

Grand opening introduces new fantasy store

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"A fantasy gallery." That's what Michael Coan calls his new store, Gandalf's Den, in the Atrium. He has many collector items on display from both the science-fiction and fantasy worlds, like Star Trek Tribbles and other Trekkie stuff as well as a large assortment of comic books and "some real good 'underground posters.'"

Coan used to teach classes on comics and popular culture at the University and he's now working on his masters in business. He says he's definitely "not trying to buy into a craze." Coan considers his work an extension of his life; "The store is an extension of where I've always been and where I am now," he says.

Coan decided to open up a store because he says there is only one other "comic store" in town and that store won't special order. Coan will. He says he's been doing something like this for about a year for a select group of friends out of a house.

The store's inventory isn't complete yet, but Coan has a wide variety of items for different tastes and wallets. There are calendars, posters, books, records and models from Star Trek, the Shadow, any Superhero, and most fantasy worlds. Many of the posters and prints are special or limited editions.

Besides selling things, Coan hopes to use the store as a general gathering place to do different things. He wants to set aside one Sunday each month for playing strategy games and he plans to present programs about different aspects of the genre. Coan says he would like the store to be an information center also. He already has information on the Society for Creative Anachronism.

Gandalf's Den in the Atrium will be open seven days a week, to "give people a place to space out." The grand opening is this Saturday and Sunday and Coan says there will be some "give-aways."

Ehrlichman to jail

SAFFORD, Ariz. (AP) — John Ehrlichman, once one of Richard Nixon's closest aides, slipped into the Swift Trail Federal Prison Camp here Thursday to begin serving his Watergate sentence.

John Haddin, camp administrator, told reporters that Ehrlichman did not even want to be told which reporters want to talk to him. Ehrlichman, who entered the camp at 10:30 a.m. local time, "doesn't want any communication except from his family and attorneys," Haddin said.

Student housing rental policy questioned —refusal to rent to unmarrieds unfair?

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Controversy surrounds the rental policy at University married student housing facilities, placing the ASUO Office of Student Advocacy (OSA) and the University Housing Office in major disagreement.

The housing office currently maintains a policy of renting the Amazon and Westmoreland apartment units only to married students or single parent families. The OSA plans to challenge the policy on the basis of discrimination.

An opinion issued Oct. 6 by Atty. Gen. Lee Johnson at the request of Gerald Bogen, vice-president for student affairs, resolved the matter from the point of view of the housing office.

The question presented to Johnson stated "May a landlord refuse to rent an apartment to an unmarried couple of opposite sexes?" The answer returned by Johnson was "yes" on the basis of ORS 659.033, the general prohibition against discrimination in housing law.

According to Johnson, ORS 659.033 provides "no person shall because of race, color, sex, marital status, religion or national origin of any person refuse to sell, lease or rent any real property to a purchaser."

In his opinion Johnson stated, "subsection three provides that when application of ORS 659.033 would necessarily result in common use of bath or bedroom facilities by unrelated persons of opposite sex, its prohibitions against sex distinction, discrimination or restriction do not apply." Johnson concluded ... "it is not an unlawful housing practice for a landlord to refuse to rent to a couple of the opposite sex if they are not married to each other."

"We will continue to operate under the same policy, we're happy to have the question cleared up from the point of view of the attorney general," says Sally Smith, assistant director of family housing.

According to Don Chalmers, OSA director, the question has not yet been suffi-

ciently answered. A joint research project involving an OSA law clerk and an ASUO housing office researcher is currently looking into the history of the state discriminatory statute and the higher education discriminatory statute.

"Our argument is simple. It is unreasonable to differentiate on the basis of marital status when a better classification (low income) is available," says Chalmers.

Smith explains the basic philosophy of the University housing office as "trying to provide the best housing for students that we can." She points out student families usually have lower incomes than single students and adds "no one in the private market is building housing student families can afford."

Smith feels that student families suffer discrimination in the private market. As a result the married student housing facilities were designed and built with family needs such as nearby schools, playgrounds and child safety in mind.

Myers sees high — low vote turnout

SALEM (AP) — Next Tuesday's election could produce record highs and lows for Oregon, says Clay Myers, secretary of state.

He says there probably will be a record turnout of about 980,000, but he also is predicting that 72.6 per cent of the 1,340,000 registered voters will cast ballots, an all-time low for a presidential election year.

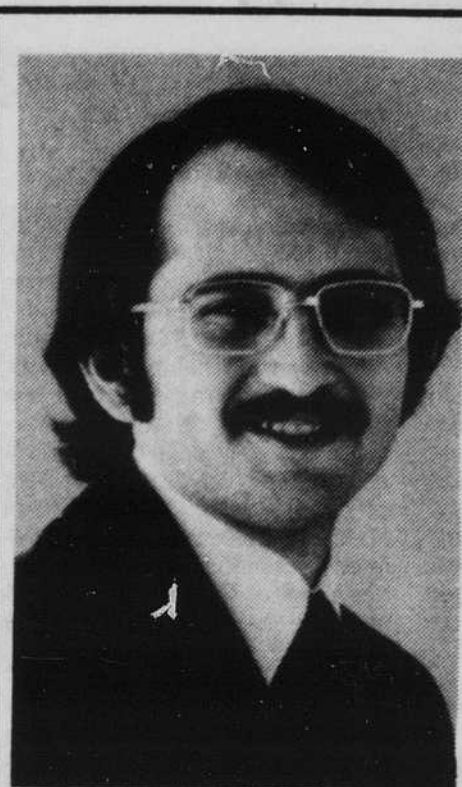
Because of mail registration and a surge of late registrations for the May 25 primary election, there are more persons on the registration rolls than ever.

Also, the review of the voting lists and warning letters to those who haven't voted for two years won't come until after the election.

In 1972, 953,000 persons voted in the general election, a turnout of 79.6 per cent.

Turnouts for other elections were 71.3 per cent in 1970, 84.8 in 1968 presidential year, 73 in 1966, and 84.8 in 1964 presidential year.

In 1974, it was 69.3. In this year's primary, the turnout was 731,160, or 61 per cent.



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Independent Oregon Democrat for State Representative District 41

As women we are expressing our strong support for John Stewart. We know he will be a strong advocate for women and our rights in the legislature. Some of the positions John supports:

- Equality in tax laws to end discrimination for women and single persons.
- Affirmative action to eliminate discrimination in our government, schools and communities.
- Requiring women staff members on rape and assault correction units to ensure women victims are treated justly and with compassion.
- Knowledge of family planning and birth control must be available to all women and men, as these are responsibilities for both sexes.

When considering this race, do not decide solely on the basis of the candidate's sex, but rather on the overall qualities.

We urge you to vote John Stewart on November 2.

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- ★ partial public financing of state elections
- ★ nuclear safety
- ★ repeal of land use laws
- ★ repeal of Council of Governments

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- ★ public nudity measure
- ★ expansion of County Commissioners Board

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