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rounding community, Jones said.

Measure 15 called for the shut-down of the Trojan nuclear power plant, about 40 miles north of Portland, until a waste repository was established. Measure 16 would have made Oregon a nuclear-free zone, which would include converting all Oregon companies contracted to produce essential parts of the nation's nuclear weapons to other non-nuclear industries.

Unfortunately, Jones said, all three measures were defeated. However, they had about 40 percent support from Oregonians, which Jones considered a pretty good amount. "I would consider these three winners, because they helped to educate the public about the reality of the nuclear issues," he said.

CALS, in cooperation with other peace-related groups, will come back with four initiatives on this year's ballot, he said.

Other projects include organizing protests at the Hanford nuclear power plant in southern Washington, and attempting to stop the Department of Energy from designating Hanford as the main depository for the nation's nuclear waste.

CALS helped to get a measure on last year's city ballot making Eugene a nuclear-free zone, which passed by about 59 percent, Jones said. "This is not just a symbolic gesture," he added. This law would prevent all companies in the Eugene area from manufacturing parts for nuclear weapons.

The law would also create a board to research Eugene companies to find existing contracts to manufacture these parts, and to keep these companies from receiving license renewals unless they convert to a non-nuclear industry.

However, instead of setting up a research board, Eugene officials created a task force to help "tie up" some of the loopholes that were left in the law, he said. Unfortunately, the task force was "weighted" with those who are more geared toward helping the businesses than making Eugene a "real nuclear-free zone," Jones said.

CALS is not alone in fighting for the minimally revised version (MRV) of the Nuclear-Free Zone, which would prohibit businesses in Eugene from producing parts for nuclear arms. Clergy and Laity Concerned (CALC), another peace-activist group, has shown its concern.

CALC is also very active in nuclear deterrence, according to staff member Marion Malcolm, but members see this problem as part of many problems in the United States. CALC concentrates on several issues, including human rights, economical justice and racial justice.

Although the group is concerned about the threat of nuclear war, "people are dying right now, this minute," Malcolm said. All of these problems are tied together, she said — the government has one global military and economic strategy that needs to be changed.

She said the U.S. military policy exists to further its economic policy, which is not necessarily helpful to society. "Our government tries to keep as much of the world as possible under U.S. influence," she added.

Ever since World War II, the U.S. has been threatening Third World countries — there is a strong dimension of racism in U.S. foreign policy, she said.

CALC organizes and sponsors monthly peace-related forums, helps with the area's school peace events, such as South Eugene High School's Peace Week, and distributes a monthly newsletter.

CALC also has a volunteer

group called the Letter Lobby. Members write letters to legislators about bills that arise from peace-related issues. When they join, Letter Lobby members receive a packet teaching them how to write letters to newspaper editors, senators and representatives.

CALC tries to educate the public as well as activating them in the peace movement. "The goal is to try and change things," Malcolm said.

Another group that is trying to change things in the Eugene area is the Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament (WAND). The group primarily is run by women, but invites men to join in mostly "supportive roles," said board member Dennis Banner.

WAND is a national organization founded by Dr. Helen Caldicott, who believed women had a unique perspective to add to the issue of nuclear disarmament, according to one of the founders of the local chapter, Janet Anderson. Caldicott believed women are less militaristic and more life-affirming because of the way women have been socialized in American culture, Anderson said.

One of WAND's main activities is its "Women's Journey for Peace" scholarship, awarded to a woman who is then sent

to the Soviet Union for a two-week tour, Banner said. Each year's trip has a certain theme, he said — two years ago, it was working women in the Soviet Union. WAND considered women who were "business and labor-oriented" for the scholarship, he said.

The purpose of this program is to establish a "people-to-people diplomacy" rather than government to government, he added.

WAND also sponsors several events for the community, such as Peaceknits. Peaceknits is designed to give women a chance to believe they are doing something for the cause, Anderson said. People volunteer to knit sweaters and other things, which are donated to WAND. Last Sunday at the Eugene Athletic Club, children modeled the knitted goods and WAND auctioned them off to raise money for the group.

One event that all the area's peace activist groups attend is the annual Hiroshima-Nagasaki event from Aug. 6 to 9 at Alton Baker Park. The event is designed to commemorate the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Banner said. Peace groups float candles in the Alton Baker pond, symbolizing the souls lost in these bombings, he said.

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has been done during the last three years.

"I think that people have been real pleased with what Kasey (Brooks, ASUO president) and I have been doing, and that has served to dispell a lot of what people were afraid of during the last election," Gaffney said, adding that this will make another CSRL victory easier.

As of yet, no formal plans have been made for the next election, but CSRL will field candidates and fight to retain

student government power, according to Gaffney.

Brooks sees her administration's strong points in having brought organization to the system of ASUO programs.

"We accomplished a lot of in-house things that needed to be done and hadn't been done in a couple of years — program contracts and program administration things," Brooks said. "There were a lot of things that needed tightening up, so to speak."

Certainly one of the fears Gaffney hopes has been dispelled is the dogged accusation that CSRL is somehow aligned with political conservatism. This judgement of CSRL became ugly after the last elections when an ASUO presidential candidate who lost in the primaries ran a personal advertisement in The Oregon Daily Emerald reading "Good luck KKK"

above a caricature of Brooks and Gaffney.

The core membership of CSRL is varied politically. Munion is one of the founders of the College Republicans of Oregon, while there are a few former members of SPA, including Gaffney. But CSRL members claim their party has nothing to do with politics defined as liberal or conservative.

"Lacking the ability to to condemn us for the stands we were taking, instead we get this thing thrown at us 'well, you're just a bunch of conservatives'... we are not ultra-conservatives, there are very few things we've done that can be considered conservative," Sauerwein insisted, adding "I don't see us taking on issues that allow you to put yourself as conservative or liberal."

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