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Hendriksen blasts president, Hatfield

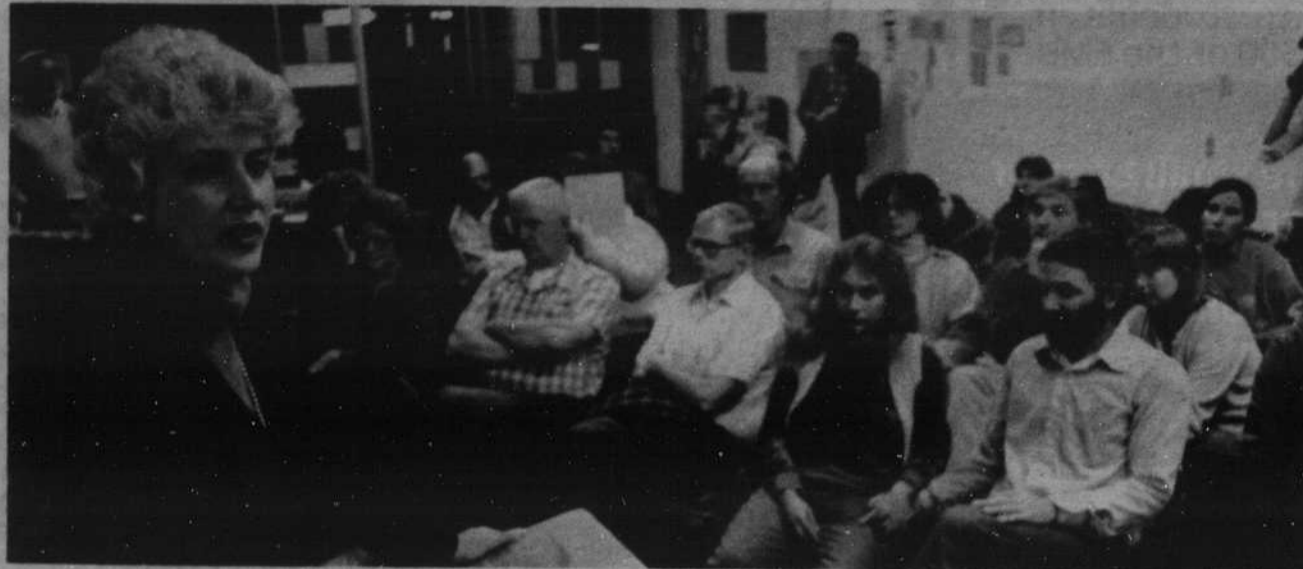
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Of the Emerald

State Sen. Margie Hendriksen used the opening of a Eugene job center Monday as an opportunity to blast the Reagan administration and U.S. Sen. Mark Hatfield, her Republican opponent in the race for the U.S. Senate seat.

Hendriksen discussed the future of jobs in Oregon at the open house for the Lane County Unemployment Project on Monday night. She told an audience of about 50 that the best way to ensure employment for Oregonians was to "vote a straight Democratic ticket."

She accused the administration of inducing a recession while also cutting the "safety net" of social services.

"This creates a labor force that is desperate, will take lower pay and accept poor working conditions," she said. "And labor busting will become easier."



State Sen. Margie Hendriksen discussed Oregon's employment future and blasted current policies and leadership at a job center open house Monday night.

Photo by Michael Clapp

The Reagan administration opposes full employment and wants to keep the unemployment rate from becoming "too low" in order to maintain a "disciplined" work force, she

said. Hendriksen also attacked Hatfield's votes for cuts in Medicare, Social Security and unemployment benefits, as well as his vote of confidence for

former Secretary of the Interior James Watt.

"I have asked Sen. Hatfield to come and debate me," she said. "I was hoping he would be able to come and explain why he did

those things."

Digressing from purely partisan politics, Hendriksen said she believed the basis for employment in Oregon would continue to be natural resources, especially timber.

"High tech... isn't going to be the answer," she said. "Most are minimum wage jobs or just over minimum wage."

Oregon should exploit the international lumber shortage, Hendriksen said, but that lumber should be milled in Oregon and not exported as raw logs. But she also asserted that the timber industry will continue to be in trouble as long as the huge federal deficit keeps interest rates high.

High interest rates have forced the exchange rate of the dollar up in comparison to other currencies, which has given Canada a competitive advantage in exporting its lumber.

SUAB survives changes

By Julie Shippen
Of the Emerald

While the beginning of the term finds the 1984-85 Student University Affairs Board lacking in committee representatives, SUAB officials are expecting this year's efforts to be highly successful.

Vice chair Jeff Pennington attributes this confidence to the working relationship of the board's members, the majority of whom were recently hired.

"SUAB is very much on its feet," Pennington says. "We're making strong efforts to make this a very cohesive group. I think we'll have the strongest year we've ever seen."

What the board may lack in experience, Pennington and SUAB chair Sara Tenney say it makes up for in enthusiasm.

"I've never seen more of an eagerness to try to work together as I have this year," he says. "We may not have the continuity, but we still have the contacts."



Jeff Pennington

University Senate Vice Pres. Larry Sebring is the sole SUAB member to return to the office this year, making the other 12 representatives new to the organization, Pennington says.

After hiring five additional people, who Pennington hopes will be found within the next week, the board will be complete, with the 18 members representing all University departments.

"We have an entirely new board this year," he says. Several vacancies were created by members who either finished their degrees during the summer or who simply resigned for "bigger and better" opportunities, he says.

Because many of these members had served only the first half of their position's two-year period, SUAB found itself with a staff shortage entirely unexpected at this time of year.

"Ideally there are nine positions opening in the fall," Pennington explains. "People would run for these positions and then they would graduate... without giving notice that they were leaving. The procedures weren't very clear."

Among SUAB's functions is student representation at University Senate and Assembly meetings, Tenney says.

"We represent the student voice in the Assembly," she says. "Student input is very important."

But Tenney and Pennington have discovered not everyone fully supports this philosophy.

"There is a small number of faculty that was trying to decrease student representation," Tenney says.

The University Task Force on



Sarah Tenney

Governance, which was created last year, wanted to decrease the number of student representatives in order to make the Senate "more effective," Pennington says. "Of course we were adamantly opposed to that."

Another example of SUAB's role is handling students' grievances, particularly those concerning "Dead Week" policies, Pennington says. As a result of SUAB's efforts, certain limitations to exam-taking during the week prior to finals week were added to the University guidelines.

Pennington says the board will be working on voter registration drives and increasing the participation of student groups in the Legislature.

Students interested in joining SUAB are encouraged to apply at the office located in EMU.

Deadline for application is Oct. 3. For more information, contact Pennington or Tenney at 686-3720.



Bantu art to feed the hungry

Sunny skies and relaxation prevailed on the University's first day of classes Monday, and Tekeba Bantu Davis took advantage of the laid-back atmosphere to sell Bantu philosophy posters by Third World artists in the quadrangle between Chapman and Condon halls. Davis said that he saw the symbol pictured on the poster as "sort of the peace symbol of the 80s."

The poster sales represent Davis' efforts at "banding together for the benefit of mankind." Ten percent of the proceeds from poster sales will be used to help feed people in Third World countries, he said.

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