

Letters

Time for peace

This year's Nobel Peace Prize will be awarded to a group of physicians for spreading a simple but vital message: nuclear war is the greatest threat to health and life. Modern medicine has neither help, nor a cure for atomic war victims. The only sensible medical response is prevention. Prevention can be achieved by controlling and finally eliminating the risk.

The doctors have spelled out their prescription for survival in the nuclear age and recommend as immediate action:

1. A stop to all nuclear weapons tests through a comprehensive test ban treaty.
2. The United States' participation in the Soviet moratorium on nuclear weapons testing before it expires at the end of 1985.
3. Meaningful negotiations for peace and arms reductions at the Geneva summit in November. President Reagan needs a lot of encouragement!
4. No extension of the arms race to outer space and stars. We physicians and a majority of scientists see the "Star Wars" program as an expensive, unworkable dream. It will not buy greater security despite the ruinous price tag.

Many members of the local Physicians for Social Responsibility local chapter, and members of the national branch of the Nobel Laureate organization IPPNW, support these prescriptions for survival. We urge everyone to make their concern known to President Reagan and their elected officials in the next crucial three weeks.

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Lane County chapter

Poetic Space

I was surprised and delighted to find a photograph of my friend and co-worker, Joan Dobbie, in the Emerald's fall orientation issue. I was, however, disappointed that Dobbie's name did not appear under the photograph, which was accompanied by an article about Cafe WOW and Poetic Space magazine, both outlets for

"obscure artists who might otherwise remain silent and unseen."

One reason Eugene writers sometimes remain obscure (if not unseen) is that journalists do not always take the care to identify them in photographs, or for that matter, give them the credit they truly deserve. Not only has Dobbie volunteered many long hours as a co-editor for Poetic Space — a magazine that promotes both locally and nationally-known writers, but she is also a fine poet herself. Here are the first three stanzas of a poem from her book: "A Trip Through Mother Kali's Zoological Garden:"

The Anniversary of
Hiroshima
August 6, 1983

more floating than walking
ghostlike with hands
outstretched
we offer our candles
each in its own paper boat
to the water

it's the Japanese ritual
of remembering
we form an endless
pale yellow procession
encircling the still pond
with soft fire

they say that each small flame
holds the spirit of one lost
that day — 38 years past

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Dobbie

Also, Poetic Space's address was incorrectly printed in the Emerald. The correct address is 1048 E. 25th, Eugene, OR 97405.

Lee Evans
Co-editor of Poetic Space
English/Fine Arts

Incompetence

Could incompetent instruction hurt a student physically? Yes, if you are on the Tae Kwon Do team. I found this out when my nose was broken in this club sport activity. I hold a first degree black belt in this martial art, therefore I am experienced with the technical aspects of this sport. I believe that my nose was broken due to the negligence of the instructor. Had he been competent in teaching, he would not have let my opponent use full-contact kicking, or if he did permit full contact, he should have never

done so without supplying us with pads. After my nose was broken, the instructor never came over to see me to see if I was all right, or if he could get me ice or a towel. As a result of this incident, I have dropped my Tae Kwon Do class and the club sport. In the future I would hope that the physical education department might come up with a better screening process when hiring instructors. I found out the hard way that incompetent instruction can be very painful.

David Boyd
Student

Decide yourself

It's a shame that nothing can be done on this campus without being attacked from a political standpoint, as is the case with the Cultural Forum's film series. I do want to thank Louise Westling for bringing to my attention that several of the films deal ruthlessly with war and violence. However, we all need to realize that every coin has two sides. Perhaps "Rambo" should not be shown due to its violence and possible psychological linkages, but I need not remind anyone of its box-office success.

I would like to mention that the Cultural Forum will present both sides of the "Rambo" coin. Denis Chericone will give a lecture entitled "The Morality of War, Coming Home to Rambo." However, if those of you who plan to protest "Rambo" on Friday deny yourself the opportunity to see the film, then you have no basis to pass judgment on it.

So I pose an alternative. Go see "Rambo" on Friday night. Then go see Mr. Chericone speak on Monday. Make up your mind, but don't keep your ideologies so constrained as to jump ignorantly into an issue which you can only support on the basis of hearsay.

In the future, let's remember that constructive criticism allows each of us to learn from our mistakes, but as witnessed during Reagan's attacks on Italy's actions in the Achille Lauro incident, destructive criticism is an assured way of making enemies.

Darryl Joannides
Contemporary Issues
Coordinator
EMU Cultural Forum

Cut the noise!

What a great weekend to study! Oct. 19 and 20 were wet and windy days, so I had no distractions from my studying — or so I thought.

The main library was my destination. I've discovered the third floor is fairly quiet with the only noise being footsteps and paper-shuffling. Not so on Saturday. Crackling candy wrappers, noisy gum chewers, chatterers, etc. bothered me so much, I had to move. On Sunday, I got even luckier — more talkers and even a "walkman" radio. There is nothing like trying to read economics to the beat of "Glory Days."

Aren't libraries supposed to be quiet?

Kathy Lee
Psychology

Open your eyes

It seems as though Ms. Miller feels people who are Jewish (or partly Jewish, like myself) should owe their first loyalty to Israel regardless of their citizenship.

There is an implied siege mentality here which is dangerously narrow-minded. Israel was founded to protect Jews from persecution. However, Miller seems oblivious to Israeli international conduct which could make anti-Semitism a cottage industry again.

I very strongly suggest that Miller open her eyes a bit. Personal attacks on myself will not save her (or my) neck if old style anti-Semitism is resurrected due to a new oil embargo triggered by new, improved Israeli disregard of international law.

Andrew Beckwith
Graduate, Physics



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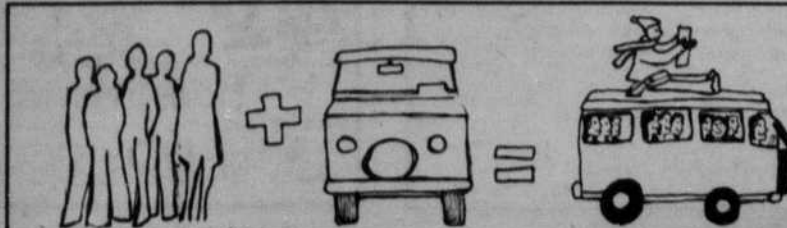
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