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Non-district students get tuition cut

By Diane Morelli
Managing Editor

On Sept. 13 the LBCC Board of Education met and voted to eliminate out-of-district tuition effective this term. Until now any resident living in the state of Oregon but outside the LBCC district had to pay an additional \$180 a term. A student is not considered a resident unless they have lived in the district for 90 days. This past year LBCC collected about \$8,800 in out-of-district tuition.

One of the reasons for dropping out-of-district tuition was the hope of generating more tuition revenue. Registrar Jon Carnahan, said many out of district students would move into the area and not attend school the first semester because they couldn't afford the extra tuition. This resulted in lost revenue for LBCC, he said.

Carnahan said there was no way to validate information concerning a person's residency, but he believes many students gave a false address to avoid the added tuition.

Another problem solved by dropping out-of-district tuition concerns the residents of Harrisburg and Jefferson. These cities are in Linn County and pay taxes here but are not in LBCC's district. Should they choose to attend LBCC now, they will no longer be discouraged by higher tuition.

Two years ago other colleges in the state began eliminating their out-of-district tuition. Lane Community College no longer has it, Chemeketa Community College has it on their Sept. meeting agenda, and Mt. Hood Community College has it under discussion.

This decision does not affect out-of-state or foreign students.

Carnahan said the uncertainty of our budget is another reason for eliminating out-of-district tuition.

"If Ballot Measure 2 passes, we will have to cut programs and enrollment," Carnahan said. "It's possible we will have to switch to regional programming in the future."

With regional programming the local colleges would pool their resources to provide a more extensive curriculum. For example, Lane might provide a nursing program while LBCC would provide a dentistry program.

The registration department said those students who paid added tuition will be receiving a refund in the mail within two weeks.

Financial Aid Coordinator Sally Wojahn suggested students with a Pell Grant contact the financial aid department for a refund or adjustment.



Photo by Sue Buhler

Serving up sawdust

Workers hurry to complete remodeling in the College Center Commons last week. The entrance to the scramble area was walled off to control access. Director of Auxiliary Services Robert Miller said the remodeling was

done to increase the quality of service to students. "This will allow us to provide better security for this area," Miller said. Extensive remodeling was also done to the Camas Room in Takena Hall.

Levy passes, but college still threatened

By Sue Buhler
Editor

For the third year in a row LBCC has passed a levy election on the third try. The request for a one-year, \$1,215,511 levy was passed by 507 votes in the Sept. 18 election.

Linn County defeated the measure 8,060 to 5,975, but Benton County carried it with 6,463 yes votes to 3,871 no votes. About 51 percent of the taxing district voted in favor of the levy.

If the levy had failed, the college would have had to cut \$1.2 million from this year's budget. George Kurtz, vice president of business affairs, said it was unlikely the college would try again on the November ballot. The only way to cut the budget by that much would have been to eliminate personnel, Kurtz said. "The largest item in the budget is salaries," he continued. "That's the only way we could make significant cuts—and that would have to affect programs."

In May the college requested a new tax base and in August a two-year serial

levy—both were rejected by voters. In an effort to pass a one-year levy, a total of \$146,000 was cut from previous requests. The reductions came from eliminating construction technology and farm management programs, reducing summer hours and increasing tuition \$1 per credit. In addition, \$71,422 was eliminating from a contingency fund for payments to the Public Employees Retirement System.

Kurtz said the levy victory was cause for a brief celebration, but "now we're facing a potential disaster for LBCC—the property tax limitation measure."

If the property tax limitation (Ballot Measure #2) passes, funding for schools will be cut "drastically," Kurtz said. "If this levy had failed we'd have lost \$1.2 million—if Ballot Measure #2 passes we'll lose at least that much."

LBCC has faced problems with levy elections for the past several years, but has passed a levy each year. Administration officials expressed concern prior to the election, fearing that Benton County would fail to carry the levy request.

"Our levy was the only thing on the ballot in Corvallis," said Blaine Nisson, director of student programs. "But, we knew the students were back and hoped they'd be out to vote."

Guest Editorial

Passing first levy request would save time, money

by Pete Boyse
Assistant to the President

I would like to thank the voters who approved the LBCC tax levy request which was on the Sept. 18 election ballot. Your support has made it possible for LBCC to continue operating at current levels for one more year.

This levy replaced the one-year operating levy which was approved in September of 1983 and expired on June 30, 1984. Because the current levy is for this fiscal year only, it, too, will expire at the end of the fiscal year and will have to be replaced by another one-vote levy. The Board of Education has plans to ask the voters to approve the 1985-86 operating levy in March of 1985.

No one is more aware of the depressed local economic conditions than the administrators who run Linn-Benton Community College. A number of reductions in programs, services and staff have been made. As a result, the number of students able to take courses at Linn-Benton has decreased by 6,000 or 7,000 over the past several years. This is a drastic decrease considering that training and retraining programs for the unemployed have been needed in recent years more than ever before.

The unfortunate thing is that voters have rejected two or three levy requests each year before finally approving an operating levy for the college. This is a considerable waste of taxpayer dollars as well as time and energy that staff expend on passing levies. Each time a levy is defeated administrators must alter operating budgets and plans for the coming academic year. This is a costly and time-consuming process.

People who have concerns about levy requests are encouraged to attend both board and budget meetings or call the President's Office directly with their concerns. Citizens who have carefully examined budget requests have realized that there are no "extras" contained in these requests but just the amount necessary to continue funding the necessities.

I would urge all voters to vote for an LBCC budget not because it is the first or fourth time out but based on the merits of the budget itself. The facts on the budget are available, just ask for them—it's public record.

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Job Openings!

The Commuter is seeking Work-Study eligible students for three paid positions:

Secretary/Receptionist: fair to good typing skills and an ability to deal with people. Up to 20 hours per week.

Copy Writer/Office Aide: person with good writing skills needed to assist in editorial production of the newspaper. Job includes writing, proofing, maintaining clipping library. Up to 15 hours per week.

Typist/Typesetter: good to superior typing skills required. Experience with typesetting helpful, but will train on the job. Up to 15 hours. Students who are eligible for work-study funds are invited to apply as soon as possible. Contact Rich Bergeman, ext. 218, Room F-108; or Sue Buhler, ext. 373, Room CC-210.



Letters

U.S. policy toward Russia criticized

To the Editor:

Russia was our declared enemy in 1940 just as it is today. Russia has four times the people and more than sixty times the land than Germany possesses. When President Franklin D. Roosevelt and the Democrats joined up with England and Russia to defeat Germany, they laid the ground for the Giant Soviet Empire we have for an opponent today. Near the war's end, F.D.R. gave the Victory and a big slice of Europe to the Russians. Now it costs us well over a hundred billions a year to protect Europe and all its people and industry from the enemy F.D.R. created. To top it off, President Reagan is driving hundreds of millions of Moslems into Russian's arms in order to get the media and financial support of American Jews. This is a dangerous and indefensible policy for America.

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LBCC president congratulates voters

To the Editor:

Congratulations on a successful tax levy election, and thank you for your hard work on getting the levy passed. I know that we all put in many, many hours of hard work over and above our normal workloads to assure the success of the tax levy election.

The unofficial results of the election are:

YES
Linn: 5,975; Benton: 6,463; Total - 12,438.
NO
Linn: 8,060; Benton: 3,871; Total - 11,931.

TOTALS

Linn: 14,035; Benton: 10,334; Total - 24,369.

Percentage Yes: 51
Percentage No: 49

I would also remind everyone that the November 6 election date is an important one for all of us. Not only is it a presidential election, but Ballot Measure #2 is on the ballot. I would encourage you to educate yourselves on the effects this ballot measure will have on Linn-Benton, and for that

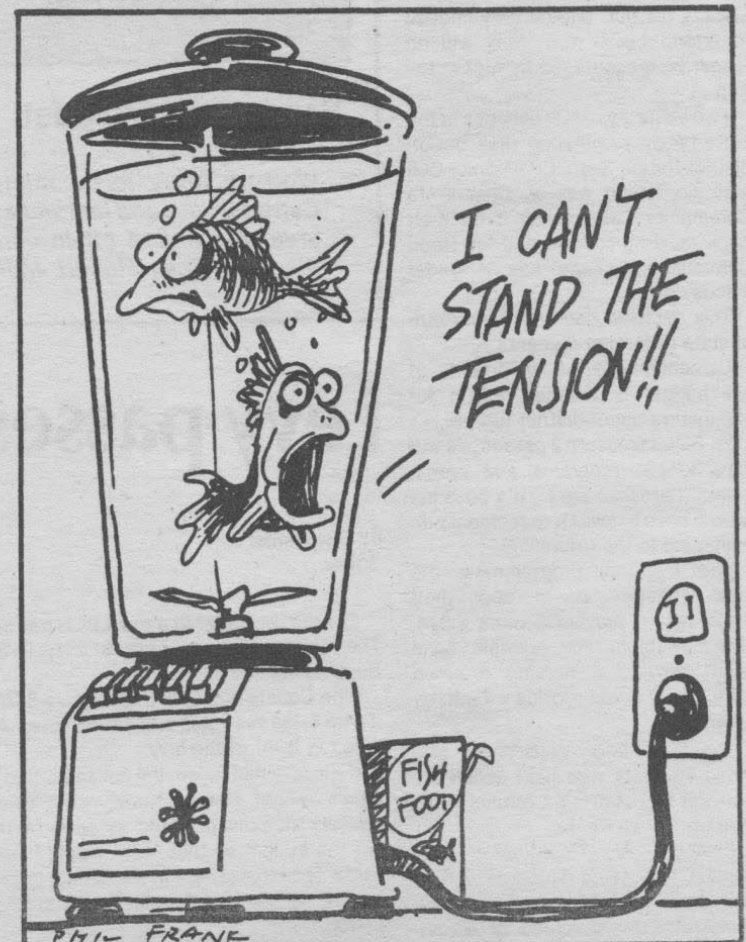
matter on all governmental and educational services in the state. If you would like specific information concerning Ballot Measure #2, contact Pete Boyse.

We're looking forward to another outstanding year and we will all be encouraging and maintaining excellence here at LBCC. Once again, thank you for your hard work on the levy election and congratulations!

Tom Gonzales
LBCC President

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Board requires computer literacy, limits activity classes for degree

Students earning associate degrees at LBCC will be required to show computer literacy after action taken by LBCC's Board of Education at the August board meeting. The computer literacy requirement was the major item in the changes approved for the General Education requirements students must fulfill when earning an associate degree. The changes go into effect in 1985-86.

Other changes included more course options under the health and physical education requirement but a limit to the number of terms students can take activity classes, such as volleyball, tennis or weight lifting, to fulfill the requirement. Inclusion of a competency or comparative guidance and placement test score for enrolling students in writing and mathematics classes also was approved. The total number of credits required did not change, however.

In other action at the August meeting, the board approved a bid of \$26,975 to Exide Electronics of Portland for an Uninterruptible Power Supply pack for the college's Computer Service Department.

Over the past six months, the college has experienced

71 power surges or outages, creating havoc with the college's data base system. The power interruptions have caused such problems as having hundreds of students return a second day for registration and jeopardizing meeting payroll deadlines. On several occasions, the entire base information has been wiped out. Reconstruction time has taken over 1,000 work hours, according to Leon Bruer, director of the college's Computer Service Department.

In its September meeting, the Board approved a Budget Calendar for the fiscal year 1985-86 which begins moving the college toward a March 26 levy election. Although the college has passed a one-year levy, the college will have to ask voters for a levy again since it failed to pass a new tax base this year. The levy passed on Sept. 18 balances the budget for the current year, and the levy next March would balance the budget starting July 1, 1985.

LBCC President Tom Gonzales told the Board the theme for this new school year which begins Sept. 24 is "Encouraging and Maintaining Excellence at LBCC."

Looking for work? Center can help

By Sherry Oliver
Staff Writer

"The Student Placement Center is the place to get help with anything related to employment," said Marlene Propst, LBCC placement specialist.

The center can be used by any LBCC student, past or present, who has taken at least one credit.

Propst said a student gets "more personal attention" going through LBCC's placement center than they would going through the state employment office.

There are more jobs now available than students on file that qualify for the positions, especially in the

clerical and data entry fields.

It is easy to take advantage of the Placement Center, located on the first floor of Takena Hall. The first step is to go to the office and talk to Propst or Kris Pollock. You'll be given an application to fill out and then be interviewed briefly about your interests and experience.

Propst and Pollock can help you with interviewing techniques and writing resumes and cover letters during a workshop at 3 p.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday or by appointment.

Information is also available about state and federal civil service jobs, job descriptions, average pay for dif-

ferent job classifications, and employment trends.

Once you have an application on file, Propst recommends that you come in "at least three times a week" and check the job board. An average of 50 jobs are posted on the board each day.

Last year the Placement Center placed over 580 students. Propst said the peak months for employment are October and May. She recommends that those who are looking for Christmas work start applying in October.

"Persistence," according to Propst, is the key characteristic needed to find work.

Many students use deferred tuition

By Quonieta Murphy
Staff Writer

According to 1983 figures obtained from Financial Aid Coordinator Sally Wojahn, approximately 30 percent of all full-time students enrolled each term last year used the deferred tuition program offered by Linn-Benton Community College. That figure jumped to 50 percent of the full-time this summer term.

Wojahn attributed the rise in summer use to the fact that summer registration begins in June, while financial aid isn't available until July. Figures are not yet available for use of the program this term.

Students using the deferred tuition program sign a legally binding contract that enables them to pay one third of the tuition at the time of registration (plus any late fees), and the remaining two thirds over a five-week period. Ten percent simple annual interest is charged on overdue accounts. If problems do arise students can apply for an extension. The deadline for payment this term is Nov. 2.

Wojahn compared the deferred tuition program to a "short-term loan for a fixed length of time." Compared to the now defunct emergency loan program, which ran out of funds last year, there is little abuse of deferred tuition.

Records show that out of \$105,187 deferred spring term of last year, only \$7,713 remained unpaid. As of June 30, 1984, a total of \$55,264 was outstanding, and \$16,568 was sent to collections for the last school year. The emergency loan program still has \$1,200 outstanding and \$4,500 in collections.

LBCC's Business Office makes a lengthy effort to collect payment before turning accounts over to collections. Six written notices, including one from the school's attorney, are sent to students, and numerous phone calls are made before the account goes to collections. If payment isn't received before the next term, students are now allowed to register, receive grades or collect transcripts. An account in collections not only damages the student's credit rating, but can also impede progress toward a college degree.

Commuter named 'Best in the West'

The Commuter was named the outstanding community college newspaper in the West in a recent college press competition. The National Challenge contest drew 122 entries in 78 categories, with 28 publications from 11 western states competing for the "Best in the West" regional award.

Contest organizer Henry Roepken, chairman of the journalism department at Harper College in Illinois, said The Commuter was "head and shoulders above the rest" of the western regional entries in the general excellence category.

The National Challenge was a non-commercial competition open to all of the nation's two-year colleges and their newspapers during the 1983-84 academic year. Judging was done by members of a panel of 12 veteran newspaper, magazine and wire-service editorial executives.

Convened by the journalism department of Harper College, the National Challenge was designed to encourage incisive reporting, more intensive editorial responsibility and the sense of professional achievement needed for responsible publication.

The award, announced earlier this month, was the third honor received by the 1983-84 Commuter. Earlier in the year, the weekly student newspaper won a First with Special Merit from the American Scholastic Press Association and a First Class award from the Associated Collegiate Press.

Editor of the 1983-84 Commuter was Pam Kuri, now a communications major at The Evergreen State College in Olympia, Wash. Sue Buhler, last year's managing editor, is editor of the 1984-85 Commuter.

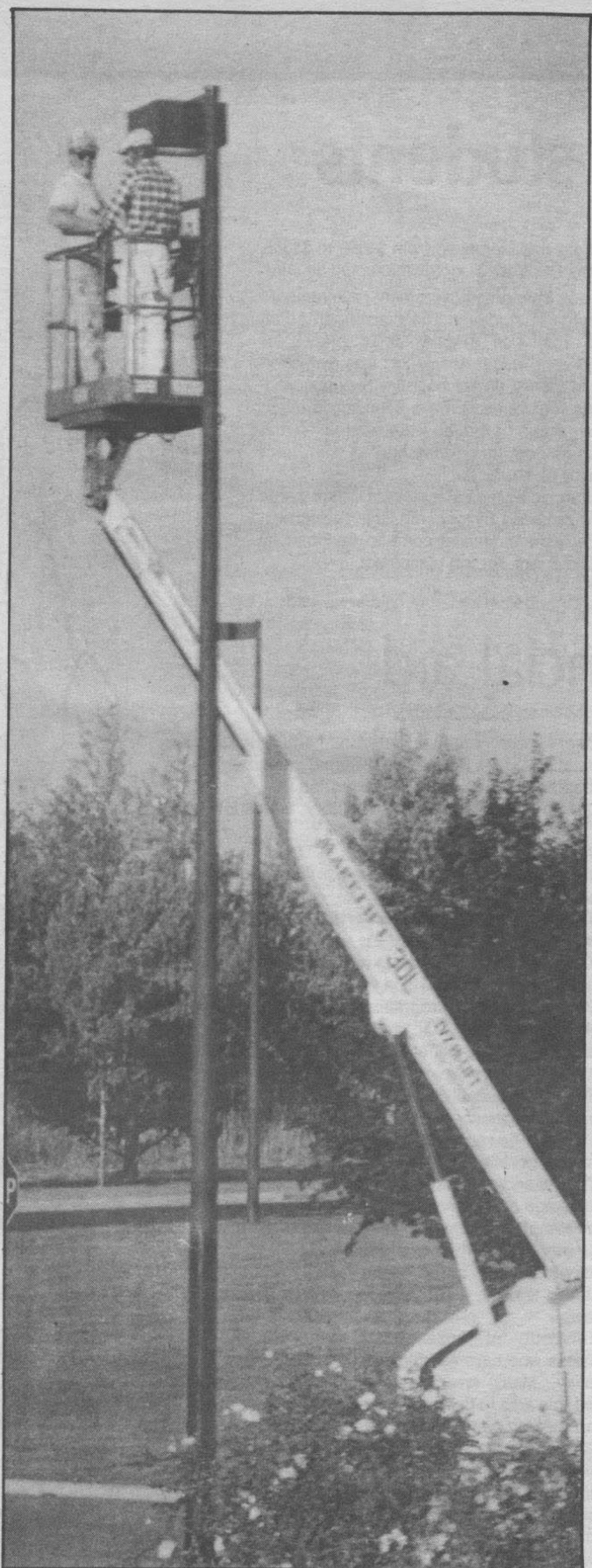


Photo by Rich Bergeman

Pole Painting

Dave Hanson (left) and Mike Hemminger, owner of Hemminger Painting of Albany, get a bird's eye view of the opening day of classes as they finish painting the scores of light poles on campus. The local firm was awarded a \$2,785 contract to give the poles and other outdoor fixtures their first coat of paint since the campus was built 13 years ago.

Rental, child care listings posted

Linn and Benton County landlords and child care providers can get free listings of their services on special bulletin boards at LBCC.

As a service to its students, the college's Student Programs office maintains a housing bulletin board listing apartments, mobile homes and houses for rent, as well as requests for roommates to share living

quarters, according to Blaine Nisson, director of LBCC's Student Programs. The listings can be anywhere in LBCC's two-county district and are free.

The child care board is a new service provided this year and offers free listings for individuals offering babysitting services as well as group day-care providers, Nisson said.

Financial support invaluable to students

Financial Aid is an "Early Bird" game but not all the "worms" are gone this year. The following types of aid are still available.

1. Pell Grant—major federally funded grant.
2. College Work-Study—part-time employment.
3. National Direct Student Loan
4. Guaranteed Student Loan—bank loan.

The first three programs may be applied for using an application called the Financial Aid Form. The Guaranteed Student Loan requires* approximately 6 weeks processing time.

Interested students are encouraged to seek applications and information from the Financial Aid Office as soon as possible.

* requires a separate application all programs require

Many changes have taken place in the Financial Aid Office for 1984-85. Changes include staffing procedures, and award amounts. The best news for

students is that the maximum Pell Grant has increased from \$1063 to \$1365. Most LBCC students who qualify for the Pell qualify for the maximum amount.

Procedures change in response to ever changing government requirements and in an effort to provide better service to students. The governments Pell Grant processor has been moved from Los Angeles to a branch of Westinghouse in Iowa City. The Pell Grant Student Aid Report was revised in attempt to make it more readable for students. (We're not sure they succeeded!) The Schools' Pell Grant reporting requirements have been made much more complex and cumbersome in an effort to simplify the process at the federal level. It is too early to determine how this added burden will effect schools' ability to provide timely service to students.

Work Study procedures are being changed by the Financial Aid Office. Large group placement sessions are being replaced by ongoing daily placement hours. Students who have been awarded work-study may come to the Financial Aid Office any day between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. for job placement.

It's not too late to apply for financial aid

WHAT IS FINANCIAL AID?

Financial aid is help for meeting college costs—both direct educational costs such as tuition, fees and book, and personal living expenses such as food, housing and transportation.

Sometimes students are surprised to discover that financial aid can help them pay for living expenses.

TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID

There are three kinds of financial aid:

1) Grants or scholarships are funds that do not have to be repaid. Grants are usually awarded on the basis of need alone. Scholarships may be awarded on the basis of need and/or some other criteria, such as academic achievement.

2) Loans must be repaid, generally after you have graduated or left school, and usually have lower interest rates than commercial loans.

3) Work involves earning money as payment for a job, usually one arranged for you by the college.

Grants and scholarships are often called "gift aid." Loans and work aid are often called "self-help aid." If you receive aid, chances are that you will get a financial aid "package," combining gift aid and self-help aid from different sources.

YOU HAVE TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

Financial aid doesn't just happen to people. You have to make it happen. You'll need to know what you have to do—when you have to do it—and do it right the first time. Investigate your financial aid resources early by inquiring at the Office of Financial Aid and Veterans.

SOURCES OF FINANCIAL AID

Money for your aid package comes primarily from four sources—the federal government, state governments, colleges themselves and private programs.

The federal government supplies the most financial aid. Federal grant programs include Pell Grants and Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG). Loans include National Direct Student Loans (NDSL), Guaranteed Student Loans (GSL), and the new Parents' Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS). The federal College Work-Study (CWS) Program provides work aid.

The Office of Veterans Affairs is a service provided by LBCC to students who are veterans and/or dependents of veterans.

The office is staffed by LBCC employees and veteran work-study students. The primary function of the office is to act as the college's representative to the Veterans Administration Portland Regional Office; to insure that veteran educational benefit recipients comply with VA regulations and policies concerning attendance, program compliance and satisfactory progress; to insure recipients receive their monthly checks; to maintain records and reports; and to request certification of benefits.

The OVA maintains between 300 and 400 active records on veterans and dependents of veterans who attend LBCC on a part or full-time basis each term. It performs educational outreach services in Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties. It also works in close harmony with the County Veterans Service agents in all three counties and in conjunction with various local, county and state veterans organizations in support of veterans rights.

Students who receive veterans educational benefits at LBCC are from seven different categories:

- 1) Chapter 31, Vocational Rehabilitation.
- 2) Chapter 32, Veterans Contributory Education Plan.
- 3) Chapter 34, Regular GI Bill.
- 4) Chapter 35, Survivor and Dependents Education Program.
- 5) 674, Dependents of Non-Service Connected Deaths or Disabled Veterans.
- 6) PL 97-72, Delimiting Date Extension Program.
- 7) Oregon State GI Bill.

They take classes in programs ranging from GED through certifications, OJT, and apprenticeship, to Associate Degrees in General Studies, Science, and Arts.

Veterans Educational Benefits are designed to provide financial assistance to eligible vets who are pursuing a specific educational goal. Program curriculum and goals are strictly adhered to and attendance, GPAs and progress are constantly monitored.

The average benefit entitlement is 45 months and must be completed within ten years of discharge. The average monthly entitlement is \$464. However, the exact monthly rate is based on the number of credits being taken and the number of dependents the student has.

The majority of these students are heads of households who have established their residence in the valley. Many are retired military who have selected this area to live and are obtaining the education and training needed for a second career.

The LBCC district has hundreds of residents who are veterans. Many have used their benefits and many have not. The OVA invites all of you who believe that you could be a potential VA educational benefit recipient to call 967-6104 or drop by T-105, ask for veterans information.

College work study helps students

Prepared by the Office of Financial Aid

Unlike grants and loans, the College Work Study (CWS) program is a means by which students earn part of their financial aid award through self-help—part-time employment on campus.

Each year a number of various helper-aide types of positions throughout LBCC's four campuses are authorized for students who are awarded CWS in their FA award package. The students who fill these positions not only earn their work-study award money but learn how to apply for and interview for a job as well as job responsibility.

This year the CWS program will offer self-help employment on a part-time basis to over 350 LBCC students in 250 on-campus positions. These student workers will provide approximately 10,500 work hours per month for LBCC with an annual payroll in excess of \$290,000.

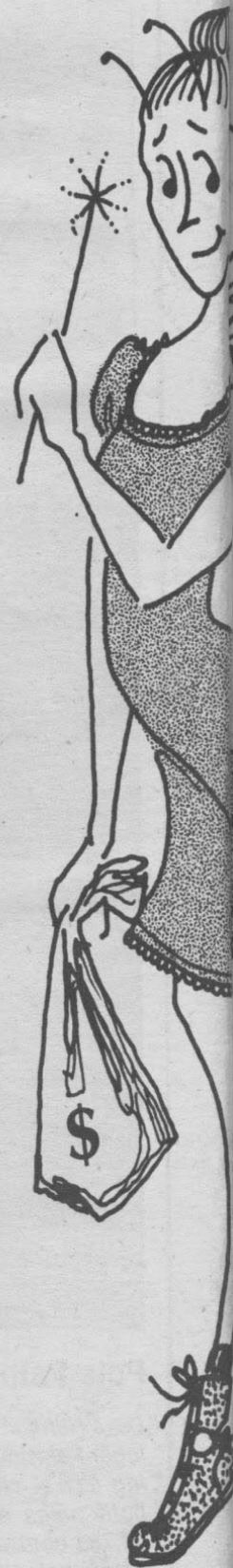
Jobs will encompass positions in instructional lab, clerical, secretarial, maintenance, food service, office, PE, postal, groundskeeper, tutorial, computer service, security and student allies to mention a few.

The wage rate range will run between \$3.35 and \$4.45 per hour, with the majority at \$3.55. Students can earn up to \$1800 over the nine-month academic year.

The CWS program not only is a means for the students to gain work experience and earn financial assistance while they attend college, but also provides LBCC with a source of inexpensive extra work power and the community with additional income revenue.

Students who intend to apply for work study program in the future should remember that there are limited dollars in this program and we have more applicants than resources.

It's first-come first-serve by need, and students should apply early.



Veterans Affairs aids vets with education

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Many eligible students unaware of aid sources

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CPS)—A major reason more students don't get some form of financial aid is that the students don't know how to apply for the aid, the National Student Aid Coalition (NSAC) claims in a new report.

Moreover, aid officials are going to have to do a better job getting word of the aid programs out to minority, disadvantaged and all high school students if they're going to get college money into the hands that need it most, NSAC's Emily Gruss says.

NSAC's study of which students get what kinds of aid information concludes much of the information either doesn't cross cultural barriers to black and Hispanic students, or doesn't manage to get "where they're located."

Not all financial aid experts agree, however.

"There's a wide variety of materials out there," says Dallas Martin, head of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, an umbrella group for campus aid officers.

"There are some students, particularly from disadvantaged backgrounds, and older students, who don't realize the (aid) opportunities available to them," Martin agrees. But he suspects the reason they don't know is that they're unmotivated or "alienated from the process."

Without having any definite figures, Gruss maintains a significant number of minority and older students get less aid than white

students precisely because they don't get enough information about the aid programs.

A College Board study released last week estimated that 52 percent of the American college student body gets some sort of financial aid.

Gruss says another study showed 62.5 percent of black students enrolled in college receive some form of aid, compared to 45.8 percent of the white students.

To get more aid to more students, NSAC now suggests drawing up a mass media ad campaign emphasizing how much aid is available to the needy. NSAC also wants to expand several need-based aid programs and create education information centers

outside of high schools to reach more non-traditional students.

Martin, however, isn't sure there's much of a problem, considering that all available-aid money is consumed by students every year.

"There's not enough money to go around" to all the student applicants, he says.

Bringing more applicants into the process inevitably would mean some students who get aid now would be pushed off the aid roles, he argues.

Gruss disagrees. Generating a greater demand for aid dollars would also generate more pressure on state and federal lawmakers to increase funding of aid programs, she says.

Student aid falls 21% under Reagan

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CPS)—Financial aid for college students has plummeted 21 percent—over \$2 billion—since the Reagan administration took office in 1980, according to a just-released study by the College Board.

From a high of \$18 billion in 1981-82, the amount of financial aid available for students has dropped to a low of just over \$16 billion for the current academic year.

"And that \$2 billion is even greater when inflation is taken into account," notes College Board spokeswoman Janice Gams. "Aid had been cuts by one-fifth in inflation-adjusted terms."

Much of the decline is due to cuts the Reagan administration and Congress have made in Social Security benefits for college students, stricter

limits on Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL) eligibility, and a post-Vietnam War drop in the use of veterans' benefits.

In addition, the study reports "a switch in the trend from grants to loans which has been remarkable," Gams says.

In 1970-71, for instance, grants accounted for nearly two-thirds of all financial aid, while loans and work-study benefits accounted for the other third.

By 1975-76, grants constituted over 80 percent of all financial aid expenditures, loans 17 percent, and College Work-Study three percent.

For the current year, however, loans and grants each account for 48 percent of student aid, and College Work-Study the remaining four percent.

At a time when college financial aid experts are growing increasingly concerned about the level of long-term debt college students are incurring, the decline in the amount of available grant money promises to have far-reaching implications.

At the same time, "the early 1980s have seen a major change in the relationship of costs, income and aid for college," the report says. "Adjusted for inflation, costs have increased, but income and financial aid per full-time equivalent student have not."

"Thus," the study concludes, "in contrast to what can be said generally about the past two decades (when income and financial aid awards actually stayed ahead of college costs), college has become relatively more difficult for families to afford in the 1980s."

But the results of "Trends in Student Aid: 1963-1983" should also "be put in the context of how much finan-

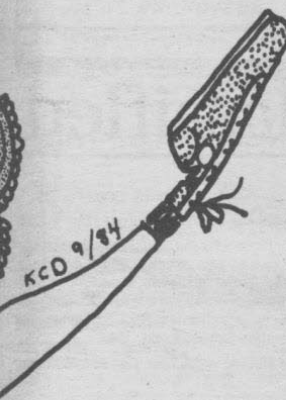
cial aid has really grown over the past years," Gams suggests.

The federal role in financial aid has indeed swelled in the last two decades, from 40 percent to 80 percent of all aid assistance.

Financial aid from all sources—federal, state and institutions—has skyrocketed from only \$546 million in 1963-64 to \$4.5 billion in 1970-71 to a high of \$18 billion in 1981-82, the study says.

Except for the last three years, student aid increased five times faster than college spending in the last 20 years.

Tuition and room and board at private schools has increased from \$2105 to \$8537 in the last two decades, while the cost of attending a public school rose from \$1026 to \$3403 over the same period, the study says.



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'See me!' Campus clubs call for student participation

If a new student at LBCC would like to meet people with similar interests and goals, what should he do?

"See me!" said several student club advisers at LBCC.

There are 23 LBCC clubs structured to meet a variety of interests ranging from archaeology through data process management to the problems associated with nursing.

Club advisers can provide answers to such questions as what does it cost to join, how often they meet, purpose of the club, membership responsibilities and time and place of meeting.

Most of the clubs avoid the formalities usually associated with club membership. For example, Bob Ross, Christians on Campus adviser, said "Ours is not a formal club but rather a 'drop in club.'"

"The time and place of meeting is variable and set by the students," said Gregory Paulson, Horticulture Club adviser.

Few of the clubs have membership fees, but students can expect to

work. Diesel Club adviser Alan Jackson said, "Our club doesn't have a fee to join." Nor does the Concerned Students for LBCC group require a fee, according to adviser Blaine Nisson.

The Student Nurses Organization, however, has a membership fee; but adviser Rachel Hagfeldt quickly added, "The fee was required for state membership and outside activities."

Concerned Students advisor Nisson said, "We sponsored a book sale fund raiser, and the money was used to publicize a recent LBCC tax measure ballot."

Jackson of the Diesel Club said they attend several conferences each year. He said, "We went to a boat show in Coos Bay and a logging conference in Eugene last year."

A major activity of the Effluent Society is the annual outing, which is used to conduct water quality studies, according to adviser John Carnegie. "Last year four vans of students and faculty went to Eastern Oregon to study Malheur Lake."



Photo by Gary Stewart

Relax

It's noontime, first day of classes. Time to seek whatever solace one can from the tranquility of a fountain. These students found refuge for a time on the patio between the College Center and Business buildings.

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PERSONALS

Ride needed to LBCC on Monday mornings from Newport, and return ride needed to Newport Fridays after 2 p.m. can share gas. Leave message for M. Parcell at Commuter office.

Hi Ya'!!! We really miss you up here in Oregon—especially on Tuesday nights. Actually, make that Monday and Tuesday all day. We'll toast you at Izzy's, but not with pizza and beer—it's salad bar and diet Coke for me from now on. (It's minus 30 and counting. . .) Write once in a while. Even in the frenzy of school you can be sure we're thinking of you on Tuesdays. PS: give the kids a hug and a treat from me!

Wild Woman party

Wild Women Adventures will celebrate another year of outdoor trips Oct. 20.

A potluck dinner will be followed by entertainment, including music, games and picture sharing.

Members, past participants and any women interested in the outdoors are invited.



Photo by Sue Buhler

Chow time

LBCC held an In Service Day for administration, faculty and classified employees on Mon. Sept. 17. The theme was "Maintaining Excellence." During a general session speeches were delivered, new employees were introduced, and awards given. Everyone was treated to a progressive dinner and then dispersed to workshops. Some participants felt the Health Occupations Department should be punished for offering three tables filled with tempting desserts while showing a movie about physical fitness at the same time.

Students get discount for CAG performances

By Scott Heynderickx
Staff Writer

Ballet, opera, chamber and symphonic music highlight this year's Performing Arts Series, offering students, staff and the community professional entertainment to satisfy a variety of artistic tastes.

Sponsored by the Albany Creative Arts Guild and LBCC, the series is now in its seventh season. Two afternoon performances and two evening performances at LBCC's Tadena Theatre will be offered this season. The program schedule includes:

—Oct. 18, 8 p.m., The Belle Terre Chamber Players of Setauket, N.Y., performing on a variety of instruments, including LBCC's nine-foot Steinway grand piano.

—Dec. 16, 2 p.m., The Keith Martin Ballet Company of Portland, presenting an afternoon of dance for the holiday season, including excerpts from Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Ballet.

—Jan. 26, 2 p.m., The Portland Opera in an afternoon performance of Gioacchino Rossini's "The Barber of Seville."

—March 14, 8 p.m., The Oregon Symphony Orchestra directed by James DePriest in an evening of classical music.

Series Committee chairman James Tolbert characterized the series as "a great opportunity to become involved the cultural aspects of the college." LBCC students particularly, Tolbert added, should take advantage of a special discount which allows the purchase of two tickets for the 1984-85 series for only \$12.50 each. The special LBCC student discount tickets are available now at the College Center office only.

Season ticket prices are \$30 general admission and \$25.00 for senior citizens and non-LBCC students.

Ticket orders may be placed by mailing a check payable to the Albany Creative Arts Guild to the Guild, P.O. Box 841, Albany, OR 97321, or by stopping by the Guild Gallery, 431 1st Ave. W., Albany.

Humane society holds garage sale

Heartland Humane Society in Corvallis will hold its third annual garage sale/flea market Saturday, Oct. 6, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 1440 NW 14th.

Highlighted items of the sale include appliances, building supplies, clothing, sporting equipment and

assorted household items. MacVicar's bears, homemade dog biscuits, cat scratching posts and plants will also be available.

Proceeds from the sale help operate the Society's activities and shelter on SW Airport Road, Corvallis.

Performing Arts Series

Thursday, October 18, 1984

The Belle Terre Chamber Players

of Setauket, N.Y.

This group will perform on a variety of instruments, including LBCC's new Steinway 9-foot grand piano.

Saturday, January 26, 1985

The Portland Opera

in an afternoon performance of Rossini's ever-popular opera *The Barber of Seville*.

"Figaro. Hey, Figaro here, Figaro there, Figaro left, Figaro right, Figaro up . . ."

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'Busman's Honeymoon' mixes comedy with mystery

By Anthony Faber
Staff Writer

A biting post-Victorian comedy mystery by the classic writer of surprise and suspense, Dorothy Soyers, "The Busman's Honeymoon," opens at the Albany Civic Theatre Sept. 28.

This 1936 play is the story of Lord Peter Wimsey, a well known amateur detective, and his wife, Harriet, a detective writer, who have come to the new home, Talboys, for a quiet honeymoon. Unfortunately, what they find is a dead body and a murder mystery.

What follows, in the words of the show's director, Katherine Davenport, is a delightfully fast paced, sparkling detective comedy, as the Wimseys pursue romance and clues through an amazing collection of characters and situations.

Rehearsals are climactic and energy flow very high as the build-up continues for its last week.

Character development has been good challenging actors to acting out their greedy opposites of British aristocracy, and to experience all aspects of the stage. The intimate atmosphere at the Albany Civic Theater allows the audience to become more a part of the play. Actors can see and feel the audience reaction in such whimsical lines as Lady Harriet Wimsey's "thousands of people stampede in and out of the French window all night, armed with motives and sharp instruments." The energy level arcs actors into an electrical performance.

Friday the 28th of September the make-up goes on for the first time and at 8:15 p.m. the curtain opens for the first of eight shows, concluding on the 13th of October. Tickets are available in Albany at French's Jewelers and at the In-kwell in Corvallis. Tickets are \$4 and \$3.50 for children.



Photo by Connie Petty

Robert Needham confronts Annette Youngberg in a scene from Albany Civic Theater's production of Busman's Honeymoon.

Sign-up deadline Oct. 12

Health coverage, dental plan offered

By Scott Heynderickx
Special Projects Editor

Student health insurance and dental plan coverage is available now through Oct. 12 and students who are not otherwise fully insured are encouraged to evaluate flyers for both which are located in Takena Hall.

Although few students have taken advantage of the insurance so far,

Blaine Nisson, director of student programs, isn't worried.

"This happens every year—students wait until after payday to pay for their insurance," Nisson said.

LBCC's student dental plan is new this year and offers limited benefits and coverages. Services such as X-rays, examination and diagnosis, office visits and dental education are

free to members, as is one teeth cleaning and polishing per year. Fees for other dental work are listed on a payment schedule.

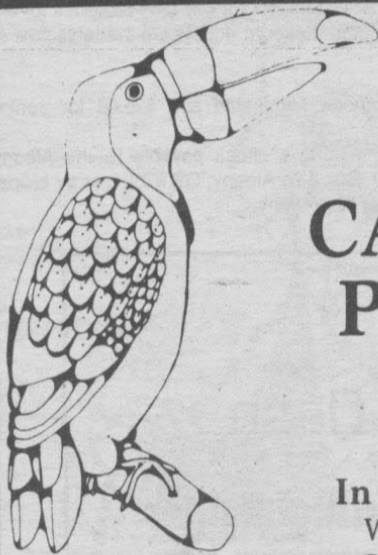
Annual membership fees for the plan are \$39 for a single subscriber, \$78 for a subscriber and one dependent, and \$106 for a subscriber and two or more dependents.

LBCC's group health plan has been designed especially for students. Basic Medical plan benefits include up to \$1,000 for each accident and provides a variety of benefits for il-

nesses such as hospital room and board, in patient/out patient treatment, office and hospital doctor visits, etc. The basic medical plan has a \$25 deductible.

Under the major medical plan, benefits exhausted under the basic plan are extended to cover 80 percent of specific expenses up to a total of \$25,000. A deductible of \$100 is required before the major plan is activated.

Health plan coverage is offered on a yearly basis fall term only until Oct. 12, at a substantial savings over quarterly rates. For example, single subscriptions are \$42 a quarter, \$101.60 a year.



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