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Decisions Affect PSU’s Future

Critical Areas Include Football, Budgets, President

By Dave Fiskum

To say a lot happened at Portland State University in late April and early May is an understatement. There were several critical decisions which will affect the University, its students, faculty and staff, perhaps for years to come.

Though the groundwork was laid over a period of months, the critical decisions period started April 23 with Acting President E. Dean Anderson’s announcement on the future of football.

It moved through preliminary State Board of Higher Education decisions on an urban studies master’s degree program, a revival of the Pacific Rim Studies Center concept and faculty salary increases to perhaps the most far-reaching decision of all — budget reductions for 1975-76 in instructional areas at the University.

Almost lost in the shuffle of football, budget, salaries and new programs was a string of developments in the search for a new president at Portland State.

All in all, it was a busy time, particularly for Anderson, who stepped into the presidency on an interim basis when Gregory Wolfe resigned to run for Congress.

Leaning heavily on advice from his staff, particularly Vice President for Academic Affairs Joseph Blumel, and counsel from student and faculty groups, Anderson presided over the University during a crucial period.

Here is a summary of the critical decisions plus a more in-depth look at the presidential situation:

* On April 23, Anderson held a news conference to announce his decision on the future of football — he put the program on notice that game receipts must pay a larger share of the program cost or the sport would be dropped after next season.

The decision came after weeks of consultation with numerous groups, both on and off campus. Needless to say, it was controversial. Some felt Anderson hadn’t gone far enough; others felt he had gone too far.

But, while he put the program on notice, he also pledged support to help football “turn the corner” by the end of next season.

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Aid Doubles for Internationals

The amount of money earmarked for financial aid for international students at Portland State University will almost double next year.

Richard Streeter, PSU’s director of financial aids, says some $124,000 will be available for international student scholarships in 1974-75 compared to $68,000 in 1973-74.

Under the program, tuition scholarships are awarded to international students on the basis of demonstrated need. One goal of the program, now in its second year, is to provide assistance to students representing many countries.

The 1973-74 allocation to PSU was $54,000, but because of the regional colleges in the State System of Higher Education didn’t use all their money, Portland State was able to receive another $12,000 later in the year.

Money for the program, authorized by the state legislature, comes from revenue realized by the state system from nonresident tuition paid the preceding year. The State Board of Higher Education allocates the money to state system institutions and the program is administered by the State Scholarship Commission.

Officials say the philosophy of the program is that a broad cultural mix of students in a university is desirable. In many cases, the scholarships allow students to attend school in the United States who otherwise couldn’t afford to come.

Application forms for aid are available in the PSU Financial Aids Office, Room 192 Neuberger Hall (724 SW Harrison). More information is available at 229-9461.

2,000 Season Ticket Goal Set

The Athletic Department has set a goal of selling 2,000 family season tickets before the Sept. 7 season opening football game against Montana State in Civic Stadium.

As of mid-April, Athletic Department officials reported that 300 tickets had been sold and expressed hope the goal could be reached.

Season ticket prices are $25 for a family. Information on tickets is available at the Athletic Department, 229-4400.

During spring practice, the excitement generated by the addition of last year’s high school coach of the year — Darrell “Mouse” Davis of Hillsboro — as the Vikings new offensive coordinator was much in evidence.

Reports indicate the recruiting has gone well and that there is a good nucleus of sophomores back.

Judging by win-loss records, Portland State enjoyed successful seasons in both winter sports — basketball and wrestling. The basketball team, boasting a lot of new recruits and only a couple holdovers, ended up at 16-1 while the wrestling team posted a 17-2 record and competed at the nationals after winning the regional tournament.

National qualifiers also emerged in the gymnastics, swimming, tennis and golf programs. And in the latter part of May, the baseball team came back from a slow start to win six out of seven in one stretch.

Journalist Speaks at Graduation

Roderick MacLeish, the son of an American painter and writer who made good in his own right as a journalist, is the speaker for the spring formal commencement exercise scheduled June 9 at Memorial Coliseum.

The ceremony is set for 3 p.m.

MacLeish, who organized the first non-network radio news bureau in Washington, D.C., started his journalistic career in 1945 with United Press International. He moved on to a Boston radio station before joining the network news bureau, Group W, as a news director at its Boston outlet.

In 1957, MacLeish was sent to Washington to organize the bureau there and later moved to London to start the Group W Foreign News Service. He moved back to Washington in 1966 and became senior commentator in 1968, a position he has held ever since. As one of four Group W Radio and television commentators, MacLeish became a generalist after many years as a specialist in diplomacy and Soviet affairs. “It was,” he said, “a relief to become an inexpert.”

During his career as a journalist, MacLeish has covered wars in Indochina and the Middle East and revolutions in the Carribbean and has specialized at one time or another in British, French, American, Soviet and Middle Eastern politics.

Although he has spent most of his career as a journalist with Group W, MacLeish also has found time to write several books — a couple on politics and political history and a novel. He currently is working on another novel for Random House titled Cornaby.

The bulk of MacLeish’s writing has been done for Group W’s various documentary and public affairs units.

TA Lists Spring Productions

The Theater Arts Department has lined up a full schedule of productions spring term.

Later this month, it is cooperating with the Music Department on a double bill — Riders To The Sea, by Vaughn Williams, and The Soldier’s Tale, by Igor Stravinsky. The two operas are scheduled May 17, May 24 and May 25 at 8 p.m. and May 19 at 4 p.m. in the Park Theater (Shattuck School). General ad-

mission is $2.50; students and senior citizens, $1.50.

On May 25 and 26, the department is presenting Beauty and the Beast, a play designed especially for children. Times haven’t been decided yet, but two matinees each day probably will be scheduled in the Studio Theater (Lincoln Hall). Admission is $1; students, children and senior citizens, 50 cents.

The last performance of the term—Reader’s Theater—is scheduled May 30, May 31 and June 1 at 8 p.m. and June 2 at 3 p.m. in the Studio Theater. Admission is $1; students, 50 cents.

The Portland State University Players have been using the Park Theater in Shattuck School this year while renovations are underway. In their regular home, Lincoln Hall. However, this term the players are moving to the Studio Theater in Lincoln Hall for a couple productions.

Information on productions is available at the Box Office, 229-4440. Tickets are available at the door.

Generation III Airs Special

Pre-retirement planning is the focus of a special five-part series seen on "Generation III." This weekly program, produced by the University’s Institute on Aging, is aired over KATU Television at 9:30 a.m. Sunday and repeats at 6:30 p.m. Monday. The Oregon Educational and Public Broadcasting Service carries the show at 7 p.m. Monday on KOAP-TV in Portland and KOAC-TV in Corvallis.

Although retirement affects everyone, there is very little open discussion and planning given to it, according to Laurie Inacy, who produces the show for the IOA.

Inacy said one of the goals of the special series is to use the experience and knowledge of older people who’ve already retired to provide helpful advice to younger people as they prepare for their retirement. Each show presents taped interviews with older people discussing various aspects of retirement.

Early programs dealt with the meaning of work, financial planning and marital and family relationships. The last two programs will provide a look at leisure time, voluntary versus forced retirement, multiple careers, health and housing.

The series will continue through Sunday and Monday, May 19-20.
Critical Decisions Affect University Future

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On the day the football decision was announced, Anderson appeared before the State Board of Higher Education Academic Affairs Committee to support two programs—a master's degree in urban studies with options in planning and research and a cooperative inter-institutional course offered at a complete offering of a Pacific Rim Studies Center.

The Academic Affairs Committee split on the urban studies proposal so the issue will go to the full board in May with no recommendation. The Pacific Rim Studies Center proposal, similar to a plan developed at PSU a couple years ago, gained committee approval and also will go to the full board in May. Under the new proposal, the director of the center will report directly to the chancellor of the State System of Higher Education.

* On April 24, the day after the Academic Affairs Committee meeting, the Finance Committee met on campus and there was something of a surprise. John Messer, chairman of the committee, recommended allocating approximately $500,000 in board reserves to supplement the 5 percent faculty salary increase programmed in the state system for July 1.

Messer said the additional money would help faculty members combat inflation. The Finance Committee quickly bought the proposal and so did the board in a special meeting later in the day.

The announcement on 1975-76 instructional area budget reductions as a result of declining enrollment came in two ways from Vice President Blumel—an appearance at a Faculty Senate meeting May 6 and a special 11th-floor (the week after the student newsletter at the University) the following morning.

Under Blumel's announcement, no academic programs other than those discontinued in 1973 will be dropped entirely, though University support for some will be reduced substantially. The instructional area reductions total $800,000.

However, Blumel said there is some uncertainty about the financial picture for June 1975 because many decisions hinge on legislation which won't be known until late spring 1975.

* Amid everything else, the selection procedure for a new president at PSU moved to a more positive stage.

The PSU Search Committee interviewed four potential candidates and one they wanted to agree to be the fifth, then forwarded a final candidate list to the State Board of Higher Education.

Though there wasn't a public announcement about how many names were on the final list, it appears there were three—Joseph Blumel, vice president for academic affairs at PSU; Phillip Sirotnik, executive vice president and vice president of academic affairs at the State University of New York at Albany and the "non-candidate," Dixy Lee Ray, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Regents in special programs, which begin each week throughout the summer, is open as long as the registration date for the first of three concentrated programs, which begin each week throughout the summer, is open as long as the registration date for the first of three concentrated short terms during which full year courses from 11 fields are offered.

You may pick up a full-year-course or just one term in one of the sciences or foreign languages, for example. You may register for the desired term any time prior to the first day of class. Each term lasts almost four weeks and begins and ends approximately as follows: June 17-July 12; July 15-Aug. 9; and Aug. 9-Sept.

To register, it's necessary to obtain a color-keyed ticket which is exchanged for a packet of registration materials. Ticket requests are available in the back of the summer catalog or from the Summer Session Office.

For further information, contact the summer session office at 228-4061.

Summer Session

Offers 600 Courses, 70 Specials

If it has been said anticipation is just as enjoyable as the event. If your summer plans include taking a class or two at Portland State University, you can begin now the fun of pursuing the combined summer session catalog and time schedule which is available in the Summer Session Office, 107 Francis Manor, 614 SW Montgomery.

You can choose from among 600 regular courses and nearly 70 special programs. Both day and night classes are available and last from one to eight weeks. Visiting professors from as far away as England and Japan join three-fourths of PSU's regular faculty.

Formal admission to summer session isn't required. Each year students ranging from 11 to 80 and with interests from music to the Middle East join the regular students in the park blocks.

If you haven't been around a campus for awhile, there are several organizations formed to help you find your way. Among them are the League of Older Students and the Regis Professional Associates, which are headquartered in 124 Cramer Hall, the Adult Learning Center.

Special tuition rates are available to adults 65 years of age and older. A deferred tuition plan, which allows students to pay tuition in three installments during the summer, is available to all summer students—graduate, undergraduate, day or night. Additionally, there is no out-of-state tuition during summer session.

Registration in regular courses occurs at three different times. The full eight-week time schedule is Monday, June 17, and runs from June 18 to Aug. 9. This is also the registration date for the first of three concentrated short terms during which full year courses from 11 fields are offered.

Frosh Orientation

High school seniors planning to attend Portland State University in the fall may plan now for the PSU Frosh Orientation, advising and registration program.

Participants who attend either one full-day program or two evening sessions between Aug. 13-28 are advised to arrive at the program process except for the payment of fees which is done in September.

Interest cards have been mailed to high school seniors for July 1. These should be filled out by students who want to insure they receive the summertime advising brochure and an appointment card. Or, students may call PSU's Office of Undergraduate Studies, 229-3429, to obtain information.

Students can apply for admission to full term until Sept. 25, although a late admission application may result in late registration and poor class selection.

Fall term classes begin Monday, Sept. 30.
Another Shortage?

Housing Study To Pinpoint Student Need

Don Mele

Photo by Claude Neuffer

If occupancy rates in near-campus housing units are any indication, there is another student-housing for college students in Portland.

Nine apartment buildings managed by Portland Student Services, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, are nearly full year-round, and there is a waiting list of more than 500. FSS operates two other apartment buildings—Goose Hollow which it owns and Marabella West which it manages on a private contract—and there is a waiting list of between 350 and 400.

However, Portland State University students aren't the only ones looking for housing in Portland. There also are students from the University of Oregon Medical, Dental and Nursing schools.

Many of these students, facing the task of looking for a place to live on a fixed income, compete with other low income groups like the elderly for low cost housing.

Some of that pressure may be relieved through state-built housing for students in Portland, but there is a long way to go before the proposed plan becomes a reality. The 1973 legislature appropriated $1 million for bonding authority for building or acquiring student housing in Portland. That decision was no assumption housing would be built or acquired; it simply was an agreement to reserve that much bonding authority.

Once a student housing need was established in Portland, the State Emergency Board could release all or part of the $1 million. The burden of proving the need fell to the State Board of Higher Education.

The first phase of a study designed to pinpoint the need is nearing completion and will be followed by three other phases dealing with how the housing should be, what kind it should be, whether it should be new buildings or rehabilitated old ones, what costs should be incurred and who should manage the facilities.

A key segment of the study, which has been contracted to a private firm in Portland, Columbian Research Institute, deals with how much the state can spend and still end up with housing units within the economic reach of students. In other words, it makes no sense to build housing units which students can't afford.

That part of the study becomes important because, under the special bonding authority, the rent income from the new housing must be sufficient to retire the bonding debt as well as meet management and operational costs.

The type of housing also is an important consideration in the study. There is a feeling that dormitories aren't the best option, at least for PSU students, because many of them are married or work and need more flexibility than dorm living provides.

Presumably, if the four-phase study supports housing for students in Portland, the State Board of Higher Education will ask the Emergency Board for authority to hire an architect. The target time for completion of the study is early fall.

W.C. Neland, administrator for business affairs, anticipates close coordination with the City of Portland and the Housing Authority of Portland and perhaps even a look at a cooperative venture with the Housing Authority.

"Whatever we do must fit in with the housing program which is planned for downtown Portland," he said.

Though there appear to be more questions than answers on the housing issue, there is no question in Neland's mind about need. "There is an obvious need for housing—a strong need," he said. "There are waiting lists at FSS and results of student surveys indicate there is student interest.

"But housing is a complex problem. It isn't a matter of students not having housing because, obviously, they are housed. The problem is the type of housing the students are forced into. They are directly competitive with other low income groups such as older people. Providing adequate housing which they can afford will open up more housing for other low income groups.

Neland said another benefit may be a decreasing reliance on the personal automobile on the part of students who will live closer to the campus.

Don Mele, general manager of PSS, views the housing shortage as critical. "We need housing now," he said. "With the cost of living on the increase, any delay is bad. What's happened is that the cost of living increases have resulted in a disproportionate amount of a student's income going to housing. This creates problems for them and others on fixed incomes.

With the long waiting lists and the near 100 per cent occupancy, Mele says PSS can't meet the need. When the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development stopped subsidizing student housing with low interest loans more than a year ago, the major source of PSS funding for new projects dried up. A $3.2 million loan from HUD resulted in construction of Goose Hollow in 1972, but that was the last new structure PSS built.

Neland credited PSS with "getting the ball rolling" on the idea of building student housing through bonds—bonds to which Portland State could gain access through the State Board of Higher Education.

The initial proposal to the board—a 300-unit, $3.5 million structure for PSU students—was made by Portland State and PSS last spring. What emerged after a lot of discussion was the proposal for joint housing for students in Portland with the $10 million price tag limit.

Eventually, the legislature bought the proposal.

"The longer we wait the more critical it becomes," Mele reiterated. "Anything we can do now to relieve the pressure is important. We are looking at other alternatives and actively seeking other apartment buildings we could manage. We just can't look at new construction now.

"Our waiting list is in no way representative of the true need. Some students see the long waiting lists and feel it's ridiculous to sign up. They walk out and never come back. I feel there is a need for 2,000 to 3,000 housing units for students."

Mele bases his estimate on surveys by the Columbia Region Association of Governments, the Tri-County Council and PSS.

PSS housing units—the nine apartment buildings managed under a special leasing arrangement with the University through the SBHE, Goose Hollow and Marabella West—provide living space for about 1,100 people. There are some 750 units ranging from sleeping rooms to two and three bedroom apartments. The two and three bedroom apartments are rented first to families or single adults with children. Rents in all units range from $77 to $150 per month.

No one knows at this point what specific recommendations will emerge from the housing needs study. But there seems to be agreement on two counts—there is a need and anything to reduce the demand will be welcome.
Enrollment Projection

"Strong planning is likely to be the only way PSU can reverse the present enrollment picture and take advantage of an urban setting."

After hearing a Portland State University faculty member frame a question about how to boost sagging employee morale in a time of declining enrollments and budgets, one candidate for president put the question in perspective before answering. "You aren't in a peculiar position," he said simply.

Reports from across the state and across the country indicate that's true. Enrollment is down at Portland State, but other institutions in the Oregon State System of Higher Education also are down and colleges and universities in other parts of the country are feeling the enrollment pinch.

The end of the slide isn't in sight. Estimates call for a 3 per cent decline in enrollment this spring term at PSU compared to last spring and that comes on top of decreases fall and winter terms. Projections for fall term 1974, developed by the Office of Planning and Institutional Research, indicate another 3 per cent decline compared to fall 1973.

Why? There appear to be three main reasons—there are fewer high school graduates in the metropolitan area and fewer of them are coming to PSU, there are fewer potential transfer students from community colleges and there are fewer continuing students.

Nationally, the birthrate, the percentage of college age people going on to higher education and the number of college age people all appear to be declining—a grim forecast for many traditional residential campuses.

However, Keith Evans, director of the Office of Planning and Institutional Research, says the picture isn't all gloomy. "For the urban campus, there is a much greater opportunity," he wrote in a recent report to the president's staff. "Certainly, the profile of our current students at Portland State shows us that we do not need to depend on the narrow age band typically considered 'college age' for our enrollments.

"We, as many urban institutions, have much greater flexibility in attracting students in the face of the negative statistics presented in the graphs. Further, if it is appropriate to attract some portion of the nonfull-time, non-college-age student population, the urban institution again has the greatest potential—particularly in Oregon, where PSU is located in the only large metropolitan area."

Evans cautions that realizing the potential "offered by our metropolitan area will not occur accidentally.

"Our enrollment over the last couple years should be a strong suggestion that enrollment will not grow, or even stabilize, by the institution taking a 'laisses faire' approach," he said. "Strong planning, framed by a strong sense of direction, is likely to be the only way PSU can reverse the present enrollment picture and take advantage of the few bright hopes an urban setting offers."

The history of the enrollment decline goes back to 1971. The first drop after a long period of growth occurred in fall 1971 and enrollment has been decreasing ever since.

Here is a summary of the three main reasons:

1.) There are fewer high school graduates in the metropolitan area and a smaller percentage of them are coming to PSU.

Of the 10,423 students who graduated from 30 high schools in the metropolitan area in 1973, 703 entered PSU in fall term 1973. That amounts to 6.7 per cent of the total. Percentages of graduates from each school coming to PSU ranged from a low of 1.5 per cent at Centennial to a high of 11.8 per cent at Washington.

Statistics indicate that high school students as a source of new students at PSU has been declining steadily after reaching peaks in 1967 and 1969.

2.) The pool of potential transfer students from community colleges is leveling off.

For the past two years, Evans and one of his assistants, John Wong, say community college enrollments have been stabilizing to the point four-year colleges can't count on transfers making up for enrollment drops in other areas.

Though some community colleges still are projecting growth, Evans feels it will come in

Sources of New Students

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\text{High School} \\
\text{Transfer} \\
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\text{Nonadmitted}
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- 1966
- 1967
- 1968
- 1969
- 1970
- 1971
- 1972
- 1973
- 1974

the vocational-technical and casual student populations rather than in potential transfer students.

3.) The base of continuing students is down because enrollment is down. The percentage of students who continue from term to term remains relatively constant; if enrollment goes down, the number of continuing students goes down too.

There is another significant pool of students at Portland State—those who drop out for a term or two to work, then return to school. Such students—some call their behavior a revolving door phenomenon—form significant percentages of students in urban institutions like PSU. But even the percentage of students returning after an absence has been declining since 1968.

"Our purpose in pulling together the figures," Evans explained, "was to say, look, we don't have all the answers, do you? We often hear people say, 'Well, we have reached the bottom. I'm sure we can't go any lower in enrollment.'"

"In the immediate short range future, that's just not the case."

A pessimistic outlook? Not really, Evans says. "With the potential of PSU as an urban institution, the outlook can be optimistic."
ALUMNI NEWS BRIEFS

1950's

Lynn E. Heldeman (BS '58) wrote the musical comedy tentatively titled "How To Be A Successful Educator Without Really . . ." which premiered last May at Catawba College in Salisbury, N.C. The musical was staged as part of the college's Contemporary Series, the first musical so honored since the inception of the program.

1960's

Ed Grosswiler (BS '65), a newcomer with the Salem bureau of Associated Press, has taken an eight-month leave of absence to become regional manager for the News Election Service in its Cincinnati office. The NES handles immediate tabulation of election returns in November for all states. Grosswiler will have responsibility for organizing the returns of the 12 Midwestern states. His new boss is an old boss, J. Richard Eimers, now executive director of the NES, and former chief of the Portland AP bureau.

Charles B. Parker (BS '65) has received the Meritorious Service Medal at Keesler AFB, Miss., for his outstanding duty performance at Papei Air Station, Taiwan. Parker serves at Keesler with a unit of the Air Training Command.

Harold Williams (BS '69, MST '72), equal employment opportunity coordinator for the State of Oregon since July 1973, has been named Portland's 1973 Junior First Citizen by the Jaycees. Williams was director of PSU's Educational Center on N.E. Union from May 1969 when it opened until last summer. Currently, he teaches human relations at Linfield College in McMinnville and Linn Benton Community College in Albany. Williams is a board member of the Portland Urban League and the NAACP. He also holds membership in the Salem Elks Lodge and the Portland Chamber of Commerce. Last year, he worked with the goals committee of the Portland City Club to develop goals for Portland. Additionally, he is a member of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare's committee on goals and has served as chairman of the Portland Model Cities Education Committee. For several years the host of KGW-TV's "People" show, Williams now hosts the station's "Getting it Together" program.

Laurence D. Muntz (BS '65) has received the Meritorious Service Medal at Lindsey Air Station, Germany. Muntz, a manpower analysis officer, was cited for his outstanding duty performance at Richards-Gebaur AFB, Mo. He now serves at Lindsey with Headquarters, European Communications Area.

Ray Taylor (BS '66) has been named branch manager for D.G. Shelter Products in Tualatin. Formerly, he was a sales representative for Wanke Panel Company.

1970's

Carolyn Mayes (BS '70) has been hired by the Oregon Humane Society as humane education director. Miss Mayes has worked in education and public relations in the United States and Great Britain for the past four years.

Jan Worlendyke (BS '70) taught for the past year at the Haitian-American Institute, Port au Prince, Haiti, after a tour of travel in the Caribbean. She is now setting up a program of Teaching English as a Foreign Language for the combined American-Haitian Union School for the coming fall. This is the first such program in Haiti. Prior to going to Haiti, Miss Worlendyke earned a master's degree in teaching and French at the School for International Training in Battenberg, Vt., and taught for several months at a high school in Montreal, Canada. After her graduation from PSU, she spent two years teaching in Cameroun, West Africa for the Peace Corps.

Hank Barton (1971), who played football at PSU under Don Read, has signed a contract with the Portland Storm of the newly-formed World Football League.

Tony Gallagher (BS '71) has joined the Publishers Forest Products sales force to handle lumber sales for the Publishers mill in Burney, Calif. He and his wife will continue to live in northeast Portland.

David E. Heftner (BS '71) has graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center in San Diego, Calif. Heftner will report to Aviation Antishubmarine Warfare Officer A School in Memphis, Tenn.

Terry Hiller (BS '71) became Executive Director of the Yuma, Ariz. Fine Arts Association on March 1, 1974. Before moving to Arizona with his wife Joanne, Hiller was manager of Thompson Gallery in Portland and director of free-lance painting and graphic design. As the new director of the Yuma association, he will raise funds and bring theater, poetry, literature and fine arts to the community.
Wagner Wins National Award

Arnold L. Wagner, a graduate student in the Department of Applied Science and Engineering at PSU, has received one of four research fellowships awarded annually by the American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC) to graduate students in civil or structural engineering.

The $3,000 award will cover Wagner's research at PSU next year which will deal with tubular beam columns, the structural shape used in many offshore oil drilling rigs. Interest has been generated in this area because of the energy shortage.

Not much research has been done on tubular beam columns compared to vast amounts on more familiar structural types used in bridges and other construction.

The three other recipients of the award this year are from the University of California at Berkeley, the University of Arizona and the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee.

His graduate advisors at PSU are Wendelin Mueller, an assistant professor of engineering who received the same AISC fellowship three years ago, and H. Erzurumlu, a professor of engineering, who has conducted research related to offshore structures and presented several papers at the Offshore Technology Conference held annually in Houston, Tex.

Jean Edwards, who has been a special education professor at PSU since 1968, received one of five Woman of Accomplishment awards from the Oregon Journal earlier this year. Above, she receives the award from Don Sterling, editor of Journal. At right is Mrs. John Hall, president of Young Audiences. The Edwards Activity Center in Aloha was dedicated in her honor last July and, in less than a year of operation, the center has provided direct services to more than 45 adults.

Photo Courtesy Oregon Journal

SPRING CALENDAR

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION
May 23 — Academic recognition, an annual event to honor outstanding graduating seniors, juniors and graduate students sponsored by All-University Events, the Faculty Women's Association and the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, 7:30 p.m., Smith Memorial Center Ballroom.

CABARET
Free Cabarets, Friday and Saturday evenings in the Viking Bar, main floor, Smith Memorial Center, Broadway entrance, 8:30 p.m.
May 10 — Rich Waggoner and Kathy Keys, folk duo
May 17 — Alan Gaylor (of Sunnyland Band), folk rock

COMMENCEMENT
June 9 — Roderick MacLeish, longtime radio journalist, speaks at the formal spring commencement exercise, 3 p.m. Memorial Coliseum. Parents, family and friends of graduating seniors are invited to attend the exercise.

POETRY
Free Poetry readings
May 16 — County Library, 7 p.m.
May 17 — The Source Gallery, 7 p.m.
May 31 — The Source Gallery, 7 p.m.

THEATER ARTS PRODUCTIONS
May 17, 19, 24, 25 — A joint presentation by the theater arts and music departments, "Riders to the Sea," by Vaught Williams and Igor Stravinsky's famous musical fable, "The Soldier's Tale," Park Theater (1914 SW Park). Curtain time: 8 p.m. May 17, 19, 24, 25 and 4 p.m. May 19. Admission: $2.50; students and senior citizens $1.50.
May 25, 26 — A fairy story for children and adults, "Beauty and the Beast," Studio Theater, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. both days. General admission $1; students, children and senior citizens 50 cents.
May 30, 31, June 1, 2 — A reader's theater, "The Voice of the City," 8 p.m. May 30, 31 and June 1, and a 2 p.m. matinee June 2. Studio Theater (1620 SW Park). General admission, $1; students and senior citizens 50 cents.

DANCE PERFORMANCES
May 18 — The PSU Repertory Dancers will present a free dance concert in conjunction with the Firehouse Theatre's dance group, the Civic Contemporary Dance Theater, at 8 p.m. in the Benson High School auditorium. This is the first performance of the newly formed PSU Repertory Dancers.
May 31, June 1 — PSU dance students will present works of their own choreography in a free dance concert at 8 p.m. in the Dance Studio (Room 207 of the Health and Physical Education Building).

FREE BROWN BAG CONCERTS
12 Noon, 75 Lincoln Hall
May 9 — Lawrence Smith, guest lecturer
May 14 — PSU Wind Ensemble
May 16 — Ambrosia Woodwind Quintet
May 21 — PSU String Trio
May 23 — Lawrence Smith, guest lecturer
May 28 — PSU Brass Quintet
May 30 — PSU Chamber Choir and Madrigal Choir

"New Directions," a Friday evening series of foreign film premieres, 7:30 p.m. and 9:45 p.m., 75 Lincoln Hall. Admission $1.
May 10 — "Attica" a film by Cinda Firestone—combined film shot by two black inmates, footage taken of the assault by state troopers, coverage of the McKay Commission Hearing and interviews with inmates and prison officials, 7:30 p.m. Admission 50 cents.
May 24, 25, 26 — "China: The Awakening Giant" an explanation of what happened in the years of the cultural revolution when the nation was sealed off from the outside world, 7:30 p.m., 75 Lincoln Hall. Admission $1.

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Bicyclists' Motivations Vary

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There's no way to tell for sure how many people ride bikes to PSU just as there's no way to tell for sure whether the gas shortage motivates those who do.

But it's a cinch the gas shortage and high prices have increased the number of people who have begun using what already was a popular mode of transportation. Though there are a few bicycle paths, it still takes a hardy soul to brave wind and weather and venture out into an environment geared to the automobile.

For those who do, the motivations vary. "I ride for one reason," says Barbara Edmond, a junior majoring in art who also works part-time in the ceramics department. "I enjoy it."

She rides five miles everyday, usually in about half an hour, and uses the Burnside Bridge and Sandy Boulevard, though both are "extremely bad for bike riders."

"I ride because I enjoy it," echoes Dale Rawls, a junior art major. "I don't like to move fast because I enjoy the scenery and driving bothers me."

Ray Grimm, an art professor, says he rides four miles to and from work because it's refreshing—and also because it's cheap, good exercise and pollution-free.

The thought of helping with pollution problems also has crossed Music Professor Robert Crowley's mind once in awhile, but his motivation for bike riding is more difficult to identify. It's perhaps a part of his life style more than anything else. Like a few others, he rode a bike long before there was a gas shortage because he and a car didn't get along very well. He gave up his automobile in 1961 and started riding a bus to and from work, but that took too much time.

"I bought a bike for my kids," he recalls, "and I tried, liked it and so got one for myself." It was a three-speed model, perhaps old-fashioned in these days of fancy 10-speeds and more, but it was all Crowley needed. He kept the venerable model down through the years and still rides it on trips to Reed College and elsewhere, though he lives close enough to PSU now to walk everyday. Other than a broken pedal and a few flat tires, the bike has lasted as well as Crowley has.

Crowley, in effect, climbed out of his car for the last time because he was "too miserly to pay for parking privileges" and also couldn't afford the time to jostle around for a space on the street. Besides, he wanted to "get exercise in the normal course of events" and so a bike fit the bill.

But there were headaches with biking too. "Getting up Broadway was difficult sometimes," Crowley remembers. "You often arrived a little wet with the combination of rain and sweat. People didn't seem to notice, though. They never shunned me or suggested I open a window."

Inveterate bicyclists like Crowley, Grimm and Paul Weber, a freshman, remember close calls prompted by things like car doors suddenly swinging open or drivers unexpectedly changing lanes. "I have close calls about every trip," sighs Weber, who has managed to avoid an accident while "riding for about as long as I can remember."

For Weber, the most dangerous part of the trip is over the Ross Island Bridge, which has been known to present problems to motorists as well.

Dale Rawls has avoided accidents too, though he still shivers a little when he remembers the time he was squeezed between two Tri-Met buses. John Huson, a sophomore, who usually rides three miles to the campus in good weather, considers all major thoroughfares dangerous. "People are crazy on Belmont," he says.

English Professor Sam Oakland, who has been closely identified with bicycle causes in the past and who is clerk of the Oregon Bicycle Lobby, puts it simply, "Anyplace is unsafe where there is an automobile."

For many bicyclists, the difference between safety and danger is choosing a route carefully. Most opt for side streets and residential roads, but that sometimes takes longer and time is important if you're using foot power, not horsepower.

"It may be an illusion, but I actually feel safer on a bicycle because I can see and hear without obstruction," Crowley says.

Regardless, the potential dangers aren't enough to dissuade many people from continuing to ride or others from vowing to start. It's not uncommon to see full bike racks around campus and the overflow often ends up in a hallway somewhere, chained to a post. An entire room in the art department is given over to storing bikes for students who ride nearly everyday.

There are many ingenious ways of preventing theft. One observer even reported seeing a student carrying the front tire of his bike to class.

How widespread is bike riding? It's hard to tell because there are no organized registration procedures nor any visible bicycle clubs on campus. But new riders like John Sheets, a clerk in the library, Cheryl Prihara, a secretary in personnel services, her husband, Stan, an undergraduate, and a lot of others are swelling the numbers.

Look for the trend to continue as the weather turns sunnier and warmer.