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## Disarmament group meets tonight

### MEETINGS

Ad Club meets tonight at 5 in Allen Room 221.

### Et als

Student Campaign for Disarmament will hold its first meeting of winter term tonight at 6 at the Koinonia Center, 1414 Kincaid St. The group will discuss the upcoming Nevada Test Site peace test, non-violence workshops, high school outreach, and Earthday/Peaceweek.

MEChA's first meeting of the 1990s will take place tonight at 5:30 in EMU Room 16D.

University Earth Day Coalition will meet tonight at 7:30 in the EMU Ben Linder Room.

Latin American Support

Committee will hold a general meeting today at 4:30 p.m. in EMU Century Room D.

### SPEAKERS AND LECTURES

Richard Hardie of the Oregon Rivers Council will show slides and discuss the planning stages of the new river protection laws. The program is sponsored by the Sierra Club, and will take place tonight at 7:30 at Roosevelt Middle School on the corner of Hilyard Street and 24th Avenue.

Deadline for submitting Et als to the *Emerald* front desk, EMU Suite 300, is noon the day before publication. Et als run the day of the event unless the event occurs before noon. Please submit Et als the day before they are to run only. Notices of events with a donation or admission charge will not be accepted. Campus events and those scheduled nearest the publication date will be given priority. The *Emerald* reserves the right to edit notices for grammar and style.

### Correction

An entry for the Students for Creative Anachronism in Monday's Et als column listed an incorrect location for

the group's meeting. The *Emerald* apologizes for the error, and for any confusion it may have caused.

## Minority enrollment at WSU too low

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — Recruiters say the talking points they use to sell this nearly all-white, rural campus to prospective minority students also can drive them away.

Recruiting efforts the past three years have increased the minority student population from 5 percent to 7.9 percent, an all-time high, mainly among Asian Americans.

But keeping minority students on campus is proving to be difficult, and those who leave do so for other than academic reasons, recruiters said.

"A lot of the students are not only dealing with the same kind of things that any student will quit school for: financial problems, family problems, those kinds of things," said Carla Caballero-lackson, who counsels Hispanic students.

"There's a lot of students who also are not dealing with not being able to survive in this kind of atmosphere and are leaving because it is not conducive to their learning," she said.

"They see themselves as being here on the frontier and wanting to make a difference, or they see themselves as being on the frontier and wanting to go back to a place that's maybe a little more comfortable and maybe a little safer," said Gordon Watanabe, Asian Pacific counselor.

To be more effective, the university has merged its recruitment and counseling services into the Division of Minority Affairs.

"This is a boot camp to the world. If you can survive in Pullman, Washington, at Washington State University, for four years, you can survive anywhere," said Stephen Sneed, minority affairs director.

Experiences of minority students are definitely mixed.

A Vietnamese student moved to another floor of his dormitory after being harassed and called a "gook" by participants of an all night party he had asked to turn the music down, Watanabe said.

Minority students were outraged by a fraternity's Homecoming talent show performance last year in black face. A month later, a trio of undergraduate women gave a black-faced dance routine at halftime of the UCLA-Washington State game.

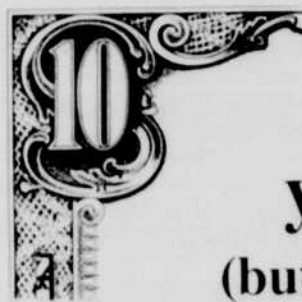
"It was very disrespectful and humiliating, and I don't see how they could go over there and think that was funny," said Charlotte Houston, a black sophomore from Seattle.

Randy Parker turned down offers from the University of Oregon and the University of California at Berkeley to attend Washington State.

"Luckily, I chose Washington State and I've loved it," said Parker, a black from Seattle's Ingraham High. "I figure with the world as diverse as it is, and people as diverse as they are, you have to be used to different ethnic cultures. I figure you get enough of that at Washington State."

Despite a number of programs intended to keep minorities from leaving campus, as many as half the black and Native American students, and 60 percent of Hispanics, left school during or after their freshman year between 1980 and 1987, a study shows.

The university's faculty, of which 10 percent are minorities, also must diversify, said Felicia Gaskins, chairwoman of the President's Commission on the Status of Minorities.



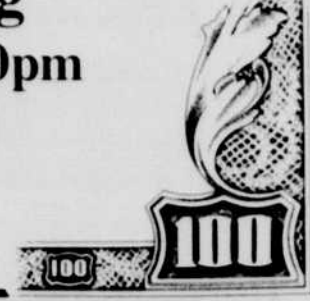
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