

Racist leaflets bring stand against hate

On Feb. 21, cars parked all over Eugene were papered with malicious flyers that were anti-Semitic, bigoted, and illustrated African people in a vile and racist cartoon. A student who received one of these on his car contacted the ASUO Executive and asked us to do something about it.

The ASUO Executive, in its commitment to student empowerment, brought student and community leaders together last Monday to address the flyer and to evaluate racism within the current local and national political climate. The meeting was to reach out to University students and empower us all to take action in our own ways, through a strong campus-wide coalition. We believe it is timely and necessary that all the students at the University take a strong stand against hate and bigotry. We need to create and maintain safe environments for all students to pursue their education.

Our ideals are being assaulted at every level by a very small, but vocal, element of society. Some recent examples are the primary wins of Republican candidate Pat Buchanan and xenophobic legislation that the United States Congress is currently debating that will enact a national ID card system to single out and target people of color and immigrants. In addition, the November ballot initiatives being presented here in Oregon to repeal affirmative action and impose statewide restrictions similar to those brought on by California's Proposition 187 are gaining steam. And

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numerous incidents of hate speech and malicious harassment have occurred here and at Oregon State in the last few months.

We all must be aware that these extreme acts of hate speech cause people to feel unsafe and isolated on our campus. The ASUO Executive is committed to providing a safer campus for all people and we will be working throughout the rest of the year to get the word out about the different forms of hate and bigotry that surround us on a daily basis. We are asking all students to get involved in opposing hate groups and fighting racism and separatist ideals on campus. If we all sit idle, the values that we as students hold deep in our hearts will be trampled upon, and the "revolution" of the extreme right will destroy all the gains that we have fought for over the last 30 years.

The ASUO Executive Staff wants to stress its commitment against hate, bigotry, and malicious harassment. We encourage all students who share the same ideals and values to join with us in building a coalition and creating proactive educational programming and a safer campus for all. There is concrete work to be done and we welcome all students who want to help. For more information please contact Bill Washburn at 346-3724.

Bill Washburn is the ASUO University Affairs Coordinator.

LETTERS

Mature Greeks

The closing down of Sigma Chi Fraternity by their national organization and the coverage it received was indeed an unfortunate event.

As president of Delta Lambda Phi, America's only social gay fraternity, I want to express my deepest sympathies for the members of Sigma Chi.

The views expressed by Mr. Jason Wissmiller (ODE, March 7), about Sigma Chi and its closing, are understandable. Yet his letter lacks maturity. The blaming of University officials and the demeaning of what Mr. Wissmiller calls 90 percent of the campus community, does nothing to benefit the Greek system. To the contrary, it widens

the gap between Greeks and non-Greeks.

There are more complex reasons for the closing down of Sigma Chi than a University-wide conspiracy. These reasons are best left between Sigma Chi and its national office. Every Greek organization has a responsibility, now more than ever, to uphold their image to the highest levels. How can we run successful rushes if the general public has a negative image of us? The emphasis on merit, charitable enterprises and the nobleness of brotherhood are the only things that can save us from total collapse.

The leaders of our houses must foster responsibility and maturity to all our members and

pledges. We must take action to curb and prevent behavior that can damage the infrastructure of both individual houses and the system in general.

The Greek system can provide great things for people who are willing to put forth the work and the energy. We must also be conscious that the system is not for everyone — and respect that.

We in the Greek system need to deal with our problems intelligently and maturely. Blaming others for our mistakes is neither mature nor honorable.

Learn to be proud of the letters you wear. Work to disperse myths and be accountable for your actions.

Enrique Eduardo Andrade
President, Delta Lambda Phi



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