

Student finds paging satisfying

By Elena Vancil
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The mention of a page often brings to mind a picture of a young Renaissance boy, carrying a scroll. It is a picturesque image, but not a particularly sophisticated one.

A Twentieth Century page has much more sophistication, along with a lot more responsibility, at least in the eyes of JoAnn McCauley. She has been working as a page on the Oregon House of Representatives staff this legislative session at the state capitol in Salem.

At times a glorified errand boy would be a fitting description for the duties of a page,

according to McCauley, who served as secretary for the College's Associated Student Government until landing the legislative job earlier this year.

But she says it would be wrong to assume that delivering messages is all a page job is about.

"We work on committees, on a rotating basis," she said. "I have finished serving on the Judicial Committee, and am just starting work on the Housing and Urban Development Committee."

Committee work, for a page, includes a lot of research, office work and typing. The Capitol's two libraries are used for this purpose, along with a com-

puter system, which stores and generally assisting where needed.

"The job involves a lot of hard work. I find myself putting in a lot of overtime," she said.

"But there is personal satisfaction. You have to like it, or you wouldn't be here."

Following work on Atiyeh's campaign, McCauley was one of 1,000 applicants seeking the position as a page. There was a subsequent interview, and Jan. 8 found her one of the 32 new pages.

"There is a big turnover in this kind of work. It requires patience, and if you are patient enough, there will be a future in it," she said. "The people are fascinating, there are so many

different personalities and everybody wants to be a leader. It has been a good learning ex-

perience, just conferring with different legislatures and lobbyists.

Majoring in social psychology with a minor in political science, McCauley is currently a night student at the College.

"Next fall, when my session is over at the state capital, I think I will enroll for classes at Portland State, hopefully get on the student government there," she said. "I am supporting a candidate for presidency in their election, and if the outcome is favorable, I am depending on a position of administrative assistant."

"I would like to pursue a political career, someday. I've been thinking of studying law after I get my degree," she added.



JoAnn McCauley

sors of a bill, along with the bill's history.

Along with running errands and doing committee work, McCauley has often found herself filling in for receptionists,

'Green Fingers' expand garden plots

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Expansion will highlight the Green Fingers Community Garden project's eighth year of existence as 72 more garden plots have been added to accommodate more gardeners.

According to Bill Hargadine, Community Services coordinator, the Green Fingers Project has enjoyed great success over the years. Often, there were not enough plots for everyone who was interested in gardening one.

"We've expanded our plots from 216 last year to 288 for this year, so we hope they will all be filled. Close to 50 percent of the plots have already been taken," Hargadine said.

According to Hargadine, the idea for a community garden was spawned when land for the project became available after the old Smuckers cannery was purchased. Hargadine believes the community garden may be a first of its kind.

"It's interesting to watch over 100 different people each using various techniques on their gardens," Hargadine said.

But with 288 gardens, each 700 square feet in size, side-by-side, Hargadine cautioned that problems can occur.

"Sometimes people get discouraged when weeds begin to spring up and then they just give up on their gardens. This causes problems for other gardeners because seeds from the weeds can be blown into other gardens and the uncared-for gardens can also harbor insects," Hargadine said.

According to Hargadine, May 1 has been set as the tentative date to begin gardening.

"It all depends on the weather. Over spring vacation with the beautiful weather we began plowing the land, but with the cold weather we can't do anything," Hargadine said.

Hargadine stressed that there are still a lot of plots left open. The College takes care of the irrigation and provides some fertilizer for the gardens, he said.

Anyone interested in registering should call 656-2631, ext. 208. Registration fee is \$3.

Farm offer still alive for college Ag students

"The deal is not dead" concerning the possible endowment of a 50-acre farm to the College, said Bill Anton, development officer for the College.

The endowment would result in a quarterly, semi-annual, or yearly annuity for George Horning, the current owner of the Wilsonville plot. For the College, the trust would allow space for possible beef production, pasture maintenance, and farm facilities. The Agriculture Department would receive the greatest amount of use of the farm.

Negotiations for use of the farm by the College have been pending since Jan. 31 when the College's Board of Education approved a special resolution that noted interest in the farm. "Such an acquisition is contingent upon a workable agreement for both Horning and the College," the

resolution points out.

The likelihood of an endowment is still much a private issue between Horning, Anton and Cheryl Gribbskov. Gribbskov, West Linn Community Services outreach worker, came to Horning last October to "help him look for alternatives, in terms of what is out in the community to help him," she said. Concern about the future

of the farm came about when a fire in 1976 destroyed part of a dairy farm operation Horning was involved in.

If agreed upon, this would be the first receipt of an endowment. Even at this time there are still many unresolved conditions, that due to their delicacy and private nature cannot be discussed outside of our negotiations."

Law and the man

"Men and the Law" will be the first presentation of the spring term offerings of the College's Men's Resource Program. The seminar is scheduled for Tuesday, April 10, at 7 p.m. in the community Center, room 101.

Dick Helgeson, and Oregon City attorney, will be on hand to answer questions about the legal rights and responsibilities of men. He will also make an opening presentation about how men can use the law to further their creative opportunities.

The seminar costs \$1 per person and those interested in attending are encouraged to pre-register by calling the College counseling department, 656-2631, ext. 266.

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