

Power of police versus power of the people

They carry nightsticks. They fire guns. They wear badges. Who am I talking about? Police. Our protectors, our survival.

As of late, the question of

Who are we to question them? Who are we to decide how much power is too much? Do we put our lives at risk for the common good of the people? No, we don't.

Make a statement, be heard...



Salena De La Cruz
Opinion Editor

Imagine if you will a world without authority, without police. Do you see the chaos that I see? Do you see the lives

power has come up. Do they have too much, not enough?

The way I see it, as with any group there are always the few who ruin it for everyone; the police are no exception. There are some who may shoot first and ask questions later. They may react to the slightest provocation.

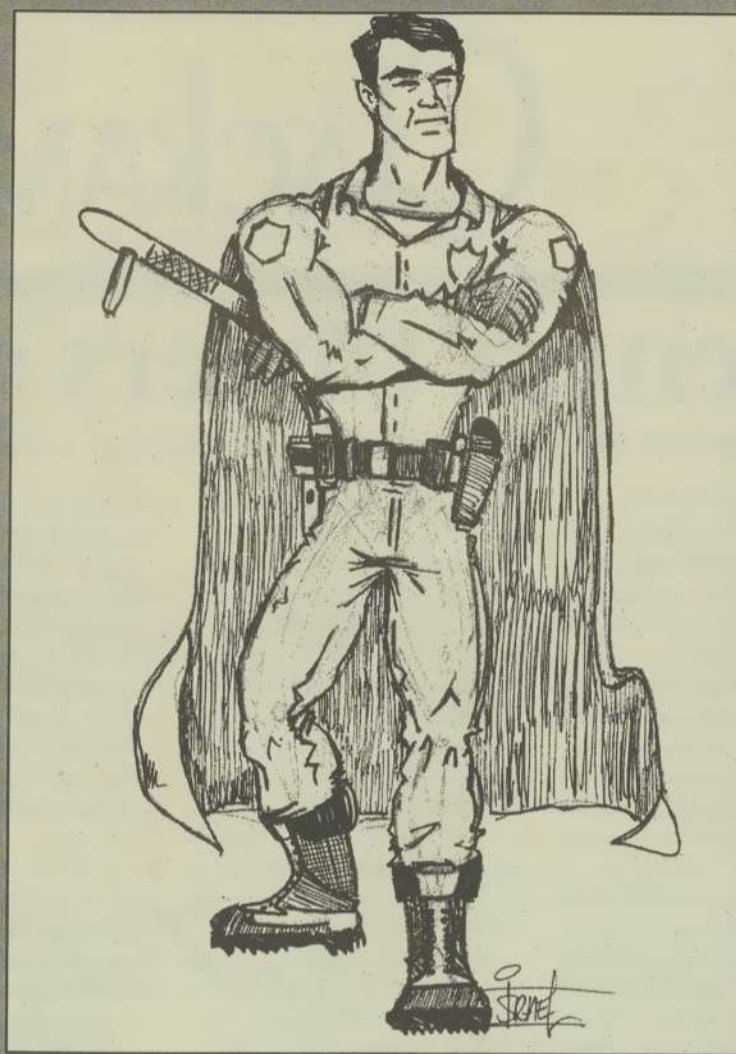
Remember Rodney King? Remember the recent May Day riots?

However, there's one thing I think we're forgetting. We as citizens give them their power. We give people the opportunity to become police officers; to fight for us against criminals; against danger. They have the right to wield that power, to use it as they see fit.

that could be lost? The criminals who would take over? Is this a world you want? I certainly don't.

I believe the power used by the police may, at times, be excessive. However, remember they 'serve and protect' us. They put their lives in danger for us, because no one else will. Everyone grows up, but only the exceptional become police. So, let's give them credit for risking their lives for us. Let's quit demanding retribution for situations that can be handled by no one other than the police.

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"Power corrupts, and absolute power corrupts absolutely."

--Lord Acton



Did you know?

690 firearms were turned in during Oregon Ceasefire's efforts.

According to Channel 6 News.

Letter to the Editor

'Congratulations Print staff'

Print staff,
Congratulations on your awards! You have worked so hard this year. I have appreciated your dedication and professional approach. Thanks for representing CCC so well.

Dian Connett
Dean of Inst. /Student Service

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Correction

In last week's issue a picture was printed next to the article about Laurie Sullivan, "LCOP helps homemaker find new start." That picture was incorrect. This picture is the correct one.

Mother of three, homemaker Laurie Sullivan discovered life is about to change and found a new beginning through the Life and Career Options program on campus.



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