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CSPA

School deals with budget reductions

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The Wallace School of Community Services and Public Affairs (CSPA) is committed to retaining an excellent educational program, says Associate Dean Bryan Downes.

"It will be difficult, but we will operate within the constraints of scarce funds," he says.

CSPA is embarking upon a new undergraduate program, after adjusting to a budget cut of nearly 50 percent. The school has had to reduce its faculty, graduate teaching fellows and adjunct positions in order to meet the cut.

The cut was one of several measures taken by the University administration in an effort to meet the financial loss due to declining enrollment.

Downes says CSPA will operate with a core staff primarily geared toward upper division and graduate students. Pre-CSPA majors will lay the groundwork for their work in CSPA by taking courses directly from relevant disciplines during their freshman and sophomore years.

"One problem is that in times of affluence, the school shouldered the entire burden of educating CSPA students," Downes observes. "What we're doing is re-establishing credibility and contact with other units on campus."

Previously, CSPA offered several separate undergraduate areas of study. "Now there is one undergraduate program, which encourages specialization depending on career goals," Downes says. "This way, we're not hoping to deal with the antagonism that traditionally exists between those who administer programs and those who carry them out."

Downes says the school will have to give first priority to its own majors.

"We will try to make our courses available to pre-majors and other interested students in the future. We're stretched very thin. Majors will have to rely more on doing course work outside CSPA for their concentrations," he says.

The University CSPA program is one of only a few in the nation to have both community service and public affairs students in the same program, according to Downes.

"The curriculum was designed with the students in mind and what they need to be effective in their chosen careers," he adds.

Another consequence of the budget cut has been the loss of the CSPA advising office, Downes says. The school is in the process of developing a peer advising program to help supplement advising needs in the face of the loss.

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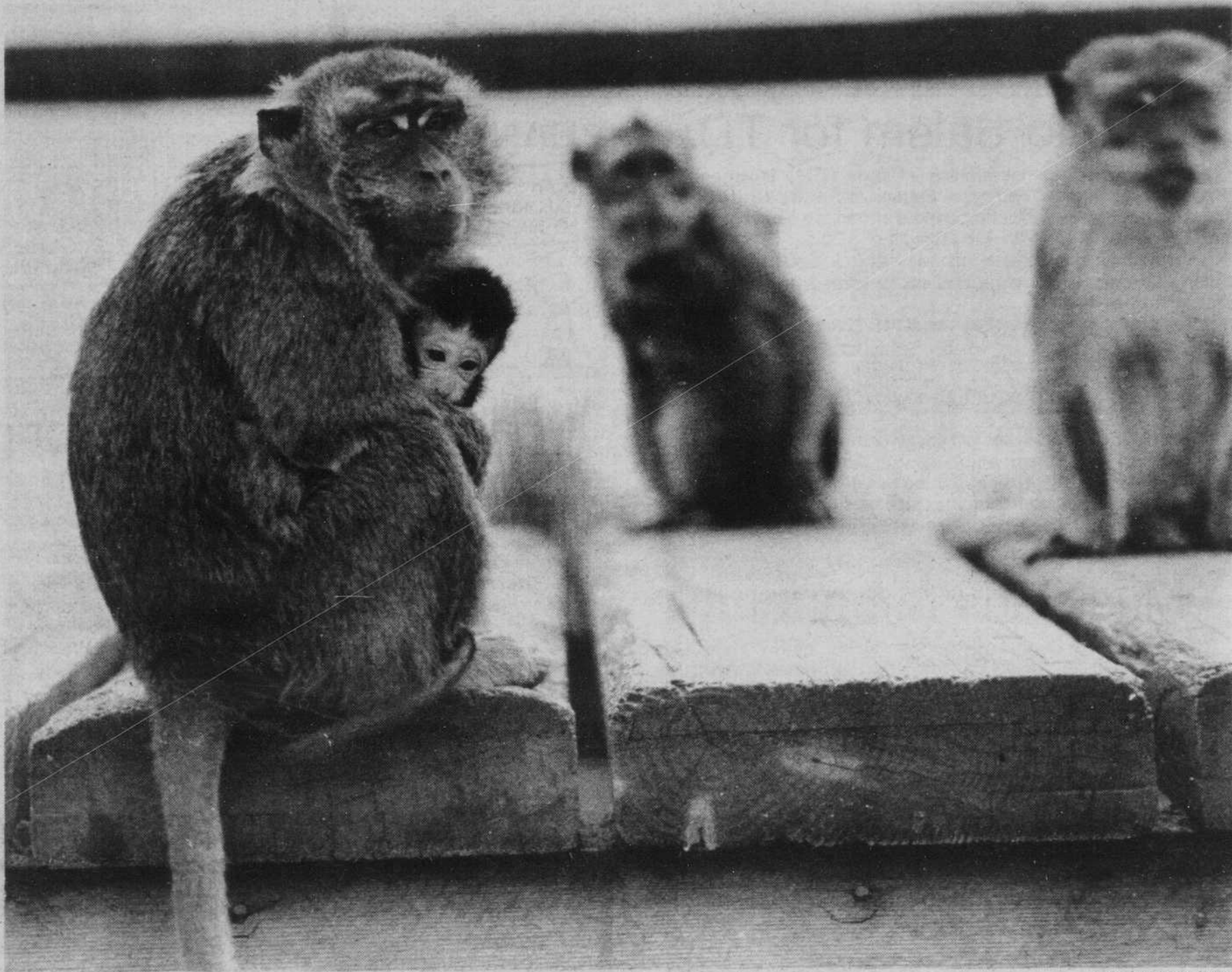


Photo by Patrick Sullivan

Primating around

They eat crabs; they "control" monsoons; they like to hang from their feet; and they play with themselves. Some religious enthusiasts in Asia worship them, but University anthropologists just watch them.

They're macaques, a species of monkey. The University obtained a troop of them four years ago and hasn't stopped monkeying around since. See story on Page 10A.

OLEV announces endorsements

By KATHLEEN MONJE
Of the Emerald

The Oregon League of Environmental Voters (OLEV) announced the Lane County candidates it endorses for office in the May 23 primary election.

"We've sent out 10,000 lists of endorsements," says OLEV chair Vern Rifer of Portland. "The main purpose of our work is to let people interested in environmental issues in Oregon know whom we endorsed."

The league is a non-partisan organization representing 10

state-wide environmental groups, including the Survival Center, the Sierra Club, the Oregon Environmental Council and the Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition.

Incumbent Democrat Jim Weaver won the endorsement for Fourth District Congressman, and Gov. Bob Straub and Tom McCall, former Oregon governor, are endorsed in their respective primaries.

OLEV endorsed Sen. George Wingard, R-Eugene, Sen. Ed Fadeley, D-Eugene and Sen. Ted Kulongsoski, D-Eugene, for the Oregon State Senate.

In the Oregon House of Representatives, OLEV endorsed: District 39, Gratten Kerans, D-Eugene; District 40, Dave Frohnmayer, R-Eugene; District 41, Mary Burrows, R-Eugene; District 42, Nancie Fadeley, D-Eugene and District 44, Ed Beal, D-Marcola.

County Commissioner candidates Edd Wemple from the East District and William Morrisette from Springfield were endorsed by the league.

The group also gave approval to Eugene Water and Electric Board candidates Jack Craig and John Bartels. Craig is running for

the At-Large position on the board and Bartels is running from Wards Four and Five.

"We dealt first with all the incumbents, and endorsed those with voting records 85 percent or more favorable to environmental issues," Rifer says.

He says the candidates had to be "fairly exceptional" to receive OLEV endorsements for the primary election. "We did not pick the best of two bad guys for the primary, though we may in the November election."

The 24-member endorsement board, organized in 1971 for evaluation of public office candidates, questioned those candidates who are challenging incumbents by mail.

"We endorsed those who had good records," Rifer says. "They had to prove they've had enough interest in the environment to do something active about it."

OLEV does not directly represent the groups who send members to serve in the endorsement selections, according to Rifer.

"None of the groups are involved directly in our electoral process because of both tax reasons and desires not to be part of the political process," he says.

Election confusion continues

Confusion rears its ugly head again in the ASUO election process.

It appears there is a winner in the contest for SUAB position No. 14. Jim Pasero will represent political science, history and geography students next year. Students will not have to cast votes again today at the ASUO office, Suite 4, EMU.

But there's more confusion. If the Constitutional Committee, which meets today, decides

the "no response" votes cast in last weeks election are valid votes, another election must be held at the Institute of Marine Biology in Charleston.

Since the one vote that won the election came from Charleston, the SUAB race would then be determined from the next Charleston vote.

The committee will meet at 2 p.m. in the EMU Forum room.