

Letters

Way detoured

While announcing our national bicentennial slogan "Freedom's Way...U.S.A.," we are recognizing that Oregon now detours Freedom's Way!

Oregon's Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC), created by Oregon legislature's SB-100, allows only the Big Seven to vote in matters of law regarding land, air and water. Who are the Big Seven of Oregon? The Big Seven of Oregon are the appointed members of the Land Conservation and Development Commission. LCDC makes laws and policy decisions relating to, but not limited to, educational systems, public facilities and services, natural resources, energy conservation, housing, transportation systems, economy of the state, sewer and water systems, agriculture lands, forest lands and recreational needs and facilities.

No citizens' vote is allowed by LCDC on these matters of law pertaining to land, air and water. The Big Seven have allowed only themselves their exclusive vote on these matters of Oregon law! LCDC allows citizen involvement to be merely "comment."

The Oregon legislature was the first in U.S. history to give an appointed agency (LCDC) judicial review and legislative power to amend and rewrite the ordinances of city and county elected officials, the direct representatives of Oregon's citizens. LCDC eliminates the power of citizens' vote at every level — at the individual citizen level and at the citizens' elected officials' level.

LCDC's planning and law-making procedure by the Big Seven of Oregon is a governmental system outside the Democratic process! The Big Seven of Oregon detour Freedom's Way!

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Help invaluable

On behalf of the Model United Nations (MUN) of the UO I would like to thank those members of the SAE fraternity that helped with our fund raising party. I would like to thank them for their cooperation and assistance.

We hope that they weren't overburdened and were able to have a good time at the event. The proceeds allowed our group to take 24 members to the MUN of the Far West Conference in Oakland, Calif. last week. It would have been impossible to take this group to the conference without their help and invaluable expertise. Thanks again.

Warren Westfall
co-president, MUN

Unlike Betty Ford

Some people will do anything to get on national television. Not so for U.S. Rep. Bella Abzug and Gov. Ella Grasso who, unlike Betty Ford, refused to cross an NBC employees' picket line to receive their "Woman of the Year" awards.

However, those who appeared on the "Women of the Year" show must be excused for their lack of concern for the strikers in light of the fact that women workers have always done well without the help of organized labor: secretaries, waitresses, hairdressers, housekeepers, babysitters, housewives, prostitutes....

Great work Mrs. Ford. Your "inspirational leadership" is as good as your husband's.

Cass Lindenberg
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Write-up offends

As a former president of the Associated Library Students (ALS), I was offended by the write-up of this organization in the April 14 *Emerald*. It was both trite and inaccurate.

On the same page, the *Emerald* states the Political Science Student Union (PSSU) "first appeared at Oregon five years ago, making it the oldest departmental student union on the campus today." I should like to point out that the ALS was founded in 1967, shortly after the School of Librarianship was founded, and has been continuously active since then. If my arithmetic still serves me, nine years is greater than five years. The *Emerald* further states: "Unique among the student unions on campus, the PSSU also takes part in departmental meetings." The ALS elects, and has done so for the past several years, two members to serve on the Faculty Council, the governing body of the School of Librarianship, where they deliberate and vote on all matters except curriculum and admissions. Students do not merely "sit in" on faculty committees, they are full and necessary members of these committees.

While the ALS does sport a volleyball team, no mention was made of the important role of the ALS and its members in the procedures for reaffirmation of accreditation which was granted to the School of Librarianship this past January and of the part students must play in the continuing self-study and critique demanded of the Committee on Accreditation of the American Library Association.

I have no beef with the PSSU, rather I am appalled by the heroic proportion of the inaccurate and the trite which appears in the *Emerald* and of the lack of education displayed by the editorial staff. The thought processes displayed show absolutely no tolerance for complexity or nuance, and the powers of articulation are incredibly deficient. The editorial staff seem to be nothing more than a free-floating collection of slogans and cliches.

Monte James Gittings
science library

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OPINION



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Annual spring budget hassles

In the four years my children have been attending the UO's Child Care and Development Center (CCDC), there have been budget hassles with their accompanying tricycle parades every spring. The problems have usually been with the ASUO executive and, to a smaller degree, with the ASUO Senate and the IFC.

However, after canvassing for support each year, I have found that so far a majority of the students support the operation of a quality day care center for student parents.

With each yearly discussion about the viability of student support for day care, the major issue has been: How many students does the program serve? This is difficult to ascertain without examining a variety of aspects of our program. The 50 to 70 student-parents who use the center each term (150 different families a year) are only a part of the students served by the CCDC, as indicated by the following figures compiled by Steve Waksman:

Approximately 20 practicum and field placement students each year receive training at the CCDC.

Approximately 60 ESCAPE students receive training and practicum experience at the CCDC each year.

Approximately 50 work study and AOP students are employed at the CCDC each year.

Approximately 75 students of the University observe the CCDC each year as part of their class experience.

Research opportunities are available at CCDC; Professor B. Fagot has been conducting research at CCDC on sex roles.

GTF's are available at CCDC: two GTF's are employed this year.

Many students are employed as teachers and staff.

Students from the following University departments have conducted research, observed or volunteered at CCDC: education, psychology, CSPA, sociology, business, P.E., architecture, speech, journalism, biology, art and music.

The program at the EMU Drop-In Center, which serves students and staff, was initially developed by former CCDC Director Katharine Sacks.

It is obvious from these approximate figures that CCDC is not merely serving a few student parents, those unable to complete school otherwise. The University is being served in many ways by the existence, continued operation and development of the already excellent program at the CCDC.

Wednesday night the IFC hearings will include CCDC on the agenda. There are some problems with the budget, as usual, and we need the support of all students to continue this vital program.

Although we were funded last year at \$69,000 for program operation, we have lowered our request for 1976-77 to \$50,000 for program operation and \$7,000 for program development. In order to cut costs, we've altered our summer program drastically and will offer a reduced portion of parent equalizing payments.

We had a benefit dance in February which cleared \$430 and plan to have a belly-dancing benefit in May.

The cutbacks we have made have in no way affected the quality of our program.

We ask for the support of all students so that we may continue to serve you and the University community.

Mary Gillan
education, grad.

Letters policy

The *Emerald* will accept and try to print all letters containing fair comment on ideas and topics of concern or interest to the University community.

Because of space limitations, letters must be no more than 250 words, typed, triple-spaced, dated and signed with the person's major. No unsigned letters will be published.

Longer opinion columns will be published whenever possible after being submitted to the editorial page editor. The limit on opinion columns is 800 words, using the same format as letters.

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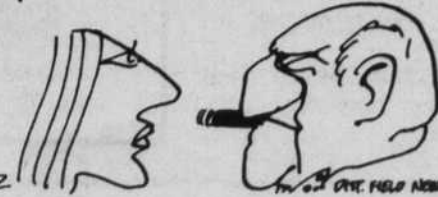
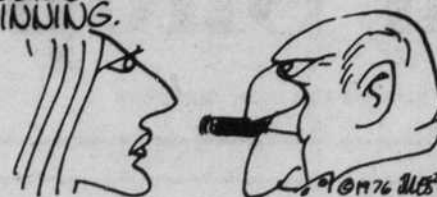
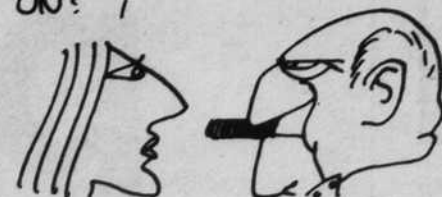
WINNING.

BUT SURELY THERE MUST BE SOME OTHER ISSUE BESIDES WINNING.

YEAH. WINNING BIG.

WHAT ABOUT TAXES, INFLATION, RECESSION, BUSHING, DETENTE, SECRECY IN GOVERNMENT....?

PSEUDO-ISSUES. REAL ISSUES ARE CHARM, LOOKS, IMAGE, CHARISMA.



BUT IF WE DON'T KNOW A CANDIDATE'S STAND ON THE ISSUES HOW CAN WE CHOOSE A PRESIDENT?

ON THE BASIS OF HIS ABILITY TO OBSCURE THE ISSUES.

YOU MEAN NO CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT CARES ABOUT ANYTHING BUT WINNING?

UNTIL HE'S ELECTED THEN HE CARES ABOUT KEEPING.

IS IT POSSIBLE WE DON'T GET A CHOICE OF THE RIGHT SORT OF CANDIDATES?

GOOD ISSUE!

