

**What history will WSU choose?**

Recently Anita Hill delivered a speech in recognition of the Washington State University Women of Distinction. She addressed a crowded CUB ballroom - with administrators in attendance - about the importance of "choosing our better history." She outlined the importance of the continued struggle against sexism and racism in the United States in order to move toward a more democratic society.

The Coalition to End Hate (concerned undergraduate and graduate students, staff, and faculty at WSU) desperately hope that the WSU administration heeds these important words, in the context of the campus' history of perpetual racist, sexist, homophobic and transphobic hate crimes.

In the fall, we requested the university create more systemic education around the intersections of oppression - racism, sexism, classism, heterosexism, ethnocentrism - yet no substantial action has been taken. Much of the burden of offering such education has always been placed on the departments of Women's Studies and Comparative Ethnic Studies. Now in a time of budgetary crisis, it has been suggested these departments be "re-evaluated" and "merged."

What history will WSU choose at this time of economic strife? To further relegate marginalized communities' resistance and lived realities to invisibility? Or to actively shape a more democratic education for the diverse community of WSU?

**Mary Jo Klinker**, For the Coalition to End Hate, Pullman

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**Remembering**

Stan and I were just two folks who came to remember March 19 in Friendship Square from noon-6 p.m. It was just six years ago that war was declared in Iraq.

There was a white tent with a white top in the center of the square. The sides of the tent were covered with the names of the U.S. men and women killed in this war thus far.

These names were single-spaced on more than 100 pages carefully typed and displayed by Sally Perrine.

Members of the Palouse Peace Coalition created this space to call us to remember, not to forget and to resolve to find better ways of improving human conditions and to share the world's resources.

**Dorothy Thomas**, Moscow

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**Land still productive**

Development is being proposed again on Lewis Road on North U.S. Highway 95 to build houses more than five miles from Moscow. New developers with the same blueprint and different results.

Te Latah County Zoning Commission voted to approve the development, which it turned down before (Dec. 17).

Having not attended the hearing, I bought an audio disc and was appalled to hear Commissioner Jim Hagedorn say that all of the farmland in this county is nonproductive, and should only be developed because it can't compete with irrigated ground in the basin. He's saying we can only grow peas, lentils and wheat.

I've produced more than nine other viable, profitable crops in the last few years without precious aqu

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My question is, "Who's competing?" We farmers only strive to produce healthy, safe food for an exploding population.

We humans realize someday that even one square foot of soil may be the only valuable commodity left in Latah County and on Earth.

Michael J. Snow, Moscow

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