

Organizations will sue Forest Service over logging plan

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Two conservation activists will premiere their documentary *Born in Fire: Warner Creek and the Politics of Salvage Logging* tonight in 100 Willamette Hall at 7:30.

Tim Ingalsbee and Catia Juliana, co-directors of the Cascade Fire Ecology Education Project, plan to use their film to introduce students to Warner Creek, which is forest land located one hour east of Eugene.

The area, Ingalsbee said, survived an arson-caused inferno in 1991 and will be engulfed in a political blaze next month when environmental organizations sue the forest service for trying to log the area off.

The Forest Service, he said, now plans to sell the area and salvage the timber. But Ingalsbee contends the area is a gold mine of biodiversity.

"It's not a death-zone; it's thriving with life," he said.

The Sierra Club and the Oregon Natural Resources Council are suing the Forest Service to stop the Warner Creek sale. The organizations claim the plan violates environmental laws

established by President Clinton's management plan for Northwest timber.

The trial begins Feb. 13 at 11 a.m. in the U.S. District Court of Eugene.

Ingalsbee said the case is the first timber sale under the Clinton plan to be contested in court. He hopes the lawsuit is successful so biologists will be allowed to study the post-fire regeneration of Warner Creek's wildlife.

"Never before has the Forest Service not rushed right in and salvaged a fire," he said. "Our vision is to make Warner Creek a fire ecology research area. . . . preserved for the study of spotted owls and natural succession (or the recovery of forest land scorched by fire)."

The fire was the second largest and second most costly in the history of the Willamette National Forest, Ingalsbee said.

The arson is very frightening, he said, because "with the strike of a match a criminal can undermine and negate all conservation planning to protect endangered species."

The free presentation is sponsored by the Outdoor Program.



Conservation activists will show their documentary film *Born in Fire: Warner Creek and the Politics of Salvage Logging* tonight at 7:30. The film will introduce the audience to the Warner Creek forest land.

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of the Eugene Department of Public Safety were among the six officers from Lane County who graduated from the program.

Hayes said the DRE program is important to protect public safety.

"The intent is not to harass people," Hayes said. "We want to remove drug-impaired drivers from the highways."

Hayes said accidents due to drug-impaired drivers have increased in recent years.

"We are seeing more of an inclination of people using drugs or drugs with alcohol and then driving."

Karen Pederson, a junior in pre-journalism, said the program was necessary to educate police officers to recognize drug-impaired drivers.

"It's important that we do all that we can to keep drug-impaired drivers off the road."

Chuck Mildes, a senior in political science, said the testing was necessary to hold drug-users responsible for their actions.

"If they're going to jeopardize people's lives then they should have to suffer the consequences for it," Mildes said.

Suicide prevention target of workshop

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According to Jim Leppard, a counselor from the Department of Youth Services in Eugene, suicide is one of the leading causes of death among adolescents in the United States, but it can be prevented.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, a one-credit Youth Suicide workshop will be offered at the University for students interested in understanding the facts and myths behind suicide, and learning how to aid in preventing this tragedy.

Students will learn the risk factors of suicide and will form an understanding of the process that leads to suicide. Students will also participate in experiential exercises on assessing risk.

The workshop will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:50 p.m. in Room 100 Willamette. Attendance is mandatory and there is a \$35 additional fee required to attend the workshop.

The seminar is presented by Leppard, M.S. and John Aarons, M.S., whose backgrounds are in education and human services. Both work as coun-

selors in the Department of Youth Services in Eugene and have extensive experience in training those interested in helping disturbed youths.

Leppard said he expects students who attend the workshop will acquire the necessary information to become an "interventionist"—one who stands between the victim and death. He said the workshop will also provide skills and knowledge needed to be able to successfully dissuade someone from committing suicide.

Leppard said 99 percent of the population has contemplated committing suicide, and last year, 723 suicide attempts were made solely in the state of Oregon. This seminar will make the reality of youth suicide more apparent and will supply the knowledge of how to prevent a suicide attempt when confronted with one.

When asked why students should attend this workshop, Leppard replied, "If one student makes a difference to another, then they have saved a life."

For more information about the suicide workshop, call 346-3896.

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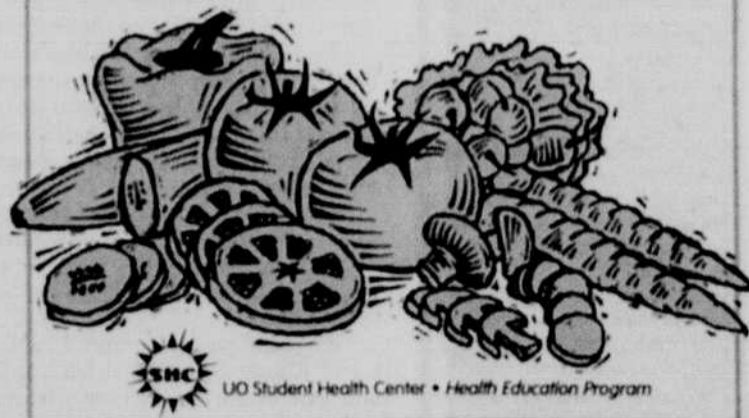
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they will become a part of the students' hearts."

The Bible study should be beneficial, particularly for Catholic students who have stopped attending mass, he said.

"One of the problems that I see with Catholic students is that they have a tendency not to attend Mass," he said. "Many of them are away from home for the first time. The parental influence that they might have had is no longer there to make them go to mass."

"As a result, many of them fall between the cracks."

The style of Catholic worship often becomes a means for Catholic students to not want to be fully involved in mass services, Vajda said.

"Much of the worship that takes place during a Catholic Mass is based on traditionalism

and symbolism," he said. "The problem with this format is that people have a tendency not to be personally involved during mass. Many times they just repeat the words of the prayers for the various sacraments such as the Holy Eucharist, baptism, confirmation and penance."

Vajda also said the Bible study will allow Catholic students to have an opportunity to become more involved.

"One of the goals of this Bible study program is to get Catholic students interested in attending," he said. "One of the things that the Catholic Church is notorious for is the fact that Catholic kids are internalized but not evangelized."

"What that means is that Catholic kids are taught how to say the words of the different prayers used in the sacraments, but they are never taught about having a personal relationship with the Savior."

Another reason why Catholic

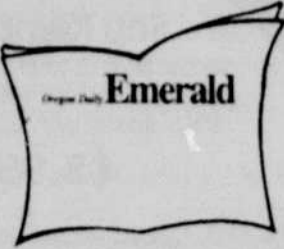
students tend to become disassociated with church is because they don't always make an effort to find a local parish, Vajda said.

"A lot of Catholic students who are new to the area don't want to try and find out where a local parish is located," he said. "This can be attributed to the influence of their friends. This can also be attributed to a lack of effort on the part of these students."

Vajda hopes the Bible study will encourage these students to have a desire to find a parish where they can attend mass services.

The Bible study on each Tuesday is for all Catholic students. The main focus is to help University Catholic students have a positive Sunday mass experience.

For more information about the Bible study or other services for Catholic students, call the Newman Center at 343-7021.



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