

# OSPIRG: Volunteers will poll and organize

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few effective voices we have on crucial decisions that are made outside the campus community," the letter said.

This summer, the committee's first plans are to gauge the support for OSPIRG on campus.

"I don't want to see a program on campus that students don't support," Olson said. "The organization has definitely had to cut back. There's still a lot of volunteers. It's galvanized their support."

"It's definitely very young," Fairchild said. "The two priorities are reaching out to people on campus, hearing their concerns and working with the Committee to Reestablish OSPIRG."

Currently, OSPIRG must rely

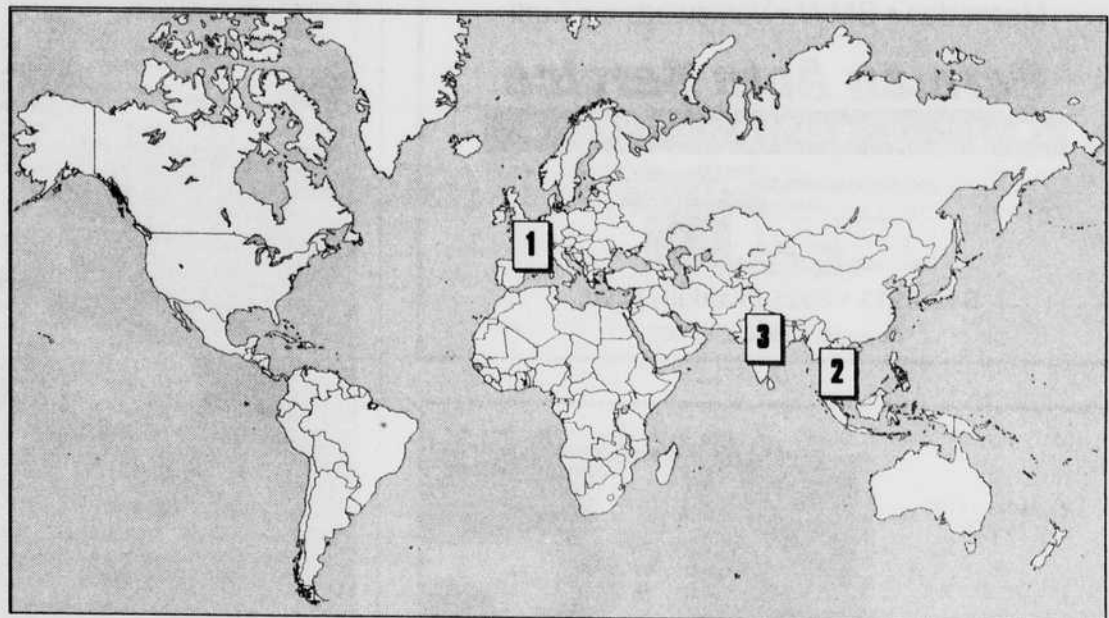
on volunteer work for all of its different projects. The bulk of the projects involve polling and organization.

"The official OSPIRG budget is gone," Olson said.

The group is now considering seeking ASUO recognition for their volunteer work.

Since 1971, OSPIRG has represented public interest on issues such as the environment, consumer protection, student rights and democracy. The campus chapter emphasized that students are citizens and are able and obligated to act on public problems.

"OSPIRG enriches our experience as students and citizens," Olson said.



# Chance: Small group faces rigorous term

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low for the first year but have been adjusted accordingly, Garrett said.

"The idea is that it be just as rigorous as the academic year," Argyres said.

Among the academic classes offered are Ethics, Critical Reasoning, U.S. History, Western Civilization, Human Physiology, and Introduction to Fiction. All the students live in one residence hall and have activities coordinated through University Hous-

ing. "It's a lot of work for a small group of people," Garrett said.

"The students are doing the same as or a little bit better than the general population in terms of retention," Argyres said.

The preliminary success of the program can be credited to responsiveness to student needs, Garrett explained.

"We've paid really close attention to what they liked and what they didn't like," she said. "So far it's been pretty successful."

# Abroad: Italy and Mexico are perennial favorites

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"You can learn a lot in a term," Mills said. "It's a good way of getting started."

According to the OIEE, Italy, Mexico and France are the most popular countries students venture to. The less-chosen countries include Indonesia, Vietnam and Ghana. In total, 60 programs are offered.

"Not many other universities offer as many opportunities as we do, and our programs really accommodate students," Mills said.

Mills said that with all the current events occurring throughout the world, "it behooves all to take

advantage of the international experience."

The OIEE coordinates most of the overseas study programs of the University. Most students go through OIEE because all programs offered have been approved by the Foreign Study Programs Committee. Credits earned overseas transfer directly to students' transcripts, and University financial aid can be used toward overseas study. Eligibility to study abroad varies with each program, but a GPA of 2.5 to 3.0 is generally required. Mills said students who return from studying abroad have gained a greater perspective of the world.

# French territory may gain independence

1 VERSAILLES, France — French lawmakers on Monday ratified an agreement that could lead to independence for the South Pacific territory of New Caledonia.

Deputies and senators meeting in Versailles, south of Paris, voted 827-31 in favor of the so-called Noumea agreement, signed in May.

The agreement, named after the French territory's capital, provides for a 20-year transition period toward independence. It comes after years of violence and negotiations over the status of New Caledonia, which holds about 30 percent of the world's nickel reserves.

The accord calls for a December referendum on a transition period of "shared sovereignty" for the archipelago, to be followed in 2018 by a second referendum on self-determination.

# Monk donates gold to help Thai economy

2 NEW DELHI, India — Buddhist monk donated \$1.2 million to help the government overcome an economic downturn Monday, a day after he handed over 400 pounds of gold for the same cause.

The 87-year-old Phra Maha Bua Yanasampanno collected the donations from Thais abroad and followers throughout the country.

The monk might have had success in his campaign because of a widespread belief among Thai Buddhists that making donations to a monk or temple will bring them rewards in another life.

Thailand has been plagued by a financial crisis that has spread to neighboring Southeast Asian nations.

Central bank Governor Chatu Mongkol Sonakul said the \$1.2 million would be held in Thailand's foreign exchange reserve account in New York.

# Tycoon's movie taste not welcome in India

3 BANGKOK, Thailand — An Indian court has issued arrest warrants against Rupert Murdoch for refusing to appear to face charges that his STAR TV network was showing allegedly obscene movies in India, domestic news agencies reported Monday.

Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Prem Kumar said three summonses had been sent to the media tycoon at his addresses in the United States and Australia. But they had returned unserved because Murdoch refused to accept them, the United News of India reported.

The judge has ordered India's Foreign Ministry to serve the summonses through diplomatic channels, but there is little the courts can do if Murdoch refuses to accept them.

A New York-based spokesman for News Corp. had no comment on the reports.

# War buddies remember slain ace

By Jeff Barnard  
The Associated Press

WINCHESTER — Honor guards fired a 21-gun salute and vintage planes roared overhead in a memorial service Monday for a Marine Corps' fighter ace who survived wars abroad only to die in violence in his own home.

Maj. Gen. Marion Carl, 82, who shot down 18 enemy aircraft in World War II and won two Navy crosses, was killed by a shotgun blast to the head June 28 while lunging to protect his wife from a robber who kicked down the door to their southern Oregon home.

"When we speak of heroes, he was one," said retired Gen. Joe Foss, the Marine Corps' greatest ace with 26 kills during World War II. "If young folk would just set their eyes on people like that,

we wouldn't have punks like the one that ended Marion's life."

More than 800 people, many of them veterans, attended the service at Umpqua Community College, which like Carl's home is perched on a bluff overlooking the spectacular North Umpqua River.

Black-and-white images of Carl flashed over the flag-draped coffin to chronicle his rise from Hubbard, Ore., farmboy, to fighter ace over Guadalcanal and Midway, to test pilot and finally squadron commander in Vietnam.

Joe Rees, a friend, neighbor and fellow test pilot, recalled how Carl at one time held world speed and altitude records, but remained humble and gentle and had read the Bible all the way through three times.

"Marion knew where fear be-

longed," Rees said. "But he didn't let it get in the way. We saw that just a few nights ago up the river."

While the service was going on, a sheriff's detective flew to Southern California to question the suspect in the slaying.

Jesse Stuart Fanus, 19, was arrested in a Pasadena, Calif., phone booth on Sunday after police traced calls he was making to a friend back in Oregon.

Carl's 75-year-old widow, Edna, who was grazed in the shooting, last week picked Fanus' picture out of a photo lineup as the man who kicked in the door, opened fire with a sawed-off shotgun and left with about \$400 cash and the couple's car. The car was later abandoned about 10 miles away, and the gun and the keys were found in the brush nearby.

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