

Money: Federation's dealings thought to be 'cynical'

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"They are busting the union," Smith said.

Smith believes this because Rau is on medical leave, Williams has quit his job and a newly hired organizer is the roommate of an executive board member.

"I wouldn't say I was driven from my job," Williams said, "but they suggested it might be better if I looked for another job. At one point a board member asked me where I wanted to be in five years in a cynical tone, sort of suggesting that I didn't want to be there." Unsuccessful contract negotiations this summer between the federation and the staff union motivated Williams to look for another job, he said.

Ken Pendleton, federation vice president and roommate of the new organizer, said Williams took a job which paid much more

than anything the federation could reasonably hope to match.

"The question then becomes, 'did we hire a new benefits person and an organizer to stack the GTFF against the staff union?'" Pendleton said. "The answer is no."

He said the federation had to hire an insurance benefits assistant to replace Williams and an organizer was needed to make the union membership more active.

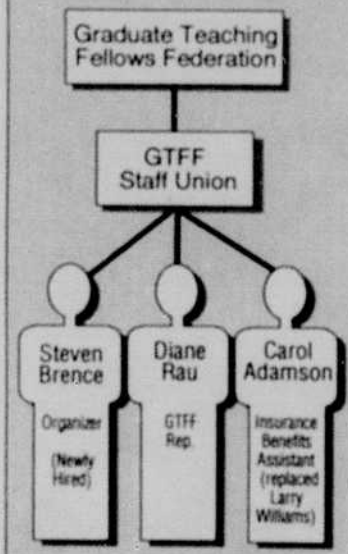
"Are they [the staff union] suggesting we shouldn't have hired these people until we settled the contract with them?" Pendleton asked.

Smith said he thinks the federation should have settled the staff union contract before hiring an organizer.

"But to hire people to settle the contract is an entirely different thing," Smith said.

GTFF UNION STRUCTURE

The Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation represents over 1,200 University GTFs.



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•Willamette Science and Technology Center's Dinosaur and Ice Age Mammal exhibits open today and will run through Jan. 31. WISTEC is located at 2300 Leo Harris Parkway across from Autzen Stadium. The expanded hours for this exhibit will be noon to 6 p.m. and will be open seven days a week. General admission prices are \$4.50 for adults and \$3 for kids and seniors. Admissions for WISTEC members are \$1.50. Annual memberships are available. Field trips and group rates are also available. For more information, call 484-9027.

•The streets of downtown Eugene will come alive this New Year's Eve because *First Night* is coming to Oregon. *First Night* is a New Year's Eve community festival that provides a safe way for people of all ages to come together in celebration of the coming new year. It is an alcohol-free annual event. Eugene's 1995 event will be the first held in Oregon.

The major attractions will be the city's rich cultural talents — artists and performers will be featured in many interactive performances and activities. Visual and performing artists of all kinds are needed to help create this unique and special event. Presenters will be paid. Call for applications at 686-8885. The deadline for completed applications is Friday.

•The Victim/Witness Services Program and The Child Advocacy Center, divisions of the Lane County District Attorney's Office, are currently recruiting Victim Advocate volunteers for 1996. Training will begin in January and continue each Thursday and Friday through Oct. 2.

Both the Center and Victim

Services Program are seeking volunteers who have a strong desire to work in a caring and compassionate manner with individuals who have been victims of crime. Applicants interested in volunteering must be over 18 and must be willing to consent to a complete criminal history search.

Individuals interested in volunteering with the Victim Services Program may obtain an application by contacting Kathy L. Frazer at 687-4523. Individuals interested in volunteering with the Child Advocacy Center may obtain an application by contacting Tina J. Morgan at 687-3938. Contact hours are Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. All applications are due by Nov. 3.

•Marlene Riggs, a recent traveler in Vietnam will present an informative talk and slide presentation on "Images of Vietnam" this Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. This lecture/slide feature will be held in the second floor Lecture Room of the Eugene Public Library, 100 W. 13th Ave. It is free admission and refreshments will be served. For further information, please call Emily Schue at 344-7597.

•Graphic artists are invited to submit work samples for consideration to the Oregon County Fair's Poster Contest Committee. Slides depicting previous work will be viewed by contest judges shortly after the Dec. 1 deadline to prepare a poster submission for this year's contest. The winning artist will receive an additional \$700 for the selected poster image.

Submission deadline is Dec. 1. For more information and a contest submission packet, write or call: Oregon County Fair, Poster Competition, P.O. Box 2972, Eugene, OR 97402; (503) 343-4298.

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Forest Recreation—November 3-5

2 credits (HDEV 410/510) Tuition \$180

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A close look at one of Oregon's most valuable resources. Study the importance of a quality water environment for recreation, tourism, forestry and agriculture. We will focus on the concerns for wildlife, plants and industry as well as water projects, future demands, and regulatory efforts.

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Large and small lakes along Oregon's coast provide an interesting and informative field lab for the study of plants, animals, history and geology. This workshop will explore preservation and use issues, recreational opportunities and resource values, as well as the historical and geological significance of these exceptional resources.

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