

AG's decision is a loss for Oregonians

Oregon voters lost a fine gubernatorial candidate Saturday when state Attorney General Dave Frohnmayer announced he would not run for governor in 1986. Frohnmayer, a Rhodes scholar and former University law-school professor, unexpectedly withdrew his name from speculation because his 12-year-old daughter Kirsten is suffering from a rare bone-marrow disease.

Frohnmayer, who has served as attorney general since 1980, represented south Eugene's District 40 as a Republican state representative between 1975 and 1980. During his five-year stint as the state's highest law enforcement official, he often has demonstrated a unique ability to set aside partisan politics and judge state legal matters within the context of the Oregon Constitution.

Although his withdrawal from the race shocked many of the state's political leaders, there still remains a number of fine potential candidates for next year's gubernatorial race.

Former Secretary of State Norma Paulus is considered now to be the front runner for the Republican Party nomination. Paulus, who served in the Legislature from 1971 through 1977, developed a reputation as a solid administrator who was dedicated to election law reform.

Former Portland Mayor Neil Goldschmidt, a former ASUO president, is often mentioned as the leading Democratic candidate for governor. Goldschmidt, who has been working for Nike since 1981, was secretary of transportation during ex-President Jimmy Carter's last two years in office. He received rave reviews from both Democrats and Republicans, as a solid department administrator, who pushed for creative transportation programs. During recent weeks Goldschmidt has been touring the state in order to determine whether he should run in 1986.

Frohnmayer's withdrawal is a loss for all Oregonians. But during such a narcissistic era as the Reagan years, it is refreshing to know there are people such as Frohnmayer who place the needs of their family above individual career goals.

We wish Kirsten and the rest of the Frohnmayer family the best of luck as they battle to defeat her illness.

SURC deserves applause for new graduation plan

The director of community services for the Student University Relations Council should be congratulated for her plan to bring students closer to their graduation ceremony. Mary Hudzikiewicz has developed a plan whereby students, who graduate in June, will attend a ceremony at their individual department following the major graduation ceremony at Hayward Field.

In the past, students have sat through the ceremony "en masse," as a variety of University officials and well-wishers honored the degree recipients. But rather than being recognized individually, these graduates could only stand up as a group as their department's name was called from the speakers' platform.

Hudzikiewicz's plan will informalize the ceremony, as well as give the graduates and their guests a greater opportunity to enjoy the occasion. Our only fear is that University departments will not develop a plan that will adequately deal with the massive amounts of traffic that will be created by graduates and their guests. If not managed properly, the new graduation plan could become both tiresome and expensive. But for now, we approve of the new plan and see it as an example of improved student-University relations.



"OK, SIR! - I GAVE THEM BACK THEIR COFFEE TOOK BACK OUR SUGAR, AND AS SOON AS YOU'RE DONE SETTING UP THAT FLAG WE CAN GET OUT OF HERE!"

Letters

Write

My name is Larry Neal, I am a Chemeketa College student at Oregon State Prison.

I am working on a special interest anthropology project in cultural exchange processes with international counterpart groups. I would like to have any data published in your paper, requesting correspondence of international students, and American students interested in international cultural exchange processes.

Our project is to develop reciprocal exchange visits, sponsored and hosted stays of international folk arts practitioners and students.

Our Korean divisional director is: Miss Lee Mi-sook/375 Namha I-Dong, Hayang-eup/Kyong San-gun, Kyongbuk 632-17 Korea.

She would like to receive correspondence for Americans, International students, Asian American, and Korean National students, to make new friends and to prepare for hers, and other of her groups' exchange studies programs at your college.

She will answer all letters received, and would like to receive photos of correspondents, their arts and crafts creations, and pictures of your school and area. Thank you for any assistance.

Larry Neal
Salem

Wake up

The rally against apartheid was a great event for the University. Me and many others learned a lot.

The inhumane activities of the South African government cannot be tolerated any longer.

I strongly believe that divestment of American companies is a key to stopping apartheid.

As University President Paul Olum said "so what" if the companies will be hurt and will have to struggle. We should be on the side of the injured.

Life is a struggle, and the blacks of South Africa have struggled long and hard.

When they struggle they risk their lives; shot dead for raising a fist.

The fact that there is one doctor for every 100 whites, while there is only one doctor for every 93,000 blacks is insane!

Furthermore, blacks make 22 cents for every dollar earned by a white. How the hell can this be justified?

We can no longer turn our backs and say we don't know about it. It is happening and we know it. We must do something to stop it. It won't end over night; it will be a long and hard battle, but it starts here, with us the students.

We are being heard and others will join us, and we must keep going until the people of America and our nerd president are all in the fight for freedom of South Africa!

P.S. I got a \$40 ticket for "improper horn use" after I drove by the Federal Building, honked my horn and shouted "Free South Africa!"

Julie Nye
Eugene

Ouch

A time is coming when women will not be made to feel as objects, when a woman's self perception will not be based upon man induced expectations as to her subservience to the "strong gender."

Imminent is the condition when women will not be driven by the expectations of others to camouflage their faces with oils, to think, speak, act and dress in roles prescribed by men.

Instead, there will be a condition where women and men free themselves of the fetters of societal expectations, to walk as free individuals living in mutual respect and admiration.

Enough of women feeling as though their worth is always in terms of men.

A few weeks ago Heaven's Gate tavern in Springfield began sponsorship of wet T-shirt events in which women stand on stage before an audience of men and are doused with water until their metamorphosis into objects is complete, as men are exposed as the animals they unknowingly are.

Are we so normalized to this event that we cannot see it for what it promotes?

Can we not understand that once again by our inaction we stand as mute participants to an act that states plainly that women are to be judged according to their form, not their person?

And who judges? Women are coerced every day into being other than what they truly are. The message is the same, and so is the reward.

Please come to Heavens Gate tonight at 9 p.m. to help us protest against the degradation of human beings.

Mark Lakeman
Architecture

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