

Two escaped Polish students attend college

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The dream of many citizens of a terror stricken country is to live in a free society. For two Polish refugees this became true on December 16, 1981, when they made America their new home.

Wojciech Pustkouski, 33, and Ludwik Rultowski, 19, are currently enrolled at the College, studying English language.

In Poland, English wasn't taught in public schools, it was up to the individual to learn English by other means.

The two are taking Survival English, in hopes of finding employment and furthering their education.

Pustkouski and Rultowski met in Vienna, Austria, at the American Embassy and lived in a refugee camp in Austria for

three and a half months before coming to America.

The Tolstoy Foundation, a non-profit refugee organization, sponsored the two men and suggested several cities in which they might settle. They chose the Portland area because it would be easy to adjust and would be most adaptable.

Oregon is approximately the same in geographic size as Poland. Also the landscape is very similar. It is different in that Oregon has a population of approximately two million and in Poland there is a population of 36 million.

The Tolstoy Foundation paid the first month's rent on their West Linn apartment and gave them \$35 a week for the first month. Pustowski's and Rultowski's present income is from welfare and Social Security.

In Poland, Pustkouski worked for the Department of Projects for six years as a

technical mechanic and also as a "Straw-boss" on a copper-mine in Lubin. Rultowski was employed as a car painter before leaving his homeland.

Rultowski was born in Zienlonoi Gorol, Poland where he left his mother, two sisters, and a brother. "There was no future there for me," he commented.

"I like the College, I have few problems adapting," Pustkouski said.

He left his 65-year-old mother and a sister in his home town of Szczecin. His last letter from home was on December 10, 1981. He said he has written letters and hasn't received any answers. He has also tried to call but couldn't get through to Poland.

Pustkouski and Rultowski plan to stay in the Northwest and have their refugee papers. After learning English, both will go for their American citizenship. They agreed that "We are very happy."



Rultowski



Pustkouski

Request for copier, money barrage ASG

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A petition to acquire a copy machine for the Community Center Mall signed by 40 interested students was among the items discussed at last Thursday's ASG meeting.

Business Manager Steve Vohs felt the purchase of a copy machine for the CC Mall would "eliminate a lot of hassle."

Vohs said, "A lot of time can be spent waiting for use of the copy machine in the library. Librarians are busy sometimes when people need help making copies."

Senator Emma Nelson added that a CC Mall copy machine is needed since the library machines are sometimes unavailable or not working.

Vohs suggested, "We could charge a quarter if we really wanted to suck people's blood." Vohs volunteered to check into how much such a project would cost.

In other business, the ASG listened to guest speaker, Larry Gray, a Democratic candidate for Oregon's new 5th District (see story, right)

ASG plans on inviting all of the candidates running for the 5th Dist. to speak at student

government meetings, and then have a "Candidates Fair" for all the Congressional competitors.

ASG denied a request to give \$50 to Molalla High School students that would have helped send seniors to Washington DC through "Project Close-up."

Senate liaison John Schaffer said, "We are out of money in some accounts, and low in others. I think we need to keep the money on campus."

Senator Jerry Hale argued that giving money to "Project Close-up" could not be used as a recruitment tool, as he had heard other senators saying.

"I would hope the (Molalla) students, since they are going to Washington, are smart enough that they would not say, 'Clackamas Community College helped me when I wanted to go to Washington, therefore I should pay them back by attending the college.'"

Music instructor Lonnie Cline's request for \$222.30 to cover transportation, and/or lodging so two students can compete in a tournament in Walla Walla, Washington, was referred to Ways and Means.

The competition is for all Northwest college choirs.

Representatives from Portland State University and Portland Community College will attend.

Theater department chairman Jack Shields urged the

Congressional candidate Gray discusses campaign, opponent

Larry Gray, a Democratic nominee for the 5th Congressional District spoke last week to the Associated Student Government.

According to ASG President Sam Crosby, Gray is the first candidate to speak before the student council. "We hope to have all the nominees speak here," Crosby said, noting that a candidate's fair is scheduled to happen during the spring term.

Gray said because he never held public office he is not "tied to the mistakes of the past."

Gray grew up in the Willamette Valley and in 1966 graduated from West Linn High School. He studied speech and communications at Portland State University.

His career as a radio news broadcaster eventually led him

ASG not to cut funding for the theater department.

ASG received a letter of thanks from the American Red Cross. A new record of 114 pints was collected at the recent blood drive, breaking the

previous mark of 105. This included 20 "first time" donors.

The student government also received a request that the body sponsor a Little League Baseball team for the second year.

to owning an independent radio news service that he operated in Washington, D. C. Gray specialized in covering the U. S. Congress.

"When I was in Washington, I didn't feel that Oregonians were adequately informed about the national congress and I still feel that way," he said.

The newly formed 5th District consists of parts of Marion, Clackamas, Linn, Benton and Polk counties. Gray felt the district would be predominated by small-business and small-farm populations. The College is also included in the district.

Denny Smith, the Republican incumbent from the 2nd District, is currently the

only Republican opposition to the seat.

"I think Denny is a fluke," Gray said, "He isn't respected in Washington, D.C., not even by his own party."

Gray has already launched an attack against Smith, claiming that he "...has raised a smoke screen to separate him from the Reagan budget."

The main points of Gray's campaign are support for small businessmen and farmers and to decrease military spending.

"Right now, 60 percent of all new jobs are from small business," Gray said. "Also, what's more important--a new bomber system or a remedial reading program?"

Inskeep Center receives METRO recycling grant

Recently, Environmental Learning Center was awarded a grant from METRO's Recycling Support fund totaling \$5,084 to develop a 24-hour full-service depot for the county. Plans are in the works to provide training for disadvantaged youths and handicapped adults through work experience.

The College's Environmental Learning Center (ELC) has a model recycling

program encompassing over 15 tons of seven distinct grades of recyclables.

The center handles recycling for the college and is serving as a model for the community.

The depot will accept glass, metals/cans, motor oil and all grades of paper. The facility will be designed to include an information and exhibit area as well as recycling workshops to be held for the public and for schools.

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