

New vice presidents appointed for ASUO

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Of the Emerald

ASUO Pres.-elect Scott Bassett named Mylene Simons and Annette Selmer to complete his team of vice presidents last week.

"I can only say good things about both of them," he says, adding that experience was a key factor in hiring Simons and Selmer.

Simons will serve as the ASUO vice president in charge of state and University affairs, an area that Simons and Bassett say the ASUO will concentrate on during the next few months.

"What happens at the Legislature in the next two months will influence us for two years," Bassett says.

Simons agrees, adding that her current work as an intern at the state Legislature has made her familiar with legislative process and student-related bills.

Simons says student involvement at the Legislature may be hard to drum up.

"Since it's near the end of the term, it may be hard to get students involved," she says. "But I hope that students will be able to write letters or call their legislators."

Especially important is a hearing on HB 2831, a bill that mandates release of faculty evaluation results, says Simons, adding that the Senate Education Committee will hold a hearing on the bill in about two weeks.

The decisions the Legislature makes on student-related bills and appropriations will also affect her job, says Simons. For example, if HB 2831 fails, the ASUO will be involved in

another campus effort to release evaluation results. If it passes Simons says she will help organize the system for release.

Simons says she plans to stay in close contact with the Oregon Student Lobby and the Legislature after this session is over.

"There's a lot that goes on during the interim," she says.

Simons says she is interested in the OSL, adding that the lobby has suffered this year because of staff turnover.

"But it has a lot of potential," she says. "I'd like to see students aware of that potential."

Simons also plans to help Bassett with freshman orientation and will work with the Student University Affairs Board on University issues.

Selmer will serve as the vice president in charge of programs and community affairs, an area she says has a lot of potential.

Selmer says she plans to be an advocate and resource person for ASUO programs and help with program development.

"ASUO is there for the programs," she says. "The programs are not there for the ASUO."

Selmer says she would like the programs to become more accessible to students and more interdependent on each other.

Selmer was an administrative assistant for programs and community affairs this year. "I saw what changes could be made. This is an opportunity to try and make those changes."

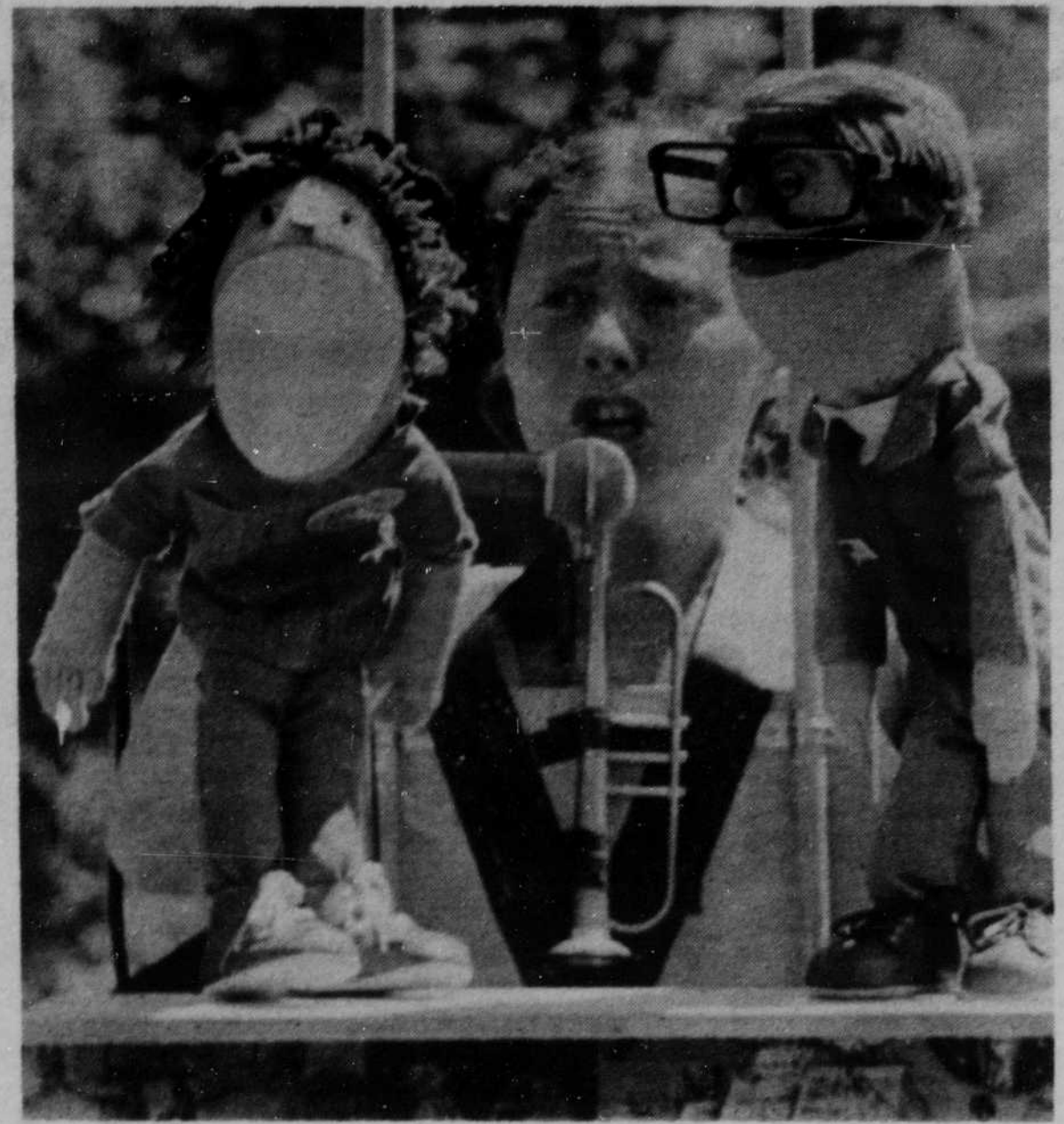


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Puppets, people MAD at draft

Two puppets made their point Saturday at a Mobilization Against the Draft (MAD) rally. They were joined by such disparate draft foes as County Commissioner Jerry Rust, performers from the Oregon Repertory Theatre, and Tony Sardini and the Waste Band. The University Veterans Association and the Coalition Opposed to Registration and the Draft, co-sponsors of MAD Day, estimate about 500 attended workshops and presentations during the two-day event.

Two juniors share honors at ceremony

Repeating what could become a tradition after two consecutive years of Gerlinger Cup co-winners, two juniors shared the honor again at a Saturday awards brunch.

Lisa Barnhardt, a political science major and 1978-79 ASUO vice president for administration and finance, and Anna Brossard, an Honors College marketing major and student manager of Hamilton Hall, received the cup for outstanding scholarship, leadership and service to the University and community.

Kevin Chambers, a current member of the Incidental Fee Committee and an ASUO vice president for the coming year, received the Maurice Harold Hunter Leadership award, a full-tuition scholarship awarded annually to an outstanding junior man.

Another annual award for junior men went to David Lofts, an accounting student and varsity wrestler. Lofts, president of his Theta Chi fraternity, received the Koyl Cup for leadership, scholarship and service.

Valerie Fong, co-chairer of the University YWCA received an "outstanding senior woman" award from the American Association of University Women.

Two University athletic standouts, distance-runner Rudy Chapa and sprinter Melanie Batiste, were also honored Saturday with special awards. Chapa, a junior from Hammond, Indiana, received the Emerald award. Batiste, a second-year physical education student from Portland, won the Higdon Memorial Trophy.

The awards are made annually, with selection based on student and faculty nominations. A committee of faculty, staff and previous award winners make their selections with emphasis on leadership, scholarship and service.

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