

# STREETWISE

## QUESTION:

Should *U.S.A. Today* have leaked to the public that former tennis player Arthur Ashe is HIV positive?

"No. I don't think so. It's his business whether he wants to tell people or not. I think they're getting into territory they have no business getting into."



—Rachel Muravuez  
sophomore, history

"I think *U.S.A. Today* is just so into finding out information and it's interesting to see, but I would be depressed if someone found out my secret life. There should be boundaries."



—Sadao Veno  
freshman, psychology/math

"No. It's a personal choice. It's his life. They shouldn't get involved in it. They shouldn't have leaked it unless they asked him first."



—Jaci Hays  
freshman, undeclared

"No. I don't. Not unless he consented to it. It's more a private matter that they shouldn't reveal unless he consents to it."



—Mike Thompson  
sophomore, history

"No. If he didn't want to go public they should respect his right to privacy."



—Sierra Wilde  
freshman, English

"No. That was wrong. Information like that is too personal. It should be confidential. Once he found out he had the virus he didn't do any risky behaviors, so I think they were wrong."



—Cornelius Johnson  
junior, marketing

## MONEY

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funding, campus safety and multiculturalism, as rhetoric and "fluff, fluff, fluff." But Lee defended his ticket.

"I'm committed to students," Lee said. "The ASUO is a tool. It's not rhetoric."

Pharis and Morgan, who characterized their leadership style as "easy-going and kick-back," provided comic relief in the political crossfire.

Although the issues of campus safety and multiculturalism were addressed, the crowd of about 50 students had money on its mind. The candidates fielded audience questions that primarily dealt with incidental fees, ASUO fiscal responsibility and tuition increases due to Measure 5.

Audience members were particularly curious and skeptical about a ballot measure initiated by King and Ferguson that would mandate a 10 percent decrease in student fees - an idea that both of the other tickets oppose.

King and Ferguson cleared up some misconceptions about the ballot measure, saying that they

are not in favor of across-the-board cuts, but rather the reduction of student stipends and the elimination of wasteful spending.

King/Ferguson and Lee/Fore agreed that student groups will need to increase fund-raising efforts to help keep incidental fees low. Fore brought up SURC's most recent and successful "Trading Places" fund-raiser as an example.

On an uncharacteristically serious note, Pharis elicited a round of applause from the audience when he suggested that students should be more concerned about tuition than student fees.

"The money problems student experience have a lot more to do with the statewide budget emergency brought on by Ballot Measure 5," Pharis said.

All the candidates advocated lobbying state legislators to combat rising tuition; however, Pharis speculated that he might get kicked out of the state capitol.

Pharis had his own ideas about obtaining replacement revenue - build a wall around the University, fill it with water and fish, and charge people to fish in the world's first underwater university.

# OCA, moderates fight for state GOP control

Conservative group may form new party over ideological battles

By Gerrit Koepping  
Emerald Reporter

The Oregon Citizens Alliance would rather be ideologically correct than hold office, a local TV commentator said.

The OCA has typically had little room for compromise in its traditional Christian moralistic platform, said Russell Sadler. "It's kind of the flip side of the politically correct movement," he said.

This clashes with the Oregon Republican Party, which has long held its main purpose is to get Republicans elected, not enforce ideological purity, said Jim Whitfield, the party's executive director.

The result has become a struggle for party control between moderate Republicans and the ultra-conservative OCA. At the same time, other Alliance members may break completely from the Oregon Republican party and form their own minor political party.

But the OCA has a history of yielding to no one and is not interested in taking prisoners.

In the 1990 gubernatorial race OCA member Al Mobley ran against then-state Attorney General Dave Frohnmayer largely because Frohnmayer was pro-choice. As a result, Mobley siphoned off enough conservative voters from the Republican Frohnmayer to allow Democrat Barbara Roberts to win the election.

Whitfield said the loss caused resentment among moderate Republicans who felt the OCA had betrayed the party.

The OCA, on the other hand, felt the party had become too liberal to stomach. For a few months the moderates and the Alliance members seemed to be trying to heal the wounds, Sadler said.

But it was all for naught. The OCA's anti-homosexual rights initiative has caused a rift so severe that full-scale civil war has broken out in the party.

Many OCA members are now in the midst of an aggressive campaign to take over the Oregon Republican Party from within.

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ASUO executive candidates Bobby Lee (right) and Karmen Fore address a crowd of students in the Carson Hall Gold Room, while candidates Don King and Holly Ferguson, and Donald Morgan and Chris Pharis listen. This was the first debate among the candidates for ASUO president and vice president.

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