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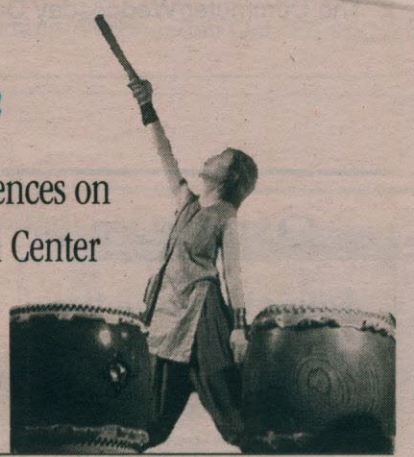
Andy Campbell takes his talents from the Runners to the Rangers.

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Taiko Drummers thrill audiences on main campus and at Benton Center

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Campus mail on alert for suspicious packages

by Chad Richins
of The Commuter

As incidents of anthrax mailings increase around the country, LBCC Vice President Mike Holland has asked college staff to be on alert for suspicious mailings.



Mike Holland

In an e-mail to all staff on Monday, Holland noted that there is no reason to believe that the college would be the target of any attack, but that it was prudent to "increase our sense of caution without increasing our sense of alarm."

In his e-mail Holland said: "We ask that you exercise caution with mail that comes from an unfamiliar address, is marked "personal" or "confidential",

contains your address but the wrong name, is lopsided, contains excessive postage, or is covered by an oily substance. If you receive a piece of mail that concerns you, don't handle or move it. Secure and leave the area and then call Security at 4440. . . our own mail room employees have been provided guidelines on suspicious mail to further decrease the already remote chance that contaminated mail will be delivered."

Mailroom Coordinator Linda McKinney said that so far no packages have been found to be suspicious.

The nationwide Anthrax scare escalated on Monday when a tainted letter was received and opened by workers at the Washington, D.C. offices of U.S. Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota.

Another case at ABC news is also being investigated.



Photo by James Bauerle

Making His Point

OSU Prof. Aaron Wolf gestures toward a map of the Middle East during Monday's "Behind the Headlines" Brown Bag discussion in the Fireside Room. The series continues next Monday at 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. with the focus on U.S. involvement in Afghanistan.

Restroom remodelling sends students in search of relief

by Jason A. Bratsouleas
of The Commuter

Students on the run may have to run a little farther this term. With two restrooms shut down for remodeling on the main campus, LBCC students are having to trot a little farther to find relief.

"Please be patient, we're gonna get them done," stated Kevin Nicholson, director of Facilities. Nicholson estimated three to four weeks before completion of the

restroom remodeling project, which began this summer. The remodel project was funded by the most recent bond and is designed to bring LBCC into compliance with ADA (American Disabilities Act) requirements.

"The restrooms were originally built in the early 70's. They were not ADA compliant, they were old, sinks didn't work, and heavy vandalism took its toll," said Nicholson. The ADA requires restrooms to be

handicap accessible with minimum specifications for dimension of stalls, height of sinks and types of fixtures. LBCC had previously upgraded the restrooms, but they were never fully ADA compliant.

"We could accommodate people with disabilities, it just wasn't as nice as it is now," said Nicholson. The newly remodeled restrooms have all new plumbing, drains, sinks, touch less faucets, and tile. Discussions (Turn to "Restrooms" on Pg. 2)



Adult Basic Education instructor Susan Cowles will be leaving the Benton Center for the cold summer of Antarctica in January.

Instructor picked for Antarctica expedition

by Wendy Geist
of The Commuter

Come January, an LBCC instructor will become the first community college teacher in the country to take part in the National Science Foundation's Arctic and Antarctic educational program.

Sue Cowles, who teaches adult basic education at the Benton Center, will participate in the Teachers Experiencing Antarctica and Arctic program (TEA), which sends K-12 teachers on scientific

expeditions in polar regions. She will be stationed at the Palmer Research Station in Antarctica from Jan. 2 through Feb. 15.

"This is the experience of a lifetime," said Cowles.

TEA's purpose is to demonstrate that science is a human endeavor and to share it with the classroom and community. Teachers join scientists in collecting and analyzing scientific data and are expected to relay the information to students, peers and the community through email, jour-

nals and live Internet interactions on the Web.

Cowles, for the last ten years, has taught GED adults math and science skills with the aid of interactive online exercises. She will be conducting two live transmissions from Antarctica to her class in Corvallis.

"I will be a translator" said Cowles. She explained that she wants students from all academic programs at LBCC to (Turn to "Antarctica" on Pg. 4)

WEATHER THROUGH THE WEEKEND

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday

Weather forecast for tonight: dark.
—George Carlin

Source: Weather.com

CAMPUS NEWS

OFF BEAT

Foiled by the undies

A heavily intoxicated Norwegian man reportedly robbed a post office in Oslo wearing a pair of underpants over his face as a mask. The police, who arrested him two days later, didn't have much trouble finding him because his holdup note had his wife's name on the back. He said he didn't remember doing the robbery but did think it odd when he woke up and found a big pile of cash in his living room.

Going somewhere?

At a bail hearing in Ottawa, Ill., for a man who was charged with drug trafficking, prosecutors revealed several items that police had found in the suspect's apartment: some fake IDs, plane tickets and a book called "Hide Your A\$\$ETS and Disappear: A Step-by-Step Guide to Vanishing Without a Trace." The judge set bail at \$1,050,000.

Drop in doughnuts

Two policemen from Albuquerque, N.M., were spotted taking the police department's helicopter to pick up some doughnuts at a local shop. It would be difficult to underestimate how angry their superiors are. Police Lt. Bob Huntsman said, "Their sergeant is going to be interviewing them to find out what the hell they were thinking."

Is this heaven or hell?

A man on a flight from North Carolina slept through the plane's landing in Alabama. Exhausted from a long day of travel, he continued to sleep as everyone got off the plane, and he was left behind. When he finally awoke—alone in the dark, empty airplane—he became extremely alarmed because he thought he had died in a plane crash and was in the afterlife. He is suing the airline for emotional distress.

—From KRT News

Career Center connects students with jobs

by Harvest Brown
of The Commuter

If students are in need of employment and can't seem to get their foot in the door, the Career Center in Takena Hall is a great place to start.

It operates Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

One of the people who assists students in their search for employment is Carla Raymond, coordinator of student employment.

Her responsibilities are to help students find employment on and off campus and to provide such services as career counseling, Cooperative Work Experience, classroom presentations, high school recruitment, resume writing, and interviewing skills. She also works with employers in the Linn and Benton communities.

The Career Center offers two databases: one for work-study and the other for off campus jobs. As part of the off-campus employment services, Raymond said a

Work Net program is scheduled for November in which 10 students will meet with and interview employers around the community.

Students interested in these services can contact Raymond at (541)917-4788 or the Career Center at (541)917-4780. If they're on campus and want a closer look, they can drop by and pick up information in Takena 101. Students can also access information on the LBCC website at www.lbcc.cc.or.us under Career Center.

Ribbons offered to those who 'make a difference'

Jered Reid
of The Commuter

Students looking to "make a difference," will have an opportunity to do so this month.

The Student Ambassadors have decided to honor national Make A Difference Day, by providing blue ribbons for people to pick up and give to someone, with a note telling how that person made a difference in their lives.

From Oct. 22 to the 26th, students can acquire these ribbons anywhere on campus. Make a Difference displays will be posted on bulletin boards on every building around campus.

At the bulletin board, students can pick up a ribbon and write their note on the bulletin board. There is no cost to participate and anyone can do it.

Make A Difference Day is a national day of helping others, a celebration of neighbors helping neighbors. The day was created by USA WEEKEND Magazine, and is an annual event that takes place on the fourth Saturday of every October.

Student Ambassador Linnea Smetana said this is the first time they have coordinated the ribbon project, but they always have done something for Make a Difference Day.

Students can help winterize homes

Mariana Schatte
of The Commuter

On National Make a Difference Day Saturday, Oct. 27, the Student Life & Leadership team is asking students to volunteer for a community service project.

Led by the Student Ambassadors, the project is open to everyone who wants to help winterize houses for the elderly to prepare them for the coming winter.

Volunteers will meet Satur-

day at 8:30 a.m. go to Albany to work on a home until 4:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

The work that the student volunteers will do includes filling cracks in window frames and around floors and walls, caulking bathrooms, light cleaning and similar activities.

Interested students are asked to sign up at the SL&L Office, which is located on the first floor of the Student Union next to the Recreation Room.

Military call-ups can get refund

Robert Mack
of The Commuter

In the wake of the recent acts of terror, The United States Department of Education sent a notice to colleges across the country to grant full tuition refunds to students called to active duty in the military.

The College Response Team had already been considering

giving refunds to those who were to be called to duty, said Bruce Clemetsen, director of enrollment, so it enacted the policy immediately.

So far, no requests have been made at LBCC for military service related reasons, but Clemetsen said, "We are ready to give refunds if it does happen."

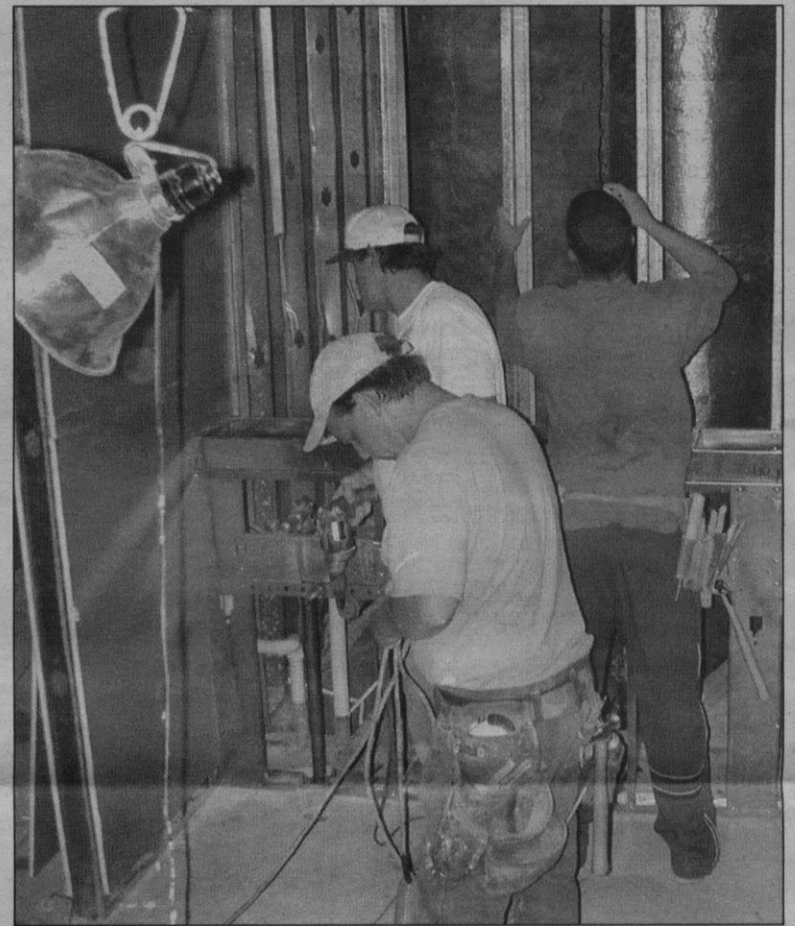


Photo by Jenn Geiger

Workers put up framing for new interior walls in the restroom between the Business and AHSS buildings. The entire interior of the restroom was gutted and is being remodelled with new floors, walls and fixtures.

Restrooms: Remodelling to be completed in about four weeks

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are just beginning for future projects.

College Center and Science & Technology restrooms have been remodeled and repaired, but some final details still need to be completed, such as door adjustments and latch improvements. The restrooms between Business and AHSS buildings are currently being renovated, framing is underway and contractors are in the process of reconstruction. The Health Occupations restrooms between HO and Takena Hall are currently in

the demolition phase and will be the last to be completed. The strategy for remodeling was to have at least two restrooms open for use at opposite ends of the campus.

To meet ADA requirements, contractors had to eliminate one urinal in each men's restroom and one toilet in each women's restroom.

"ADA requirements for stall width being wider, forced us into eliminating one of those. We can't take out the brick walls, so we had to shrink down on the inside, losing some capacity," said Nicholson.

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CAMPUS NEWS

New council to broaden awareness of other cultures

by Becky Pedersen
of The Commuter

Differences don't always have to lead to conflict. And the new Multicultural Council hopes its efforts will provide proof-positive for students at LBCC.

LBCC President Jon Carnahan approved the creation of the Multicultural Council last year. This had been an evolving group since 1994, first called the Diversity Team, which monitored diversity efforts and encouraged celebration of cultural differences on campus.

"I would like to see a campus that is not just multicultural, but one that is able to have the skills to be multicultural," said Susan Prock, director of the Multicultural Center and a member of the new council. "To be multicultural means students and staff should be able to communicate with and understand people of other cultures. It means more than just seeing different colors on campus; it means a unified campus."

According to the council's recently adopted mission statement, its goal is to provide vision, leadership and standards for campus cultural issues and promote an environment that integrates knowledge and understanding of diversities. It would also like to see students of all cultures have a stronger relationship with the Multicultural Center, give support to minorities on campus and increase the cultural diversity of campus events, such as drama and musical productions.

The council's plan is to increase sensitivity toward all people's cultural needs, and provide a climate that welcomes and sustains those who learn, teach and work

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—Susan Prock

at LBCC and in the communities it serves. It also hopes to increase partnerships with minority communities, minority involvement at campus events, and staff and faculty participation in multicultural skill development and integration.

"Above all else the council would like to see a culturally competent campus," Prock said. "Culturally competent means engaging and supporting people from diverse cultures."

Council Co-Chair Tammi Paul-Bryant, director of Student Life & Leadership, is excited to see all the benefits this council will bring to campus.

"My goal is to see a campus community that honors all of the differences that we bring to the table and can have a consistent dialogue around differences, a community where different opinions and beliefs come together," she said.

She added that many people feel that different is bad and that can result in automatic conflict. "Students should be able to realize they can still have a difference with someone but a constructive dialogue can still exist," said Paul-Bryant.



Photo by Jenn Geiger

Public Health Nurse Supervisor Pat Crozier takes the blood pressure of Rebecca Benrose in the Takena Health Clinic.

Takena Hall Health Clinic expands to two days per week

by Harvest Brown
of The Commuter

It's that time of year again. The weather's getting colder and all of your friends, classmates and loved ones are getting sick, which means you could be sick too.

Thanks to an arrangement between LBCC and the Linn County Health Department, you don't have to go far to find medical help with your ailments. Health services are available every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This is the first year that the service

has been expanded to a second day—in years past, the health clinic was held only one day a week. The addition is a result of an increase of students needing the services.

Some of the services offered include immunizations, care for major illness, physicals, STD exams and treatment, reproductive health care, pregnancy testing, and HIV counseling and testing. These services come at no cost or low cost to students. If more information is needed call 967-3888 or 1-800-304-7468. Or you can visit the website at

www.lbcc.cc.or.us/healthservices.

Low-cost printing available at out-of-the-way campus print shop

by Jason A. Bratsouleas
of The Commuter

On the north side of campus, in Room 110 of the Industrial Building, lies a hidden resource for students.

LBCC's Print Shop offers a multitude of services designed to meet students needs for completing small or large printing projects.

The printing services department was established in 1976 to serve the college's printing

needs, and about 10 years ago services were extended to students. A knowledgeable and friendly staff is on hand to assist those with printing services.

Leta Bouse, pre-press technician for the printing services department, said her department does its best to produce quality printing at the lowest possible cost to students and faculty. Printing Services is self-supporting, which means it must earn enough money to finance its

budget.

Customers have a variety of printing options. The Canon Laser copier sets the standard for color copiers, she said, and copies can be made quickly on a variety of materials. The Docutech allows printing services to "print on demand" using the latest digital printing technology. There are also two presses, the Chief 17 is a single color envelope press, capable of printing 4 1/4" X 5 1/2" up to 9"

X 12" sizes, and the Multi-1960 press can print a variety of jobs including letterhead, flyers, brochures and posters.

The bindery adds the finishing touch to a quality printed item, whether from Docutech or the offset press. Bindery services include: saddle stitching, stapling, cutting, folding, drilling, collating, laminating, shrink wrapping and padding. Also offered are various book making processes, including tape

binding and GBC binding (comb binding). The print shop also carries printer cartridges for HP Inkjet, Deskjet, and Laserjet printers, at the most affordable prices.

"The nice thing is that if you make a copy on a campus copier it is five cents, but if you come down and have that same job output on our Xerox Docutech your cost will be a little over 3 cents," Bouse said. "That is a savings of about 35 percent and on a large job can mean a lot."

Peace Studies sponsors talks on a 'just war' and the U.S. militarization of outer space

by Steven Adler
of The Commuter

The LBCC Multicultural Center and the Peace Studies Program are sponsoring speakers on "What is a Just War?" this Friday and "Militarization of Space" next Tuesday.

OSU philosophy professor Dr. Courtney Campbell will address the issue of a "just war" at noon Friday, Oct. 19, in the College Center Boardrooms.

"Pacifism was the dominant tradition in the formative centuries of the early Christian Church," according to Campbell, who is associate professor and director of the Program for Ethics, Science and the Environment at Oregon State University.

"The crusades during the Middle Ages tended

to lead to unlimited violence. The 'just war' sought to limit the occasions for war and to impose limits on violence in war," said Campbell in an internet essay. The 'just war' was the predecessor to binding international law and conventions.

Bruce Gagnon, coordinator of the Global Network Against Nuclear Power and Weapons in Space, will speak Tuesday, Oct. 23, at noon in the Willamette Room.

"The arms race is moving into space," said Gagnon. "The U.S. Space Command has publicly stated that it intends 'to control space in order to protect U.S. interests and investments.'"

Global Network is an international grassroots organization that seeks to protect space from "the bad seed of war, greed and environmental contamination," he said.

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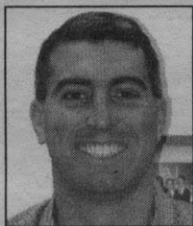
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CAMPUS NEWS

New coach takes reins of Livestock Judging Team

by Tracie Love
of The Commuter

Clay Weber, LBCC's new livestock judging coach, hopes to "build stability in coaching" as the new school year kicks off.



Clay Weber

Weber was born and raised in Madera, Calif., and has had extensive education to get where he is today. For two years, Weber attended Modesto

Junior College and then entered Oklahoma State University, where he earned a bachelors of science degree in animal science. Soon after, he enrolled in Cal Poly where he received his masters in general agriculture. After that, he went to work for his former junior college as a sabbatical leave replacement for one semester, teaching and coaching the livestock judging team.

From there, he went to work for Associated Feed, part of the livestock feed industry, in Turlock, Calif., for two years

before coming to LBCC.

Here at Linn-Benton, Weber is once again coaching the livestock team, hoping to give them the stable environment they've lacked in the past two years due to coaching changes. The team consists of mostly freshmen in-state animal science students, but talent from outside Oregon is also on the team this year, making the "numbers more positive" this year, he said.

The LB team puts in weekly practices with various livestock producers on Tues-

days, Thursdays and weekends, as well as meets to practice their oral reasons throughout the week. In competitions the team members are expected to evaluate sheep, hogs and cattle and then give their oral reasons in front of a judge.

Looking ahead, the team has about eight more contests with one already out of the way. At its first contest, the Western Fall Classic in Medford, Ore., the team placed third. The team is focusing on future events in various places such as Denver, Col. and Houston, Texas.

Antarctica: Cowles to 'translate' experiences via Internet to campus

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send questions to her.

For example, she said, "Culinary arts students could ask the chef 'How many pounds of potatoes will they eat there when the supply ship comes only once a month?'"

She said she'll be looking forward to hearing from staff and students back home. "Everyone likes to get mail when they are away at camp," said Cowles. She will be one of 40 such campers—actually researchers and maintenance persons—at the station on the Antarctic Peninsula.

"I am so lucky to be stationed at Palmer Station, where the animal and plant life is abundant as a result of seasonal melting of the ice sheet," said Cowles. She hopes to see animals such as the chinstrap penguin and large elephant seals.

Cowles will be leaving behind the snow-capped mountains of Oregon's winter to head for the windy, 30-degree temperatures of the icy environment of Antarctica's summer. It will take five days aboard the 230-foot Laurence M. Gould research and supply ship to cross the very choppy waves of the Drake Passage, traveling from Punta Arenas in Southern Chile to the Palmer Station on the Antarctic Peninsula.

The two buildings located at Palmer Station house showers, toilets, a dining room, a dormitory with bunk beds and a laboratory. While there isn't any

television reception, Cowles added, there will be videotapes to watch in her spare time.

She will be assisting a biologist and a geochemist from the College of William and Mary's Institute of Marine Science in their study of Persistent Organic Pollutants, which are man-made chemicals such as pesticides and by-products from the burning of hazardous waste. When the edge of the ice sheet melts in spring, these pollutants are released from the frozen water and move up the food chain with intensity. Cowles will be collecting water samples and doing basic lab work.

Antarctica is important to scientists because of its role in global climate change. The entire continent encompasses an area that is larger than the U.S. and Mexico combined and is covered in a huge ice sheet, which

can be two miles deep in places.

In 1995, Cowles taught her adult learners all about Antarctica through an electronic field trip program called "Live from Antarctica 2." Students at LBCC talked to scientists in Antarctica with a 1-second delay coming between them. "It was amazing," said Cowles.

Involving adult learners in interactive online activities is a passion of Cowles. She maintains a web site for the National Institute for Literacy and its Science and Numeracy Collection and trains adult basic education instructors in other states how to use online activities to teach math and science.

Cowles said she looks for web sites that have "good visuals and are interesting"

One exercise her class participated in was a live boat race from the Canaries to Bermuda. Students picked a boat and kept track of its kilometers, speed and its coordinates. In another online exercise, students chose plants, birds and flowers that would thrive in a tall grass prairie. Online information helped them make their choices, and after choosing correctly, they watched the prairie grow right in front of their own eyes.

Students learn about habitats, ecosystems, geography and math more easily with the help

of online activities, she said, pointing out that the GED test in science requires skills in these areas. "I hope others will see the value of incorporating this kind of learning into adult basic education classes," she said.

She said she wants people to write her while she is in Antarctica at cowles@tea.rice.edu and read her daily journal with updated photos at <http://tea.rice.edu>.

Cowles said she feels lucky to be a part of the project for two reasons, "No. 1, I will be going to Palmer Station in Antarctica and No. 2, I will be working with scientists on an environmental question that affects everyone in the world."

COMMONS Menu Oct. 17- Oct. 23

Wednesday

- Roast Chicken w/ Pan Gravy
- Pork Enchiladas & Refried Beans
- Pasta Bar
- Navy Bean Soup
- Beef Noodle Soup
- Vegetarian Delight Salad

Thursday

- French Dip w/ Fries
- Almond Chicken w/ Steamed Rice
- Vegetable Calzone
- Creamy Roasted Chicken Soup
- Minestrone Soup
- Chicken Taco Salad

Friday

- Chef's Choice

Monday

- Grilled Pork Chop
- Chicken Gumbo
- Quesadilla
- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Split Pea Soup
- Chef's Salad

Tuesday

- Reuben w/ Coleslaw
- Greek Style Lamb Stew
- Vegetarian Thai Curry
- Shrimp Bisque Soup
- French Onion Soup
- Shrimp Louis Salad

Volunteers sought for soup kitchen

by Nathan Commodore
of The Commuter

Student Ambassador Jason Savedra is looking for six students to help serve dinner at a Lebanon soup kitchen on Wednesday, Oct. 24.

Saverda said the volunteers will help serve and prepare food between 4:30 and 7 p.m., but added "you can stay as long as you want; you're helping us out."

He said he would like students to sign up by Oct. 22 in the Student Life & Leadership Office, which is located next to the the Recreation Room on the west side of the Courtyard.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



Photo by Jenn Geiger

And The Beat Goes On and On and On

Members of the Portland Taiko Drummers gave two spirited performances at LBCC last week. On Friday night at the Benton Center (above), more than 200 people packed the gymnasium for the show, while a smaller crowd turned out Friday afternoon at the Forum on the main campus to hear the ensemble's members give a demonstration and workshop on the ancient Japanese drumming technique. The event was sponsored by the Multicultural Center.



Photo by James Bauerle

Tickets go on sale for 'Glass Menagerie'

From the LBCC News Service

Tickets went on sale this week for the Performing Arts Department presentation of "The Glass Menagerie," written by Tennessee Williams and directed by George Lauris on the Tadena Theatre stage.

The play will be performed at 8 p.m., Nov. 9, with additional shows at 8 p.m. Nov. 10, 16 and 17; a 3 p.m. matinee on Nov. 18; and a special low-cost night on Thursday, Nov. 15 at 7:30 p.m.

The story is autobiographical. The play's narrator, Tom (Williams was born Thomas Lanier Williams), steps in and out of the action of the play describing his memories of his family living in St. Louis, where Tennessee and his family had lived until 1944.

"What makes 'The Glass Menagerie' unique," according to Lauris, "are the haunting images, which are painted through lighting and through the poetic prose of the author."

The play's four characters are played by Amaya Egusquiza (Amanda), David Nicholas (Tom) and John Annis, all of Philomath; and Chelsea Harrington (Laura) of Albany.

The production staff includes, Bruce Peterson, lighting designer and technical director; Scott Kingston, sound designer, and Debbi Michalski, costumer.

Tickets are \$8 and \$7 for students and seniors. All seating is reserved. A special "low-cost night" will be held Thursday, Nov. 15, with all seats sold for \$4. Nov. 15 is also an ASL Interpreted performance as well as a benefit for the Performing Arts Foundation Scholarship Fund.

Tickets may be purchased on line at www.ValleyTix.org, which is a service being offered for the first time for LBCC productions. Tickets can also be purchased at Grass Roots Bookstore in Corvallis; CD World in Corvallis and Eugene; the ValleyTix Box Office at the Majestic Theatre in Corvallis; the Tadena Hall Box Office; and the LBCC Box Office 24-hour reservation line (541) 917-4531.

Highway 101 brings heart and soul to country

by Chad Richins
of The Commuter

Highway 101 has been kicking around the country music scene for a long time.

Their self-titled 1986 debut album had a special sound and style that fans flocked to, and the album yielded four top five hits. "Somewhere Tonight" and "Cry, Cry, Cry" went into heavy rotation on country stations around the nation.

Highway 101 brought together musicians that had already found success with other acts and a talented singer/guitarist/songwriter Paulette Carlson whose singular voice helped complete the band's unique sound.

With names like Jack Daniels, Cactus Moser and Curtis Stone, Highway 101's high-energy mix of traditional country heart and rock & roll soul paved the way for later acts like Garth Brooks, Alan Jackson and Tim McGraw.

The band also exhibited an infamous road show style where they would follow up a Dire Straits cover with an old favor-

ite by Roger Miller, as well as playing their freshly minted hits.

Riding a wave of popularity, the group scored awards for Vocal Group of the Year from both the Academy of Country Music and the Country Music Association in 1988 and 1989, as well as being nominated for two grammy awards.

The next year Carlson left the band to pursue a solo career, and Nikki Nelson joined the band.

After some commercial ups and downs, Highway 101 briefly reunited with Paulette Carlson and these days has been seen traveling the country with a young singer named Chrislynn Lee.

They have also added Charlie White, a veteran guitarist formerly of Pam Tillis' band, and their new album "Big Sky," is getting good reviews from industry critics.

The Commuter recently asked guitarist White about the band, the road, and the state of country music today.

When asked about the recent



Highway 101 members are Charlie White, Cactus Moser, Chrislynn Lee and Curtis Stone.

uproar in Nashville over the song "Murder On Music Row," sung by Alan Jackson and George Strait, that suggests certain people are killing real country music by making it too pop or too rock, White said: "These days there seems to be a big whoopla about the state of country music," he said. "I think most of the confusion comes from a handful of people who get to

decide what millions of people get to hear."

On the subject of the success of the movie "O, Brother, Where Art Thou?" and the accompanying soundtrack, White says, "It was a great surprise to have 'O, Brother' do what it did, if only because it opened a lot of ears and eyes to a style of music that never really went away."

The Commuter asked White what life is like on the road for the band these days. White replied, "We generally have a great time. These days we fly to almost every date. It affords us the opportunity to play one night in Georgia and the next night in Oregon."

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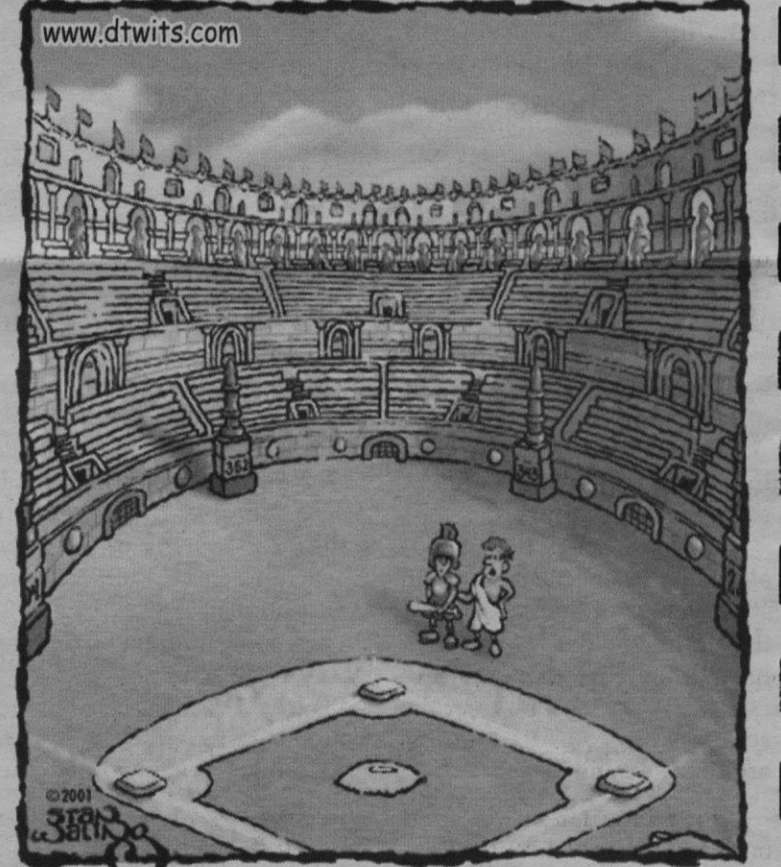
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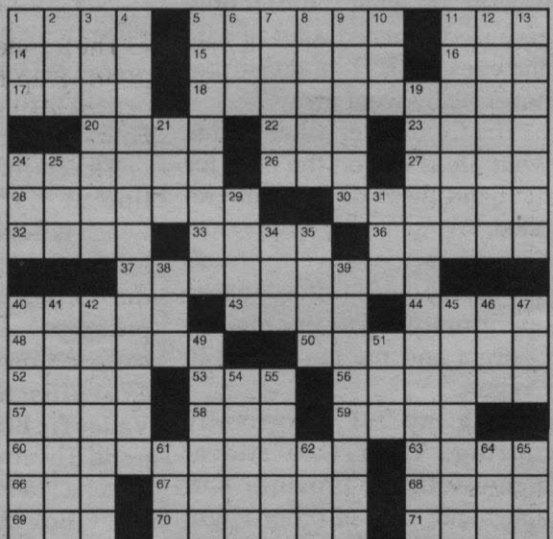
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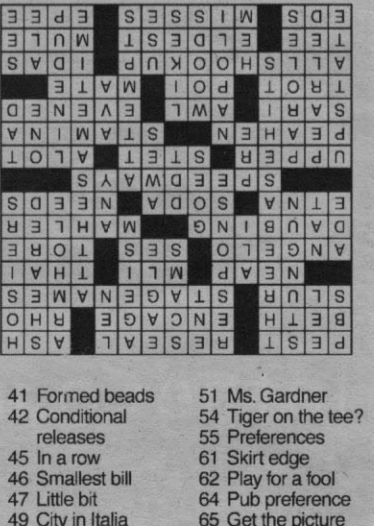


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Big dream comes true for ex-Roadrunner Campbell

by Christina Laramore
of The Commuter

Andy Campbell was in sociology class last term when he received the call he had been waiting for since he started playing baseball at the age of 4—the call that would change his life.

That call was from the Texas Rangers, saying they had taken him in the 30th round of 50 rounds in the 2001 baseball draft; signing him for \$5,000. The low signing bonus was enough for Campbell, though, because his dream to play pro baseball had finally come true.

"I've always wanted to play pro-ball," Campbell explained. "It's been my dream."

Campbell played for the Roadrunners at LB for two years. A pitcher and outfielder, Campbell led LB at the plate last year—but it was his powerful arm from the outfield that caught the eyes of the area scouts.

During last year's season, scouts had come out many times to watch Justin Quaempts—a star pitcher for LB who is now playing for Oklahoma State after turning the Rangers down. It was while watching one star that the area scouts found another, noticing the potential in Campbell.

"They asked me if I wanted to come to a workout in Portland," Campbell explained. "I did and I threw about 50 pitches and then went home."

Those 50 pitches were enough for the scouts, and with that, the Albany native entered the draft.

The night before the first day of the draft, Campbell admits to being nervous, even though he knew he wouldn't go on the first day.

"I started getting nervous," he said. "I kept thinking, 'What if I don't get drafted.'"

The nervousness was replaced by excitement when he received a call at 7:30 in the morning saying that the Rangers were going to take him soon.

When Campbell started at LB, his plans entailed transferring to Oregon State where he was offered a spot on the Beavers baseball team, and then taking a shot at getting drafted. He got that chance earlier than he expected though, and now the new addition to the Rangers is back at Linn-Benton trying to get his Asso-

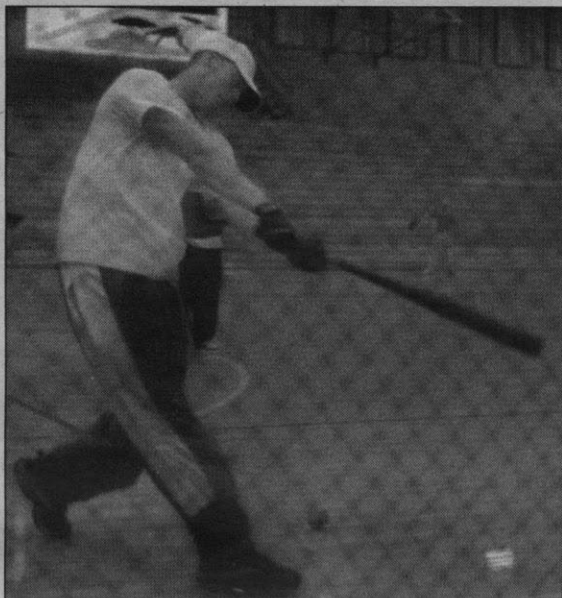


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Andy Campbell has been practicing with the Roadrunners this fall since being drafted as a pitcher by the Texas Rangers.

ciate of Science degree before the baseball season starts up again.

"Andy has a good chance of progressing through the minor league levels because of two things," said LB baseball coach Greg Hawk. "One, he has an outstanding arm; two, he is very determined."

After he got drafted, Campbell headed down to Fort Meyers, Fla., to play rookie ball in the Gulf Coast League for the Gulf Coast Rangers for three months.

"I lived in a condo with two teammates right on the beach," said Campbell. "There were alligators in the front yard and I caught shark right off the deck in the back."

While playing in Florida, Campbell quickly made a name for himself by being nominated to the All-Star team and getting to pitch in the Tropicana Stadium for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

"Left handed pitchers are always in demand," Hawk

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—Greg Hawk, LB baseball coach

said. "How far he goes just depends on how dedicated he gets to the game, but like I said, he is very determined."

The summer ended quickly, and Campbell came back home to his family and friends, who he admits it was hard to leave.

"It's always hard to leave, but this is what I've wanted to do my whole life," said Campbell. "This last summer was the hardest. It was the first time I've ever left home for that long. After a while though, you just get used to it."

He isn't taking too much of a break in his off season. Campbell is practicing with the Roadrunners, who are currently playing fall ball, and even though he can't play on the team, he can still practice and get some tips from Hawk.

Campbell will be leaving in March to head back down to Florida, where he will spend six weeks for spring training. After that, he and his team will travel to Savannah, Ga., to pitch with a Single A team for the rest of the season; unless he gets moved up or moved down.

Deciding to finish school or to go pro is probably one of the hardest decisions for college athletes. Quaempts turned down the Rangers and instead signed with Oklahoma State so he could finish his college career. Campbell decide to go pro right away, a decision he says he definitely does not regret.

"I can still go to school later," he explained. "But what happens if I go to a four-year school and injure my arm and never get the chance to play pro ball, something I've wanted to do my whole life?"

"With a break here and there," Hawk said, "Campbell could very well progress to the major leagues."

Runners capture consolation championship at tournament

Jessica Horsley's 61 kills and Lesea Brown's 10 aces lead LB to victory

by Christina Laramore
of The Commuter

After falling hard to Mt. Hood on Wednesday, Oct. 10, the Roadrunners picked up the pace to capture the title of Consolation Champions in the Lower Columbia Crossover Tournament over the weekend.

On Friday, LB faced off against Blue Mountain Community College—losing the first game 28-30 before defeating the Timberwomen 30-24 in the second game.

The Runners then won both games against Olympia, 30-18, 30-28 but fell twice to Lane, 19-30 and 33-35.

With three wins and three losses, LB went into Saturday's games fighting, winning two matches and losing just one to be named the consolation champions.

In the first match Saturday, LB fell to Whatcom 30-26, 32-34 and 12-15 but bounced back against Pierce to capture a two game victory 30-25, 30-18. In the Consolation championship game, the Runners played Olympia, who they beat on Friday. LB

grabbed the victory once more in a 30-27, 30-26 decision.

On Friday, Jessica Horsley led LB once again with 31 kills and 69 total attacks and chipped in 14 digs to her totals. Kim West added 12 kills and 36 total attacks to the Runners' offense, while helping the defense with her 14 kills. Leading server Amie Johnson had 30 total service points and led the team in digs with 15, while setter Crystal Galedrige had 42 total assists.

Overall, the team had 77 total kills on Friday and 219 total attacks as their offense dominated the day. Defensively, LB had 74 total digs and nine blocked shots. The Runners served 84 percent

on Friday with seven aces and 163 total service points.

On Saturday, LB once more dominated the net with 91 kills. Led by Horsley with 30, Susan Stouder added 16 and Leslea Brown chipped in 17. Of the Runners 260 total attacks, Horsley had 86.

Serving was what led LB to their finish, though; the team served 94 percent overall for the day. Brown had 10 service aces and 46 total serves while Horsley had 34 total serves.

This all came after a disappointing 30-17, 30-21, 30-26 loss to Mt. Hood on Wednesday. The Saints, who dominate the Southern Region with a 9-0 record,

held the Runners to just 31 total kills and only two service aces.

Horsley was again the leader at the net with 14 kills and 34 total attacks. Brown chipped in six kills and 25 total attacks. Defensively, LB was not as sharp as

they have been with only 19 digs; five each by Janine Dionne and Horsley.

The Runners will get a chance to bring up their 2-5 record on Wednesday when they travel to Clackamas.

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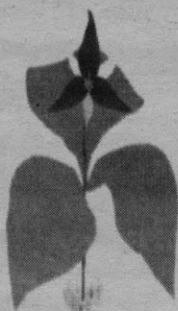
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OPINION

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Despite moderate views, Barak lays blame on Arafat

by Chad Richins
of The Commuter

Former Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak spoke candidly on the current state of affairs in the Middle East at Portland's Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall Monday while ranks of protesters shouted and waved signs and flags outside the venue. Protesters included pro-Israeli groups, anti-Israeli groups, American flag-wavers, Christians and Muslims. Some shouted "Israel Kaput!." This struck me as a particularly inflammatory slogan, using the German word for destroyed or ruined, against Jews. Others shouted for peaceful coexistence, revenge for recent attacks and repayment of American aid to Israel. It is interesting to attend a protest these days where opposition protests spring up and anti-opposition protests follow, only to be joined by anti-protest protesters and random passers-by shouting hateful epithets to everyone.



Chad Richins

Inside the palatial opera-house style auditorium, Barak, a stocky, graying man in his late 50s with a soldier's strut and a lisping but confident speech, spoke at length about his time in the Israeli military and as a statesman.

For all of his military record and tough talking approach to terrorism, Barak is actually a moderate when it comes to Israeli politics. As prime minister, he put the peace process as his first priority, "even over the longevity of my government," and was bitterly disappointed when events led to his ouster in favor of the more hawkish Ariel Sharon.



Photo by Chad Richins

Protesters greet Barak at his talk in Portland Monday.

Barak spoke of visiting Oregon 30 years ago when he was a graduate student at Stanford, although his familiarity with the area showed thin when he thanked the crowd for inviting him to Portland, the "beautiful capital of Oregon." As guards stood at stage left and right with obviously concealed weapons scanning the crowd, Barak variously cajoled, humored and educated the audience on his position and Israel's predicament in world affairs. His words on the subject of PLO chairman Yassar Arafat were particularly negative. He seemed to lay the weight of his country's troubles on Arafat.

Given Israel's position as an armed, defensive encampment surrounded by enemies who do not even place Israel on their maps in schoolbooks, denying the existence of the state, Barak's tough line on the PLO is understandable, if biased by his country's agenda and interests. Most Israelis I have spoken to believe as Barak does, however—that Israel has done its part and the Palestinians are holding up the show.

Speaking in a grave voice, Barak said "We have to win this first war of the 21st century. The future and the fate of freedom are at stake." He expressed remorse for the recent attacks on America, but added that now the "entire world finally comprehends the full scope and awe of the terrorist threat."

In the question-and-answer period after the speech, Barak was asked by an Oregon high-schooler what teenagers in America can do to help the situation in the Middle-East. Barak replied that he thinks we have a great generation of young people and that they need to be "mature, responsible citizens, acting fairly in your own environment." He went on to say that if they can carry the caring and sensitivity they have now into adulthood, they can change the world.

COMMENTARY

Other nations see U.S. 'beacon of freedom' as 'lighthouse for hypocrisy'

By Tina C. Empol
Political Science Major

So here we are sitting in the belly of the beast and I got to thinking that Nostradamus was not too far off when he said that the Village Idiot would rise up, but I bet he did not think the Idiot would run American foreign policy. Not so long ago, the Bush administration gave the most totalitarian regime on earth, the Taliban, millions of dollars for declaring that opium poppies are not Islamic.

Hey, I would be willing to say that poppies are not Islamic for a single million and I will not spend the money repressing the people of Oregon. Sounds like a good deal to me.

And the rhetoric? Right from bad western B movies an into Orwell's book "1984." Bush sounds just like that evil video eye, Big Brother. And you know the policy mark was missed when Castro can compare Bush's rhetoric of: "The course of conflict is not known; yet outcome is certain. And we know that God is not neutral" to bin Laden's rhetoric and say, "I find it difficult to make a distinction about where fanaticism is stronger."

I am equally thrilled with "Homeland Defense" that I know will be used against college kids protesting Nike sweatshops and even more thrilled that "Homeland Defense" was a term used by the Nazis. This administration really knows how to choose good names, huh?

According to journalist Laura Flanders, "Sunday's U.S. and British air strikes were launched on a trapped nation; a day's worth of food for 37,000 was dropped on a land of 20 million people, some 7 million of whom are on the verge of starvation, many thousands of whom have fled their home areas to be stranded without access to aid."

What a lovely policy decision it was to browbeat countries around Afghanistan into closing their borders and then running the Afghan people to the borders to die of starvation or disease. Also dropping brightly colored food packages into what International Campaign says "remains one of the most mined and UXO (unexploded ordinance) affected countries in the world" with "Gift of America" in bold so that starving Afghan children can blow off their legs or worse just to eat a last meal was just brilliant! Such bastions of compassion our conservative policy makers are. That is certainly worthy of bells on your hat and a puppet on a stick.

The seed did not fall far from the tree. Poppa Bush said that the U.S. had "no quarrel with the people of Iraq," and yet thousands of dead Iraqi civilians, mostly children, would take exception to that. Baby Bush says, "We are not bombing the people of Afghanistan." I think he stole that from "Mars Attacks"—"Come back, we love you, don't run, we will not hurt you" as the ray gun disintegrates everything around it.

Are people of reasonable intelligence supposed to believe that this is not a war against the people of Afghanistan while the Taliban hides in bunkers and in the hills and America drops bombs on the innocent? I can imagine those good old boys in D.C. feigning surprise at being asked why America has a worldwide image problem.

The Administration could not have picked a way to set back the fight against terrorism any better than if they had been working for Al-Qaeda. Look around you and what do you think is the fastest way to get people to rally around their flag? Kill civilians. Doesn't matter

if we call them "unintended damage." Killing innocents is the way to bring people together in outrage.

Bush says we are targets because we are a "beacon of freedom." How about we are a "lighthouse for hypocrisy?" In our names the U.S. government has supported the most UN-democratic regimes and repressive governments on this planet.

If some Americans could unwrap themselves

from the flag long enough to get a little blood back into their brains they would see that they are being served a load of UN-democratic authoritarianism. It is more patriotic to say, "Hey! Stop that! Your making it worse and putting more Americans at risk," than it is to say, "rah, drop those bombs," and ensure that the friends the CIA needs information from in order to stop terrorist actions are good and angry and unwilling to gather information for us. Rah, way to go foreign policy team, rah.

Meanwhile the real way to make us safer from terrorism is this quote from Stephen Zunes, who serves as a senior policy analyst and Middle East editor for the Foreign Policy in Focus Project:

"We would be much safer if the U.S. supported a policy based more on human rights, international law, and sustainable development—and less on arms transfers, air strikes, and punitive sanctions."



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