

Angela Stephenson May 18, 1977 - May 13, 2014

COMMUNITY REMEMBERS A FRIEND

When it comes to small communities most residents know each other very well and are strongly connected. News and events spread like wildfire, and the entire community comes together for a moment.

When a tragedy hits a close-knit community the ripple effect turns into a tsunami. For residents in the Linn and Benton county areas the news of recently departed loyal friend and mother Angela E. Stephenson was devastating.

Stephenson passed away on May 13, 2014, in a fatal shooting. She was 36.

On May 18, 1977, Stephenson was born to her mother Aida Ayala and father James Stephenson. She is survived by both.

She enjoyed camping, the outdoors, river rafting, and spending time with family.

Stephenson was also a fellow student at Linn-Benton Community College.

One of her passions was music and she was part of the LBCC Concert Choir. She sang in the alto section in the group.

"We are having our concert at the end of spring term and we have decided to dedicate it to Angela," said choir director James Reddan.

She was a dedicated mother of three and is survived by her children Indica Stephenson, Marri-anna Martinez-Pallares and Jaylen McCollom.

She was a beloved sister and is survived by her brothers, Eric Stephenson and Stephen Langberg, and sister JoAnna Langberg.

On Friday, May 16, there was a support and resource group on campus for students who wanted help coping

with the loss. The support was made up of four staff members known as the "Flight and Response" team.

After a tragic event the team composes a meeting to let students know of resources if anyone wants counseling or help. The group consists of Marcene Olson, the public safety manager, Bev Dunagan of the Lebanon LBCC branch, Barb Horn, the student activities coordinator, and Lewis Franklin, a graphic arts instructor at LBCC.

"This was our first time doing the support group for a tragic event," said Olson. "Only one person showed up but we did help the individual."

The Student Life and Leadership provided coffee and tea for the event as well.

Weddle Funeral Services handled the memorial arrangements for a "celebration of life" this past Sunday, May 18, at Aspen Meadows in Bend for Stephenson.

If anyone would like to speak with a counselor, they are free to contact and make an appointment. Counselors are located in Takena Hall, Room 101, and can be reached at (541) 917-4780 (Opt. 4).

If anyone has any information about the shooting of Stephenson, they are advised to contact the Albany Police Department detective unit at (541) 917-7686. 📍

STORY BY LEX PORTER

A NEW TWIST ON REGISTRATION

LBCC is trying something new in order to increase enrollment for fall: Black Friday Registration. Regardless of any holds or number of credits, everyone will be able to register for classes on the same day, Friday, May 23.

What's the catch? There are a few, actually.

First, if the student registering for classes does have a financial hold, they will be able to register for classes as long as they pay off their hold by the deadline. Students who do not pay off their accounts or make a payment plan with the business office by the last day of Spring Term, June 11, will automatically be dropped from any classes they're registered for. Students who do make a payment plan will be dropped if they do not pay off their account balance by the close of business on Sept. 3.

The second catch is that this is the only day this will occur, and after midnight of the Black Friday event priority registration dates will go back into effect, causing

those who failed to take advantage of this opportunity to miss out.

According to Leslie Hammond, associate dean of Student Affairs, there was a joint effort with the deans and Student Affairs to see if the retention from Spring to Fall Term could be increased. The idea of Black Friday Registration was proposed in October. After going through LBCC's formal decision-making process, it was approved and given high priority with planning starting in April.

Hammond went on to explain that retention wasn't the only reason for the registration free-for-all.

"A secondary goal of Black Friday is to discover what courses are the most in-demand from our current students in plenty of time that we can actually make adjustments to the fall schedule if needed," Hammond said.

While many students like the idea of being able to register on the same day, others do not. Tyler Bradley, an

engineering student, said that he's not a fan of the idea.

"Personally, I think it is unfair to people who are close to graduation and need to get into classes," he said. "If you miss a class on your last term before graduation then you have to push off graduation until next year," said Bradley.

Although there will be some priority registration for students with a higher number of credits, it's not as big of a window as there would be normally. Students with over 90 credits will be allowed to start registering at 5 a.m. on Friday, May 23. Students with 45 credits can register at 6 a.m., and everyone else can have their chance starting at 7 a.m.

For those who do not have access to internet at home, LBCC will be open at 5 a.m. on Friday to help students get registered. 📍

STORY BY WILLIAM ALLISON

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THE BEST OF 2014

WINNER'S CIRCLE



THE RESULTS ARE IN

You've spoken and we've heard. After careful counting and tabulating, the results are in. Ranked best in their category, here are this year's Best of the Willamette Valley:

BEST PIZZA

AMERICAN DREAM PIZZA
CORVALLIS, OR



BEST LOCAL BREWERY

BLOCK 15
CORVALLIS, OR



BEST BURGERS

THE FIRST BURGER
ALBANY, OR



BEST BARBER

MEL'S BARBER SHOP
CORVALLIS, OR



BEST SANDWICHES

BIG TOWN HERO
CORVALLIS, OR



BEST TANNING

RASTA TAN
ALBANY, OR



BEST VEGETARIAN

NEARLY NORMAL'S
CORVALLIS, OR



BEST BIKE SHOP

PEAK SPORTS
CORVALLIS, OR



BEST BREAKFAST

THE BROKEN YOLK
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BEST OUTDOORS

MARY'S PEAK
ALSEA, OR



BEST COFFEE

THE BEANERY
CORVALLIS, OR



BEST DATE SPOT

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BEST INTERNATIONAL

NOVAK'S HUNGARIAN
ALBANY, OR



BEST SALON/SPA

THE RETREAT
CORVALLIS, OR



BEST LIVE MUSIC

CALAPOOIA BREWING CO.
ALBANY, OR



BEST GAME SHOP

MATT'S CAVALCADE
CORVALLIS, OR



THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

We at The Commuter want to extend our thanks to you for your participation and opinions. We couldn't have done it without you. Congratulations to our prize winners:

LAUREN FREEMAN

NICOLE CRAWFORD



CALAPOOIA BREWING COMPANY



Calapooia Brewing Company in Downtown Albany has offered a lot to the local community for the past 21 years. They offer 15 different beers that are brewed in house. They also carry local wines, and make their own root beer and clothing. Calapooia also sponsors a disc golf team and curling team. “The goal in the community is, of

course, customer service,” said bartender Debbie George, who is also a full time LBCC student. “We also have the best food and beverages in town, with great servers. Our turnover rate on employees is very low, so same consistency all the time.” They take part in local events as well, donating kegs of beer quite often as well as hosting

wine tastings. Calapooia is not looking to expand, but they are planning on bottling more beer than they already are and they do wish to add more seating. 📍

REVIEW BY **JARRED BERGER**

THE RETREAT



At one point or another, everyone needs a break from everyday life. Life can be stressful and tedious, and having a glass of wine can only go so far in relaxing the body. Thankfully, there are places in the area that offer some remedies for the body. The Retreat Day Spa & Salon offer many different salon and beauty treatments. The Retreat was established by Debi Day and her daughter, Kim Taylor, in 2005.

It was established for people who wanted to feel better

about themselves, especially women. Located in Corvallis, The Retreat has something for everyone including hair styling, skin care, and mystic tanning. As for the spa department, they offer a variety of massages such as deep tissue, hot stone, prenatal, trigger point, aromatherapy and much more. It also offers events in the house that are free to the public. This includes free polish changes, facial waxing, hair curling and straightening, and massages. Their next in-house event will be May 29, and a discount is

given to those who book a time in advance. They also give back to their communities by doing fundraisers and giving out donations. So, if you're in need of a makeover and a relaxing massage or even a glowing tan, visit The Retreat Day & Spa between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m., located at 777 NW 9th St # 200, Corvallis, OR 97330, or call and make an appointment at (541) 738-7328. 📍

REVIEW BY **LEX PORTER**

AMERICAN DREAM PIZZA



If it wasn't already a fact that 2525 NW Monroe and 214 SW 2nd are the best places in the valley to get a slice of pizza pie and a pint, it's been confirmed now.

American Dream Pizza, originally from Portland, has been serving Corvallis since 1989, opening the downtown location in 2004. During that time it has defined the local pizza palette.

ADP sets its bar high with a myriad of microbrews and massive variety of toppings for pizzas made from scratch. Everything is unique, from the crust and sauce to the hand

painted chairs and artwork from local schools. Want a pizza with feta and Kalamata olives? How about salmon and bell peppers? Figuring out how to top your pizza is part of the fun, like shopping an exotic bazaar.

They're committed to being a part of, and giving back to the community. That means local ingredients from local businesses. It's clear that ADP has an affinity for that unnameable quality which is unique to the character of Oregonian culture, and they bring it to the table, literally. That kind of sensitive perception takes a kind of passion the

art critic William Hazlitt called “gusto.”

It's the thing that separates the good from the great, and that greatness is palpable to all the senses. That gusto is what makes American Dream a hallmark of life in the Willamette Valley.

ADP is a place in the community where we can be together to appreciate the things that matter: good food, good drink, good music, good art, and good company. 📍

REVIEW BY **DENZEL BARRIE**

NOVAK'S HUNGARIAN



Since 1984, Novak's in Albany has provided healthy food in a family friendly atmosphere where everyone feels like family. Novak's, located near the Heritage Mall, does a lot of charity work. They provide a free Thanksgiving meal every year, they donate to local churches, and they are involved in various other causes such as CASA and Food Share.

“People walk in the door every day asking for donations,” said owner Karen Novak. “We sent a cake out to a church today. Last weekend we had like three fundraisers going on at once, all that wanted desserts or gift cards.”

Novak's will be moving to a smaller location downtown as they are planning to downsize. General Manager Kaymarie Novak did not specify when they would

be moving downtown.

“In a way it's an expansion because it's bringing us up to do more things that what we're doing here. We're a little bit limited by our building and what we can accomplish. We will have more flexibility in our new location,” said Kaymarie. 📍

REVIEW BY **JARRED BERGER**

FIRST BURGER



For the past five years First Burger has been offering local, good food. Located in Downtown Albany, First Burger also does a lot of charity work; they recently conducted a fundraiser to help the Albany Fire Department.

“The Albany Fire Department has a program where anybody can go and borrow a life jacket and bring it back when you're done with it,” said owner/founder Matt Bennett. “They have that at the downtown fire station, but there's three other fire departments in town that don't have

that. So we did a fundraiser to help them get the money so that all of the fire departments will have that.”

Bennett loves the cooking aspect of it but also enjoys helping out the local community. First Burger takes part in community events, but only selectively. They mainly focus on kids events.

Bennett says the he has no plans to expand, saying in part, “Keep it lean and mean. Never say never, but at this point I have no desire to do that. I like the fact it's only in Albany.

I went to Maine last fall visiting family, and there's this place that has these amazing Maine blueberry pies; very different from what the rest of the country has...I looked online, and you cannot get these online. So with First Burger I'm fine with it being only in Albany, and folks can drive and I love it that they do. There's been a lot of calls for more First Burgers, but there's only one.” 📍

REVIEW BY **JARRED BERGER**

BLOCK 15



Voted for Best Local Brewery by the LBCC community is Block 15, owned by Nick Arzner since its founding in 2007.

Like most successful businesses, Block 15 started out much smaller than it is today. In an interview with Brewpublic back in 2010, Nick mentioned that Block 15 was Corvallis' first locally owned brew pub. Starting with six tanks and zero barrels they grew within two years to

include around 13 tanks and almost 40 barrels. Since then, Block 15 has continued to grow, expanding to 27 tanks and 160 barrels.

Not only do they appear to be a thriving business, but they are friendly, environmentally friendly that is. “We take our footprint on this earth seriously,” states Block 15 as they go on to describe their plans to “...reduce waste and limit resource consumption.”

Block 15 is proud to house several different in-home craft beers. They maintain six standard taps along with several seasonal and specialty brews: Glo Golden Ale, Ridgeback Red, Nebula Oatmeal Stout, Alpha IPA, Printmaster's Pale, cask conditioned ales, and rotating Belgian and Wheat ales.

You voted for it, Block 15 over in downtown Corvallis. 📍

REVIEW BY **DREW HAMM**

NEARLY NORMAL'S



In 1979, the building now known as Nearly Normal's Gonzo Cuisine was a run-down café looking to sell when business failed.

Five friends got together and decided to do something completely unique — open the first strictly vegetarian restaurant in Corvallis. Since 1980, it has dominated the market remaining the only one of its kind.

Marcia Babel was one of the five founders and was the one who spotted the building that is as unique as the menu. With purple trim and adorned with over-sized iris cut-outs to match, one can't miss it when they drive by.

The concept of a no-meat-zone was mutual between the founders who were all vegetarians at the time. They created

the menu from scratch. Their continued goal is to maintain a cooperative work environment, a unique style, and a "growth through challenge" attitude at the restaurant.

In 1984, the first remodel went underway on the original space, which was only the cramped downstairs dining area. Now Nearly's has an outdoor seating area encompassed by plants and herbs and an upstairs dining area with plentiful sun from large windows.

They remain a single location but have over 20 co-ops, restaurants, and grocery stores in Oregon that sell their retail products. Venders in Eugene, Salem, Albany, Corvallis, Portland, Ashland, and Newport sell Nearly's tofu spice mix, whole wheat pancake mix, Tamari Ginger

Vinaigrette dressing, and packaged sun burgers.

"Our sun burgers are the only veggie burger they sell on the OSU campus," said Babel.

The chefs cook with as many local and organic products as possible. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner six days a week and offering catering and take-out, they have creative eats for anyone willing to have a nearly-normal dining experience. 📍

REVIEW BY **ALLISON LAMPLUGH**

THE BEANERY



Allann Bros. Coffee and The Beanery have served up delicious coffee in 10 different locations up and down Interstate 5 since 1972. They have had their Albany location, which is also their roaster and warehouse, since the late 1990's.

They offer coffee, espresso, tea, and handcrafted syrups, along with fresh food. Many of their coffee is fair-trade organic and rainforest-alliance certified. They provide jobs to the community as well; some of their employees are LBCC students.

"Our goals are to continue offering fantastic coffee and delicious food at a great price. We actually have some plans for potentially new locations," said Melanie Bazan, director of operations for Allann Bros.

"We are always continuing to offer a wider variety of products and new items. Great food at a great price."

They participate in many community events. In fact, Allann Bros. is one of the sponsors for the Bi-Mart Willamette Country Music Festival this August. They also participate in things like Relay for Life and Bite of Oregon,

and offer fundraising programs for the Boy Scouts of America and local booster clubs. Allann Bros. would like to expand. They currently have shops in Albany, Corvallis, Salem, Eugene, and Ashland. They just opened their first drive-thru in Salem about a week ago.

When asked about expansion Bazan said in part, "We just opened up our first drive-thru in Salem and would love to open one in another location." 📍

REVIEW BY **JARRED BERGER**

THE BROKEN YOLK CAFÉ



Voted by community members, the best breakfast restaurant in Linn-Benton country for 2014 is The Broken Yolk Café, a good place for breakfast and brunch.

They have been around since 1919, but it was not until St. Patrick's Day seven years ago that The Broken Yolk Café opened on 3rd Street in Downtown Corvallis.

It's open from 7a.m. to 3p.m., seven days a week. For a full meal, the price varies from \$8.95 to \$14.95.

Inside, the decoration forms the image of traditional and healthy breakfast dishes. At the end of the right side wall there's the kids play area, allowing for adults to enjoy their

meal while children play. Towards the back entrance, the antique look of the coffee bar gives customers a comfortable atmosphere to chat about old times with friends.

The menu offers a diverse selection, from homemade hash browns and 11 different kinds of omelets to skillet and classic dishes.

"You name it, they've got it. You never go home feeling hungry," said Cindy Johnson, a regular customer of The Broken Yolk.

On weekends, expect a wait. The first two hours are normally okay, but the waiting line builds up quickly.

The service at Broken Yolk is their second signature. The waitresses and waiters are happy to answer any of your questions about the menu and ingredients in the dishes.

"I love working here. Of course I'm happy with all the good food, but my coworkers are like family. We create a good atmosphere," said Tiani Mitani, a waitress at the restaurant. 📍

REVIEW BY **YULING ZHOU**

THE COMMUTER WOULD LIKE TO SEND OUT A SPECIAL THANKS TO THESE BUSINESSES FOR PRIZE DONATIONS:



SPRING'S LIGHT PUTS ON A SHOW



Michael Winder humors the crowd at "Spring's Light" with a story he calls "You Are Invited to the Sparkle Barbecue."



Leslie Hammond, Jane White, Katie Winder, and Karelia Stetz-Waters smile for the camera.



LBCG graduate Jennifer Hartsock shares her young adult fiction.



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Emcee Leslie Hammond talks up the crowd.

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APRIL 23

We are taught to push through difficult situations from a young age and at all cost to keep moving forward. Often times this doctrine fails our society.

Administrators at LBCC have been working hard to understand each step taken to deal with the confrontation that took place between a student and a staff member on April 23 in the Learning Center. Students and staff alike are in limbo wondering what's next.

We sit in class day in and day out at LB discussing different scenarios that have changed society, be it through documented studies in communications class, scientific research in social psychology class, or some mind-numbing literature for writing class.

We are asked to take stories from different contexts and apply them to here and now. I suggest we may never have an opportunity like this again to study a contemporary example of how misunderstandings plague our society.

There are lessons inside of lessons regarding the complexities of what took place that day as well as in the days that followed. Not talking about what happened on April 23 is the biggest mistake we can let happen. We should use this situation to become better people.

The confrontation between a student and a staff member on April 23 in the Learning Center cannot be undone. Nor can the systematic decisions that came in response to the escalating circumstances. After all, they worked exactly as they were meant to. We seem to be caught up on who was right or wrong, and not why the disagreement happened in the first place.

Although their exchange is integral to this conversation, we need to be able to take a few steps back so we can see the whole picture. We need to also consider what is happening as the aftermath continues to unfold.

What about the way have we handled this? Have we been fair? Have we looked at all sides? These questions are examples of the whispers and low grumblings filtering through the air on campus these days.

Although he could not discuss actions taken by the administration,

Scott Rolen, director of Human Resources at LBCC, made it clear that the school takes situations like this seriously. Rolen was able to confirm the school's process has involved an in-depth investigation into the happenings of April 23.

"The parts of the system worked how they were supposed to after the initial contact. [...] Something went wrong," explained Rolen.

Dave Henderson, vice president of Finance and Operations, is another administrator at LBCC working to make sure the systems we have work properly on campus.

"We are having a conversation about de-escalating situations like the one in the Learning Center with all public safety officers," Henderson said.

Our campus is a centrifuge for creating critical thinking individuals for both Linn and Benton counties. This is the kind of situation to run to, not from. We can define ourselves here and now. We can show the people of our communities just what we are made of here at LBCC. This event is an opportunity to demonstrate solving difficult situations. Isn't the goal of becoming educated about equipping oneself with the tools to handle life?

Difficulties don't come at opportune moments ... ever. We reflexively set problems aside. After all, there will be time to deal with it later when it is easier. ♣

STORY BY **CHRIS TROTCHIE**

May 15
LBCC President Greg Hamann expresses support for students.

May 14
Jamaal McGinty Interview with The Commuter.

May 7
Greg Hamann sends out memo of tolerance. "Student Suspended for Dress Code" article in The Commuter.

May 5
Mike Smith is no longer employed at Learning Center.

May 2
40 staff meet in DAC to discuss incident.

May 1
Lynne Cox sends email about incident to LBCC president.

April 25
Jamaal McGinty meets with Lynne Cox to question suspension - reinstated by LBCC.

April 23
Initial incident

Suspension by security

STUDENTS SPEAK OUT

After two weeks of The Commuter reporting different angles of the Jamaal McGinty incident we asked his LBCC peers their opinions. Answers varied, but students spoke out.

The Commuter: "What do you think about the whole incident?"

"I don't know all the facts. I only know what I've heard and what I've read, but I do know that people sometimes make hasty decisions based on their own experiences, and they're quite often wrong. It's not fair to stereotype; I've been stereotyped, and generalizations are helpful for a shortcut, but they can really hurt people. I hope that everybody that was involved that got hurt finds whatever they need to get over that."

The Commuter: "Do you think the situation was handled correctly?"

"No. Afterwards, but not in the middle of it."

Sonya James, student/faculty

The Commuter: "What are your thoughts on the incident?"

"Well, I thought, saying that it was 'racial injustice' was incorrect. I kind of agreed with the more conservative view in the editorial in the back."

The Commuter: "Do you think what happened deemed a suspension?"

"No, I don't."

Rylan Rogers, student

The Commuter: "What are your thoughts on what happened?"

"It seems like it's a combination of like old school thought versus individualism. Because, you know, when I was growing up there was always strict everything; dress codes and what not. Now it's more, people don't really care and it should be, who cares what someone wears?"

The Commuter: "Do you think what happened deemed a suspension?"

"No. Absolutely not."

Chris Launer, OSU student/LBCC tutor

The Commuter: "What are your thoughts on the whole situation?"

"My thoughts are that I feel like people are focusing a little bit too much on the race part of this and the pants part of this one. It should really be about the lack of student representation. The reason this went wrong is because that student, and a lot of students on campus, don't know where they're supposed to go to when they feel their rights are being violated. That is a problem that we at the SLC office have addressed."

The Commuter: "So you don't feel that the situation was handled correctly?"

"I feel like the ball was dropped on both ends. Maybe he should have just pulled up his pants but at the same time it was a bit ridiculous for it to come to the point of calling security and having him get taken off campus because of that. That just seems so unreasonable."

Brittney Aman, student

The Commuter: "What's your reaction on this whole situation?"

"Well, I think it's reasonable to expect the guy to pull his pants up and have some respect for the staff member. But at the same time it is, like, his freedom. There's no rule against him letting his boxers hang out. I just think that it was a situation that didn't have to be such a large, blown out of proportion thing. And you know the guy should have just pulled his pants up. I think it's ridiculous that he didn't. If anything, the guy should be respecting his elders."

The Commuter: "Do you think it deemed a suspension?"

"I don't think he should have been suspended for it. I just wish the guy would've had a little bit more respect for himself and others, and just pulled his damn pants up."

Jack Stout, student

The Commuter

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COURTESY: TRIUMPH STUDIOS

Explore. Expand. Exploit. Exterminate. These four words describe the genre of 4X video games. Explore your environment, expand your empire, exploit your power, and exterminate your enemies. These empire building strategies are not for the casual or fast paced gamer. Only the most hardcore and patient can comprehend, let alone master, a game of this genre. But for those that do awaits one of the most entertaining and fulfilling game genres there is.

The latest and greatest offering for this niche genre is "Age of Wonders 3," the newest in a series of games that is often considered a contender for best 4X strategy game ever. This new installment comes from its original developer, Triumph Studios. After many development road bumps, a financial crisis, and ten long years, the messiah of turn-based, empire building RPG games has returned. And it does not disappoint.

"Age of Wonders 3" offers an epic fantasy setting, inspiring soundtrack, and some of the most solid gameplay in the series so far.

The game's customization options are tremendous and offer plenty of options for a huge array of play styles. There are six classes, six races, and over a dozen different schools of magic your leader can choose from, making for some very interesting combinations; each of which offers a unique experience. For example, you could decide to play as a rogue, but which race you choose can dramatically alter the units you end up with. If you prefer a more straightforward play style, you might play as a Warlord and focus on building your armies. If you're into political subterfuge, you could play as a rogue and focus on creating discord in your enemy's empires. The different races are also a factor, since each race will vary in stats. For example,

a dwarf rogue would like snowy terrain and have more resistance to magic based attacks, but move slower and hate tropical environments. An orc rogue on the other hand would like tropical terrain and do more damage, but hate snowy terrain and be more susceptible to magic damage. Both have noticeably different strengths and weaknesses that may make or break your strategies.

The game has a large overworld with many different types of terrain and structures to explore. When you enter combat you can either auto-resolve or take control of the battle yourself, commanding each of your individual units in a turn-based battle. There are a huge variety of units with a huge amount of different skills and abilities, many of which are tied to the race and class you choose.

One of the best aspects of the game is the depth and detail you can use to customize the hero and leader units. There is an expansive selection of abilities and items you can use to soup up your important units and make them extremely powerful. In later stages of the game you can even create and name your own items, making for an immersive and exciting experience as you come up with new combinations and assemble an arsenal.

There is also quite a variety in game modes as well. You can choose one of the two massive campaigns, engage in one of the challenging pre-made scenarios, or create your own randomly generated world fit to whatever style of play you enjoy. Though the story for the main campaign is good, the game really shines in the custom play. It's all about having that big open world to explore and being able to experience your own adventures and then tell your own stories.

One of the games few drawbacks is that it can eventually become overwhelming. As you and your enemies' empires

GAME REVIEW:

Age of Wonders 3

NETWORK: CW Network

COMPATIBLE OS: Windows XP, Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 8.1

DEVELOPER: Triumph Studios

PUBLISHER: Triumph Studios

GENRE: Turn-based strategy

RELEASE DATE: March 31, 2014

RATED: T

OVERALL RATING: ★★★★★

REVIEW BY **MATHEW BROCK**

grow turns will take longer and longer, and eventually the sheer number of things you have to micromanage, like your troops and economy, can get rather monotonous. Some of the later levels of the campaign involved the enemy having so many units I had to wait nearly ten minutes for him to finish his turn over and over again.

Luckily, Triumph Studios is very connected to its fan base, and most of these issues have already been addressed or are being worked on. We can expect constant updates, potential DLC, and possibly even expansion packs in this game's future.

All-in-all this game is great. It's one of the most unique and enjoyable games you will ever play and is expected to have a huge lifespan with extra content and modding support. My recommendation: buy this game now, and you will not regret it. ♡

SPRING CELEBRATION OF DANCE

The Majestic Theatre presents
23rd Annual Spring Celebration of Dance

The Majestic Theatre presents Modern Dance Technique's 23rd Annual Spring Celebration of Dance June 6 and 7, 2014 at 7:30pm. The Annual Spring Celebration of Dance once again demonstrates the value of modern dance education in our community. Artistic director Donna Blatt Ervin brings 30 dancers and nine dances for a concert that will

delight, inspire and entertain. Dances range from young dancers portraying Bashful Dragonflies to Bach's Prelude in C to the energetic, aggressive, nonstop movement of the Advanced Performance Group dancing Crow's Dance to the music of Gabriela Roth and the Mirrors. Highlighting the concert will be several other dances by the Advanced Performance Group. The Majestic is located at 115 SW 2nd Street, Corvallis, OR 97333. Reserved seating.

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MAJESTIC THEATER **PRESS RELEASE**

DANI BLACKWELL *A Healthy Helping Hand*



Danielle Blackwell helps students with a question.

Danielle Blackwell juggles teaching and advising, all the while she is also inspiring to her students, with her sarcastic humor she lights up the room.

Wearing her “Through a healthy body, you build a strong mind” t-shirt, Mrs. Blackwell, who is often referred to most as just Blackwell, commands her Lifetime Fitness and Wellness class, reminding them about their upcoming fitness plan that is due later in the term.

Blackwell taught classes for the past few years at West Albany High School before coming to LBCC this year to teach Lifetime Fitness and Wellness and be the High School program’s Advanced Diploma program Coordinator and Adviser.

When at West Albany, Blackwell taught Lifetime Fitness

and Wellness along with a program called PEERS.

“One of the big things the students had to do was take on a peer that either at risk or struggling in school, and they worked one-on-one with them. Then we did impact days, which were very powerful. [Impact Days are] a day spent just getting rid of harassment and bullying and finding out that underneath it all we’re just human,” said Blackwell.

That wasn’t the only breakthrough that happened within the confines of the class.

“Through that Peers class, because we were so intimate in it, I crossed a lot of lines as a teacher that you’re not supposed to because I did learn their personal life and they learned my personal life.”

“We became very close, like a family,” said Blackwell.

In 2007, Blackwell won West Albany High School’s Most Inspirational Teacher Award, which is an award in which the students nominate the teachers for. That same year, she also received Oregon Physical Education Teacher of the Year Award.

When asked why she believes she is an inspiration to so many students, Blackwell said, “I think because I relate to them a lot. I don’t act older or superior. I’m goofy with them.”

“The way she was with students was incredible because we weren’t just students to her, we were actual humans. A lot of teachers lose sight of the fact that we actually have feelings and that we’re all different. Mrs. Blackwell never did lose sight of that,” said former student Karla Baum.

Past students praise Mrs. Blackwell for being there for them or getting them through tough times. Former student Emmalee Harmon said, “Blackwell was always there for any of us that needed it. She always had open arms and

an open heart.”

After finding out her father was diagnosed with cancer, former student Kelsea Neuenschwander said, “She cried with me. She continually gave me a follow up of, “How are you doing?” and told me not to worry about my homework for her class.” “It made me feel like a teacher actually did care about my personal life and it made school a little less stressful through that time.”

“My attitude on life changed after listening to her talk about how life should be. I’m more confident in my actions as a human being, and as a member of society, I feel better about my image than I did before I met Mrs. Blackwell and all around I just love people more,” said Baum.

Blackwell tries to work in her real-life experiences and mistakes she has made into her lessons, “I always give real-life examples, I always share the same battles I had. I’ve had battles with weight and all those things. When I join weight watchers, I share that with everybody, so they just know that these are the things I’ve done too. I think it helps me become real or relatable with the students.”

When asked to describe Blackwell in a few words, Co-Coordinator and Adviser of the Advanced Diploma Program, Larry Anderson, said, “she is upbeat – positive, communicates that she cares about people, has high expectations for students, has a ton of energy, is driven, has a good sense of humor – likes to laugh and can laugh at life even in tough times, and is a hard worker.

How is she able to juggle everything? “I go a little crazy sometimes,” said Blackwell. ♣

STORY AND PHOTO BY
JUSTIN WILLIAMS



Cameron Reed and Jake Vaughan, creators of R.J. and James comic strips.

BEHIND THE COMIC: **R.J. AND JAMES**

weekly artists for The Commuter, but they are regulars in the Lebanon Express.

Reed has been creating various characters since 5th grade, but when he teamed up with Vaughan in high school it was then Vaughan who got them the gig with the Lebanon Express. The Commuter came second.

“[Lebanon Express] keeps us on a tightrope there. It’s basically politics about Lebanon,” said Vaughan.

“We use [The Commuter] for our funny ones,” said Reed.

Their first creative venture together was a band that included Vaughan’s brother Adam.

“If we could play it, we’d call it a song,” joked Vaughan. “We used to be known as the guys with the band. Now we’re the cartoonists.”

Their inspiration comes from everyday situations such as a cougar sighting in Lebanon that got Reed thinking about the other kind of cougar, older ladies. Thus a recent strip featured a punch line incorporating the idea.

“I work in the food industry, and there’s some funny stuff that happens there,” said Reed.

Both are fans of “Family Guy” and “South Park.” Reed enjoys “The Far Side” and “Calvin and Hobbs.”

They credit each other for inspiration in their comic strip “Adventures of R.J. and James.”

“We use each other to look at the joke and give us a bigger range of humor. It’s fun for us. We hang out and talk,” said Reed.

Reed graduated from Lebanon High last year while he was dual enrolled at LBCC. He plans on continuing in the graphic design program. His hope is to design products for a large company.

Vaughan is a sophomore at Lebanon High but plans on continuing his education at LBCC after graduation. He is undecided what he wants to pursue.

“I’m still working on a band,” he joked.

Their success in the Lebanon Express and The Commuter have brought them a small dose of hometown fame.

“We get feedback all the time at my school. Since they’re political, the teachers say something,” said Vaughan.

“I’ve gotten feedback from people at work.

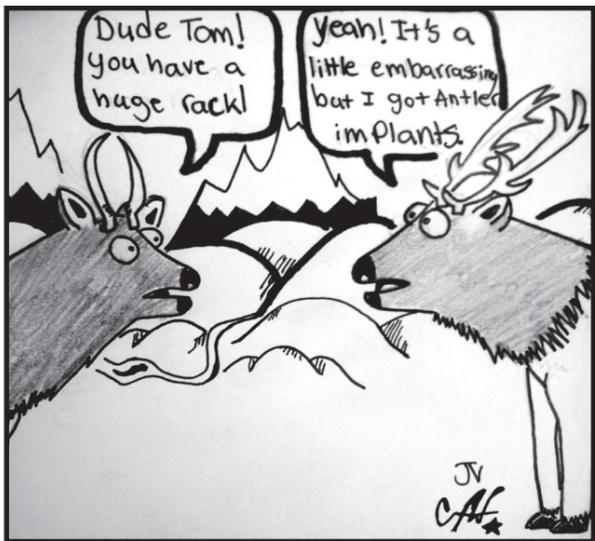
‘You’re the guy that does cartoons,’ they’ll say,” said Reed.

The duo plans on expanding their readership to other local papers this summer. The New Era in Sweet Home and the Albany Democrat-Herald are next on the list.

The works of Reed and Vaughan can be found on their Facebook for R.J. and James Cartoons, or on The Commuter comics online. ♣

STORY AND PHOTO BY
ALLISON LAMPLUGH

ADVENTURES OF **R.J. AND JAMES**



Friends for six years, Cameron Reed draws the comics and Jake Vaughan helps with ideas, dialog, and marketing. These two make quite the team, and a funny one at that.

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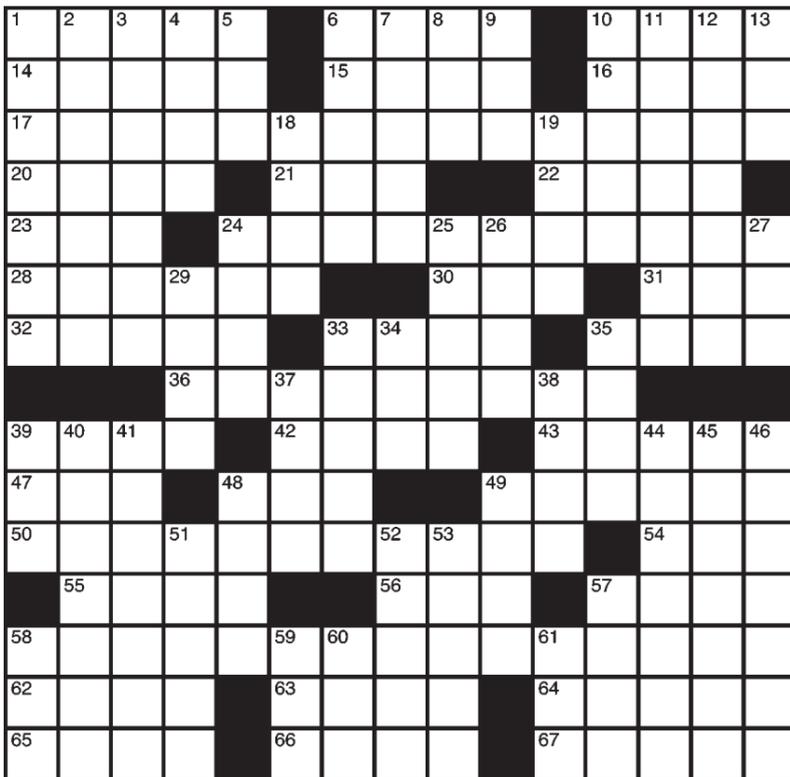
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PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

- ACROSS**
- 1 Fur tycoon
 - 6 "Due Date" co-star Galifianakis
 - 10 Rock blasters
 - 14 Conveyed
 - 15 Bassoon cousin
 - 16 Wreak havoc in the streets
 - 17 *Victor at Little Bighorn
 - 20 Zilch
 - 21 Fantasy game brute
 - 22 Latin lesson word
 - 23 New Year's ____
 - 24 *2006 "Survivor" setting
 - 28 Attacked
 - 30 November honoree
 - 31 "I'm an idiot!"
 - 32 Abs strengthener
 - 33 Leave port
 - 35 Apportioning word
 - 36 *Nursed, in a way
 - 39 Gp. that houses strays
 - 42 Bowlers and trilbies
 - 43 Millionaire's retreat
 - 47 Strudel ____ mode
 - 48 Jon Hamm's "Mad Men" role ____ Draper
 - 49 Vocation
 - 50 *All-in-one appliance
 - 54 Dye holder
 - 55 Classy
 - 56 Fish you can smoke
 - 57 Ricky portrayal
 - 58 Handy person suggested by the starts of the answers to starred clues
 - 62 Nebraska native
 - 63 Like Iago, say
 - 64 Rice/Lloyd Webber musical
 - 65 Trees used to make longbows
 - 66 Attends to one's whistle?
 - 67 Unreactive gas



By Julian Lim

5/21/14

- DOWN**
- 1 Sawyer employer

- 2 "Same here!"
- 3 Poseidon's staff
- 4 ____ Day vitamins
- 5 Authority on a field
- 6 Masked hero who debuted in the 1919 story "The Curse of Capistrano"
- 7 Stunned way to be taken
- 8 Member of the fam
- 9 Casual greeting
- 10 Cookie shop enticement
- 11 Ferdinand's love in "The Tempest"
- 12 Ph.D.'s further studies
- 13 Jeanne d'Arc, for one: Abbr.
- 18 Old geezer
- 19 "Come no closer!"
- 24 Consiglieri's boss
- 25 Penn et al.
- 26 Contained opening?
- 27 "Too noisy!"
- 29 Big band instrument
- 33 Defensive effort

Last Week's Puzzle Solved



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- 34 Ctrl-____-Delete
- 35 Correct
- 37 Superhero with a hammer
- 38 Even once
- 39 Chain ____
- 40 Give a sop to
- 41 Moneymaker
- 44 Not vacant
- 45 Charge for using, as an apartment
- 46 Potter or jeweler, e.g.
- 48 Style of a historic Miami Beach district
- 49 Get gooey
- 51 Outdoor outings
- 52 Bright again
- 53 Argues ineffectively
- 57 Comic Chappelle
- 58 Almond ____
- 59 Select group?
- 60 Roman salutation
- 61 T. ____

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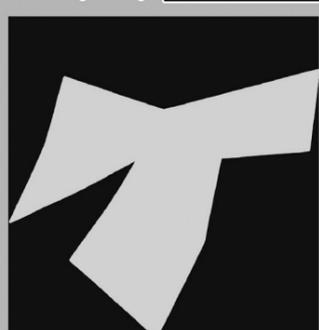
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BY: **DANYA HYDER**

Taurus: April 20 - May 20

You were saved, by lemons! Thankfully those Lemon People are always willing to lend a hand! Too bad the sun has gone into hiding this week. Hopefully, you'll be able to stay— Zzzz.

Gemini: May 21 - June 21

You met Lemon, the person, who happened to lose the new CD about the History of All Crayons from Orange-Blue To Brown-Grey. Odd, but you do need a historian to help you with the next test coming up. If only you could remember which century.

Cancer: June 22 - July 22

You have met a Sumo Wrestler. Yes, the real deal, and you decided to see how well Sumo Wrestlers could box. Too bad, you didn't realize you'd be the challenger.

Leo: July 23 - Aug. 22

You decided to try to bungee-jump. You weren't counting on the gorilla, but you weren't expecting to learn in the zoo. Perhaps, you're overly cheerfulness will help you, that is if there is no bananas.

Virgo: Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

You were saved from the giant beaver! Strangely enough, you were given a lamp stand and running shoes. Figuring out why there are odd gifts given will be less entertaining than figuring out the differences in the two odd cacti in the Greenhouse.

Libra: Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

You went to study for your test in the Learning Center. A clown happened to cycle in, you are terrified of clowns. Maybe, you can whisper to Scorpio to help you out.

Scorpio: October 23 - November 21

Today you will feel like studying, to the extreme. Hopefully, somebody, somewhere is causing mischief. For now, you'll be in the mists of the Learning Center, and wondering why Libra is hiding behind a counter.

Sagittarius: Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Today you will feel the need to be cleanly. Of course, this could have something to do with the odd amount of birds in the trees. Nah, you just have this need to clean. Yes, that must be it.

Capricorn: Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

You have cunningly trapped the giant beaver. Turns out you need a permit to trap beavers. Sadly, you had to let the giant beaver go. Maybe you'll get him next time.

Aquarius: Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

Oh no! Bonnie, your favorite beaver in the whole wide world, has escaped! You've been looking for her for hours. Sadly, you only found whoopee cushions.

Pisces: Feb. 19 - March 20

Your Doctor just told you about a new disease, Yellow. It is spreading through the nations, taking out millions with its beams of pure happy yellowness. The Yellow is coming, and it will find us all.

Aries: March 21 - April 19

You heard a weird noise, and suddenly Doctor Who saved you from falling from the hot air balloon. The Timey-Whimey is broken, if only you found enough Red. What Red? No idea, apparently the future needs it, whatever Red is.

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BY: **JASON MADDOX**




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WHY SPORTS? | BECAUSE, IT'S AWESOME?

College Players Deserve More

It seems like everywhere you look in this world the little guy is always being taken advantage of. For the NCAA there are thousands of little guys ripe for the picking. According to Mark Koba of NBC News, \$10.6 billion was generated by college athletics in 2012.

Out of the 450,000 college athletes not a single one of them have a piece of that pie. They are simply compensated with full or partial scholarships. Somehow that seems to be fair in the eyes of the NCAA.

So to bring you up to speed; the NCAA makes billions, the schools make hundreds of millions, the coaches make millions, and the players have an opportunity to get a "great education." The numbers just don't add up.

According to a report by the National College Players Association and Drexel University, the fair market value for an average college football player is \$178,000. Where the big name athletes, such as Johnny Manziel, would have earned closer to half a billion in his two years as a starting quarterback at Texas A&M University.

Whether or not you are a Heisman Trophy winner or a backup kicker, you are still part of a team and more importantly a brand; a brand that according to ESPN is making hundreds of millions of dollars each year on your account.

Surprisingly though, football isn't even the highest earning sport in the NCAA.

There is one event related to one sport that surpasses anything else in a matter of three weeks.

"Surprisingly though, football isn't even the highest earning sport in the NCAA."

The event I'm talking about is the College Basketball Tournament, more commonly known as "March Madness."

According to Zach Cheney-Rice of policymic.com, television ad earnings alone surpassed \$1 billion in 2012. In the same year the NBA, MLB, and NHL playoffs combined only produced \$991 million. Yet players in those leagues are sufficiently compensated because they are professionals.

What really separates an amateur from a professional in this case? Is it their age? No, because basketball players only have to play one year of college, and both the MLB and NHL can draft players straight out of high school. What separates an amateur and a professional is a salary. Amateur in this case is just a word that legally dismisses the obligation to reimburse players for the work that they do.

Players can no longer stand by and watch the money they produce, on their own, slip right past them and into the hands of the NCAA. Imagine a college player that spends 40-50 hours a week to achieve his dream to be a professional athlete, but behind that dream is a single parent with multiple children working two jobs just to keep their house from foreclosing. Without the NCAA regulation that forces players to play at least one year of college when talking about basketball and three years when talking about football, the majority of players would have a salary in the hundreds of thousands and would be able to support his or her struggling family.



COLUMN BY
COOPER PAWSON

Starting From the Bottom



COLUMN BY
TEJO PACK

For quite some time a conversation concerning college athletes and whether or not they should be paid, has been just that.

During this past March Madness that discussion began to take shape into something more when Shabazz Napier, a premier basketball player for UConn, told the world he goes to bed some nights "starving."

This humbling confession from Napier blew the top off an already stirring volcano, as players from Northwestern University, only a few weeks earlier, had already begun the process of trying to unionize. Obviously Napier is not alone.

Anyone going hungry is always a tragic thing; it is even more alarming when a top player, at a championship school, shares this revelation.

A player earning a school and organization billions of dollars should never be in a position where this is true, especially if that player is on a full-ride scholarship. It only seems fair that if you're going to offer a player a full-ride (like Napier has), then making sure that athlete isn't starving would be a part of that package.

According to the NCAA's website, "Divisions I and II schools provide more than \$2 billion in athletics scholarships annually to more than 126,000 student-athletes." I'm not an expert on the topic, but I'm guessing there are a lot more athletes in college throughout the nation.

"But if we are going to start filling hands, we should start with the ones that are clearly empty"

In an article on www.cbs.com by Lynn O'Shaughnessy she says, "Only about two percent of high school athletes win sports scholarships every year at NCAA colleges and universities." If it is true that only a small percentage of athletes are receiving a scholarship at all, then the total number of full-ride scholarships is even smaller. And these extremely low numbers is where we should start.

The conversation that ensues right now is that the NCAA and colleges are making all the money, and all the players get is a good education. But these statistics clearly point out that most athletes aren't even receiving that much.

If we are going to talk about paying players, we should first start with making sure we are providing the basic necessities for college athletes, period; and not just in one sport, but in all sports.

"If college football and basketball players obtain the right to be paid, what do we do about the thousands of athletes — who also work incredibly hard on the field and in the classroom — who participate in athletics that don't rack up massive profits?" asked Joel Mendelson in an article on www.alligator.org.

The counter to this point is to give them nothing. It is the student athletes in these particular sports (football and basketball) who are generating all the money and it should get to them. But is that really what college is all about?

So much of the American way of life today is about the individual. Sure it takes a team to accomplish the goal of a championship, but if you don't have a great quarterback, point guard, or power forward you probably won't get far.

It is true at a professional level and in a survival situation that looking out for number one is probably the best policy. But these are kids, kids who for one brief college moment have the opportunity to be molded and shaped into the people they will become on and off their respected arenas.

It therefore would only make sense to encourage these students and future important people to invest that money in the people around them that are less fortunate; especially when these people are full-time students, who work a full-time job, and probably carry a high GPA.

I agree that it is time for the money to be dispersed. But if we are going to start filling hands, we should start with the ones that are clearly empty and the ones that have never had. I guarantee, they will be the most grateful. ♡

If the NCAA needs the star players for at least one year to ensure their ratings don't dive and their revenue stays in the hundreds of millions, then the players should get what they deserve, and what they deserve is a big piece of an enormous pie. ♡

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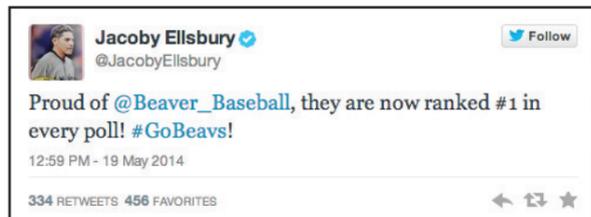
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BEAVERS TAKE BACK THE THRONE

Behind stellar hitting and phenomenal pitching, the Beavers take their rightful place atop the podium once again.

OSU find themselves ranked number one in the country for the first time since 2006, where they went on to win back-to-back National Championships.



It helps to have the best pitcher in the nation in Ben Wetzler who, despite his run in with the law this past week where he was cited with two misdemeanors that suspended him from pitching in Friday nights match-up, threw a two-hit shutout in the final game of the Washington series to almost certainly lock up the Pac-12 Championship for the Beavers.

"I felt like I had to step up and do what I'm capable of," said Wetzler after the win.

In that game Wetzler dropped his already outstanding ERA from .94 to an extraordinary .84.

He was named Pac-12 Pitcher of the Week.

"He is going to be absolutely dynamite or really bad," said Pat Casey before Wetzler's first start after the incident.

Behind good pitching you have to have a balance of good

hitters to put points on the board.

The Beavers have just that.

Michael Conforto and Dylan Davis have been the dynamic duo that every Beaver fan had hoped they would be.

Conforto is at or near the top in the Pac-12 in almost every hitting category. He has the best batting average at .374, he is number one in both slugging and on-base percentage, and he leads in runs scored with 49.

Davis leads the league in RBIs with 62, which is seven more than second place Conforto, who has 55, and 18 more than third place Mitchell Tolman from Oregon, who has 44.

The Beavers are now in prime position to not only win the Pac-12 Championship for the second year in a row, but to also host both a Regional and Super Regional in Corvallis once again.

In order to clinch the Pac-12 Championship they must win one game this weekend in Southern California against USC, May 23 to 25. USC is currently ranked fifth in the Pac-12 with a record of 14-13. 📍

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COOPER PAWSON



Assistant coach Nate Yeskie approaches mound to speak to his infield.



Andrew Moore pitches in place of Wetzler.



Dylan Davis leads Pac-12 in RBIs. (62)

COACH HAWK ENTERS HALL OF FAME

Former Linn-Benton Community College head baseball coach Greg Hawk will be inducted into the Northwest Athletic Association of Community College's Hall of Fame May 29.

NWAACC's annual banquet honors Hall of Fame inductees, outstanding service awards, coaches, and administrators, and will be held at the Red Lion in Vancouver.

Hawk will be inducted along with his 1988 championship baseball team. His baseball-coaching career earned him a record of 602 wins and 526 losses, and he coached six southern region baseball titles and two NWAACC baseball conference titles, in 1988 and 1991.

Hawk was named NWAACC Baseball Coach of the Year eight times, Rawlings National Coach of the Year twice, and will receive the ABCA Ethics in Coaching Award at the 2015 ABCA Convention.

Coach Hawk retired from LBCC in June 2013 after 30 years with the college, where he served as a faculty member of the Health and Human Performance department, as head baseball coach for 30 years, and as head coach for two seasons of women's basketball.

Hawk's success with the women's basketball program included two southern region league titles and being named twice as NWAACC Women's Basketball Coach of the Year.

Hawk also served as LBCC's athletic director for 11 years and was an NWAACC Men's Commissioner and Southern Region Chair.

NWAACC is the governing body for the community college athletics in Washington and Oregon. Its mission is to foster athletic participation in an environment that supports equitable opportunities for students consistent with the educational objectives of member colleges. 📍

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