

MEChA director hopes for activism



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Raymond Herrera, MEChA's new director, wants the organization to be more vocal in campus affairs and more active in recruiting Oregon Chicanos.

Theater sponsors winter term abroad

The University Theater is sponsoring a "Quarter Abroad," with a total course of study and exposure to the arts of London, England, during winter term of 1978.

A group of courses available in the "quarter abroad" will integrate academic study with first-hand experience of the arts available in London.

Regular attendance at performing arts events, as well as nine to 18 credit hour study will be open to University graduates or undergraduates.

Faber Dechaine, University speech professor, arranged the events after consulting with a friend and former drama student of his who is living in London. He says 18 to 25 students will be accepted to go to London.

Housing for the term will be in a

"standard bed and breakfast" hotel not far from London's theater district, Dechaine says.

Daily seminars in a private conference room at the hotel will allow students to study upcoming plays and events and listen to guest speakers, actors and directors. Students will attend 37 performing arts events, including plays, operas, ballets, concerts and museums, according to Dechaine.

An "open seminar" will be arranged for the final two weeks of the term to enable students to tour London on their own.

The total cost of a "Quarter Abroad" will be about \$2,650, which includes transportation.

Anyone interested in joining this study group for winter term should contact Dechaine at the University Theater, or call #4205.

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"I want MEChA to come out of its dark hole and be more than a social organization," says Raymond Herrera, the newly appointed director of the Chicano student organization.

"The last couple of years, membership (in MEChA) has dropped," Herrera says, and "MEChA...has lost standing. It hasn't been as vocal as it used to be."

MEChA stands for Movimiento Estudiante Chicano de Aztlan, which translates as the Chicano Student Movement from Aztlan.

Aztlan refers to the Southwest area of the United States, which was originally under Mexican dominion. Herrera estimates 40 Chicano students are on the University campus.

Herrera was born in Texas. His family moved to Oregon from that state and settled in the Woodburn area. He attended Portland State University and became active in several political campaigns.

Herrera then took a break from schooling to work for the Oregon State Employment Division, specializing in migrant seasonal workers.

This is Herrera's first year in Eugene and he is enrolled in the University as a double major in CSPA

and political science. He also works as a counselor at the Center for Self-Development.

Herrera does not intend to be inhibited in his actions just because he is a newcomer to campus politics. "MEChA is not going to be a puppet of the ASUC," he stresses.

"The principal goal of MEChA is to assist Chicano students in adjusting to a traditionally white university," Herrera continues. "We're more than a social group — we're socio-political. Our goal is to get more Chicano students involved in University affairs and those affairs relating to Chicanos as a whole."

Herrera said recruiting the state's Chicano population to the University is one of his primary goals.

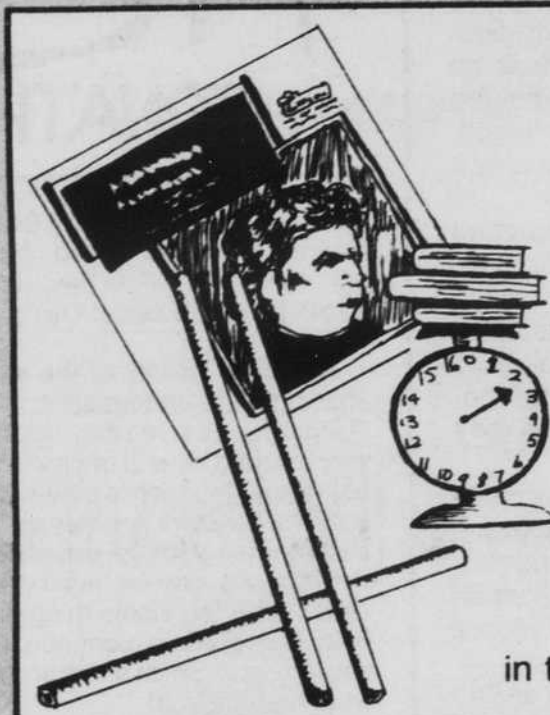
"We're Oregon's largest minority, and there are many more Blacks than Chicanos here at the University," he said.

"There are a number of out-of-state Chicanos at this school, but I've seen very few from the heart of the Willamette Valley, where most of the Chicano population resides."

Herrera also intends to "unify Chicanos and work with them in recruitment and in academic counseling."

MEChA is a "resource center for Chicanos and people who want to learn about Chicano culture," he says.

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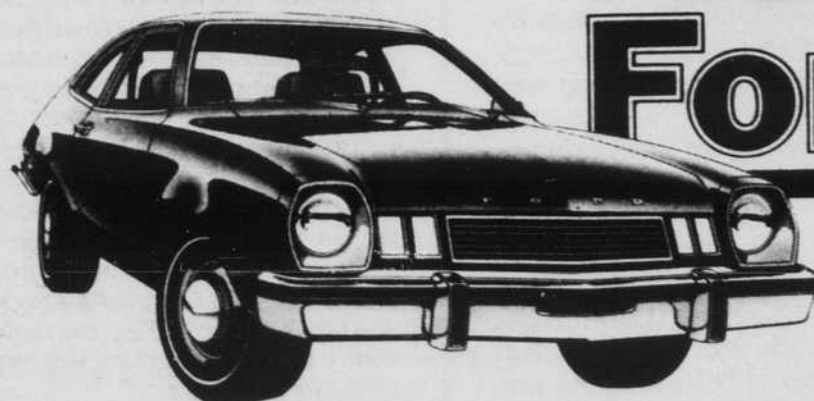
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