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## Pedestrians face risky crossing to reach campus

College to deal with lack of sidewalks between north end of LBCC campus and Willow Creek apartments

by Ben Hughes  
of The Commuter

The increase in pedestrian traffic crossing Lanier Street at the north campus entrance this year has raised safety concerns because of the lack of crosswalks or sidewalks in the area.

Pedestrian traffic between the campus and the new Willow Creek apartments across Lanier increased substantially when the 88-unit apartment complex started renting late last summer.

Approximately half of the apartments are currently occupied by students, according to Glenda Sylvester, who is currently filling in for the vacationing manager at Willow Creek, which is owned by John R. Sylvester and Associates.

According to Sylvester there have not been any formal complaints about the lack of a crosswalk.

But Brandi Manley, an LBCC student and Willow Creek tenant, said crosswalks would be welcome addition to a street that at times can be dangerous to cross because of students speeding, trying to get to class.

"There are no sidewalks on the east side of the entrance, which forces people like me to cut through the grass or through a busy parking lot. The grass is slippery, wet and dangerous. A sidewalk would be nice."

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Photo by Lisa Jimenez

Students dodge traffic as they walk down North Drive onto campus. The increase in foot traffic from the new Willow Creek apartments (in background) has created a safety hazard at peak traffic times because of a lack of sidewalks and crosswalks.

## ASG hopes online voting will increase election turnout

by Leon Tovey  
of The Commuter

The election of Associated Student Government officers for 2001-02 is now showing at a computer terminal near you.

Voting, which kicked off yesterday morning at 7:30 and will continue until 11:30 p.m. today, is being conducted entirely online this year for the first time.

Students can access the voting website at [lbcc.cc.or.us/election/](http://lbcc.cc.or.us/election/) from any computer with Internet capability. The Student Information System kiosks can also be used.

The move to online voting is one of

many changes to LB's election code instituted by the 2000-01 ASG to make the election process more voter friendly.

"We would like to see 1,000 people vote in this year's election," current ASG president Todd Gifford said on Monday. "We had 300 last year, and I want to build on that."

The success of last year's election, which saw the largest voter turnout in LB's history, was attributed to the fact that online voting was used to supplement the polling booths. This year the ASG has done away with the polling stations all together.

Other changes include a tightening of

the rules regarding write-ins.

In the past students have used the write-in box to express their alienation with the ASG system by writing in cartoon characters, movie stars and talk show hosts.

"This year all the Mickey Mouses, all the Clint Eastwoods—they'll be reflected right off," Gifford said. "Any write-in who's not an eligible student will be disregarded."

Complicating the issue of write-ins is the fact that only seven people are campaigning for five of the eight available positions.

Current Vice President Jon Henderson

is running unopposed for the presidency; Erin Bartelds and Roxanne Allen are running for vice president; Diana Barnhart is running for public relations secretary; Katherine Jackson is running for business health representative, and Patrick Berry and Daniel Wittekind are running for representative-at-large.

Positions with no candidates are science and technology representative, arts and communications representative, and student services and extended learning representative. Any positions not filled during the election will be appointed when the new ASG takes office spring term.

## Gender panel debates dangers to self-image posed by mass media

by Michelle Mayo and Gelina Inches  
of The Commuter

Did you ever feel the need to look like Cindy Crawford or Brad Pitt?

The unrealistic self-images projected by the mass media for both men and women were the focus of a discussion at Monday's Lunch-and-Learn event sponsored by the Multicultural Center and LBCC's Gender Equity Committee.

The diverse panel of six experts from LB and the community discussed experiences in their careers and personal lives that were affected by the media and other resources. The panel consisted of military personnel Judy Schierholz, Teena Carroll and LaRae Viars;



Photo by Leon Tovey

LBCC Counselor Mark Weiss, right, makes a point during Monday's Gender Issues discussion in the Siletz room.

and LBCC staffers Gail Thompson, Mark Weiss and Jim Bell.

Jeanne Pitts, a representative for the Gender Equity Committee, said that women are not the only ones who are exploited by mass media images—men are as well. To prove her point she then showed a brief video depicting advertising for Marlboro and other products geared toward men. This jump-started a discussion about the importance that both men and women place in their body image and how the media influence people's views of what a "perfect" person is supposed to look like.

Weiss, a counselor at LB, commented on how young (Turn to "Gender" on Pg. 2)

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## OFF BEAT

### Doggone It

Lyn King was fishing from the bank of the Daintree River in Australia, with her little doggie by her side, when a large crocodile suddenly emerged from the water, snatched the dog by his head and swam to the bottom, munching away all the while.

### Location, location, location

Police said a man robbed a dry cleaners' shop in Vandalia, Ohio, and was walking out with the loot just as a police lieutenant walked in to pick up his laundry. The shop is right next door to the police station. The man was arrested.

### Blind luck

Harald Hauso, a soft-hearted fisherman, has made headlines in his native Norway because he took pity on a blind codfish that keeps swimming into his nets. Hauso's hooped nets in a Norwegian fjord attract tiny crabs and starfish, and the cod apparently knows he can get an easy meal there. He also must know that he won't be eaten himself, because Hauso has released him 35 times in the past year.

### Steroids aren't candy

A pretty strong thief stormed into the All-Wash Laundromat in Toledo, Ohio, forced the attendant into the bathroom, then — in a feat of Herculean might — bear-hugged a floor-model Automatic Teller Machine, picked it up and walked out with it. The attendant would have told him, had he asked, that the ATM was out of order and contained no cash.

### Mr. Hankey strikes again

Maintenance workers shut down the pipeline providing water to Oregon's Jackson County Jail for a number of hours in order to make repairs. As soon as the water was turned back on, 200 prisoners flushed their toilets — all at the same time — overloading the system and causing a flood of murky sewer water throughout the prison.

—From the TMS News Service

## CORRECTIONS

In last week's Commuter, a story on Page 5 incorrectly reported that LB has no tutoring facilities for physics students and limited resources for chemistry students. The sentence should have stated that LB has no tutoring facilities for chemistry students and limited resources for physics students. The Commuter regrets the error.

## Physics help desk opens in Learning Center

by Sean Leveque  
of The Commuter

The Learning Resource Center is now offering help to students in physics classes 201, 202 and 212 with a new help desk, which started at the beginning of winter quarter.

The hours for drop-in tutoring are Tuesday 12-1 p.m. and 3-4 p.m. It's also open Wednesday 12-1 p.m. and on Fri. 8 a.m.-10 a.m. The physics help desk is staffed by Dave Mack.

The LRC also offers tutoring in math and writing during the week. The Math

Desk offers drop in help on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. And on the weekend on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The writing desk is offering its help on Monday and Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. till 5:00 p.m., Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Writing Desk was the first of the help desks at LBCC. It used to be part of

the library but in 1991 it started up as an independent work station. The physics desk is the latest to be added, but it may not be the last. A newly proposed science help desk is in the works.

"It's in the information and design stages," said Chareane Wimbly-Gouveia, LRC coordinator. "This idea has a number of collaborating units." One of them was Associated Student Government President Todd Gifford, who wrote Gouveia a letter proposing the idea of a science desk. "Our goal is to have a pilot program in the fall," she said.

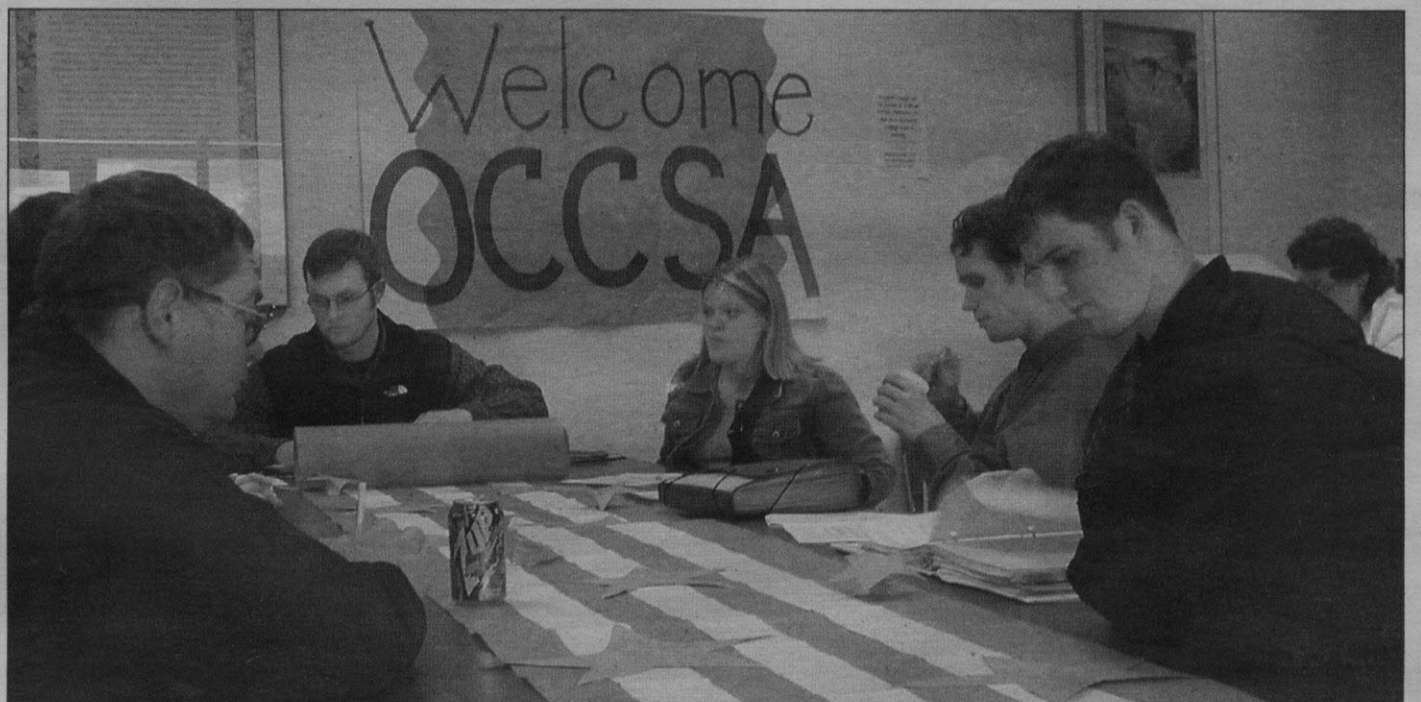


Photo by Leon Tovey

### Strategy Session

Members of the Oregon Community College Student Association met in LB's Student Union Lounge last weekend. The committee discussed the upcoming hearings before the Legislative Ways and Means Subcommittee on Education regarding a proposed budget increase of \$45 million to offset increased enrollment at community colleges. The OCCCSA, along with its university counterpart, the Oregon Student Association, agreed to attend the hearings, which began on Feb. 27 and continues March 7-8 at the Capitol in Salem.

## Crosswalk: Safer route sought Gender: Role models debated

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Kevin Nicholson, director of Facilities at LBCC, said he is aware of the problem and is working on solution.

"It wasn't until the apartments went in that we started seeing the number of students coming across there. That's when we knew we had to do something," Nicholson said, "Putting a sidewalk on the east side would be fairly easy to do. A sidewalk on the other side means we will have to cross the creek, so we need to build a bridge."

According to Nicholson, in order to start the process of installing sidewalks, the school must select a contractor with a reasonable price quote. The school then goes through a purchase-order-requisition process, gets the appropriate building permits and goes to work. He added that within the next couple of months the college will review the various solutions to the problem and the costs involved.

Asked about the lack of a crosswalk on Lanier Street, Nicholson pointed out that there is a crosswalk to the east at the intersection with Pacific Boulevard at the traffic signal, and a sidewalk that leads from there to North Drive.

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children are distracted from their natural playing tendencies to focus on how they look like and what they eat.

Sgt. 1st Class Schierholz, who is a fitness instructor and recruiter for the Army, said it helps women to realize that being fit is not about body image. She said there are three influencing factors on children's idea of image—the mass media, parents and peer pressure.

The images projected by the media are "creating a world of insecurity," added Master Sgt. Viars, who has dedicated 18 years of her life to the Army. Viars said at one time she used to be anorexic, weighing 103 pounds, but she managed to move on with her life.

"I found other things with to do with my money," she said, "like remodeling my kitchen instead of buying dietary supplements."

Pvt. Carrol, who recently joined the Army Reserve to be a nurse, said, "I have enjoyed my experience in the Army so far, and I no longer look at who has a pretty face, but rather at how many push-ups somebody can do."

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# CAMPUS NEWS



Photo by Leon Tovey

## Making Way for Spring

With weather more suited to April than February, LB grounds keepers and horticulture students were out in force last week. On Thursday students in Justin Paulson's arboriculture class pruned trees and shrubs behind the business building. Paulson is filling in for his father Greg Paulson, who is on leave.

## FRC thanks Kiwanis Club, others for new playground area equipment

by Stacia Sage  
of The Commuter

Children, parents, volunteers and staff gathered at LB's Family Resource Center on Thursday to dedicate the newly installed climbing structure and shelter on the Center's playground.

The structure, which took just over a year to build, is the product of volunteer help. The idea came from the staff, parents and children of the Center. Members of the Albany Takena Kiwanis Club built the structure—helping to bring the Center's vision to life.

Liz Pearce-Smith, director of the Resource Center, thanked the Kiwanis while Sue Stone of the Parents' Club presented the Kiwanis with a picture of the children playing on the finished climbing structure.

Other volunteers and businesses that donated services and time were presented with mouse pads featuring the same picture.

After giving thanks to the many volunteers, the children along with the adults were entertained by local singer/guitarist Jory Aronson.

## International students speak at LB in honor of women

by Beth Lyall  
of The Commuter

In observance of National Women's History Month in March, the Multicultural Center and Student Programming board are sponsoring talks by six international students from OSU to speak in the Multicultural Center from noon to 1p.m. March 1, 6, 13 and 15.

The speakers are active students at OSU and are involved in the Student International Cultural Service Program. The students receive credit toward their Tuition Remission Scholarship program for the talks.

Event coordinator Adam Pierce, who is also on LB's Student Programming Board as the Series Event Specialist, said the point of the talks is to bring students here to talk about what life is like for women in their home countries and in the United States as international students.

### March 1

Ioana Jucovan, a junior majoring in speech communication from Timisoara, Romania will be speaking on Thursday. She is an award-winning writer and poet, and also speaks three languages.

Jucovan will be talking about traditional life in Romania, along with art and music. She will teach games and dances and plans to show slides documenting the 600-year history of her family.

### March 6

Lilli Xu from Dilian, of the People's republic of China, is another award winning junior majoring in electrical engineering who will be speaking Tuesday. Xu will focus on the daily lives of people in China; explaining the one child per

family policy, describing life in the Forbidden City, and comparing China to other countries.

Joining her will be Rina Permansari, a chemical engineering major from Pasuruan, Indonesia and an OSU honor student. Permansari will explain the relationships between males and females, teens and parents in her country. She will also talk about religion and Chinese descendants in Indonesia

### March 13

Katja Pettinen is an anthropology major from Mikkeli, Finland who will speak on political policies and environmental issues of the former Soviet Union. Katja may cook some traditional food or demonstrate basket weaving and explain the distinct holidays of Finland.

Also speaking on March 13, will be Hitomi Kuromoto, a psychology major from Chiba, Japan who attended LBCC.

She will explain clothing traditions, calligraphy and origami, and possibly sing and dance. Hitomi will explain the role of women and wedding ceremonies also social problems. She will comment on Japan's temples and shrines, housing and food.

### March 15

Sathya Ravichandran, a microbiology major from Bangalore India will be speaking on Thursday.

Ravichandran is trilingual with many honor awards and scholarships. She will explain the rich cultural heritage of India's temples, festivals and dances. She describes the geological features, climate and vegetation and the industries of the 25 states, and speak on the "Unity of Diversity."

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# CAMPUS NEWS

## CARDV sends out call for volunteers

by Ky Weatherford  
of The Commuter

Volunteers are currently wanted at the Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence (CARDV) located at 4786 S.W. Philomath Blvd in Corvallis.

Volunteers are needed weekdays, weeknights and weekends.

There are three levels of volunteering. The first phase requires only a couple of hours on the job training which entails fundraising, clerical support, computer work and shelter maintenance.

The second phase of volunteering entails five hours of training on the dynamics of domestic and sexual violence. Also, the volunteer provides transportation for client's who need rides to and from the shelter. The volunteer has the opportunity to be an office assistant, assist with child care supervision and court watch,

which entails attending restraining order hearings and stalking order hearings.

The third phase of volunteering is working the 24-hour hotline to provide advice and support. This requires 30 hours of training on domestic and sexual abuse, community resources and anti-oppression.

According to Volunteer Coordinator Gretchen Goode, there are three formal training sessions per year and the rest is on the job training.

"At least two hours of volunteering a week is preferred but we're real flexible about that," said Goode. "We're always looking for people to stay longer and we can work around peoples schedule. People can even volunteer at home and answer the crisis hotline through call forwarding."

For additional information contact Gretchen Goode at 758-0219.



Photo by Lisa Jimenez

CARDV staffers Robin Lindquist and Barbara Biedrzycki look over the center's literature.

## Corvallis ombudsperson pursues discrimination cases

by Chad Richins  
of The Commuter

Have you ever felt that you were being discriminated against?

Whether it was because of your religion, age, or ethnicity, the City of Corvallis has someone you can bring your complaint to.

Adrienne Graham is Corvallis Ombudsperson—a public official appointed to investigate citizen complaints of discrimination. As Ombudsperson, it's Graham's job to give information on individual rights and help determine the best course of action to take.

Graham recently visited campus to speak at the weekly luncheon held in the LBCC Multicultural Center.

Over the standard fare of soup and rolls, Graham explained the many classes that are protected against discrimination. They include race, religion, color, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, family status, national origin, mental or physical disability, age and source of income.

Graham gets calls from a wide variety of people, including landlords who want to make sure that they are not discrimi-



Photo by Chad Richins

Ombudsperson Adrienne Graham talks in the LBCC Multicultural Center.

nating against residents or potential residents. Mainly, Graham's office deals with housing, employment and public accommodation. Her office also employs testers who are sent out to inquire about housing or employment, checking for poten-

tial discrimination.

Graham described one case of sexual orientation discrimination against Ashbrook Independent School. The school cancelled a contract with a musical group that had been scheduled to

play for the public at the school after the school board discovered members of the group were lesbian.

The result was that Ashbrook agreed to put on several shows dealing with issues of homosexuality. It then closed it's doors to the public to avoid further restrictions. The public lost a venue, but the point was made that for a public performance, one cannot discriminate due to sexual orientation.

Another case Graham described involved a Hispanic man who had been fired from an agricultural job. The man thought he had been discriminated against because of his race. However, when the case was investigated, it was found that the business in question employed many Hispanics, and it claimed that the man had slowed down as he got older. The investigation resulted in the case being evaluated as an age discrimination complaint instead.

The main goal of having an Ombudsperson is to have someone the public can go to with their complaints.

For more information, Graham can be reached at 766-6772, or by e-mail at [adrienne.graham@ci.corvallis.or.us](mailto:adrienne.graham@ci.corvallis.or.us)

## 'James Bond' tourney scheduled

by Justin Pittenger  
of The Commuter

Student Life and Leadership is hosting a tournament on March 6 from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Student Union Lounge, for students who play James Bond "Golden Eye," on Nintendo 64 game systems.

The winner of this tournament will receive a \$20 gift certificate to Hollywood Video. Even losers who participate in the tournament will receive a prize and there will be cookies and juice.

Kris Nielsen, a member of the Student

Programming Board, is one of the organizers of the tournament and is expecting about 16 participants. Two participants will play against each other until one of them gets 5 or 10 kills. The two players have to agree on the weapon they will shoot with and the level will be chosen randomly.



The more people that participate in the tournament reduces the number of times you can die before you're eliminated.

In order to join go, to the SL&L and sign up.

Nintendo 64

## GOLDENEYE

Tournament

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Headbangers bash to Lebanon's Headrush Inc.

by Crystal Davis  
of the Commuter

"Headrush, Headrush, Headrush!" One-hundred and fifty pumped-up heavy metal fans screamed their support to cheer on Headrush Inc., a local metal band that played yet another show at the Lebanon Skate Center last Saturday night.

With four talented musicians, a lot of noise, and a mosh pit, the skate center was wild.

"We like to provide an opportunity for people to express themselves and showcase what they're working on," said Bill Flesher, owner of Lebanon Skate Center. "We chose to give Headrush a shot, and it worked out great."

Headrush is a band consisting of guitar player Hannible Childress, 18; drummer Jake Hurst, 20; bass player Jon Blackburn, 20, and vocalist T.J. Comer, 21.

"Our music can do anything to a crowd," said Comer. "It brings people's emotions to the surface. We can make people want to break things, we can make people want to cry on your shoulder, we can make people want to dance . . . it's in our music."

Although the current members have been united as a band for only nine months, Headrush has been alive since 1996. Hurst has been a drummer since 1991 and is the only original member left. Childress has been playing guitar for 4 years and has been with Headrush for 3 years. Blackburn, a bass player since 1992, and Comer are more recent members and have been playing with the band since June.

"I'm proud of what Headrush has accomplished over the years," said Hurst. "We've come a long way."

The band members spend about three hours every other day practicing, writing new songs, and developing new ways to expand their sound and increase their talent.

"It's tough because we are constantly practicing,



Photo by James Bauerle

Dancers slam around the mosh pit (above) to the hard-driving metal sounds of Headrush Inc. (left) at the Lebanon Skate enter last Saturday. Singer T.J. Comer and guitarist Hannible Childress charge up the crowd.

constantly playing, and staying up all hours of the night just so we can be damn rock stars," said Hurst, "but we love it."

"Headrush is my pride and joy," said Comer. "It's a good way to get out my feelings and aggressions and a way for me, along with the other members, to express myself."

In the past nine months, they have played about six shows, each one drawing more fans. "We basically lay our reputation on the line by hosting a show with that type of heavy music, but we had a really well-behaved crowd, the band was great, and we had a great time," Flesher added.

"Saturday night they played an electrifying and intense show," said Aaron McCready, a close friend of

*"It's tough because we are constantly practicing, constantly playing, and staying up all hours of the night just so we can be damn rock stars, but we love it."*

— Jake Hurst

the band and a faithful fan.

Within the next two months, Headrush plans to record a demo with Sprout City Sound in Eugene. "As of now we have had minimal exposure. Hopefully a demo will change that," said Blackburn.

"We'd like to take it all the way," said Childress, "that's our goal. We want to make it a living, to be able to support ourselves by playing shows." The band members plan to pack up and move to Portland near the end of the summer to get more exposure. "We plan to make it a career and get ourselves into the mainstream of music," said Comer.

## Nationally known Oregon artist to show work, lecture March 5

Harold Hoy uses sculpture to explore people's relationship with the natural world

by Crystal A. Huff  
of The Commuter

Harold H. Hoy, a nationally known artist from Eugene, will present a slide lecture on his work from 2-3 p.m. on Monday, March 5, in the Fireside Room, which is located on the second floor of the College Center Building at LBCC.

The lecture, sponsored by LBCC's Art Department and Student Life and Leadership, is free and open to the public.

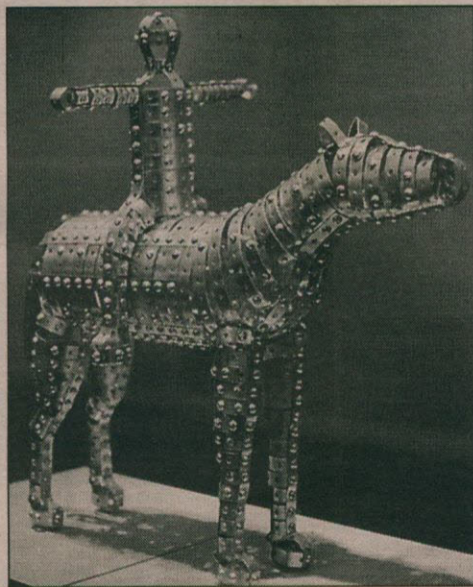
Hoy's sculptures of endangered animals make a statement for people's relationships with the environment.

"Nature will never return to its original state as long as humans inhabit the earth," said Hoy. "However, humans can help by rebuilding the forests, cleaning the air and water, and controlling population growth."

The sculptures, which include depictions of the rhinoceros, cheetah, whooping crane, giant panda, and sockeye salmon, have a structure that is based on the children's toy, the "Erector Set." They have been constructed of galvanized steel and held together with nuts, bolts, and lock washers.

According to Hoy, the goal was to make the sculptures look as though they were constructed from an "Erector Set" to represent the "task of rebuilding nature or restoring nature to the way it was before humans exploited its riches."

Hoy studied art at the University of Washington and at Central Washington



Harold Hoy's "Erector Set" style sculptures are designed to represent the "task of rebuilding nature or restoring nature to the way it was before humans exploited its riches."

State University. After receiving his master of fine arts degrees from U of O, Hoy went on to teach art at Lane Community College where he has taught for the last 30 years.

His work is now on exhibit at the Robert Canaga Gallery, 760 Willamette St., in Eugene. A public reception will be held Friday March 2 from 6-9 p.m., and a special artist's reception will be held Friday March 16 from 6-9 p.m.

Hoy has received fellowships and awards from the Oregon Arts Commission and the University of Oregon Art Museum, and has received commissions from the University of Alaska at Fairbanks, among others.

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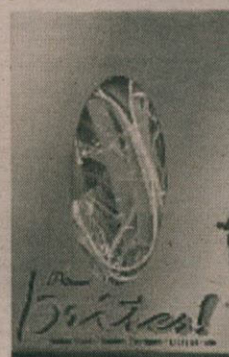


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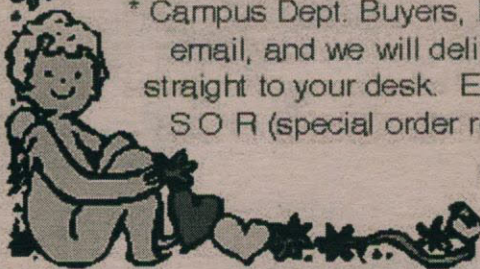
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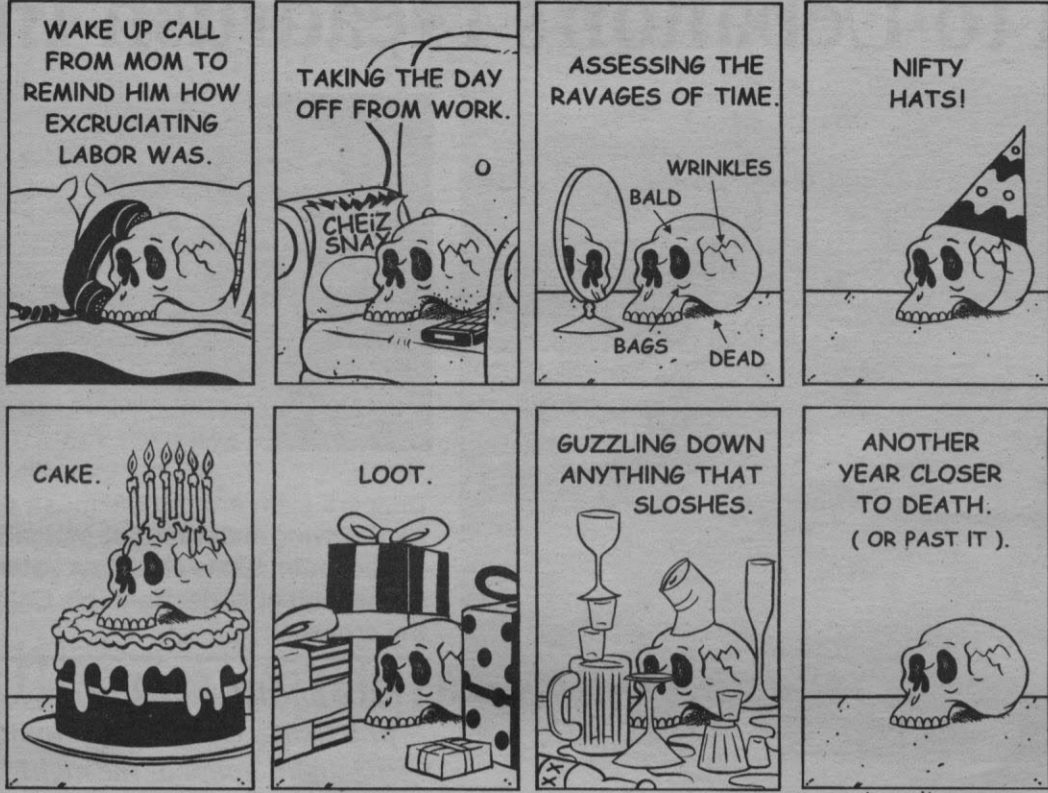
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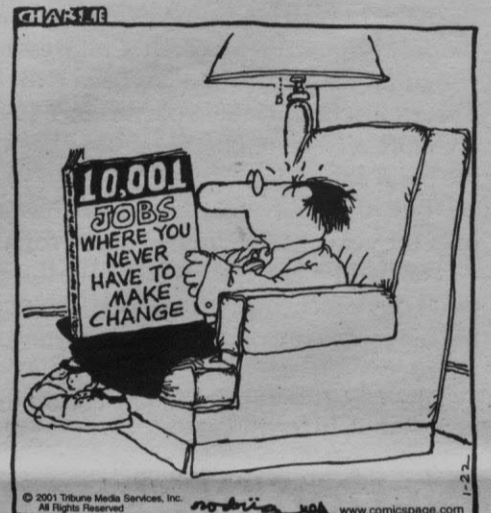
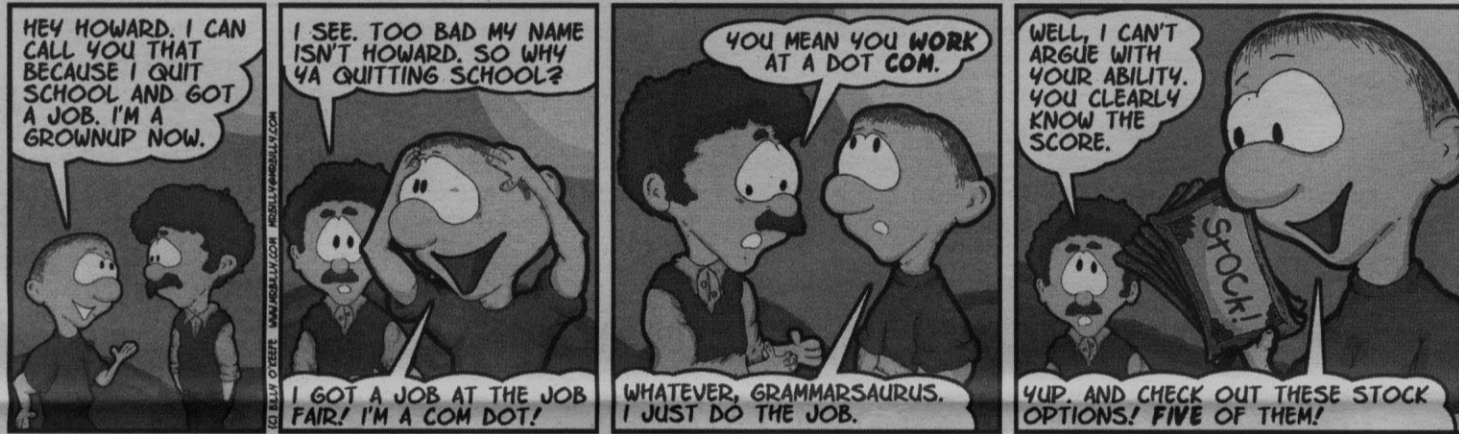
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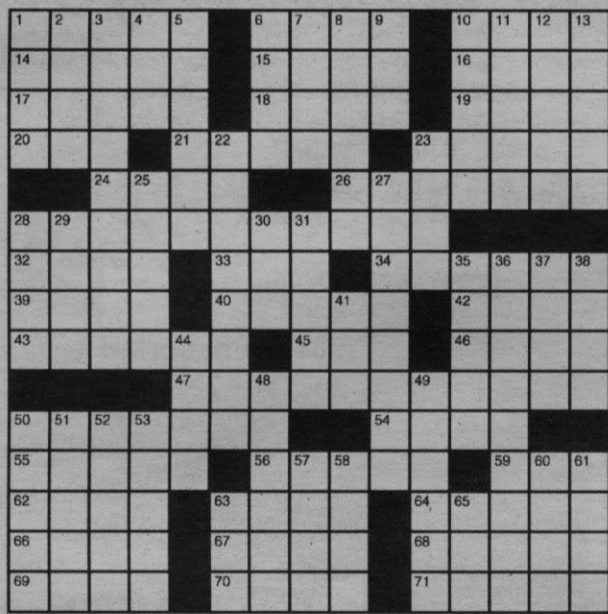


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## SPORTS PAGE

## BOX SCORES

## Men's Games

## UMPQUA 100, LINN-BENTON 67

LBCC (67): Robertson 1-5 0-1 2, Michaelis 3-4 2-2 8, Hutchings 0-1 0-20, Marshall 4-10 2-4 10, Campbell 1-8 1-2 4, Gilder 1-3 0-0 2, Brusseau 4-13 5-5 14, Blevins 2-4 0-0 6, Coats 2-4 0-0 4, Rodgers 1-2 2-10 4, Grock 5-7 3-4 13, Edmondson. Totals 24-61 15-30 67.

UCC (100): Strom 0-1 2-2 2, Anderson 9-18 4-5 22, Brown 6-9 2-3 16, Bauer 6-11 9-10 21, Jackson 6-14 1-2 13, Potter 2-4 2-6, Chandler 2-3 1-2 5, Simmons 3-3 3-4 9, Dunn 0-4 0-0 0, France 3-9 0-6. Totals 37-76 24-31 100.

Halftime—LBCC 32, UCC 50. 3-point goals—LBCC 4-16 (Robertson 0-2, Michaelis 0-1, Hutchings 0-1, Marshall 0-1, Campbell 1-3, Brusseau 1-4, Blevins 2-3, Coats 0-1), UCC 2-9 (Anderson 0-2, Brown 2-5, Jackson 0-1, Potter 0-1). Total Fouls—LBCC 19, UCC 22. Fouled Out—Simmons. Total Rebounds—LBCC 43 (Grock 7), UCC 47 (Bauer 14). Assists—LBCC 13 (Marshall 4), UCC 19 (Jackson 5). Turnovers—LBCC 28, UCC 14. Blocked shots—LBCC 2 (Robertson, Marshall), UCC 1 (Bauer). Steals—LBCC 11 (Robertson 3, Brusseau 3), UCC 18 (Brown 6). Technicals—Chandler.

## CLACKAMAS 100, LINN-BENTON 75

LBCC (75): Robertson 5-12 1-3 11, Michaelis 3-3 2-4 10, Hutchins 2-4 1-4 5, Marshall 5-10 8-8 20, C.Cambell 3-7 2-2 10, Gilder 0-1 1-2 1, Brusseau 2-10 9-10 14, Coats 1-1 0-0 2, Rodgers 1-1 0-0 2, Grock 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 22-52 24-33 75.

CICC (100): Tondreau 2-22-26, M.Campbell 6-13-4-4 16, Struve 0-4 2-2 2, Tabisz 2-3 0-0 5, Kuebler 6-9 4-6 20, Lennox 3-11 0-0 7, Fisher 3-8 0-0 8, Block 5-8 0-0 10, Gritters 2-5 0-4, Bussay 6-7 0-0 12, Lohrey 5-8 0-0 10. Totals 40-78 12-14 100.

Halftime—LBCC 27, CICC 55. 3-point goals—LBCC 7-19 (Robertson 0-5, Michaelis 2-2, Hutchins 0-1, Marshall 2-2, C.Campbell 2-5, Brusseau 1-4), CICC 8-19 (M.Campbell 0-1, Struve 0-2, Tabisz 1-2, Kuebler 4-5, Lennox 1-5, Fisher 2-4). Total fouls—LBCC 19, CICC 24. Fouled out—Coats, Lohrey. Total Rebounds—LBCC 37 (Brusseau 9, Grock 9), CICC 37 (Lohrey 6). Assists—LBCC 10 (Robertson 5), CICC 29 (M.Campbell 17). Turnovers—LBCC 33, CICC 17. Blocked shots—LBCC 3 (Coats, Rodgers, Grock), CICC 6 (Lohrey 3). Steals—LBCC 8 (Robertson 2, Gilder 2), CICC 19 (C.Campbell 5).

## Women's Games

## UMPQUA 87, LINN-BENTON 67

LBCC (67): Wright 6-18 2-2 17, Rickert 5-17 1-2 14, Dexter 2-11 2-2 6, Pass 5-12 3-7 13, Torresdal 1-3 1-2 3, Ward 1-5 4-7 6, Strohm 2-6 2-2 6, Scott 1-4 0-2 2, Starker 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 23-77 15-26 67.

UCC (87): Spieker 2-6 3-6 7, Buehler 5-14 5-8 15, Cleveland 4-8 2-2 10, Randall 3-7 0-0 6, Gildner 5-12 4-4 14, Pierce 3-6 2-4 9, Durfey 10-13 4-6 24, Suppah 0-0 0-0 0, Morrill 1-6 0-3 2. Totals 33-72 20-33 87.

Halftime—LBCC 28, UCC 36. 3-point goals—LBCC 6-23 (Wright 3-9, Rickert 3-10, Starker 0-1, Dexter 0-3), UCC 1-8 (Pierce 1-2, Cleveland 0-1, Buehler 0-1, Spieker 0-4). Total Fouls—LBCC 25, UCC 24. Fouled Out—Torresdal. Total Rebounds—LBCC 42 (Dexter 7), UCC 63 (Gildner 20). Assists—LBCC 9 (Wright, Rickert 3), UCC 19 (Cleveland 6). Turnovers—LBCC 17, UCC 24. Blocked shots—LBCC 4 (Dexter, Torresdal 2), UCC 0. Steals—LBCC 15 (Wright 5), UCC 7 (Cleveland 3).

## CLACKAMAS 74, LINN-BENTON 70

LBCC (70): Wright 3-10 2-2 9, Rickert 5-13 1-3 12, Dexter 3-7 2-8, Pass 2-5 2-5 6, Torresdal 6-9 0-3 12, Ward 4-7 1-2 9, Scott 1-1 0-0 2, Strohm 5-6 0-1 10, Starker 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-59 8-18 70.

CICC (74): Lane 1-3 0-0 2, McBride 0-1 0-0 0, Lee 6-8 2-6 14, Kettles 2-12 3-7, Juarez 7-23 0-0 19, Steen 8-18 8-9 27, Kooch 2-6 1-3 5. Totals 26-71 14-21 74.

Halftime—LBCC 39, CICC 31. 3-point goals—LBCC 2-7 (Rickert 1-5, Wright 1-3, Dexter 0-2), CICC 8-22 (Juarez 5-12, Steen 3-6 McBride 0-1, Kettles 0-3). Total Fouls—LBCC 19, CICC 17. Fouled Out—Torresdal. Total Rebounds—LBCC 45 (Pass 9), CICC 43 (Juarez, Lee, Steen 8). Assists—LBCC 13 (Ward 4), CICC 15 (Steen 5). Turnovers—LBCC 23, CICC 21. Blocked Shots—LBCC 1 (Torresdal), CICC 4 (Kettles 2, Lee, Steen). Steals—LBCC 12 (Wright, Pass, Torresdal 3), CICC 18 (Kettles, Steen, Redner 4).

## STANDINGS

Men	League	Overall
Clackamas	12-2	25-3
Lane	12-2	21-7
Umpqua	9-5	14-13
Mt. Hood	8-6	14-14
Chemeketa	7-7	15-12
Linn-Benton	3-11	4-23
SW Oregon	2-11	7-19
Portland	2-11	6-21

Women	League	Overall
Chemeketa	13-1	22-5
Umpqua	12-2	24-4
Clackamas	10-4	21-8
SW Oregon	9-5	14-14
Linn-Benton	5-9	16-12
Lane	4-10	14-15
Mt. Hood	2-12	6-22
Portland	1-13	6-22

## Umpqua cuts down women's playoff hopes

Lady Runners lackadaisical play against Umpqua ends their season earlier than expected

by Jason Amberg  
of The Commuter

The Lady Roadrunners lost twice last week, ending their season with a 5-9 league record and eliminating themselves from the playoffs.

LB entered the week needing to beat two of the Southern Region's best teams, Umpqua and Clackamas, in order to advance to the playoffs. They also needed Southwestern Oregon to lose to the division's weaklings, Lane and Portland. To the Runners' dismay, none of the above happened. SWOCC won both of their games and the Runners dropped both of theirs.

In last Wednesday's game against second-place Umpqua, the Lady Runners shot under 30 percent while the Timberwomen knocked down 46 percent from the field. To further complicate things, the Runners were pounded on the boards, getting out rebounded by 21.

"It was very disappointing to see the lack of intensity," said Coach AJ Dionne. "We wasted 16 minutes in the first half."

Despite LB's late start, the Runners were still in the game until halfway through the second half when Umpqua stepped above them and the Runners fell 87-67.

"We just couldn't get any closer than seven," Dionne explained. "We missed too many put-backs and lay-ups."

To make matters even worse, LB's Summer Wright was injured early in the first half and was unable to return until after the break, but still managed to lead the Runners with 17 points and five steals.

Christy Rickert scored 14 points, and



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The Lady Runners, led by Coach AJ Dionne, finished their season last week with a 16-12 record overall. The team improved on its 10-18 record last year.

Christin Pass added 13.

Saturday's game with third-place Clackamas was an entirely different matter. LB charged out to a 39-31 lead, opening the game with hot hands and shooting over 53 percent, holding the Cougars to weak 30 percent from the field.

"We had control offensively and defensively through the whole first half," Dionne said. "The only time they scored was when we were lax."

The Lady Runners led the game by as many as 16 points in the second half, before the bottom fell out with seven minutes left in the game. In those seven minutes Clackamas charged back to win 74-70, as the frustrated Runners careened out of control making careless passes and poor decisions.

"It was hard to watch. We had control for 33 minutes," lamented Dionne.

Rickert and Rebecca Torresdal led the Runners with 12 points each and Linzi Strohm scored 10 off of the bench.

Despite losing the final four games of the season, the Runners finished the season in fifth place in the Southern Region finishing 5-9 in league and 16-2 overall. This year's record was a dramatic improvement over last year's 10-18 record.

"We were just as good as the top four teams," said Dionne.

While the Runners were very successful with the league's weaker teams, they were 0-8 against the teams heading for the playoffs.

"Overall it was a good year. I'm very pleased and proud of Summer and Kelley (Dexter). They had to take nine freshmen and make them into a team," said Dionne proudly. "They were able to hold themselves together and pick up their game too."

## Roadrunners drop two more as season comes to end

Roadrunners' disappointing season continues to the very end as men suffer blowout losses to Southern Region powerhouses, finishing 3-11

by Christina Laramore  
of The Commuter

The Roadrunners ended their season last week with a 3-11 league record, after back-to-back losses to Umpqua and Clackamas.

Wednesday, LB faced the Umpqua Timbermen, who ended third in the league with a 9-5 record, losing 100-67.

The Runners had a low shooting percentage all game and couldn't seem to overcome the Timbermen's hot defense. LB had 28 turnovers in the game and managed only 16 points off of turnovers. The Timbermen had 14 turnovers, but accumulated 36 points off turnovers.

Umpqua led 50-32 at the end of the first half, after LB came up with only 11 field goals and eight free throws. The Timbermen had 18 field goals and added on 13 more points from the line.

The Roadrunners didn't fare much better in the second half of Wednesday's game as they shot a frigid 37 percent from the field and only 41.2 percent from the line, an unusually low number at the line for the Runners.

The Timbermen took advantage of LB's misfortune—shooting 51.4 percent from field goal range and 78.6 percent from the foul line.

LB ended the game on a downer, shooting 39.3 percent from the field and 50 percent from the line, while Umpqua went on to shoot 48.7 percent from the field and 77.4 percent from the line.

JR Brusseau led the team with 14 points and had three of LB's 11 steals. Paul Grock added another 13 points and had seven of the teams 43 rebounds. Doug Marshall had 10 points, four assists and had one of the team's two blocked shots.

The Runners second loss of the week came on Saturday as they traveled to Clackamas where they suffered a 100-75 loss to the Cougars. Clackamas finished first in the league with a 12-2 record.

LB had another low shooting game and was down 55-27 at the end of the half after hitting only eight field goals in the first 20 minutes of the game. The Runners shot a weak 30 percent from the field, while the Cougars shot 56.4 percent from the field. The Cougars were fiery from the line with 85.7 percent foul shooting.

The Runners heated up a little in the second half and managed to outscore Clackamas 48-45. LB shot a little better in the last minutes of the game, shooting 53.8 percent from the field and 70.8 percent from the line. Clackamas cooled down from field goal range and dropped to a low 46.2 percent. They were still hot from the line and stayed at 85.7 percent in the second half as well.

When it got down to it, though, LB was outdone in all areas after suffering tremendously in the first half.

The Runners' field goal percentage was inferior to the Cougars in the end as they shot only 42.3 percent while Clackamas stepped ahead, shooting 51.3 percent. LB was outdone from the foul line as well, shooting 72.7 percent to Clackamas's 85.7 percent.

The Roadrunners were led by Marshall with 20 points. Brusseau added another 14 points and Dominic Robertson had one of his best showings of the year with 11 points. David Michaelis and Casey Campbell each added 10 points to the totals. Brusseau led the Runners with nine boards and Marshall added another five.

LB finished sixth in the league, but their greatest accomplishment of the season was their win over Chemeketa two weeks ago, knocking the Storm out of playoff contention. They finished fifth in the league.

Clackamas, Lane, Umpqua and Mt. Hood are the four teams that are headed to the playoffs.

# OPINION



## GUEST COLUMN

### 'Don't tread on me;' leave that judgment to God

by Jordon Eaton  
for The Commuter

Welcome back, dear reader. I'd like to think that you gave what I had to say last week some thought, but that was totally up to you, and I certainly hope that you gave it some effort.

I wrote the whole article a few days before Part I was even printed, which means I should probably know by today, Feb. 28, if what I said last week was received well or not. Regardless, I would like to continue with my article, and I will pick up from where I left off.

On God, Christianity, and The Bible: When Matthew Shepard's memorial service was being held in that small Wyoming town a few short years back, a group of about a hundred protestors lurked ominously outside the church where the service was to occur and paraded around with their handmade picket signs held high in the air proclaiming "God Hates Fags" and "Matthew in Hell!" all the while chanting their verses of bigotry and hate. That's exactly what it was: A revolting example of what Christianity—supposedly a religion built on love, understanding, and acceptance of your neighbor—is all about.

Ready for this?

According to the Bible, homosexuality is a mortal sin, punishable by death. Well, my dear Bible believer, if that is what you consider yourself, that's not true. The beginning of that fateful passage in the book of Leviticus (I'll wait while you grab your copy of the NIV) states, "Thou shalt not give thy sons or daughters to the god of Molech." Molech, as mentioned here, was a pagan god of the time, and at this period in ancient history, sexual practices were brought into the worshiping of this idol. The entire passage in question refers to these practices, not the loving committed relationship of two individuals, regardless of gender. Thus, the whole argument that it applies to all homosexuals today is rendered invalid. Hardly anyone bothers to read the whole passage—they only bother to read enough so that it becomes a convenient weapon. This tactic is used for several other issues throughout the Bible as well, not just homosexuality, although this method of selective search and destroy is most obvious in this case. I can honestly say I've read the whole book cover to cover, and, when read in its entirety, there instantly becomes no validity to anyone's persecution of certain individuals for any reason.

Also, the verse of incessant controversy, "thou shalt not lie with a man as one lies with a woman," is questionable at best. You see, when I "lie" with a man, I lay with him as a man, not a woman.

Furthermore, unless I go bearing a cross on my back like your beloved savior, don't assume that I'm to live

my life in accordance with your beliefs. As the proud old flag that flew over the original 13 colonies sternly warned to England: "Don't Tread On Me." There's no infallible proof that your God is the right one, and I can't necessarily prove that there isn't one right or wrong idea about the creation of everything we've come to know. But, as your holy testament directs you, save the judging for your God. According to your book, the only one who can get away with deciding who is right or wrong is God himself, so leave it up to Him, all right? There's no room for your ravaging, misinformed blather in my life.

Confusion: If anything, I've got my life more together than you'd probably like to believe. I've got good grades, a supportive family, a stable job, 16 years of professional classical piano training, and an excellent circle of supportive friends. I'm no more confused about anything in this chaotic world than you are. Sure, there are a few things lately that just don't seem to make any sense—like why it's okay for two grown hyper-masculine men to pat each other on the ass repeatedly in front of millions of American television viewers, but if they kiss, well, that's a WHOLE other matter.

Let's face the facts, here. The world is built upon a foundation of diversity. We apparently try to alleviate these feelings by spreading ideas like "when you strip away the clothes and skin, we all look the same inside." That's not true. We seem to have this insatiable desire to all be the same as of recent past, and, quite frankly, I'm sick of it. I'll bet my large intestine is longer than someone else's who is two feet shorter than me. We're ALL different—just like dainty little snowflakes. It's just that sometimes our particular "difference" is a bit more obvious at certain times than at others.

I attach my name to this lengthy article only because it's required, and so that you know it's not the product of some greasy cretin perched in front of a dusty Macintosh somewhere in an unforgiving closet. There's a real person behind these words, and I meant every one of them.

I encourage you to create your own beliefs on how the world works, and not feed into the popularized graven images of how everything is apparently "supposed" to be. I want you to go out and blow the lid off of all of those stereotypes out there today. BE DIFFERENT! We all too easily seem to believe what society tells us to be true and then never bother to take a second look. We wonder where ignorance and intolerance comes from? How oblivious of us as a society to not even consider the fact that it may very well be ourselves to blame for this seemingly perpetually ill way of life. Take care in this treacherous world of ours—it won't take care of you. I should know.

## LETTERS

### For God's sake, take a break; divide church and state

To the Editor:

The Commuter recently received a letter complaining about the "bad rap" religion gets on college campuses. The writer pleaded for the value of teaching both the "good" and "bad" aspects of religion. Here's a good idea; how about not teaching it at all. I will never understand the zealots who need religion oozing from every aspect of their lives every minute of every day.

Calm down.

Relax.

Why don't you take a break? God won't mind, because even he/she rested on the seventh day. Maybe Nietzsche was right when he said religion is the opiate of the masses. Because I see a lot of people whacked out on a phat blunt of God dogma.

Why can't there be a bastion of thought free from religion? Isn't this the plan our founding fathers had when they came up with the concept of a separation of church and state? Separate means not together, like Kidman and Cruise.

The founder's plan worked out great. They separated church from state, they set up a system of state run public schools and the net result was no church in schools. It had to be this way because the founding fathers knew of theocratic horror and murder so heinous that it makes the actions of Pol Pot and Himmler look like a paper cut at a Bluebird's troop meeting.

How quickly our Christian friends forget that the rest of the four billion have a religion too, and in a land of religious freedom and equal opportunity all denominations would have to be represented. Are we going to have small battles between the 10 Commandments and the Five Pillars of Faith for wall space in all our classrooms. If you want church at school go to a bible college. But don't expect a conference of theologians here on campus. Be religious, be spiritual, just don't expect a state-run campus to facilitate these needs.

I would like to see our educational institutions focus more on just getting the basics right. Remember the basics: reading, writing and math? Right now our kids can't even do rudimentary forms of the basics. I see this in my Math 95, class where students are getting stumped on basic concepts like the lowest common denominator. In an ever more complex and corporate world these skills will be integral to the wise investment of food stamps and unemployment checks.

You would think that the last of the old school superpowers would have the smartest kids, magical trash-free streets and flying cars. Where are the flying cars? The United States has none of these, and it's criminal. I think an agreement should be made between the schools and religious institutes of America that when every school is funded to its every need, and all the children test in the top 10 percent of the world's nations in math, reading and science, then we can teach the good and bad aspects of religion in all our schools.

Christopher Spence

### Ad draws additional fire

To the Editor:

In the Feb. 14 edition of The Commuter you ran a letter by Thomas H. Young criticizing your "Silence is consent" advertisement. I was deeply insulted to see the advertisement run again in the very next edition. Young's arguments were articulate and well founded. I find it highly disrespectful that you would ignore the effects of your ad's wording.

"Consent" has heavy sexual connotation in our language. "Silence is consent" is an inappropriate message. It condones the notion that unless a woman fights back or says "No" then she must be consenting to sex. This is simply not the case. If a woman does not agree to sex then it is rape.

Young's request that you change your advertisement was not unreasonable. There are many other possible slogans at your disposal.

It is ironic that this conflict is over an advertisement meant to motivate community participation. People who are marginalized in our society do not speak up because they believe they cannot create change. The Commuter's response to Young's letter begs the question: Why speak out when no one is listening?

Jennifer McBrian