

# Strolling through campus on 'People Street'

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Two weeks ago, student activists painted a graph on 13th Avenue to represent defense budget spending.

In 1970, they barricaded 13th Avenue with planters to eliminate vehicle use, petitioning to rename it "People Street."

front of the bookstore, a duck pond next to Gilbert Hall, and on the front of the Computing Center building, a waterfall that only flows when it rains.

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## 'That's what I know from Germany and Italy — outside cafes — and it works' — Gerhard Hegelmann

Today, one University architecture student wants to bring People Street back from the pages of history.

Gerhard Hegelmann, attending the University as a Fulbright scholar from Kassel, Germany, redesigned the bookstore area as a campus people-gathering place. The project earned him first place in a recent campus design project sponsored by the architecture school.

For the Kincaid Street and 13th Avenue campus entrance, Hegelmann designed a circular bench and planter with an inscription of the words, "People Street," in the brick base.

His redesign includes street cafes in front of Fall Creek Bakery, The Kona Cafe and Guido's, plenty of benches in

Gilbert Hall's courtyard around a Magnolia theme.

He disagrees with a master plan submitted by Ron Lovinger, architecture professor, which suggests the business school annex be connected to the west side of Gilbert Hall.

Hegelmann says that space should be preserved as a campus gathering area.

Another architecture graduate student, who tied for the first place position, designed a plan that could easily be integrated into Hegelmann's.

Daniel Sponn wants the campus to become an arboretum.

Sponn's project suggests historical markers near the fir trees which line the Dady Hall sidewalk and a campus plant guide for visitors.

"This campus already is an ar-

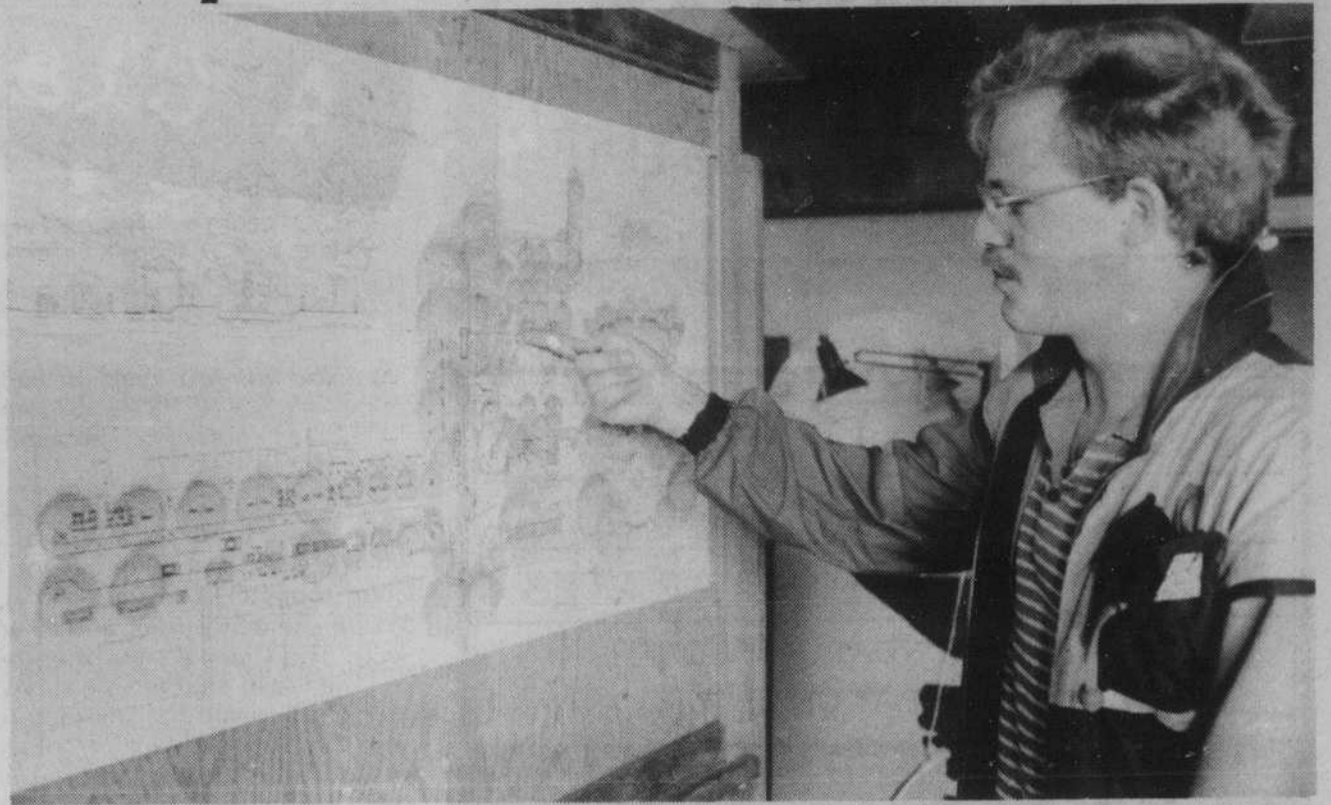


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Gerhard Hegelmann, an architecture student studying at the University on a Fulbright scholarship, won the a design contest with his plan to revamp 13th Avenue.

boretum. It's used all the time by students in terms of identification," Sponn says.

Since 1976, 300 trees have been planted on campus, and in 10 years the campus will have a new character, Sponn says.

"One of the reasons people were attracted to this idea is because it's so practical," he says. "It seems like it should have been done before."

Sponn envisions the University arboretum to be better than the existing one at the University of Washington, which is located as a separate park off campus.

In addition to his campus arboretum designs, Sponn developed plans for the Amazon Housing facelift. The first phase of the project would begin before fall term, he says.

Phase one includes planting smaller flowering trees in the front yards, fruit trees in the garden areas, groves of trees and wildflower meadows and picnic tables and new paths.

As far as Hegelmann's People Street plan becoming a reality, Campus Planner David Rowe, who looked at the project says it has both possibilities and problems.

# At 77 she's finally getting her doctorate degree

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For Aganetha Toews, a 77-year-old graduate student receiving her doctorate degree in comparative literature, it has been a dream long deferred.

When she accepts her doctoral degree in comparative literature, Aganetha Toews may recall all those 7 a.m. bus trips from Salem, her husband's constant encouragement despite two strokes, those "all night" papers due the next day. But for the 77-year-old graduate, the diploma will be "a gift, a second chance."

When asked why she decided to get her doctorate at age 77, Toews said. "It was my husband's fault."

Anyway, in 1962 she wanted to get her doctorate at the University, but her late husband was ill at that time so she decided to go to Monmouth. "I had buried that dream," she said. But in 1979, after she had been married a year to her second husband, Gearhard Toews, he said "I want you to go to the U of O to get your doctorate." She remembers saying, "What? Me? NOW?"

She's been interested in education for her whole life, and has been teaching about 48 years, the last 31 at the Salem Academy, a parochial school. She was teaching English, French and German.

She says since she is a teacher ("when you're teaching you're always studying") she had no difficulty getting back into the college studying habit. "I like to study. You never learn more than when you teach," she said. "It's very difficult, rewarding work."

In her dissertation, "The Great Code in Sixth Century European Novels" she compares novels in three languages: two in French, two in German and two in English. And she reads it in the original, too, not translations. "I prefer to labor through a book" in the original language than getting the information second hand through a translation, she said. Bible knowledge made

it easier. She had taught and studied the bible earlier.

She completed a 7-year program in 4-years. She completed her 3-year dissertation in a year. "I'm not sorry I did that. I was so afraid something would happen to us healthwise."

Concern was real because husband had two strokes in a year and a half and she had pneumonia and eye surgery during the four years she was in school. After his recent stroke, her husband couldn't speak or remember who she was. During his 24 day hospital stay, Toews said she would be at the hospital for 10 hours a day. She had felt she would have to quit school, "I thought I've had it." But he would say, "Where are your books? Why aren't you studying? What are you doing just sitting here?"

Financially, Toews said they lived off their own money and did not take out any loans. Social Security helped. The total cost of her four year education was about \$30,000. "We know how to live not too expensively." For a graduation present, Toews said her husband bought her a car with a license plate that says HRD. "This was hard work. The most challenging and worthwhile work I had ever done."

Exercise wise, both of them are amazing. Gerhard can do 260 pushups a day and Aganetha does about 1,000 jumps per day. "You need to do exercise that gets your heart pumping and increase your breathing," Toews said.

"Now that I'm through with this, I think I'll study Russian, the language of my grandparents," Toews said. She wants to go back to Canada, Manitoba, and teach a college term up there. She is also writing a history of Salem Academy which they will publish.


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