Colorguard

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community college in Salem, which neither had a band nor a colorguard. His decision to transfer to the University was finalized after he received an information packet about the Oregon Marching Band.

Todd Zimbelman, director of Athletic Bands and Associate Director of Bands at the School of Music, said the colorguard is a traditional part of the marching band that has existed under different names since the 1920s.

Zimbelman said members need to have excellent movement skills and eye-hand coordination on top of being athletic. Previous experience on a high school colorguard team is a plus, Zimbelman said, but the coaches are willing to train newcomers too.

Nauman said being able to

work with a team rather than for individual progress is another important prerequisite.

Umeda said he was nervous before his first performance at Autzen Stadium. Although he had gathered performance experience in high school, the size of the crowd was intimidating. Now his focus is on the performance, rather than the green and yellow crowd.

"I really don't notice the crowd

sometimes," he said.

Zimbelman said the colorguard works with pops and equipment just like a theater troupe.

"You visually perform just like you would perform in a theater on a stage," he said.

Umeda said he likes traveling with the marching band because it gives him a chance to explore new places with his friends.

He said he enjoys practices because they combine dancing with socializing and having a good

His goal is for the ensemble to perform at the best possible level at every game. Taking a wrong step or dropping equipment hap-pens occasionally, but it is a part of the experience, he said.

"There won't be anywhere where I can do this again," Ume-

ugene woman vanishes

By Darren Freeman

Linda Bovee, owner of local children's bookstore Just Imagine, has been missing since Oct. 11. Friends and family suspect foul play and have offered a \$10,000 reward for information leading to her recovery.

Bovee, whose husband has given guest lectures at the University, was last seen at Coffee Corner in the Southtowne Shops.

Her vehicle is also missing. It is a dark blue, 1992 Subaru Legacy wagber SJW-374 and a bumper sticker reading "Let Peace Begin With Me."

"I don't think there's a chance that she left voluntarily," Bovee's husband, Dr. Douglas Bovee said.

Police have no substantial evidence suggesting foul play, he said.

Anyone with information is encouraged to call the police at 682-5121. A "Friends of Linda Bovee" account is open at Pacific Continental Bank, and those interested in distributing flyers can call Sheila Kryl at 686-2665.



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