

Club rallies against military in Bosnia

■ **PROTEST:** Six UO students in a Communist group spoke out against the troops in Bosnia

By Doug Irving
Student Activities Reporter

University members of the Spartacus Youth Club, a nationwide Communist organization, rallied Wednesday in the EMU Courtyard against the U.S. military involvement in Bosnia.

The club works to mobilize worker opposition to capitalistic leadership.

"We seek to provide a training ground for young communists," said Travis H., a speaker at the rally. He declined to give his full name.

The rally began at noon when six protesters began chanting protests against United States and NATO involvement in Bosnia.

Speakers then took turns at the microphone to denounce the involvement.

"Despite the lies, the U.S. troops are not in the Balkans to enforce the so-called peace," said Julie Lawrence, a rally member.

Many speakers blamed the Balkan conflict on U.S. and European imperialism.

"Imperialism is directly responsible," Lawrence said. "You should have no illusions that imperialism can remedy this situation."

Deborah McGuire, a club member, said the conflict is mostly a result of competition between the United States and Germany for supremacy in the Balkans.

"Just look at the map," she said. "They're carving up the Balkans."

With the fall of communism in the former Soviet Union, McGuire said the modern political and economic world resembles the pre-World War I era. She warned that World War I began in the Balkans and that the present conflict could easily escalate.

"This time, it might just be



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Protesting American involvement in Bosnia, Julie Lawrence speaks outside the EMU while Paco Murphy holds a sign for onlookers.

instant incineration because of nuclear weapons," she said.

The rally also addressed the problem of imposed ethnic lines in the Balkans. Under current agreements, the Balkans have been divided according to the ethnicity of the region.

"The imperialists are imposing a peace that sets the grounds for future wars," Lawrence said.

The Spartacus Youth Club has about 1,000 members nationally, McGuire said. Their ultimate goal is to create a workers' government with a planned economy.

OSPIRG offers variety of internship opportunities

■ **INTERNS:** Students earn upper-division credits while learning about public interest issues

By Jennifer Carter
Student Activities Editor

Last term, OSPIRG interns cleaned up local urban areas, informed other students about proposed cuts to higher education and raised money to help Eugene's homeless community.

This term, the student program has internship opportunities available to students interested in working on these and other projects, ranging from recycling to higher education and students' rights.

Ellen Huffaker, OSPIRG's campus organizer, said students can earn anywhere from one to nine upper-division credits doing work that educates them about a variety of issues and gives them leadership experience.

"You can focus on a project group or a certain event," she said. "You can literally style your internship with our help."

Justin Grady, a journalism major interning this quarter with OSPIRG to study media relations, said interns generally have a main focus area, but intern duties often overlap with other OSPIRG program areas.

Another OSPIRG intern, Sadie

OSPIRG INTERNSHIPS

OSPIRG has internship opportunities in the following programs:

- **Free the Planet/Environmental Defense:** Educating people on issues surrounding the environment.
- **Environmental Education:** Going into classrooms around the community to educate people about the environment.
- **Stream Walk:** Working to clean waterways and educate people about maintaining urban environments.
- **Higher Education/Students' Rights:** Educating students about issues so they

are able to vote wisely and creating fact sheets about political candidate records as they relate to education, the environment and other issues.

- **Recycling:** Educating people about recycling and working to help create buy-recycled product mandates.
- **Hunger and Homelessness:** Raising funds and doing service-oriented projects to help the local and global hungry and homeless community.

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Rogers, agreed with Grady. "You have this one focus and then you work on things with all of OSPIRG," she said. Rogers interned with the program last term as well.

She said interning was a good way to gain experience and to meet people. "You meet people with your same interests," Rogers said.

Huffaker said OSPIRG expects to have about 50 interns this quarter.

Students interested in becoming OSPIRG interns can apply at the OSPIRG office in the EMU until Jan. 18, the last day to add a class this quarter, she said.

After applying, students have interviews with Huffaker in which she acquaints them with the organization. If accepted to be an OSPIRG intern, students must then get approval from their academic department.

Huffaker said OSPIRG is currently developing a list of professors who have traditionally acted as advisers for OSPIRG interns.

Once interns are selected, Huffaker said, they will work with volunteers on different issue areas throughout the quarter. Interns will be matched with volunteers at an OSPIRG general interest meeting Jan. 24.

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