

Editorial

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An aw shucks, burgers and weenies governing style. Typified by a hands-off, play-it-safe, wait-and-see attitude.



Letters

Not a guy

I am a woman. Please don't call me a guy. Women are not "guys." Just because you say "I mean everyone" doesn't change the meaning of guy. We stopped saying congressman and postman and milkman and two-man boat because we understand that it is an exclusive use of language, and created patterns of thought.

If I say "that guy in white sweats," what do you picture? I am not willing to be included in with men as though they are the legitimate people, and we women get to go along with them.

That, by the way, was the thinking of some folks who believed that women did not need to vote because their fathers, husbands and sons represented them.

Right now, men run the governments, schools, religions, industries and militaries. When there is no difference in power between men and women in

this society, then, perhaps, it will not matter what words we use. But until then, please don't call me guy. The next time you are near a dictionary, look up the word. You might not want to be called guy either.

Alixé Dancer
Dance

Myth

In response to the *Emerald* article "Sobering station offers hope for drug abusers," (ODE, Oct. 25) I am surprised at the ignorance and myth perpetuation that is allowed on these pages.

While it is necessary to cover the opening of so needed a facility, it is not necessary to differentiate so clearly the two "sides" of Eugene. "Dry heaves, three-day blackouts and vomit" are only too common to our very campus.

The article states that "drunks and drug addicts live on these (West Eugene's) back streets." Well, this may be

true, but believe me, they live in all other areas of Eugene as well.

The article also calls this facility "one of the few sources of help for Eugene addicts." Admittedly, the more help the better, but Eugene has at least five other inpatient drug and alcohol dependency treatment centers, and over seven Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous meetings every day.

The idea that addicts and alcoholics live on "the other side of town" or that they aren't concerned with "Pac-10 Ducks, fraternity pranks, all-night study sessions and GPA blues" only furthers the denial of these diseases. Many addicts attend the University, and share all the above concerns with other students.

Buckley House could find some fine patients along Kincaid and Alder every Friday and Saturday night.

Natasha Ciancutti
Philosophy

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