

Opinion

Proposal could cost colleges millions

As part of the Administration's budget proposals for fiscal year '88, the Department of Treasury would be asked to levy a social security tax of nearly 15% on all student jobs on campus. Most on campus employment is either work-study or helps the student to offset the costs of attending school in other ways.

For the past 48 years students have been exempt from paying these taxes and this change will not only burden the students by reducing their wages, but it would also reduce the purchasing power of federal college work study and other work programs on campus. The change would cost the institutions themselves money, since the tax would require from each dollar approximately 7.25 cents from the employer as well as 7.25 cents from the student.

To be enacted, the House Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committees would need to legislate this change, which is currently just an Administration proposal. The United States Student Association (USSA) has already joined with other higher education groups in opposition to the proposal, and in this coalition submitted testimony to the committees. It is time to support them in their endeavors.

If this proposal should be passed it could cost colleges and universities millions of dollars, dollars that could be used to increase financial aid instead of decreasing it. Many students would be unable to attend college if it were not for financial aid, and any means to decrease aid should be abolished. If the current system has worked for 48 years there is no real reason to change it, it is better left the way it is.

Concerned student speaks

Do you know these people?

Who are Neale Frothingham, Beckie Hostetler, Dana Dumolt, Becky Blumenkron, and Ann Haller?

If you don't know, you should find out. These people are your representatives at Clackamas Community College. They are (in order) A.S.G. President, Vice President, Assistant to the President, Entertainment Coordinator and Administrative Assistant. Want to know more? These people make decisions for you in different aspects of Government on campus.

Do you ever voice an opinion about what happens on campus? I'll bet you do. But to whom is the opinion given? A friend, a fellow student, an instructor? Give your opinion to the people that represent you. If they don't know what you want or what your opinion is, they can only go by "what's gone before."

Whether you are a full, part or occasional time student, what you think does matter. Without you there wouldn't be a college to run and you can make a difference.

Charles F. Cunningham
Check next week for more.

Letters to new editors

Letter from Neale Frothingham to New Editor
Dear Heleen:

Congratulations on your appointment as Editor-In-Chief of the Print. We at ASG are looking forward to seeing what you have in mind for the Print next year. Again, and I know I speak for everyone in the executive cabinet, Congratulations!!!

Sincerely, Neale Frothingham,
President ASG

Letter From Neale Frothingham to New Sports/Design Editor
Dear Chris:

Congratulations on your appointment as Sports/Design Editor of the Print. I know that the Sports Editor is a full time job in itself so you will be quite busy as Design Editor too. We at ASG wish you the best year possible on the Print. And again, Congratulations, from myself and everyone on the executive cabinet.

Sincerely, Neale Frothingham,
President ASG

Letter to ASG

As the executive editors of The Print next year, we would like to thank ASG President Neale Frothingham and the ASG cabinet for their letters of support.

We at The Print are looking forward to working with ASG next year. We anticipate both a

productive and enjoyable school year next year.
Once again, thanks for the letters of support.

Sincerely, Heleen Veenstra and
Chris Curran, Editor and
Design/Sports Editor

Student Opinions

Question: Have the counselors given you adequate advice?



Lorain Collins: I believe so. They helped me to decide what classes are best for my needs. One or two were a little impatient when there were lots of people.



Mike Hufford: Yes. One time I almost took three classes I didn't have to take, but because of their expertise in the field of education, they saved me from three agonizing classes. I guess I owe those people.



Lyn Barclay: Yes, very good advice. They helped me find out what classes to take for my major.



Alan Espasandin: No, I don't think they took enough time with me. A counselor gave me a general overview of classes with amounts of credits, not specific classes. I've taken a lot of classes that turn out to be electives at Portland State. It may have set me back two years.

Parents - what

a concept

by Stephani Veff
Opinions Editor

Special treatment

If you ask me, the worst thing about having two sisters is being the oldest. Sure, it's great to be the oldest when you are left in charge when your parents go out for the evening, but the thrill of torturing your younger siblings only lasts so long.

The one main gripe I have about being the oldest is the special treatment my sisters receive from my parents. Not only do they get privileges at an earlier age than I did, but they also get punished less often than I did.

When I ask my parents why my sisters don't get punished for the same things I did when I was growing up, they say they (my parents) are getting older and more tired and it just doesn't bother them as much as it used to. Personally, I don't think this is fair.

Some of the privileges my sisters have received has included staying up late on weeknights, watching R-rated movies, and using the phone.

If I remember correctly, my bedtime was nine o'clock on weeknights until my freshman year in high school when it was raised to 10 p.m. My sisters, however, are allowed to stay up until 11 p.m. and sometimes even later. They received this privilege in junior high.

One of the more shocking instances in which my sisters received privileges sooner than I was when the movie "Porky's" came out on HBO. The movie had first come out in the theaters when I was 13 and I had asked my parents if I could go see it with some friends. They said, "No, you're too young. You'll have to wait until you are older to see those kinds of movies." A few years later I was just sitting down to watch the movie on HBO (after asking my parents if I could do so), when my sisters joined

me. I tried to be nice and warn them that Mom and Dad would be mad if they came out and caught them watching an R-rated movie, but they ignored me. At just that moment my mom came into the room, saw what we were watching, commented that it was a funny movie (she and my father had seen it before I had asked to see it when I was 13) and went on about her business.

I couldn't understand the logic. Here my sisters were both younger than I was when I had first asked to see the movie and they are being allowed to see it without even asking at all.

Phone privileges became a big issue when I began using the phone in high school as a way of communicating with my friends instead of just waiting to see them in school the next day.

For the next two years I was restricted from using the phone various times, while my sisters were usually given a warning because they weren't caught using it as often.

After the two years were up and I was a junior in high school my parents decided to invest in that wonderful invention, call-waiting. Now my sisters can talk whenever they want and not worry about my parents' friends getting busy signals, which is what got me into trouble so often.

Parents and their ways of parenting are so confusing to their children, they ought to give us handbooks when we're born so that we can stay out of trouble better. I have learned a lot from my sisters and I have enjoyed having them around, even if they haven't had the benefits of parental punishment as often as they should have. I hope you're listening Mom and Dad, it's not too late to save them you know.

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