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A Greek tragedy is told in modern style in the Robinson Theatre. **PAGE 10**

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# MONEY FOR NOTHING

OK, you need to do something for the cash, but not much

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**F**rom time to time, everyone finds themselves in need of a little quick cash, especially when trying to pay for school. In case you need a few easy bucks for the electricity bill, late-night pizza or your mom's birthday present, here are a few resources you may not have tapped into yet.

**Contribute to scientific research:** If you feel like you're just bursting with knowledge and opinions and that the world is missing out in its uninformed state, you can get paid to participate in research surveys. They are sponsored regularly by student groups or at times through grant-funded studies that pay brilliant students such as yourself for filling out a questionnaire. Experiments are also always ongoing in the psychology department by its grad students. Sounds appealing, doesn't it? You could be the guinea pig of a revolutionary experiment, maybe even become famous and get a bit of money from it.

**Donate your body:** On the other hand, if guinea pigs aren't your scene, you can also receive money in exchange for your bodily substances. The first and easiest commitment is at the Seramed Biocenter at 1901 W. 18th. They will pay you for plasma donations: \$20 for your first donation and \$30 for your second donation. Hours for first-timers are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. Remember to take a photo ID with current address and your Social Security card. The second, slightly scarier option is for women to donate their eggs to help infertile couples. Donating pays \$2,500 for nonsmokers ages 21-32, which is great money but a bigger deal than blood. For more information, call OHSU at (503) 418-5333. The good thing about these options is that you can get some extra funds while helping others.

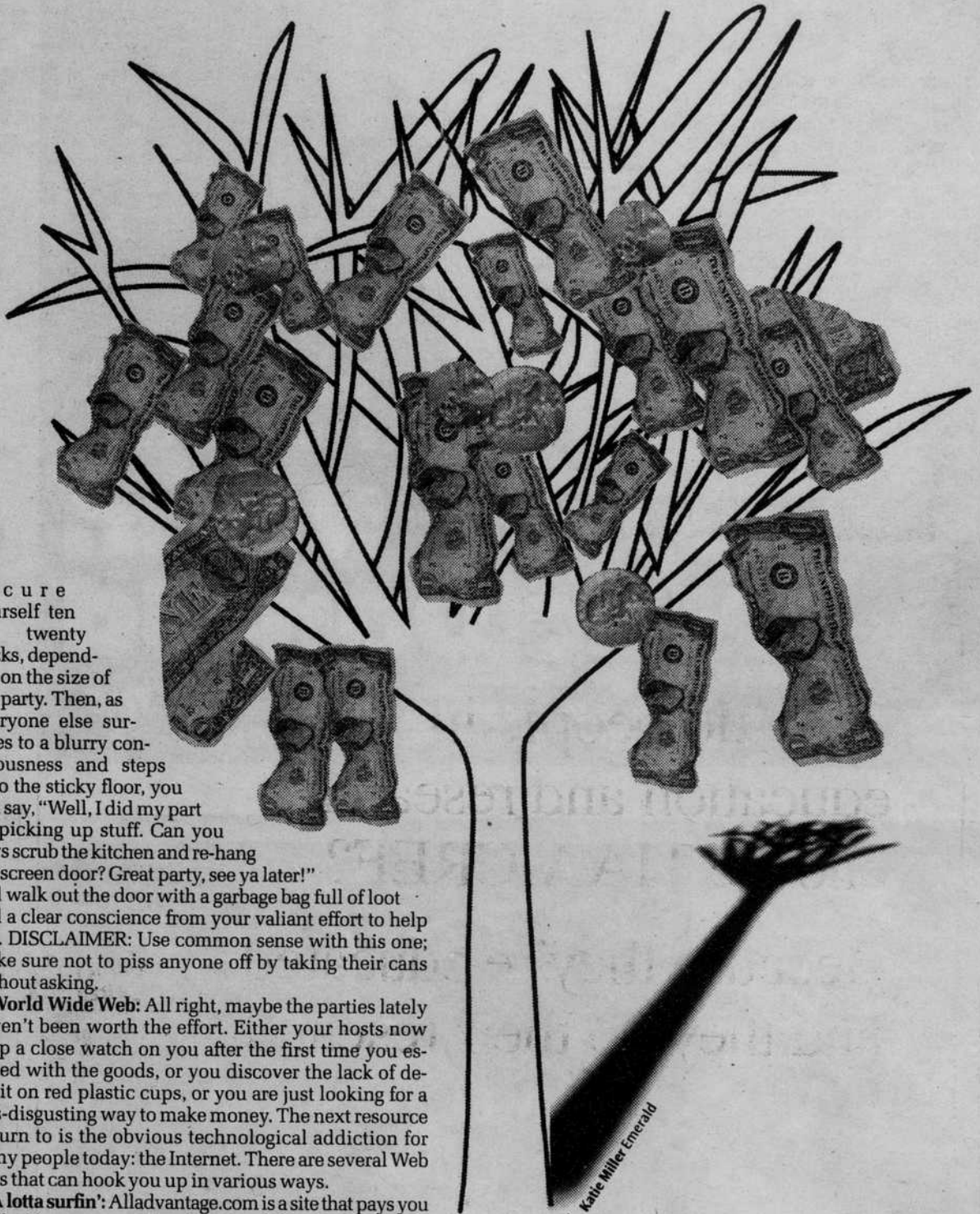
**Better than a hangover:** It's the morning after the big bash, and now the previous party spot is a disaster. If it's your place (condolences) then you are obligated to clean up anyway. If it's not your place, it's a much-appreciated gesture to help repair the damage the morning after. Little do the hosts know that instead of having genuine empathy for their situation, you just want the deposit money from the drink containers. By getting up early and collecting all the cans and bottles laying around, you can be sure to

secure yourself ten or twenty bucks, depending on the size of the party. Then, as everyone else surfaces to a blurry consciousness and steps onto the sticky floor, you can say, "Well, I did my part by picking up stuff. Can you guys scrub the kitchen and re-hang the screen door? Great party, see ya later!" and walk out the door with a garbage bag full of loot and a clear conscience from your valiant effort to help out. **DISCLAIMER:** Use common sense with this one; make sure not to piss anyone off by taking their cans without asking.

**World Wide Web:** All right, maybe the parties lately haven't been worth the effort. Either your hosts now keep a close watch on you after the first time you escaped with the goods, or you discover the lack of deposit on red plastic cups, or you are just looking for a less-disgusting way to make money. The next resource to turn to is the obvious technological addiction for many people today: the Internet. There are several Web sites that can hook you up in various ways.

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# Dressed to kill

The latest fashion trend blends utility and style

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**T**his spring, fashion is going fatigue. In contrast to the bright colors that start assaulting the public's corneas this time of the year, designers are going covert by fashioning clothes and accessories with camouflage patterns. The trend goes beyond casual pants and T-shirts; major designers such as Christian Dior and Miu Miu have got the military bug, as well as more economically accessible stores like Old Navy.

It wasn't long ago when camouflage was in fashion; the beginning of the utilitarian revolution brought cargo pants into style. But what designers are doing

now is trying to take camouflage into higher fashion circles by creating dresses and other formal items with the stealthy patterns.

Sharon Stone's appearance in camouflage on the December cover of Elle magazine was a harbinger of what is happening now. Another notable appearance of the military style is in Destiny's Child's new video for the song "Survivor." In the March issues of Cosmopolitan and Marie Claire there are large photo spreads devoted to this military chic that include olive and beige among their essential spring colors.

Retail store windows in New York are decorated with military mannequins, but on the local level, the effects of this

fashion trend are not so hard-hitting. Major department stores, such as JC Penney and Meier & Frank, are sure to have some items, but not the supply found in larger cities.

What purpose the fashion industry has for this style reinvention is unclear. While the clothes are not intended to hide people as the real stuff does, they may be building some sense of military-like community among the female population. The JC Penney store at the Valley River Center is carrying camouflage shirts proclaiming "boy fighter" and "military brat," but employee Tiffney Darnell said that she hasn't sold

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