

Saturday set to thank donors to University

More than 400 of the University's major financial supporters have been invited to attend the annual President's Associates Day Saturday.

Following morning seminars and afternoon campus tours, the President's Associates will meet for dinner at the new Eugene Conference Center.

"This is our opportunity to say 'thank you' to the University's major donors and to give them a unique insight into the resources available on our campus," says Hope Pressman, director of special programs at the University Foundation.

Subjects for the morning seminars include new business management techniques, the brain and the computer, theater and reality, and the politics regarding the world's oceans.

The small group seminars are intended to offer a continuing education opportunity to the University's supporters, Pressman says.

After a luncheon in the EMU, participants may choose between attending the University-OSU track meet at Hayward Field, touring the art museum or natural history museum, or going on a guided nature walk around campus.

Membership in the President's Associates is extended to all alumni and friends of the University who give at least \$5,000 or pledge a similar amount.

Should governor pick justice?

By Barbara Morgan
Of the Emerald

Ballot Measure 5 asks the state's voters to decide who will name the Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court. The choice is between the members of the court (who have made previous selections) or the governor.

The argument by proponents of the May 18 ballot measure is that the court reform package adopted by the state Legislature consolidates the state courts under the administration of the chief justice — rather than the entire supreme court and a court administrator. The governor is the best judge of an administrator, proponents argue.

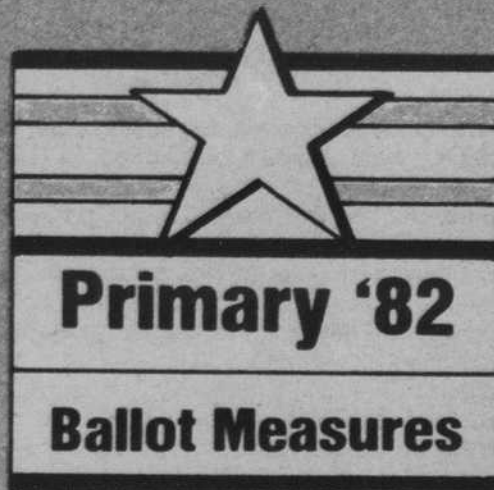
Barnes Ellis, an attorney and member of the committee that researched and presented the court reform proposal to the Legislature, says the chief justice will be dealing with budgets in excess of \$100 million. The chief justice's challenge will be administration, Ellis says.

The governor appoints administrators for all major state agencies, he says, adding that the governor is used to making those selections and knows what to look for.

The main reason for having a vote on the measure is to decide which selection method will result in a chief justice of the best administrative ability, Ellis says. The second consideration is political

Measure five decides

accountability. Gubernatorial appointment is the best way to go on both counts, Ellis says.



Graphic by Scott Rash

Hans Linde, an associate justice on the state supreme court, strongly disagrees. "It is a bad measure and ought to be defeated," he says. The members of the court are best qualified to name the chief justice, especially since that person will now be saddled with administrative responsibilities, Linde says. Court members also have a

greater stake in seeing that the right choice is made.

"We have to live with it," he says. The chief justice will be able to spend only about two-thirds of his time writing opinions, Linde says. If the members of the court choose the chief justice, they won't pick someone who is exceptionally good at opinion writing, he adds.

The office may become "politicized" if the governor makes the appointment, Linde says. Although the initial appointment would not be made for political reasons, if a chief justice wants a second term under a different governor, the office may become a political issue, he says.

State Sen. Ted Kulongoski, D-Junction City, says he questions the constitutionality of the proposal. The measure violates the separation of powers among the legislative, judicial and executive branches and is a "risk to our system of government," he says.

Gubernatorial appointment of the chief justice would have to be provided for by an amendment to the state constitution, as it has been in other states, Kulongoski adds.

Kulongoski opposes using the chief justice as an administrator.

"The chief justice is still primarily a jurist. To look at him as an administrator and forget his role as a jurist is wrong."

Pres. Reagan may testify

Jury selection commences in Hinckley trial

WASHINGTON (AP) — Surrounded by U.S. marshals and wearing a bulletproof vest, John W. Hinckley Jr. went on trial Tuesday for attempting to assassinate President Reagan.

As jury selection began, the government's chief prosecutor indicated that Reagan, himself, may be called to testify.

"There will be testimony about him or you will hear testimony from him," said Assistant U.S. Attorney Roger M. Adelman. "I will leave it at that."

Judge Barrington D. Parker said he was looking for a jury that is "free of bias, free of prejudice, free of opinion." To that end, he questioned prospective members closely.

Twelve jurors and six alternates will be chosen in a process that

may take the rest of the week. A 90-member panel was called for the initial screening process.

After the midday recess, with none of the panelists yet excused, the judge asked: "How many have not heard or read anything about this case?"

Not a single hand went up. Parker then began summoning the jurors to the bench.

Meanwhile, the government filed a statement with the court that it intends to introduce as evidence a videotape that shows Hinckley in a crowd about six feet from then-President Carter in Dayton, Ohio, on Oct. 2, 1980.

The statement also said that "numerous books, magazines and newspaper articles relating to earlier assassinations" were found in Hinckley's home in Ever-

green, Colo., and that there was a photograph of the defendant in front of Ford's Theater in Washington where Abraham Lincoln was shot.

The government paper drew no conclusions from the material. Sources have said previously that there was "no hard evidence" Hinckley had stalked public figures.

At the opening of the trial, Parker introduced Hinckley to the panel. The boyish-looking defendant stood, expressionless, facing the sea of people. He wore

a tan suit, white shirt, and dark brown tie. The bulletproof vest showed beneath his jacket.

Otherwise, Hinckley was an unobtrusive presence in the crowded courtroom. A U.S. marshal sat behind him, back-to-back.

Two other marshals flanked the pale, blond defendant. At least a dozen more stood around the

courtroom.


Hinckley, who will be 27 on May 29, is charged with attempting to assassinate the president and 12 other felony counts. He has conceded he did the shooting but claims he is innocent by reason of insanity.

He sat next to chief defense counsel Vincent J. Fuller but rarely spoke to him.

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