

## 'Emerald' endorsed Williamson/Kelton

Last week the *Emerald* editorial board endorsed Jennifer Williamson and Zachary Kelton for ASUO president and vice president (*ODE*, April 17). Because of underhanded campaign tricks by their opponents, Chris Kantrowitz and Niki Scott, we believe it is necessary to reaffirm our endorsement.

Kantrowitz and Scott are trying to get voters to believe they are the candidates endorsed by the *Emerald*. On Tuesday they passed out fliers with the *Emerald* masthead that said "Thank you for your support." We did not give the candidates permission to use our logo and do not support their campaign.

Another Kantrowitz/Scott flier said the *Emerald* endorsed Kantrowitz's work on the Programs Finance Committee. The *Emerald* published an editorial April 14 that praised the efforts of the PFC, of which Kantrowitz is only one member. He was never specifically mentioned in the editorial, and cannot claim sole credit for the PFC's accomplishments.

The choice for ASUO Executive is clear. Williamson and Kelton are the best qualified and most experienced candidates. They articulate reasonable and realistic solutions to University problems. They have demonstrated professionalism, which is something their opponents seem to be lacking.

## Vote yes on 12; fund Career Center

Unless you don't want a job after college, vote yes on Ballot Measure 12.

Measure 12 adds \$3 to the students' incidental fee per term to expand and fund the Career Center. Currently, the Career Center charges various fees for its services, which, if fully utilized, amounts to about \$75 per student.

The Career Center is one of the most valuable resources on campus. Virtually everyone on this campus needs help with resume writing, interviewing skills and job searching. Measure 12 will provide the center an opportunity to expand its services to include career assessment and vocational training, career counseling and campus interviews and internships and employment opportunities.

Although the fee will be automatically assessed to every student, the Career Center will be cheaper to use if the measure passes. It doesn't take a genius to see what's better — \$3 or \$75.

Students have complained that the Career Center is only useful to people pursuing business-related jobs. This measure would give the center an opportunity to reach students looking for jobs in a wide range of fields.

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### LETTERS

#### Injustice

I am writing this letter in response to the article on Monday regarding Tasi Malepeai and Paul Wiggins (*ODE*, April 24). You did a terrible injustice to these two individuals when you singled them out and made their records public. It had absolutely no relevance to your story.

You used this information to slander their names in the University community. For those of us who know Tasi and Paul, it's common knowledge that these are two of the most kind and sincere persons on campus. Then one must look at the people in the community who do not know them, such as professors and classmates, who will now have a tainted view of what these individuals are really like. All your article did successfully was further promote the negative stereotypes of football players and especially those of color.

The article was extremely biased. Next time, do the research and get both sides of the story, or do you know how to do that? The football players are in a very vulnerable position. Every action they take on and off the field is often made public. When a football player is involved in fights, charges are almost automatically filed. Does this happen to the average student on campus? I also did not appreciate your quotation about the "big circle of black guys" who were beating up innocent students. That quotation was clearly used to instill fear in the white students, etc.

Your article was a perfect example of the insensibility that this campus and your newspaper have toward people of color. Clearly, the more things change, the more they stay the same.

Marianne Preudhomme  
Eugene

#### Discontent

My name is Lori Leong and I would like to express my deepest discontent at Programs Finance Committee member Chris Kantrowitz. He is an incompetent PFC member and

has not truthfully represented our program. We originally appeared in front of the PFC to present our budget, but were uninformed about a rule that was passed by the Senate the night before, limiting new programs to only \$300. Our original request was immediately rejected and in the period between our hearing and our appeal date, we learned that this rule was not binding upon our program.

However, at our budget appeal hearing, the PFC members, including Chris Kantrowitz, decided to refer us to the Student Senate, claiming that they were not sure if the new rule was binding upon us. If we were aware of this non-binding effect, why wasn't the committee aware? This is just plain and simple ignorance on their part. We then approached the Senate with 30-plus members to ask them to reconsider our budget. Chris Kantrowitz blatantly lied that he was in support of our group (in between frequent snoozes). He was a member that moved to grant us only \$300, but in front of the Senate and 30-plus Hawaii Club members, he claimed he was definitely in support of our club receiving sufficient funds in excess of the benchmark.

How can we have this kind of contradictory leadership in our Executive next year?

Lori Leong  
Hawaii Club Elections  
Chairwoman

#### Outraged

I am writing to you in response to your article on the misconduct of football players (*ODE*, April 24). I, myself, am a member of the Oregon football team and after reading your article, I was extremely outraged. Student athletes do not receive preferential

treatment from anyone. In fact, we as student athletes have to be more prudent of our actions than traditional students.

All student athletes, not just football players, live in a fish-bowl. All of our actions, both on and off the field, are closely observed and reported by reporters such as yourself. Therefore, when a student athlete runs into trouble with the law, or makes a mistake (because we are human), it becomes front page news. The media seem to forget that we are human beings who, at times, err like everyone else. You want to set us apart from the rest of the student body, yet there is no difference between us.

All students, regardless of whether they are on an athletic team or not, work very hard to achieve their personal goal, whether it is becoming the editor of a newspaper, ASUO president, starting for the football team, or just graduating from college.

This article showed readers one side of the spectrum, the run-ins with the law by student athletes — to be more specific, members of the football team. However, I see no mention of other similar run-ins with the law by non-athletes. This article tells readers that football players are the only students on campus that have encounters with the law.

We, as student athletes, know that we do not receive any sort of special treatment just because we wear a uniform on Saturday. In fact, I would say it is the exact opposite. We have less freedom to do anything because of reporters, such as yourself, who stand behind every corner, observe our actions and wait for us to make a mistake to get a front page story.

Michael Klews  
History

### LETTERS POLICY

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