

It's a three-way race in Dist. 40

By Mike Anderson

Three candidates who span the political spectrum are vying for the District 40 Representative's seat.

Democrat Carl Hosticka, assistant professor of Public Affairs at the University, Republican Robert O'Reilly, management and industrial analyst, and Citizens Party member Laurel Paulson, financial aid officer at Lane Community College, are involved in the three-way race.

On the issue of higher education all three candidates have voiced their support.

"We're going to have to continue our commitment to higher education if we are going to have new industry and business," Hosticka says.

To ensure funding for higher education, Hosticka will fight for the tax plan proposed by Margie Hendriksen. This involves the state making its corporate and income tax more progressive to utilize revenue made available

Oregon's selling power relies on the education of its labor force, Paulson says, but she also believes higher education is necessary for social and occupational equality of women and minorities.

The candidates differ greatly in their ideas for economic recovery.



Carl Hosticka

Attracting huge corporations to Oregon is not appropriate for Oregon's economic recovery, Paulson says.

Oregon needs to capitalize on its innovative leadership, she says. "We can't sell Oregon short."

Paulson favors eliminating tax loopholes for large corporations. "These large corporations are taking advantage of hard times," she says.

She believes that Oregon's future lies in its small businesses and farms.

Hosticka agrees that development and expansion of local industry is the best route for economic recovery, citing Oregon's resources, people and knowledge as its strength.

While the government must assist in making opportunities for recovery available, its up to the private sector to take advantage of these, Hosticka said.

Development of environmentally safe technologies and a tourist industry are needed in Oregon.

The LCDC is an asset to the state, Hosticka says. If it were abolished, litigation concerning

land use would leave Oregon in a "chaotic state," he believes.

Hosticka also emphasizes his commitment to civil rights, and labor issues.

Paulson sees a need for prison reform and preservation of civil rights and women's rights.

Both Hosticka and Paulson support the nuclear freeze initiative, while O'Reilly believes that the plan won't work.

"Everybody would like to see it happen, but we can't convince the Soviets to do anything they don't want to do."



Laurel Paulson

by the federal tax cuts as well as maintaining current property tax levels.

O'Reilly says an educated labor force is necessary for economic recovery and has proposed a new school tax to ensure support for education.

Property tax payers cannot continue to support the school system, O'Reilly says, and a new tax collection by the state as a percentage of income will enable all citizens to pay their share, he said.

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OVERTURN THE CONVICTION OF THE YELLOW RIBBON BURNERS

To the Oregon Court of Appeals:

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, ARE OUTRAGED OVER THE CONVICTION OF NANCY WHITLEY AND JOHN KAISER ON THE CHARGE OF FIRST DEGREE ARSON FOR THE "CRIME" OF BURNING A YELLOW RIBBON. WE SUPPORT THE APPEAL TO OVERTURN THE CONVICTION FILED ON AUG. 10, 1982. WE DEMAND THAT THE SWORD HANGING OVER THEM--THE SENTENCE OF 10 DAYS AND PAYMENT OF COURT COSTS OF OVER \$8,000, AS WELL AS THE THREAT OF THE ADDITIONAL SENTENCE OF 20 YEARS PLUS \$2,500 FINE IF THEY ARE ARRESTED AGAIN DURING A TWO YEAR PROBATION--BE REMOVED ONCE AND FOR ALL.

The Demonstration

The two members of the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade (youth group of the Revolutionary Communist Party, USA) burned a yellow ribbon as part of the demonstration at the speech by ex-hostage and Chief Political Officer of the US Embassy in Tehran, Victor Tomseth. The speech was at the U of O on February 9, 1981, during the height of the yellow ribbon hoopla. The action was carried out in solidarity with the Iranian people, and in opposition to the hostage hysteria and its whitewash of the past crimes and the possible future plans of the US government in Iran.

The Prosecution

The State has maintained that this is a strictly criminal matter without a taint of political motivation and has gone to great lengths to portray it as such, and to push through this blatant railroad.

The Judge ruled "out of order" and "hearsay" the video footage carrying Victor Tomseth's statement in reaction to the ribbon burning in front of him: "This exercise of free speech and action only serves to remind me that I am back in the United States of America."

The Judge ruled that the yellow ribbon was "valuable property" making possible the use of the felony arson statute, routinely used for burning buildings. This was also done by arguing that the yellow ribbon, or "rag" as the D.A. often called it, had "value in use".

In a clear move to raise the spectre of "terrorism" the D.A. questioned Kaiser about violent revolution and whether he was "stockpiling arms" and then announced the existence of evidence contradicting the defendant. With the jury excused, he produced photos gathered through a search for evidence for a spraypainting charge that has never been filed. The photos were staged and composed by dragging a .22 hunting rifle and a shotgun out of the closet and criss-crossing them over a copy of the Revolutionary Worker, newspaper of the RCP, USA. The pictures were ruled out of order with the Judge stating, "The Party is not on trial here, at least not today".

In a comment by Prosecutor Frank Papagni, the underlying reason can be seen for the desperate effort by the State to secure and maintain an 'arson' conviction, no matter how flimsy, in a case he described as "the most expensive disorderly conduct case" he had ever prosecuted: "If it serves no other purpose than to prevent people from doing it in the future, it's worth it." This severe conviction is clearly intended as a message of warning to all those who dare to oppose the "national unity" and blind loyalty for the US government's crimes against the people of the world.

As part of the atmosphere, the arson conviction is an attempt to establish political and legal precedents to justify, through the time-worn cover of "anti-terrorism", further attacks on dissident individuals and organizations, in this case the RCP, USA and its supporters.

THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME WE HAVE SEEN SUCH ATTACKS BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. WE WILL NOT TOLERATE THIS OUTRAGEOUS AND BLATANT ACT OF POLITICAL REPRESSION. IT IS TO US THAT THE COURT MUST ANSWER SHOULD THE CONVICTION BE ALLOWED TO STAND. OVERTURN THE CONVICTION! FREE THE YELLOW RIBBON BURNERS!

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Call 686-5109, 3-5 p.m.

Committee to Free the Yellow Ribbon Burners

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Blockade flagship 'Pacific Peacemaker'
Iranian Student Association (SETAD), USA
Laurel Paulson, Citizens Party candidate Legis. Dist. 40
and Vice Chairperson Bd. of Dir. of Sponsors Inc.
(prisoner support group)*
9 Arab Students
John Fry & Carol Alice, Editors Frying Pan Publ.
Mr. & Mrs. Shat Tekin from Turkey
George Kokis, Professor of Art
18 people at Punk concert
Robert & Ian Belvin, Evangelicals for Peace*
T. C. Borelli, formerly of SDS in California
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Victoria Plaisted, community activist
Patty Hart, punk singer
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Sharon Claessens, GTF Anthropology
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5 students from Iran
William & Carole Stirling
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Michael McCarthy, editor of underground highschool newspaper in the 60's
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