

Seminar stresses solar energy

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Even in the Willamette Valley solar power can be a workable alternative to conventional energy sources. A four-part lecture series at the University will present the hows and whys of solar energy.

Solar Seminar is sponsored by the Solar Energy Center as part of its on-going project to educate the public about the use of solar, wind and geothermal energy, says Lane Allen, coordinator of the series.

The first lecture in this series, "Alternate Energy Systems for the Model City," occurs tonight at 7:30 in Room 177 Lawrence Hall. It will feature John Conroy, director of planning and construction at McKenzie-Willamette Memorial Hospital.

Conroy's lecture will focus on the model city project of Palm Springs, Calif., on which he also worked. He will discuss how that city's incorporation of solar technology can be

adapted to Oregon communities.

Dan Merkle, a designer and builder with Sunworks a solar company in Portland, will lecture Jan. 23 in Room 283 Lawrence Hall on the applications of photovoltaics. Photovoltaics involves the use of silicon cells to convert radiant heat into electricity.

John Fregonese, a city planner from Ashland, will present "Solar Access: Your Legal Rights to the Sun" on Feb. 7 in Room 283 Lawrence Hall. Fregonese, one of the originators of Ashland's solar access ordinances, will show how the program was implemented and how it has succeeded.

George Tsongas and Steve Baker will present an overview of tools for residential and light commercial buildings on Feb. 27 in Room 283 Lawrence Hall.

All lectures begin at 7:30 p.m. and are free and open to the public. For more information call 686-3696.

departments update

Workshop set

The University will stage a two-week workshop this summer entitled the Oregon Science and Mathematics Institute for Teaching Excellence.

Prof. David Sokoloff, the University physicist in charge of the National Science Foundation-funded institute, says nominations of up to 60 junior and senior high school

science or mathematics teachers will be accepted until Feb. 15.

Honors

Prof. Jerry Medler, political science, received a contract by the Division of Corrections to conduct a state-wide evaluation of the Oregon Community Corrections Act.

Prof. John Orbell, political science, was elected to a two-

year term on the editorial board of American Political Science Review, which publishes the American Political Science Review magazine.

Prof. Harmon Ziegler, political science department head, recently published a book, "City Managers and School Superintendents."

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Spikes

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"Congress looked at the area and put aside for wilderness 8,542 acres in the Middle Santiam area. That includes a huge mass of very dense biological acreage," Morris said.

The letters from the group claiming responsibility for the spiking were composed of words and letters of different sizes and types and apparently pasted together.

The letter said: "As the destruction of old growth timber on the public land continues, so will the spiking of forests slated for clearcutting."

"You'll find that Sale Unit 8 of the Pyramid Creek timber sale has been spiked with 50 lbs. of 20 penny spikes over the level which would endanger

loggers.

"This is just an example. The spiking of other sale units may not be as easy to detect. Have fun looking."

The letter was signed "the Bonnie Abbzug Feminist Garden Club."

Abbzug is a character in Edward Abbey's "The Monkey Wrench Gang," a book about environmentalists who use sabotage to achieve their goals.

Last October, a group calling itself "The Hardesty Avengers" spiked trees in the Lowell Ranger District Hardesty Mountain roadless area.

The Forest Service is offering a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction

of the spikers. Another \$4,000 has been added to the pot from industry contributions.

The area could be especially dangerous for loggers if the spikers skied into the area and drove the nails while standing at the present snow level, Mason said.

Corrections

An article in Monday's Oregon Daily Emerald referred to the "Oregon's 65th legislative session." It is actually the 63rd legislative session.

An article in Tuesday's Emerald said that Incidental Fee

Committee member Adam Apalategui has announced his candidacy for ASUO president. He has not.

The Emerald apologizes for any misunderstanding these errors may have caused.

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