

Cougars join the WOU wolf pack



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is no time to stop thinking about your studies; in fact this is the ideal time to begin careful consideration of your future.

After some careful examination of three of the larger schools in Oregon, it is time to think about what a smaller university could have in store for you, and Western Oregon University could be the place for you.

"[WOU] is a pretty tight-knit community because it is so small. It is safe and there are things to do over here, though not in abundance. I would say there are definitely extracurricular activities in the numerous clubs, intramural sports, collegiate and club sports, etc," said Ali Chapman, a Clackamas Community College alumna and current student of WOU.

To give some idea as to the size of the student body at Western Oregon we must look no further than CCC's summer schedule. Here at Clackamas we have a total of 16,624 full and part time students. WOU only has 4,500 undergraduates and 400 graduate students, according to the school's website.

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you are known by name as opposed to number. You are able to establish relationships with professors and other students. There is a lack of activities compared to a large school such as PSU, but there are quite a few to match a variety of interests for students," said Chapman.

WOU is the oldest university in Oregon, having been founded in 1856. The two schools with the most students enrolled are the College of Education and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, where according to www.WOU.edu, two thirds of the student body resides.

According to Patrick Melby, "WOU is one of the best education schools in

the country. If you can get an education degree from Western, it is respected in every state. There are a few that require additional courses [such as] Texas, which requires a course in Texas History to teach there."

If a smaller campus is more your style, WOU may be exactly what you are looking for.



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sky fever is starting to kick in a lot of us. Spring term is nearly over and we have only a few more weeks until summer vacation. But this

horoscopes of the week by Mystic Cat



Aries (March 21 - April 19): I am your style; you're never afraid to do what you want. You just run out charging full speed, head butting competition to take what's rightfully yours. Five words: "Let's get ready to MMBBLLLEEE!"

Taurus (April 20 - May 20): I have never, met someone as stubborn as I don't know if you know this, but we are sporting events of people run away from your deadly horns. May I have an observation? Red is a color, not a threat.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20): You're le and have those big brown eyes make people want to inch closer and then you snap on them with spit and saliva dripping jaws. You know what? I think I hear a bell ringing, are you hungry?

Cancer (June 21 - July 22): Have you ever heard that phrase "One man's trash is another man's treasure"? That saying was written just for you. While you scuttle sideways through the discarded refuge you scoop up the plain and whittle it into a five star quality with the tools you call your hands.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): We cats have living down to an art. As the leader of our family pride (*felidae*), you have just perfected it. The ladies go out hunting, bring back the food as the males bask in the sun and the little cubs roll about in the Savannah grass.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): I've only seen you do three things; clean, pray and murder your lover. Everyone still thinks of you as the innocent little virgin, but I have seen the truth! While walking outside I noticed the leaves were

crunchy, they were the bodies of your ex-lovers sans heads.

Libra (September 23 - October 22): Every day is like a barrel full of laughs for you. You're the closest thing to those crazy humans; in fact you can even communicate to them with the use of "sign language." Next time don't ask them for a banana.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): You know there is a reason why the entire zodiac animal kingdom is nervous around a little, black creature such as yourself. That poison weapon hanging at the end of your tail has even me thinking twice before making that tango.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): Most people, when they think of you, they think of freedom and nobility. When I think of you, I think of stomping hooves and glue.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19): As luck would have it, you will never go hungry. You could try to fool the rest of them with a suave coat and a beard because some study told you people with facial hair seem more reliable, but the truth is you'll eat just about anything. Yes, even a tire.

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18): Let me just say if there is a fire, I'm calling you. It's the strangest thing watching you scoop up your meal and fly off with a pouch full of water and a swimming dinner.

Pisces (February 19 - March 20): Bad luck of the draw, my tasty treat. While the rest of us get to pick up a partner to bump and grind with ... you get to stare at the cup and baster left in your fridge. Don't blame me; blame Mother Nature.

WATER: Hitting the Clackamas rapids

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"I was the first person to race hard shells," Spencer said.

Spencer is the co-organizer of the UCWWF. Extreme kayaking is his forte. He won several competitions over the weekend.

"I did the Mass Start, and not first, actually," Spencer said. "I didn't do too well on the ramp, and then I did freestyle, and I got first in that."

Racing formats consist of slalom races, downriver, slalom (free gates), freestyle and head-to-head. Inflatable kayakers, hard shell kayakers, paddle boards, river boards, and drift boats are the different types of boats used.

"I think the big air ramp — that's what they call the ramp we build — it's one of the premiere events," Spencer said. "Basically hard shell kayakers slide down a ski ramp style and do aerial maneuvers

landing in the river."

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pete and have a good time," Mosier said. "We bring vendors from all over the Northwest here that sell the gear that we all use."

The event has grown over the decades.

"We have expanded it from being just a rafting competition to being kayak events," Mosier said. "We're trying to be inclusive to bring all of the people of the white water community into it."

Julie Jewell has been the secretary and even the vice president of Oregon River Games. Her daughter, Shari Jewell, organized the Kids Day Fishing event held on Saturday, May 15 down at the Small Fry Pond.

"That's something that we started four or five years ago for the kids, because there is nothing for them to do," Jewell said.

Jewell is usually active during competitions, but this year she is free to have fun.

"I have to say that this is my favorite part of this year, was doing nothing," Jewell said. "We hope everyone has a good time when they come out, and enjoy the outdoors."

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