

**Wipe it out**

"Condoms are generally regarded as unreliable," according to a letter published in the medical journal, Lancet (Feb. 7,

1987). Professor Jeffery A. Kelly and Dr. Janet S. St. Lawrence pointed out that the failure rate is "sufficiently high that condom use by risk groups should

not be described as 'safe sex'...."

Surgeon General C. Everett Koop and Secretary of Education William Bennett have warned, "AIDS education that accepts...sexual activity as inevitable and focuses only on 'safe sex' will be at best ineffectual, and worst, itself a cause of serious harm.

Young people should be taught that the best precaution is abstinence until it is possible to establish a mutually faithful monogamous relationship." (Education Week, Feb. 11, 1987).

Dr. Koop has stated, "Morality and science go hand in hand." He's right.

The idea that one can have sex recreationally and not establish a lasting marriage commitment is very, very dangerous. The sexual revolution is the reason many serious diseases are thriving in our nation.

In order for venereal diseases to flourish, they require new hosts furnished through promiscuity.

If people practiced complete sexual monogamy, V.D. would become extinct as soon as those already infected passed on.

**Michael Cross**  
Political Science/History graduate

**Saving forests**

In the far corner of Southwest Oregon lies one of the largest and most diverse remaining old growth forests in the state — the North Kalmiopsis.

This roadless area of approximately 200,000 acres is located between the existing Wild Rogue and Kalmiopsis wilderness areas. The North

Kalmiopsis is a botanical paradise, containing many rare and endangered plant species.

It is also the home of abundant wildlife and threatened species such as the spotted owl. Numerous rivers and streams lace the area and provide a challenging white water experience, such as the Illinois River. The area is truly deserving of some form of permanent protection.

Unfortunately, the Forest Service has plans to extensively road and log the North Kalmiopsis over the next few years. Only concerned citizen response can keep this from happening.

In an effort to protect this area, environmental groups and citizens from around the state have proposed the Siskiyou National Park. This proposal would protect the existing wilderness areas, and also would protect the North Kalmiopsis.

But the Forest Service needs to hear from you. Write to Forest Supervisor Ron McCormick, Siskiyou National Forest, PO Box 440, Grants Pass, OR, 97526. Ask him to protect the North Kalmiopsis from roading and logging, and to study the park proposal in the forest planning process.

For more information, contact Bruce at the Survival Center, 686-4356, or stop by our table next week in the EMU lobby.

**Bruce O. Philbrick**  
Eugene

**Left or right**

What an honor to be top billed on a May 20 hit-list letter by an International Studies student. In his intemperate outburst, he went on a prolonged

attack of his straw man version of what the "new right" (his words) wanted and how they felt.

It's revealing that his quoted sources of enlightenment were: 1) A 1960s hippie agitator, and

2) a 1960s science-fiction writer (perhaps we'd call that the "old left").

At least he didn't stoop to the old 'F' word as another of these personal attack letters did...and wow, we all know just what a persuasive intellectual air-tight argument that is!

These personal attack and name-calling methods employed by so many University letter writers against the "new right" are typical. Is this because these writers' counter-ideas just don't bear up under logical argument?

Instead of simply attacking people, why don't you try presenting some realistic, worthy alternative thoughts and solutions.

Finally, here's a thought for you "left" to chew on — it applies to much of the liberal advocacy agenda including homosexuality, abortion-on-demand, quota hiring, "value-free" sex, and generational welfare: A society will not long thrive that is socially structured such as to demand its responsible citizens finance the consequences of its irresponsible citizens.

**Jon Wollander**  
Eugene

**Vocabulary**

In response to the letter on terminology (ODE, May 18), the feminine counterpart of the male womanizer is slut. A manizer, however, is a woman pretending she is a man.

Putting the appropriate titles with these words can help one remember how they are used. Mr. Womanizer are two words that rhyme. Whereas Mrs. Slut or Miss Slut are pairs of words whose transition is marked by an aspirated "s" sound. But Ms. Manizer is characterized by the harsh "z" in both words.

**Earl Gosnell**  
Eugene

**Correction**

A line was inadvertently omitted in a letter written by Laura Desertrain Tuesday. The sentence in the sixth paragraph should have said "If the mother is very estrogen-laden ("fem") and the father is very testosterone-laden ("macho") there will be less than a 10 percent probability that their child is gay, while if both parents are androgynous, the probability will be greater than 10 percent." The Emerald apologizes for any misunderstandings this may have caused.

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