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Opposing women's views heard on campus

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Political activists Sarah Weddington and Phyllis Schlafly squared off during a debate of women's issues in front of more than 1,200 people in McArthur Court on Thursday night.



Sarah Weddington

Abortion, the Equal Rights Amendment and comparable worth legislation were the major topics of discussion during the two-and-a-half hour debate.

"Every woman has the right to choose for herself the appropriate response for an unwanted pregnancy," Weddington said. "When I won the decision Roe vs. Wade in 1973, I never thought in 1986 we'd still be debating it." Weddington was the winning attorney in this landmark U.S. Supreme Court case that legalized abortion in all states.

"We've heard a lot about women's rights, but they defined women's rights with the right to kill her unborn baby," Schlafly said. "I don't know how anyone could deny the goal of women's rights as the right to kill your unborn baby."

A woman's right to a legal

abortion currently is under attack in both the legal and political systems of the United States, Weddington said. Recent bombings of abortion clinics and President Reagan's refusal to hire pro-choice advocates for positions in his administration are signs of this threat, she said.

"I think it is a travesty for any president to appoint someone who would only vote a certain way," Weddington said.

Schlafly agreed that a woman's right to a legal abortion is not an irrevocable right.

Momentum is going against abortion and the more that people learn about the horrors that are used against what is in the womb, public opinion will change.

Though the effort to get ERA ratified failed in 1982, equal rights issues still spurred much

debate.

"The women's movement is a concern for the integrity of the individual, each individual should be looked at," Weddington said.

But women already enjoy all of the advantages, Schlafly said.

"In the United States, women have been the most fortunate class of people to ever live," she said. "(But) in the 1970s, a fad started telling women they were oppressed."

Comparable worth and its role in the American workplace was another subject that generated much disagreement between the two women.

"I think business should operate in a context of giving equal opportunities to men and women," Weddington said. "A lot of jobs are low paying because they are traditionally held by women."

But women are often paid less because they are not willing to do traditional man's jobs," Schlafly said.

"It is difficult to get women to take some of the outdoor, unpleasant and heavy work kinds of jobs," she said.



Phyllis Schlafly

Opening arguments presented in hazing trial

By Mary Lichtenwalner
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Hazing has historically been a problem in the Greek system, and the University showed its awareness of it in 1980 by adopting a rule in the student conduct code prohibiting hazing, attorney Art Johnson told a jury Thursday, in the opening of a court trial involving the Kappa Sigma fraternity.

Mark Rosier, a former University student who now attends Lane Community College, is charging Kappa Sigma with hazing, a ritual that involves the embarrassment or ridicule of individuals.

Johnson, who is representing Rosier, said that evidence in the case will show the anti-hazing rule was violated in a 1981 incident in which Rosier and another pledge were hospitalized following a "road trip."

Rosier and Ron Pierce were struck by a car about 11:30 p.m. Feb. 22, 1981, after being dropped off at Shotgun Creek Park, about 15 miles from campus, near

Marcola, Rosier and Pierce as well as seven other pledges were left at the park and told to find their way back to Eugene, Rosier's lawsuit states.

Fraternity members drove the pledges to the location with bags over their heads and gave them alcohol.

The pledges were walking along Marcola Road when the driver of a Marcola Rural Fire Protection District fire truck stopped to talk to them. Truck driver Bruce Larson said he saw a car approaching and warned the pledges to move out of the way. Rosier and Pierce were then hit by the car.

Johnson said the evidence will reveal that the fraternity was negligent. "(Hazing) was a tradition in that fraternity that was not abolished," he said.

But defense attorney Ralph Cobb said the incident did not involve hazing. He said evidence will show that the event was in no way embarrassing or demeaning and was not dangerous.

Fraternity members apparently sup-

plied alcohol, but it was not consumed at the house, he said. "It was voluntary. It was up to the pledge how much he wanted to drink," Cobb said.

Bruce White, representing the Kappa Sigma International Fraternity, said the alleged hazing was clearly a local activity. "Kappa Sigma has a strong anti-hazing policy," White said.

Due to the extent of his injuries, Rosier has no recollection of the incident, Johnson said. Rosier suffered a basal skull fracture, brain damage and injuries to his left leg, knee and jaw, amounting to a total of about \$54,000 in medical bills, Johnson said.

After five years of rehabilitation, Rosier has recovered remarkably, Johnson said. "But there is a difference in Mark Rosier in 1981 and Mark Rosier today," he said. A witness will testify to Rosier's change in personality due to head injuries, Johnson said.

Cobb said that although there is no question as to the severity of Rosier's in-

juries, a change in personality does not seem evident. "His grades have improved, he's a full-time student, he runs, bikes and he's thinking of going on to law school," Cobb said.

Rosier is charging the fraternity with violating the University and fraternity conduct regulations. He also is charging the fraternity with negligence for giving him alcohol during the road trip when he was 18. He is seeking \$1.75 million in damages.

"We suggest that the evidence will show he's in no way as handicapped as the amount calls for," Cobb said.

The cause of the incident is three-fold, Cobb told the jury. He cited the driver of the car that hit Rosier, the driver of the fire truck and Rosier himself as negligent. Rosier already has settled with the two drivers, however, he said.

The international and local Kappa Sigma fraternity organizations and five former Eugene chapter officers are defendants in the trial.

Emerald incorrectly reports Senate vote

A story in Thursday's Oregon Daily Emerald incorrectly reported that the University Senate defeated a motion to suspend ROTC from campus. The motion was passed 18-10 by the Senate.

The Emerald regrets any confusion this may have caused.

The motion calls for the suspension of ROTC from campus until it complies with the University's Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action policies. The motion was an amended version of a motion proposed by Bayard McConaughy, a University biology professor.

McConaughy's original proposal called for the University's military science program and all contracts between the University and the Department

of Defense to be terminated at the earliest date possible. McConaughy's proposal was defeated 16-11 with one abstention.

Because the motion deals with the elimination of a curricular program, it must go before the University Assembly. If the Assembly were to pass the motion and University President Paul Olum were to consent to the motion, it still would have to be approved by the State Board of Higher Education.

A similar motion passed the University Senate in 1983 and then was rejected by the Assembly. The Assembly had voted to eliminate ROTC from campus once before. After passing that motion in 1977, the Assembly rescinded it at its next meeting.



Sink or swim

Finding a place to sit in Alton Baker Park is becoming increasingly difficult as the recent heavy rains have caused the Willamette River to spill over its banks.

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