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Up, up and away Board approves tuition compromise

By Doug Schwartz
Staff Writer

Tuition for full-time resident students at LBCC will increase to \$180 spring term and to \$192 summer term, according to a decision made by LBCC's Board of Education last week.

The 7.1 percent increase spring term raises tuition to \$15 per credit hour and the 14.3 percent increase summer term raises it to \$16 per credit hour. The hike was lower than President Tom Gonzales' proposed in January, when he recommended tuition increases of \$15 per credit hour spring term and \$17 per credit hour summer term.

Board member Carol Moore suggested the board adopt the lower rates following discussion by the board after comments from Vern Farnell, Dean of Business, and Tim Dehne, student council representative.

Farnell said the two meetings held with LBCC students the previous week brought a "much better turnout" on Thursday than Wednesday, and that he had "spent two hours instead of the one planned" discussing the proposed tuition increases.

"If we assume a general fund budget of \$13 million then tuition would represent 17.6 percent of revenue, roughly half-way between 15

and 20 percent," which is within the college's fair-share guideline for tuition, he said.

Dehne stated the ASLBCC student council position calling the \$1 per credit hour increase proposed at the Jan. 14 board meeting "fair and equitable," but requested the board "postpone the approval of the larger increase of 13.3 percent for fall quarter until after the May 18 election."

The board then unanimously approved the increases as proposed by Moore, but reserved the decision to increase fall term tuition at a later date.

Dean's post to be eliminated

By Pam Cline
Staff Writer



Lee Archibald

In his first reorganization move since taking over as president of LBCC last year, Dr. Thomas Gonzales has decided to eliminate the position of dean of students at the college.

Although no official announcement has been made, both Dr. Gonzales and Lee Archibald, LBCC's dean of students since 1967, confirmed the report last week.

Archibald, one of the first administrators to be hired when the community college was formed in the late 1960s, will reportedly leave the school at the end of this fiscal year. He had no comment on his plans, however.

Gonzales said the dean of students position is being eliminated "to streamline the organization for efficiency." He emphasized that the move was made strictly for organizational reasons, not because of personnel or service problems.

Dean of Students currently oversees several departments in the Student Personnel Services Unit. Among them are the office of financial aid, admissions, registration, veterans affairs, guidance services, student activities, Campus and Community Services, the Developmental Center, and the Placement Office.

"There will be no effect on student services," Gonzales said of the move. "The counseling activities of the position will be taken by other people in the organization."

Archibald acknowledged the move last week but said he was not prepared to give any specific comment.

"I will say that we've come to the end of an era in the structure of this institution," he said. "I care about this college and feel the change, not the process, is an important one because change affects productivity."

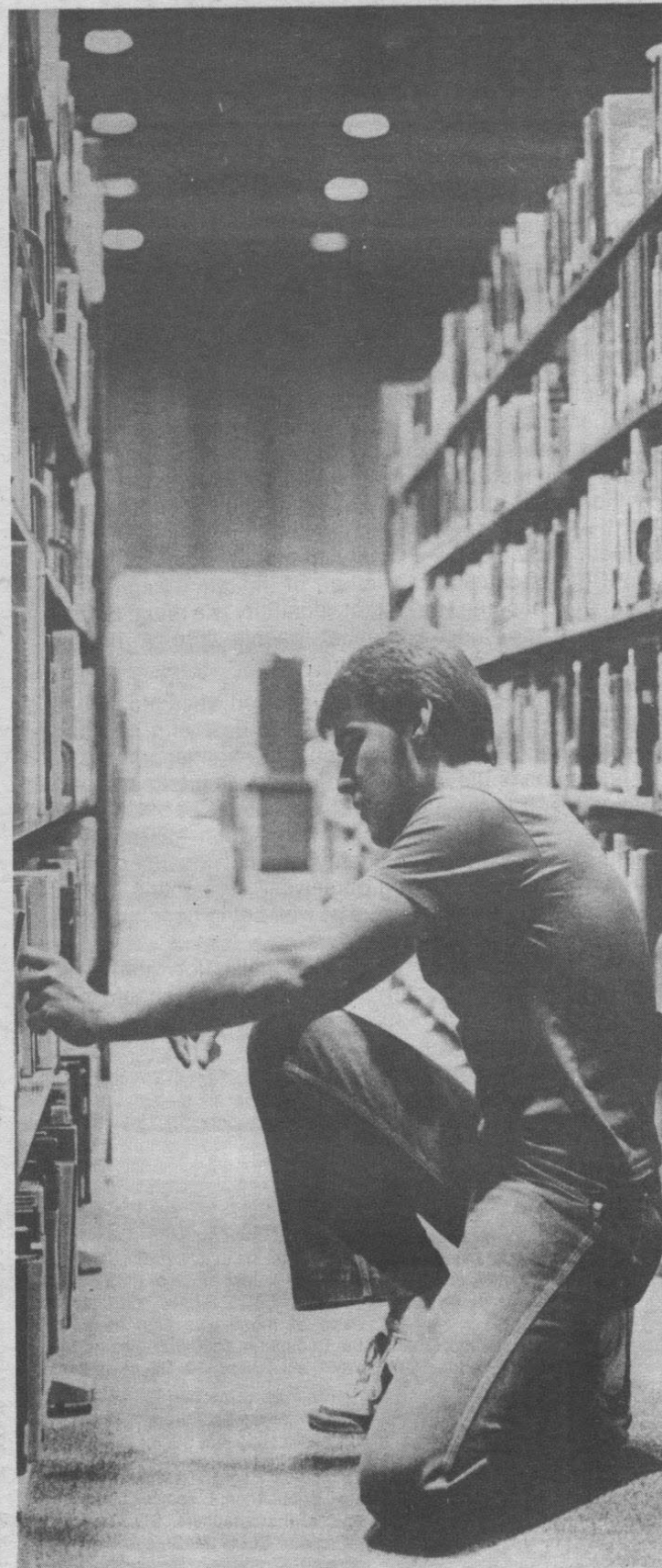


Photo by Pam Cline

Dan Johnson, a work-study student for the library, searches the stacks for materials needed by a student.

Editorial

Education in danger of selling students short

During an economic down-turn many people rely on community colleges for re-education. It's a process that, hopefully, will ultimately help them get back into the job market.

But over the past two decades there has been a shift in educational emphasis. While prosperous economic times promote concern for the individual, recessions encourage educational institutions to forego sensitivity to student needs.

Those who have limited or narrow educational backgrounds are usually locked into low-paying non-advancement jobs.

These cast-offs from the marketplace are the students who most need guidance through the system, and who receive it the least. In the late '50s and early '60s student personnel services—such as advising, counseling, tutoring, and financial assistance—were recognized as necessary functions within the framework of higher education. They were seen as tools to help some members of society achieve productive and satisfying lives.

Student success was a concern. It directly related to the benefits coeity expected to reap.

To a great degree this no longer is true. Business, industry and institutions have stolen the glory of individual achievement, molding it into an employee contribution for the good of the whole.

Schools and colleges today promote the very specilization that is causing the failure of industrial capitalism. With the changing job market versatility is a must. Education can no longer channel people into a narrow emphasis-upon-demand culture.

How can economic crises be resolved when old modes of problem-solving are being used to deal with new and more complicated industrial and cultural phenomena.

Education is the last rampart of diverse intellectual exploration—it is the anchor of free thought.

Have we truly become a consumer nation—to the detriment of appreciating the quality and individuality of life? Are we so busy "enjoying ourselves" scrambling after a dollar that the intrinsic value of well-being goes unnoticed?

It's time to stop the impersonalization that will ultimately destroy society. Our institutions should not compromise the interests of students for the sake of business.

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Letters

Creationist expresses views on controversy

To the Editor:

Regarding the article on Creationism in the February 10 Commuter: Though the author of the piece laid a handsome foundation for the controversy between the theory of creation and the theory of evolution, he was biased in his viewpoint, failed to thoroughly seek out his material and missed some important points:

First, the book of Genesis is not the only "tool" the creation scientist uses. Though they believe most radioactive dating methods to be scientifically inaccurate, creation scientists in the departments of biology, archaeology, zoology, geology, and others investigate the account of creation held in the Bible. Admittedly they are few, but a few hundred years ago not many people believed the earth to be round and orbiting the sun.

Secondly, it is not always true that "each side feels threatened when the other brings forth claims and facts

that seem to undermine their own." For the creation scientist, his faith in the absolute truth brought forth in the Bible and his trust in the Creator enables him to have peace amidst the battle of dates, bones and words.

Lastly, it is not the "ultimate goal" of the creation scientist to discover the truth of man's beginning. Any good creation scientist has a thorough knowledge of the theory of evolution. He should know his own position pretty well too. But the ultimate goal of the creation scientist is to give honor and credit where it should justly go. If the God of the Bible was the artist that fashioned this universe, it is the creationist's goal to point it out to others, that they might see it and recognize it. The real issue behind the controversy going on today is not the origin of man, but rather the existence of an all powerful, perfect, loving God who wants to be the personal Lord of every human being. The evolutionists claim that man is supreme and that the universe is a product of billions of years of time, matter and energy. Creation scientists claim that "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands."

Don Anderson
Albany

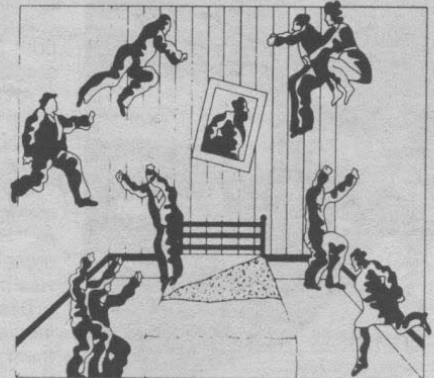
New financial aid form now available

A new form is available at the Financial Aid office for students who are applying for Work Study, Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants and National Direct Student Loans.

This new application form is only for LBCC students and will ask for information about costs of room and board, transportation, day care, personal and other miscellaneous expenses not included on the regular forms, according to Sally Wojahn, financial aid coordinator.

"With this information we can provide fine tuning for individual needs. It will help us help people better," Wojahn said.

The new form has been included in the Financial Aid Form package for less than a week. Wojahn advises anyone who has filled out their forms earlier should drop by and pick one up.



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By Neil Cuthbert

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Board endorses Loop Bus System

By Linda Hahn
Staff Writer

Despite dissension, the LBCC Board of Education voted to endorse the formation of a taxing district for the Linn-Benton Loop Bus System.

Board member Herb Hammond and chairman Larry Coady spoke against the taxing district, although board member Wayne Chambers cast the only "no" vote.

"I'm not in favor of a transit district. It's another layer of government, but I feel it's appropriate since so many depend on the bus," Hammond said.

A \$40,000 state grant for the loop will end this year. The transit committee hopes to refinance the loop system by forming a new taxing district. This district could take advantage of the Oregon tax law allowing transit districts to be financed with the six-tenths of one percent state employer payroll tax.

Hammond asked Ray Jean, head of the Transit Committee, about the state's commitment to the payroll tax.

Jean answered that the Transportation Department is the most stable department in the state budget.

"The payroll tax is a sure thing

now, but you never know," he said.

Corvallis would make the largest contribution to the payroll tax. However, Corvallis continues to withhold support for the district.

"They want to meet once more on Feb. 23 to propose one more alternative," Jean said.

To clarify a statement he made in the Commuter last week about Corvallis being "greedy," Jean said: "I don't want to alienate Corvallis. If they would do that (form their own transit district) then I would call them greedy. The Corvallis council members seem to see the merits. I feel good about them."



Jean said he is happy to have the board approval. "Everyone's given their OK which puts a little pressure on Corvallis," he said.

At the transit committee meeting Feb. 16 Jean expects confirmation on

the application to the state for two more buses. He will also ask the committee's permission to formally petition for support of the transportation district.

What do you want to be when you grow up?

By Linda Hahn
Staff Writer

Mid-terms are over, leaving finals for winter term hanging heavy over thy head. Students enjoy a small respite before spring term starts and the never-ending rat-race continues.

When the LB student kicks back and sees an end to school, how does he picture his fate? So the Commuter roving reporter asked the big question: What do you want to be when you grow up?

Anita Schlitzkus, a secretarial studies major ("against my will"), said that when she was younger she "wanted to be a mommy with 12 kids. However, I changed my mind. I had



Anita Schlitzkus



Kathleen Paup

six and decided that was enough. They'd have grandchildren and would make up for the other six. That's the easy way out. Back then I didn't know you could be anything else.

"What can you say when you're 45 years old? I want to live to be an active, productive 100 years old. I want to be a success in the business world and in my home. More than anything, I want to be remembered."

Kathleen Paup, a data processing major, said she wanted to be a nurse when she was growing up but "didn't have the opportunity to go to college."

Now she wants to get an education and be able to support the four of her seven kids who are still at home.

"I dream to see my children have

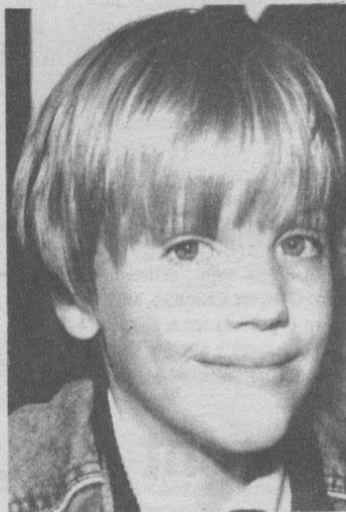
Street Beat



Cheryl Werner

opportunities and happiness. That's what my life stems around—to see my last kid raised," Paup said.

Cheryl Werner, a business student, wants to be a manager. "I'd like to be either a financial manager or manager of a small business," Werner said. "I want an administrative position working with people. I like to be in control



Joshua Een

of the situation; be the person who is handling the problem and finding the solutions."

In addition, she would also like to learn how to parachute—"maybe just once."

Joshua Een, seven-year-old, was intensely studying his coloring book when he was asked what he wanted to be when he grew up. He immediately answered: "A geologist."

What did he think geologists do? "Oh, they study earth and bones and find bones," he answered. "I'd like to find a dinosaur. I have dinosaur books. I like them."

Nick DeSantis, an engineering major, wants to be "rich and self-

sufficient," which he said he'll accomplish by starting his own solar heating business.

"If all else fails, I'll go into politics. That would be a cool job. At least I couldn't make the budget worse."



Nick Desantis

Todd Daniels, undecided major (baseball), wants to be (surprise!) a professional baseball player for the Kansas City Royals. "I want to play centerfield and start out at \$150,000," he said.

After that he wants to get into Forestry. "Yea, and be Mr. Forest Ranger. I want to do something outside. I ain't going to push no buttons in an office. I want to stay around Sweet Home then eventually move up to Alaska."



Todd Daniels

Corvallis musician performs in Portland

Sadie Rose Productions will present Bittersweet and Judy Fjell in concert Feb. 19 at 8 p.m. at the Old Church, 1422 S.W. 11th, Portland.

Bittersweet is a group of local women whose tight harmonies and contagious enthusiasm have drawn acclaim. Ginger Williams, Kathy Fallon, and Nan Collie perform a wide repertoire of songs ranging from contemporary and traditional folk tunes, to country-western to their own original material. Bittersweet instrumentation consists of banjo, guitars, percussion and stand-up bass.

Judy Fjell, a songwriter from Corvallis, is known for the warmth and versatility of her performances. With her 12-string guitar and piano, she sings songs of love, politics, heroines, landscapes, friends, and life's ironies. Fjell has an album due to be released soon.

Tickets are available in advance at Artichoke Music and the Women's Place Bookstore, both in Portland, for \$4, or at the door for \$4.50. Out-of-town tickets may be reserved by sending \$4 to: Sadie Rose Productions, 2957 N.E. 67th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97213.

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Placement Office to offer help for students and alumni needing work

By Kevin Shilts
Staff Writer

To win the war against joblessness, people need a strategy and ammunition. The LBCC Placement Office offers both.

Whether part-time or full-time, seasonal or permanent, employment is something that must be fought for, according to Placement Coordinator Brian Brown.

The Placement Office tries to help in two ways, Brown said.

It first helps students and alumni develop a job-hunting strategy—by writing the right kind of resumes, polishing interview skills, and defining their wants and needs. Secondly, it provides clients with the information needed to find a job. The office offers both individual counseling and classroom instruction in all these areas, Brown said.

Many people pattern their resumes after those of their friends. Brown said this is often a bad idea because there are different types of resumes, each designed to reflect an applicant's specific strengths.

When it comes to job interviews, Brown said many people simply lack self-confidence. He said this is due

mainly to no interview experience. The Placement Office can help clients polish their interviewing skills with practice, thereby giving them confidence when the real job interview arrives.

Brown said one question applicants should always expect to come up in a job interview is: "What do you see as your greatest strengths and weaknesses?" When it comes to weaknesses, Brown said most people go blank and answer something like, "I don't have any."

Brown said it's a mistake to sound unrealistically perfect to the interviewer. Applicants should instead turn a minor fault into a plus. For instance, Brown said if you have a problem keeping track of time, you could tell the interviewer that sometimes you get so involved in your work you work half-way into your lunch hour.

Before starting their job hunt, Brown said people need to ask themselves some basic questions, including the following:

What are my geographical limits—do I want to live and work in Scio, Ore., or Chicago, Ill.?

Am I looking for a part-time or full-time job—do I need a job to get me through the school year or am I ready

to embark on the world permanently?

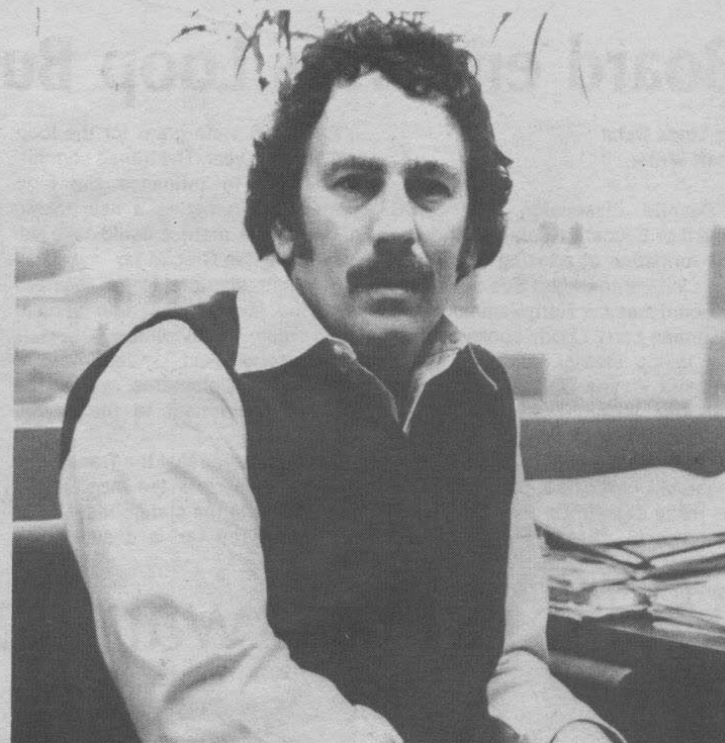
What are my areas of study and interest—I am an English major, but I have taken a lot of chemistry classes, so could I be a technical writer for a chemical company?

Besides a strategy, the Placement Office also tries to provide the client with the information they need to find the job they want.

Brown said when a person comes into the Placement Office, first they will be asked to fill out a form similar to one found at a state employment office. The form is then filed for use when employers call for someone fitting certain job interests.

If the client is unsure of just what kind of job they want, they can go to the DOT or Dictionary of Occupational Title. Here is found a listing of over 2,000 different job titles and their descriptions. Another helpful set of books, Brown said, deals with where LBCC graduates go to work. If a person is looking for a writing job in the local area for example, they could look through these books and find that writers have been hired at the Gaston Press and the Benton Bulletin.

Brown said the office also sponsors such events as the "Getting to



Photos by Kevin Shilts

Brian Brown, manager of LBCC Student Placement Center

Know Your Local Employers" series in the fall and the "Career Fair" in the spring. Brown said these events are sponsored to make people aware of what local employers have to offer. Brown also visits area employers to cultivate their interest in hiring LBCC students.

As the Oregon State Employment Service Offices are being phased out due to budget cuts, Brown said more

and more people will be taking advantage of the Placement Office in the future.

More than 1,200 people used his office in the last seven months. Brown said 160 received help with their resumes, 860 received job interview referrals and approximately 350 were hired for full or part-time work. He added that about 20 percent of LBCC's alumni use the office.

Title IX amendment would weaken equal rights protection for women

By Pat Thomas
Staff Writer

Congress is considering change in Title IX of the 1972 Education Act Amendment that would dramatically restrict enforcement of equal opportunity for women in higher education.

Title IX now prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational institutions which receive federal aid of any form, including all financial aid, grants, contracts or other assistance.

But Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) has introduced an amendment to Title IX designed to narrow the scope and coverage of the law.

The Hatch Amendment would exclude grants, scholarships, loans, wages or other federal funds extended directly to students from the official definition of "direct federal aid."

According to a "Summary of the Proposed Amendment to Title IX," compiled by a subsidiary of the Association of American Colleges: "...no longer will the whole institution be covered. . . A school could not discriminate in admission to those programs directly funded by the

federal government, or against those students involved in those particular programs. However, discrimination against the same students would be allowed elsewhere in the school."

Carroyl Kleine, LBCC Affirmative Action coordinator, said the Hatch Amendment is a threat to equal educational opportunities for women.

For example, Kleine said, if a woman is a physics major, and if she enrolled in a class offered by a department that wasn't directly federally funded, she could be denied entry to the class on the basis of her sex. She could be given different tests and assignments than the men in class, and perhaps even be graded differently. If the Hatch Amendment passes, she would have no legal recourse to prevent this type of action, Kleine said.

The summary illustrated other forms of discrimination that could develop: student clubs could be restricted to men only; schools could abolish or dissolve its women's athletic program; women could be excluded from coaching classes; classes could be restricted to one sex; and pregnant students could be required to drop out of school or

refused admission in the first place.

The summary also pointed out that, should the amendment pass, women in education would have less protection than minority males.

"It (S. 1361) would definitely be a step backward and detrimental to what Title IX is trying to achieve," Kleine said.

Kleine added that she believes people should be aware of this amendment and fight it in order to avoid the consequences it could bring to women, young and old.

The opportunities now open to women could dissolve, along with everything women have worked for, without the law to fall back on, Kleine said.

Persons interested in commenting on the Hatch Amendment may write their Representatives at the following addresses in Washington, DC: Les Aucoin, 2446 Rayburn; Denny Smith, 1207 Longworth; James Weaver, 1226 Longworth; and Ron Wyden, 1440 Longworth.

Senators may be contacted at these addresses in Washington: Mark Hatfield, 163 Russell, and Bob Packwood, 1321 Dirksen. Zip codes for all addresses is 20515.



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The winners of the mens and womens divisions of the ACUI Pool Tournament, held Feb. 1-10, were (above): first-place winners Ted Claremont and Jo Ann Fritz who won wall clocks; second-place winners Anthony Cornell and Joanne Wright who won wall mirrors; and third-place winners Cliff Meredith and Suzy Ketchem, who won small wall plaques. All prizes were furnished by the Millers Brewery Company.

First place winners Claremont and Fritz (right) will travel to the Regional Tournament in Boise, Idaho, Friday.



Photo by Bill West

Graduating students must apply by March

Students who plan to graduate this term must apply by March 19 in the Admissions Office.

If students apply after the term in which they complete their course requirements, their diploma will be ordered the following term.

Deadline for application for spring term graduation is April 12.

Board adopts harassment policy

By Pam Cline
Staff Writer

A sexual harassment policy for LBCC was adopted Thursday by the Board of Education.

A deletion of one paragraph in the proposed policy took place at the recommendation of board members Wayne Chambers and Carol Moore.

The section—a specific reference to one type of sexual harassment—was cut because the board felt the broad wording covered all harassment situations, and that detailing specifics was unnecessary.

Actual policy implementation is at the discretion of President Thomas Gonzales, although recommendations for grievance and resolution procedures were included in the policy draft submitted to the board.

Affirmative Action Coordinator Carroyl Kleine has been designated as the college official who will handle all complaints and investigations associated with sexual harassment problems.

In other business, the board also heard updates from the marketing and tax base committee representatives.

Leila Matheson, coordinator of public information, and Pete Boyse, director of community education's Albany Center, are co-chairpersons of the marketing

committee. The committee's main goal is to act as a communicative liason facilitating planning and research on college goals for the present and future, Boyse said.

Casey Fast, a consultant from the marketing firm of Johnson and Associates, has been brought in to help the committee develop its methods and goals, he said.

A determination of products offered, markets served and possible future markets are among the topics being brainstormed by the group.

"A refined and finalized set of specific objectives and time lines is being worked on now," Boyse said. "We hope to have a working preliminary plan ready by May 1."

A report on the progress of the tax base committee was presented by Mike Patrick, director of community education. He noted that Gilly Lewis has been appointed chairman of the 85-member group.

Patrick said \$12,000 had been set by the group as a fund-raising goal. The money is to be spent on campaign promotion. Garage sales, flea markets and a community dance are among the fund-raising projects selected.

"This is going to be a grass roots door-to-door effort," Patrick said. "We must communicate the benefits the community college has to offer, in order to get out the votes."



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Math: 'I'd rather play tennis'

By David Mintz
Staff Writer

Math anxiety. That cold clammy feeling you get when you step into a math class.

It doesn't matter if it's Pre-Business Math or Algebra, the feelings are the same.

"Most people have math worries because of a weak background in math," said Sally Kulm, a math instructor at LBCC. "They are frightened by the unknown in grade school."

Several students cited bad experiences with math in high school as the reason they now avoid the subject in college.

Arlene Jorgensen, a first-year student at LBCC, attributes her math anxiety to "all manner of agonies from high school."

"When I sign up for a math class right away I know I'm in trouble," Jorgensen said. "I feel like I'm holding my breath throughout an algebra test."

"I got so frustrated in math I just gave up," added Linda Hahn, a second-year journalism major. "I felt

like it was a dumb game with silly rules. I'd rather play tennis."

Jenell Anderson's math worries also started in high school.

"The high school I went to only required two math classes—Math I and Algebra I," said the first-year student from Corvallis. "I didn't have a good background in math."

Math anxiety can be a serious problem, according to instructors. Some students walk into a math classroom to take a test and suddenly can't remember a thing. The simplest math equations turn into insolvable problems.

Lynn Exton, a math instructor at LBCC, says that some math anxieties are eased by giving math tests in the Developmental Center Math lab.

"In the lab, students can relax and take their time. There is no set time when they have to finish."

Pat Thomas, a first-year journalism major, deals with math anxiety by taking more math.

"I'm forcing myself to take more math classes until I get over my math worries," she explained.

Although math is not the only subject students get nervous about, it's one of the most recognized and widespread academic worry.

People will often go out of their way to avoid taking math. And when they have to take math they take only the bare minimum required and get out.

The reason for this seems to be a basic misunderstanding of math, instructors say.

The rows of numbers, signs and letters in math present a formidable front that most people would rather not try to tackle.

But math doesn't have to be a nightmare.

The teachers and tutors in the math lab will be happy to help any student get over math anxiety. The lab provides a place where students can go and receive help in math privately, without an entire classroom looking on.

Of course, there is another way to deal with math anxiety.

"I dealt with math anxiety," said Rich Bergeman, LBCC journalism teacher, "by not taking math anymore."

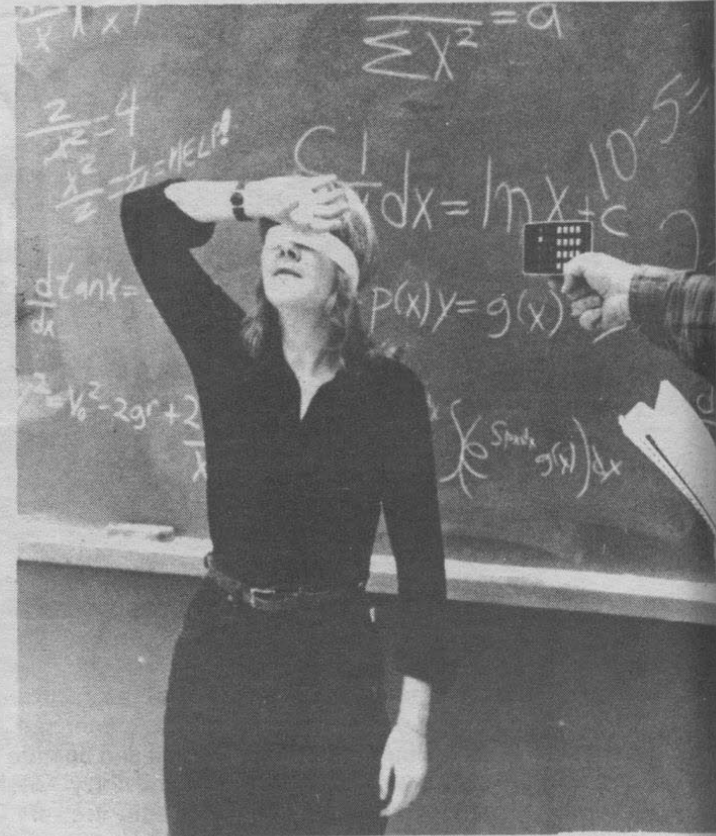


Photo by Doug Schwartz
Linda Hahn, one of the many victims of "math anxiety" flinches as the calculator's laser beam approaches.

OSU engineering deadlines approach Etcetera

By Mike Hively
Staff Writer

Oregon State University will not accept applications for its Professional Engineer Program for fall term 1982 after April 9.

OSU adopted a new policy last spring requiring junior-level engineering students to apply during their sophomore year. Students who are not officially accepted into the program will not be allowed to take junior level engineering classes at OSU next year.

Criteria for admittance into the professional program are a grade-point average of 2.0 (C) or better in all engineering courses and in all required science, mathematics courses. Students must also have an overall G.P.A. of at least 2.0.

OSU officials expect 438 vacancies in the engineering program for fall term 1982. Of this number 90 percent will be reserved for Oregon residents,

with the remaining 10 percent open to all students on a competitive basis.

For fall term 1981, the OSU School of Engineering admitted 469 new juniors into the professional program, which exceeded the ceiling of 438. However, the departments of Agricultural and Nuclear Engineering, Construction Engineering Management, and Engineering Physics received less than their anticipated enrollment.

LBCC admitted 62 new students into its pre-engineering program for fall term 1981, an increase of 37 over fall term 1980.

"This increase is probably directly related to OSU's policy changes," said Pete Scott, Director of LBCC's Science and Technology Division.

Scott said LBCC can offer most pre-engineering courses.

"Except for about two classes, LBCC offers all of the pre-engineering classes necessary to gain admittance into the Professional

Engineering Program at OSU," said Scott.

Oregon community colleges that offer pre-engineering courses operate under standards set by a committee, initiated by Fred J. Burgess, Dean of Engineering at OSU. These standards ensure that students receive quality education that will not cause performance difficulties when transferring to a graduate college, Scott said.

Income tax help available

Free help is available to Linn and Benton County residents in filing simple income tax forms, according to Annette McDowell, Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) coordinator at LBCC.

The RSVP-sponsored program, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), will be in its seventh year of helping residents with tax form preparation.

"Basically we're here to serve people who are low income, handicapped, elderly or speak English as a second language," McDowell said. "Our volunteers receive training from both federal and state tax representatives, but only simple tax returns can be processed. People with complicated returns should seek professional assistance," she added.

Simple returns include the 1040A, 40S, 70R Homeowner-Renter refund, property tax relief and earned income credit. All applicants will be screened by VITA workers to determine their eligibility.

This service will be available until April 15 at various times and locations throughout the two counties.

On campus help will be available every Thursday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Commons alcove. For further information call 928-2361 ext. 227 or in Benton County 753-9197.



Annette McDowell of RSVP

Tickets available for theatre production

Tickets are now available for LBCC's Reader Theatre production of "Oregon Landscapes: Earth, Sea and Sky."

Tickets are \$2 and are available at French's Jewelers in Albany; Mainly Miniatures in Corvallis; and the LBCC Campus and Community Services Office in the College Center.

The production involves pieces from the writings of such Oregon authors as Ken Kesey, Ursula K. LeGuin and William Stafford.

Also featured will be interviews with pioneer women, Oregon tall tales and stories about Oregon's Indians.

The production will open March 5, and will be performed in The Loft (F202).

Tickets sold out for Friday's show

LBCC's production of "The Soft Touch," a play by Neil Cuthbert, opens Friday in the Takena Theatre for a five-show run.

The play centers around a young man by the name of Blinky, played by Jamie Westbrook, and is set in his dingy Philadelphia apartment.

All Blinky wants to do when he comes home is settle down with an "adult" magazine, but he is beset with all sorts of characters who disrupt his evening. The characters include Wilfred (Tom McAlarney), a quarter-demanding bum; the Likk brothers (David Mintz), a schizophrenic mass murderer; a bad-tempered landlord (Dan'l Addis); Mrs. Crisp (Kimberly Wilcox), a nymphomaniac; Mr. Crisp (John Price), her husband; and Emile (Randy Bynum), a gay burglar.

Tickets for the opening night of the production are sold out at the Campus and Community Services Office, but tickets are still available at French's Jewelers in Albany, and at Mainly Miniatures in Corvallis. Tickets are available for the rest of the productions (Feb. 20, 25, 26, 27) at all outlets.

LBCC Auto Body Shop offer's seminar

A custom painting seminar will be offered by the LBCC Auto Body Shop, Feb. 20 at 12:30 p.m.

The "Beard," Jack Ruckman, a noted Northwest custom auto painter, will be demonstrating striping, goldleafing, and air brushing.

Admission is \$1 for students and \$3 for the public.

An Organizational
"Women for Today" Club Meeting
will be held.

Meeting times and places
3:30 p.m. Wed. 17 Calapooia Room
3:30 p.m. Fri. 19 Willamette Room
Interested people may contact
Pam at ext. 130 or Jonni ext. 153.

Financial aid targeted for cuts

By Linda Hahn
Staff Writer

Sally Wojahn, coordinator of financial aid, returned from a conference of Oregon financial aid administrators with the prediction that LBCC will experience reductions in aid, but that four-year institutions will be hurt worse.

Her information indicates there will be 37 fewer workstudy jobs, 45 fewer recipients of Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants, and 50 to 100 fewer State Need Grants available for welfare recipients.

"The Government Student Loan program will be more expensive for the student to participate in," Wojahn said. Originator fees will be raised from five to ten percent and low interest rates will end two years after the student finishes school.

Reductions in Pell Grants will be minimal because Linn-Benton is a low-cost institution with high-eligibility students.

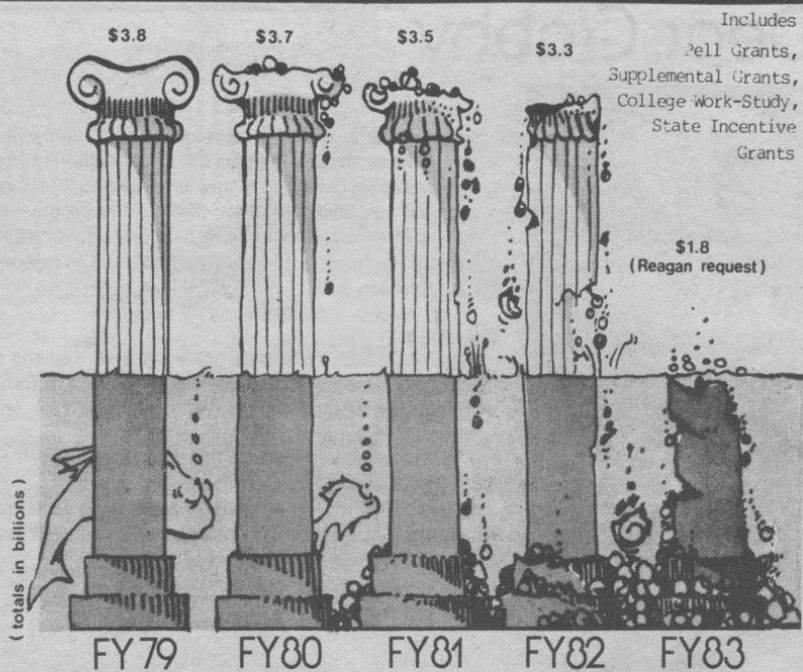
Social Security benefits for college students will be phased out over a four-year period.

"Those kids whose parents are dead or disabled and have been depending on Social Security to get them through school are out of luck," Wojahn said.

The House Subcommittee on Appropriations will be meeting the first week in March to vote on the proposed regulations.

Wojahn suggests a letter writing campaign by students to their representatives to halt further reductions.

She will make a presentation today to the ASLBCC Council of Representatives to inform them of the changes and to promote the letter writing campaign. The Financial Aid Office and the council will then jointly present a workshop in the Commons during lunch time Monday through Wednesday, Feb. 22-24 to hand out financial aid data sheets, applications, and sample letters to congressmen and to answer questions.



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Sports Roundup

Women earn OCCAA title

By Rich Rosemus
Staff Writer

The LBCC Women's Basketball Team suffered its first loss of the regular season—a 70-67 overtime loss to Umpqua Community College last Wednesday.

But it still left them in first place, and when Clackamas beat Umpqua Friday 50-49 and LBCC beat Southwestern 86-66 Saturday the Roadrunners locked up their second-straight OCCAA championship.

In the loss to Umpqua on Wednesday the Roadrunners, who "suffered a dismal night of shooting," according to coach Dave Dangler, ended the first half behind 40-30.

But with what Dangler called a "slow but sure comeback" in the second-half, LBCC finally took a 62-61 lead with less than a minute to play. A free-throw by Linn-Benton and a last-second field goal for Umpqua sent the game into overtime.

In the five-minute overtime period LBCC turned the ball over four straight times without a shot. Umpqua took a four-point lead and held on for the victory.

Against SWOCC there was considerably less drama. LBCC took a

42-29 halftime lead and never looked back. The Roadrunners won by a margin of 86-66.

Teri Reniker led the week's scoring parade with 35 points and 26 rebounds in two games.

LBCC has one game left in the regular season—a six o'clock match-up at home tonight against College of Central Oregon. A win would raise LBCC's overall record to 26 and 3.

LBCC then hosts the 1982 OCCAA regional tourney March 5th and 6th.

Men hoopers still in playoff fight

By Steve Irvin
Staff Writer

The LBCC men's-basketball team moved into prime position for an Oregon Community College Athletic Association playoff berth with wins over Umpqua and Southwestern Oregon community colleges last week.

According to Coach Butch Kimpton, the Roadrunners are "basically in the playoffs."

The men are currently tied for third place with Central Oregon Community College, each with a 7-8 league record.

As of tonight's games, Mt. Hood and Chemeketa community colleges are tied for first place in the OCCAA. Both teams have three league games left, and if they end the season in a tie, no play-off is necessary and LBCC's season would be over. Should either of the teams drop into second place, however, LBCC would have renewed hope of making the regional tournament March 5 at the home court of the league champions.

Dave Reddington came alive in both games last week, scoring 24 points in the Roadrunner's 76-70 overtime win over Umpqua and hitting 10 for 15 from the field for 22 points in men's 75-62 win over SWOCC.

Reddington's performance, along with a 20-point performance by Ken Huff and 18 points from Reggie Guyton propelled the Roadrunner attack against Umpqua. Huff also had an excellent defensive game, holding Brent Agost, the league's leading

scorer, to 15 points on 6 for 17 shooting.

The cagers overcame what was beginning to become a home court disadvantage to defeat SWOCC. The men had been 1 and 5 in home conference games before the SWOCC win.

The men used an effective match up zone to forge a 36-24 halftime lead over SWOCC, according to Kimpton. However, SWOCC battled back to within five points with five minutes left to play. The Roadrunners then went to their spread-delay offense and used timely free throw shooting by Joseph Ware and three field goals by Reddington to secure the victory.

In addition to Reddington's 22 points, Ware scored 20 and Guyton put in 16 points. Mark Freeark gathered 10 rebounds to lead the team.

The roundballers will be looking to cement their third place standing when they entertain COCC tonight at 8 o'clock in the Activities Center.

Three wrestlers reach regionals

Three LBCC wrestlers qualified for the regional wrestling meet to be held at Clackamas Community College Feb. 19 and 20.

Brett Christopher placed third in the 142-pound division, finishing the conference championship meet with a 3-1 record. Bill Ensley also finished third with an identical record. Dan DeMoss was the third LBCC wrestler to place in the tournament, earning a fourth place finish in the heavyweight class.

Mount Hood Community College won the conference championship being followed by Clackamas Community College, Umpqua Community College, Southwestern Oregon Community College, Lane Community College, and LBCC.

According to Coach Bill Buckley, Mike O'Neill will also make the trip to regionals with the Roadrunner squad. "Mike did a pretty good job too," Buckley said. O'Neill upset the third place finisher in the conference at the 150-pound class. He finished the tourney with a 2 and 2 record.

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Dear Crabby



Dear Crabby:

On Wednesday, Feb. 10, I was kicked back, enjoying the entertainment in the Alsea Room when some inconsiderate, self-centered, emphysemalunged...buffoon (Jerk, for the uninformed) sat down and began to chain smoke. Of course it ruined the whole thing for me, because it's hard to enjoy anything after holding your breath for an hour. What should I have done in this situation? Is drawing and quartering or simple evisceration acceptable, given the circumstances?

Dear Blue:

When in doubt always be polite, at first. Tell the slob you are in the last stages of terminal throat cancer and can't afford to be hurried by his discharge, so would he please refrain? Smile a lot, and without covering your mouth, cough on him a bit.

If that doesn't work, adopt the tactic most wise women have learned to rid themselves of el jerko in the bars—act weird.

Start by twitching your head off to the side, then bring your hand up to hold your head still and start your leg jerking. Continue coughing his way, smile a lot and ask him if he wants to get married.

Any self-respecting fool would have moved by now, but if he hasn't, tell him smoke makes you vomit and lose your lunch in his lap.

I suppose that if all else fails you can draw and quarter but try not to be too messy, OK?

Feelin Blue

**Sincerely,
Crabby**

Dear Crabby

I am a transfer engineering student and used to work part-time in a lumber yard, I made enough money to cover expenses but never saved much. And I had to study a lot.

Anticipating tuition hikes, I sold my No. 1 all-time-favorite-prized-possession—a 1952 Gibson electric amp to cover costs. Consequently, I studied more without my No. 1 distraction.

Then I was informed that my student loan was denied, so I sold my No. 2 prized possession—a 125 watt Pioneer stereo system. Back in the Black.

Things were going OK without the tunes until I went to work Monday and was told I was laid off. Life is rough but I still wanted to go to school so I sold my final prized possession—a 1976 lemon yellow Camaro GT. I have been taking the Loop from Corvallis to LB since.

Now, a final straw is breaking this camel's back. The Loop is folding, my school plans... much the same. I can't make it to classes I can't afford because I don't have a job or a loan. Now, I have plenty of time to study for classes even though I can't make the lectures. I can't vent my frustrations in furious guitar picking; I can't vegetate while listening to my stereo! I'm at the end of my rope! I can't even afford to go out and get bombed! My faith in the system is faltering! Any suggestions.

Confused.

Dear Confused

I called the local pharmacist for a cure and she suggested a drastic change in lifestyles. Do you like football, long brown robes and smashing blackberries into wine? Boy, have I got a deal for you!

**Sincerely,
Crabby**

Campus Calendar

Wed. Feb. 17

OSEA Chapter 151 Meeting, 6:30-7:30 a.m., Boardroom A.

High School Open House, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., Willamette, Boardrooms A & B.

Chautauqua: Wilderness Slide Show, 11:30-1 p.m., Alsea/Calapooia Room.

Christians on Campus Club, 12-1 p.m., Willamette Room.

Water/Wastewater Evaluation Meeting, 2:30-4:30 p.m., Alsea Room.

CWE Advisory Committee, 3-4 p.m., Boardroom B.

Council of Representatives Meeting, 3-5 p.m., Willamette Room.

Reader's Theatre Rehearsal, 3:30-6:30 p.m., Forum 202.

OSU Tax Base Committee, 4-5 p.m., Boardroom A.

Refrigeration Evaluation Meeting, 5-7 p.m., Alsea Room.

Billiards' Class, 6-9 p.m., Recreation.

Winter Term Play Rehearsal, 7-10 p.m., Theatre.

Thurs. Feb. 18

Time Management Workshop, 8:30-12 p.m., Calapooia Room.

Food Service Staff Meeting, 8:30-9 a.m., Willamette Room.

Volunteer Income Tax Service, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Commons Alcove.

High School Open House, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., Boardrooms A & B and Willamette Room.

Sports Press Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Alsea Room.

Christians on Campus Club, 1-2 p.m., Boardroom A.

EMT Evaluation Team Meeting, 3-6 p.m., Alsea Room.

Staff Development Committee, 3-4 p.m., Willamette Room.

Readers Theatre Rehearsal, 3:30-6:30 p.m., Forum 202.

Winter Term Play Rehearsal, 7-10 p.m., Theatre.

Men's Barbershop Chorus, 7:30-10 p.m., HO209.

Fri. Feb. 19

RSVP Advisory, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Willamette Room.

Current Trends in Business Seminar, 2-3 p.m., Alsea Room.

Hewlett-Packard Employees Dinner, 6:45-8 p.m., Alsea/Calapooia Room.

Linn-Co Schools Credit Union Dinner, 7-10 p.m., Commons.

"The Soft Touch" Performance, 8:15-11 p.m., Theatre.

Classifieds

PERSONALS

Dear Reader, I would like to apologize for any oversight on my part that allowed a distasteful ad to appear in the personal section of the classifieds.

the Editor

The editorial staff of the Commuter will not accept ads for the Personals that are in poor taste. Confidentiality for those who place ads is not guaranteed. Students with problems or complaints should contact Pam at ext. 130.

Dear Carpool: Sorry my "Rikki Racer Rat Chaser" broke down last Wed./Fri. At least I don't have to drive this week. I didn't know what I was doing when passing those six cars!!

"Rikki Racer"

Deep Brown Eyes: (K.H.) Thankx for making my "sister" happy. And thank for being my friend.

Baby Blues & Blonde

Kathy: Sweet Dawn enters through the night to bring the sunlight, crisp green grass and birds flying about. Life that's what it is all about, happy go lucky, world full of life, I'm a naturalist in mid-life.

Toy Boy, So I'm late for Valentines day—you're slow too you know. Oh well, maybe someday...Seemingly Hopeless

Patricia: Rainbows are transparent and so are you, Why are you acting like a shoe? Roses smell sweet, tulips are nice. Why are you cold as ice? Happy Valentines Day.

Sat. Feb. 20

4-H Leader's Banquet, 7 p.m.-12 a.m., Commons.

"The Soft Touch" Performance, 8:15-11 p.m., Theatre.

Mon. Feb. 22

NLN Exam, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Calapooia Room.

University of Oregon visits, 10 a.m.-2 pm., CC Lobby.

Internal Communications Sub-Committee, 11 a.m.-12, Boardroom A.

MFAT Meeting, 12-2 p.m., Alsea Room.

ECKANKAR Discussion, 12-1 p.m., Willamette Room.

Stop Smoking Clinic, 12-1 p.m., Boardroom A.

Music Club Meeting, 3-4:30 p.m., Alsea Room.

Readers Theatre Rehearsal, 3:30-6:30 p.m., Forum 202.

ASLBCC Executive Session, 4-5 p.m., Willamette Room.

Winter Term Play Rehearsal, 7-10 p.m., Theatre.

Tues. Feb. 23

L.D.S.A., 12-2 p.m., LRC211.

Tax Base Publicity/Media Committee, 12-1 p.m., Alsea Room.

Support Services Staff Council + Association, 3-5 p.m., Boardroom B.



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From only "you" know who.

John: You are the greatest Guy I know. You have a nice way of putting things, to make it sound good. Sorry you lost the pool game.

From a Loving friend.

Ron & Danny, You guys are fabulous. I hope you don't mind me peeking in your class! See ya Friday, like usual.

Signed, The girl next door.

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