

Opinion: Women's Weekend great fun

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Last spring I had the opportunity to attend the annually held Focus On Women's Get-Away Weekend. I was encouraged to go and went as Assistant Opinion Editor to cover it. I never got around to writing that opinion until now.

With the 1997 Focus On Women's Get-Away-Weekend approaching starting April 25, I must comment on my experiences of last year.

Expecting institutional food, I was surprised and greatly pleased to see the meals were well thought out and really good. The staff at Camp Collins outdid themselves in hospitality to the participants that were there.

The concert by the band Motherlode was incredible. It evoked a lot of feelings from the audience, all the way from laughter to tears. The band took the time throughout the weekend to put on workshops including singing, learning different musical instruments and even play-

ing the harmonica.

Massages were offered at seven dollars for a half hour. Massage workshops were offered, as was a body movement workshop.

An art workshop was led by Susanna Lundgren, who made various art modes available to weekend participants. I finally came out from behind my camera long enough to try the art. Writing workshops were offered and were filled to capacity.

On Saturday night there was a performance of everything we learned, and a dance followed. After that some of us got together and attempted to sing campfire songs ... the ones we could remember, that is.

That weekend last year was one I will always remember. I encourage any woman who wants to experience the outdoors, go hiking, bird watching, writing in a beautiful setting and learn a bit of massage as well as have fun with art, to sign up for this weekend. It is a chance to relax, let someone do the cooking for you and if you're married, have your partner deal with the kids and pets for the weekend.



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Coordinators of the 1996 Women's Getaway Weekend relax after a successful event. From left are Kate Gray, Linda Vogt, Rene' Zingarelli, Marilynne Keyser, Bernie Nolan and Maggie Pedersen. This year's coordinator group also includes Ellen Wolfson and Linda Durham (not pictured).

Registration is still open for this year's Women's Getaway Weekend. The event starts this Friday at YMCA Camp Collins, near Gresham. This year's theme is "In Her Nature."

Scholarships are available for students and staff. Register for WKS 1-05; cost of the weekend, including food, lodging and all workshops, is \$140.

Campus News & Update

Clubs Council Meeting

- **When:**
Wed., April 30
- **Where:**
CC126
- **Time:**
1:30-2:30 p.m.
- **Why:**
Discuss end-of-year banquet

Authors' Night returns

Authors' Night will return with three Northwest writers, Judith Barrington, Barbara J. Scot and Lisa Dale Norton. They will talk and read about "The Art of Memoir" beginning at 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 30, in the McLoughlin Hall Theatre. The event is free and open to the public. However, a \$2 donation will be accepted to support the Friends of the Library.

Estonian choral music figures plan visit to NW

The unique, musical ties established during the last three years between Clackamas and the small, Eastern European country of Estonia will pay off next month for Portland-area residents with the unprecedented visit by two of the world's most important figures in choral music.

The college music department will host composer Veljo Tormis and conductor Hirvo Surva May 5-10. They will conduct a series of lectures and rehearsals culminating in a combined-choir performance in their honor.

Financial seminar planned

The Foundation is presenting a seminar on Wednesday, May 7 at 2:30 to 4 p.m. in Modular 5 (north of Randall Hall).

Speakers will include Attorney Sherrie Kaiser Goff and Retired Trust Officer Doug Forncrook. This event is designed for folks interested in living trusts and transferring assets.

Registration forms are due by Thursday, May 1 in the Foundation Office. Contact Beverly Fulmore at ext. 2402 or Ron Nordeen at ext. 2580 for more information.

Ford/AAA Student Auto Skills National Quality Care Challenge Coming May 2

Check out next week's Feature section for special story.

ASG Blood Drive
Wed., April 30
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Randall Gym
Lobby

Early register for fall classes offered

If you enrolled for spring classes by appointment, you will automatically receive an Early Fall Scheduling Appointment flyer in the mail during the week of May 5. This letter will list the dates and times of advising/scheduling sessions. If you haven't registered by appointment before, call ext. 2770 or stop by the Help Center in the Community Center Mall.

Creating healthier lifestyle

- Free workshop
 - Thursday, April 24, begins at 6:30 p.m.
 - McLoughlin Theatre
 - Learn to cope with stress and anxiety
- Call ext. 2600 for more information

Classifieds

Free 1997 Summer Bulletin!

Oregon State University Summer Session. Open enrollment- no admission requirements. Phone registration begins April 17. Many four-week courses offered. Call today for free bulletin- 1-800-375-9359 or 541-737-1470.

Or check the latest on the Web: <http://osu.orst.edu/dept/summer>.

Parting out: '76 Scout Terra, 4 cyl, 4 spd, removable 1/2 top, lots of good parts. See Nick in Automotive or call 652-5865.

For Sale: 1987 Chev Nova, runs good, new auto trans, nice stereo- \$2000, See Ray or Nick in Automotive or call X2569.

Autoshop equipment for sale- FMC Wheel balancer, Bear brake lathe, Marquette distributor machine, Marquette alternator test bench. All must go- \$600 for all or will separate. See Nick in Automotive or call 652-5865.

Blue & peach floral couch. Excellent condition- \$250. **Oak dining room table with leaf and 6 chairs.**

Velvet, camel color upholstery- \$250.

1B and 2B Duplex- \$470 and \$675. Call Joyce Cronk at 656-3132.

For Sale: 1985 Nissan Sentra, Runs and drives good, lots of miles- \$600, See Nick or Ray in Automotive or call X2569.

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