hear from those in opposition, especially since the opposition is not necessarily anti-patriotic, they just disagree with the situation. After all, country music stations are airing songs with pro-war lyrics and the comments made by Maine were not even in a song — they were made on stage at a concert, something that is not (usually) replayed over the radio.

These issues related to freedom of speech and the First Amendment are not new, especially in times of war, but they have gained a new importance in the past few months.

One of the purposes of this war is to free the Iraqi people from the rule of Saddam Hussein. Under his rule, it is rumored that people who speak out against the government have their tongues cut out. How can the United States go into Iraq claiming to be spreading freedom when its own citizens are not experiencing such freedoms?

True, there is not a dictator cutting out tongues in the United States — it isn't even the government shunning opinions in opposition to the stance of the country — but since this war is relying so heavily on propaganda, wouldn't it be a good idea to show the Iraqi people that the citizens of the United States are actually experiencing the freedoms they are being promised?

• Senior Carly West is a communication major, but all she really needs are wide open spaces.

Freedom of speech fading

By Carly West
Opinions Columnist

Last month, Dixie Chicks singer Natalie Maines was shunned on country music stations across the nation for her comment in Europe disassociating President Bush from the Chicks' home state of Texas. On March 31, journalist Peter Arnett was fired from NBC and National Geographic for appearing on Iraqi television.

After both of these occasions, the American public and their employers, largely due to their celebrity status, encouraged the individuals involved to justify their comments and/or actions. While this could be seen as a needed action to further explain what each intended, the explanation may have changed what Maines and Arnett intended to do. Either way, to me it seems to creep into the realm of the freedom of speech provided to every citizen of the United States in the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights.



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I find it especially interesting that both of these individuals were overseas when their actions got them into hot water back in the United States. Just because they were not within the borders of the United States does not mean they are no longer U.S. citizens with all the rights entailed in that classification. Even so, it was actions taken by people within the borders of this country that seem to be questionable within the First Amendment rights. It could be argued that by not playing the Dixie Chicks on the radio or by firing Arnett, First Amendment rights were being infringed upon by a form of censorship.

While I feel the actions taken in reaction to comments made by Maines and Arnett have equal connection to First Amendment rights, I do feel the reaction is a lot stronger than it was before Sept. 11. The strong sense of patriotism that has emerged since that horrible day has seeped into every aspect of our lives.

Yes — patriotism is important to create unity in this time of war, but it is not acceptable to let a sense of patriotism interfere with the basic rights associated with our citizenship. Just as it is important for those who support war, support our coun-

... it is not acceptable to let a sense of patriotism interfere with the basic rights associated with our citizenship.

The Campus Pulse



What are your plans for the summer?



"I plan on going home and studying for GMATS."
Andrea Szabo
Senior

"Summer school and graduate research here at UPS. No rest for me."

Jocelyn Takayesu
Senior



"I plan to earn money, but I don't have a job yet."
Ben Womack
Freshman

"Working and taking summer school in Colorado to get cores out of the way."

Anne Hanson
Freshman



"Summer school at UW because they have a stellar foreign language program."
Robin Ziegler
Junior

"Geology field camp in Nevada, Utah and California through the University of Nevada, Reno."

Allison Graettinger
Sophomore



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• The Campus Pulse is by freshman Frank Prince.

War on the brain.

By Amanda Ohm
Features Writer

Pictures of Iraqi children wounded in crossfire and injured U.S. troops grace the pages of magazines like Newsweek and Time. With images like these, the current situation in Iraq is an ominous black cloud hanging above American heads. These images, however, have been taken from a country and ocean away, separated from the U.S. by not only a body of water, but an ideology as well.

What is important to realize is that the situation in Iraq is not simply limited to Iraqi soil, nor to the American troops actually stationed there. As with any other war, nearly every person in every country has an opinion. These opinions can affect the way people travel, where they go and how comfortable they feel about the people they are around.

For study abroad students, the situation can be especially

tricky, as they may find themselves in a country that doesn't feel as kindly toward Americans as they might be comfortable with.

This feeling of discomfort, however, is also palpable here in the U.S., with many different opinions and people. These clashing opinions might exist between fellow Americans, or Americans and foreigners.

When asked if the current war with Iraq made her more wary of traveling abroad, sophomore Natasha Quraishi said, "Yes. I'm Muslim so there is more stereotyping for me and chances of not being treated properly."

Fears of stereotypes exist not only for Muslims, but for many different people around the world. Americans, for example, including current UPS study abroad students, run the risk of being pegged as George Bush supporters, whether they are or not. But, as Quraishi pointed out, this is not always the case.

"Most people understand that the actions of the government

do not necessarily represent each individual," Quraishi

Still, tension exists in the U.S. over flying abroad. According to a CNN.com article, a 90-day war with Iraq might mean U.S. airlines would lose \$10.7 billion this year. This statistic is further evidence of fear of wartime travel.

Although worries about traveling in times of such high tension are not unfounded, it is also important to remain calm when in another country, and not be overly anxious about travel.

When traveling abroad as an American, use basic common sense. Because security at airports will likely be tighter than in a more peaceful time, it can be helpful to make copies of your passport to increase the chance of replacement if yours is stolen.

Also, make a detailed itinerary of where you will be traveling, when, and be sure to make copies for yourself as well as for your family.

War consumes UPS class time

By Natalie Jones
Features Writer

As students walk into the SUB, they can watch continual coverage of the war on Iraq or buy a newspaper complete with the latest headlines and breaking news. If students choose to, they can join a protest or attend lectures about the conflict. Conversations and events that deal with the war are clearly taking place outside the classroom. But how much discussion should take place within the classroom, where students spend much of their time?

This question brings the elements of the classroom to mind: the students, the professors and the material. Students and professors carry their individual opinions and experiences into every class. In the context of war, these perspectives are based on a collective experience, with individual anxieties attached. The course material is the only aspect that can remain an objective piece of the classroom.

Whether or not professors choose to tie the war into lectures and discussions is based on individual preference. Because of the charged climate, it is a significant decision to make.

"I think each professor has his or her own feelings on the [war], and I don't feel like bringing it up or not is right or wrong," Spanish professor Mark Harpring said.

If professors do choose to address the war, some courses clearly lend themselves to the topic. Politics and government, economics and other political and social sciences can easily incorporate the current events. For other courses, professors must uncover less obvious links to the war in order to address it.

English professor Bryan Tomasovich commented that although his courses do not focus on the "attack on Iraq" or the "Middle East," his courses encourage students to pay close attention to language. During these times, this means carefully looking at war rhetoric outside the classroom.

"I know students comprehend the significance of language use . . . when we briefly look at the context of the attack on Iraq," Tomasovich said. "What does it mean, for instance, for the mainstream press to compare the 'liberation' of Iraq to the fall of the Berlin Wall?" he added.

"Or . . . this one, from today's 'news': the U.S. armed forces in Iraq are 'hunting' the former leaders of Saddam Hussien's government. Hunting?"

Students can take critical thinking beyond the classroom and apply it to the information they receive.

Spanish Professor Sarah Misemer directly linked the war to course material in one of her classes.

"We did talk about the war in class when we discussed the absurdist movement in Europe," Misemer said. "I asked the class what feelings the war in Iraq provoked, and used these responses as a way of relating to the post war situation in Europe that produced the absurdist movement."

Harpring also referenced the current conflict. "Since I am teaching a comparative values course, comparing nineteenth century to contemporary value systems . . . the war in Iraq was a suitable topic for discussion."

In each of these cases, the professors stressed that

connecting the war to class material is important. Otherwise, as Tomasovich noted, professors may be viewed as "going off course with class discussions, although many students, I know, appreciate room for discussion which looks at how course material is related to current events."

Whether or not the issue is brought up, the classroom dynamic is altered by the fact that our nation is at war. Professors and students have strong opinions and emotions about the war that will affect how the class proceeds.

Because of the war's effect on students, English Professor Casey Kile expressed her feeling that addressing the war in some way is necessary.

"Even just to acknowledge that times have changed. People may be preoccupied. I think it's essential," Kile said.

However, talking about the war is not only up to the professor. Students have to be comfortable with the conversation as well. While some students welcome the discussion and wonder why it would be omitted, others may feel inundated with information from a variety of sources. The classroom could be the only place where they do not have to confront the issue. Professors' experiences when they bring up the war in the classroom reflect these different student attitudes.

Tomasovich noted that students appear reluctant to talk about the conflict in a classroom setting. On an individual basis, however, he has had "many good conversations that look at the intellectual, psychological and emotional conflicts students are struggling with."

Kile noticed the same hesitation in her classes. She brought up the war in relation to material in one course.

"In the other two we had brief discussions about it. The situation varies in terms of how comfortable students feel and it takes time for people to start talking," she said.

The reluctance to speak out reveals how charged the issue is, and how carefully the war must be approached. Bringing up the war does not have to transform the classroom into a two-sided battle. Students do not have to feel like they are forced to choose sides.

When discussing students' reactions to the conflict, Kile said, "I try to make it so it's not about pro or anti. That's not my role at all."

Misemer agreed that the role of the professor is to promote an atmosphere where all students feel comfortable expressing their views. "Being exposed to different opinions is part of a liberal arts education, but the process must be guided by tolerance and respect," she said.

Even if students and professors do not openly discuss the war in Iraq, the conflict is an implied backdrop in every classroom during our current times. Professors and students have their individual feelings and opinions about the war.

Recognizing that all of us are affected by the war in Iraq is one step towards making the classroom more comfortable in these times, whether or not the war is part of discussion.

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American in a foreign land

• One student's story of how the war has affected his semester abroad

By Kyle Eidsness
Features Writer

While it's frightening enough being here in the United States during the war, many UPS students are abroad as the events unfold. One student, junior Ryan Chapman, currently calls Dijon, France home.

France would not be the best place for many Americans who are upset at France's refusal to support the United States in the war, though Chapman said his trip has been fine. All his experiences there have been pleasant he said, as the French understand that Bush's views do not necessarily reflect those of the entire United States.

"The French in general are pretty friendly if you are friendly to them," Chapman said. "They know the difference between what Bush is doing and what Americans feel about the war, and they also understand both the French and U.S. media's exaggeration of national sentiment. If anything, France's love of American hip-hop and rap is too strong for them to ever hate Americans. I'm not kidding about this, either."

With hip-hop on our side, it looks like the French have nothing against us despite the conflict. Chapman mentioned that one of his most interesting experiences is the war coverage he watches on television.

"I can watch French, Iraqi and American coverage of the war, which is pretty interesting, considering how much bias there is on every side," he said. "What I realized pretty quickly here is how much the world has shrunk."

Chapman said he feels no danger being an American in a foreign country, although that may be due to the country he is in.

"I feel pretty safe, considering the French are known as debaters rather than violent aggressors. I've seen anti-war protests, but nothing really anti-American. I think the French view of Bush is the same as the majority at UPS."

Despite the war, he's been able to go out and visit the country, especially clubs.

"(One time) at about 4 a.m., outside a club, a Frenchman wearing a Yankees jacket was intent on having a conversation with me about our countries," Chapman said.

Despite our obvious differences, other countries appreciate what we are doing for the world right now. They enjoy hearing a different point of view and learning about things from an American perspective.

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THE STARS AND STRIPES
American flag fashion of the anti-American

Less

• As CNN becomes more involved in the war for the second time, it's a pause to ask the question: now in Afghanistan?

By Dustin Radin
Features Writer

President George W. Bush has been in Afghanistan for more than one month after the September 11 attacks at the World Trade Center.

Shortly thereafter, on Dec. 7, 2001, the U.S. rendered to U.S. for its primary involvement in the war.

In the midst of the war, it's hard to get that just 17 months ago, Afghanistan and the world were out of the war.

On a recent Monday, a group of people about 100 people gathered at the two seniors, and

it's inescapable

The cost of war

At international airports, it is a good idea to avoid congregating with large groups of Americans. Once in a foreign country, this idea of not being so obviously American still holds. Try to dress within the bounds of local customs, and avoid wearing expensive jewelry.

Also, stay in touch with family and friends; they may be worried about you, and if you do happen to run into trouble, they will be more likely to realize it.

More important than any safe traveling advice, however, is that you don't let your fear of traveling abroad hamper any fun you might have while away from the U.S. Although traveling and meeting people from different cultures may be a slightly more tense affair than usual, there is nothing like seeing new places and meeting new people, whether it happens in wartime or peacetime.

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By Casey Dillon
Features Writer

The federal government is spending billions on war in the Middle East. The government is also making tax cuts under the Bush plan. Put two and two together, and the result is a shortage of funding for public services.

UPS students may fear that among other things, the federal government will be able to award less financial aid to needy education seeking students.

Considering the cost of attending UPS, a decrease in available federal aid could severely affect the student retention rate. UPS students rely upon a variety of federal aid, including Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants (SEOGs), Perkins loans, Stafford loans, Pell grants and work study.

"If I lost my Stafford and Perkins loans I wouldn't be able to go here," freshman Chelsea Hayden said.

Luckily, according to Maggie Mittuch, Director of Financial Services, UPS students have no need to fear losing federal financial aid for the 2003-04 school year.

"Our federal allocations are consistent with last year and the previous year," Mittuch said.

The University is more concerned with funding the merit scholarships it awards. UPS awards hundreds of scholarships, among them President's and Trustee's Scholarships. These are funded in part by gifts and grants, but primarily by returns on the University's endowment.

The University's endowment is composed of pooled investments. UPS works with investment companies to make sure that this money is handled in a safe and smart way.

Careful management cannot protect from a downturn in the economy, however. The average rate of return on the University's investments has gone down, and

coincidentally so has its ability to fund scholarships. Also, the individuals and businesses that typically donate money that is used to fund University scholarships have been negatively affected by the economy. They cannot afford to give as much themselves, or they are not able to give at all.

Although federal aid is crucial to students' ability to attend UPS, those who are fortunate enough to have been awarded University scholarships would be badly hurt if merit scholarships were reduced or removed altogether.

Hayden's University-funded President's Scholarship is actually worth more than both of her federal loans combined, and losing them would be more devastating to her college plans.

"It would be worse if I lost the President's Scholarship over the federal loans," she said.

UPS recognizes the necessity and importance of its financial promises to students. Despite a decrease in available funds, it remains committed to meeting them.

"Because of difficult market conditions, our endowment is not as large as it was, so we have to modify what we do because of a smaller endowment payout," Mittuch said. "We still have a responsibility to fund financial aid for our students even though the resources we have to do this are stretched."

In order to find extra funding for scholarships, the University had to squeeze money from other locations and run as efficiently as possible.

The Budget Task Force, composed of faculty, staff, administrators and students, dealt with this challenge.

"Because of budget challenges and our desire to not increase tuition beyond a reasonable amount, the Budget Task Force had to work really hard to determine

what the critical needs were for the University," Mittuch said.

Among other money-saving efforts, Mittuch added that staff have been attending fewer conferences. This saves money on both travel and lodging, and many times the information covered at conferences is available online.

Resources have also been saved through efforts to combine services where possible and in the development of automation and electronic communications.

Using campus mailboxes for local mail delivery has saved a significant amount of money otherwise spent on postage. All of these things have helped free up some of the institution's financial resources for other uses.

When it comes to additional modes of cutting back University expenditures, freshman Melissa Burkett has some advice.

"The University could cut back on using the sprinklers ... especially when it is raining," Burkett said.

Both Burkett and Hayden have areas that they hope funding will not be cut from.

"I wouldn't want it to be taken from athletics because they are important to school pride," Hayden said.

Burkett hopes that money traditionally allocated for student development purposes will still be given.

"I think it would make the freshman experience not as fun if the dorms weren't given money at the beginning of the year for events," Burkett said.

Regardless of how the University tightens its belt, students may sleep soundly without fears of having merit scholarships pulled out from under them, and be comforted that the federal aid forecast, at least for the next year, is no worse than the last.

• Casey Dillon is a proponent of decreased sprinkler use.



Tyler Roush/ The Trail

LIKE WE'VE NEVER SEEN IT— This vision of an skeleton from an anti war protest in Vienna in February is typical abroad UPS students face daily.

we forget Afghanistan

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men all but two knew why the U.S. military went to Afghanistan.

As far as up to date information on U.S. involvement in Afghanistan, students were less informed. Seven thought that there was not a legitimate democracy currently in place while four students were not sure of the type of post war government in Afghanistan. Seven students thought the U.S. military was still in Afghanistan while one did not and four were unsure.

The fact is that the U.S. military has performed operations in Afghanistan on an ongoing basis from 2001 up through the present moment. Most recently, on April 10, it was reported that a U.S. war-plane pursuing rebel soldiers mistakenly bombed a house with civilians. Not only the bad seems to have been forgotten but also the good.

"The Afghan people have exercise(d) their right of self-determination. A new president has been selected. A new cabinet has been sworn in. A transitional government representative of the people ha(s) been established to lead the nation for the next two years until a constitutional loya jirgah is held," Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld testified before the Armed Services Committee in July, 2002.

"The U.S. and coalition partners have delivered some 500,000 metric tons of food since the start of the war," Rumsfeld said in mid-2002 in his last update on Afghanistan.

Since last year the news from Afghanistan has become less and less, yet the reports on U.S. military activity continue to surface.

President Bush gave an idea as to the continued American actions

in Afghanistan in a meeting with Afghanistan leadership.

"Our commitment to a stable and free and peaceful Afghanistan is a long-term commitment," Bush said in a meeting with Afghan president Karzai in February, 2003.

This is a commitment that intends to eliminate the conditions in Afghanistan that could possibly lead to the rise of another terrorist network such as al-Qaida.

Afghanistan's media presence is diminishing and UPS students seem unsure and doubtful of current developments in that country. However, in spite of this lack of information the U.S. is still significantly involved in Afghanistan.

The U.S. military is actively seeking out terrorists in Afghanistan and training an Afghan national army so the country can independently defend itself.

"U.S. military civil affairs teams have dug wells, built hospitals, repaired roads, bridges and irrigation canals. They've rebuilt 49 schools in eight different regions," Donald Rumsfeld said.

However, up to 70 allied countries are helping the U.S. to rebuild Afghanistan.

The bottom line is that in the U.S.-led "war on terror" there is no telling how long we will be in Afghanistan. And, with multiple conflicts happening concurrently, it will increasingly be students' responsibilities to seek out the latest news in order to stay informed of U.S. involvement in world affairs.

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Happily ever after doesn't apply to 'EverQuest'

By Ryan J. Payton
A&E Writer

Unbeknownst to many, the release of "EverQuest Online Adventures" for PlayStation 2 is a significant landmark for the console game industry. PC gamers have been playing online games with thousands of other virtual denizens for years, but due to hardware limitations, this form of gaming was an impossibility for a game console — until now.

Known throughout the industry as MMORPGs, or "massive multi-player online role-playing games," the PC version of "EverQuest" has become the genre paragon for several years thanks to its sizable paid user base, estimated at nearly a half million nerds. PC games like "EverQuest" usually require players to first buy the game software at the retail level, then pay a monthly fee of about \$10.

With hundreds of thousands of active users in Sony's "EverQuest" paying \$10 every month, Sony's release of "EverQuest Online Adventures" for the PS2 is a hardly surprising.

Although Sony would have you believe otherwise, "Online Adventures" is essentially "EverQuest"-lite. Gamers armed

with a PS2, its Internet adapter (\$40) and the game software can partake in the "EverQuest" experience in a compact, more user-friendly form.

The goal of the game remains open-ended. Most players will spend their time battling monsters to gain "xp" — experience points that boost one's abilities. The process of fighting baddies to level one's character — when handled right by the game's developers — is the key formula for making a highly addictive game.

The second competent to any good online role-playing game is the game's environment and virtual inhabitants.

Fighting monsters that yield the most xp isn't as easy as just getting online and slashing away. Players must band together and explore the virtual world in search of herds to kill.

"EverQuest" is made up of 360 square miles of virtual terrain, from sandy beaches and treacherous deserts to underground labyrinths and snowy mountaintops. A trek from

one city to the next can literally take hours, but the scenery is shockingly tranquil and vivid.

That's not to say the graphics are state-of-the-art. On the contrary, "Online Adventures" looks inferior to most PS2

games as well as its PC counterpart. But the game's lack of visual pizzazz is permissible given its grandiose environments. Carving out an ample virtual world the size of "EverQuest's" is no easy task, and the game developers did a fabulous job doing so. However, the technical trade-off is relatively simple graphics with cartoon-like characters and blocky trees. Thankfully the austere graphics are easy to look at and never distract from the game itself.

While limited graphics can be presented in a way to look pleasant and cartoonish, poor audio is difficult to endure no matter what tricks a developer may employ. No in-game music and laughable combat sounds (i.e. uninspired clanks, muffled groans) make up the bulk of what's projected from your television speakers. The only advantage to the game's mostly silent soundtrack is the ability to play your own music in a nearby stereo.

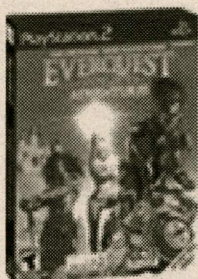
Unfortunately, audio is not the only shortcoming that plagues "Online Adventures." Despite its expansive world and emphasis on exploration, the game's developers molded the game in a way that adheres to a minority of game players. More specifically, unless you enjoy plugging in a keyboard and shooting the breeze with your fellow adventurers, you will hate "Online Adventures."

Reaching good battlegrounds and completing quests are next to impossible without a few companions, and for the most part, this emphasis on community is a lot of fun. However, unlike the furious hack-and-slash gameplay of titles like "Diablo," a major battle in "EverQuest" usually consists of five minutes of fighting and four minutes of rest. This overabundance of downtime and recharging one's character is usually monopolized by players with a remarkable ability to avoid talk of anything with intellectual substance. The result is a gameplay experience that is laden with boredom and wasted time.

Log times of ridiculous proportions are a trademark of the "EverQuest" brand, "Online Adventures" included. Gamers looking to max out one's character can expect to play upwards of 200 to 300 hours. Most gamers will find little reason to play after 40.

Even with its downsized scope, "EverQuest Online Adventures" is a massive console game unlike any other. Its streamlined approach is welcomed for players curious of its PC big brother but unwilling to take the plunge. Unfortunately, its profusion of downtime and lack of gameplay for non-chatty players makes "Online Adventures" strictly an acquired taste.

• Senior Ryan J. Payton is a FLIA Japanese major.



PlayStation

Where's the Jello? Looking for a guy named Biafra

By Laura Rogers
A&E Writer

Last month, Campus Greens slapped up colorful flyers all around campus advertising some speaker named Jello Biafra. The image of the delicious pudding snack that Bill Cosby adored quickly disappears into a rumbling cauldron of orange, red and yellow. Popular symbols are twisted into sardonic statements: George Bush and Osama bin Laden are pictured as fools dressed in Ronald McDonald's clown suits along with a machine gun, flames and a religious hand gesture to heighten the tension in the flyer, which happens to be the album cover for Biafra's most recent release, *Machine Gun in the Clown's Hand* (also the title of his current spoken-word performance).

Biafra is well-known as the retired singer for the Dead Kennedys, an '80s punk band that emerged from San Francisco, Calif. and became one of the most influential bands of the decade.

Originally Eric Boucher, Biafra was born in Denver, Colo., but he never quite fit the Rocky Mountain mold. A huge fan of '70s British punk, he soon moved to San Francisco to become a follower of local bands like Crime and The Nuns. It didn't take long for this driven, captivating man to form his own band and make his voice heard. Fans were not hard to come by.

"I have never seen Jello speak before and it was amazing," sophomore Tiffany Dyer said. "His politics are somewhat radical, but he is articulate and obviously brilliant. His charisma could light up a room. The best thing about him,

though, is that he encourages you to think for yourself."

Biafra's personality and lyrics were notorious from the get-go, ruffling the feathers of many conventionalists with the satirical content in songs like the anti-neutron bomb song "Kill The Poor," the make-fun-of-college-students' ignorance song "Holiday in Cambodia" and "Too Drunk to F**k."

Loyal to his nonconformist beliefs, he toured the country without inhibition. However, his popularity was not contained to the stage. His risky and extreme lifestyle quickly attracted attention with antics such as being stripped naked by his fans during a performance, "tying the knot" in a graveyard and running for Mayor of San Francisco (he finished fourth).

Still, as most bands go, the success couldn't last forever and after some messy court cases the Dead Kennedys broke up. Biafra now tours college campuses and other venues lecturing about censorship and his personal political views. It just so happens that UPS will be one of these venues.

Campus Greens, a political club founded this year by sophomores Brian West and Bill Dwyer, have been extremely successful in promoting key issues and accomplishing goals such as the adoption of a gorilla from the Diane Fossey Fund.

The club has now grown to 29 members with an increasing desire to make their liberal voices heard on campus. What is more radical than bringing in Jello Biafra to pop a hole in the UPS bubble?

"We wanted to bring in Jello to provide an alternative

"We wanted to bring in Jello to provide an alternative voice that would provoke discussion, especially in light of the current state of the world."

— Bill Dwyer
Campus Greens President

voice that would provoke discussion, especially in light of the current state of the world," Greens president Dwyer said. "Regardless of what he has to say, he's gonna make you think."

Hoping to alert the student body of the possibility to act out against the norm, make your voice heard and critically assess society, the Greens scheduled his lecture for March 27. However, he failed to show up that night due to flight complications, disappointing many excited students. Some more right-winged students who were not impressed by those fiery advertisements snickered at his absence.

But, both the positive and negative reactions towards Biafra were celebrated by the Greens because they'd accomplished their goal — to shake things up and create a little controversy. Don't worry. Biafra will be here along with his turbulent personality and impassioned words April 24. Pick up your ticket at the Information Center, old tickets are also valid.

• Sophomore Laura Rogers is a Comparative Sociology major.

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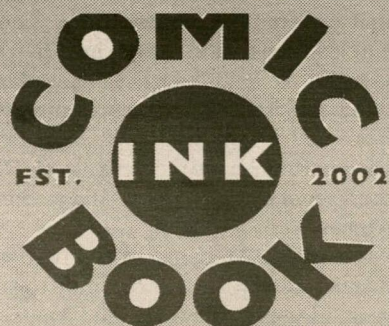
What can I do if friends start spreading rumors that certain people are LGBT?



The only way to know if someone identifies as LGB or T is if s/he tells you so. Rumors tend to have harmful consequences, even if the people who spread them have no malicious intent. Rumors can be especially harmful if they call into question a person's sexuality. Targets of such rumors may feel unjustly exposed and alienated. If your friends are helping spread rumors, let them know about your concerns, and urge them to be respectful of people's privacy. Remember: Failure to speak out implies approval of their behaviors.

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Senior theatre festival...

Everything about 'All My Sons'

By Shelly Gustafson
A&E Writer

This Easter students can experience the third installment of the Senior Theatre Festival put on by 2003's theater majors. Arthur Miller's "All My Sons" will be showing on at 7:30 p.m. April 18 and at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday April 19. The cast includes 10 UPS students including three senior theater majors.

"All My Sons," which is being directed by senior theater major Heather Donahoe, details the story of Joe Keller and his family. Donahoe explained that the group chose the play because they wanted a story with "political meanings that spoke to us all."

The events take place shortly after the end of World War II, in August 1947. The play starts on a Sunday morning and ends around 2 a.m. the next day.

The tight knit story explores the morality of putting one's responsibility to their family above their responsibility to others that depend on them.

"This character is complex because you cannot play the end," senior Patrick Karjala who plays the father, Joe Keller, said. "He did a horrible thing but to him it's not a bad thing ... he has managed to rationalize it ... The story shifts from a reality where everything is good to one where everything is falling apart."

The play includes two narrative strands which finally meet late in the play.

One is a tragic romance between Joe's son, Chris, Ann, Joe's elder son Larry's former fiancée, who is played by senior Kirsten Benites.

The other involves a family secret that, while known by many, is never really spoken of.

Senior Joey Barham plays Chris and described his favorite aspect of the character as "the progress he goes through from the beginning of the play to the end ... There's so much depth within the character."

The play originally opened on Broadway in 1947 and has been a success ever since.

Playwright Arthur Miller, who is also well-known for "Death of a Salesman," has a gift for cre-



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THE PRODIGAL SON — Senior Joey Barham and junior Emily Carlsen embrace. "All My Sons" will be showing on Friday April 18 at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday April 19 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

ating emotional, enduring, and powerful plays about the ordinary man and his family. "All My Sons" is no exception to this concept.

Donahoe explained that the recent political events of our nation "changed the whole feel of the show."

"The cast has really come together ... It's a good ensemble piece. We've enjoyed exploring how it applies today but still staying true to the piece," she said.

Like all the other Senior Theatre Festival plays, tickets for "All My Sons" are available at the Info. Center or at the door. Tickets cost \$6 for students and \$8 for the general public.

• Freshman Shelly Gustafson enjoys covering the Senior Theatre Festival.

Annual film festival delights campus again

By Tim Baars
A&E Writer

Hundreds of students crammed into Marshall Hall for the annual Foolish Pleasures film festival April 11, showcasing a wide variety of student-directed and produced film. Campus Films and Praxis Imago put on the festival which was by all accounts a resounding success this year, attracting a large crowd and showcasing a variety of subject matters and film genres.

A small group of students, alumni, a professor and Associate Dean Jim Hoppe judged the films on the following criteria: theme, entertainment value, acting, direction, writing, filmography, cinematography, editing and sound. As can be expected, some were better than others, and the festival had its share of less than stellar films. However, others were especially entertaining, appropriate to the festival, and told their stories well.

An especially enjoyable film was juniors Loren Hall and Prescott Harvey's "The Janitor," which was awarded Best Picture at the end of the night. The film basically tells the story of a lowly janitor at a small liberal arts university who is always picked on and degraded. When the president of the university kidnaps one of the students, however, the janitor comes to the rescue and saves the student. The film's random humor is one of its strong points — halfway through the film and completely oblivious to the plot, a drunk person just walks on to the screen and passes out. The film's sharp satire on the student-president relationship at the university, one that can be strained at times to say the least, makes the film especially relevant to the audience and appropriate to the film festival.

Another standout was sophomores Kelly Digges and Ed Glazer's "Hunted." This horror film was about a girl who becomes stranded and has to go to a suspicious house to use the phone. She ends up staying at the house for the night because she is in an isolated area, and that's when the trouble starts. Maybe I am interpreting this film incorrectly. Maybe it was supposed to be serious. But I found this movie hilarious. It's full of B-horror movie conventions à la "Evil Dead 2" — the acting is overdone, the music is cheesy and the writing is ridiculously implausible and melodramatic. The clichés continue with a "Psycho"-esque shower scene with blood going down the drain, a scene with the thumping of a heart beat and a scene with the protagonist tossing and turning, being tortured by a bad dream. It seems these days the conventions of the horror genre almost parody themselves, they are so overdone. Nevertheless, "Hunted" used them well, and the film was enjoyable.

Praxis Imago showed its talent at the festival with two notable entries. Junior Ryan Chapman's "War on Gravity" is a well-done short satire on the war in Iraq, in which, well, a war on gravity is declared. Junior Nik Perleros showcased a trailer of his new film "Penelope with Butterscotch," which will be premiere April 27. Possibly UPS' most talented and savvy filmmaker, Perleros' film promises to be entertaining.

Each film exhibited Friday left me with a unique feeling about what was saying and how much I appreciated the film. Some made me think, others made me laugh one made me wonder how art students could create such a horrible, incoherent film that was supposedly artistic. The most beneficial part I drew from Foolish Pleasures was not the individual films themselves, but the collective feeling they left me with. The inspiration to go and make a film — the inspiration to create.

• Freshman Tim Baars aspires to be a bum.

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Campus bands bring eclectic sounds on the new CMN Compilation

By Miriam Hathaway
A&E Writer

There is an impending doom creeping towards UPS and it will pop its ugly head up on campus in two weeks. The Campus Music Network has done it again for the 11th year in a row: it has just produced arguably the most diverse and unique CD ever to be made in its music history. The annual CD promotes bands formed by UPS students and gives them a chance to show the campus community what's been going on behind those garage doors and what's been hiding in those amps, guitars and voice boxes. Talent drips from this CD; it is an experience that every one can enjoy for under \$5.

The 18-track CD includes 10 bands and artists, all of whom are very different from

each other. They create a new sound for acoustic guitar, rock, punk, folksongs and relaxing soft music. These bands had an average of one hour to record as many tracks as they could and Campus Music Network chose which songs to include in the CD. Most bands are featured on two tracks included on the CD.

"We had a \$3,100 budget for the CD," sophomore Zach Crofton, the CMN programmer, said. "So we only had two days in the recording studio."

Whether due to the restraints on time or money, there were some problems producing it.

"(Senior) Ken Bonneville's guitar got smashed from a soundproof wall," Crofton said. "And (senior) Anthony Clark got sick, so he couldn't make it."

Despite the problems, the CD is a suc-

cess.

"It's a very eclectic CD and hopefully there will be something for everyone (on it)," Crofton said. Each song has a different sound to it. One song may be screaming pure angst with a garage punk band feel and the next could be the strong smooth voice of sophomore Jerin Falkner. Senior Ty Jones has a song at the end that has a background sound like bells and wind.

It features bands like The Champagne of Bands, Two Weeks Under, GVM and Easy as well as artists like junior Paul Tourville, Falkner and Jones.

CMN will be throwing a release party on April 25 in Marshall Hall. The release party will feature The Champagne of Bands, Two Weeks Under and The Candlelight Opera. The CD may not be ready, but people will be able to sign up to

get their own copy later.

Crofton is making plans to have the Diversions Café and KUPS play tracks from the CD and he is trying to see if the Information Center in the SUB will sell copies. When the CD is released to the public, the talents of many students will be revealed and enjoyed. It's a great compilation and well worth the small cost.

The Campus Music Network started promotions earlier this year by putting on shows. A few weeks ago, Tourville and Falkner played a show in the Diversions Café to promote their artistry and the CD. Later in the year, UPS can look forward to more shows put on by the Campus Music Network like the electronics show and other opportunities to see the featured bands.

• Miriam Hathaway is secretly in love with...

Not finding that special someone to get nasty with?

Dear Madame Y,

The sun is out (in patches), the birds are singing. But why isn't there any love in the air? Please tell me ... where can I get myself a spring fling?

Sincerely, Dateless and Desperate



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Dear Dateless,

First, let me remind you that it really isn't spring fling season quite yet. We still have a good three (four? I don't know — I'm a senior, so I don't care anymore) weeks of school left. Students are still in study mode. In my opinion, spring fling season begins during the last week and a half of class: a build up to the last day of school, which I like to call "National Random Hook Up Day."

However, if you are still concerned and would like to get a head start on the rest of us, here are my top five reasons for why you (and I, sadly) haven't found a spring fling yet:

5 — It's still raining enough outside that you can't recognize people because they are all still wearing their hooded North Face jackets everyday.

fire alarm is pulled.

2 — The only people you meet seem to mysteriously have the same name as your most recent ex.

1 — You don't leave your computer anymore because you are too consumed by making comments on The Trail Web site.

On a similar note, though really quite unrelated, after feeling like crap for a couple of days now and hearing from other people that they are feeling similarly, I have decided that perhaps the campus needs a few Madame Y health tips.

Now before you go ahead and roll your eyes and stop reading, may I remind that though I am not a doctor, I am a madame. And that should count for something.

Here is my own secret recipe for how to get through those last weeks of the year that feel like a slow motion

scramble to the final exam finish line:

- It may sound boring, but coffee and Coke are not good water supplements. Oh, and neither is beer, vodka or cheap wine.

- Eat — and don't make me explain why you should.

- Drinking five nights a week can wear your body down. I suggest cutting down — say to three.

- Sleep. And that means actual sleeping. Sleeping with someone doesn't count.

- If your date is sneezing in between kisses, check to see if he suffers from allergies. If he does, then continue. If he doesn't, stop and go wash your mouth out with mouthwash.

- My favorite tip for making out is to carry a thermometer in your purse or pocket. If you find someone you might like to ram your tongue down the throat of, quickly, ram the thermometer in his/her mouth first. If the temperature is normal, continue with your tongue. If the temperature is high (which I believe is over 99 degrees, but I'm not a doctor) then ask for a phone number and say you'll call in a week.

• Madame Y spent four days in the hospital once from a flu that she contracted during a random kissing incident. She knows what she's talking about.

Can you draw! The Trail would like to have a coloring contest. We need an outline of something that has to do with our campus that people can color in. If you have any ideas or drawings contact the Trail at trailae@ups.edu and people might be coloring in your picture!



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Cooking with Will: An explosive occasion

By Will Elliott
A&E Writer

Finals are coming up, so do yourself a favor and quit studying. An hour of lazing around means a hell of a lot more now, during these last hectic, harried weeks of school, than at any other time of the year. Supply and demand, right? So put down the book and go take a nap; go feed pigeons in the park. They're easy to catch, once you gain their trust.

If self-indulgence makes you feel selfish, don't despair. There are plenty of charitable ways to waste your precious leisure time. How about gift-giving? Friends will always like you more if you bring them presents (unless the presents suck). If you're unsure about what will be appreciated most, be on the safe side and bake something. It's true that most cake mixes have strict, specific instructions, but if you're good with fractions you can insert in some intermediary steps — say, step 1.5 between steps 1 and 2. This opens up endless possibilities! Or just make up your own recipe from scratch. Need an example? Here's one of my



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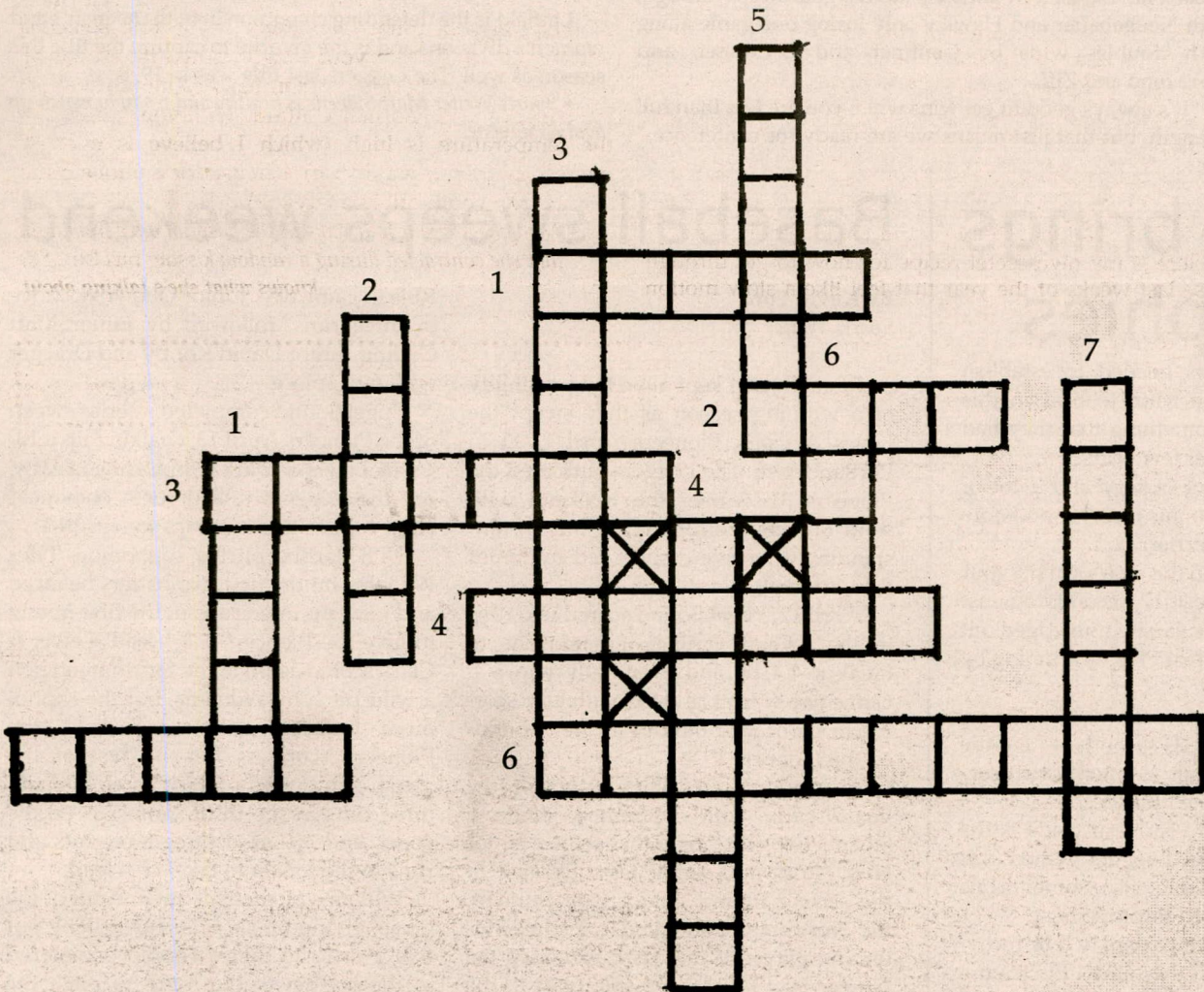
- favorites:
- 1 — Go to Wal-Mart. Along with censored CDs and trend-lagged clothing spun by fifteen-year-olds shackled to sewing machines, Sam Walton's good old bastion of American values sells cheap ammo — perhaps their only redeeming attribute. (Note: not all Wal-Mart locations carry guns and ammunition. You may need to shop around.)
 - 2 — Buy a box of the biggest load they have in stock. You're after the powder.
 - 3 — Once you're home, take out a round and very, very, very carefully, haggle the bullet out of the casing. Pour the gunpowder out of the shell and into a little Zip-Lock bag. Be really careful not to get it wet or on fire.
 - 4 — Repeat this a few more times, until you have a good amount of gunpowder. Don't get carried away, though.
 - 5 — Now comes the easy part. Go get an angel food cake at Safeway — the tall, round kind with the empty center. Pay for the cake.
 - 6 — Fill the center about a third of the way with some-

- thing delicious, like strawberries. Put the bag of gunpowder in there.
- 7 — Bore a hole through the cake into the open center. This is where the fuse goes.
 - 8 — Buy a long fuse at a hardware store. Run it through the hole you bored and into the Zip-Lock bag. Zip the bag shut around the fuse.
 - 9 — Fill the empty part the rest of the way with strawberries, frost the cake over and shake sprinkles on it.
- You're done! Now all you have to do is invite over a friend, put on some music, safety goggles, light some candles, light the fuse and hand your friend the cake. Say: "Here, hold this while I grab some plates," and then run away. If all goes well the cake should explode (in a good way).
- Whether this constitutes misconduct with explosives or not really depends on how your friend takes it. If they think it's funny, then no harm done. If they don't, try baking them another cake to show your contrition.
- Whatever you do, remember this: we get precious little leisure time in these last few weeks. Be daring. Be original. Make your hours count.
- Will Elliott makes cooking fun.

THE UPS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

By Chad Asmussen
A&E Co-Editor

Think you know UPS? Take The Trail's exclusive crossword puzzle and see just how much you really know. Check the Web site for answers shortly. Challenge your friends and see who knows the most. (Hint: Reading previous issues of The Trail will help.)



Across

1. The smell of Tacoma is called the "Tacoma _____."
2. "H to the _____."
3. The brand of mints that are created by a UPS alumni.
4. The name of the film that took first place at Foolish Pleasures is called "The _____."
5. The number of houses boarded up for being suspected of having meth labs in the last month within a block of campus.
6. In the last issue of The Trail, Facilities Services employee, John Conley, said all fraternities should be turned into what?

Down

1. It's been argued that students at UPS lack what in relation toward their school?
2. The last name of the serial killer whom supposedly buried one of his victims on the UPS campus.
3. On the Princeton Review website they said the UPS student body is made up of the Greeks, independents (hippies) and who else?
4. This building on campus is rumored to be haunted according to some members of security on campus.
5. This has been claimed to be President Pierces number one priority.
6. The number of students and faculty who have ever thought or said, "UPS really reminds me of Harvard."
7. Freshman who are said to have gained weight are said to have gained the "Freshman _____."

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Tennis teams end season on opposite notes

By Matt Stevens
Sports Writer

Once again, the men's and women's tennis teams spent the weekend hitting large yellow balls with wire-rimmed goat fat. Both teams finished the conference season last weekend, the men traveling down to Oregon, and the women hosting two contests at the Tennis Pavilion in the Fieldhouse.

April 11 the lady Loggers hosted the Pioneers from Lewis & Clark. The Pioneers brought a tough team to Puget Sound, handing out a beating of 8-1. Freshman Sarah Mars picked up the lone singles win, beating Kristi Head 6-3, 6-2.

The third doubles team also picked up a win as freshmen Sammi Farris and Brooke Olsen narrowly held off their opponents for a 9-7 victory. But those two wins were all the Loggers could muster Friday night.

"They're the second place team in conference and they really took it to us," freshman Molly Clevenger said.

Saturday went better for the Loggers, though they still came up one win short, falling to George Fox University 5-4.

Individually, Clevenger and freshman Ali Mathieu both picked up singles wins. Clevenger played extremely well, only losing one game in the two-set match, as did Mathieu who only lost two games in her match. Clevenger also picked up a win in her doubles match with her partner Newton, trouncing their George Fox opponents 8-3.

"It was really important for Ali and me to pick up wins as Jade and Alyssa had lost their matches," Clevenger said. "It felt good to get two wins Saturday after dropping both of my matches Friday. It definitely made this week easier as we get ready for conference."

The pair of Farris and Olsen also picked up a doubles win, but they had to go to an extra session to do it, winning the tiebreaker 10-8.

"It was really great for Brooke and Sammi to get that win," Clevenger said. "It was such a long and exciting match. That win really got us some momentum heading into the conference tournament this weekend. It also really built up their confidence, so they know they can beat anyone out there."

The women are currently tied with PLU and George Fox for fifth place in the NWC and has beaten both of those teams this season.

"We know we can beat those two teams at the conference tournament, and we might surprise everyone else ahead of us because we are so young," Clevenger said.

The Loggers' only returning player this year is senior Jade-Lin Wong.

The men's weekend was better than the women's. The guys traveled down to Oregon to also play Lewis & Clark and George Fox.

Friday night, the Loggers dismantled Lewis & Clark, losing only one of nine matches, and scoring a 6-1 victory. Sophomore Trent Neugebauer suffered the lone loss to fellow one man Tommy Brasier by a score of 1-6, 6-2, 1-0.

"Brasier is really good, and he was just on that day. I won the first set but he took over from there," Neugebauer said.

Sophomore Rogers Hawley, junior Noah Swanson, freshman Drew Gemmer and juniors Jeff Belzer and Mitch Hokazono all picked up wins for the Loggers Friday in singles. Neugebauer redeemed himself on the doubles side and picked up a victory with Hawley. Gemmer and Ryan O'Conner also won their pairing, as did freshman Sam Ziff and Hokazono.

Saturday was more of an adventure for the Loggers. Junior Noah Swanson got sick and could not play his singles or doubles match.

"We were already short-handed because Mike Hartshorn could not go. And then Noah got sick and we were in serious trouble," Neugebauer said. "But then Drew Gemmer stepped into the three spot and played really well."

Gemmer lost only two points in the match.

The Loggers beat George Fox 5-2 overall, only losing points in Neugebauer and Belzer's singles losses. Picking up wins for the Loggers in singles were Hawley, Gemmer, Hokazono and Ziff. In doubles, the Loggers swept through, with Neugebauer and Hawley only losing one game along with doubles wins by Gemmer and O'Conner, and Hokazono and Ziff.

"It's always good to get wins when you are less than full strength, but that just means we are ready for conference,"



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HANGING TOUGH — Freshman Molly Clevenger returns a shot during one of her matches over the weekend. The UPS women came up short on both days despite tough play.

Neugebauer said. "Right now we're fourth in conference, but we really haven't thrown out our best lineup. We should all be healthy and ready to match up against anyone."

"I definitely think we can move our standing up at the tourney and surprise all those teams ahead of us."

Both the men and women Loggers head to Yakima April 18 and 19 for the conference tournament.

Linfield is the defending champion in both the men's and women's divisions and is the favorite to capture the title this season as well. The Loggers last title was in 1998.

• Sports Writer Matt Stevens is healthy and ready to match up against anyone.

Crew sinks Lutes, brings home coveted trophies

By David Stein
Sports Copy Editor

"Dual racing is the essence of rowing: us putting the best we can produce and the other school doing the same, and lining them up head to head," crew director and coach Sam Taylor said. And the Lutes never stood a chance.

At the April 12 regatta against PLU, Puget Sound easily won both the Meyer and Lamberth Cups for the first time in 20 years. The Loggers' only trophy loss came in the Neils Alumni Cup, which the Lutes won by inches.

Puget Sound came out strong in every race and won 10 out of 15 races by over five seconds, a significant margin in six to nine minute races, further showing the Loggers' utter dominance of the Lutes. The Loggers also won three of the four remaining races with margins of under five seconds. No times were provided for the Alumni Cup race.

In the competition for the Meyer Cup, there was no contest. The UPS men's varsity eight won with a time of 6:17.7, more than 20 seconds ahead of the lagging Lutes. The rowers for the varsity eight boat were seniors Cyrus Brown and Adam Henson, juniors Ross Parker, Jordan Hanssen and Brad Czajkowski and sophomores Eric Cambell, Brad Vickers, Baird White and Tom Friedlander.

Puget Sound's women's varsity eight soundly defeated PLU with a time of 6:58.8, which was almost seven seconds faster than the Lutes, to claim the Lamberth Cup. This is only the fourth time since 1977 that UPS has laid claim to the Lamberth Cup.

Juniors Hailey Noble and Asia Wright and sophomores Jessica McCullough, Laura Bechdel, Anna Terry, Elizabeth Wilbur, Lindsey Rue, Amanda Karr and Frazier Benya rowed the boat to victory.

Even though many of this year's races weren't close, this regatta was also about

pride. The Loggers needed to establish that they were the team to beat in this rivalry, which is something that they had not done in the past few years.

"There's a lot of history and a lot of pride that goes into this race," sophomore coxswain Alex Guerrieri said.

Guerrieri was on the men's varsity four that won by almost 17 seconds against PLU. The women's varsity four edged out a close victory against PLU — winning by 1.2 seconds.

The men's varsity pair won by 25 seconds — that's right, 25 seconds — and the women's varsity pair claimed a two second victory over the Lutes.

But it's unfair to say that pride is the only thing that the Loggers gained this weekend. There were also some teams that showed marked improvement.

The women's junior varsity four recovered from a loss to the same PLU team a month ago to defeat them soundly by 15 seconds.

Taylor also pointed out that "the second novice fours also did very well — both women's boats beat PLU's single entry, and the lightweight novice guy's won by a huge margin."

"These kinds of results really demonstrate how deep the team is," he said.

With the depth that the Loggers have, they are expecting big things in the coming weeks.

Puget Sound is looking forward to next week's National Collegiate Rowing Conference Championships at Lake Stevens. The men and women are the reigning points champions for the regatta and look to repeat this year.

"That will tell us where we are relative to other college (teams)," Guerrieri said.

"We've been establishing ourselves the last couple of years as a team to take very seriously, and I think this is the payoff year," Taylor said.

• Sports Copy Editor David Stein thinks that this is his payoff year as well.

Baseball sweeps weekend

By Kevin Ford
Sports Writer

Puget Sound kept alive the possibility of a winning season as they swept the Lewis & Clark Pioneers April 12-13 in Portland, Ore. The Loggers outscored the Pioneers 31-12 over the weekend with solid pitching performances and an outstanding offensive display led by junior Sam Bunnnett.

April 12, Puget Sound scored two runs in the seventh inning of game one to break a 4-4 tie and eventually win 6-4. Game two wasn't as close, with UPS scoring in six of nine innings as they pounded the Pioneers 15-4.

In game one, the Loggers got on the board early with sophomore Andrew Sloan's two-run single that scored junior Nick Arndt and senior Jesse Draeger in the second inning. Junior Sam Bunnnett, the Northwest Conference's leading hitter and player of the week, extended the Logger lead to 3-0 on a solo blast in the third. Lewis & Clark answered with a run in the bottom of the third and tied the game on a two-run shot by Andrew Stephens in the fourth.

UPS scored in the fifth and Lewis & Clark answered in the sixth, tying the score at four. Senior Derek Scholz reached first on an error to open the seventh and Draeger capitalized with a home run, scoring what became the winning runs.

Scholz and Draeger each went 2-for-5 for UPS, and starting pitcher senior Matt Sorenson had a solid performance going eight innings allowing four runs and eight hits.

In game two, Puget Sound, starting pitcher freshman Eddie Monge, grabbed the spotlight early by striking out the first four Pioneers who came to the plate, but the focus quickly switched to the UPS offense. The Loggers scored three runs in the third inning, two runs in each of the next two frames, four in the eighth and three more in the ninth.

Bunnnett hit his second home run of the day in the win, going 4-for-6 with four

RBIs in game two. Junior Olin Wick drove in three runs, followed by junior Matt Gylling, junior David Koppy and Draeger with two apiece.

Puget Sound completed a series sweep of the Pioneers April 13, chalking up a 10-4 win. Lewis & Clark jumped ahead early, but the Loggers rallied for a combined eight runs in three innings to win 10-4.

UPS starting pitcher sophomore Tyler Williams hit the first two batters he faced and gave up three runs in the first inning to give the Pioneers a 3-1 lead. Lewis & Clark scored again in the fourth inning on a wild pitch by Williams, but the sophomore buckled down and held the Pioneers scoreless for the rest of the game. The Loggers tallied three hits and three runs in the third inning to tie the game, and recorded three more hits and runs in the fourth to take a 7-4 lead.

Williams pitched all but one out of the game, giving up six hits and striking out five. Freshman Taylor Thompson entered in the bottom of the ninth to pitch the final out. The strong pitching performances of the weekend are crucial to the team's success as the season closes out.

"Our pitchers Tyler Williams and Eddie Monge stepped forward," head coach Brian Billings said. "The guys made quality pitches, and Taylor Thompson did a great job closing."

Lately, the offense has been the strong point of the team's game. Bunnnett, who has carried the UPS offense all season, finished the weekend with seven RBIs and six hits.

Puget Sound hosts George Fox April 18 and 19. The Friday contest will be doubleheader action starting at 1 p.m., the games on Saturday will get going at noon.

"We had to reestablish our goals after our slow start, but things have been going well," Billings said. "The guys have bought in to my coaching style, we've won five of the last six games and our goal of a .500 season is still within reach."

• Sports Writer Kevin Ford has also done a great job closing.

The grass is always (Carolina) bluer...

By Doug Sprague
Sports Editor

Is anybody out there really surprised by Roy Williams' decision to leave Kansas to become the head coach at North Carolina? It was pretty obvious three years ago when UNC offered him Dean Smith's old spot that the job and the school held a special place in Williams' heart and in his dreams.

There is a magnetism to Chapel Hill that attracts anybody who's anybody in college, and sometimes even pro, basketball. It always has and it still does — even after a couple of down years under Matt Doherty. Names like Smith, Jordan, Worth and Carter lend a mystique to the school that has been an Atlantic Coast Conference power for as long as anybody can remember.

The decision to turn down his dream job was quite possibly the hardest decision of his life, as witnessed by the weeklong "vacation" he took to South Carolina to get away from the media and the spotlight. In the end, he stayed the first time because he couldn't bring himself to leave — he couldn't tell his players that he had found a team that he wanted to coach more than them, a school that meant more to him than the one he had lived and died with for the previous 12 years.

This time the decision was much easier, at least he made it look that way.

"The last time I decided to stay, it was because I thought it was the right thing. This time, I decided to leave because it was the right thing," he said once.

Granted, Williams said that "other than serious injury or death to my family, I've never had anything more difficult than what I've been through this afternoon with my team, and telling those 13 young men that I was leaving them," but it was obvious by his swift and purposeful actions that he had made up his mind and knew exactly what he wanted to do.

Williams announced his decision to make the move exactly one week after his team had lost the championship game, not exactly the long, heart-wrenching drama fest that characterized his last courtship by the Tar Heels. After Doherty resigned under pressure on April 1, Williams declined to comment on the vacancy at UNC out of respect for his team and school and out of a sense of



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class.

How could a coach expect his players to be focused and ready to give their all for a coach they might think didn't want to be there to coach them?

This is what made it so hard for Williams to make a decision three years ago and why it was so hard for him to tell his players on Monday. He loves his players and is fiercely loyal to them, but that doesn't mean he's stupid.

There are only so many times you get the chance to live out your dream. For most people the chance only comes once, if at all, but for Williams he got another chance. And seriously, living in Kansas is never anybody's dream, especially after 15 years.

When he made the decision that now was the time to make the move back to his alma mater, Williams also made the decision that things had to happen on his schedule and that he owed his players a few more things.

He celebrated the Jayhawks' season with his players and fans at a rally when the team returned to Lawrence, he accompanied senior forward Nick Collison to the Wooden Award ceremony as his coach, not as his former coach, and he accepted the Legends of Coaching Award for his 15 years of service at Kansas as the Jayhawks' coach and not as the new North Carolina coach. Williams also made it clear to UNC that he was going to take the job, it just had to happen on his timeline.

In short, Williams handled the situation with almost complete class and dignity. He fulfilled his commitment to his former players, some of whom, like sophomore center Wayne Simien, were understandably disillusioned and pissed off, and he didn't leave his future employer dangling. He handled the situation promptly and efficiently. The only thing that Williams failed to handle correctly was informing — or not informing — the players who had committed to play for him next year.

Still, Williams should be commended for his handling of the situation.

Unfortunately for him, now comes the hard part. If he thought the pressure to perform was intense in Lawrence, just wait until he gets reacquainted with the fickle fans at Chapel Hill. This time not only will he join UNC as a head coach, he'll be the homegrown savior who is expected



HIT THE ROAD ROY — Unlike the picture, it's Roy Williams former players at Kansas who feel like their former coach has turned his back on them by accepting the head coaching position at North Carolina.

ed to lead the team out of the wilderness and back to the Promised Land. And God forbid he loses to Duke his first year, then he'll have to listen to all the Cameron Crazies and those fans who so loudly begged for him to come will just as wholeheartedly be calling for his head.

At least Moses had it easy, all he had to do was part the Red Sea and get water from a rock. With the demands that have and will be placed on him over the next few seasons, Williams may be pining for the serenity he left behind.

• Doug Sprague is proud to be a part of the best student-run newspaper, and sports section in the greater Tacoma area.

The new NBA playoffs slogan: Love it longer

By John Dugan
Sports Writer

So here we are again, on the brink of the longest two months of the year: the NBA playoffs. As



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if the six weeks of playoffs that we were subjected to for so long wasn't overkill enough, those wonderful NBA owners decided that players haven't been tired enough once the Finals roll around these past few years, so they tacked on two extra games to the first round and made it the best of seven. Great — two more games of Ben Wallace's jump shot, Antoine Walker's enormous head and the ridiculously insane Ron Artest. Just what we needed.

Wait a minute, what the hell am I talking about? I love the NBA playoffs!

There's no more exciting playoffs in all of sports, with the possible exception of the Stanley Cup. And on top of that, this year's playoffs arrive without a true favorite for the first time in five years. There are enough compelling matchups in the first round alone to warrant an entire column ... which is exactly what I'm going to write. Here, for your reading pleasure, are first-round predictions from someone who thinks he knows more about basketball than he actually does:

Eastern Conference:

Detroit (1) v. Orlando (8) — Tracy McGrady is the type of rare player who can singlehandedly carry a team to a playoff series win. Only a few players in the past decade can say that — Michael Jordan, Allen Iverson, maybe Reggie Miller a few years ago and definitely not Kobe Bryant. With that said, I think the Magic could not have pulled a tougher first-round matchup than the Pistons — a defense-oriented, slow down offense type of team. Wallace and friends are going to keep the scoring to an absolute minimum by stopping everyone

but McGrady. But despite all that, McGrady is too good to go out in the first round and he knows it. Call this my upset special. Magic in seven.

Indiana (4) v. New Orleans (5) — The Pacers are the deepest team in the East, deep enough to match up with any West power talent-wise. Jermaine O'Neal is a superstar, Ron Artest is a defensive genius, (not to mention ridiculously insane) and Brad Miller is the only center in the East who can put up 20 a night. So why don't I like them to even make it out of the first round? Because Isiah Thomas is the worst coach ever, that's why. He couldn't have coached my eighth grade Catholic Youth Organization team. What the hell is he doing coaching this much talent? Driving the CBA into bankruptcy sure made him a basketball genius all of a sudden. Paul Silas will straight out-coach him. Plus, I see Jamal Mashburn going hog-wild once Artest gets a couple of T's and starts playing timid. Hornets in six.

Philadelphia (3) v. Boston (6) — This was last year's best series in the East playoffs, but it looks a little one-sided this time around. Philly has struggled a bit lately, but no East team has a more reliable five than Iverson, Snow, McKie, Van Horn and Coleman. I see the Sixers coming out of the East.

Boston, conversely, shot itself in the foot (or was it the face?) with the Vin Baker trade, and now their number three scorer is (gasp!) Tony Delk. Not a good sign. Sixers in six.

New Jersey (2) v. Milwaukee (7) — Why would the Bucks want to go and win against Orlando on Wednesday night? Wouldn't they rather play Detroit in the first round, a team they could simply out-score? New Jersey is the only East team that can

hang with the Bucks offensively, and defensively Milwaukee is offensive to defense fans everywhere. (Wait ... my head is spinning.) Jason Kidd and Richard Jefferson are going to run circles around the confused Bucks and a quickly-declining Gary Payton. Nets in five.

Western Conference:

San Antonio (1) v. Phoenix (8) — Finally, the conference that matters. Unfortunately, this series doesn't. San Antonio is too deep, too efficient and too good for the Suns. Tim Duncan, who will probably win the MVP, (although I won't complain if Kevin Garnett takes it) will dominate in every area. I am excited to watch Amare Stoudemire in the playoffs, however — this kid's going to be something special, probably an evolutionary Karl Malone. Except without the whole douche-bag personality. Spurs in five.

Minnesota (4) v. Los Angeles (5) — I'm not going to lie — Portland's loss to the Clippers April 16 really pisses me off. I was primed to watch the Wolves win their first playoff series with Kevin Garnett's ascendancy into the "Pantheon" of sports stars. Now, the "K.G.'s can't carry a team" baloney will continue for yet another year. God, I hate the Lakers. Can we break up Shaq and Kobe yet? Please? Lakers in seven.

Dallas (3) v. Portland (6) — I was looking forward to the Lakers dismantling the Mavs for a second straight year. Too bad — I really don't want to pick them to win a playoff series. I just don't like the way they play against good teams. That said, the entire Blazers organization is too crazy to possibly win a series. Mavs in six.

Sacramento (2) v. Utah (7) — Ultimately, I see the Kings dominating the series, although the crafty (crusty?) Utah vets could squeeze out a win or two. But Sactown is just too good — they go nine



BACK IN THE DAY — Believe it or not, there was actually a time when Isiah Thomas (left) and Reggie Miller were two of the best players in the NBA. Unfortunately, they're still around.

deep, every one of those nine can run, score and pass and Chris Webber has thoroughly destroyed his anti-clutch reputation these past two weeks. I'm going to miss watching him find new ways not to shoot in the last four minutes of the game ... always one of the best parts of the playoffs.

But now that he's ascended that hurdle, I can't see anyone stopping the Kings this season. Kings in five, and eventually over the Sixers in the finals.

• Sports writer John Dugan's complete lack of any basketball skill or athleticism makes him the most qualified person on The Trail staff to write about the NBA.

Track hosts some of state's best, holds own

By Denise Marks
Sports Writer

With the completion of the newly renovated track, the J.D. Shotwell Invitational Track and Field Meet returned to UPS on April 12. The Invitational had been absent for a few years due to an inadequate facility notorious for its potholes.

"Last year there were a lot of potholes (on the track)," sophomore distance runner Hillary Dobson said. "You couldn't hold a meet there."

Pacific Lutheran, Central Washington, Western Washington, St. Martin's, Seattle University, Northwest College, Highline Community College, the University of Washington and a few Puget Sound alums, including Ben Mangrum, Matt Ellis and Jami Questa, participated in the meet.

It was the Loggers' second home meet this season, and they performed well, with many athletes recording seasonal and personal bests. The men's team placed fourth and the women took fifth place.

"Everyone was happy. We ran really well," Dobson said. "There were a lot of fast teams and good athletes. We were told to be competitive, and we were."

"The meet went really well," junior distance runner Dan McLean said. "The vast majority of the team ran seasonal bests."

McLean himself knocked almost five seconds off his previous seasonal best in the 1,500-meter, running it in 3:53.54 to win the race and qualify for nationals.

"I was happy to qualify for nationals," he said. "I had hoped the race would be faster, but I'll take it for now."

In the sprints, senior Liz Brown took fifth in both the 100- and 200-meter, senior April Nelson placed second in the 400-meter hurdles with freshman Kali Seisler placing fifth and in the men's 300-meter steeplechase, senior Reagan Grabner took first with a seasonal best of 9:39.95 and freshman Charlie Kashiwa placed fourth.

In the men's 800-meter, four Loggers placed in the top 10. Senior Ben Kevan, freshman Sam Richardson, McLean and freshman Matt Vanni placed second, fourth, fifth and seventh respectively. Besides McLean taking first in the 1,500-meter, freshman Frank Prince and junior James O'Dea placed sixth and seventh respectively. In the women's distance races, senior Bre Hickel finished third

and sophomore Erin Donnelly finished eighth in the 5,000-meter.

The Loggers also performed well in the field events. Sophomore Emily Teague took third place in both the high jump and the long jump and senior Martin Cochran finished second in the triple jump and third in the long jump. Senior Owen Bartels earned second place in the hammer throw with a throw of 44.22 meters.

In the women's pole vault, UPS had four athletes finish in the top 10. Sophomore Katie Heaton took third, freshman Nicolette Rowe finished fourth, sophomore Liz Kajko placed sixth and Teague ended up in ninth place. In the men's pole vault, freshman Greg Gause earned fourth place and senior Matthew Perry took eighth.

UPS hosted the Northwest Conference Multi-Events April 14 and 15. Freshmen Clare Benish and Nicolette Rowe competed in the heptathlon and freshmen Burch Greene and Gause competed in the decathlon.

Benish was in sixth place after one day of competition and finished in seventh. Rowe moved up from tenth place to finish ninth at the end of day two. Gause also moved up to take fifth place after being eighth the previous day. Greene was in fifth place at the end of day one and did not complete the second day of competition.

The Loggers were excited to be able to hold a couple of meets at home and show off their new facility.

"It's a lot of fun to host meets with your friends and



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KNEE DEEP IN SOMETHING — Senior Reagan Grabner follows close behind Dain Engebretsen of Seattle University in the steeple chase at the JD Shotwell Invitational April 12. Grabner didn't stay behind for too long as he captured first place in the steeple chase with a seasonal best of 9:39.95. The men's team placed fourth and the women took fifth overall.

profs coming out to support you," McLean said, adding that it was nice not to have to worry about tripping over potholes.

"This is great for us," head coach Greg Orechia said. "But there are still a few bugs to work out."

Next year, after the technicalities smooth out, UPS is scheduled to host four meets, including the NWC Championships. The Peyton Field project will be "officially" dedicated at 6:30 p.m. on April 29.

• Sports Writer Denise Marks believes that there should be a field at Puget Sound dedicated in her name as well.

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