

Students will decide for future in primary

OUR OPINION: Voters will cast their ballots for 13 important measures

Today and Thursday, students will cast ballots for a new ASUO executive and several other offices and issues. Here are the *Emerald's* suggestions for the 13 ballot measures facing the University community.

• **Measure 30, Designated Driver Shuttle** — Yes. Provides students with an alternative to drinking and driving.

• **Measure 31, Ethnic Studies** — Yes. This measure would support the development and implementation of an Ethnic Studies major program at the University.

• **Measure 32, Family Center/Child Care** — Yes. Students who choose to better themselves by getting an education while raising their children deserve not only our admiration, but a Family Center as well.

• **Measure 33, KWVA promotions** — Yes. This measure would allow KWVA to promote itself through various advertising means.

• **Measure 34, KWVA stipend supplement** — Yes. Would give raises to KWVA "volunteers" who currently make only \$75 a month. The station broadcasts music and information 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

• **Measure 35, KWVA satellite and broadcast equipment** — Yes. Some of KWVA's broadcast equipment is 20 to 30 years old. It's time to get KWVA's staff out of the museum and into the modern day of broadcast technology. Yes on 35 will give broadcasting students hands-on experience with the kind of equipment they will see after they graduate.

• **Measure 36, Longview Magazine** — No. The University already supports several on-campus publications that *Longview* might want to look into teaming up with.

• **Measure 37, OSPIRG** — Voter's preference. OSPIRG provides a valuable and measurable service to students, the campus community and the environment, but we are disappointed with the "all-or-nothing" way OSPIRG seeks funding for itself every two years. OSPIRG should give students more options for funding decisions.

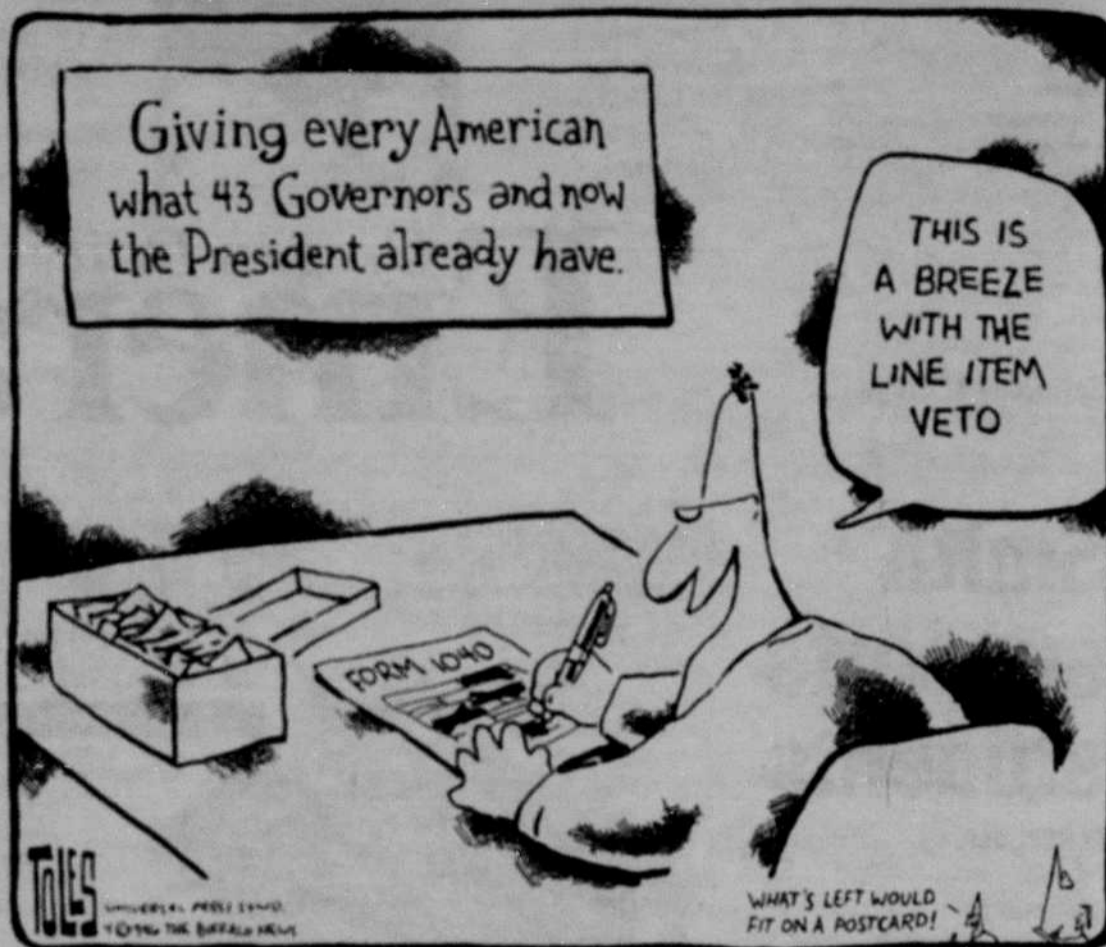
• **Measure 38, Initiative in Support of Financial Aid** — Yes. This would give the ASUO the power to declare corporations that work to limit or eliminate student financial aid programs "unwelcome" on our campus.

• **Measure 40, Career Center** — Yes. This center provides students with career counseling and information on part-time jobs, internships, and full-time employment. The center, with its tiny reference library, is currently jam-packed into three or four over-crowded rooms in Hendricks. The center needs more computers for career access and a new building to put them in. A 'yes' vote on 40 is a vote for your future.

• **Measure 41, University Family Housing** — Yes. Would fund infant/toddler child care services in the new student family housing.

• **Measure 42, United States Student Association** — Yes. Would fund an advocate who would represent University students in Washington D.C.

• **Measure 43, West University Neighborhood** — No.



LETTERS

Scotten-Banfield

I'm writing to tell students why they should vote for Matthew Scotten and Glen Banfield for ASUO Executive.

As the former ASUO State Affairs Coordinator, I worked with Scotten on the Voter Registration Campaign. It was then that I saw Scotten's enthusiasm and dedication to his work. A newcomer to student government, Scotten had a natural ability to talk with people in an honest and approachable way. Our hard work paid off and we were able to register more students than any other school in Oregon as well as gain national attention for our efforts.

One of Scotten and Banfield's goals for the next year is to secure a student conduct code. As students, we deserve to feel and be safe on campus. An explicit student conduct code will set the tone for the environment of our campus, describe what constitutes consensual relations and sexual harassment and make the grievance policy student friendly.

What sets Scotten and Banfield apart from other candidates is that they will not only work to establish a good policy, but they will ensure that it's actually implemented. Students' voices will be vital to issues like these. As with the Voter Registration Campaign, Scotten and Banfield will be on the streets mobilizing students to ensure that our voices are heard.

Students elected into the ASUO Executive are going to have an impact on your life as a college student. The ASUO will lobby at the state and federal levels on issues such as financial aid and higher education.

Next year's Voter Registration Campaign will determine whether or not students' voices are heard in the presidential election. The students elected will work with the University administration on issues such as sexual harassment, student conduct and the implementation of an Ethnic Studies Program. The decisions made over the next year will affect every student on

this campus. It's in your best interest to vote in the upcoming elections.

After three years at this University, I've grown weary of watching the same people doing the same things in Suite Four. Scotten and Banfield have the perfect combination of experience and new energy that will make student government something that represents the students.

Don't let other people decide your fate for you. Get out and vote for Matt Scotten and Glen Banfield for ASUO Executive in the primaries this Wednesday and Thursday.

Mandi Hood
Students for Choice

Kliever for Senate

The Student Senate election campaign is currently under way. The Incidental Fee, which amounts to about \$5.5 million, is primarily allocated to the EMU, University athletic programs and various ASUO activities. The ASUO Programs Finance Committee (PFC), which consists of student senators we elect, is responsible for deciding which ASUO programs get money and how much they get.

The University is a place for intellectual learning experiences with a spirit of sharing in a culturally diverse environment. It is very important for all students to participate in the upcoming election and choose candidates who can allocate funds to enrich our diverse environment intellectually.

H. Aleena Kliever is running for seat one on the PFC. As a member of the PFC, her goal is to ensure that every activity has a purpose that will enrich our intellectual learning experience. How activities affect the University community factors into her decisions on who receives funds.

Kliever has worked with people of various backgrounds and thrives on interacting with them. She has been serving Carson Hall, our culturally diverse residential community, as a

Resident Assistant (RA) for two years. She has had experience in budget decisions in her numerous positions as an accountant for the Bella Union and as an RA, handling residence hall activity funds.

For the upcoming Student Senate election, I believe Kliever is the candidate to elect for PFC seat one.

Takunari Miyazaki
Computer and Information Science

Support Family Center

When the Amazon Co-op Family Center submitted their budget to the ASUO Programs Finance Committee, our body allocated them as many funds that we could in relation to our budget constraints. Unfortunately, we could not fulfill their initial request, *but you can*. For a total cost of \$1.96 per student per term the Family Center will be able to provide quality child care for University student families.

Several of us have visited the Family Center in the former Amazon complex and found it to be an incredible resource for those who use it. The Family Center saves students money through their cooperative methods with student parents and enables 65 percent of the single parents using the Family Co-op to attend the University.

The money from ballot measures 32 and 41 will cover the cost to move the Family Center to its new facility on the site of the former Amazon complex and help staff the infant/toddler program. Voting yes on these two measures is a win-win situation for students because 70 percent of the funds will come back to students in the form of employment opportunities.

All of the members of the PFC urge you to support student families and children by voting yes on measures 32 and 41.

Susan Anderson
PFC Chairwoman
Bart Alexander
PFC Acting Vice-Chairman
and four co-signers

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