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Going Down?

Photo by Pedro Luna

Bob Talbott, assistant dean of Student Services, rides the Evac-U-Trac at Tuesday's demonstration outside the College Center as company representative Susan McAchran assists. The Evac-U-Trac is a portable wheelchair capable of taking disabled people down stairs during an emergency. The demonstration was sponsored by The Student Access Club to persuade college officials to buy the device. Two Evac-U-Tracs and one Stair-Trac, for the Benton Center, are under consideration.

✓ Make your mark Student elections begin

Proposed election changes may result in record turnout as students go to polls today

By David Rickard
Of The Commuter

It has become a rite of spring.

For LBCC students that rite begins with exercising their right to vote in today's and tomorrow's Student Council Elections.

However, the annual spring changing of the guard for the school's student government leaves most students taking a wrong turn, rather than "right," when it comes to arriving at the voting booth.

Low voter turnout has continually plagued student council elections. Last year, 202 students voted. The year before, just 188 votes were cast. And in 1989, only 104 students responded to the candidates.

This week's election may reverse that pattern.

Bolstered by heightened campus awareness of a proposed re-structuring of the student election process, ASLBCC representatives, administration officials and students feel voter turnout may come in record numbers.

One feature on this year's ballot that may, or may not, create more interest at the polls is fewer representatives to vote on—eight to be exact. Only three positions will be a part of the democratic process: Moderator, Operations and At-Large Rep.

Make that nine fewer spots to vote on. No student has filed for candidacy to the At-Large position.

Three weeks ago, the Student Activities Program moved ahead with

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plans to alter the voting structure of students electing 13 campus division representatives by eliminating two positions and creating an Elections Committee made up of the three elected reps, division deans and advisors to appoint the remaining eight positions.

That question of a proposed student government makeover will also be on Wednesday's and Thursday's ballot. Students will decide on retaining across-the-board council voting of past elections or approving the election committee's recommendation for three elected positions and eight appointed

positions.

Should the proposal be turned down by students, it will set the stage for a new election slated for May 27.

Five students have applied for the positions of Moderator and Operations. J.J. McGrory, Linda L. Johnson and James Merrill are running for Moderator, the council's CEO position. Nader Hamze and Holly Thornhill are vying for the Operations seat.

McGrory, a criminal justice and psychology major and council rep this past year, feels the election will be the litmus test for LB's students who border on the apathy factor.

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Charlene Fella

"You can't say (as a student) you're only going to be here two years and that student government does not impact them. If the students oppose the proposed appointment of representatives, then obviously they must care about the process and those chosen as their reps," said McGrory.

ASLBCC Advisor Charlene Fella, echoed McGrory's sentiments about students not involving themselves in the voting practice. "It's been a long-standing problem here getting people to vote. We're offering cookies as an incentive to vote. Next year, we're planning something really outrageous to generate more interest in the election," added Fella.

While Fella and McGrory see lack of student involvement as one campus barrier, Linda L. Johnson, candidate for Moderator views the lack of "cohesion" between students and faculty as one "major" gap to campus productivity.

"As a representative, I've seen the chasms that exist here. There's frustration on both sides—they're both up against issues that the other side isn't experiencing, therefore they don't see some things as issues," said Johnson, also a council rep this past year.

As is the case in most all elections—candidates will differ on most issues—yet all candidates, especially LB's, will issue one unifying decree: get out and vote!

For LB students and candidates, these issues will be settled in the voting polls—the Commons from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and in Takena Hall from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

\$urprise!

Student Programs discovers \$97,000; seeks suggestions on how to spend it

By David Rickard
Of The Commuter

Faced with a money dilemma, the Student Activities Program is turning its ear to student input in combatting their money woes.

It is a dilemma, in this era of reduced college budgets, that any department of any college would love to face: an excess of money.

Due to a five-year buildup in the SAP account that was not detected until the new Banner computer system automated the accounts last year, the SAP has a budget surplus of \$97,000.

According to Ann Smart, dean of Student Services and Extended Learning, measures were taken five years ago to ensure that programs funded by the SAP ran in the "black."

"Factor in the new Banner system, which integrated all the SAP accounts, and the SAP had a build-up of \$55,000 last year and that increased to \$97,000 this year," said Smart.

Smart also mentioned the "black"

the SAP budget has experienced the past few years will end now that the Banner system has tied up the loose accounting ends.

The SAP formed a committee of five ASLBCC representatives to explore possible avenues for campus projects that would be funded by the SAP's reserve dividends.

Committee members began distributing questionnaires to students this week to solicit their reaction to their suggestions for funding a variety of campus purchases.

Among the suggested projects, which should cost less than \$50,000 but more than \$10,000, are scholarships, library automation, telephone registration, cultural diversity programs and improved access for disabled students.

The SAP committee will put together a proposal that incorporates the student questionnaire, campus needs and cost considerations, and then forward the proposal to the school's Budget Committee before the end of spring term.

Frye comes out from behind his comic

By Cory Frye
Of The Commuter

Good morning. I'm Cory Frye. This time I'm not the little character with the round nose and soul-less eyes spouting anything that comes out of his mouth and his pen. This time I've unmasked myself—but

commentary

just this once. I am responding to readers allegations of sexism, insensitivity and basic bigotry in my Life in Hopeless comic strip and Amusings column. I admit that my journalistic track record isn't exactly unblemished. I didn't mind last year's condemnations that I was considered a draft-dodging loudmouth with a hatred for all things military—because I was. But this year, I can not let these accusations sail without taking some wind out of my accusers sails.

I realize the cartoons over the past two weeks have been partly my fault and mostly my undoing. Sometimes, I forget how a comic, or column can be interpreted by each reader. It's just that I've never thought that anyone actually spent the time reading my contributions or cartoons; no one ever comes into the office to congratulate me or say, "Hey, I really like your cartoon this past week." The only time anyone ever acknowledges my cartoons is when I get an acidic letter or I arouse an accusing faculty member.

So, if I have an audience, where are they? Who are they? I may get caught up in writing the strip for friends or for myself without realizing there are 28,000 other people of different persuasions and beliefs roaming these courtyards. But, remember it is a comic strip, an opinion piece, not the news, not the facts—not a reflection of this campus.

With that out of the way, I'll give you a behind-the-scenes explanation of the strip over the last two weeks.

Spring Break week was half over and I was sitting at home waiting for my girlfriend, who had returned home from visiting relatives in Portland. There was a knock on the front door—I sensed something was wrong and my stomach started churning heavily. Somehow I knew this was the day—after almost a year, we were parting ways. "I have to talk to you," she said. "We have to break up," she said. I met someone else and he made me realize that I could no longer be faithful to you. If you have nothing to say, I'm going to go back." And that was it. She left and I stared blankly at the stairs, feeling like Oswald must have felt during the prison transfer.

It was over that quickly. Suddenly almost a year together meant nothing anymore.

The strips were an extension of my anger and frustration. The sarcasm was intentionally venom-like. Just because the little guy smiled as he said, "Yes, ladies, 75 luscious babes" and "I'm the greatest lover in the world" doesn't mean that the little guy behind the pen was cheering him on.

You see, people, you've got to separate me from him—we're two different entities. He's just an extension and an exaggeration of me and my surroundings—a cartoon. I'm not a floating series of lines and shapes that comes around once every week to bite you on the ass. I'm a real person. I walk amongst you. I feel love, pain, anger and hurt just like the rest of you. And right now I don't feel so hot, but that will pass as time rolls by.

I just had to get it out and humor seemed to be the quickest, most painless method. Maybe I just didn't get my point across that well. So bear with me and maybe I'll learn to steer clear from injecting my personal life in my strip.

If you just can't see the differences between Frye the character and Frye the 19 year-old boy, then I'll be glad to sit down with you over a Big Gulp and show you who I really am. I think you might be surprised.

I've uncovered myself. Can you?

MIKE LITKAICH ATLANTA CONSTITUTION 1971



Beaurocratic mind-set bungles another one

A friend once spent a summer working at a national park in a Western state. He was there when a forest fire broke out and came close to being killed. It was believed that the fire began because someone didn't put out a campfire.

He told me that for a long time he had nightmares about it. Not about being burned, but about a match starting a fire that spread through the forest and all over the world.

There's something of that nightmare in Chicago's underground flood. This wasn't nature suddenly rearing up and roaring, as happens when a tornado touches down, a swollen river pours over its banks, the earth begins to shake, a tornado blows its stack or a hurricane flattens homes. It was man-made.

And the nightmare is that it could have been so easily avoided. As we now know, leakage from the Chicago river into the city's old railroad tunnel system was spotted months ago. It was reported. The problem was passed along the bureaucratic process.

Someone in the process who happened to have brains even said that this is a dangerous situation and something must be done immediately or there might be disaster.

But bureaucrats will be bureaucrats. They don't live in a world where the alarm goes off, you jump out of bed, slide down a pole, leap aboard a red engine and go roaring off to fight a fire.

There is a world of memos, meetings, guidelines, input, output, studies, consultation, and forms, forms and more forms.

So because someone didn't say, "let's fix it right now, not later," we're watching a \$25,000 problem grow into one that will cost billions before it is over years from now, when the last lawsuit is settled.

A small patch job. Probably done in a day. That's all it would have taken, and life would be going on in what passes for normalcy around here.

Someone should do a book. Not on the leak itself because that's a fairly simple story. You have a hole, so the question is, how do you plug it?

But on the workings of the minds of those who were in the bureaucratic process that leisurely passed the budding disaster along the line.

If you could get into their heads and find out what they were thinking about, if they were thinking at all, we would have answers to a lot of society's problems. What are the mental processes of those who can hear the alarm bell ring and react by looking in the index of a manual under "a" for alarm bells to see what the proper procedure is? And when they find it, make a Xerox copy and put it in the out-basket for someone else to study?

It would be fascinating to know how they managed to reach so many non-decisions and take so

many non-courses of non-action. Hey, you're told, there's a hole in the river, and we could have a hell of a mess. Oh, really! Well, then fill out form A1862-B in triplicate and schedule a meeting for a week from Friday. So what are you doing for lunch?

But I doubt that such a book could be written. Bureaucrats don't like to talk about the way their brains function. And if you opened the heads of this bunch, a lot of folders and paper clips would probably fall out.

In a way, we're lucky. In most disasters, people are killed or hurt. San Francisco's last big earthquake took lives. Tornadoes have killed in Chicago and suburbs. Hurricanes take no prisoners.

This is a bottom-line town. Yes, people are being inconvenienced in getting to and from their jobs. But nobody has been hurt. At least not yet. It's always possible that Mayor Richard M. Daley might order a department head or two dropped from the roof of City Hall, an act that would assure his reelection.

Most of the stress is being felt by downtown building superintendents, corporate executives, bureaucrats and politicians, which is OK, since they're being paid for it. And they are probably feeling less misery than some working stiff and his family might, when flood waters and mud cover their bungalow and all their possessions. Or swirling winds turn their home into a heap of rubble. The big department stores and other merchants will survive. They can always hold a water sale—50 percent off anything that's damp.

The most severe discomfort will be felt by those who took part in the bureaucratic bungle and will be out in the hurtful world of private enterprise, looking for a paycheck.

What will they say when a personnel manager asks: "Now, why did you leave your job in city government at this particular time?"

When something like this happens, we're supposed to look past the damage and ask: "What have we learned: What lessons has this taught us?" That is known as positive thinking, which I try to avoid.

Some people are already saying that this is a warning that we must do something about the infrastructures of cities.

But we already knew that. And since cities are run by Democrats and the White House is run by Republicans, it's unlikely that cities will have the money to fix their infrastructures.

Besides, this really isn't about a collapsing infrastructure. It is about some river pilings being hammered into the wrong place and piercing an underground tunnel. And it is about bureaucrats who don't feel a sense of urgency until the office clock approaches quitting time.

So I'm not sure what we've learned from this, except that if they are given enough time, and there's a way to screw something up, bureaucrats will find it.

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mike royko

forum

More Commuter controversy could change student apathy

To The Editor:

In the April 15th edition of the Commuter you raised the question of whether or not to run a "Sex in the 90's" issue with the condom give away. You mentioned that the staff discussed the pros and cons and that some effort was extended on how such an issue would be accepted in our community and by "LB's apathetic student climate."

letters

For one, LB's apathetic student climate is something for another article and two, responsible journalism should raise the public's awareness of those important issues that we as a people face. AIDS information is surely one of those topics that needs to compete with other media about what can happen when you fall for advertising that uses sex appeal.

Inundating your readers with a whole issue on sex might be a bit much, especially in a society with a six month memory. But a series of informative articles that are not afraid to raise controversy and discussion within the confines of its circulation would be more along the lines of what a student newspaper at an institution of higher learning is all about.

Presently, the most controversy or discussion that is prompted by the Commuter comes from a cartoon on the bottom of the back page. Think of the paper as having corn flakes for breakfast, its something to eat but kind of dull all the same. If you would like to change LBCC's apathetic student climate use the media that you have at your disposal for what it was meant for: to initiate thought.

Mychel Steckler
LBCC Student

Say no to changes in student representative selection

To The Editor:

I would like to explain some of the reasons why I am opposed to the proposed changes in the student representative selection process.

First, the issue here is not whether or not Student Government on this campus needs improvement (it does); it is whether or not there has been widespread student apathy (there has); it is not an issue of whether or not there needs to be better communications between our Council Representatives and their respective Division Advisors and students (there does). It is especially not at issue whether or not the proposed changes would make operations for Charlene Fella's office more efficient.

The true issue here concerns three things:

- 1) The nature of representative government (what "representative" means)
- 2) The effects of the proposed changes on the representative nature of our student government, and
- 3) The methods utilized to attempt implementation of these changes.

First, let's look at the words "student representative." Under our political system, a representative is someone the we, the voters, choose to represent us. Fella's plan would eliminate the student body's participation in this process for eight council positions.

Instead, the new plan would have these council members nominated by teachers and administrators (not students), and confirmed by a committee that Ms. Fella would sit on; only three students,

those holding the remaining elected council seats, would be involved in choosing the other eight council members. How, then, is this a Student council?

Please remember: we were not intended to be given any chance to vote on this issue! These changes were made "by administrative decision" over spring break when no students were here and presented at the start of spring term as an accomplished fact. Only upon the intervention of LBCC President John Carnahan and Rep. Aaron Sahlstrom did those responsible agree to put this matter to a student vote.

I find it disturbing that both Ms. Fella and a majority of council members have so little respect for basic principles of our political process. In a representative form of government, representatives must be elected by those governed, not appointed by the government itself. Otherwise, members of Congress would be nominated by people like the head of the IRS, or of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and then confirmed by a committee of the President, the Speaker of the House, and the Vice President.

That's not the way we do things here.

Ms. Fella claims that "the Student Program's Office is not the foe"; perhaps not. Still I cannot help but be concerned by a Student Council advisor whose solution to the twin problems of increasing student apathy and lack of student participation is to eliminate student participation!

With the proposed changes in place, might it not become quite difficult for someone whose lifestyle, personality, or political views did not meet with the Selection Committee's approval to gain a seat on the council? Don't these changes make the likelihood of any kind of real diversity of opinion much smaller? Don't all students, regardless of whether or not they are liked by their departmental advisor deserve the opportunity to participate?

Students already obviously feel that their vote is unimportant. Now they are being told that their right to vote is unimportant as well.

Is it any wonder we have become cynical?

So if any of these things bother you—(and I hope they do!), please vote. Vote to keep our right to choose our own representatives, instead of having them chosen for us! Vote to keep student government in the hands of the students, and out of the hands of the bureaucracy!

Vote No on the proposed rule change!

Richard Hackett
Pre-Engineering

Cory Frye slams too many for sake of questionable humor

To the Editor,

I am writing in response to Cory Frye and his position as Arts and Entertainment Editor of The Commuter.

I am disgusted with his continuing lack of sensitivity and judgement, and use of this paper to slam and degrade others, usually women.

I understand the need to be able to have differences of opinion on controversial issues, and to have the freedom to express our views. However, to use this paper as a tool for your own gain at the expense of others shows a lack of character and maturity. Your cartoon are not funny, they are very sad. No one should have the right to abuse others simply to glorify themselves.

This is my third term at LB, and by far most of my experiences here have been positive. Unfortunately Mr. Frye, your Funnies are not one of them.

Glenna Awbrey

Looking back brings late night apologies

By Kathe Nielsen
Formerly of The Commuter

It was midnight. I closed my books and turned on the television. I flipped through the channels to find something interesting to watch for a few minutes. And there it was, a late-night talk show debating whether to lift the current moratorium on fetal tissue research.

blast from the past

And there she was, a high school classmate whom I had not seen for 24 years. I recognized her immediately; Joan Samuelson, voted best-all-around in the senior class and Associated Student Body pep commissioner. She had the same brown doe eyes, the same slanted smile and the same teeth that rounded slightly at the corners. She looked terrific; she looked the same as she had the last time we had seen each other.

But she wasn't. Her voice wavered. Her head wobbled slightly. And she sat on her left hand to keep it from trembling. Her physical problems strengthened her position in the debate. She is an advocate of fetal tissue research; she has a vested interest; she has Parkinson's disease.

Her message was clear and convincing. But seeing her brought to mind more than the topic being discussed. Just seeing her, spoke to me about people, people who were once important in my life.

I wondered where the people whom I spent four years with were. Had their lives turned out as they hoped? I suddenly felt a profound need to know.

I went upstairs at 1 a.m. and without a lot of digging found my yearbook.

For the next hour-and-a-half, I communed with the 1968 seniors of Poway High, all of them, not just the ones I knew well. I went through the rows of pictures, reacquainting myself with names and faces and mentally asking them about their lives. And I spent a lot of time apologizing. Our class of 184 wasn't large enough to allow for much diversity and yet was not small enough to form a close-knit group. We still believed in cliques. There were some people that I had never taken the time to get to know, or even speak to. That was what I owed apologies for.

Some will never be able to hear my apology. Some are dead. Some died, soon after the pictures I stared at were taken, in Vietnam. It made me angry to realize that if I had ever known their names, I had long since forgotten them. Some others have probably died since then, but I don't know how or when, and that too makes me angry. And some are probably dying right now, in some way, and they'll never know that I was thinking of them too.

I didn't want to sleep. I didn't want sleep to ease my melancholy moments. What I wanted was to be able to see and to speak to those in my class whom I probably never had before.

But by then it was 3 a.m. and I realized that it wasn't possible, at least on that night. So I made a couple promises to myself and to many unknowing others before I fell asleep. I promised to attend my 25-year reunion in the summer of '93. I hope that the people I need to talk to will also be there, and to those people, I made another promise; to somehow make amends for simply being young.

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Ringside at the eco 'Battle Royale'

By Charles Ippoliti
For The Commuter

An article in a noted foreign economic publication talks about the 'Battle Royale' going on between the environmental movement and the timber industry. On one hand are jobs, GNP and profits. On the other are biodiversity, forest health, recreation and esthetics. The writer takes all these and gives an overview of the controversial subject of logging vs. the greens.

commentary

In the black corner is the timber industry weighing in at \$190 billion per year (4% of GNP) and 40 thousand jobs. This industry has been around for a long time in human terms (approx. 150 years in the U.S.) and is a real heavyweight champ. However, the industry has been devouring up everything in sight and may be weighed down by its own blubber. In the green corner are the environmentalists. Newcomers to the battle but leaner and lighter than their opponent. They have what it takes to dethrone the champ. The referee is explaining the rules to both opponents and sending them back to their corners. Here's the bell and the fight is on.

Round 1: The greens come out with a strong attack using public outcry at the ravages and wastes of the timber industry. They get further public support for the little forest woodland creatures who might be hurt or go extinct through the insensitivity of their opponent. The blacks reel under this onslaught of one-two punches and manage to stagger back to their corner just at the bell. They appeal to the referee about low blows by the greens but the ref tells them that there were none.

Round 2: The greens come out hard and fast hoping to take advantage of the blacks lack of planning but the timber industry hasn't been around all this time for nothing. They counter with the Tellico Dam gambit about huge loss of profits and is one of two insignificant species worth the loss of 40 to 100 thousand jobs. A heated public debate ensues and it's the greens turn to feel the weight of the timber industry's might blows. The greens are knocked down and seem disoriented. They get up but the referee gives them a standing eight count. The blacks start moving in with a knockout punch using the recession but the bell rings to end the second round. Both antagonists move to their corners.

Round 3: As this round starts both opponents come out slowly and size each other up. They both start sparring using their political friends and try to tie each other up in the ropes of the government. This round ends in a draw.

Round 4: This round starts out like the last. The timber industry continues cutting on private land while the environmentalists use the endangered species act for public lands. The referee gives each a warning for not keeping the action going and institutes the "God Squad" to keep both fighters on their toes and to keep everything from being tied up in the courts for years. Both opponents and the audience are getting weary at the end of the round.

Round 5: The timber industry tries to finish off the environmentalists by going back to the recession and loss of jobs but the greens counter with exporting raw logs overseas. The recession tactic may have backfired on the blacks and created a possible glut of forest products. Recycling and declining housing

markets give this round to the greens.

Round 6: More excitement comes into this round with the knowledge that the government isn't even making up its cost in forest sales to the timber industry. The environmentalists use this to their advantage by joining in and helping foment public outcry at incompetence and even collusion in the government. The timber industry starts reeling from the many punches and tries evasive tactics by attempting to recall politicians friendly to the greens. This attack comes too late to win round six although it could come back to haunt the greens later.

Round 7: In an attempt to blindside the environmentalists, the timber industry starts dealing overseas in places like the old Soviet Union where conservation may not be as much of an issue. Again though, the industry is hampered by a bureaucracy worse than ours. The ref gives both another warning about getting out there and mixing it up.

Round 8: The greens are fighting hard and launch a renewed attack with concepts like new forestry and the hidden values of trees especially old growth timber like the Yew tree. The blacks are just standing there looking bewildered so the referee gives them a standing eight count and checks for a TKO. The industry becomes alert and keeps on coming by organizing their employees and other out of work people with the promise of jobs. A conservative atmosphere comes over the public.

Round 9: The environmentalists bring out their big guns with the greenhouse effect, more efficient milling operations and state of the art building materials. The "God Squad" also supports the greens. The blacks try to counter by getting the feds into it with the interior secretary trying to recall the "God Squad." More public outcry is heard about collusion and conflict of interest so the matter is quieted down. The timber industry again tries to knock the greens for a loop by threatening not to plant trees because of shaken confidence. This coupled with torture of woodland creatures by some loggers sends more public outcry against the timber industry. The blacks are reeling from the head and body blows they've suffered in this round. The referee pulls the antagonists apart and talks to the timber industry. It's not responding. The referee signals that the fight is over, the greens have won by a TKO. Half the audience is shouting their approval while the other half is booing the new heavyweight champ. We go now to an analysis of the fight.

Good evening, we're here at ringside after this great life or death bout. The timber industry looked out of shape and sluggish the entire fight while the environmentalists looked primed and ready to go the distance. A couple of low blows were thrown by both fighters, misinformation by the timber industry and ecoterrorism by the greens. All in all though it was a good clean fight. The ex champ is saying it wants a rematch in the spring but there are other contenders also vying for a match with the new champ, such as the oil companies and mining interests. You know, fights like this could be avoided if business were willing to take a little less profit in the short term and for longer term benefits and stability. Of course, if everyone agreed and cooperated, where would the public get it's next spectacle.

(Charles Ippoliti is a Monmouth resident and Environmental Sciences major at WOSC.)

How candidates stand on the environment

Pres. George Bush: Favors balancing protection of natural resources with the need to sustain jobs and increase economic growth. Does not plan to attend the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil to meet with other world leaders to discuss environmental issues. Does not support negotiation of a treaty with binding limits on global warming. Will not renew support for the United Nations Population Fund, which works on overpopulation issues. Supported redefinition of "wetland," signaling a retreat from his 1988 "No Net Loss" promise.

Pat Buchanan: Believes greatest "environmental" threat is that posed to the business environment. Supports drilling off Florida and California coasts.

Former California Gov. Jerry Brown: Favors development of alternative energy sources, rapid transit and increased energy conservation to de-

crease dependence on fossil fuels. Supports reduction of ozone-depleting emissions. Supports providing the full U.S. portion of international assistance necessary to achieve universal access to contraception by the year 2000. Supports expanding regulatory coverage of wetlands.

Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton: Supports increased fuel efficiency requirements for cars. Supports treaty to stabilize carbon dioxide emissions in industrialized countries by the year 2000 at 1990 levels. Opposes redefinition by Bush Administration of wetland regulations. Supports protection of wetlands with less stringent regulations on lands that have lost "many of their values as wetlands, especially farmlands that have already been cleared." Supports efforts to control overpopulation but will not commit to a specific funding level.

It's Earth Day again

"It's April 21 and everybody knows today is Earth Day.

"Merry Christmas, Happy Birthday to whoever's being born."

**what's
up chuck**

I was born in a Catholic environment, and, as I've said to friends, being Catholic is like being alcoholic. You never stop being one. I guess that makes me a recovering Catholic. Now, I told you that story to tell you this story.

Earlier this week, I had a dream. (I know, it sounds like an episode of Word Jazz, but...) I was in this huge cathedral, like the ones you can still find all over Europe. The grey walls soared up to peak in a nearly invisible series of gothic arches, and dim sunlight trickled through gigantic, vivid stained-glass windows that depicted the deaths of the apostles in particularly gruesome detail. Scattered about the nave were several grisly crucifixes. All the parishioners were dressed in Kafka black, the few who were scattered about the church, one of them a battered old woman lighting a candle for a long-forgotten agnostic relative in the Persian Gulf. I wandered over to a confessional booth and slipped inside, feeling guilty and hoping that nobody saw me enter.

My eyes adjusted to the darker confines quickly, and I turned to the tiny screen that separated me from abluion. I cleared my throat and experienced the usual panic, the fear that nobody was on the other side - that I was going to be talking to myself. "Father forgive me for I have sinned," I began. Then I paused.

"Go ahead," came the reassuring voice.

"It's been at least ten years since my last confession. Since then I - well, I could have been a lot better. Um... for starters, I ate beef from a fast food restaurant that is upsetting the balance of life on the planet by razing the forestland in South America and packing the landfills with packaging that will last forever. And not only do I use transportation that destroys the air I breathe, I allow the petrol industry to keep alternative transport from being developed by my silence. I have included my family in this silence, even when they buy aerosol canisters and use Chloroflourocarbons in the refrigerator, which will speed the destruction of what little protection we receive from the harmful side-effects of the sun's light.

"I buy products from companies that make radioactive sludge in copious amounts while they make these products for me. I pay them to make devastating biological weapons for the armies to infect and kill everyone in the world, while they're making headache pills for me."

I stopped to take a breath, and I could hear priests somewhere singing Pie Jesu. It meant something, I knew it. I continued.

"I let the government take over a quarter of the money I earned and use it to pay foreign soldiers to kill priests and rape nuns. I let them build enough nuclear weaponry to destroy all life on the planet 17 times over, while people starve to death in my own town. I say nothing while they spend my money on that, and the schools produce graduates incapable of independent thought and incompetent to function in the world. All in all, I've exhibited behavior patterns which will kill, mutilate or mutate every living thing on this planet within ten years at most.

"Oh yeah, I also had a couple of unclean thoughts and spoke disrespectfully to my mother. I guess that's it."

In his soothing, Jersey accent, Father General Electric told me, "Hey, no problem. We all got troubles like that. Give me a Novena for the unclean thoughts and a Hail Mary for disrespectin' your mother - she's been good to ya. Buy a box of lightbulbs, and we'll call it even, OK?"

It's no wonder I woke up in a cold sweat. It's like my Uncle Jack used to say - "C'est la morte." It's April 21, and everybody knows today is Earth Day.

campus news

LB student realizes ambition as author with 'Waking Dreams'

By Jack Josewski
Of The Commuter

Ever have a series of events in your life that seemed to be just a little too much of a coincidence?

Ever get the feeling that certain things have happened in the course of your day, that could have happened no other way?

Maybe what you were experiencing were "Waking Dreams."

Mike Avery, wastewater treatment major, is an LBCC student who is about to become a published author on the subject of those strange coincidences. His first published work is called "The Secret Language of Waking Dreams."

"It's about looking at life symbolically as if it were a dream and inter-

preting the coincidences of life," explained Avery. "It's a bridge between psychology and metaphysics."

A couple of examples of waking dreams were cited by Avery in way of explanation.

We've all experienced them. Perhaps we've found a message of confirmation in a fortune cookie or flipped on a radio after an argument with a lover just in time to hear the words "breaking up is hard to do." These are the simplest forms of waking dreams.

Waking dreams are coincidences that usually happen in three or more events. They can occur when someone is awake or when they are actually dreaming. They are the incredible coincidences of life that have a hidden

meaning for those who possess the key.

According to Avery, his book is also a workbook containing tools for deciphering waking dreams.

The road to becoming a published author has not been an easy one for Avery. He has written an unpublished novel and several children's books before catching the eye of a publisher with his current work. He spent three years working as a writer, and is just now starting to realize some financial gain for his labors.

The publisher will fly him to Washington, D.C., to promote his book and then he is scheduled to fly to several cities around the U.S. to go on radio talk shows.

The interest in the subject of metaphysics and other "new age" subjects make his book one of the few publishers are willing to take a chance on these days. He says the way he connected with a publisher was simply to send out sample chapters to publishers gleaned from the Writer's Market. Out of 28 samples he mailed out, three said they'd like to see the rest of the book. One of them went on to agree to publish his book.

Avery will have his book published by Illuminated Way Press. It should be available through local bookstores soon.

Whether or not his book is a financial success, becoming a published author is a dream came true for this LBCC student.



Photo by Pedro Luna

Pressing Job

Jeff Carlson, a second year Heating and Refrigeration student, works intently on the drill press. Students working in the Heating/Refrigeration/Air conditioning program acquire the skill necessary to install, maintain and repair heating and cooling systems. The students also learn to install and maintain solar equipment.

Six LB students go to Kentucky for National Skills Contest

By Holli Clucas
Of The Commuter

LBCC vocational/industrial students competed at the annual 1992 Oregon Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) skills contest held in Gresham at Mt. Hood Community College April 3 and 4.

Students who placed first in Gresham will represent six areas in the nationals contest held in Kentucky, June 22-27.

The students who will be competing in Kentucky at the National Skills Contest of the VICA, are Jeff Hanson, general welding; David Wagner, arc welding; Henry Johnstone, refrigeration/AC/heating; Richard Wood, sheet metal; Peter Roth, diesel mechanics/heavy

equipment; and Jason Yordy, precision machining.

The national contest is held for high school and post secondary schools in different industrial fields.

Other students who placed, but will not be going to the nationals are Lonnie James, 6th in general welding; Jason Rose, 3rd in arc welding; Lawrence Hansen, 2nd and James White, 3rd in refrigeration/AC/heating; Jeffrey Carlson, 2nd, Cara Simpkins, 3rd and Kenneth Norness, 4th in sheet metal; Bruce Tookey, 2nd and Jason Cook, 3rd in diesel mechanics/heavy equipment; Jason Faulkner, 2nd and Shannon Harp, 3rd in auto body repair; and Bill Hisaw, 3rd in precision machining.



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Applications available in The Commuter Office, CC210, or from advisor Rich Bergeman, F-108. For additional information call ext. 130, 373, 218.

Roadrunners set sights on League Championships

#32 Rob Gubser
Grant High School
John Day, Oregon
Freshman, Catcher

Gubser was a three sport athlete in high school, competing in football, basketball and baseball. Gubser received Gold Glove, Silver Bat, First Team All-League and First Team All-State honors. He was a power hitter at Grant, posting a .583 batting average and hitting 19 career home runs.



#25 Bill Cohen
Aloha High School
Beaverton, Oregon
Sophomore, Third Base

Cohen has made vast improvement over last season, when he hit a nevertheless impressive .438 in 48 at-bats. He is primarily a line drive hitter and will be both an offensive and defensive leader this year. Cohen is pursuing a pre-law major and would like to graduate with a four year degree and play baseball at the collegiate level.



#18 Geoff Gill
South Albany High School
Albany, Oregon
Sophomore, Utility Infielder

Gill, a hard worker, was a part time designated hitter and utility player last season. He carried a .343 batting average in 35 at-bats while pitching and playing first, third, and the outfield. He will be asked to fill this role again this year. Gill would like to earn a degree in Wildlife Sciences and play baseball at a four-year college.



#20 Kyle Burt
Philomath High School
Philomath, Oregon
Sophomore, left-handed pitcher

Burt returns from last year's pitching staff with a 3.54 ERA and a 3-2 record from '91. He earned First and Third team All-State pitcher for two years in high school. Burt also helped Richey's Market Legion team to the American Legion World Series. He wants to earn a degree in education.



#2 Adam Green
Pendleton High School
Pendleton, Oregon
Sophomore, Centerfielder

Green returns from last year's team and was a First Team All-Stater in high school in both football and baseball. Green's major is Biological Science.



#22 Scott Hardin
South Salem High School
Salem, Oregon
Freshman, Shortstop

Hardin was a two-sport athlete in both baseball and football. Hardin was Player of the Year in the Valley League for baseball. He was also First Team All-State shortstop. Hardin is currently undecided in his major.



#12 Ben Lofton
Elmira Union High School
Elmira, Oregon
Freshman, left-handed Pitcher

Lofton was marked as one of the best left-handed pitchers in the state during his senior year. Lofton is coming off an injury and has been rehabbing his way back into the LB rotation. While at Elmira, Lofton was voted MVP and Mr. Defense of the league. He was also voted as the Best Athlete at Elmira in '91. He would like to transfer to the UofO.



#21 Jason Olson
St. Helens High School
St. Helens, Oregon
Sophomore, right-handed Pitcher

Olson was diagnosed with tendonitis last season and saw limited action during the year. Olson pitched St. Helens High School to a state baseball championship in 1988. His career goals are undecided at this time.



#1 Lowell Stone
West Linn High School
West Linn, Oregon
Sophomore, right-handed Pitcher

Stone lettered in baseball for three years in high school, and held a .365 batting average. He's a side arm pitcher who will see mostly relief work. Stone is working towards an AA in General Studies and plans to transfer to a four year school.



#44 Toby Harris
Wilson High School
Portland, Oregon
Sophomore, left-handed Pitcher, First Base, Designated Hitter

Harris competed in both football and baseball in high school, taking First Team All-City honors his senior season. He was 5-0 at Wilson and throws a fast ball, curve ball, knuckle ball, and a change up. Harris is pursuing a four year degree in Criminology and would like to play Division I baseball.



#3 Ray Thies
North Salem High School
Salem, Oregon
Freshman, right-handed Pitcher

Thies lettered in football and baseball in high school. He was 7-5 with a 4.09 ERA at North Salem. His strengths are his movement on his breaking ball and his velocity for being such a small pitcher. Thies hopes to get his two year degree at LB and then transfer to OSU.



#6 Dave Dickson
Mountain View High School
Bend, Oregon
Freshman, Outfielder

Dickson, a lefty, carried a .375 batting average and took All-League honors in high school. He has good speed in the outfield and is a line drive hitter. He hopes to achieve success in the classroom while pursuing a Law Enforcement degree. Dickson's goals are to work hard, play hard, and help LB win another Championship.



#5 David Hale
Lake Oswego High School
Lake Oswego, Oregon
Freshman, Third Base

Hale was selected to the All-League First Team in both his junior and senior years at Lake Oswego. In his senior season, Hale hit .382, with both power and consistency. Defensively, he has good range and a strong arm. He hopes to maintain a 3.5 GPA and is an undecided major.



#26 Brad Livsey
Hudsons Bay High School
Vancouver, Washington
Freshman, RH Pitcher, Infielder

A utility role player in high school, Livsey achieved Shortstop/Utility All-League honors last season. At LB, he will primarily be a short reliever/"stopper". Livsey is a Business Administration major who maintains a 3.6 GPA at LBCC.



#4 Robbie Cowden
Eagle Point High School
Eagle Point, Oregon
Sophomore, 2nd Base, Outfielder

Cowden was named to the All-Conference 2nd Team and voted Most Inspirational his senior year. Last season at LB, he stole six bases in only 17 at-bats. Cowden is pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice and hopes to play ball at the four year level.



Flag Football

Yes, that great American past time is back!!

Thursday, April 30th 3:00-6:00 p.m. LBCC Track

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#23 Kai Thillman

Cottage Grove High School
Sophomore, Outfielder, DH

Thillman was Second Team All-League and First Team All-League in baseball, and Second Team All-League in football. He had a .341 average while playing American Legion ball. A transfer from Lane, Thillman is a lefty power hitter. Thillman is a Business Administration major and would like to uphold a 3.0 GPA.



#27 Phil Lyman

West Linn High School
West Linn, Oregon
Freshman, right-handed Pitcher

Lyman competed in both football and baseball in high school. He was 9-1 with a 2.30 ERA his senior year and was chosen as a Second Team All-Leaguer and DH as he was his junior year. He also made Second Team All-League as a football quarterback. Lyman throws in the mid 80s and has a slider.



#36 Brad Waterman

Cottage Grove High School
Cottage Grove, Oregon

Waterman transferred from the University of Oregon and is playing baseball for the first time at the collegiate level. He is a power hitter, with 21 homers while playing American Legion ball. Waterman is a Business Management major and hopes to strengthen his baseball skills this year.



#8 Jeremy Beard

Tigard High School
Portland, Oregon
Freshman, RH Pitcher, Outfielder

In his junior year at North Salem High School, Beard received 2nd Team All-League and 1st Team All-League pitcher honors. At Tigard for his senior year, Beard hit .423 right-handed and was 5-1 on the mound, earning 1st Team All-League and 2nd Team All-State awards. Beard would like to continue his studies at a four year school



#33 Todd Morehead

Eagle Point High School
White City, Oregon
Freshman, Outfield

Morehead competed in three sports in high school, gaining most of his recognition in baseball. His senior season, Morehead led the league in hitting at .408, made the All-Conference and All-State First Teams, and played in the state Metro All-Star game. He would like to attain a B average at LB and be chosen to play Division I baseball.



#28 Jason Myers

Lakeridge High School
Lake Oswego, Oregon
Sophomore, right-handed Pitcher

Last season, Myers put up a 6-1 record and 2.45 ERA for LB, and returns as the Roadrunners number one starter. He throws in the 80s and has a good slider. Myers also struck out 32 in 44 innings last year. Myers hopes to obtain a Chemical Engineering degree, uphold his 3.7 GPA, and earn a scholarship to a Division I school.



#3 Bill Pennick

Regis High School
Lyons, Oregon
Freshman, right-handed Pitcher

Pennick had a stellar high school career, posting a 10-1 record and a 1.03 ERA as a senior, earning First Team All-League, Conference Player of the Year, and First Team All-State honors. Pennick carries a lethal breaking ball and plays with determination. He hopes to achieve a four year degree and make train engineering his career.



#12 Justin Carley

Monroe Union High School
Monroe, Oregon
Freshman, right-handed Pitcher

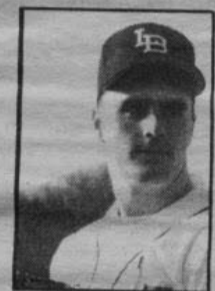
A three time All-Stater in both baseball and basketball, Carley had a stellar senior season with an 18-1 record and 1.23 ERA, chosen the MVP of the league, as he was his junior year, and was the AA player of the year. He also pitched in the John Day AA All-Star series and was a standout while playing American Legion ball. Carley would like to attain a two year degree at LB, and then transfer to a four year school, where he hopes to play baseball.



#10 James "Bo" Thomas

North Eugene High School
Eugene, Oregon
Freshman, right-handed Pitcher

Thomas is a curve ball, fast ball pitcher, and posted a 25-5 record in high school. In his senior season, Thomas received First Team All-League (pitcher), Prep Athlete, Prep Spotlight, and Third Team All-State honors. Thomas also lettered in football. He would like to major in Psychiatry and continue playing collegiate baseball.



#29 Jeff Greene

North Eugene High School
Eugene, Oregon
Sophomore, First Base, DH

Greene, a transfer from Lane, is a powerful lefty and is a offensive threat in the clutch. Last season, he hit .418, knocked in 14 home runs, drove in 40 RBIs, and was chosen as the All-Southern Division DH and to the All-NWAACC Team. Greene is interested in Physical Education and would like to sign a professional contract or to pursue baseball at the four year level.



#10 Zach Getsinger

Newberg High School
Newberg, Oregon
Freshman, Catcher, Outfielder

Getsinger, a two sport athlete, hit .363 and took Honorable Mention and MVP awards his senior year in high school. He also received All-Metro second team and Most Valuable Hitter honors his junior season. He is an undecided major, but would like to keep a GPA of above a 3.0.



#7 Ronnie Dillon

Crater Lake High School
Central Point, Oregon
Sophomore, Infielder

Making the transition from shortstop last season to second base in '92, Dillon packs a punch with a .270 batting average. He is a defensive leader with a strong arm. In high school, Dillon also competed in football and basketball, in which he plays for LB, as well as baseball. He holds a 3.0 GPA and is pursuing a major in Criminal Justice.



#11 John Downing

Hudsons Bay High School
Vancouver, Washington
Freshman, Catcher

Downing earned several football and baseball awards in high school, ranging from All-League to Scholar Athlete. In baseball, he had a career .321 batting average. He would like to get a degree in Engineering.



#17 Justin Gomes

Sheldon High School
Eugene, Oregon
Freshman, right-handed Pitcher

In American Legion ball, Gomes posted a 6-5 record and 2.19 ERA. With improvement in his breaking ball and his velocity, Gomes will be a key for LB. He is a Physical Education major and wishes to pursue his education at a four year school.



#35 Scott Anderson

Hudsons Bay High School
Vancouver, Washington
Freshman, Outfielder

Anderson earned the 1991 Washington State Amateur Player of the Year Award during his senior year. Besides being a three year starter in basketball, Anderson hit .405 during his high school baseball career, earning him All-League, All-State, and Most Inspirational honors. He also achieved a 3.90 GPA in high school. Anderson would like to play baseball professionally.



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campus news

Free workshop on diabetes

A free community workshop in diabetes will be held 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 25, at LBCC. "Living Successfully with Diabetes" features a selection of short educational sessions. Area residents may register and attend the entire day's events or any one of the sessions.

A Products Fair will be available during morning workshop hours in the LBCC Cafeteria, second floor of the College Center Building, where registration will be held 8-9 a.m.

A special two-hour presentation for children will be held 1-3 p.m. by a Gales Creek Camp representative.

Box lunches are available for \$3.50 and must be reserved in advance.

For more information, call the LBCC Health Occupations office, 967-6107, during regular business hours Monday through Friday.

Visiting poet to read

Nationally-acclaimed poet Galway Kinnell will read from his work on Saturday, May 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library. Kinnell has published ten volumes of poetry, including "Selected Poems" which won the National Book Award and the Pulitzer Prize. Kinnell's reading is the third in this year's Visiting Writers Series.

Spring Poetry Festival

The Oregon State Poetry Association presents its Spring Poetry Festival, Saturday, April 25, in LBCC's Takena Hall.

The guest speaker, Susan Landgraf from Highline Community College in Seattle, will speak on "How We Open

Up To Be Able to See." The winner of several poetry awards, she has an MFA in Creative Writing from the University of Washington, and has attended and taught poetry workshops throughout the Northwest.

The festival includes workshops, critique sessions, and writing exercises, as well as an open mike. Lunch is provided. There is a charge of \$15 for students and OSPA members, \$20 for non-members or \$20 and \$25, respectively, at the door.

For more information about specific sessions, call Linda Smith at 753-3335.

Opera Guild preview

The Linn-Benton Opera Guild will preview "Daughter of the Regiment" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 30, in room 303 of Benton Hall on the OSU campus. The room is elevator accessible. The preview is free to Opera Guild members and students attending LBCC. The cost for non-members is \$2.50, and the public is invited.

Also, the Linn-Benton Opera Guild is sponsoring two buses to the final performance of the Portland Opera production of "The Daughter of the Regiment" on Saturday, May 9.

For more information or to make bus reservations call Betty Miner, Opera Guild coordinator, 757-8949.

Women's Center free lecture

The LBCC Women's Center is sponsoring a free lecture, "Stuck in Conflict? Don't Like Your Choices?" on Thursday, April 23, noon-1 p.m. in room 221, Takena Hall.

Sue Johnston will speak on how to examine and analyze a conflict and generate multiple choices to cut down

on frustrations so the result is a win/win situation.

Preregistration is not required.

Intramural program set

The Student Activities Office has planned a Spring Intramural/Recreation Sports program free to students.

According to LBCC's Activities Assistant, Tammi S. Paul, the next

scheduled event will be on Thursday, April 30. A game of flag football will be played at the LBCC Track Center.

The game is scheduled to be played from 3-6 p.m.

For information about this activity or the upcoming hacky sack and tennis tournaments please contact Paul in the Student Programs Office, CC213, or call 967-8831.

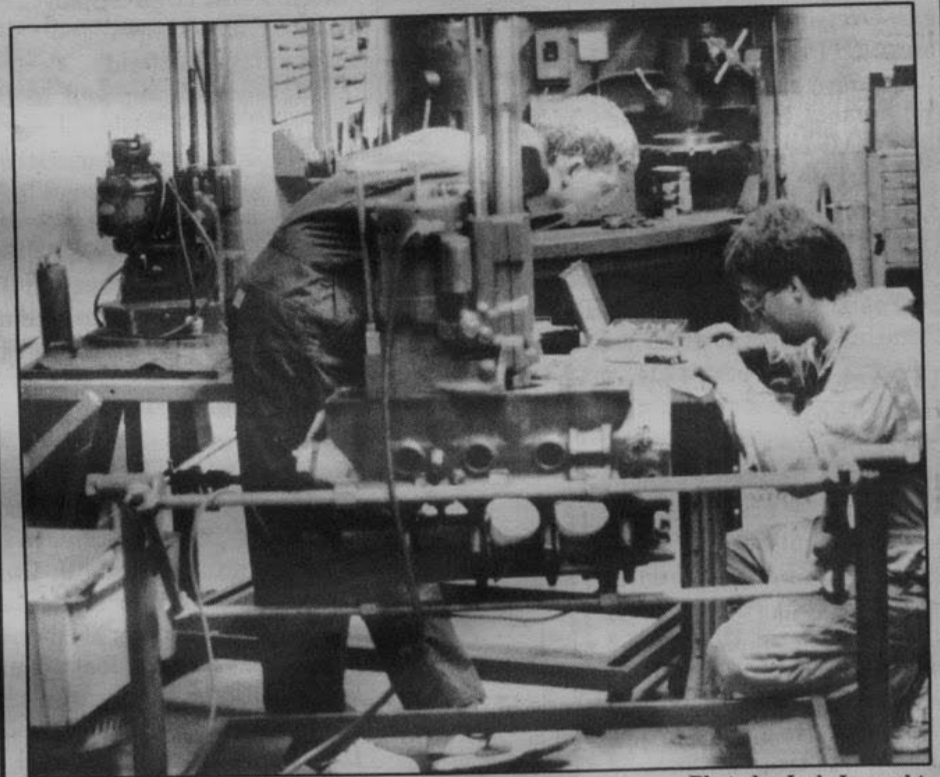


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What a Bore !

Luke Erickson and Brad Barclay bore out the cylinders of a Cadillac engine block, in preparation for installation in Erickson's Chevelle. Erickson and Barclay are both Auto Technology majors.

LBCC SPRING INTRAMURAL/ RECREATIONAL SPORTS PROGRAM

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Thursday, April 30th -
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Friday, May 15th -
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Saturday, May 30th -
Volleyball Tournament;
12-6pm Volleyball Courts



Tuesday, May 19th-
Ultimate Frisbee Game(s);
2:00-5:00. Activities Center



Friday, May 29th-
Fun Run and Walk;
12:00-1:00 LBCC Track



Tuesday, May 5th -
Hacky Sack Footbag ;
11:30-1:00. Courtyard.

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arts & entertainment

The lost Shakespeare plays

Editor's note: The following was faxed to The Commuter from a small pub along England way. Apparently an English anthropologist named Ian (aren't they all!) Popellare discovered the transcripts from the infamous lost William Shakespeare play that American director John Landis said was his inspiration for the 1978 film, Animal House. Ian found the artifacts under the sink in William Shakespeare's lavatory. So with great honor (or, as they say in England, "honour") the Commuter presents "The House of Bawdy Ribaldry"...

amuseings
satire by cory frye

(ACT I, SCENE 3)

FLOUNDER: 'Tis not the house we imagined, for their pocketbooks far exceed their minds.

PINTO: Let us rest, Flounderius. My feet cry with pain.

FLOUNDER: What ho, Lawrence! My brother once told me of a place where he was welcomed with open arms, the housemen were like comrades and the merry band sang the praises of a man named Louie. The mead flowed like the rivers of ancient Greece and there was a fine wench for every man.

PINTO: Pray tell, Flounderius, what is this place you speak of?

FLOUNDER: I'm speaking of the castle yonder where that man is standing with that flask of

mead. It is called the Delta House.

PINTO: Lo, friend! Is this the Delta House?

BLUTO: Ho, gentlemen! 'Tis the house of Delta you see before you.

FLOUNDER: Is it a common Delta practice to speak and turn as the weight of your bladder empties you?

PINTO: What? You have befouled my leg, thief!

BLUTO: As a man, I am called by many names, and not one of them is the accusing epitaph "thief." I am the merry jester Bluto. Enter, friends! This castle's monotonous exterior deceives its innards.

ACT 4, SCENE 5

BLUTO: You coward, Flounder! The scoundrel Neidermeyer will enslave you for the rest of your days! Until the moment the last breadth of air escapes you, your nose will be haunted by the stench of this barn and his horse!

DOOMSDAY: Yes, friend! Let not your frightened tongue lead you and pray tell us how much you despise that beast!

FLOUNDER: I do! I hate it!

BLUTO: Then it is up to you to see that it no longer trots the earth.

DOOMSDAY: You must slay the horse.

FLOUNDER: I cannot! I must not! My master Neidermeyer will have my head!

BLUTO: The four-legged hellion is the cause of your sorrows. Take my knife from my sheath and slit its evil throat.

DOOMSDAY: Do it, Flounder! I command you!

FLOUNDER: I will! Death to the horse!
(Flounder exeunts)

DOOMSDAY: This is truly the finest prank the Delts have partaken, O merry Bluto!

BLUTO: Imagine the fool's face when the blunt edge merely tickles its throat!
(a horse screams)

FLOUNDER: Lo, the horse is dead!
(All men shout in terror and flee from room)

ACT 9, SCENE 8

(BLUTO'S SOLILOQUOY)

BLUTO: Fools! How can you declare the end is near when you do nothing to stop it? Our futures are not finished unless we decide they are! Certainly you cannot judge our outcome when outsiders have infiltrated our sanctum and evicted us! We must be revenged! Did the generals of the Jerusalem armies flee when the Trojan Horse stood so gallantly at their walls?

OTTER: Jerusalem?

BOONE: Do not question the merry Bluto when the mead is talking.

BLUTO: No! And it hasn't ended now! I will slay Neidermeyer! I'll crush Marmallard! And I'll squeeze the breath from the Wormer! Are you for me? Let us charge!

ACT 10, SCENE 11

THE FINAL SCENE

BLUTO: And with my hatred and sword, I thee stab!

NEIDERMEYER: E tu, Bluto?
(he dies)

EPILOGUE

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MUSIC

APRIL 22

Every Wednesday night, test your vocal terptitude at the Buzzsaw with the soon-to-be-infamous Karaoke Machine from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. The songs run the gamut from country to rock of the 50s-80s. Be a lounge lizard.

APRIL 27

Pianist John Eaton tickles the ivories at the LaSells Stewart Center at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$6 general, \$3 for students. Call 737-4061 for more information.

APRIL 27-28

The Music Department of OSU is hosting a Concert Band Festival at the La Sells Stewart Center at 8 a.m. For more information, call 737-4291.

FILM/THEATER

APRIL 24-25

The International Film Series presents Robert Altman's 1991 drama "Vincent and Theo," the story of the complex relationship between famed artist Vincent Van Gogh and his art-dealing brother Theo. Showtimes are at 7 and 9:30 a.m. at Wilkinson Audi-

torium. Admission is \$2.75.

Linn-Benton's Performing Arts Department presents Michael Cristofer's "The Shadow Box" at the Loft Theater (T205) at 8 p.m. Tickets for the performance are \$4 and are available in the AHSS office, Room 108 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Monday through Friday and at the door.

APRIL 26

As part of Holocaust Memorial Week, Academic Affairs presents the showing of the film "Echoes That Remain" at the LaSells Stewart Center at 7:30 p.m. Call 737-2388 for more information.

APRIL 27

Continuing Holocaust Memorial Week is the showing of "Genocide" at the LaSells Stewart Center at 7:30 p.m. Call 737-2388 for more information.

ART

APRIL 22

The Corvallis Arts Center presents the month-long photography exhibit "Not Necessarily Silver Photography Show," featuring 52 pieces by 48 Northwest photographers. It is located

at 700 SW Madison in Corvallis. For more information, call 754-1551.

APRIL 25

The Regional Services Committee of the Linn-Benton Council for the Arts invites Linn County artists to participate in the workshop Artists as Individuals, which runs from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at Harden Hall, which is located at 580 Second Street in Lebanon. RSVP if possible at 754-1551 between 12 and 5 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

APRIL 25

Takena Hall is the place for this year's Oregon State Poetry Association Spring Poetry Festival. The workshop and lunch are \$20 at the door. The event starts at 8:30 a.m. with registration and runs until 4-5 p.m. with an Open Mike. Interested poets can bring their poetry for this festival.

Valley Writers Series presents Elizabeth Beverly

Elizabeth Beverly, poet, playwright and ethnographer, is the featured speaker for the Valley Writers Series at Linn-Benton Community College on Wednesday, May 6.

Beverly works with both children and adults. She teaches through the Northwest Writing Institute at Lewis and Clark College in Portland.

Beverly will read from her works noon-1 p.m. in room 104 of the Forum Building at LBCC. The public is invited to attend. While the event is free, donations to help defray costs are accepted.



Elizabeth Beverly

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Earth Day used as a political weapon

Students send environmental message to White house

National Student News Service
While many schools across the country are observing Earth Day this April 22nd with celebrations, some student leaders are turning the traditional festivities into a powerful vehicle for political action.

"This year we want Earth Day to send a message to Congress and the president because it's going to take a lot of tough decisions by our leaders if we want to change things," says Eric Ridenour of Earth Day Resources, a national organization created in 1990 to keep the Earth Day spirit alive.

Ridenour's comments illustrate a growing trend on college campuses to make Earth Day 1992 more political. From Los Angeles, California to Hartford, Connecticut, students are planning rallies, letter-writing campaigns, forums and petition drives to send a message to Congress and the White House that students want action on environmental issues including recycling, wetland protection, energy efficiency and the integration of minorities into the environmental movement.

Letter writing to be focused at U. of Washington

To convince Pres. George Bush to attend the United Nation's Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro, students at the University of Washington (UW) in Seattle are organizing a letter-writing barrage on the White House from April 19th through April 22nd.

"We want to raise awareness with Earth Day and channel that energy at the president," says UW organizing committee member Bryan Miller. Miller, a graduate student studying astronomy, hopes to generate more than 300 letters demanding that Bush attend the summit.

Occurring June 2nd through the 14th, the summit will attempt to bridge the economic gulf between the northern industrial countries and the developing nations of the south. Participants are expected to concentrate much of their energies on negotiating a global warming treaty with binding limits on carbon dioxide and the emissions of other greenhouse gasses.

According to Miller, the theme of the four-day letter-writing campaign will be "Energy for a Sustainable Future." A lot of us are concerned that the U.S. doesn't have a coherent energy plan, especially one that includes the environment," says Miller. The Earth Day Committee is also scheduling information fairs, a folk concert and forums on alternative transportation and energy policies.

Other student organizations working to pressure President Bush to attend the Earth Summit include the Student Environmental Action Coalition (SEAC), which is coordinating efforts on more than 400 U.S. campuses, and Action for Solidarity, Equality, Environment and Development (ASEED), which is working internationally with students from 37 countries to persuade Bush to attend the summit and to convince all those attending to produce strong global environmental policy.

"Recycle or Die": Students launch postcard campaign

Hoping to carry their recycling message directly to the White House, students at Trinity College at Hartford, Connecticut plan to generate an estimated 1,000 postcards bearing the message, "Don't go the way of the dinosaur. Recycle or die."

The students' postcards will draw attention to the three R's of solid waste policy: Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle. Specific demands will include a moratorium on costly incinerators that burn materials that should be reused and recycled; a national bottle bill to divert from landfills the more than one billion beverage containers that are used once and thrown away; and recycled content standards to create a market demand for U.S. industries to use recyclable materials in the manufacturing of consumer products. Trinity student will also exhibit a giant paper-mache dinosaur April 21st and 22nd on campus to draw attention to their campaign.

"Recycling is important and necessary," says Trinity first-year student Julia Rising, who is working with the Connecticut Public Interest Research Group (ConnPIRG) to organize Trinity's Earth Day events. "But we need to make more lasting changes. By getting the three R's into law, the ef-

10 mindboggling environmental statistics

- Every year enough aluminum is discarded to rebuild the U.S. air fleet every 3 months, and enough steel is discarded to reconstruct Manhattan.
- In 1987, Americans generated almost enough trash to fill a twenty-four-lane highway one foot deep from Boston to Los Angeles.
- Fifty acres of rainforests are destroyed each minute. Per year, that's an area equal in size to the state of Pennsylvania.
- A disposable diaper takes an estimated 500 years to decompose in a landfill. A cotton diaper (after multiple uses) decomposes in six months.
- Up to one million seabirds and 100,000 marine mammals are killed each year by plastic trash such as fishing gear, six-pack yokes, sandwich bags and Styrofoam cups.
- Every year Americans throw away enough wood and paper to heat 5 million homes for 200 years.
- The waste generated each year in the U.S. would fill enough garbage trucks to reach half-way to the moon.
- Recycling a glass jar saves enough energy to light a 100-watt light bulb for 4 hours.
- Recycling a 4-foot stack of newspapers saves a 17-foot pine tree.
- Cost, per day, of research and development on energy conservation and renewable energy sources in the U.S.: \$840,000. Cost, per day, of the Gulf War: \$1,000,000,000.

fect we'll have will be a lot more durable."

Other schools celebrating Earth Day with recycling programs include Florida Atlantic University and Pacific University in Forest Grove, Oregon.

Students petition for tougher environmental legislation

Feeling frustrated by the lack of legislative support for the environment, students at Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City are going beyond recycling and circulating petitions April 20th through the 24th to raise support for bills concerning water pollution, wetland protection and solid waste disposal, among other issues.

The students' five-day "Earth Week" will culminate in a rally on April 25th where organizers hope to draw hundreds of classmates.

"We need to show people that there's more to saving the earth than recycling," says Scott Sieffert, a junior majoring in environmental engineering and a co-chair of the colleges Environmental Board. "So much of the stuff we think we're recycling just sits around or gets incinerated. People can't just get frustrated and give up. We have to send a message to everyone in office or running for office that we're ready for real changes."

UCLA students redefine the politics of Earth Day

Using panel discussions and hands-

on events to stimulate new dialogue about Earth Day, students at the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) hope their Earth Day event will demonstrate that the environment and social justice go hand-in-hand.

"The environment for urban folks goes beyond trees, mountains, and whales," says UCLA graduate student and Earth Day coordinator Andy Fisher. Fisher argues that the urban environment includes social conditions such as housing, wages and labor. "We want to focus on issues of race and class and establish lasting links between the university and the community," says Fisher. "The environment is common ground for otherwise conflicting social and political groups and we want to build a coalition around it."

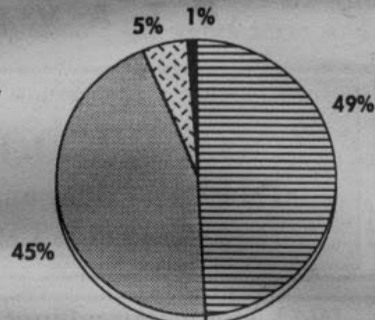
The UCLA student panel discussion, "Counting Women's Work for the Environment," will be held on April 21st to address the issue of integrating women of color into the environmental movement. UCLA is planning other events focused on the urban environment including a rally, teach-in and beach clean-up on April 25th.

Others working to forge ties with local community members through environmental issues include students from Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, New York, who are working with local organic farmers, as well as students working with the Greens Party.

Students Are Green Consumers

"I'm willing to pay more for products and packaging that are safe for the environment."

- Agree Strongly
- Agree Somewhat
- Neither Agree nor Disagree (0%)
- Disagree Somewhat
- Disagree Strongly



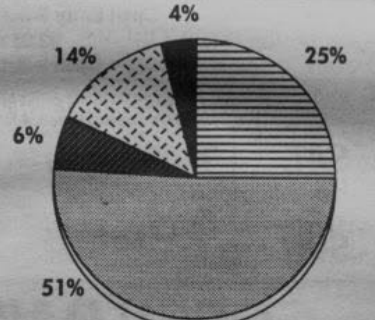
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Students Blame Industry

"Industry forces government to pass less effective laws for protecting the environment."

- Agree Strongly
- Agree Somewhat
- Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Disagree Somewhat
- Disagree Strongly



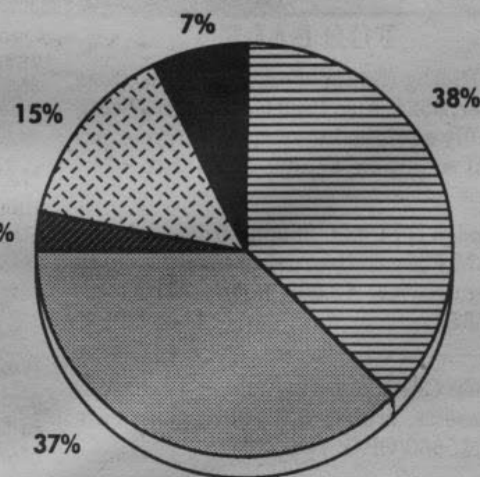
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Students Support Recycling Laws

"Recycling of newspapers, glass and cans should be required by law in all communities."

- Agree Strongly
- Agree Somewhat
- Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Disagree Somewhat
- Disagree Strongly



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sports

It's time for writers to deliver their year-end awards, play-off guesses

By Mark Peterson
Of The Commuter

With the NBA regular season over and the play-offs starting tomorrow many writers give their post season awards and I am no exception.

However, my awards are not like the basic MVP, all-league and rookie of the year awards.

First of all, the "heimlich maneuver" award goes to the Houston Rockets for losing two games in the final week to the lowly Dallas Mavericks and allowing the Los Angeles Lakers to make the play-offs. Second place goes to the New York Knicks who had the Atlantic Division in hand until they lost five of their last ten games and the Boston Celtics won nine of ten.

on the mark

The "make due with what you got" award goes to the Boston Celtics for overtaking the Knicks by winning 15 of their last 16 games without Larry Bird.

The "Who Dey" award goes to the Cleveland Cavaliers for quietly finishing with the second best record in the NBA behind the Chicago Bulls and tying the Portland Trailblazers. Finishing close behind are the New Jersey Nets, the Los Angeles Clippers and the Miami Heat.

The "What happened to you" award goes to the Minnesota Timberwolves who went from 29 wins last season to a league low 15 victories this year.

The "What were you thinking" award is awarded to the front office of the Houston Rockets. The team suspended All-Star center Hakeem Olajuwon for not coming back from an injury quick enough and canned last year's coach of the year, Don Chaney, for apparently not making the grade.

In the final week of the season, Olajuwon was the only Rocket that came to play. In the final game, Olajuwon scored 11 of Houston's final 14 points, finished with 39 points, 16 rebounds and seven blocked shots.

Second place goes to Atlanta Hawks coach, Bob Weiss, for calling the play to get Blair Rasmussen open for the three-pointer to attempt to win the game. The Hawks based their whole season on a three-pointer by their center in the closing seconds of their final game? Obviously, bad choice because Rasmussen barely hit rim.

My All-League All-Injury team consists of David Robinson(San Antonio Spurs), Dominique Wilkins(Atlanta Hawks), Larry Bird(Boston Celtics), Clyde Drexler(Portland Trailblazers) and James Worthy(Los Angeles Lakers).

The All-Whiner team consists of Michael Jordan(Chicago Bulls), Bill Laimbeer(Detroit Pistons), Isiah Thomas(Detroit Pistons), Mitch Richmond(Sacramento Kings) and the captain Danny Ainge(Portland Trailblazers).

The Miami Heat receive the "lamb before the slaughter" award for having to face Chicago in the first round.

The "waking from the coma" award goes to the Lakers who beat Portland and the Los Angeles Clippers in the final two days of the season to make the play-offs.

I guess I need to predict who is going to be in the finals in June. In the Eastern Conference, Cleveland(yes, Cleveland) will emerge from the pack and overtake the Bulls in a seven game series.

In the Western Conference, the Portland Trailblazers will beat Utah in the conference finals. However, the Blazers need to control their tempers in order to go that far. Guys like Drexler and Duckworth need to quit getting technicals and getting kicked out.

The overall winner—I'll leave it up to you to decide.

Thillman, Harris lead LB sweep; Roadrunners extend streak to 5

By Joel Slaughter
Of The Commuter

Kai Thillman rapped a pinch hit single to lead Linn-Benton to a 2-1 victory and complete a two-game sweep over Clackamas last night at home. Including a 9-4 victory in the first game, the Roadrunners extended their winning streak to five games.

In the opener LB used the pitching and hitting of Toby Harris to dominate Clackamas. On the mound, Harris (3-0) went 7 1/3 innings, giving up four hits and striking out four while going 2 for 5 with a double and 2 RBIs at the plate. Jason Olson had three strikeouts in 1 2/3 of relief. Jeff Greene was 2 for 4 with 2 RBIs and 2 stolen bases.

In the nightcap it was a pitcher's duel with Clackamas' J.D. Lesch battling it out with Roadrunner ace Jason Myers. Clackamas scored one early, but Jeff Greene tied it up in the sixth with a leadoff home run. Then, in extra innings, after a couple of walks and a sacrifice bunt, Thillman came in cold off the bench to hit for Robbie Cowden.

"Robbie could've hit, but we wanted to go with the percentages and the left-handed power hitter, Thillman, against the rightie," said Coach Greg Hawk.

Then, Thillman delivered his smoking line drive, brought in Jeff Greene, as both were immediately mobbed by their teammates.

"That was probably one of the biggest hits of his career," said Hawk. "It is pretty sweet winning it in the bottom half of the last inning in front of the home crowd."

Myers improved to 5-2 on the year, giving up six hits, striking out two and walking two.

Last Saturday, the Roadrunners took a pair from Clark at home winning handily, 7-1 in the first game, and coming from behind with a 3-2 victory in the closer.

Jason Myers gave up eight hits, no walks, and struck out seven in the opener for the win. Jeff Greene had a two-run double and Toby Harris had four RBIs including a three-run homer.

In the second game, Ronnie Dillon sparked a LB rally with a two-run HR in the bottom of the seventh to lead the Roadrunners to an improbable come-back win. Harris was victorious on the mound, giving up just four hits and striking out three.

Linn-Benton, visits Clackamas tomorrow for a makeup doubleheader.

Linn-Benton is 13-5 overall.

LB's track teams finish third, seventh

By Gale Blasquez
Of The Commuter

The cold winds in Eastern Oregon didn't stop LBCC's men and women's track teams from scooping two firsts, six seconds and two third places at the Blue Mountain Community College track meet in Pendleton Saturday.

Ten teams competed in Saturday's meet. LB's mens team finished third scoring 74 points in 18 events. BMCC won the meet with a score of 115.

Four of the teams were from the NWAACC conference, the other six were four-year state colleges and universities from Oregon and Washington. Of the NWAACC teams, the LB men took second, Lane scored third and Treasure Valley finished fourth.

The Roadrunner men scored in nine of the 18 events. "I'm very pleased with the team as a whole," said head coach Brad Carman, "They're out there giving their best."

Marc Aitken took the only mens first with the hammer throw of 140-6. Craig Horton placed second in the shot put with a throw of 44-4 1/2. Other seconds went to Josh Bjornstedt, throwing the javelin 177-4, Matt Frketch, pole vaulting 13-6 and Andy

Popp, who ran a 1:57.51 in the 800M.

It was also a day of personal bests for Brian Eli in the 100 and 200, Dan Cheeseman in the discus, Cliff Nims in the high hurdles and Bjornstedt's javelin throw. Andy Popp's time in the 800M was his season best.

The women Roadrunners finished seventh out of ten. "We finished second against the other community colleges," girls coach, Will Price, said, "they did real well against the bigger, four-year schools too."

LB's Kay Magee earned a first place in the javelin throwing 125-2 and took second in the high jump at 4-10.

Freshman, Nikki Edgar finished second in the triple jump with 33-6 3/4 and ran to finish fifth in the 100M.

Melanie Grant's third place time of 2:25.40 in the 800M was her season best. The run was her only event of the day. "We gave her a break," Price said, "She's been running strong and working hard."

Team captain Terry Cheeseman fell just short of her lifetime best to win fourth in the shot put with a distance of 34-2 1/2.

LB will travel to Oregon City for the Clackamas Invitational meet April 25.

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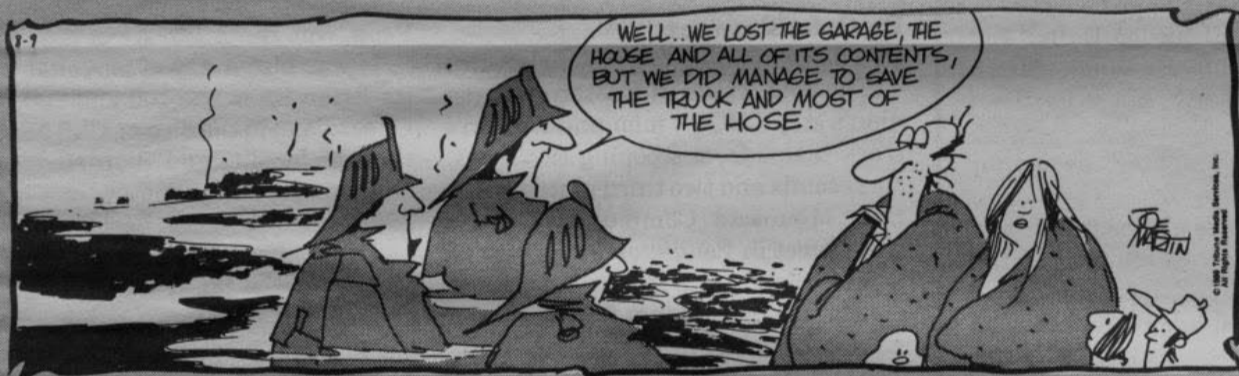


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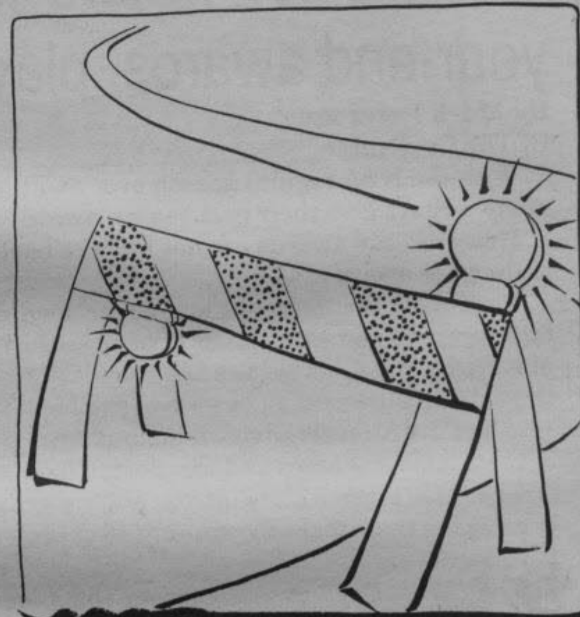
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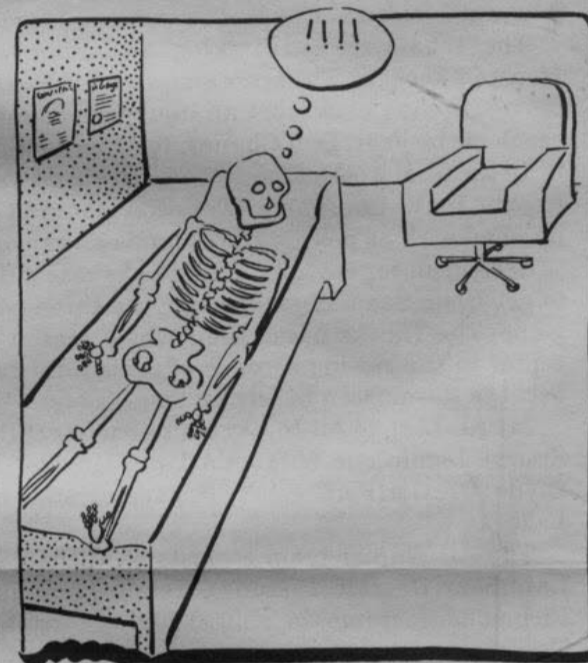


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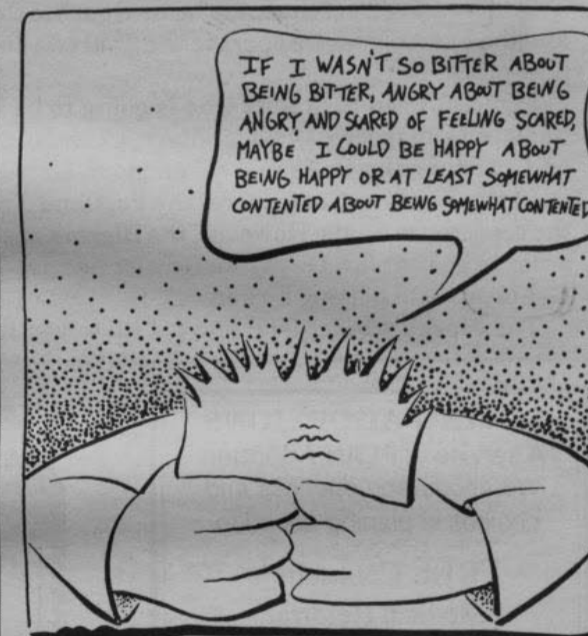


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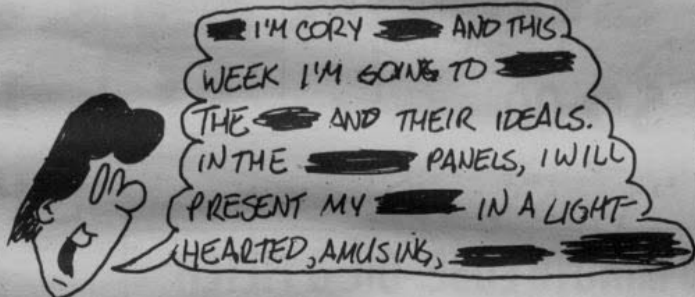


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