

Photo Essay

Rafters challenge Sandy River



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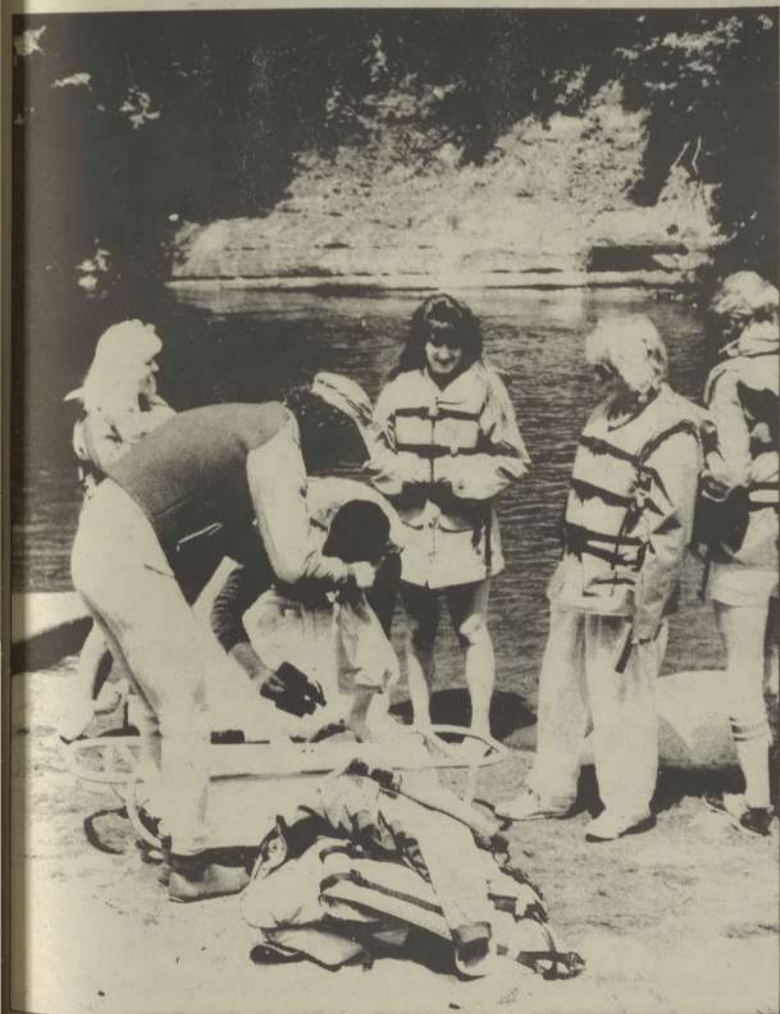
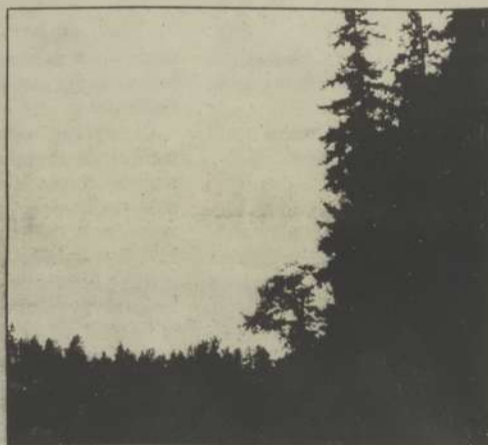
Once again the students of the 'Wildlife of Rivers' class braved a white water infested river. The Sandy River was the choice of instructor, Don Shula. The crew chosen for the May 19th voyage was Rob Servo, Brandy Sheffield, Tonya Lindquist, Jessica Hart and Shawn Gilbert.

Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., the students met at Oxbow park in Gresham where they were met by Park Naturalist Deb Kauper. Kauper is somewhat of an authority on the Sandy River and gave a lecture to the students about the life generated by the river. She spoke of the traditional runs of salmon and the importance of preservation and wildlife conservation.

From Oxbow park they then drove to the "put-in" spot in Dodge park. Kauper accompanied the students in a kayak on the river trip. After several hours on the river, going through Class II and III rapids, they (Kauper and the crew) found a sandy little beach and stopped for lunch.

They were off again and were nearing the end of the seven mile trip when it was suggested that swimming would be a good idea. There was a moment of indecision and then a splash. The entire crew with the exception of Don Shula experienced the chill of the icy waters. An exhilarating experience but there was a question as to their sanity none-the-less.

Soon the rafters reached the "take-out" spot at Oxbow and were soon on their way to a warm, dry home.



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Golden Thread

16.00	17	18.00	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
48.25	49.57	50.89	52.21	53.53	54.85	56.17	57.49	58.81	60.13	61.45	62.77	64.09	65.41	66.73	68.05	69.37	70.69	72.01	73.33	74.65	75.97	77.29	78.61	79.93
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