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## Losses reach \$9,000 as car prowlers hit LB parking lots

Allen Lewis  
The Commuter

Over the past nine weeks 15 vehicles have been broken into and approximately \$9,000 worth of valuables have been stolen from cars in the LBCC parking lots, according to Mick Cook, security and safety services manager.

The majority of vehicle break-ins occurred between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., which is when there is only one security person on duty.

Authorities have one suspect in mind in connection with the thefts but have not charged anyone because of a lack of evidence.

Police believe that there were two or three thieves involved in the recent rash of break-ins. This rash of break-ins has occurred not only at LBCC, but also at the Bra Corporation and in the front neighborhood.

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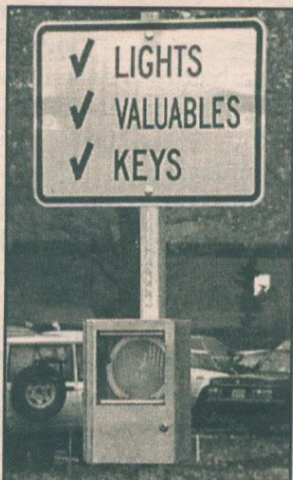


Photo by Jason Andruss

**Newly posted signs remind commuters to take precautions.**

bany, who is an LBCC criminal justice major, had his 1990 Plymouth Laser broken into two weeks ago at his Lindenwood apartment, which is just north of LBCC. The thieves broke out the hatchback window and stole the stereo, amp and speakers which are valued at over \$1000. According to McKuhm, these same car-prowlers two weeks earlier broke a light and tried to disable the alarm system while the car was parked at his apartment. He has three words for the thieves, "Get a job." Although he called the Albany Police Department both times, no one was sent out to look at the vehicle.

Brian Beavers, an LBCC student, had his truck broken into while parked in the South Central Parking Lot. The thieves broke out the locking mechanism in his driver's side door, and then jimmyed out his stereo.

"I wish that the security around here would start doing their job. If they would have done it in the first place then I would still have a stereo to listen to," said Beavers.

Cook said providing comprehensive patrols of the lots is difficult because the campus covers 104 acres, and a security officer's round can take 25 minutes. Since a professional thief can force open a door in a matter of seconds and clean out an entire stereo system in a matter of minutes, the probability of catching



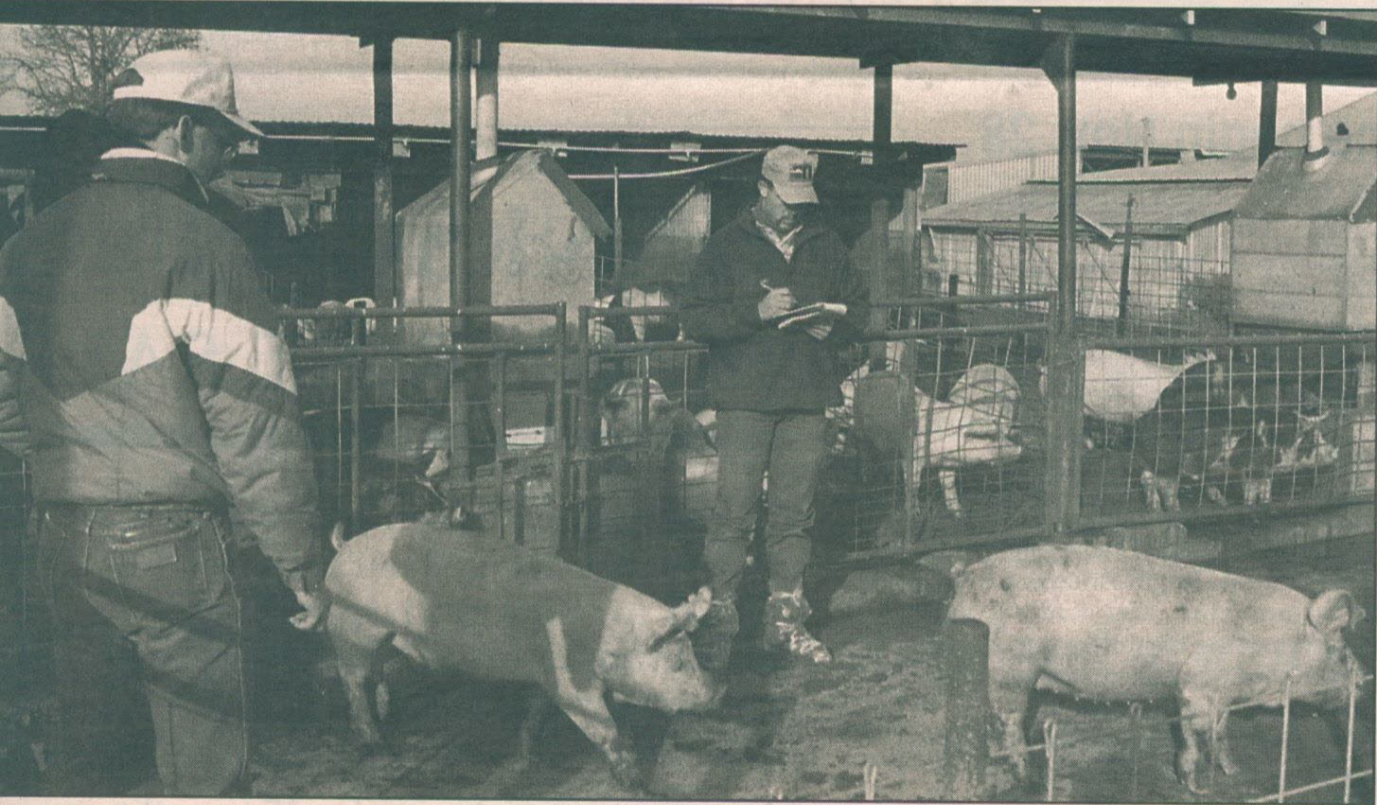
Photo by Bill Jones

**Small autos have been the most common target of car prowlers hitting LBCC parking lots recently.**

someone in the act is slim, said Cook.

The type of vehicle most likely to be hit, according to emerging trends from police reports, is a small or compact import car.

Security and Safety Services is trying to alert students to lock valuables in the trunk or at least put them out of sight by installing signs at several of the parking lot entrances to remind students to secure their valuables. Anyone who sees anything suspicious is encouraged to give them a call at 917-4440.



### Pigs in a Pen

Livestock Judging Coach Rick Klampe, left, shows student Andy McHugh the ropes during a practice judging session recently at the Stan Gourley farm in Linn County. LBCC's livestock judging team is considered one of the best in the Northwest. See Page 3 for story and more pictures.

Photo by Betty Hodges

## Helpers sought for 25th annual Winter Festival

by Kay King  
of The Commuter

It's the 25th Annual Children's Winter Festival and it's bound "to be the best," said the coordinator of the event Heidi McKinney of Student Programs.

Although some might say it's too early to be planning for Christmas, they're wrong. It takes an enormous amount of work to make it a perfect day for the kids. Volunteers are needed to help out with anything from decorating to staff events, McKinney explained.

The activities planned for the party on Friday, Dec. 1 are T-shirt and cookie decorating, canned food donations, petting zoo, appearances by Father Christmas and Santa Claus (pictures available for \$1.00). David Bezayiff, dean of student services, will have a sing-along with the children, and Pei Wu will be telling stories.

All events will run from 3-5 p.m. and from 5-6 p.m. will be the Grand Finale of Mr. Taps which will include the tree lighting. This will all take place in the cafeteria on Friday, Dec. 1 instead of on the first Saturday of December like in the past years.

There is a bulletin in the lobby outside of the Student Programs office or contact Heidi McKinney. Volunteers will receive free T-shirts and refreshments.

## Registration for winter term begins Monday

Fully admitted students continuing from fall term can pick up registration forms for winter term classes this week from the Registrar's Office in Takena Hall. Photo ID is required.

These students may register Nov. 20-29. New students who complete the application process by Nov. 15 will be able

to register Dec. 4 or 5, and open registration for part-time students will begin Dec. 6 on a first-come basis. Telephone registration also begins Dec. 6.

Extended Learning registration begins Nov. 20 at the four center offices.

Copies of the Winter 1996 Schedule of Classes are available in Takena Hall.

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what students think

# Internet: Boon or bane?

by Josh Burk  
of The Commuter

The Internet is used by people of all ages and occupations. More and more students of all ages are using it at school, and more people are utilizing its resources in the home and in the work place. The LBCC library has just recently been hooked up to the Internet for students and teachers to use.

Mike Evans, of Albany, says "My family is hooked up to America On Line so in the evening I usually sit down for a couple of minutes to go over the sports that I missed while I was in school."

Mike's sister, Carol Evans, a science major, was glad when their family got hooked up to AOL. "I can get a print out of what happened on my favorite soaps every day. I also use the e-mail to write to my friend who's going to college in Arizona."

"I'm not currently hooked up to the Internet but I want to be. I can do it on my computer, but I just haven't gotten around to it yet," says Heather Holt, a business major.

Obviously there are many fans of the Internet because of the many areas

of information that that can be accessed. The government, however, can access the same things, plus many more.

Using the Internet, the government can find out every time you go to the doctor, the dentist, or use your credit cards because you are put into the mainframe computer. This means that your secret (or not-so-secret) personal files can be accessed by the government through the Internet.

Third-year student, Jake Reed, believes that the Internet should be shut down. "The Internet is just unneeded, over-rated software. There are all these people buying into the Internet through Prodigy, America On Line, and CompuServe, but all they're doing is wasting their money by feeding this government-run scheme."

Dave Harney primarily agrees with Reed, but he doesn't think that it should be taken as far as abolishing the Internet, just limiting its access power. "The Internet is a wonderful thing, but it is being used for more things than it should be used for. Some minor adjustments of what is on the Internet would solve the problem."

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—Carol Evans

# Artwork, photos and poems are sought for creative arts journal

by Melodie Mills  
of The Commuter

The creative works of writers and artists from Linn and Benton counties are being sought for a collaborative publication called "The Eloquent Umbrella."

Poetry, prose, original artwork and photographs make up the publication which is LBCC's annual student-produced journal for the creative arts.

Those who have submitted work in the past have various backgrounds, from previously unpublished amateurs to professionals, according to Linda Smith, the journal's advisor and part-time writing teacher at LBCC.

The journal does not rely on advertising, but is paid for by LBCC student funding and sales at \$2 per copy. Produced at LBCC, copies can be purchased at local bookstores and at LBCC.

Publication of the journal is handled by the Literary Publication class, taught winter term by Smith. The three-credit class usually taken by 10 to 12 people allows students to experience everything about publishing, from selecting manuscripts and editing to designing a magazine, she said.

The class, now in its fifth year, also gives students a chance to learn about and work with other creative people. Covers are done by graphic design students, and last year the drama department even performed selections from the first four issues of "The Eloquent Umbrella" on stage.

Smith welcomes participation from

other LBCC departments and says teaching staff has also submitted work. Last year, 66 items were chosen from contributors for the 96-page journal's largest issue in the journal's history.

A writer herself, she is also president of the Oregon State Poetry Association and is on the board of the Willamette Literary Guild, as well as a part-time LBCC instructor and the creative writing coordinator for the Benton Center. Among her degrees, Smith has an Associate of Arts degree from LBCC with a minor in journalism and a major in graphic arts and printing technology.

She sees "The Eloquent Umbrella" as serving a special purpose. "It shows the rich talent in Linn and Benton counties of writers and artists," she said.

Poetry submissions must be typed, single-spaced. Fiction or non-fiction must also be typed and double-spaced, not exceed 1,500 words. Black-and-white photos must be no larger than 8 by 10 inches and no smaller than 4 by 6 inches. Black-and-white artwork should be framed and no larger than 16 by 16 inches.

Those interested in submitting their work must reside in Linn or Benton counties. Deadline for submissions is January 1996.

For more information contact Linda Smith at 753-3335.

Submissions may be mailed to A-108, LBCC, 6500 S.W. Pacific Blvd., Albany, Ore. 97321. Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope and information on how you can be contacted.

# 'Really Rosie' auditions begin Nov. 28

by Angie Kincheloe  
of The Commuter

By now most students have probably seen the audition fliers for the winter children's musical "Really Rosie."

Not only have they been posted around campus, but they have also been handed out in many classes in an attempt to drum up interest in the production.

The reason the theater department has decided to beef up its publicity is that only seven people tried out for the fall production of "Born Yesterday" and that was not enough people for the cast. As a result, the department was in the unusual position of having to cancel a major production.

The department is hoping to see more people try out for auditions this time around because of the new publicity,

said Gary Ruppert, department chairman. He said the problem with the fall play was that auditions were scheduled too soon into the term and students weren't aware of the tryouts.

So this time he scheduled tryouts for the end of fall term—Nov. 28 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 29 at 3 p.m., both in Tadena Theatre.

Students interested in trying out for a part are asked to come both days and be prepared to sing part of a song about one to two minutes in length. An accompanist will be provided, and students are expected to bring their own music.

One-half tuition stipends are available to those selected to the cast.

Further information is available from Ruppert at ext. 4534 and from director Jane Donovan at ext. 4565.

# CULINARY ARTS CLUB THANKSGIVING PIE AND ROLL SALE

We know how difficult it is to balance work, school and planning a holiday dinner. The Culinary Arts Club can help make your Thanksgiving even more special by doing some of the work for you!

- Order by 4 p.m. Friday, November 17 from the cashier in The Commons or in the Food Services Office - ext. 43

- Pick up by 2 p.m. Wednesday, November 22.

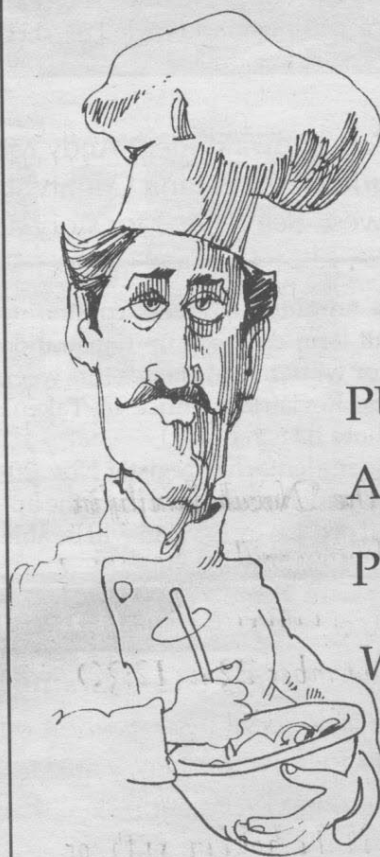
PUMPKIN.....\$6.00


APPLE.....\$6.00

PECAN.....\$7.00

WHITE or WHEAT ROLL  
\$2.00 per dozen

Recipes so good, even grandpa will be impressed!





Friday, Dec. 1, 1995  
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

## LBCC 25th ANNUAL CHILDREN'S WINTER FESTIVAL

Featuring Mr. Taps Grand Finalé

Cookie Art	Face Painting
Cultural Holiday Traditions	T-Shirt Decorating
Father Christmas & Santa Claus	Tree Lighting
	Sing-a-Long

Free for all Linn and Benton County children 12 years old and under. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Photo with Santa or Father Christmas: \$1.00. Two can food donations are appreciated.

**Sponsored by the  
LBCC Student  
Leadership Team**

If you require accommodation for disability in order to attend, contact Student Programs (917-4457) at least 48 hours prior. LBCC is an Equal Opportunity Institution.

## CAMPUS NEWS

## Students get more out of livestock judging than meets the eye

Betty Hodges  
The Commuter

Determined and intense, students pace back and forth in front of the barns at the Stan Gourley farm east of Albany, while others walk in large circles silently muttering words.

The seven students, freshmen members of the LBCC Livestock Judging team have just finished evaluating sets of pigs and are preparing to practice their "Oral Reasoning" before the coaches.

Every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m., LBCC's Livestock Selection Techniques class meets somewhere between the college and Salem to develop their livestock judging techniques. On weekends, the team travels to and from contests in Oregon and California.

"I place the commercial gilts, one, two, three and four, starting with the largest framed, most feminine, most naturally correct gilt in the class—" begins Traci Dulany when Coach Rick Klampe calls her name. Dulany continues delivering her "Oral Reasoning" without a break or a pause for two minutes.

When Dulany sees a pig, she doesn't think of "Miss Piggy"—if it is a "market" pig, she looks beneath the skin and creates a picture in her mind of how that pig will look hanging in the slaughter house. If it is a gilt—female breeding pig—she judges it for what kind of "mom" it will make.

Being a member of the livestock judging team requires enrollment in the Livestock Selection Techniques class, two afternoons of intense training each week and numerous weekends away from home.

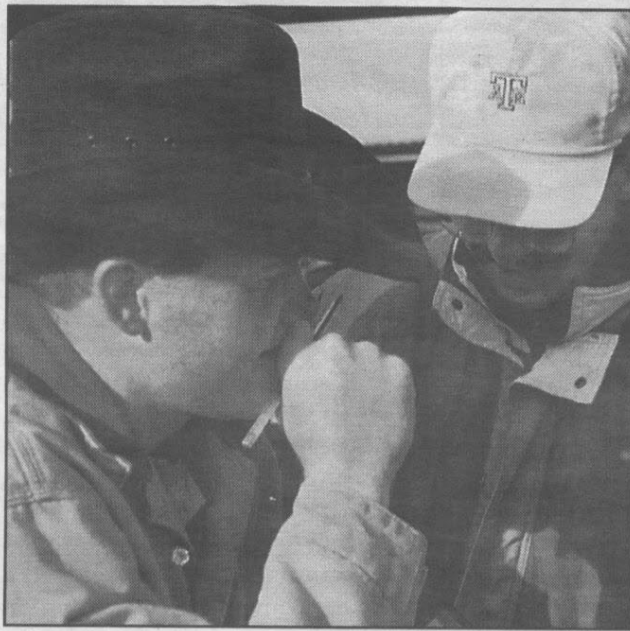
Why are Livestock Judging team members willing to give so much time and put in so much effort for a non-transferable four-credit class?

Coach Klampe says the benefits extend beyond learning and applying judging skills. The team members also acquire communication skills, critical thinking skills and teamwork abilities. They learn to think on their feet and are well-prepared for interviews. Employers consider the judging team experience just as important as other agricultural courses taken.

In fact, the developmental traits gained are of tremendous benefit regardless of the student's future, says Klampe.

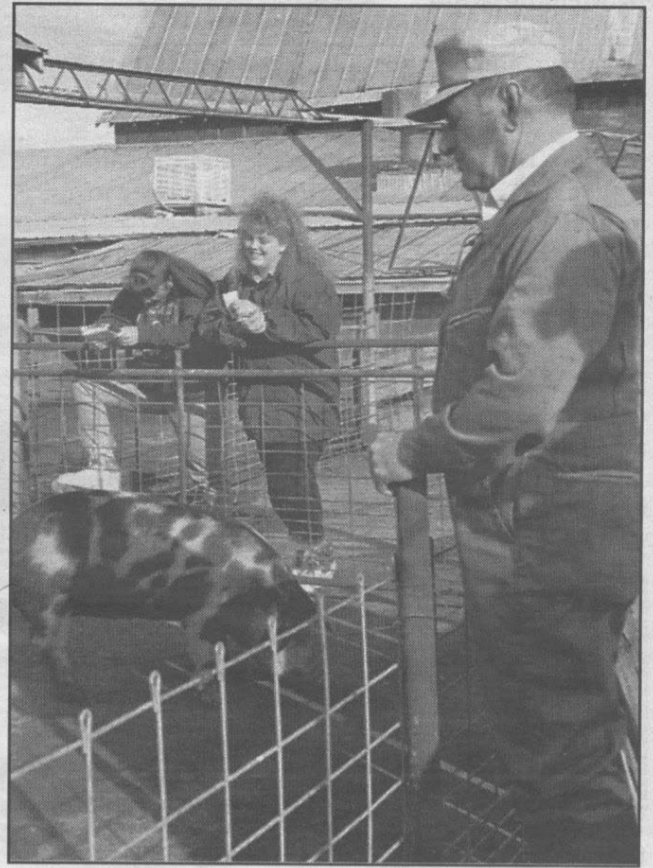
While the students agreed, they also had a reason of their own—exposure to four-year colleges. Just as star baseball and basketball players are sought after by prestigious colleges so are livestock judging team members who place high in contests.

Team member M.T. Anderson, who judged at Las Viras High School, said LBCC has a reputation of being the strongest judging team in the West. A team member who does well on the LBCC team might translate success into a scholarship or a grant at a four-year college.



Photos by Betty Hodges

**Livestock judging student M.T. Anderson confers with Coach Rick Klampe, above, while Sara Watt and Traci Dulany assess the qualities of a market hog under the watchful eye of Coach Bruce Moos. Every week the students try to get out to area farms and ranches to practice their skills.**



Agriculture education major Sara Watt from Walnut Creek, Calif. agrees, "I am at LBCC because of the judging team's strong reputation."

While it is possible to earn money being a judge at state and local fairs, there are very few professional livestock judges. Rather, team members have a variety of career goals from agriculture business majors to auctioneers to high school agriculture teachers—who will someday have livestock judging teams of their own and compete against each other.

LBCC Livestock Judging team members who have gone onto Fresno State, Colorado State, Chico State, Montana State, Cal Poly, New Mexico and other four-year colleges, report back that they are well-prepared.

"Graduate students are our best advertisement," said Bruce Moos, who put together LBCC's first livestock judging team over 20 years ago. Eight years ago LBCC alumni Rich Klampe joined him, and the two have been co-coaching ever since.

This year's team, nine freshmen and six sophomores, have traveled as far away as Los Angeles, as well as to Chico, San Francisco, Davis and Medford to compete with a dozen different junior and community colleges. In January, they will travel to Denver to compete in the National Western contest.

LBCC placed second at Los Angeles and Medford and third at Chico in final team standings while Modesto (Calif.) Junior College took first place in all

three contests. Klampe did not want to talk about the Davis and Medford contests.

In LA, team member Brenda Tarr placed first in the beef category; Mary Jane Harding placed second in horses and third in beef. Holly Cole placed second in beef.

At Medford, Jessica Patterson placed second in overall, third in beef and third in sheep, while Harding placed second in sheep.

In Chico, Harding placed first in sheep; Patterson took first in swine and third in overall; Cole finished first in reasons and second in swine. John Walker took second in beef and Sara Watt took third.

In the six categories at the three contests, team members placed a total of 33 times in the fourth through 10th positions.

Besides the judging team, each summer the agriculture department sponsors a Livestock Judging Clinic for 100 junior high and high school Future Farmers of America and 4-H Club members. Profits from this effort help with the expenses of traveling to the contests.

Teams that are successful and ambitious enough to earn the extra expenses have also competed at Kansas City, Louisville, Ft. Worth and Houston.

In the summer, the members of the LBCC Livestock Judging Team also organize a judging contest for high school FFA members.

## Weight management instructor surprised at students drawn to class

Raig Hatch  
The Commuter

LBCC's exercise and weight management class has attracted an unexpected type of student—people without a weight problem.

The course is designed to provide students with scientifically-based strategies for managing and controlling weight.

"I have a unique class because they are not overweight," said instructor Raig Hatch.

The class, which is taught from 8 to 10 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, gives students a chance to learn what causes weight problems and how to deal with them.

Hatch offers students sound, scientific principles in weight management that are not based on fads or quick fixes," Hatch said. "There's no such thing as a quick fix (in weight management). I don't believe in diets. The only way to lose weight is to exercise."

Students learn about eating disorders, nutrition, dietary content and proper exercise. Students also spend about half of each class session actually doing aerobic exercises.

"It's like a lab," Street-Muscato said. "They're getting the knowledge, then they're actually using it."

Stress is also discussed as a factor in weight problems, including using food to compensate for different emotional problems.

Course-work includes article/TV reviews and a dietary evaluation as well as in-class participation.

"One of the most important things is their learning the physiology of weight and weight loss," she added. "Many things people do to lose weight hurt their weight loss."

Street-Muscato has managed to track a couple of students from her previous class. They seem to be "losing weight, feeling better, and managing their diets better."

Environmental cues, irregular eating habits and various triggers for eating impulses are all identified and discussed, as are social attitudes toward weight and thinness.

This class will be offered winter term for those who are interested. Contact Raig Hatch for more information.

"Students can carry these principles throughout their lives," she said.

## We Invite You to Our Table this Thanksgiving



The Novak family in Albany will be hosting a turkey dinner on November 23 at 12:30 p.m., free of charge.

If you have no one to spend the holiday with, or

cannot afford to pay for dinner, they welcome you to spend the day with them.

Dinner will feature a golden baked turkey, whipped potatoes

and gravy, candied yams, vegetables, cranberries, pumpkin pie and fresh cream.

Novak's Restaurant is located at 2835 Santiam Hwy. They can be reached by phone at 967-9488.

CAMPUS NEWS

# Three men change careers to join their wives as nurses

by Melodie Mills  
of The Commuter

Facing another possible layoff, machinist Randi Monson, 36, decided to change professions after 15 years.

"I got tired of the same people and the same four walls every day, but I made too much money to quit," he said.

Monson is one of three husbands of nurses who are following their wives into the nursing profession through LBCC's ADN program. Monson and Chuck Westlund are currently enrolled. Larry Clark graduated last spring. Each was preceded in this female-dominated profession by his wife, all of whom graduated from LBCC.

It was Randi who first brought up the idea of becoming nurses. Until that time Laura, his wife of eight years, had worked a variety of fast food jobs, and for a



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—Randi Monson

time at Olan Mills, but never considered any of them a career. She and Randi agreed that the field held good steady employment prospects and good pay.

Laura enrolled while her husband continued working as a machinist to support their family, which includes two children.

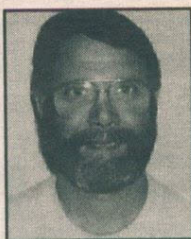
All through the first term, Laura wondered if she was meant to be in the profession. The turning point came in the second term, when she began her practicum in a nursing home facility. "I saw that older people needed love and care and to have their rights protected. I would sit in class and notice that there was a stigma attached to long-term care nursing, but it gave me a sense of self satisfaction," she said. Laura manages 50 patients, keeping up with their changing diagnoses and medications.

After her spring, 1992 graduation, Laura was employed by Timber View nursing home (formerly Linn Care.) She then took over the job of supporting the family so that Randi could enroll. They say this arrangement has served them well because they work or are in school when the children who are six and eight years old are in school and haven't had to hire a babysitter.

Layoffs were a motivating factor in Larry Clark's career change. He worked in the rare metals industry.

Larry had always been interested in nursing and, when faced with relocation, made the break into the health profession.

Larry, a 1995 graduate, suffers from arthritis and other medical problems. He says some of his interest stemmed from being on the "other side of the fence, as a patient."



*"We try to make the remaining days for terminally ill patients as pain free as possible."*

—Larry Clark

Larry's wife of 12 years, Teresa, also feels that some of her "passion for the profession rubbed off on him."

Teresa, who graduated in 1973, at age 19, always knew what she wanted to do in life. She worked in oncology for 15 years, but during Larry's first year in the program, she changed jobs to do hospice care. Helping him study allowed her necessary review time for the new job.

Unlike Randi and Larry, Chuck Westlund, 37, had more security in his job, but had become disillusioned with his chosen field of journalism. He had earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Washington and worked as a reporter 12 years, six for the Corvallis Gazette-Times. He felt that the news had become too much of an entertainment media, and that he would like to feel that he had affected people in a different manner.

In 1990 Chuck interviewed a local nurse, Barbara Holley, for a story he was doing on nursing. She had just returned from Somalia with Northwest Medical Teams. She was encouraging when he spoke of his growing interest in nursing.

Chuck had a lot of fears about making such a big change, but decided to go for it.

Evonna, Chuck's wife of 14 years, was a pharmacy technician at Fred Meyer for four years. She chose nursing over her other career choice of teaching when she made the change.

The Westlunds were the only couple who attended the program at the same time. Last year was his first year and her second.

Chuck said the nursing program is "intense, a real grind," and that "you must be very committed to making it through."

Teresa Clark said that it was "horrible" while her husband was in school. During that time they were also building a house and doing some of the work themselves.

Each of the couples has two children, and all mentioned that time demands have been hard on their families. In Chuck works full-time as a unit secretary and CNA in the Medical/Surgical unit at Albany General. He is involved with patient care and his secretarial work includes entering doctor's orders and lab reports on the computer.

Teresa mentioned that their children have had to help in that they often have to "keep the house quiet" so their dad can study.

The Westlunds did not study a lot together because of differing study habits. "She needs a quiet room and I need Dire Straights in the background," he said. On occasions when they did help each other, his journal-

ism background lent itself to helping her with writing while she helped him with math.

Each of the wives has had different roles in helping their husbands with their studies.

Laura Monson works in management at Timber View nursing home and Randi may follow in her footsteps by working in a long-term care facility, she says she has been of help not so much in his studies, in answering questions concerning basic nursing. "I want to ask questions, and I just want to get away from it."

Recent graduate Larry Clark now works on-call at Lebanon Community Hospital and, along with his wife, works for the Homecare Hospice Network, where he said their goal is to manage the symptoms of a disease process. "We try to make the remaining days for terminally ill patients as pain-free as possible."



*Sharing similar careers "brought us closer," but "sometimes we can talk it to death."*

—Chuck Westlund

Medicine has grown and changed a lot since Larry's wife received her degree 23 years ago, but through review, reading and hospital in-service days, she kept abreast of changes. This allowed her to help Larry in his studies. In addition, she was his assigned mentor during the required six-week orientation at the Lebanon hospital. Larry also went on calls with Teresa, gaining 220 hours of cooperative work experience. "I said he was able to learn more skills this way than a lot of nursing grads, and she feels this in turn gave him more confidence when he entered the job market."

All of the couples like the fact that they are able to share in the evenings with their spouse and can relate to each other's experiences. Laura Monson says, "It brings us closer together. Sometimes I air gripes and she learns from them."

Chuck Westlund agreed that sharing a career "brought us closer," but added, "sometimes we can talk it to death."

The Clark's children get tired of the lingo, "especially at the dinner table," Teresa said.

Despite the sacrifices and the hectic schedule, each of the couples is looking forward to the future, and Laura Monson says, when they "get there," they will be able to do the things they want.

"Getting there" means different things for the three men still in the program. Randi will begin working in long-term care and will see where he goes from there. Chuck Westlund hopes to eventually be involved in the work that first inspired him to make the change. He'd like to travel with an organization like Northwest Medical Teams to work in a Third World country.

Randi Monson says, "I just can't wait to get started."

## Nov. 21 blood drive seeks donors

The LBCC Blood Drive, sponsored by Student Programs, will be held Tuesday, Nov. 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the mobile unit parked in front of the loading docks at the front of the College Center. The process takes about one-half to one hour.

Appointments to donate blood are being taken at the booth in the Commons

lobby up to Nov. 21. Time slots fill up quickly, so donors should sign up now.

Blood donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 105 pounds. They should eat a good meal the night before and also a good breakfast that day.

For more information, contact Amber Christiansen, Community Events Specialist, in Student Programs in CC-213.

# STRESSED?

## Take a breather!

Join Phi Theta Kappa at the Recreation Station for an evening of fun.

THURSDAY, NOV. 30 - 5 to 9 pm

Purchase a ticket from a Phi Theta Kappa member or at the door for \$3.00 and receive 15% off food purchase.

Remember when a night at the movies didn't break the



If you answered no, it's time to let

**Kuhn Theatre** refresh your memory.

- Friday 7 & 9 p.m. Adults \$4.00 Seniors \$2.50 Children \$2.50
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# Kuhn Theatre

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**SPORTS PAGE**

**Men's basketball team has high hopes**

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e Linn-Benton men's basketball program is back and  
t for a league title.  
adrunners finished third in the Southern Division,  
16-8 (10-4 in league) record. They narrowly missed  
ACC tournament, courtesy of a last second shot by  
of Chemeketa.  
enton is looking strong and deep and is returning  
ers from last year's squad. Included in that seven are  
rd Jeff Taylor, post Kyle Wonderly and guard Chris  
led the team in scoring—averaging 18 points per  
was first in the Southern Division in assists, dishing  
r game. Taylor was also second team all-league and  
all-freshman team. Wonderly received honorable  
nd was third in team scoring with 14.1 points per  
allom put up 13.1 points per game and shot 45 percent  
e-point-land.  
adrunners lost a couple of key components in Sean  
eg Obrist and Aaron Mickey. But, with the addition  
n Oregon State College transfer Andy McCabe and  
Mike Graves, Jess Wynia, Chris Clark, Dirk Tylor,  
ocamalu and Jason Cain, the Roadrunners still have  
d a lot of talent.  
oberts, Donny Cloud, Ryan Heron and Chris Sexton  
ack from last year's team to complete the line up.  
ve a lot of versalility on the team," fifth-year coach  
k said. "There are a lot of guys who can step up and  
done for us."  
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ne up will be. He said that there are two more  
d scrimages left from which he will make his decision.

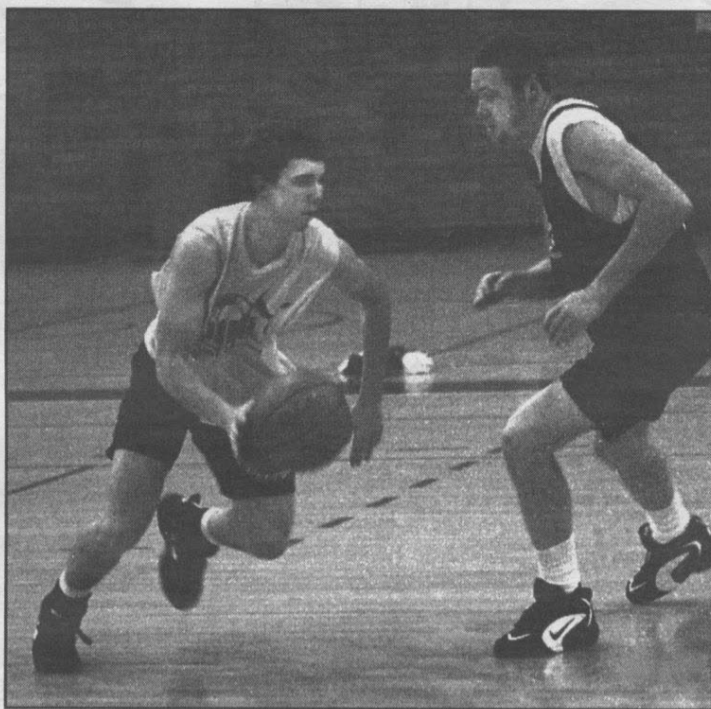


Photo by Jessica Sprenger

**Redshirt Kelly McMahon attempts to drive by sophomore Don Cloud during a recent Roadrunner practice. The men are looking to make a return to the Southern Division Playoffs.**

When asked if he felt Linn-Benton would be competing for the league title, Falk said, "We're in a tough league, the best in the NWAACC. We will be competing to play hard, taking the wins and the losses as they come."

Roadrunner fans can get their first taste of the action on Nov. 29 when LB faces the Willamette JV's at home.

**Fruits give lady cagers depth as tip-off nears**

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One person Wold is counting on for that spark is 5-9 Kari Ziegler from Wisconsin. "She's creative and makes things happen, but she's only 5-9 which is not quite tall enough for a post," said Wold.

*"I think it's going to be real competitive. A lot of teams in this league are going to be real tough. Our goal is to try to make the top four, to make the playoffs. That's a tough goal, but it's something that we can achieve."*

— Coach Bill Wold

To help improve their overall game are newcomers 5-7 Melinda MacLean and 5-10 Melissa Olson, both from Gresham. "They are both looking pretty sharp, but Mt. Hood didn't recruit them and they're right next door to them, so that says how much talent Mt. Hood

must have gotten if they didn't recruit them," said Wold. "I'm glad they didn't though, because they are both good players."

Other squad members are 5-1 Daina Arrell, 5-8 Amy Blem, 5-9 Lara Eckert, 5-4 Lori Barclay, and 5-6 Crystal Falk.

"I think it's going to be real competitive. A lot of teams in this league are going to be real tough," said Wold. "Our goal is to try to make the top four, to make the playoffs. That's a tough goal, but it's something that we can achieve."

Last year's squad, consisting of mostly walk-ons, missed the playoffs. The lady Roadrunners went into the second half of the season 4-3. Those three losses were by a total of four points. From that point, they only won one of their last seven games. "We started out real strong and then went downhill," said Wold. "We hope to be consistent and stay competitive the whole year."

The lady Roadrunners step into action over their Thanksgiving break, Nov. 24-25, at the Clackamas Invitational. The Roadrunners play their first home game Dec. 4 against the Willamette JV's.

**Travel to sophomore all-star game**

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sion on where to go.

Coach Frazier has also handed out her achievement awards for the season, which ended last Wednesday, naming West the Most Valuable Player and Cori Mika as Most Inspirational.

The Offensive Player of the Year was Irish who was recognized last week for her play at the Blue Mountain Tournament. Bennett earned the Defensive Player of the Year award.

Last Wednesday, the volleyball team closed out its season with a 15-4, 15-4, 15-5 loss to Mt. Hood.

The Roadrunners finished the season fifth in the Southern Division with a 3-9 record in league play and 17-21 overall.

"I wish I would have ended the season with the tournament last Saturday," Coach Frazier said. "We went back out there and were real flat."

**scoreboard**

**Results**

Linn-Benton .....	4	4	5
Mt. Hood .....	15	15	15

**Final Standings**

Clackamas ....	11	1	.917	—
Mt. Hood .....	11	1	.917	—
SW Oregon .....	7	5	.583	4
Umpqua .....	6	6	.500	5
Linn-Benton ..	3	9	.250	8
Lane .....	2	10	.167	9
Chemeketa .....	2	10	.167	9

**Schedule**

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## letters

## Student strongly disagrees with Bootsma's opinions

## To the Editor:

After much thought and discussion I find I must respond to Mr. Bootsma's opinion letter of 11/8/95. Mr. Bootsma writes "but to think that we can judge a person based on their motives is just wrong." I agree with Mr. Bootsma that individuals should not be judged on their motives alone.

However that is exactly what Mr. Bootsma has done.

The President's Commission on Hate-Related Activities, or PCHRA, was a direct result of hate-related activities at OSU. A number of incidents have brought about the Proclamation against hate. The gunshots fired at the Gay/Queer Pride tent two years ago, the assaults and vandalism at the native American Cultural Center, various act of vandalism at the Varsity House and the numerous assaults and rapes on OSU's campus.

The actions of PCHRA are not an attempt to limit free speech, but an attempt to stop discriminatory acts.

Mr. Bootsma's example of the incident at Penn State was inadequate at best, for if Mr. Bootsma did a little research before writing he would have known that not only were the sorority sisters insulted because of their weight but because of their ethnicity as well. This type of incident is what PCHRA is trying to stop.

Unfortunately, discrimination and hate might always be a part of our world, but by providing a consequence for hate-related activities and actions, perhaps OSU can become safer for all.

Melissa Gorby, Corvallis

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## guest column

## Over-reaching tentacles of regulation threaten to strangle smoker's rights

by Jim Quine  
for The Commuter

During my summer vacation, I spent a lot of time in Colorado roaming around and getting a feel for the way things happen. Sometime during my trip our leaders in Washington proposed a new way to discourage tobacco consumption. As it is, regulation is pretty much left to local and state governments which determine how tobacco will be sold and where it might be consumed.

In Salida County, for instance, the trust is left to business owners to regulate smoking. Some restaurants and taverns don't have no-smoking sections, others don't allow smoking at all. Many are segregated, and one tavern forbids smoking on Friday nights but allows it other evenings.

This seems fair—it allows a publican to accommodate public demands one way or another and relies on efficient market forces. But common sense escapes Boulder, whose city government, in essence, outlaws all indoor smoking except in private dwellings. This too will become illegal the first time the Childrens Services Division succeeds in convicting some parents of child abuse because they smoked in the same house inhabited by their offspring.

Us country hicks often make fun of people in places like Portland or the People's Republic of Boulder. The fact is that they are leaders. Whatever they do—pedestrian mall, developmental controls—other cities try a few years later. So the regulations will spread.

I think it's funny that the same people who were arguing for the legalization of marijuana 25 years ago are the ones pushing so hard to outlaw tobacco. Their argument is that public safety and health are improved, but that seems a little specious.

Many years ago, I remember taking the bus across most of the country. In those days, you could smoke in the back of the bus, but not in the front. At every stop, the driver would jump off and light up. When is a passenger safer? When the driver is comfortable because his habit is handy, or when he's gritting his teeth and squirming in the seat racing down the road to the next stop so he can have a smoke? I don't know about you, but I want the driver watching the road not lusting after his next fix.

This is probably why bureaucrats have outlawed smoking in planes but allow it in the cockpit. Our regulators don't take the bus. But they do fly, and they would rather face the risks of second-hand smoke than

an edgy flight crew. They obviously know how to look out for themselves, as for the rabble who take it well—this is Contract America, and if bus passengers are truly concerned about their own safety, they have enough money to charter jets.

On the federal front, the noble struggle against addiction founded by tobacco planters, a new regulation has been proposed. Declare nicotine (one of the addictive substances known to science) a drug. This means that it now would be regulated by the Drug Administration, giving the federal government the right to supersede state and local regulations on cigarette machines and smoking locales, etc.

An FDA spokesperson called the cigarette delivery system "a cup of coffee is a delivery system" and a bar is a "theobromine system."

A lot of common sense is lost in certain chemical compounds. Nicotine is an addictive and psychoactive substance. Chocoholism is a fashion in some circles, and people who enjoy the buzz are miserable and can barely function in the

until they've gotten a fix.

It seems only fair that these substances be restricted like tobacco. In fact, the equal clause of the constitution might require protection from chocolate and caffeine as well as from tobacco.

How many Americans die early because they are obese from eating too much addictive chocolate? How much does American productivity suffer because we sip coffee instead of working, then we have expensive demands on our waste water treatment facilities caused by "second hand coffee?"

A few lawsuits demanding protection should be filed with the federal government on course. And there are other ramifications that should prove interesting.

Since tobacco is defined as an addictive and self-destructive, but victims.

Not only do we suffer the health risks, but we are pretty much unemployable these days. So we don't qualify for Supplemental Security Income.

Or maybe we'll qualify under the Americans with Disabilities Act, and businesses will have to provide "reasonable accommodations" for us. However it turns out, thousands of law-abiding citizens are able to retire on the proceeds from all this regulation. That's the REAL purpose of all regulation.

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OPINION PAGE

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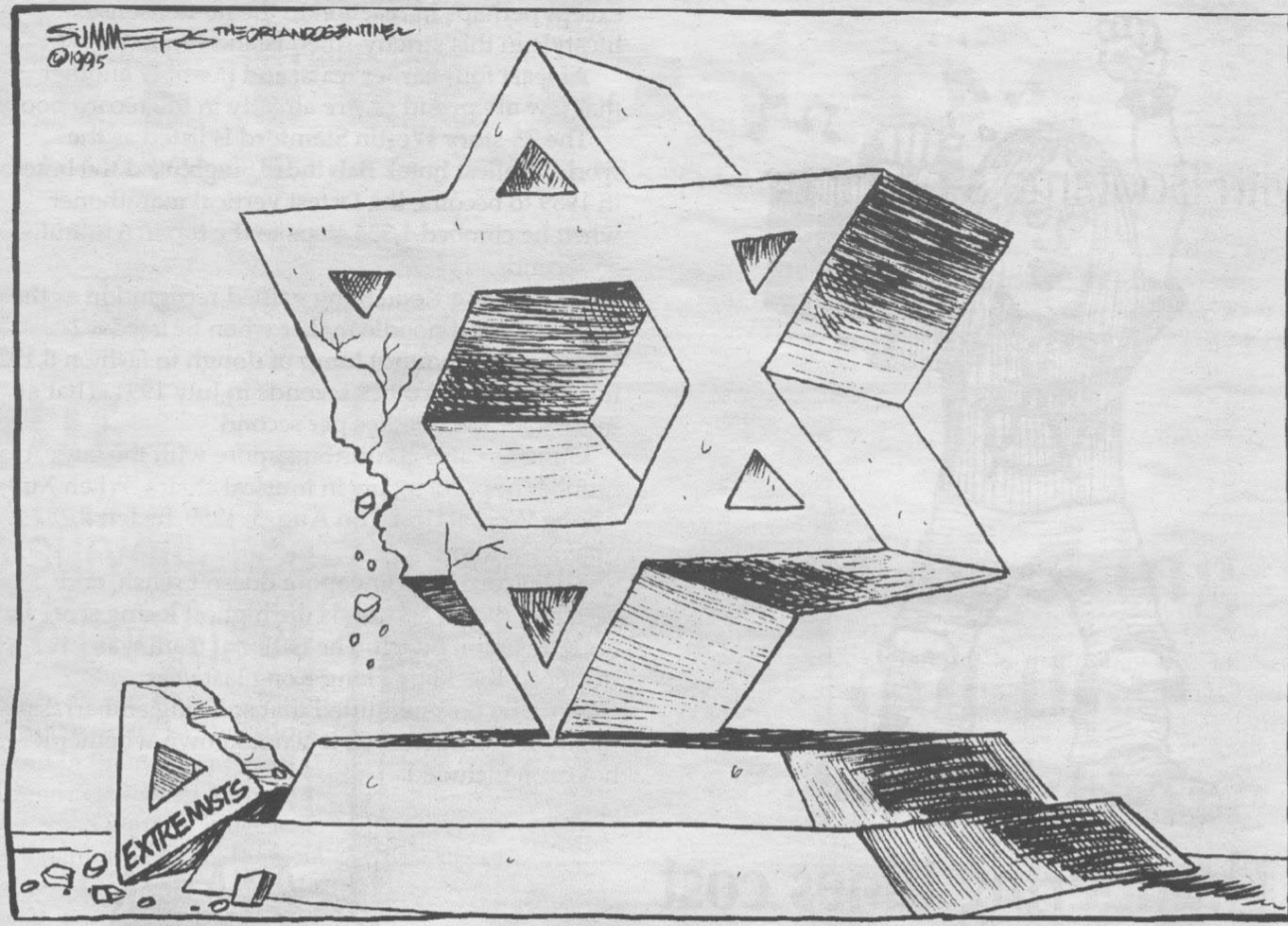
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paul turner

Gays and conservatives misunderstood

It's easy to see the storm brewing in today's political climate. Lon Mabon and his group are gusting up to prevent gays from gaining more acceptance. Meanwhile, the gay camp is fighting the conservative cold front with their rainbow of political movements. The editorial pages of many local papers are already heating up with passion from both fronts of the storm. It seems the TV news has about a story a night on what's new with the gay/conservative clash. It is as predictable as rain in Oregon what both sides are going to say—and to make things more stormy, neither side will be listening to the other.

Many people in our area are of a very conservative bent. It's easy to be that way here. Much of the area thrives on farming and other traditionally conservative businesses. Steeped in the work ethic, many of the people who work, go to church, raise children and live here, like things the way they are. It works for them. Suddenly, it seems, these homosexuals want “special rights” and to be thought of as normal.

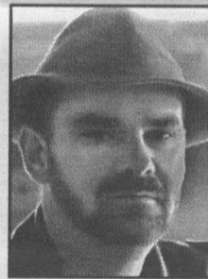
If you have spent your whole life being told that something is unnatural and contradicts the foundation of your beliefs, it is easy to listen to someone screaming, “No Special Rights!” Homosexuality has always been in the closet—easily out of sight and out of mind. It is very easily ignored in the few instances when it does surface in conservative society. Now it can no longer be ignored. Matter of fact, homosexuals are demanding to be recognized. They seem to be in-your-face about what and who they are. They want the right to teach your children. They want government money—to convince the world that they are here and need to be treated as equals. They want to be treated like everybody else. This is heavy stuff when you have been taught that these people CHOOSE to be gay.

Within the structure of this same society are homosexuals. Out of sight and of mind. Forced to hide and lie about their proclivities. They function every day wondering if this will be their last day in the closet or will someone find out. Will they be discovered as different than the rest? What will their family think? Will they have to give up their lives and leave town? They pray to “get better,” hoping God will make them like everybody else.

Soon it becomes obvious to them that God made them the way they are. They can't change—who would choose to be like this? Then they hear a sound. A few gay groups start to make a noise. They want out. They want to be able to function in society (the society they helped build) the way they are. They don't want to be hated for the things people think—people who judge them without ever having known a homosexual who was out. They are surrounded by lies and hate everywhere they turn: home, school, work, church, friends. Time to stop being afraid. Time to face the hate. Time to be a man or a woman—not a fag or a dyke.

Hear the thunder?

And soon Oregon will be in the middle of this storm again. Mabon and the Oregon Citizen's Alliance have yet another ballot measure hoping to insure that gays stay where they are. Their two previous anti-gay measures failed by a very narrow margin. They have started their campaign against the homosexual community with the usual propaganda which seems resistant to death.



The major conflict between the two fronts seems to be the issue of whether homosexuality is a chosen vocation or is it thrust upon those so afflicted. Is it an affliction or is it just as natural as being left-handed or preferring “Chicago Hope” over “ER”?

The guys and girls in the lab coats with the pocket-protectors—who know more about this kind of stuff than you, I, our parents, the clergy, or the guys in the locker room will ever know—seem to side with the notion that homosexuals do NOT choose their sexuality. Men and women who choose to pick out curtains with their own gender generally have no recollection of ever being any other way. This isn't good news to many conservative, anti-gay people—and many of them can produce interestingly scientific evidence to the contrary. What's bad is this can lead to the Lon Mabons of the world being taken with more than a grain of salt.

So where does that leave us? It could leave us with a fight fought largely with propaganda. It is horrifying to think the fate of homosexual rights is in the hands of the group with the most money to spread its version of the truth. Wouldn't it be nice if lack of ignorance influenced the voters?

As misunderstood as the homosexual lifestyle is so is the conservative mind set. Being a homosexual doesn't mean an affinity for pink shirts and antiques no more than being anti-gay right activists means being a Rush Limphone fan and uneducated. Being a lesbian doesn't mean one lives for flannel shirts and men bashing, no more than being a conservative woman means being that one stays in the home and lives for her man.

These two groups need to find a common ground upon which to meet and discuss their differences.

I, personally, would recommend a dance. Act-Up and the Oregon Citizen's Alliance need to spend a few hours tangoing. After all, many of the world's best dancers have been gay. . . It might discover that a few of those OCA-ians can really cut loose. Decorating and crowd control duties would be easily delegated. Could you see the conservative Christian women exchanging recipes with some of the best chefs from some of the best restaurants? Maybe Lon could get some fashion tips so he doesn't look like he's going to try to sell you a used Edsel. The only thing is, the dance couldn't be called a Gay-la.

NEWS LITE



## Thundering tunes cost metal fan \$30,000

NEW YORK (AP)—A heavy metal fan received a \$30,000 message from a judge:

**TURN DOWN YOUR STEREO!**

Joseph Vallone, 25, was ordered to pay that amount to his neighbors for tormenting them with his loud stereo system at all hours.

Michael and Concetta Stiglianese of New York City had sued after enduring three years of Vallone's music.

The Stiglianeses said they were awakened 23 times by his car stereo. There were 85 episodes where the music made their house shake. They called the police 51 times with noise complaints. When they complained, Vallone would taunt them by turning up the volume.

"Joseph Vallone's conduct was egregious, malicious, wanton and reckless," Civil Court Judge Lucinda Suarez said in her Oct. 20 decision.

Vallone is still living—quietly, now—next to the Stiglianeses.

## Big centipede and aerobic Singaporeans must wait till next year

SINGAPORE (AP) — Singapore, which takes pride in oddball achievements, will have to wait a year before two more are enshrined in the Guinness Book of World Records.

The Sunday Times reported that the biggest mass display of aerobics and the largest "human centipede" were too late for the 1996 edition.

Publishers of the record book have acknowledged the new marks and say they will appear in the next printing—providing they are not surpassed.

Those who hope to top the mass aerobics category should gather at least 30,518 people in one place and start to boogie. Healthy Lifestyle Day was observed that way on Aug. 27 by 30,517 Singaporeans, led by Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong.

That beat Singapore's own record of 26,017, set in 1993 on the Padang, the showpiece sports field in front of City Hall.

Registered participants were issued yellow caps and red T-shirts and assigned to a spot whitewashed on the grass. Police cadets did the counting.

Also too late to make it into print is Nanyang Technological University's human centipede on July 29. With their ankles tied together, 1,601 students moved 30 meters (32.8 yards) without any of them tripping over.

The previous record was 1,537 last year at Great Barr School in Britain.

A penchant for the unusual to get into Guinness developed in recent years for no apparent reason,

except perhaps in reaction to the no-nonsense lifestyle in this strictly-ruled island republic.

At least four earlier feats, and possibly another that few are proud of, are already in the record book.

The 73-story Westin Stamford is listed as the world's tallest hotel. Balvinder Singh used the hotel in 1989 to become the fastest vertical marathoner when he climbed 1,336 steps to the top in 6 minutes, 55 seconds.

Simon Sang Koon Sung gained recognition as the world's fastest noodle maker when he used a 2-kilogram (4.4-pound) lump of dough to fashion 8,192 noodle strings in 59.29 seconds in July 1994. That's more than 138 noodles per second.

Guinness also credits Singapore with the largest number of participants in musical chairs. When Xu Chong Wei sat down on Aug. 5, 1989, he left 8,237 others standing.

The record that Singapore doesn't relish, and certainly didn't ask for, is the highest losing score in a rugby union match. The national team was trounced 164-13 by Hong Kong last year.

Since no one submitted that sporting embarrassment for consideration, it is not known whether it has been included.



## Maybe if she would've given a bigger tip . . .

SPOKANE (AP)—Police had little difficulty catching up with a woman they believe took a taxicab to and from a bank robbery on Saturday.

A woman walked into the Five Mile branch of the Washington Trust Bank and showed the teller what appeared to be the handle of a gun, police spokesman Dick Cottam said.

The woman was given an undetermined amount of cash. She then walked out of the bank, got into a waiting cab and left, Cottam said.

Witnesses described the robber as very nervous. Police traced the taxi and got the woman's address.

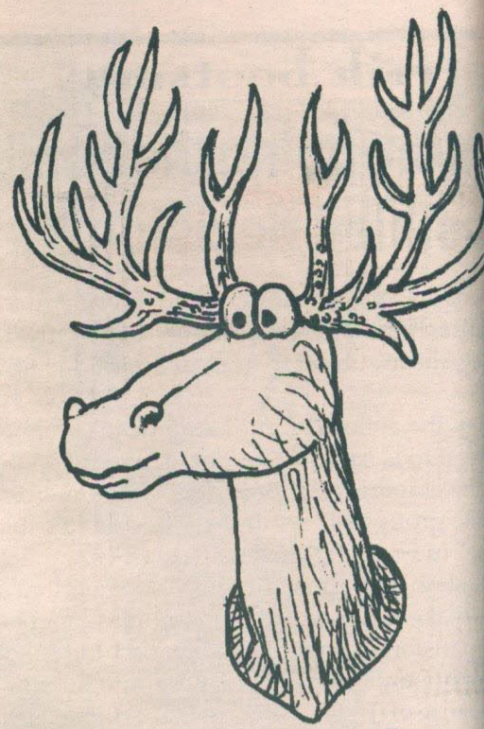
Daphne Cole, 32, was arrested without incident at a house on the city's north side.

She was booked into Spokane County Jail for investigation of first-degree armed robbery, Cottam said.

### CHAOS by Brian Shuster



"Hal, get up quick! Looks like we messed with the wrong elephant."



## Trophy hunter thwacked by unlucky Chevrolet

CAMPBELLSPORT, Wis. (AP)—For four years Reimer hunted the 20-point, 250-plus-pound buck of deer, only to see his trophy landed in the hands of another motorist.

The white-tail was struck earlier this week by a Chevrolet Eurosport on Fond du Lac County Trunk V by Collette Winfield. Winfield was unharmed, but damage to the Chevrolet Eurosport was estimated at \$4,700.

One side of the deer's rack crashed through the windshield in the accident late Tuesday afternoon.

Reimer, who stopped his car to see if Winfield was hurt, had been hunting the deer for four years. The arrow, presumably shot shortly before the accident, was stuck in the deer's flank.

Winfield and Reimer believe the deer was killed because of the arrow wound. Reimer and another hunter split the meat.

"They had been hunting this deer for a couple of years," said Reimer's mother, Kathy Reimer of Campbellsport. "It was big before, but this was huge. They were very disappointed it wasn't a real trophy deer."

The buck weighed about 250 pounds at the time of the crash and when field-dressed, came in at about 215 pounds, sheriff's Officer Cameron McCarty said.

## She bungled the waitress' customer's order

PHILADELPHIA (AP) A woman robbing a suburban doughnut shop pretended to be a customer when a customer came to the drive-up window. When the woman, Trouble was, she bungled the order—and the customer was a cop.

Cheltenham Township Police Sgt. Michael Regan wanted a large coffee with cream and sugar. The woman at the suburban Dunkin' Donuts shop had an unfamiliar face, and she delivered a medium black with the cup only half full.

"I figured this person doesn't work there," Regan said Wednesday. He parked in a remote corner of the parking lot, watched and waited.

Regan could see the woman through the store's windows as she pounded on the cash register keyboard. She walked into a back room and disappeared with two employees.

"Then I saw her make one of them open the register, and when he did that she scooped out the money," he said.

That's when Regan called for backup and drove toward the store. When the woman spotted the police cruiser, she climbed through the takeout window and fled.

A suspect, arrested a short time later without the aid of a police dog, was identified as Ella Harshbarger of Philadelphia. She was charged with robbery and held on \$50,000 bail. She had taken about \$100 from the shop, police said.

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