



Anti-abortion group repulses students

The group Survivors displays images of aborted fetuses in the EMU; Students for Choice speaks in protest with abortion and safe sex facts

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Freshman Aaron Josephson was heading to his room Wednesday afternoon when he walked through the EMU and was confronted with graphic images of aborted fetuses.

"I want to puke," he said.

Survivors, a Christian anti-abortion organization designed to educate high school and college students about abortion, arrived at the University on Wednesday morning with posters depicting the fetuses. Survivors challenges every person born after 1972 to consider themselves a survivor of the "Abortion

Holocaust," something members of the group claim is the greatest Holocaust in world history.

Dan McCullough, director of the California-based group, said the point of the program is to appear at colleges and high schools with a pro-life message — even though it meant showing the posters.

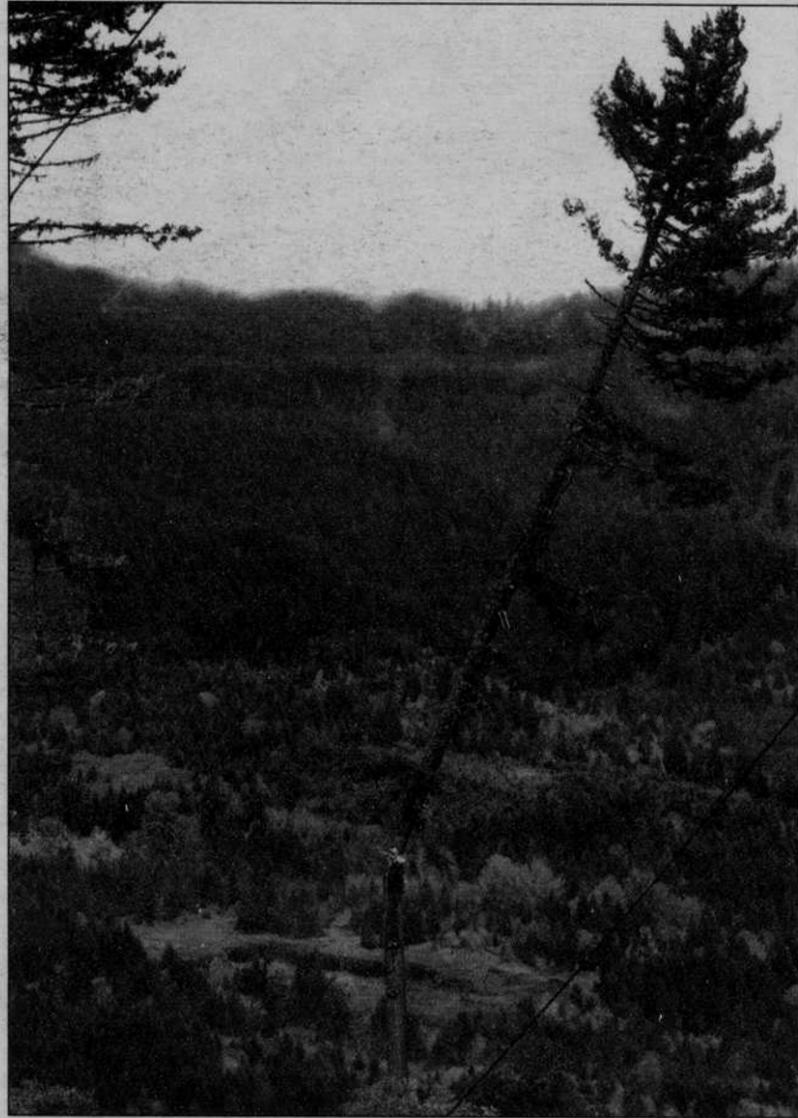
"We are simply using images to show abortion is wrong," he said. "Our message is that abortion is the murder of an innocent child and it needs to stop." McCullough added that females in the group had experienced abortions in their past.

Survivors arrived at the University without talking to the scheduling office or getting a permit for the event. The University requires anyone using its property to get permission in advance. Without permission, the members were forced to physically hold up each poster, so that the



ASUO President Rachel Pilliod (center) converses with members of Survivors, an off-campus anti-abortion group that interrupted a presentation by Students for Choice, the Campus Voice for Healthy Reproductive Choices. Mark McCambridge Emerald

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Forest for the trees

President Bush's Healthy Forest Initiative has spawned new environmental discussions and arguments about forest management

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The forests of the Pacific Northwest burn hot. While wildfires rage in the summer, forest management debates spark political firestorms throughout the year.

Oregon, Washington and northern Idaho contain bountiful and accessible timberland, provide habitats for endangered and threatened species like the spotted owl and the red tree vole, and offer protected streambed spawning grounds for Coho and Chinook salmon.

In August, President George W. Bush unveiled the Healthy Forest Initiative. Coupled with the restructuring of the Northwest Forest Plan in October, this legislation has spurred several organizations into action to protect forest ecosystems.

But efforts to protect the forest and to use the re-

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sources have been in conflict for years — and striking a balance between the environment and industry has often left both sides dissatisfied. They're still searching for common ground.

Forest practices and management triggered intensive discussions and arguments as early as the 1800s. The environmental school of thought, whose adherents often traveled to the forest from elsewhere in the country, saw the clearcuts left by government logging operations and were horrified.

There also were members of industry — people

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Timber awaits milling at a Giustina Land and Timber Co. lot off of Hwy. 58. Environmental advocates say that small logging companies are not the problem; rather, President Bush's policies are.

Far Left: Rob Johnson, co-owner of Mobile Salvage Logging Inc., tops a fir tree during a recent logging operation on Giustina Land and Timber Co. property.

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Tony Hawk demonstrates stunts at the new skate park in Springfield.

Skateboard legend dedicates park

Skateboarder Tony Hawk's foundation donated \$25,000 to the new Springfield skate park

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The warm afternoon sun shone brightly Wednesday on the hundreds of skateboarding fans and local youths who gathered to witness skateboarding legend Tony Hawk's dedication of the new Willamalane skate park in Springfield.

Hawk's foundation donated \$25,000 to the construction of the street-style course — the first of its kind in the county — after state grants, local firms and local foundations joined skateboarders around the community in raising the remainder of the skate park's approximate cost of \$465,000. Before Hawk and his team performed an afternoon demonstration for their fans, local contributors were thanked for their support and Springfield Mayor Sid Leiken gave Hawk a key to the city, proclaiming

April 30 as Springfield's "Tony Hawk Day."

"Donating money to this park really shows Hawk's commitment to local youth," Leiken said. "We didn't just give him a day because he's an icon."

Hawk shyly accepted the honor of having a holiday proclaimed in his name.

"I don't know what you'd really do on Tony Hawk Day," he said. "I guess you're exempt from school to play video games."

The program began with an introduction from Willamalane Superintendent Bob Keefer, statements from Willamalane Park and Recreation District, city officials and Friends of Willamalane, the group that spearheaded fundraising efforts. Gavin Keable thanked everyone who helped make the park possible on behalf of the Skatepark Task Force, which was created three years ago to design and develop the park.

Excavation for the skate park, designed by Purkiss Rose-rsi,

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