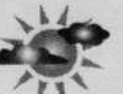


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IN BRIEF

Symposium examines Cold War implications

A symposium about Cold War dynamics in Central America begins today and will run through Saturday. The Latin American Studies Program organized the symposium, "Smoldering Ashes: Revisiting the Legacy of the Cold War in Central America."

Several University departments cosponsored the event, which aims "to provide a timely example of the long-lasting implications of U.S. intervention, unilateral wars, and ideologically driven crusades," according to a press release.

Bishop Raúl Vera López of the Bartolomé de las Casas Human Rights Center in Mexico will deliver the symposium's first keynote speech at 3:30 p.m. today in the EMU Ballroom. There will be a reception and celebration of Latin American culture at 6 p.m. at the same location.

Feminist writer and activist Margaret Randall will deliver the second keynote speech Friday at 7 p.m., also in the EMU Ballroom.

The symposium will also feature panel discussions on human rights and the Cold War legacy, music and poetry, and an art installation in the EMU Adell McMillan Gallery. For a detailed schedule, visit las.uoregon.edu.

Events are free and open to the public.

— Ayisha Yahya

Mayor Piercy to attend neighborhood meeting

Eugene Mayor Kitty Piercy is a featured guest at tonight's West University Neighbors meeting and will discuss her ideas to improve neighborhood relations and answer questions about city issues.

The 7 p.m. meeting is at the Central Presbyterian Church on the corner of 15th Avenue and Patterson Street.

University Planning Director and Architect Chris Ramey is slated to speak about the Long Range Campus Development Plan, which is in the final stages of its first update since 1991.

The University's relationship with the rest of the Eugene community is a subject the neighborhood association's meetings frequently addressed. West University Neighbors chair Drix Rixmann said he hopes Ramey's presence will create constructive dialogue about this relationship and will address any concerns residents may have.

Ward 3 City Councilor David Kelly will also attend to give his monthly update on current and future happenings in the Eugene City Council.

Tonight's meeting is the last meeting before students become consumed with thoughts of summer, Rixmann said, and he hopes students will take advantage of the opportunity to meet the mayor and about the University's development plans.

"We're supposed to be a forum where people can meet and connect, and what better way to do that than bring in the big guns and have people meet and connect with them," Rixmann said.

— Meghann M. Cuniff

Stahl: Professor reflects on career highlights

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scientist and as a teacher and as a humanitarian," post-doctoral fellow Barclay Browne, who has worked in Stahl's lab for five years, said. "It is truly inspiring to work in Frank's lab."

Stahl was hired in 1959 as an associate professor of biology and research associate with the University's newly formed IMB. According to the book, "From The Sidelines," by Lotte Streisinger, widow of IMB professor George Streisinger, Stahl was well-known after he did an experiment on DNA replication as a research fellow at the California Institute of Technology.

When the IMB recruited Stahl, he was an associate professor at the University of Missouri but was unhappy there. In the e-mail he wrote that the statements by IMB director Aaron Novick and the temperate climate and beautiful scenery of Eugene convinced him to move.

The institute was founded to emphasize research and integrate the work of biologists, chemists and physicists. Originally, it had four main professors: Novick, Stahl, George Streisinger and Sidney Bernhard. Stahl, the only surviving member of those four, described his biggest accomplishment at the University as persuading Streisinger and Ira Herskowitz to join the faculty.

Currently the institute has 17 regular faculty members, plus three or four more associated with the department, and includes se-

lect graduate students from the biology, chemistry and physics departments, IMB Office Manager Kathy Campbell told the Emerald in January.

"As it grew in size, it inevitably lost some of its pioneering spirit and its democratic mode of operation," Stahl wrote in the e-mail. "Of course, during this same period it expanded its scientific horizons."

Stahl became a full professor and member of the institute in 1963. Through the course of his career, he spent time researching in England, Scotland, Italy and Israel and served on the editorial boards of various journals. He became an American Cancer Society Research Professor of Molecular Genetics in 1985. Since 2001 he has been an American Cancer Society Professor and Distinguished Professor Emeritus at the University.

Stahl is also known as a peace activist.

"Most biologists are biologists because they like living things," Stahl said. "War is bad for living things."

Stahl's son Andy Stahl said his father has been a peace activist since he aided Chemistry Nobel Prize winner Linus Pauling's pleas to stop above-ground nuclear testing at the California Institute of Technology. He added that both his parents were early critics of the Vietnam War.

"I don't know whether our phone was tapped by the FBI, but for many years, it didn't work very well," Andy Stahl said.

Andy Stahl said his father received numerous requests for copies of his articles, and during the Vietnam War, stamped all the articles he sent out with the phrase, "U.S. out of Vietnam." He said the University administration found out about the practice and complained but couldn't stop it.

"Any efforts to silence him were doomed from the beginning," Andy Stahl said.

A cake at the reception bore the message, "Jette & Frank Happy Cabbage Farming." Jette Foss, Stahl's partner, explained the statement as an allusion to the Roman emperor Diocletian, who retired to grow cabbage along the Mediterranean Sea.

"I don't think that Frank will grow cabbage," she said. "It's a symbol for a glorious retirement."

Foss, who was a graduate student in Stahl's lab 40 years ago and came back years later, said Stahl will still have an office on campus to write papers for publication and speak at meetings, although the laboratory will be closed.

"He's not turning his brain off, you can be sure of that," American Cancer Society Professor Peter von Hippel, who has worked with Stahl in the IMB since 1967, said.

"First we must write some papers on the wonderful work that my students have accomplished over the past few years," Stahl wrote in the e-mail, describing his plans for retirement. "After that? I wonder."

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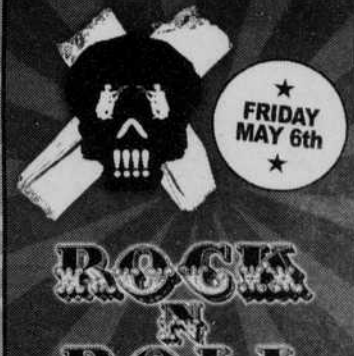
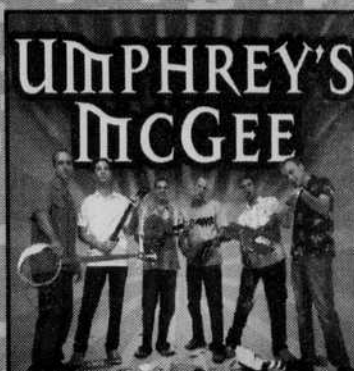
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