

Toelken receives 'gifted' award

Barre Toelken, University professor of English, has been selected as one of 12 recipients of the 1972 E. Harris Harbison Award for Gifted Teaching, sponsored by the Danforth Foundation in St. Louis.

As a winner of the Award, Toelken received a \$10,000 grant to be used at his discretion in the furtherance of his academic career and interests.

The awards were presented last week at a Danforth national educational conference in Estes Park, Colo.

Winners of the E. Harris Harbison Awards are chosen annually by panels of educators who make their selections from nominations submitted by colleagues, students, past award winners, and college and university presidents. To be eligible for a Harbison Award, the candidate must be teaching in an accredited college, junior college or university in the United States and have served as fulltime faculty for at least five years.

Merrimon Cuninggim, Danforth Foundation president, noted that this year's Award winners had been characterized by others during the selection process as: "possessing a mixture of integrity, humility, sound scholarly achievement, and deeply felt concern for his fellow creatures," "a genuine listener," "supremely ethical and remarkably genial," "having the ability to communicate enthusiasm for his subject along with its essence," and "an uncompromising honesty which encourages honesty from his students."



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On Campus

Merrell wins speech award

Sally Jean Merrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Merrell of Eugene, and a University of Oregon graduation senior, is the 1972 winner of the University's Espy Award in speech.

The award was established in 1957 by Cecil J. Espy, Sr. of Portland, in memory of his son, Cecil J. Espy, Jr., a 1933 U of O graduate, who served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, was captured by the enemy and died in a Japanese prison camp in 1945.

This year's Espy winner began debating during her senior year at South Eugene High School. Merrell earned several awards in speech during her undergraduate years at the University, including outstanding symposium speaker, most improved speaker and most distinguished service awards.

Director named for televised instruction

James Carroll, instructor of speech at the University, has been assigned administrative responsibility for Televised Instruction, a unit of the University's Division of Broadcast Services and Televised Instruction.

John Shepherd, director of the Division, in announcing the assignment, said that Carroll will organize and coordinate the instructional television unit of the Division and integrate the work with specific courses offered in broadcast communications.

Whenever possible, other disciplines such as special education and art education will be involved in the activities, Shepherd said.

Carroll, as director of Televised Instruction for the Division of Broadcast Services, will be working with faculty in all University disciplines to create and develop new and innovative approaches to the use of television in instruction.

A member of the University faculty since 1969, Carroll is a graduate of Michigan State University, where he also received his master's degree.

Community

Council reviews Mall regulations

The Eugene City Council will hold its weekly Committee-of-the-Whole meeting in the Empire Room of the Eugene Hotel at noon today. The informal discussion sessions are presided over by Mayor Les Anderson and this week will consider several items, including the proposed ordinances regulating activities in the Mall.

The Committee's informal meetings serve an advisory capacity and any action taken is not official until reviewed and passed by the City Council in one of its formal Monday night meetings.

The Mall regulations stem from an administrative hearing held on July 17 and correspondence received at City Hall since the hearing. The City has never had an ordinance governing the Mall. There have been regulations in the past, but these were legally difficult to enforce, according to City Manager Hugh McKinley.

The proposed ordinances call for such things as no dogs in the Mall, except as guide dogs or unless they are caged; no dances, soliciting, fund raising, or commercial pursuits unless a permit has been acquired; the regulations will also specify how a permit may be obtained.

The Committee-of-The-Whole meetings are open to the public and lunch is served to those who wish to buy it.

Traffic safety program initiated

Governor Tom McCall said Monday that Oregon motorists will be asked to participate in the "Lights on for Safety" program, initiated by Pacific Northwest Bell, Pacific Power and Light, Portland General Electric and Northwest Natural Gas to reduce traffic accidents.

McCall said that state employees and the employees of the four utilities will drive with their lights on during the entire month of September. Auto headlights will be on during both daylight and evening hours in state and company cars.

The "Lights on for Safety" program comes as a result of the rising toll of traffic accidents on the highways according to McCall. Through July, 422 persons have died in Oregon traffic accidents, an increase of 60 over the first seven months of 1971.

Toll free phones to be put in service

Sen. Mark Hatfield said today that toll-free telephone numbers which veterans may use to reach the Veterans Administration office in Portland will be placed in service September 6.

He said that the WATS (wide area telephone service) number 1-800-452-7276 may be dialed from any Oregon community.

Veterans in the Salem area will be able to dial directly 581-9343, while those in the Eugene-Springfield area will reach the Portland office without toll charges by dialing 342-8274.

Hatfield said that trained VA personnel will respond during business hours.

"This free service will be a major step in eliminating red tape and will be of great aid to veterans of past conflicts, but will be particularly valuable to veterans of Vietnam service who have an entirely new set of problems," Hatfield said.

"Latest estimate is that there are some 326,000 veterans now in Oregon, with approximately 67,000 of them of the Vietnam war era," Hatfield said.

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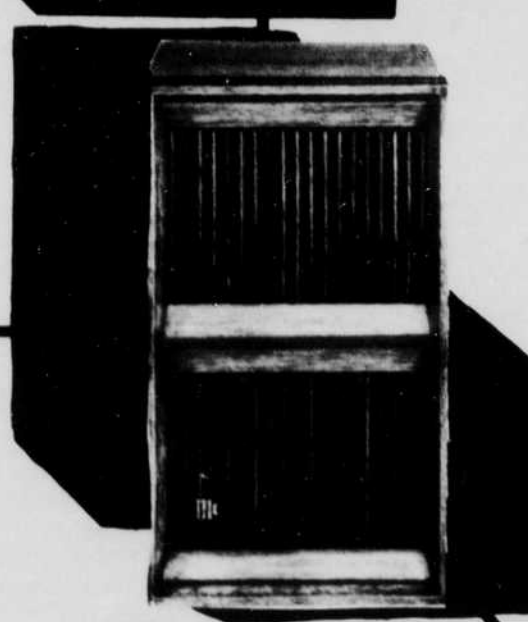
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