

Gays

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explained. "But its still shaky. There are a certain amount of hard feelings. Lesbians are cautious of dealing with gay men, and usually for good reasons: Generally their political consciousness is far more radical than gay men's.

But those harassing gays, who Ellen identifies as "probably a small group of people that are fairly nuts," make no distinction between the two, according to Barbara. "To them," she said, "a queer is a queer."

Roberts said a community wide meeting for gays to discuss how to deal with the problem is planned

"hopefully for next week." Neither he nor Ellen and Barbara are optimistic regarding aid from the police. "The police aren't necessarily our friends," said Roberts. "Gays generally mistrust the police and the police aren't usually willing to deal with gays in a protective way."

Ellen is more direct. "They're not going to protect us," she said angrily. "They don't care at all."

The recent incidents rekindled gay activism on other fronts as well. According to Roberts, there now is more enthusiasm among gays in Eugene to promote anti-

discrimination legislation, both on the city and state level. A proposed city ordinance to eliminate discrimination in housing, employment and public accommodations failed in 1972 as did a similar effort before the state Legislature in early 1975. "But we're going to try again," said Roberts. "We feel if we can get a law passed here in Eugene, we'll have an easier time at the state level." Although approximately 30 cities across the nation have some form of anti-discrimination laws for gays, there are no state laws regarding the issue. "We're going to try to be the first," Roberts said.

Students receive awards

Fourteen students at the University School of Journalism have been awarded scholarships ranging from \$200 to \$1,200 for the 1976-77 academic year.

A \$1,200 Arthur Litchman Memorial Scholarship was awarded by the Jackson Foundation of Portland to junior Ronald Paradis. Two other \$1,200 Jackson Foundation Scholarships were presented to juniors Lora Cuykendall and Jim Grossman.

Robert Sutter, also a junior, was awarded a \$1,000 Crown Zellerbach Foundation Scholarship. Shannon Sprague received a

\$1,000 Standard Oil Foundation Scholarship and Helen Craft was awarded the \$1,000 Max Wales Scholarship in Advertising, donated by J-school alumnus Larry Williams.

Two \$500 Eric W. Allen Memorial Scholarships were awarded by the Eugene Register-Guard to juniors Lisa Joslen and Craig Walker and five students received \$250 Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association Scholarships. They are juniors Marcie Healy, Vicki Poth and Toni Catalani and sophomores Wesley Hutchison and Barbara Wood.

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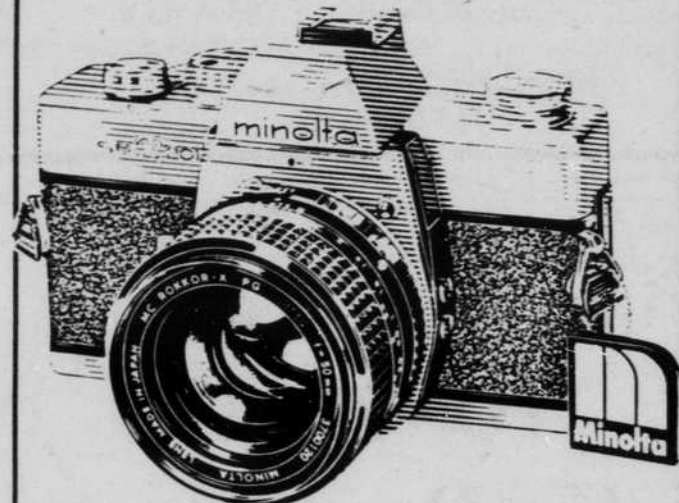
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