

Traffic tickets or robbery?

Yes, I know we have to have laws that govern how we act. I know we have to trust the guardians of that law. But when the guardians of that law are told

unfairly treated by police.

How many people have fog lights on their car? My friend, in this case, was driving a new GM car with daytime running lights... and he still got a \$180 ticket. He CAN'T turn off the lights... there isn't a control to do it. He's had them dis-



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I'm too young to be this cynical

what parts of it to enforce, I think we have a problem.

I received a traffic ticket a month ago. I'm not sore about the ticket itself because, yeah, I was speeding, fair and square. The problem I have with this incident is that the cop spent his time giving me a ticket for speeding instead of concentrating on keeping serious crime down.

In the past few weeks, I have had friends pulled over for having their fog lights on, for pulling into a bicycle lane to turn right and for driving drunk. In all cases, I believe my friends are innocent, and have been

connected at the dealership... for a fee. I lost points on my driver's exam because I DIDN'T pull into a bicycle lane to turn right... I'm not quite sure where the law stands on this, but the \$95 ticket my friend got for this offense is still unfair.

And the friend who got pulled over on I-205 in Oregon City by a West Linn police officer? I guess it's so unusual to find someone driving the speed limit at 2 am that the cop just felt obliged to pull him over. Then the police officer walked around his car, and discovered that

there was a transparent cover over the license plate... a \$150 fine.

I believe this is armed robbery. We have a police officer, who has a gun and can call in heavily armed forces, telling us we have to pay money or will lose privileges and, quite possibly, our right to freedom.

If you read my town newspaper, The West Linn Tidings, the police report is illuminating. The police pull more people over at, and go on more calls to, the scenic overlook on I-205 than they do in the actual town. There are reports of car burglaries, home burglaries, and even a mugging or two... in the ritziest neighborhood of West Linn. But I guess patrolling those neighborhoods is boring, and abusing some teenagers in an area that is theoretically outside of West Linn police jurisdiction is a lot more fun.

I don't think it's that the police themselves are bad. I think it's that the town of West Linn and the people who are in charge of the police are telling the police to go after the high-value citations... at the price of actually protecting the taxpayers.



The nature of fear

What is it about scaring the living daylights out of your friends?

After spending last Thursday evening making the Photo and A&E

We hide from fear but almost try to look for it in any situation. If we walk through town in the middle of the night by ourselves, we're almost bound to

begin hearing footsteps of somebody following us.

We feel alone when we're scared, but almost always it's a feeling that

From the Editor's desk...



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editors practically lose all control of their bodily fluids while traversing the Maize on Sauvie Island in Portland, I was left to ponder such a feeling.

We scare people because we love to see the looks on their faces. We scare them because it gives us a sense of power over others. When friends crumble to the ground in fear, or laugh so hysterically that they begin to cry, you're the one who caused them to do that. We always want to be the most horrid creature on Halloween so we can terrorize little kids, right?

Why do we like to be scared? Because it's a natural high—an adrenaline rush.

we're not alone—that some evil presence is around us. Try going to Molalla sometime. You'll see what I mean.

This October, I'm sure you'll be shown the typical "scary movie." Bats looks to be the frontrunner for the annual Halloween Box Office bust award. Before you waste seven bucks on a crappy movie, try spending five or six bucks and go have some real fun on Sauvie Island. If you've seen films like *Children of the Corn* or the recent *Blair Witch Project*, taking on the challenge of getting through the 10' tall corn field/maize at night will fill your fear appetite for the weekend.

A Student's Voice...

Rankin: facts misrepresented, truth buried

When an issue as important as the removal of an elected official occurs, you can expect rumors to fly, the facts to be misrepresented, and the truth to be buried. Such is the case of the unethical removal of Jennifer Rankin from the office of ASG President. To clear up misconceptions, the three charges levied against Jennifer will be addressed. They are as follows: consumption of alcohol at a school sponsored event; failure to communicate with the ASG advisor; and misuse of college files. Let us first look at the facts surrounding the consumption of alcohol.

There are two main issues that must be considered when looking at Jennifer's use of alcohol as grounds for removal. First, out of the fifteen community college presidents who attended the CCOSAC retreat, including last year's ASG President David LeDoux, only Jennifer was punished for drinking at a party where alcohol consumption was prevalent. This not only shows the administrations blatant disregard of policy, but their willingness to reward those who agree with them and punish those who don't. Second, according to Jan Godfrey, Jennifer's signing of the probationary agreement was punishment. She cannot be punished again by removal from office unless she

has violated the probation. This brings us to the second allegation: lack of communication with ASG advisor, Norm Berney, a condition of her probationary agreement.

At the August 5 ASGCCC Constitutional Convention Board Meeting, Norm Berney told President Jennifer Rankin and Vice-president James Gould the position of Administrative Assistant needed to be filled and asked them to begin accepting applications and setting up interviews. This statement was made in the presence of seven of the board's members, as well as officially recorded in the CCB minutes. James and Jennifer followed Norm's instructions and began setting up appointments. The interview in question occurred on August 17 at 9:00am with Mr. Berney's approval, attendance and active participation as one of six interview committee members. It defies logic that Jennifer could be accused and removed for "conducting an officer interview without notifying her advisor," when the advisor was present at the interview. When we look at the facts, Jennifer Rankin is clearly innocent of this second accusation, and is thereby not guilty of violating the probationary agreement.

The last accusation filed by the administration is that Jennifer removed ASG officer applications from the ASG

office with out the knowledge of ASG. Before this allegation can be understood, we must understand the events from which it arose. It was brought to Jennifer's attention by two Administrative Assistant applicants that the selection procedure laid out in the Student Constitution had not been followed. In the presence of myself and several other ASG members, Jennifer told Norm Berney of the error and made it clear that she was taking the documents home to outline the violations. Berney and Gould openly acknowledged their error and condoned Jennifer's decision to take home the files. Jennifer and other new members were unaware of the policy that ASG files were to remain on the school campus. Officers involved in Childcare and Textbook grants regularly took files home which contained social-security-numbers, yet Jennifer is the only one to be charged despite the fact that complaints were filed against four other officers in ASG.

There are always two sides to a story, but there is only one truth. I urge you as students with a vested interest in you education, speak with your peers, find out both sides of the story and look at the facts of the case.

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Letters to the Editor...

The Print should dig deeper when writing news

John Thorburn states clearly in his opinion column that "Our #1 job is to get the news to you. We find that news by digging deep into all the dark corners of the campus." My question to this statement then, is *why* is some news reported in articles published by the print, while some vital information is left out?

In Karl Katzke and John Thorburn's article on the removal of Jennifer Rankin from her office as ASG president, they

state that "it became apparent that there is some confusion over the hearing process", the article then goes on to state what the confusion seems to be over. However, information was missing.

Specifically, what is the correct process for removing an ASG officer from office? By leaving out this information it leaves the students of Clackamas Community College to wonder who gets to make these decisions. Is it the students, who voted Rankin into office, or is it the

administration? The process of obtaining a copy of the Clackamas Community College Student Handbook and the College's constitution surely, can not be considered a difficult process, nor can the simple act of reporting the correct process of removing an ASG officer.

If "The Print" wishes to do its #1 job, perhaps its reporters should consider "digging deeper" in the future.

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