

## UNIVERSITY

### Camp Adventure offers world travel

By Cathy Peterson  
Emerald Reporter

Boxes of Hawaiian leis and hats litter the top shelf of a cramped Esslinger Hall office. Pictures of smiling University students taken in Korea, Hawaii, Japan and Long Beach line the walls.

Within this small space operates the world headquarters of Camp Adventure, a \$366,000 children's summer camp program run on military bases in Long Beach, Calif., Hawaii and Asia.

Project director Chris Edginton, who is also the leisure studies department director, started Camp Adventure in 1985 with 12 student counselors in three day camps.

Five years later, the program for military dependents employs over 100 counselors at 29 camps, with 12 students operating the program. Eighty of the students were based overseas last summer.

"I'm very *laissez-faire* with the students, as long as they do their job with excellence," Edginton said. "I challenge students every year with a high level of performance and every year they succeed."

For the students, camp counselor training starts in the leisure studies course Contracted Leisure Services. The course offers students an introduction to the procedures and methods of running a camp program.

After the course, counselor hopefuls attend an intense boot camp — Camp Adventure College — held every spring on the University campus. Stu-

dents participate in songs, games, creative dramatics and swimming pool activities, as they compete for counselor positions.

Edginton said he looks for students who are highly motivated, positive and excited about life. They should also have experience working in camps.

Students who are chosen get a chance to experience living abroad, as well as the opportunity to travel after the camp session ends. One group of students traveled through Korea, Japan, Hawaii and Hong Kong, working at different camps.

During the last spring training session, more than 200 students took applications, 150 came to the leadership workshop and 50 were chosen as counselors.

Counselors earn from \$2,000 and up, depending upon the living expenses at their bases.

John Nougier, who worked at the Okinawa base in Japan last summer, said he might look for a state department or civil service job after he graduates because of his experience with Camp Adventure.

Nougier said he appreciated "the chance to go overseas, the ability to travel cheaply afterwards, the upper division credits, and just the whole different perspective of military life. I'll never get that experience again."

He added that the summer of 1990 was especially challenging for the counselors, as well as a learning experience as they discussed with the children the possibility of their parents going to war in Kuwait.

### Government integrity subject of meeting

#### MEETINGS

**Students for Government Integrity** is hosting a general organizational meeting at 5 p.m. in EMU Century Room D. For information call 346-4248.

**International Internship Exchange** informational meeting will be at 7 p.m. in Room 310

#### Et als

Gilbert Hall. Call Darrin Fleming at 342-5119 for more information.

**Campus Libertarians** will have its second organizational meeting at 6 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room D. Call Matt McCally at 485-3046 for more information.

**University of Oregon/University of El Salvador** Sister University Project will hold a general interest meeting in EMU Cedar Room A at 5 p.m. For more information call 346-3194.

**Alpha Lambda Delta/Phi Eta Sigma** honor societies will meet in the EMU Ben Linder Room at 6:30 p.m. Call 346-3105 for information.

**OSPRIG** is having a general interest meeting at 6:30 p.m. in

the EMU Gumwood Room. Call 346-4377 for more information.

**Active Christians Taking a Stand** meets tonight at 7:30 in EMU Cedar Room A for worship, prayer and fellowship. Call 688-4121 for more information.

**Students Against Apartheid** meets tonight at 7 in Room 112 Willamette Hall, with special guest Fatima Meer, the biographer of Nelson Mandela.

**Circle K International** meets at 6:30 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room C.

**PRSSA** is holding its first meeting of the year at 5:30 p.m. in Room 214 Allen Hall.

#### SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

"**Increasing Minority Participation in Mathematics**" is the title of UC-Berkley professor Uri Treisman's speech at 3:30 p.m. in the EMU Gumwood Room. Treisman will discuss his successful work with non-traditional students in the areas of math and science.

**Poet Irena Klepfisz** will speak on "Women Working for Peace in the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict" at 7:30 p.m. in the EMU Fir Room. Klepfisz authored *Dreams of an Insomniac: Jewish Feminist Essays*.

*Speeches and Diatribes*. The event is sponsored by the Center for the Study of Women in Society and the Judaic Affairs Foundation.

"**Take Back the Night**" rally to assert a woman's right to be safe and to encourage campus safety begins at 6 p.m. in the EMU Courtyard. Registration for the walk/run is from 5:30 to 6 p.m. The event is sponsored by the ASUO Women's Center. Call 346-4095 or Beth Long at 343-8378 for more information.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

**The Wesley Center**, 1236 Kincaid St., is sponsoring a Bible study of the gospel of Luke at noon. Call 346-4694 for more information.

*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 takes place before noon.*

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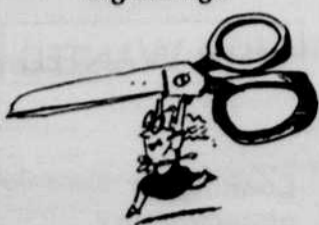
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