

# Letters

## Influencing prices

Many at this University are unaware that the UO Bookstore is run by a board of directors elected entirely by students and faculty. The election to choose next year's board members will continue until Friday at the Bookstore.

I am a candidate for a position on the board of directors. Until now I have had no more to do with the Bookstore than as just another person who has to go through the confusion and expense of buying books at the beginning of each term. I am running for a position on the board because I want to make sure that the Bookstore will do the best job possible in serving the students and faculty of our University community, with the interests of the students taking precedence where they conflict with those of the faculty. If elected, I will work to provide a financial policy which will provide students with books at a decent price while ensuring long-term stability and growth for the Bookstore. If elected, I will work to make sure that students have maximum opportunity for selling back and purchasing used books. If elected, I will seek a public review of Bookstore policy in an effort to ensure responsiveness to the student and faculty consumers.

At a time when students are rightfully reaching out to new ways of influencing the price and quality of their education it behooves us to take advantage of all existing avenues of influence over the decisions affecting us. The UO Bookstore Board of Directors is one such opportunity. Please vote in the election.

**Mark Cogan**  
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## Amendment urged

The UO Bookstore Board of Directors has introduced an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation which will significantly reduce the current state of discontinuity in board membership. Presently the Articles of Incorporation call for the annual replacement of seven members, leaving only three members to provide any degree of experience and stability for new board members. Historical evidence indicates that a new member reaches his/her optimum level of effectiveness after at least eight to twelve months of service with rare exception. Consequently, many board members are impeded from making any valuable contribution to the decision-making processes of the board.

The proposed amendment will provide for a 50/50 annual turnover in board membership. Each year only five members will be replaced and five members will remain, thereby reducing the discontinuity and relative instability under the present system. Furthermore, any attempts to "stack" the board by any particular faction will be thwarted in order to assure for a broader range of representation. If the proposed amendment is approved, none of the present board members will benefit from the extension of his/her term of service since the system will not be initiated until next year and not be fully operative until 1978.

As proponents of the amendment, we strongly encourage you to vote in favor of the proposal and allow the board enough time not

only to determine your needs and desires, but also to meet and satisfy them.

**Greg Byler**  
**Frank Papagni**  
**Barbara Norton**  
**Bob Smith**  
**Hans Ettlin**

## At least wait

I thought the *Emerald* was an outstanding publication, given the limitations of a college newspaper. I guess I was wrong.

Last Thursday's editorial page was in poor taste; specifically, Paul Waldschmidt's editorial rebuttal to Dan Antoni's "Anti-Davis" letter.

I know the temptation to blast back immediately is a great one, but give the poor guy a break. He could never keep up with your rebuttals. You have the resources to pick his letter apart on the same day and the same page. But he never enjoys this advantage.

You may not realize the unfairness of this, but future letter writers might. Who wants to receive treatment like that? I wouldn't.

I mean, you could at least wait one issue.

**John Mitchell**  
journ., sen.

## Supports staying

I'm writing to you about Dennis Banks. Last week, I went to one of his speeches at the University of Oregon, and I hope you support him staying in Oregon. I think it would be inhuman to send him back to South Dakota. South Dakota is one of the worst states for an Indian in his position to go back to because of prejudice in the courts. I don't think the United States government stands for the Constitution anymore.

**Hervey Allen**  
age 12  
1080 E. 24th St.  
Eugene, Oregon

## Archie observed

I worked for Archie Weinstein at the Eugene Surplus Store, 666 Willamette St., for 25 years. The store was closed by the Renewal Agency and since then I have been employed in his office at 1315 Willamette St., totaling 27 years.

In my 25 years in the said store, I had the opportunity to observe Archie and I want to make this statement. He is the most sincere, honest, hard working and reliable man I ever met in my life. He is well educated, a good business man and knows the fundamentals of business and finances.

Archie is dedicated to his fellow man. I have seen him make contributions in the thousands of dollars to countless deserving causes. He has given away a fortune. Archie was liked by all his employees and treated them with human dignity and respect. The best evidence I can give you is, when the store was closed, most of the employees had been in the store from 10 to 22 years.

He was particularly interested in helping students wanting to further their education and would give them part time employment all the way through high school and the University. As a result of his generosity, I can count the dozens of doctors, dentists, lawyers

and many other professional people.

I am writing this letter in all sincerity without any solicitation by him.

Archie Weinstein will serve you well as Lane County Commissioner.

**Mrs. George France, Fawn**  
3025 Whitbeck Blvd.  
Eugene, Oregon

## Byler enhances

I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to vote in the current Bookstore Board election. Furthermore, I would like to recommend Greg Byler for the student-at-large position. Mr. Byler's overall contribution to the board has greatly enhanced the board's profile and managerial effectiveness. A few of the major policy decisions introduced by Mr. Byler are the proposed amendment to the Articles of Incorporation, the encouragement of board members to become more actively involved in the Bookstore's financial decisions and procedures for the improvement of the climate in which future board members will function. As a motivational factor, Mr. Byler has been an encouragement to each member of the board of directors. His energetic involvement with the aggregate affairs of the store has helped to make the present board one of the most effective in the Bookstore's history.

Again, I encourage each of you to vote at the Bookstore through Friday and, as a representative of

your interests, Greg Byler is the most qualified person for the position he seeks.

**Hans O. Ettlin**  
secretary/treasurer  
UO Bookstore  
board of directors

## Byler serves well

Greg Byler is a candidate for a one-year term as a student-at-large representative on the Board of Directors of the University Bookstore. I believe his past experience on the board, his thorough understanding of the Bookstore operation and his academic training make him the best qualified person for the position.

Greg has served, as I have, as a member of the Bookstore Board for the past two years. During that period, he has demonstrated a knowledge and understanding of management problems, consumer needs and fiscal matters which have been extremely valuable to other members of the board. He has also demonstrated an ability to analyze objectively those issues and problems which come before the board and to advocate policies or actions which are not only sound in the business sense, but which contribute to better service at lowest possible cost to the clientele of the Bookstore. He has undertaken several time-consuming projects on behalf of the board and has consistently produced the kind of results which provided a better basis for board decisions.

All members of the University

community — students, faculty and classified staff — are members of the Bookstore. You have been well-served by Greg Byler for two years. Those of you who have an interest in maintaining that high caliber kind of representation should vote for him during the week of May 3 to 7 at the Bookstore polling place.

**Joanne Carlson**  
assistant dean, grad. school

## Realize goal

As an ASUO presidential candidate I was too broke to spend any money and too busy being a student to spend much time campaigning. But I still hope some people got the message I was trying to get across. I hope Jim Davis and Jan Oliver will take a time out from figuring out how to get more votes and reflect a bit. Jim and Jan, I hope you realize that your main goal should be to give students a better education and to save them as much money as possible. What this means, Jim, is that you'll have to give up double salaries for yourself in the future and eliminate costly trips, such as the one to Colorado. Jan, this means cutting down on programs such as CCDC, Gays and WIA, which only serve tiny minorities of students.

I wish both of you good luck, and I hope you will be able to get people to care and make this a better place for us to live and work.

**Art Kenny**  
ex-candidate, ASUO pres.

## opinion

## How could anyone believe?

From the start of this year's spring election the *Oregon Daily Emerald* has been misrepresenting facts and attempting to unduly influence the students who read the paper. This week, however, the reporting has taken on a jaundiced pallor unlike anything else so far. They have gone so far as to bring a reprimand out of the court concerning misquotes and misrepresentations.

Consider for a moment the people on the *Emerald* who are leveling charges that the ASUO Elections Court did not even bother to consider because of their complete invalidity. The editor, a good friend of Jim Davis, personally wrote the article on one candidate after another reporter was originally assigned to that candidate. The author of the May 3, 4 and 5 articles cannot be following any type, shape or form of journalistic ethics when she has a vested interest in the defendant and the outcome of the Court's decision. Her investigative methods, antagonistic as they were, attempted to create friction between members of the Court and the complainant in the case, myself. Maybe she should check the eighteen-and-a-half minute gap in the tape of Sunday's hearings.

The defendant was given the opportunity to delay the hearing until Monday so that he might be able to assemble a creditable defense. He chose not to and the Court cannot be faulted for his decision.

The editorial in the May 5th *Emerald* also contains several erroneous conjectures and misrepresentations. After being a tenant at that apartment complex for the past seven months Woodland Realty has certainly heard of me. As to the quote that I spoke to "someone there" if the *Emerald*

was doing its job, it would have noted that I stated before the Court that I spoke to the secretary at the Woodland Realty office. The defense may have a letter concerning Woodland Realty's open policy, but nowhere in writing do either the defendant nor the *Emerald* have a denial of my call.

Davis himself admits that the campaign material was distributed in my apartment complex without specific prior consent. Rule 5.6 calls for this in very clear terms. Between that and the call that I made upon discovering the campaign material there was certainly enough evidence that Davis violated election rule 5.6.

If the *Emerald* would like to represent itself as a responsible voice for the students, they should take greater care in their methods and attitudes. They were not present at the original hearings. They assigned a partial reporter to cover this story. Without all the facts, they have come to a different judgment than did the Elections Court, which did have all the facts in addition to no vested interest in this case. Any responsible person who was present at either hearing could not truthfully claim that Davis did not receive a fair hearing. Just ask the vice-president in charge of elections. He said as much after the Sunday hearings.

I did not bring up my complaint in the interest of one candidate over another, but how could anyone believe that Jim Davis could handle the position of ASUO president when he can't even handle his own campaign or defense.

**Michael A. Schaefer**  
president, Pol. Sci. Student Union