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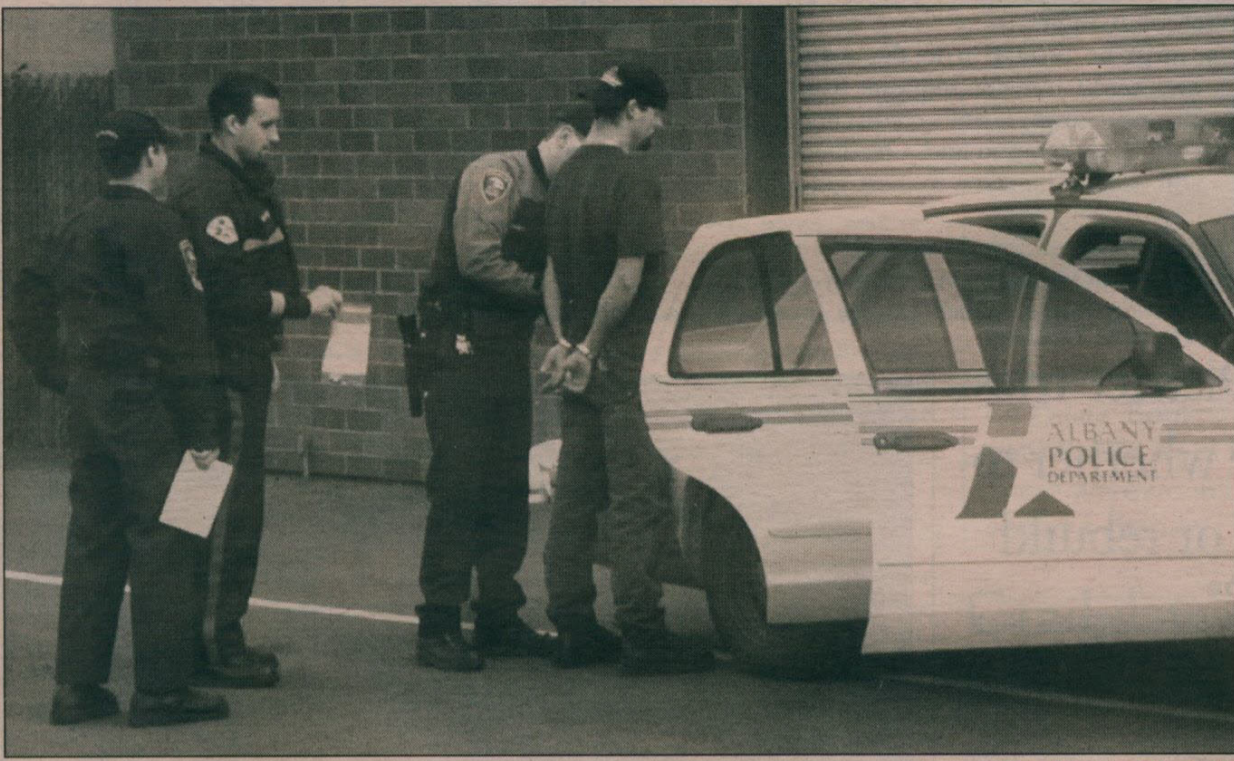


photo by James Bauerle

LB Student Arrested

Albany Police, working with the Corvallis Police Department and assisted by LBCC security officers, caused a bit of a stir on campus Monday morning when they arrested a student who was attending a class in the Industrial A Building. Michael Goodwin, a resident of Albany, was arraigned at the Benton County Courthouse Tuesday on charges of rape and sexual abuse, according to the Benton County District Attorney's office.

School district ponders fate of Corvallis High

by Kurt Madar
of The Commuter

Corvallis High School, the alma mater of many LBCC students, is about to change forever.

An engineering survey ordered by the 509J School District, found that the high school did not pass new seismic building codes, and it desperately needed more space for athletic fields and parking. As a result, the Corvallis School District has come up with two main proposals that it is presenting to the school board next Tuesday.

The first option is renovating the current campus one building at a time and housing the students in a temporary campus on-site. It would be a matter of replacing the concrete and wood support beams with metal ones and completely redoing the electrical system and heating plant. The estimated cost of this plan would be \$30 million.

The second option would be to build a new high school at a different site.

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Parents, kids, teachers rally for better child care pay

by Crystal Davis
of The Commuter

Nearly 100 local child-care workers and concerned citizens gathered at the Benton Plaza building in Corvallis on Saturday for a rally in support of better wages for local child-care workers.

Stand for Children (SFC) is a national organization with a mission to ensure that all children have the opportunity to grow up healthy, safe and educated. On Saturday, SFC leaders, along with local child care providers, parents, educators and Sen. Clifford Trow spoke at the rally to promote Benton County Cares, a proposal that would improve the quality, stability and safety of child care in Benton

county.

"Children are the priority," said Trow. "What happens to kids is what happens to the future of America."

Members of Benton County Cares and SFC emphasized how crucial the lack of child care providers with adequate educational training is. Benton County Cares would be funded by federal timberland revenue and would address the issue of poor child care by proposing to allocate \$300,000 to go toward an estimated 200 child-care providers in Benton county.

On average, a local child-care provider makes \$6.72 per hour. Because of this, many child-care centers find it difficult to hire and keep employees.

"My staff struggles, giving everything they have to the children," Kari Hector, director of a local child care center, told the group. "They work long hours and can barely make a living to stay in the profession they love."

Kelly Knowles is a mother of two young girls in child care who supports Benton County Cares. "Child care takes up 30 percent of my income, and I know that the providers are making poverty wages. Centers are barely making it. But, like myself, other parents can't pay more to improve the provider's wages," she explained.

Benton County Cares would allot annual wage supplements to child care

providers by using wage ladders according to the level of education the provider has completed. Annually, a provider can earn an additional amount of up to \$4,000 based on the educational levels they achieve.

There are six professional development registry levels. They are:

- Level 1—high school diploma and 60 hours of specified training—\$1,000 supplemented annually.

- Level 2—CDA of 1 year certificate and 120 hours of specified training—\$2,000 supplemented annually.

- Level 3—associate degree in Childhood care and education, or bachelor's

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Administration to install shelters to help smokers cover their butts, escape the cold

by Ky Weatherford
of the commuter

Smokers will be happy to know that the downstairs designated smoking areas, which are now exposed to the Oregon rain, will be covered within the next seven weeks.

According to Kevin Nicholson, director of Facilities, the shelters will cost LB \$23,000 and will be installed in LB's recently relocated designated smoking areas.

These areas were established at the beginning of the term after school officials discovered that smoke from

the second floor and interior areas was being sucked into classrooms and offices through the air intake system.

The five shelters will be located south of the College Center near the Bookstore, south of the Learning Center, north of the Business Building and north of the AHSS Building. The shelters are the latest effort by LB's administration to get smokers to use designated areas.

"They look real close to what a transit shelter looks like," said Nicholson. "They'll have an open front with glass sides and domed roof."



photo by Phillip Ruzek

Smokers are about to get a break from the weather with the addition of sheltered smoking areas.

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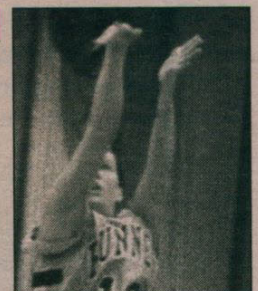
Check This Out

Students can sleep late next Monday. The LBCC Campus will be closed in observation of President's Day.

Summer Stars

Roadrunner guard Summer Wright lights it up

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CAMPUS NEWS

OFF BEAT

Just follow the tracks

Police, investigating the theft of a safe from a home in Winona, Minn., simply followed bicycle tracks in the snow leading from the victim's back yard. The tracks indicated that the burglar stopped periodically to rest and put down a square (suspiciously safe-like) object in the snow. The tracks led to the yard of a 20-year-old man who police arrested. Deputy Chief Andrea Foss told reporters, "The bike was stolen, too."

Full moon at courthouse

Daniel F. Everett thought he would make a photocopy of his naked buttocks to give his girlfriend as a gag, police say. But instead of using a copying machine in an office after hours, he used the one in the crowded public lobby of the St. Louis County Courthouse, raising more than a few eyebrows. As he was being hustled off by arresting officers, the apparently clueless Everett, 38, kept exclaiming, "What did I do? What did I do?"

Suck my 'Mochi'

A 70-year-old man in northern Japan was enjoying a helping of "mochi," a sticky glob of rice molded into a cake, when he suddenly started choking on it. Family members failed to get the mochi out with their fingers, so his quick-thinking daughter yanked out his false teeth, stuck the hose from the vacuum cleaner in his mouth and turned it on "high." It worked. He is OK.

Monkey business in India

About 10,000 monkeys from the jungles near New Delhi have become increasingly aggressive and bold to the point that they storm into government offices, rip up documents and threaten bureaucrats. Thousands of the surly beasts have taken up residence in and around the stately red sandstone government buildings near the presidential palace, and walk around like they own the place. Monkeys are sacred in India, so officials cannot have them killed.

True confessions

Glenn Matthews got up on stage at the Comedy Cafe in Macon, Ga., and confessed to the audience that he is a bank robber. "I have something ... I want to share with you," he said. "I'm the one who has been robbing all the banks in middle Georgia." Police were summoned, and Matthews, 43, was charged with committing three robberies in the past year.

—From the TMS News Service

Deadline set for graduation applications

by Beth Lyall
of The Commuter

Students planning to graduate this spring and participate in the commencement ceremony on June 14 have until April 13 to file an application for graduation.

The applications must be turned in to the Admissions Office, along with any credit transfer requests from other schools. The staff will audit the applicant's credits and mail a response with graduation information and a feedback sheet listing courses that still need to be taken to meet graduation requirements.

Admissions officer Robert Carey said students are encouraged to use the LBCC Student Information System web site to get the correct application forms, which can be found at

www.lbcc.cc.or.us/admission under the "forms" icon, which can be found under the "admissions" icon.

Admissions officials recommend that students turn in their applications two terms prior to graduating so they have enough time to catch up on credits they may need to fulfill degree requirements.

Carey also recommended that students meet with their advisors and use the feedback sheet for an outline of courses to take spring term.

Students who are a few credits short of completing their degrees can still walk in the ceremony and finish the credits the following term.

"That way they still can graduate with their fellow schoolmates," Carey said.

CHS: District tries to decide whether to renovate or rebuild

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Federal regulations require high schools to be built on at least 30 acres of space with an additional acre for every hundred students.

Corvallis High School enrolls 1200 students, which means that a new school would require 42 acres of land. This would require the school to be built on the outskirts of town. The projected cost is \$44 million.

Funding for this proposal would come from a general bond election. According to the school district's head of facilities, Fred Rite, the town would be getting more space for its money by choosing to build at a new site. "Much of the space that's there (at the current site) isn't the most lucrative space to be remodeling into a 21st-century school," Rite said.

Rite was reluctant to comment on where the new high school might be built. The district has narrowed it down to four specific sites, but those sites will not be released to public until the school board makes a decision on Feb. 20.

According to Rite, every school in the district needs some work to meet current seismic codes, although the costs of proposed renovation would be spread over 20 or 30 years. According to an opinion poll conducted by the school district, the majority of the public surveyed supported fixing up the aging facilities.

Rite stated that the school district is presenting the options equally. The district is developing a list of pros and cons for each option, but ultimately it is up to the school board to begin the decision making progress.

Due to the average age of district facilities, administrators have known for some time that it would be necessary to begin renovations, Rite said. With the release of the report and the seismic building code violations, the district has very little choice.

"Now that they know, they are required to do something both legally and morally" he said.

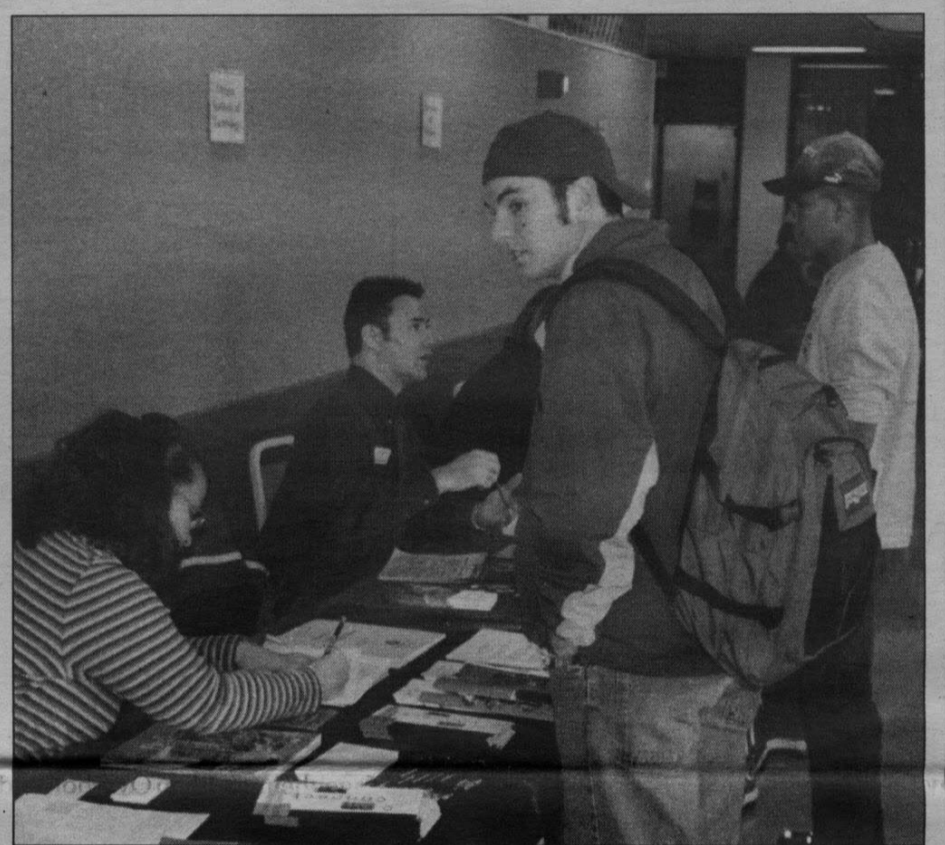


photo by Christopher Spence

Where To From Here?

Students Jayson Savedru and Jorge Ventura talk to Rowanda Carpenter of Portland State University and Adam Corey of Eastern Oregon State University at last week's Transfer Days event in the Commons.

Rally: Money needed for child care workers

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in related field, or 240 hours of specified training—\$3,000 supplemented annually.

- Level 4—BA in childhood care and education or related field, or 360 hours of specified training—\$4,000 supplemented annually.

- Level 5—masters in childhood care and education or related field, or 480 hours of specified training—\$4,000 supplemented annually.

- Level 6—doctorate in early childhood care and education or related field, or 600 hours of specified training—\$4,000 supplemented annually.

"This is not about paying early childhood teachers what they deserve," Hec-

tor said. "It's about keeping qualified teachers in the profession of early childhood education for the health and safety of our children."

Fifty percent of Benton county children under 3 years of age spend part of their day in day-care facilities. It is expected that approximately 1,000 of those children would begin receiving increased quality care.

"We want to ensure that all children have the opportunity to grow up healthy, safe and educated," said Larry Weymouth, who spoke during the opening at the rally. "Life is about priority and choices. We decide what is important in our lives. What do you value?"

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CAMPUS NEWS

Benton Center class shows students the joys of soy

by Taiga Sudakin
of The Commuter

Evidence that soy foods, such as tofu tempeh and soy milk, are becoming popular enough that the Benton Center's The Joy of Soy course this weekend is already filled, with 35 students.

According to Joel White, manager of Benton Center community education, this course will be offered again spring term. The one-day course will be held Saturday, April 28, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Benton Center. The tuition is \$12.80 with an additional \$10 lab fee. Open registration begins March 19.

Chef Marlene Liff-Anderson, instructor of The Joy of Soy, said that in the last 10 to 15 years more classically trained chefs have been focusing on plant-based foods, while still retaining their gourmet sensibilities.

She said that soy foods alleviate and prevent many common health problems. Current research suggests that the isoflavones found in soy products may reduce the risk of heart disease and cer-

tain cancers, inhibit tumor growth, prevent bone loss and help alleviate menopausal symptoms. Compounds within soy foods have also been found to have antioxidant qualities.

Soy protein has been shown to help lower blood cholesterol levels, and research suggests it may also help prevent the progression of kidney disease.

Soy foods are considered safe because they have been a staple in Asia for hundreds of years. Since the safety of isoflavones found in dietary supplements is unknown, obtaining them through soy foods is recommended.

Liff-Anderson offers cooking workshops and seminars at the Ahimsa Sanctuary in Philomath, where she and her family reside. She is a graduate of the culinary arts program at the Kushi Institute in Becket, Mass., and the Natural Gourmet Cookery School in Manhattan.

For more information regarding the Ahimsa Sanctuary, contact Chef Liff-Anderson at (541) 929-7564, or by email at intaba@peacemaking.org.

New livestock judging coach helps team's stock improve

by Sean Leveque
of The Commuter

In its most recent competition the LBCC livestock judging team placed 13th out of 24 teams at the Southwest Expedition and Live Stock Show in Fort Worth, Texas, earlier this month. The team was lead by Clay Bailey, its new coach. Bailey also teaches genetics in Livestock Engineering.



Clay Bailey

Before coming to LB, Bailey was the assistant livestock judging coach at the University of Arkansas, where he earned his master's degree.

At each livestock judging event the teams compete by ranking cattle, sheep, horses and swine. Each category is worth 50 points. At the end the team members must defend their rankings before a judge.

LB's livestock judging team consists of nine members: Jessica Haavisto, Lance Isaacson, Brian Kennedy, Kris Kizer, Vanessa Kingensmith, Andrea Leao,

Louis Magenheimer, Jilian Overholt and Myrick O'Connor. Bailey said the team did well at the National Western Livestock Show in Denver, Colo. on Jan. 12 and 13. Kizer placed fourth overall and Kingensmith place ninth. The team placed 19th overall.

The next event the livestock judging team will be going to will be the Houston Livestock Show in Houston, Texas on Feb. 26.



photo by James Bauerle

Pacific Fender Bender

A two-car collision occurred on Monday when a car heading north on Pacific Boulevard ran a red light and hit a car turning south onto Pacific from Ellingson Road, according to Albany police. There were no injuries. The driver of the northbound car was issued a citation.

Candidates filling slots for ASG election

by Stacia Sage
of The Commuter

Would-be candidates for Associated Student Government must file by 3:30 p.m. Friday in the Student Life & Leadership Office to qualify for the election, which takes place Feb. 27-28.

Students can cast their vote on-line anytime on those two days.

Positions up for election are president, vice president, secretary-public relations, and representatives of business-health occupations, science-industry, liberal arts- human performance,

student services-extended learning, and at-large.

According to current Secretary-Public Relations Rep. Stephanie Ware, the candidates running as of Friday Feb. 9 are John Henderson, the current vice-president, who is running for president; Roxanne Allen and Erin Bartels, running for vice-president; Diana Barnhart, running for secretary-public relations; and Patrick Barry, running for at-large representative.

A candidate's debate is scheduled for Feb. 20.

Commons Menu Feb. 14 - Feb. 20

Wednesday

- Baked Stuffed Snapper
- Jerked Chicken w/ Mango Pineapple Salsa
- Roomali Roti w/ Curried Vegetables
- Soups: Grilled Vegetable Beef & Roasted Garlic Pesto
- Chef's Salad

Thursday

- Lemon Chicken
- Flemish Beef Stew
- Huevos Rancheros
- Soups: Scotch Broth & Beer Cheese
- Taco Salad

Friday

Chef's Choice

Monday

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Tuesday

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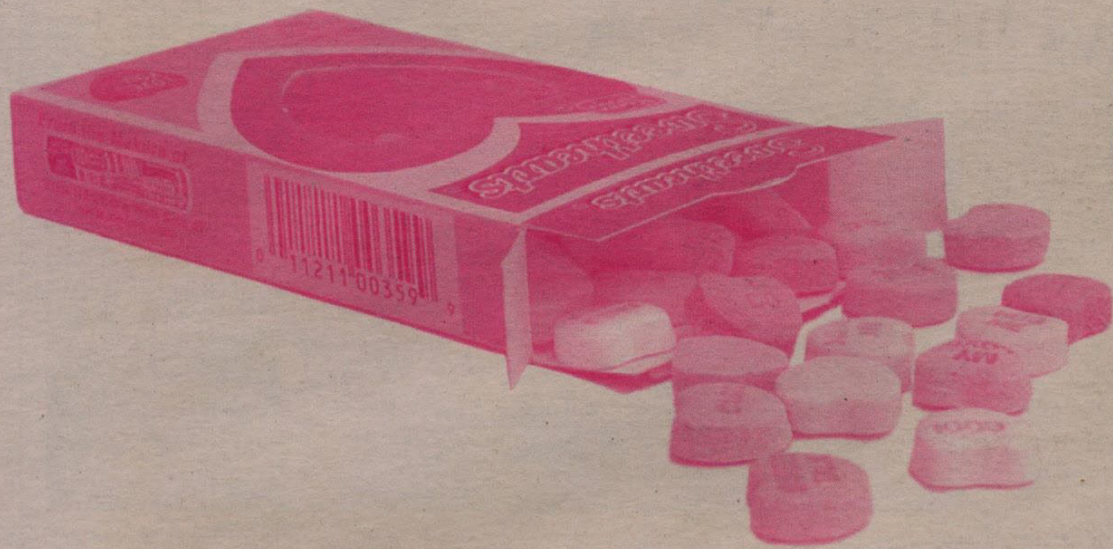
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



Hearts and Horrors

REVIEW

Killer flick lacks love: Played-out plot gives new movie tired old look

by David Miller
of The Commuter

Valentine's Day is normally about love and happiness. Not in this movie. In the recently released "Valentine," it's all about killing.

This new horror movie directed by Jamie Blanks unites some of today's hottest faces—such as David Boreanaz (WB's "Angel"), Katherine Heigl (WB's "Roswell") and Denise Richards ("Wild Things").

This movie has the same plot that we have seen over and over in the "Scream" trilogy and "Urban Legends" movies. The film revolves around four friends who start receiving menacing Valentine's cards from a mysterious "JM."

We'll see one med student get killed, ironically while she is performing a midnight autopsy. We will also see the classic stabbings, shootings and other marauding acts that have surfaced in the pop culture horror movie saga.

As they realize that the mysterious "JM" is a former sixth grade classmate whom they ridiculed during their youth, we come to the often played-out plot of shifting blame from one girl's date to the other. And brings us to an enigma: Is it the sixth grade student coming back to take revenge on the girls who refused to dance with him 13 years earlier? Is it one of their dates? Is it the cop? Or could it be another man from their past? The possibilities are endless.

Without headliners like Denise Richards this movie probably wouldn't have done so well at the box office. The acting in this movie was pretty good. Denise Richards does a good job of portraying her character, as does David Boreanaz, who plays a drunk who is trying to sober up but falls off the wagon. However, throughout this movie the absence of blood that people have become accustomed to seeing in these slasher movies is something to be desired.

I thought the movie itself was sub par. I wouldn't run out to go see it again. I would wait to rent the movie and eat free popcorn.

Holiday tradition traces origins back to third-century Rome

by Gelina Inches
of The Commuter

Every Feb. 14, people across the nation give, candy, flowers and jewelry to their loved ones, all because of a holiday. Why do we really celebrate this holiday?

The true origin of Valentine's day has to many people been a mystery. Though most people know that the February has been marked as the month of romance.

According to one legend St. Valentine was a Catholic priest who served in Rome during the third century. Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers than those with wives and families, so he outlawed marriage for young men. Valentine didn't like the idea of men not able to marry, so he defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret.

Valentine's actions were discovered and Claudius ordered him put to death.

In prison, Valentine received visits from his jailor's daughter. Before his death, it is said that he wrote her a letter, which he signed "From your Valentine."

After St. Valentine's death, in 496 A.D. Pope Gelasius

set aside Feb. 14 to honor St. Valentine. Since then "From your Valentine" has become a traditional saying.

Part of the history of Valentine's Day has involved not love, but death. On Feb. 14, 1929, Al Capone had arranged for fellow mobster George "Bugsy" Moran and most of his North Side Gang to be eliminated.

A bootlegger loyal to Capone brought Moran and his gang to a warehouse with the understanding they would be picking up smuggled whiskey for a price that was too good to be true.

Moran and his men went to the warehouse, but Moran was running a bit late. Inside, Moran's men were confronted by hit men disguised as police. In what they thought was a "routine bust," they were ordered to line up against the wall then gunned down with Thompson submachine guns. Moran, who heard the shots before he entered, escaped unharmed.

The next day newspapers picked up on the crime, calling it the St. Valentine's Massacre. The story appeared on front pages around the country, making Capone a nationwide celebrity and giving St. Valentine's Day a historic black eye.

Did you know?

- ♥ Who gets Valentine cards? In this order: teachers, children, mothers, wives, sweethearts.
- ♥ Most valentine gifts are purchased by women, but about 90 percent of the day's flowers are purchased by men.
- ♥ Hallmark makes more than 1,800 Valentine's Day cards and more than 150 Valentine's Day gift products.
- ♥ The oldest known Valentine is a 15th century woodcut of a knight receiving flowers from a lady.
- ♥ In America alone, approximately 60-70 million roses will be sold for Valentine's Day (that's approximately 22,000 roses sold each minute during the 48 hours preceding Valentine's Day).

VALENTINE EVENTS

Raffle drawing, dinner, belly dancers on tap this V-Day

by Gelina Inches
of the Commuter

Winners of the FRC fundraiser raffle will be announced this morning at 10 o'clock in the FRC. The proceeds from the event will be used to make improvements to the children's play area. More than 30 prizes will be given, with top prize being a weekend for two at the Oregon Coast.

This evening at 6:30 in the Calapooia Room a St. Valentine's Day dinner will be presented by the Food Service Department. Tickets are \$18 and can be picked up in Room CC-214.

In Beanery on Second Street in Corvallis Joseph Pusey and Belly dancers will be performing at 8 p.m.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

'Little Mermaid' surfaces Thursday

by Adam Pierce
of The Commuter

Tomorrow the first wave of kids will pour into Tadena Theater to see LB's production of "The Little Mermaid." The performance will be the first of 14 put on for Willamette Valley elementary students.

The cast, which has been putting the finishing touches on the 75 minute musical, is looking forward to performing for the children. "I think we're ready," said Ellen Stark, who plays Granny.

The stage, which has recently been dressed, sparkles with yellows, greens and blues. Fish hang from the ceiling and little white-crested waves on movable tracks line the front. The characters mime swimming motions to help simulate the underwater setting.

Elaine L. Murphy, affectionately called the "Drama Mama" by the cast is in her last season at LB. She has been costuming the school's shows for 13 years. "I love it. It's always different, forever changing, and it's a lot of fun," said Murphy.

Bonnie-Jean Jarvis, a theater minor, plays the Little Mermaid. "I've always done community theater," she said "it's a part of me." She is supported by a cast of 10 including the Sea Witch, played by Leslie Haubrick, and her helpers Turt and Tort, played by Devin Robertson and Amanda Tooker, respectively.

Haurbrick and Karissa Knurowska, who plays Minnowmaid, are excited about meeting the children after the show. "They think you're gods," said



Photo by Chris Spence

Byron Watson, Rob Allen III, Bonnie-Jean Jarvis, Ellen Stark, Tasha Dodge and Erin Brassfield rehearse for Thursday's opening of 'Little Mermaid.'

Haurbrick. Added Knurowska: "They think you are what you are on stage. They don't consider you who you really are."

Other cast members include Zac Knight as Prince Ollie, Erin Brassfield and Tasha Dodge as Teacher, Rob Allen as King Neptune and Byron Watson as the Sea Urchin.

Tickets are available at the Tadena Box Office and Rice's Pharmacy in Corvallis. There will be public performances on Sunday, Feb. 25 and Sunday, March 4.

MUSIC BEAT

Thursday Feb. 15

• Tamara at Bombs Away Cafe, 2527 NW Monroe, Corvallis, at 9 p.m.

Friday Feb. 16

• Folk guitarist/vocalist Karl Smiley at New Morning Bakery, 219 SW 2nd, Corvallis, 8 p.m.

• The Zen Tricksters at the WOW Hall, 291 W. Eighth, Eugene, at 9 p.m.

• Traditional English Folk band Waterson: Carthy at Majestic Theatre, 115 SW Second, Corvallis, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$13.50 at the door.

Saturday Feb. 17

• The Sodomites at Interzone, 1563 Monroe, Corvallis, at 8 p.m.

• Jazz pianist Dave Feinberg at New Morning Bakery, 219 SW Second, Corvallis, at 8 p.m.

• Paul Delay Band at the Wild Duck, 169 W. Sixth, Eugene. 21+ only.

Sunday Feb. 18

• Cris Williamson at Majestic Theatre, 115 SW Second, Corvallis, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$18 at the door.

Queer Film Fest brings 'Divine Trash,' others to UofO

by Crystal A. Huff
of The Commuter

The University of Oregon presents Eugene 9th Annual Queer Film Festival this week at the PLC building on Feb. 15-18.

On Thursday night "Paragraph 175," a documentary on the Nazi persecution of homosexuals will start off the event in 180 PLC at 8 p.m. "Paragraph 175" refers to the section of the German Penal Code that reinforced an anti-sodomy law from 1871. About three-quarters of the 15,000 homosexuals incarcerated died in concentration camps. A few of the camp survivors appear in the film along with images and archival footage.

Winners of the short film competition will show their work on Friday at 8 p.m. in room 180 in the PLC building. The films range from two minutes, to 45 minutes and include both narrative and documentary shorts. The films include a

filmmaker's reaction to homophobia in the U.S., a crack-addicted lesbian model who falls in love with a New York attorney and a chef who gives tips on how to pick up ladies with dessert.

Both Saturday and Sunday nights' focus is on cult filmmaker John Waters. There will be a showing of a film that portrays his career in Steve Yeager's "Divine Trash" on Saturday in 180 PLC at 8 p.m. "Divine Trash" features never-before-seen footage from the set of Waters' film, "Pink Flamingos," and includes interviews with Steve Buscemi, Jim Jarmusch and Mink Stole.

The festival will come to a close Sunday at 8 p.m. at the Hult Center when the U of O Cultural Forum presents John Waters. The "Sultan of Sleaze," as he is sometimes called, directed "Hair Spray," "Pecker," and "Cecil B. DeMented." He has been considered by many a pop icon whose work has brought audiences to

film festivals all over the world.

Tickets for John Waters at the Hult Center are \$12 students, \$18 general admission or reserved seating only. Reservations can be made at the Hult Center box office or by phone at 1-541-687-5000. Tickets may be used for free admission to a showing of "Divine Trash" on Feb. 17.

All other events are \$4 for students and \$5 for general admission. Campus film passes for all three nights are \$8 for students and \$10 for general admission and can be purchased at the PLC building. For more information contact the Student Activities Office at 1-541-346-4000.

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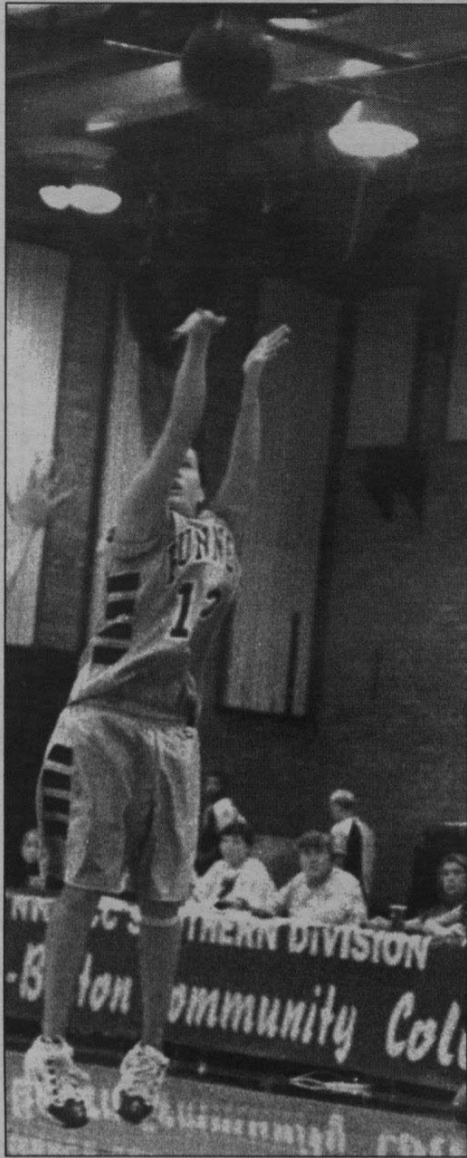


photo by James Bauerle

Sophomore shooting guard Summer Wright steps out of high school shadow and shines in starting role with the Lady Runners

by Jason Amberg
of The Commuter

At 5 feet 5 inches tall, Summer Wright doesn't appear very imposing to most people.

But after lighting the Southern Region on fire during the first half of the league season, teams have had to shift their focus to try to stop Wright in order to slow down the Lady Roadrunners.

"She's a shooter," said Dionne. "She gets frustrated when she doesn't score, but she's the best offensive player out there and they (other teams) are more focused on stopping her."

Like many local kids, Wright swore that she'd never go to college at LB. Born in Corvallis and raised in Albany, she thought she was ready to escape the valley; Southern Oregon University was more like it. However, like most community college students, money became a factor.

Wright, a three-year letterman at West Albany High School, was a part-time starter as a sophomore and full-time starter as a junior.

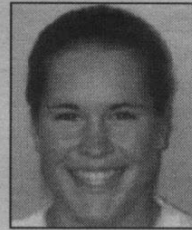
But as a senior she found herself on the bench, behind future University of Oregon star Kortney Shreve. The lack of playing time her senior year combined with the majority of the offense going through Shreve's hands resulted in a lack of recruiting for Wright.

Having played since she was in kindergarten, giving up basketball would have been hard to do.

"It's just something I was taught to do," explained Wright about playing basketball. "It's something that I'm good at."

So during the summer of 1999, Wright, at her father's suggestion, decided to give Roadrunner Coach AJ Dionne a phone call.

"I'd seen her play, so I knew who she was," recalled Coach



"It's funny, I never got any recognition in high school, but finally get it in college,"
— Summer Wright

Dionne. "Once she showed up, I knew she could make the team."

After working with the coach, not only did Wright make the team, she won a starting spot. "We sharpened up her game," explained Dionne. "We fixed her footwork, and adjusted her shot, and maximized her quickness."

Wright's hard work paid off with her recent selection as the Southern Region's player of the week for Jan. 21-27. During that week, Wright led the Lady Runners with 33 points in a 98-74 rout of the Lane Titans in Eugene.

Her 33 points were more than she'd ever scored in a game at any level.

"It's funny, I never got any recognition in high school, but finally get it in college," smiled Wright proudly.

"Summer is a foundation to the team and this program," added Dionne. "She's a big part of turning this program around. She's taken this team over as a leader. She's been the most consistent player, night in and night out."

Wright finished her freshman season as the Lady Runner's third leading scorer last year at nine points per game. She also averaged three assists per contest, good for second on the team, along with shooting 33 percent from the three-point line.

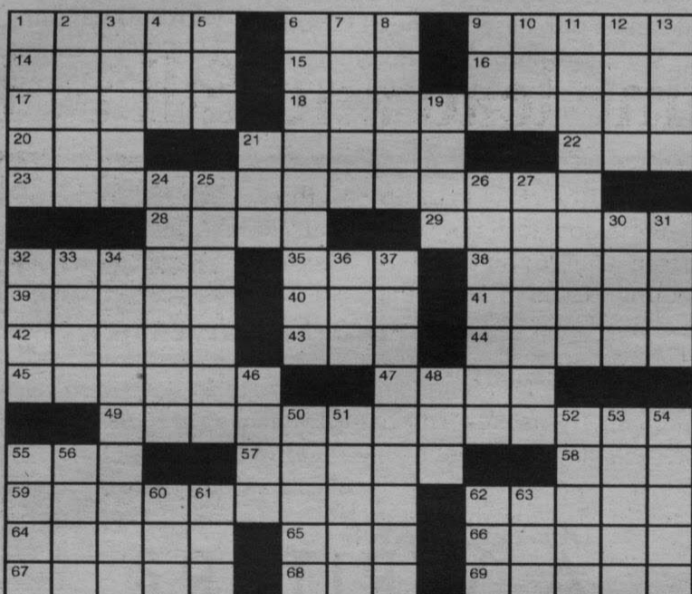
This season, Wright again finds herself third on the team in scoring with 11.7 points per game, as well as leading the team in assists with 4.2, despite not being the Runners' primary point guard. She has also improved her shooting and is now at just under 36 percent from long distance.

Wright's plans for next year remain unclear. With the help of Dionne, she intends to play somewhere but it's still too early to tell where that might be.

Shooting guard Summer Wright does one of the things she does best in a recent Roadrunner game. Wright was named Player of the Week for her play Jan. 21-27, when she scored 33 points against Lane, the most points she's ever scored at any level.

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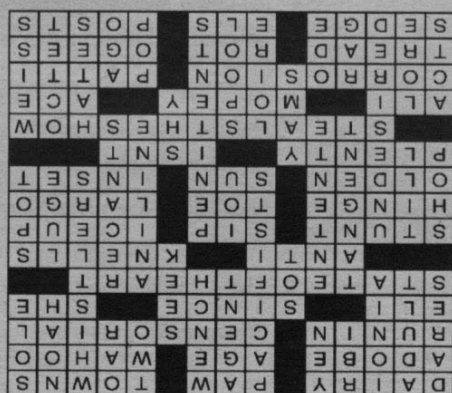
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BOX SCORES

Men's Games

SW OREGON 71, LINN-BENTON 70

LBCC (70): Gilder 0-1-2-1, Coats 1-3-0-0-3, Marshall 3-5 0-1 6, Brusseau 10-15 2-4 26, Rodgers 0-0 0-0 0, Robertson 3-6 1-2-8, Michaelis 3-5 3-3 10, Campbell 4-8 1-2 12, Blevins 0-0 0-0-0, Grock 1-3 2-2 4. Totals 25-46 10-16 70.

SWOCC (71): Phillips 4-7 3-4 13, Malek 0-6 6-6 6, Devine 7-16 3-4 20, Jagelski 1-2 0-0 2, Mitchell 6-9 6-7 18, Pachito 0-0 0-2 0, Page 2-5 0-0 4, Gray 3-5 0-0 6, Perkins 0-2 2-3 2. Totals 23-52 20-26 71.

Halftime—LBCC 36, SWOCC 28. 3-point goals—LBCC 10-19 (Brusseau 4-5, Campbell 3-7, Robertson 1-1, Michaelis 1-3, Coats 1-3), SWOCC 5-16 (Devine 3-5, Phillips 2-4, Gray 0-1, Perkins 0-1, Page 0-2, Malek 0-3). Total Fouls—LBCC 22, SWOCC 17. Fouled Out—None. Total Rebounds—LBCC 32 (Brusseau 6), SWOCC 25 (Malek 4). Assists—LBCC 8 (Michaelis 4), SWOCC 14 (Malek, Gray 3). Turnovers—LBCC 19, SWOCC 6. Blocked shots—LBCC 3 (Gilder, Grock), SWOCC 2 (Phillips, Mitchell). Steals—LBCC 2 (Campbell, Gilder), SWOCC 14 (Phillips 5). Technicals—LBCC Bench, Devine.

MT. HOOD 92, LINN-BENTON 74

MHCC (92): Graves 9-16 1-2 20, Amsden 9-17 2-3 23, Co. Williams 7-13 4-7 19, Brightman 2-5 0-1 4, Nelson 4-6 2-2 10, Eatman 1-3 0-1 2, Motter 3-4 0-0 9, Ce. Williams 1-6 0-0 2, Cram 0-1 3-4 3. Totals 36-71 12-20 92.

LBCC (74): Gilder 3-8 1-3 7, Coats 0-2-0-10, Marshall 9-17 1-6 20, Brusseau 4-9 1-2 11, Rodgers 4-5 3-4 11, Robertson 2-3 0-5, Michaelis 2-4 3-7, Campbell 1-3 0-0 2, Blevins 1-4 0-0 3, Grock 2-6 4-4 8. Totals 28-61 13-23 74.

Halftime—MHCC 43, LBCC 34. 3-point goals—MHCC 8-22 (Motter 3-4, Amsden 3-6, Co. Williams 1-2, Graves 1-6, Ce. Williams 0-1, Brightman 0-1, Nelson 0-1), LBCC 5-17 (Brusseau 2-3, Blevins 1-3, Robertson 1-2, Marshall 1-2, Michaelis 0-1, Coats 0-1, Campbell 0-2, Gilder 0-3). Total fouls—MHCC 17, LBCC 18. Fouled out—None. Total Rebounds—MHCC 48 (Nelson 12), LBCC 32 (Marshall 11). Assists—MHCC 16 (Graves 6), LBCC 9 (Gilder 3). Blocked shots—MHCC 2 (Amsden, Nelson), LBCC 4 (Brusseau, Blevins, Coats, Grock). Steals—MHCC 16 (Eatman, Co. Williams 4), LBCC 10 (Gilder 3).

Women's Games

SW OREGON 64, LINN-BENTON 56

LBCC (56): Wright 2-9 0-0 4, Rickert 2-11 11-12 15, Dexter 4-9 3-8 13, Pass 5-11 0-0 10, Torresdal 2-5 0-0 4, Ward 2-5 4-4 8, Strohm 1-4 0-0 2, Scott 0-1 0-0 0, Starker 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-55 18-24 56.

SWOCC (64): Benner 2-10 2-2 7, M. Murray 6-11 0-0 16, C. Murray 0-6 1-2 1, Dolezal 4-12 6-8 15, Deeg 1-6 1-3 3, Williams 9-15 1-2 19, Lavin 1-4 1-2 3, Cragg 0-4 0-2 0, Dudley 0-0 0-0 0, Turner 0-0 0-0 0, Edwards 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-68 12-21 64.

Halftime—LBCC 18, SWOCC 27. 3-point goals—LBCC 2-5 (Dexter 2-2, Rickert 0-2, Wright 0-1), SWOCC 6-21 (M. Murray 4-9, Dolezal 1-2, Benner 1-5, C. Murray 0-2, Lavin 0-3). Total Fouls—LBCC 18, SWOCC 21. Fouled Out—None. Total Rebounds—LBCC 52 (Dexter 12), SWOCC 38 (Williams 6). Assists—LBCC 8 (Rickert 4), SWOCC 14 (M. Murray 5). Turnovers—LBCC 29, SWOCC 12. Blocked shots—LBCC 1, SWOCC 4 (C. Murray 2, M. Murray, Williams). Steals—LBCC 10 (Rickert, Pass 3), SWOCC 18 (C. Murray, M. Murray, Williams 4).

LINN-BENTON 79, MT. HOOD 50

MHCC (50): Hughes 2-9 2-5 7, Bithell 2-5 0-0 6, Lee 4-12 0-3 10, Dahl 5-13 0-1 10, Hunefeld 1-4 0-2 2, Payton 1-2 0-0 2, J. Smith 4-5 0-5 8, L. Smith 0-1 0-0 0, Alexander 0-0 0-0 0, Wallenborn 1-3 0-1 3, Luarda 0-2 2-4 2. Totals 20-56 4-21 50.

LBCC (79): Wright 0-8 0-0 0, Rickert 4-12 0-0 10, Torresdal 6-11 2-2 14, Dexter 5-14 2-4 12, Pass 7-11 2-4 16, Ward 6-10 2-5 14, Scott 3-4 0-0 6, Strohm 1-4 0-0 2, Starker 2-4 0-0 5. Totals 34-78 8-15 79.

Halftime—MHCC 29, LBCC 39. 3-point goals—MHCC 6-16 (Bithell 2-4, Lee 2-7, Wallenborn 1-1, Hughes 1-4), LBCC 3-15 (Rickert 2-3, Starker 1-2, Strohm 0-1, Wright 0-4, Dexter 0-5). Total Fouls—MHCC 18, LBCC 22. Fouled Out—None. Total Rebounds—MHCC 44 (Hughes 6), LBCC 53 (Dexter 13). Assists—MHCC 13 (Dahl 3), LBCC 24 (Wright 8). Turnovers—MHCC 36, LBCC 20. Blocked Shots—MHCC 3 (Lee, Hunefeld, Dahl), LBCC 2 (Dexter, Torresdal). Steals—MHCC 7 (Lee, Dahl 2), LBCC 27 (Dexter 7). Technicals—None.

STANDINGS

Men	League	Overall
Lane	9-1	18-6
Clackamas	8-2	21-3
Chemeketa	7-3	15-8
Umpqua	5-5	10-13
Mt. Hood	5-5	11-13
Linn-Benton	2-8	3-20
SW Oregon	2-8	7-16
Portland	2-8	6-18
Women	League	Overall
Chemeketa	9-1	18-5
Clackamas	8-2	19-6
Umpqua	8-2	20-4
SW Oregon	6-4	11-13
Linn-Benton	5-5	16-8
Lane	2-8	12-13
Mt. Hood	1-9	5-19
Portland	1-9	6-18

Women remain in fifth, one game out

by Jason Amberg
of The Commuter

LB's three game losing streak at home came to an end last week as they split their games for the fifth consecutive week.

In a match-up of teams fighting for the final playoff spot, the Lady Runners fell to the Southwestern Oregon Lakers 64-56 in Coos Bay last Wednesday. Despite the disappointing loss, LB managed to recover quickly enough to dominate the Mt. Hood Saints Saturday 79-50 in the Activities Center. Saturday's victory kept the Runners in the playoff race, one game behind the Lakers.

The Lady Roadrunners headed for Coos Bay on Wednesday hoping to take revenge on the Lakers for a 93-73 home loss earlier in the season. But once again, the Runners didn't have an answer for SWOCC's smothering defense, which caused 29 turnovers, 19 in the first half alone.

"They played well," lamented LB coach AJ Dionne. "That was the best defense that we've seen all year."

It was a defensive struggle from the beginning and the Lady Runners couldn't compete as they came up short 27-18 at the half.

"There were people in the face (on shots), and in the passing lanes," explained Dionne. "Nobody shot well. Nothing worked (on offense)."

The two teams combined to shoot a frigid 26 percent in the first half with LB making just 5 of 25 shots.

The second half was a similar story, although both teams began to make a few more shots. The Runners even made a comeback and tied the game with only three minutes left. But turnovers would get the best of the Runners again, and they fell behind as the clock ticked down.

"The girls showed heart and fought to the buzzer," said Dionne.



photo by Christopher Spence

Wendy Starker gets past a Mt. Hood defender for two points in Saturday's 79-50 victory at the Activities Center. Trailing the play are Christin Pass and Kelley Dexter. Pass scored 16 points in the game and Dexter picked up a double-double with 12 points and 13 rebounds.

all they could muster.

The Runners were led by stellar play from the forwards with Pass leading the Runners in double figures with 16. Meanwhile, Dexter was all over the place as she got her second double-double of the week and third of the year with 12 points and 13 boards and added seven steals. Freshman forward Rebecca Torresdal grabbed her second double-double of the season, getting 14 points and 10 rebounds. Freshman forward Robyn Ward scored a career-high 14 points off the bench, and Rickert added 10.

The Lady Runners will host Lane, for sophomore night, on Wednesday before traveling to Chemeketa on Saturday.

Men lose halftime lead and fall to Lakers

by Christina Laramore
of The Commuter

LB had two league wins under their belt after defeating Portland two Saturday's ago, and went into last week's games hoping to grab a couple more.

But the Runners were denied as they suffered back to back losses against Southwestern Oregon and Mt. Hood Community Colleges.

LB fell one point short to the Lakers on Wednesday, losing 71-70 to a team that they had defeated by one earlier in the season.

The first half belonged to LB, as they walked out of it ahead 36-28, shooting 63.6 percent from the field to the Lakers 37.9 percent.

In the second half however, SWOCC came out as the stronger team and more than made up for what they had lost in the first half.

Foul shooting was LB's downfall in the end, as they finished the game hitting only 62.5 percent while SWOCC went on to finish at 76.9 percent from the line.

LB stepped ahead of the Lakers from the field, but their 25-for-46 shooting to Southwestern's 23-for-52 shooting couldn't make up for what they had already lost.

LB led SWOCC in rebounds 32-25, but the Lakers fought back with 14 steals holding the Runners to a mere two. The Runners also led SWOCC in turnovers

19-6.

Despite the close loss, LB had three players in double digits. JR Brusseau led the team with 26 points and six rebounds, shooting 10-for-15 from the field and knocking down 4-of-5 three-pointers.

Casey Campbell had a strong game as well, scoring 12 points and grabbing one of the teams two steals of the night. David Michaelis added 10 points and led the team in assists with four. Paul Grock added five boards and two assists.

Wednesday's loss dropped the team from sixth place in league to being tied for last place with two other teams, and they hoped to change that on Saturday when they hosted Mt. Hood.

An 18 point loss to the Saints, who are 5-5 in league, prevented that from happening, and kept them tied with SWOCC and Portland.

The Saints took advantage of LB's 38.7 percent field goal shooting in the first half to take control and outscored the Runners 43-34.

LB came out stronger from the field in the second half, but shot only 55.6 percent from the line, a spot that has lately been a weakness.

The damage had been done though and the Saints outscored the Runners 49-40 in the second half to give them the 92-74 win over LB.

The Roadrunners collected 32 rebounds and 10 steals during the game and but managed just nine assists.

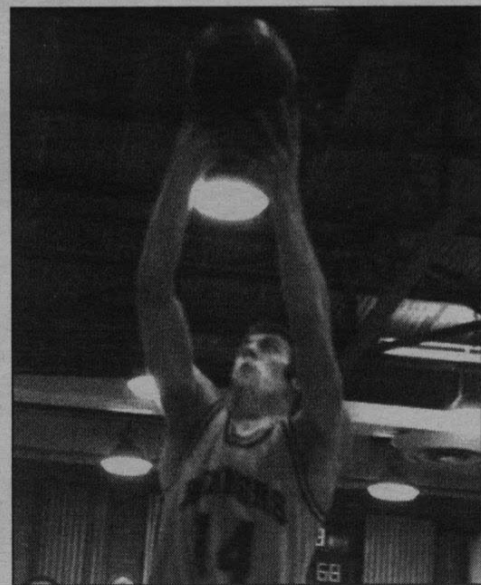


photo by James Bauerle

Freshman David Michaelis helped the Roadrunners with 10 points and four assists in Wednesday's disappointing one-point loss to SWOCC in Coos Bay. Michaelis also contributed seven points in the team's 92-74 loss to Mt. Hood on Saturday.

Doug Marshall had 11 of the 32 rebounds for the Runners, and racked up 20 points to lead LB.

Brusseau and Rad Rodgers each scored 11 points in the game.

LB's record is now 2-8 in league and will host Lane on Wednesday for sophomore night and then travel to Chemeketa on Saturday to take on the Storm.

