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Doc Shown in the DAC

"One Woman, One Vote," a documentary on women's suffrage, played for students and faculty

D Mary Mahoney

Contributing Writer

With only a few days until the election, polls predict the results to be close. It has been said that this year the election will be decided by the gender gap: It's the American women's vote that may decide who becomes the next president of the United States.

On Wednesday, Oct. 24, "One Woman, One Vote," a documentary about the fight for a woman's right to vote in the U.S. was presented in the Diversity Achievement Center from noon to 2 p.m. Pizza and chili were brought in from the cafeteria for viewers to enjoy.

About 20 students and faculty members came by to see the show. Several students dropped by and stayed for part of the one-hour and 45-minute documentary, while others stayed for the entire showing.

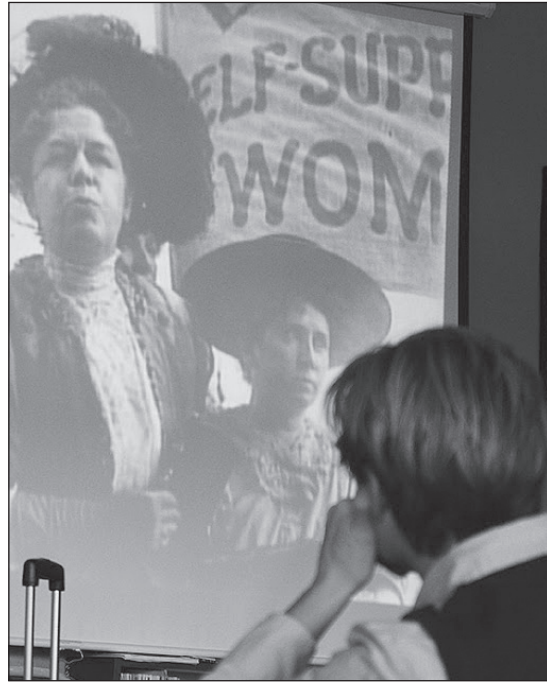
During the documentary, viewers in the audience looked over at each other and shook their heads in disgust over the prejudice displayed towards women and the incredible amount of suffering they endured, all for the right to vote.

For months, women remonstrated outside of the White House in the freezing cold, holding signs of protest. For doing so, many were arrested and put in jail. One woman, Lucy Burns, was handcuffed above her head in her cell and left that way overnight.

They went on hunger strikes and were force fed against their will, yet the government made no move towards change.

After the movie, a few stayed around to discuss what they thought.

One student who stayed for the entire documentary



Joy Virtue

A student watches the video "One Woman, One Vote" about the history of women's suffrage and voting in the DAC.

said, "It was historical. I liked it."

Valerie Six, LBCC's non-traditional career specialist, said she got emotional when the documentary talked about the women in jail and showed how they were forced to eat (during one of the hunger strikes, one woman was force fed through a tube pushed up her nose).

DAC's Jeanette Emerson already saw the movie three or four times. "To fully understand what we women went through, the sacrifice and the suffering, to know what we have now ... is not just a given," said Emerson.

Benton Center Hosts Slide Show on PTC Hike



provided photo

Math instructor Mary Campbell (right) hiking the Pacific Crest Trail with her mother-in-law Alsie Campbell.

MJ Kelly

Contributing Writer

You're invited to come by the Benton Center for a free presentation on Thursday, Nov. 1.

Mary Campbell, an LBCC Math Instructor, hiked the Great Pacific Crest Trail from the California/Oregon Border to the Bridge of the Gods on the Columbia River this past summer.

Her hiking partner was her 80-year-old mother Alsie Campbell. Together, over the course of two months, trekked over mountains, in fern forrests, and

PTC Slideshow

When: Thursday, Nov. 1
Time: Noon-1p.m.
Where: Benton Center-205
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Hamann Gathers Wild Thinkers

Austin Harris

Contributing Writer

Seriously? WTF!

For the creative minded here at LBCC, "WTF" doesn't stand for what most people think it does.

In the Fireside Room every month, LBCC President Greg Hamann leads the Wild Thinkers Forum, a self-organizing group composed of students and faculty who evaluate problems and important topics facing the campus in creative ways.

This week's topic was fear. Or, rather, overcoming the fear of not connecting with students because of tired teaching practices.

Outlined in the new mission statement adopted Wednesday, Oct. 17, LBCC will focus more towards student success because a hefty number of enrolled students do not complete a degree.



Austin Harris

Dr. Gregory J. Hamann, the seventh, and current, president of LBCC spearheads the "Wild Thinkers Forum," which assembles monthly.

Promoting instructors to get in tune with their student audience and redesigning their education plans to be engrossing, could turn LBCC around, raising our current 12 percent graduation rate to a higher, more preferable percentage.

There were no new set practices for the school's education plan after the meeting, but several ideas, including personalized curriculum, were presented that could invigorate the students and teachers to collaborate better, possibly leading the school to a higher grad turnout and more students with college degrees.

Next meeting is Nov. 16, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room.

With innovation being the main focus of the WTF, Hamann pointed out how "we are one dot in this huge constellation of trying to do education right, and this conversation is happening everywhere."

So, exploring more appealing ways to teach and applying them could reverse the view of students unsure about finishing their degree. However, raising the graduation rate is not an easy task, but Hamann is very optimistic about changing that.

As were all the wild thinkers attending the forum Friday night.

As Hamann continued with graduation as the end goal, or final destination, he explained, "With everyone's hand on the wheel, we can feel less anxious about where we're going [as a college]."



Eric Whitacre Works with Choir

On Tuesday, Oct. 30, from 10 a.m. to noon in the Russell Tripp Theater, distinguished composer Eric Whitacre led workshops with the LBCC Chamber Choir. They worked on a few of his pieces, including the "Five Hebrew Love Songs," "A Boy and A Girl," and "Lux Aurumque."

Later in the day Whitacre led a mass choir rehearsal with LBCC, West and South Albany High Schools, OSU Chamber Choir, Corvallis High School, and Crescent Valley High School.

photos by Dale Hummel

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Local Halloween Happenings

On Campus, Harvest Pie Festival and Dia De Los Muertos. See more info on pg. 6.

In Salem, as part of their 13 nights of Halloween, there is a Halloween Monster Mash Dance Party. It starts at 9 p.m. and is for 21 and over. It is located at Venti's Café and Basement Bar in downtown Salem.

In Junction City, there is a haunted corn maze. Admission is between \$4 and \$6, depending on age. This year for Halloween, they are having a family friendly non-haunted flashlight event, which will take place the evening of Halloween.

In Corvallis, Bombs Away Café is having a Heavy Metal Halloween: A Tribute to Iron Maiden. It starts at 10 p.m. and admission is \$5.

In Albany, take a ride on the Trolley of Terror. Tours leave at 8 and 9 p.m. from Cidicci's Pizza at 5th and Lyons. It's \$10 per person.

In Philomath, the Philomath Downtown Association is doing Trunk-or-Treating. Trunk-or-Treating will be along Main Street from 3 to 5 p.m. Trunk-or-Treating is a family-safe trick-or-treating and is for children 11 and under.

Portland Haunted House Scares Up Good Screams

Alex Porter
Contributing Writer

The coliseum is dark inside, with few lights on, just enough to walk around and not run into anyone. There are screams of fright and enjoyment right as you enter.

People stand in groups, while zombies, vampires and face painted characters walk around, jumping at you to scare you, running after you, or just popping up behind you quietly.

People stand in lines waiting to enter the haunted houses, anxious and scared, while hearing frightened screams from the other side. All for fun and entertainment, these haunted houses are full of fright for anyone.

Baron Von Goolo's FrightTown in Portland, Ore. was named one of the best haunted houses in Oregon. Horror culture magazine, Rue Morgue, calls FrightTown "one of the best haunted attractions on the whole continent."

"This is FrightTown's 11th year running," said executive director Dave Helfrey. "Our all new haunt, The Contagion, drops you into the heart of a city ravaged by an unstoppable zombie plague. There's something to scare everyone at FrightTown."

FrightTown is located in the Exhibit Hall at the Rose Quarter on Portland's east side between the Broadway Bridge and the Steel Bridge. FrightTown is below the coliseum, and you enter from the courtyard in front of the coliseum.

"This year was my first year going," said local resident Jerry Range. "I'm all for zombies and everything, so before I even walked into the coliseum and saw a guy outside with a chainsaw, I already



Where: Veteran's Memorial Coliseum
1401 N Wheeler Ave, Portland

When: Oct. 31, 7-10 p.m.

Cost: \$20

Web: frighttown.com

knew I was going to love it."

FrightTown is open the whole month of October. It first opened on Friday, Oct. 5 and stays open through Halloween. However, they are closed every Monday and Tuesday except for the last week of the month leading up to Halloween.

The doors open at 7 p.m. every night and closed at 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 10 p.m. on all other nights. For more information and a chance to win free tickets, go to frighttown.com.

While haunted houses are for fun, they are not for everyone.

"As Baron Von Goolo would say, 'You can pay for a babysitter tonight or a therapist tomorrow,'" said Helfrey. "Haunted houses are about being scary, and we are very good at what we do. While we have no age restrictions at FrightTown, the management

does not feel that FrightTown is appropriate for very young children."

"The makeup was amazing. Zombies had fake blood on their faces, things would jump out at you," said Albany resident Kara Baugher. "There were a few times where we would come up to a dark room around a corner, and I would make someone I didn't know go in front of me."

FrightTown offers disturbing and often risqué humor. The first haunted house, The Contagion, is intensely scary and graphic, full of zombies and graphic scenes.

"This year, we were fortunate enough to actually have one of the makeup artists from the television show 'Grimm' help with special effect makeup," said Helfrey.

The Black Box features scenes of gore and mayhem. Finally, there is the Museum of Horrors where you discover the sewer-licious abominations dwelling within this new exhibit, "The Storm Drain of Ultimate Stank!"

"The set up, the costumes and the makeup was absolutely amazing. I am definitely going to try and get more people to go next year," said Range.

Helfrey said they have had four-year-old kids go through our haunts and have a lot of fun, laughing and smiling. While 40-year-old adults have gone through and literally soiled themselves.

"This is a very subjective call, and we will always rely on the judgment of the parents or guardians," said Helfrey.

If you are ready for a night of fright and the time of your life, take a trip up to FrightTown where zombies are abundant, vampires are thirsty and there is enough scare to last a lifetime.

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Chasing Soggy Pumpkins

Dale Hummel
Staff Writer

On Saturday, Oct. 27 was a wet one at Cheadle Lake Park in Lebanon. That, however, did not dampen the spirits of the runners and walkers at the 2012 Runaway Pumpkin Half Marathon. The activity is benefiting the ABC House in Albany for abused children.

Of the 900 plus who registered, 840 brave souls trudged through the rain, mud, and at times, careless drivers to make their way through the

finish line. The start/finish was lined with shelters containing vendors, information, and volunteers. It took over 100 volunteers to make the run a success.

Through the rain, the runners kept positive attitudes. According to runawaypumpkinhalf.org, this year's race, despite the weather, was a huge success.

The best part about the success? It is for a good cause: the ABC House for abused children. For more information about the ABC House, go to www.abchouse.org.

HAMPSHIRE HALLOWEEN CHECKLIST:

IS YOUR COSTUME RACIST?

Would I be embarrassed or ashamed if someone from the group I'm portraying saw me wearing this?

Check yourself and your friends – your costume can have unintended negative effects!

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- Does my costume represent a culture that is not my own?
- Does my costume reduce cultural differences to jokes or stereotypes?
- Does my costume packaging include the words "traditional", "ethnic", "colonial", "cultural", "authentic", or "tribal"?
- Does my costume perpetuate stereotypes, misinformation, or historical and cultural inaccuracies?

Based on similar initiatives from Northwestern University (tinyurl.com/NULst) and Amanda Hess of Washington City Paper (tinyurl.com/WCP-HW). For more information, contact cau@hamshire.edu.

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Political Climate Is Cold (Must Be Global Warming)

Sean Dooley
Contributing Writer

Were one week from election day – can you smell it in the air? By “smell,” I mean the crap-slugging hitting its zenith between the political parties that are more divided than ever at the moment. I find it funny because according to the last presidential debate, Barack Obama and Mitt Romney agreed on a few issues, except foreign policy, of course.

It seemed like Romney and Obama wandered in this vicious circle where they said essentially the same thing, but in different words. I may not always agree with him, but radio host Michael Savage has a name, which I do like, for this weird new political baby: “Demicans” and “Republocrats.”

It amuses me how the average person who watches these campaigns, sees former politicians trying to elevate themselves on the pedestal acting like they’re above the fray on whatever cable news channel has endorsed them, assuring they squeeze in whatever plug they have about the opposing candidate being a terrible person at the end of their interview.

If they’re not targeting a candidate, they’ll just go after the opposing party. Like Lawrence Wilkerson said on MSNBC’s Ed Schultz, “My party [the GOP] is full of racists.” Lawrence Wilkerson was (or still is) Colin Powell’s lackey. If you don’t know who Colin Powell is, he is a “traitor” in the minds of some Republicans.

Some questions come to mind: Wilkerson, if your party is so racist, why are you still part of it? And why is General Powell still part of it? Why not pull an Arlen Specter and switch to the Democratic party? After all, General Powell did endorse Obama in the last elections.

There is no doubt there are some racists in the Republican party, but there are also racists in the Democratic party. That’s the harsh reality of racism – by its very nature, it has no boundaries and no party affiliation; it’s just an irrational hatred toward a group of people.

I dare you to tell me that Joe Biden’s “Y’all gonna be back in chains” comment to a not-so-small black crowd in Virginia wasn’t racist. Or Harry Reid in 2008 describing Obama’s success in the election because of “His light-skinned complexion and ability to speak with no negro dialect, unless he wanted to.” No party is above

it, not the Democrats or Republicans.

I find it funny that people still wonder why Obama hasn’t had much success getting things done in his first four years. I’m surprised he’s done anything having to keep tabs on what new moronic faux pas Joe Biden has in his arsenal, that is a tough job in itself and for that I give Obama much credit.

Question for the voter as well: Doesn’t that terrify you? If something happened to President Obama, Joe Biden would take over as president? That should scare you, just imagine making George Bush look like a great orator.

One hot button topic is healthcare. I notice the two parties aren’t as different as they try to appear to be. In its most basic form we see the two phrases: “Obamacare” and “Romneycare”, two government mandated health insurance plans.

The only real difference?

One is only a law at a state level, and the other is a law on the federal level. Obama has had to explain (not very well) Obamacare while Romneycare has relatively had a pass in this election.

However, Romney had to explain his Bain Capital tax returns and economic policies multiple times, while no one has asked Obama why Carlos Slim has made millions off the proclaimed “Obamaphone,” a cell phone service meant for lower income houses.

By the way, Carlos Slim is the richest man in the world.

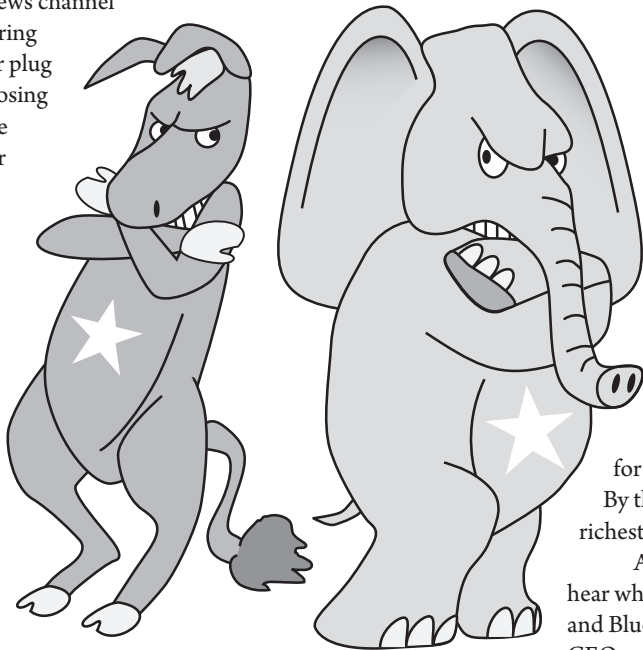
Also, we have yet to hear why the UnitedHealth and Blue Cross Blue Shield CEOs will pocket billions of dollars off of Obamacare and

have already invested millions of dollars to make that happen. I thought they were the evil money-grubbers that Obamacare was supposed to stop. Why hasn’t that economic policy been questioned?

I’m not claiming to have everything solved, but I do have many questions needing answers. I’m not the only one. Maybe Joss Whedon is right and it’s going to take a Romney-caused zombie apocalypse to reset politics.

However, Whedon’s idea may not be bad when you think about it. No one is above the fray anymore, which makes it more ridiculous they have such high thoughts of themselves. No such thing as a party that would generally hold a “good politician” anymore.

There’s no Republican or Democrat – there’s just the politician and the new definition of a politician isn’t that great anymore.



Dear Conscience,



Which is better, vampires or zombies?

Nick Foster

Shoulder Devil

Zombies and vampires are running Zamuck, especially with new trends in book series, such as the dreaded “Twilight” series and the looming myth that the world is going to end soon.

Of course, we all know there are many varieties of zombies to deal with, so one can’t always tell what they’re up against. With vampires, there’s only one kind of real vampire, because sparkling vampires are wrong – that’s a fairy, they’re the ones with the magical, sparkly glow dust.

Real vampires are supposed to suck human blood and burn in daylight. They’re also easily defeated with wooden stakes and holy water.

With zombies, however, it takes a beating to their cranium to get rid of those rotting, undead fiends. Trying to take them down by yourself probably isn’t the smartest of ideas, since you’ll probably get torn apart.

However, if you left the area and gathered a group, you might have a fair enough chance, given that they aren’t like “Left 4 Dead” or “28 Days Later” zombies. With those monstrosities running around, humanity would barely survive, though maybe those who played the right games or watched the right movies might just survive.

It’s highly unlikely, but if you’re someone who isn’t zombie savvy, maybe pick up the zombie survival guide. And yes, there really is a zombie survival handbook. Don’t count on it to help too much though.

Danya Hayder

Shoulder Angel

Really? We’re arguing about vampires over zombies?

Let’s just say I, personally as an angel, dislike the undead. Hey, it’s an angel thing; we just don’t like undead things. Since you want to know the best, I’d have to say zombies are horrible things.

They always just randomly eat people. Vampires can at least choose to not eat humans; zombies just attack them.

I’m sure many know of Count Dracula. What does Dracula have to do with anything?

Well, he talked. Zombies, as everybody knows, only speak gibberish. At least vampires (usually) speak normal languages.

Now about Count Dracula—he lives nearly forever, and he always dies at the end of every single movie. Though he always dies, there is still the whole “live a long time” part.

Vampires live far longer than people (so those that read about vampires, please note: They may be over a thousand years old). Zombies do eventually die, thankfully.

Though vampires can die, zombies usually die first. Simply put, zombies have no brains, so they’ll just want to kill everything and eat it.

You could cut a deal with a vampire. As an angel, I’ll happily tell you that cutting deals with zombies won’t work. So please remember, folks: Zombies have no brains! They just eat them.

However, vampires do have brains, and are therefore better than zombies.

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Sex AND THE Campus

Life With No Regrets

Ian Butcher
A&E Editor

This week I’d like to impart a simple phrase that will carry you a long way in the dating world: burn bridges.

Confused? Look at it this way – treat your dating life like you (hopefully) would the rest of your life. Live without regrets.

So when I say that you should burn bridges, what I’m really trying to say is take chances. When you’ve reached that certain

level of synergy with a girl, and you can feel something really there between the two of you, just go for it. Even if you’re scared that it won’t work out in the end, at least give it a shot and ask her out.

Who cares if it seems like it’ll just be a brief thing? By at least giving it a shot, you can say that you tried, and you won’t be left wondering what could have been.

I’d like to give you an example of this attitude in action. Before you ask, yes, the names have been changed. A friend of mine (we’ll call him Grant) had been longtime friends with a girl (we’ll call her Brittany). Grant was already living in Austin around the time that Brittany got a job in town and moved there.

Brittany (not really knowing anyone in town) went to grab some drinks with Grant. After a couple of hours of good natured tomfoolery, Grant (who had feelings for Brittany for quite some time but was afraid to act on them) could feel some of that special

synergy going on and finally decided “screw it” and kissed her in the middle of the bar.

He finally decided that he had enough of wallowing in his own fears and doubts and decided to take a gamble. Fortunately for him, the gamble worked out as he and Brittany are now happily married.

Obviously, stories like this don’t happen every time. But the important thing to take away from this is just to go for it and give it a shot because you never know where you’ll end up. And if you take a gamble and strike out, don’t worry. Just take a step back, don’t treat it like a big deal, tell her, “Sorry, I guess I got the wrong signals” and just move on.

Look at it this way, at the end of your life, how many times do you want to be saying “I wish I had kissed that girl” as opposed to “I wish I hadn’t kissed that girl”? Live with no regrets. Swallow your fears and just go for it.

Farmers' Markets: Locals Supporting Locals

Matthew Vector
Contributing Writer

It's not Walmart, Safeway, or Albertsons. The Albany Farmers' Market consists of blue collar farmers, like Robert Taylor who owns the Fir Grove Farm in Scio or Ross Glasser who owns the Happy Camper Farm in North Albany. They grow and sell their produce right here in the valley.

These farmers, and the dozen or so other vendors at the Farmers' Market in Albany, are the representation of how small farmers supply the local area with the staple foods. They keep the local economy alive by providing alternatives for products sold by corporations like Walmart and Safeway.

Glasser, who farms on just one acre, pointed out that locals should become aware of just "how far away our food comes from."

There is something unique and special about the feel of an open-air market like the one at the intersection of 4th and Ellsworth in downtown Albany. The sound of the live music entertains customers while they casually peruse the vendors' wares. You'll see the vibrant colors of the produce and the smiles on the faces of the hard-working farmers who come together to sell their produce and other products to their valley neighbors.

Some vendors even accept WIC vouchers and EBT cards.

When walking through the market, it's clear just how vast the selection of produce is. There



Alyssa Gerig

Now retired, Orvalle Bontrager spends his time repairing vintage tractors and vending ice cream at the Lebanon Farmer's Market. Bontrager makes his ice cream by hooking it up to one of his refurbished tractors, which generates the power to churn the ice cream. "I've got some regulars that come every week to get their ice cream," he says, "and boy, do I hear about it from them if I don't show."

is everything from staples like potatoes, lettuce, carrots and apples, to just about every type of squash imaginable.

Produce is not the only thing sold at the farmers' market. One farm out of Sweet Home offered

customers an arrangement of meats, including beef, chicken, pork, lamb and goat.

One of the resounding themes when talking to the farmers is their thankfulness to the locals in the area. Both Taylor and Glasser have

Local Farmer's Markets

Albany: 4th and Ellsworth
Saturdays
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Closes November 17

Corvallis: 1st and Jackson
Wed. and Sat.
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Closes November 17

Lebanon: Grant and Main St.
Thursdays
3 - 7 p.m.

mentioned that support from the locals has increased.

Glasser mentioned a recent shift towards a "stronger customer base." This is not to say that the support is at its peak, and these local farmers would certainly appreciate more business. Taylor said things have "actually gotten better," but it "would help if people were more supportive of the market."

According to Taylor, the market fills with vendors in the beginning of the season in April. He mentioned that many of the berry vendors and other farmers, specializing in certain produce or goods, have slowly disappeared with the end of their respective growing seasons.

The Albany Farmers' Market closes for the winter on Nov. 17, according to their official web site, so visit it soon!

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Where the Candidates Stand on Education

Matthew Vector
Contributing Writer

If you believe Pell Grants are a good thing, you'll be happy with President Barack Obama. But if you think they need reform and cost cutting, then Governor Mitt Romney is a good choice.

According to the U.S. Department of Education, Pell Grants are financial aid awarded to students who haven't completed their bachelors or professional degree. The one thing that sets this apart from other forms of financial aid is that a Pell Grant doesn't have to be repaid.

Both candidates address Pell Grants: One champions Pell Grants as revolutionary, while the other calls for reform of the grant system.

According to Obama's campaign website, he increased Pell Grants by 95 percent nationally and 114 percent in Oregon. However, Romney wants the opposite. According to his educational plan, "A Chance for Every Child," Romney is calling for the reform of Pell Grants.

Romney would put the system on a financial plan, so it can remain financially solvent and not reach "financial cliffs" like the one that caused the elimination of subsidized loans for graduate students.

Romney sees problems in both our inability to afford our loans and financial aid system as a whole. He wants to reform the government financial aid systems and eliminate ineffective and duplicated programs.

Christine Ruck, a Linn County Republican Party delegate, noted that the reform simplifies the financial process. Romney also calls for the government to educate students in what kind of debt they will incur, so they can make more informed decisions.

Obama wants to invest \$2 billion into community colleges nationwide, according to his campaign website. Another way Obama wants to assist college students is through the renewal of the American Opportunity Tax Credit, which is available to students who cover their own expenses.

According to John Welley, treasurer of the Linn County Democratic Party, Romney and his party could eliminate the credit.

"Education credits are golden right now," he said. Welley claims these credits will be in danger if a republican is President. "[The American Opportunity] tax credit has to be renewed. The President wants to do it, and the Democrats want to do it," said Welley. The tax credit will expire next year.

Romney's opinion is that the government is hemorrhaging money into colleges, thus not keeping them accountable to affordable tuition.

Ruck noted that tuition cost at community colleges are dictated by state governments. "Students should focus on [the] Oregon Legislature," said Ruck.

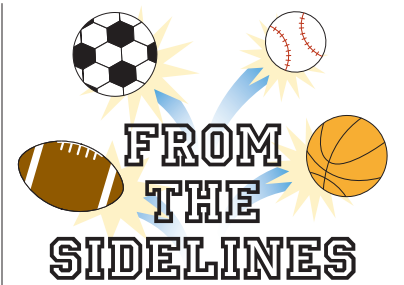
Higher Education is just one of many areas where Romney and Obama differ. Look, listen and be-informed. Vote on Nov. 6.

RoadRunner Volleyball



Dale Hummel

The Roadrunners celebrate on and off the court during a set against the undefeated Mount Hood Saints on Wednesday, Oct. 24. They went on to win one set, but still lost the match (25-18, 18-25, 25-12, 25-23). Playoffs will start Thursday, Nov. 15, in Gresham. The Roadrunners have clinched the No. 2 spot in the NWAAC South and will play the No. 3 seed in the NWAAC East.



Upcoming Games

LBCC

- Volleyball
Nov. 2 @ Umpqua - 6 p.m.
- SWOCC
Nov. 3 @ Coos Bay - 1 p.m.

- Men's Basketball
Clackamas CC Jamboree
Nov. 3 - Away - Time TBA

Oregon State

- Volleyball
Nov. 2 vs. Stanford
7 p.m. @ Home
Nov. 4 vs. Cal
11 a.m. @ Home
- Women's Soccer
Nov. 2 @ Oregon - 4 p.m.
- Men's Basketball
Nov. 4 vs. Lewis and Clark
7:30 p.m. @ Home
- Women's Basketball
Nov. 4 vs. Seattle Pacific
3:30 p.m. @ Home

Four INTs Leads to First Loss; Oregon State Drops to No. 13

Michael Rivera

Video/Sports Editor

It was a gloomy day for the Beaver Nation as the Washington Huskies handed Oregon State their first loss of the season. Oregon State, who was previously ranked No. 7, now has to battle back up hill from No. 13.

Oregon State's defense did a decent job of limiting the amount of points in order to keep their team in contention. The biggest factor was preventing so many of those interceptions into scores.

This game was not a blowout; it was a game of who made the fewest mistakes. With Oregon State's four interceptions to Washington's one, it was no surprise why Washington thrived. It almost seemed as if Washington used Oregon State's game plan to pull off a win.

Regardless, it was a game that could have gone either way. Washington had eight penalties for 86 yards that costed them scores and a great scoring position. Honestly, it was the Huskies game to lose in the fourth quarter.

Monday, Oct. 29: Coach Mike Riley announced that Cody Vaz, junior quarterback out of Lodi, Calif. will get to start for the Beavers this Saturday against Arizona State.

Sean Mannion's return to the Beaver's starting crew was less glorious than expected; he looked shaky from the get-go. There's evidence of a loss in his mobility and timing.

It was even harder for Mannion once Markus Wheaton left the game and didn't return after a hard hit he took in the second quarter. Wheaton, one of the PAC-12's fastest receivers and a team captain, had to watch his team struggle without him on the field.

Storm Woods, who ended up with 90 yards on 15 carries, had to leave the game with a knee injury. Woods has been battling bruising to his knee for several weeks, but was able to give the Beavers a strong option as running back. His backup, Malcolm Agnew, has been a bit inconsistent but showed he can be a great change of pace when the two backs play in tandem.

I give coach Riley a lot of credit. He is as faithful to his players as they are to him. Was starting Mannion fresh off coming back from an injury a good call? Should Cody Vaz, the junior backup, have given the Beavers a better shot at winning? We can sit here and debate all we like about it, but



Final Score: 17-20
Next Game: Nov. 3 - Home vs. Arizona State

it is what it is.

Going back to Mannion, you couldn't have pulled him out of the game until that last interception. Why? After he threw that 54 yard strike to Brandin Cooks to tie the game up in the third, everybody saw the quarterback from the beginning of the year. Everybody's faith was restored.

The fact of the matter is that Mannion was named the starter from the beginning of the season. He got injured, and Vaz got his opportunity to play. Vaz, in my opinion, made the best of his shot and has, ultimately, shown his team they can have faith in him. But even Vaz knew he was the backup before this. He doesn't complain about it, and he does his job when he is asked to - plain and simple.

Riley's ability to get that kind of loyalty from his players is why Oregon State has, week-by-week, made history for the football program. One loss does not tarnish or change any of those accomplishments. Riley still has faith in Mannion, saying on Monday that Mannion "will be back and ready."

As far as the BCS Standings go, Oregon State is still ranked at No.11, which is a more accurate placement after their loss to Washington. Week four of the season, Washington beat No. 8 Stanford, who is now No. 15 in the AP poll and No. 13 in the BCS, earlier this year.

Oregon State's last away game will be against Stanford, which gives them a great opportunity to move up in the rankings before they face Cal and a very intimidating Oregon at home.

Also, to remember is that five of the top ten teams in the nation have one or two losses this season. So as Beaver Nation looks forward to Dad's Weekend and Arizona State coming into town this weekend, we can only hope that Oregon State will bounce back.

-Sports Opinion- College Bowl Debate

Ron Borst

Staff Writer

First, the complaints were that college football never had a "real" champion. Along came the Bowl Championship Series (BCS). Complaints remain.

Playoffs are the only true way to declare a champion. Pitting the top college football teams in America against each other is better than any poll or system seen until now. To ease debate about who's "best," let the best play the best.

In the dozen or so years of BCS anxiety, we've seen good things in post-season NCAA football. Traditions remain intact, with bowls like The Rose Bowl and Orange Bowl retaining their regional and elite status. Computer rankings, various media and sportswriters account for better accuracy than ever. But problems exist.

In those same 12 years, an unprecedented log of complaints has inevitably made the case for a better system. Discrepancies in opinions for rankings of elite teams has created a possibility of a better system.

A three or four week eight-team playoff would create a champion in relatively short time, and if needed, eliminate a pancake opponent in the early part of the season. Most often, college football seasons end in the first week of December with Conference Championships.

This would leave a month-long window to crown a NCAA Football Tournament BCS Champion, with the top eight BCS teams competing for the title.

The validity of those arguments that rail the BCS have some merit. This year is a good example as the Oregon Ducks fell from No. 2 down to No. 4, without a loss or any real disturbance in performance.

Much of this has to do with computer assessments schedule and particular opponent during the week. The opinion of many AP writers is that Oregon is No. 2, and just as many see an Oregon Duck team playing for the National Title.

In 2009, a number of undefeated teams ranked in the top six, including Boise State (13-0, No. 6) and Texas Christian University (12-0, No. 4), who would play each other in the BCS Fiesta Bowl. A game Boise St. won. After that game, the only undefeated teams left were No. 1 Alabama and Boise St. A playoff would answer any questions regarding these kinds of scenarios, and an eight-team playoff eliminates any bias.

The strength of schedule and strength of conference has been at the forefront of some arguments. Some argue that inferior teams have played for elite bowls because of record or status. A playoff would eliminate this.

Many arguments exist about who is No. 1 and No. 2. Strangely, there is not much disagreement about which eight teams are in fact the best eight teams. This particular fact is the best reason why a playoff solves the problem. In 2014, the BCS is scheduled for a four-team playoff. Hopefully that solution is enough.

Indeed this is simple. A playoff for the top-eight would determine a champion without scheduling or safety conflicts.

Campus Events

Wednesday 10/31

Harvest Pie Festival

Student Life and Leadership · 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Join Student Life and Leadership for our annual open house and Harvest celebration. Meet your student leaders. Check out fall to connect students. Free pie and prizes! This year's festival is Halloween-themed, so dress up and enjoy the celebration!

Dia De Los Muertos

DAC · 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Happy Halloween

Thursday 11/1

Veterans Club Meeting

SSH Conference Room · 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Great PCT Hike Slide Lecture

Benton Center, BC 205 · Noon to 1 p.m.
Join Alsie and Mary Campbell as they recount their adventures hiking the Pacific Coast Trail this summer. Free and open to the public.

Friday 11/2

Active Minds Meeting

NSH 207 · Noon

Active Minds, the psychology club dedicated to raising awareness of mental health issues, is having a meeting. Come help us create a campus community that cares. This week's topic is suicide prevention with Lynn Bain.

Last Day to Charge to Agency

2 to 3 p.m.

Wednesday 11/7

LBCC Women's Volleyball Game

LBCC Activities Center · 6 to 8 p.m.

LBCC Vs. Clackamas Community College.

Thursday 11/8

Veterans Club Meeting

SSH Conference Room · 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Friday 11/9

The History of Veteran's Day

DAC · 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Learn the history of why the United States honors its veterans with a special holiday.

Monday 11/12

LBCC Closed (Holiday)

Thursday 11/15

Veterans Club Meeting

SSH Conference Room · 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Friday 11/16

Active Minds Meeting

NSH 207 · Noon

Active Minds, the psychology club dedicated to raising awareness of mental health issues on college campuses is having a meeting. Come and bring your creativity and help us create a campus community that cares.

Benton Center Acoustic Showcase

BC Student Lounge · Noon to 1 p.m.

Mike McLaren will take you down to the midnight crossroads. "Three chords, couple o' words, lots of moanin', groanin', slidin' ... and everything

will be all right."

WTF – Wild Thinkers Forum

Albany Board Room · 3 to 5 p.m.

LBCC Men's Basketball Game

LBCC Activities Center · 7 to 9 p.m.

LBCC Men's Basketball Game Vs. Linfield JV.

Ceramics Slide Lecture with Stephen Mickey

BC 244 · 7 to 8 p.m.

Former Mt. Hood ceramics instructor, Stephen Mickey, will share his work and firing experience from his Soul-gama wood-fire kiln in a Friday evening slide lecture open to the public at no cost.

If you have a Campus Event, please e-mail them to commuter@linnbenton.edu.

THE COMMONS FARE

MENU FOR THE WEEK OF:
10/31-11/6

Wednesday: Poached Salmon over Mushroom Rice Pilaf with Bearnaise*, Meat Lasagna, Vegetable Pot Pie. Soups: Oxtail and Portuguese Tomato.

Thursday: Braised Lamb*, Szechuan Chicken, Vegetarian Quiche w/ Hollandaise. Soups: French Onion* and Dilled Potato Chowder

Friday: Chef's Choice

Monday: Hazelnut Crusted Salmon w/ Frangelico Beurre Blanc*, Chicken and a Biscuit, Tempura Vegetables. Soups: Sausage Potato Kale* and Cheddar Cauliflower.

Tuesday: Chicken Fried Steak w/ Country Gravy, Fish en Papillote*, Sweet Potato and Black Bean Empanadas. Soups: Pozole* and Cream of Broccoli.

Items denoted with a * are gluten free

A word from your local



My name is Laura Kramer and I serve as the Publicity Coordinator on the 2012-2013 LBCC Student Leadership Council. My job is to advertise the Student Leadership Council events on campus and work to promote the work of the SLC on campus and in the community. My goal is to find new ways to promote events on campus and increase the involvement and engagement of students at these events.

I want to spend a moment writing specifically about an event we are sponsoring next Monday. We have an amazing presentation coming to the campus next Monday, Nov. 5, and the event will be held in the Forum at 2 p.m. Invisible Children, makers of the "Kony 2012" film, will be showing their newest film "Move."

If you are interested in finding out ways that you can help make a change in our community and in our world come to this presentation. This film will show the progress the organization has made since the release of the "Kony 2012" film that went viral across the Internet in March. It will also extend the opportunity for people to get involved with the effort.

If you have any questions about the KONY 2012 campaign, the representatives from Invisible Children will be

on campus to answer them. There will be only one opportunity like this to directly engage the Invisible Children movement on our campus, so we hope to see you there.

A final note, the largest part of my job advertising for the SLC is to create posters and visual materials for the events we host on campus and in the community. If you haven't noticed yet, there are posters on bulletin boards and sandwich boards all over campus that tell you when and where our events will occur.

There are new events every week, so if you are looking for something to do on campus or are looking for ways to get involved, then check out the posters. Events sponsored by the Student Leadership Council will have our logo somewhere on them. (It's the logo that you see at the top of this article.)

I, and the rest of the SLC, hope that you take a little bit of time to check out what events we have on campus.

Good luck with the rest of fall term!

Sincerely,

Laura Kramer

SLC Publicity Coordinator

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Classifieds

Deadline: Ads accepted by 5 p.m. Friday will appear in the following Wednesday issue. Ads will appear only once per submission. If you wish a particular ad to appear in successive issues, you must resubmit it.

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Various seasonal sales related jobs that are local. Access Student Employment database to read description and apply.

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Contact should be made 72 hours or more in advance of the event.



GUILDWARS Shadow of The Mad King

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The Mad King Thorn hasn't been seen in Tyria for 250 years. It is time he returned along with his lunatic court to mock and torment us.

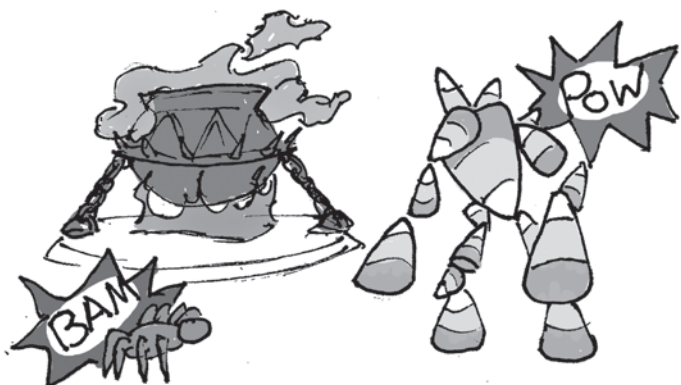


What sinks to the bottom of the ocean and shakes?

A nervous wreck!



The Halloween event is broken up into four acts. In the first two, players helped an Asura researcher patch together the Mad King's past by talking to the ghosts of his "friends and family."



In Guild Wars fashion, events bring mini games. The first was Costume Brawl: don a costume anywhere in the world and start fighting. It took me awhile to get the hang of it.



The Lunatic Inquisition, a survival game in a maze. A terrifying place where your only weapons are items laying around, and an ever growing enemy force of ghosts are after you.



I got the pumpkin!

Reapers Rumble is a game of tactics and trickery as you harvest pumpkins and build up an army of skeletons.



Then there is the Mad King's Clock Tower, a frustratingly intense timed jumping puzzle.



I spent nearly an entire day driving myself crazy, attempting to reach the top of the tower.



Ah, finally, no Norn or Charr to block the view!

Umm, yeah... stupid Norn.

Since you have to run the puzzle alongside other players, the bigger races took some flack. Thankfully, my Norn knows how to blend in.



Time to play The Mad Kings Says..

The Mad Kings says... Cower!

On Sunday at noon, The Mad King himself showed his face and ripped a portal in the middle of Lion's Arch. We dove right in to beat him back from wreaking havoc in the city.

Quaggan Ghost goes
BoooooOooOOOoooo



At first I was not sure what to do with all my excess candy, then I found a Quaggan child and proceeded to give him/her all of my candy. They were far too adorable to resist.

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ARIES
 3/21 - 4/19

Demon: You've the smirk and the laugh down for sure. Those horns of yours are just bonus points. Few are as scary as you.



TAURUS
 4/20 - 5/20

Minotaur: You're pissed off, and your victims are trapped in a labyrinth - one only you've mastered. Dinner time, bitches!



GEMINI
 5/21 - 6/21

Japanese ghost twins: I don't know how they do it, but this concept is as terrifying as all hell. The giggles... oh, the giggles. *shudders*



CANCER
 6/22 - 7/22

Zombie: Well, kind of. Cancer, you are more like the zombie virus, Solanum. Everyone has a theory of how you began, but will we ever know for sure?



LEO
 7/23 - 8/22

Werewolf: You become a raging beast for just a bit out of every month. You're kind of a common monster, aren't ya?



VIRGO
 8/23 - 9/22

The one who lives: Do you see all the creatures and villains surrounding you? Sure, they got to all your loved ones and heroes, but you will survive.



LIBRA
 9/23 - 10/23

Slasher: Join the ranks of the 80s greats: Freddie, Jason and Michael. All you need is a good blade to become a nightmare - or an artist.



SCORPIO
 10/24 - 11/21

Giant Spider: You have eight legs and venom, so that could only make you a spider, right? People hate spiders, especially really big ones. You're scary. Rawr.



SAGITTARIUS
 11/22 - 12/21

Possessed Hunter: You had a family once. After that night, your other victims happen more easily. It's a shame you can't help it.



CAPRICORN
 12/22 - 1/19

Sea goat thing: I just noticed this picture we have of you. What the hell? You're creepy all on your own, so forget about the whole becoming a monster thing.



AQUARIUS
 1/20 - 2/18

Siren: You're all beautiful and endearing. The problem is this: You tend to drown the adventurers who fall for you. That's a lot of poor souls!



PISCES
 2/19 - 3/20

Piranhas: A fleet of ravenous, flesh-eating fish? Yeah, that sounds like you. It's almost like you go to school for that sort of thing.

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THREE'S A CROWD

By Jason Maddox
 An LBCC student-generated comic



Poetry Spotlight

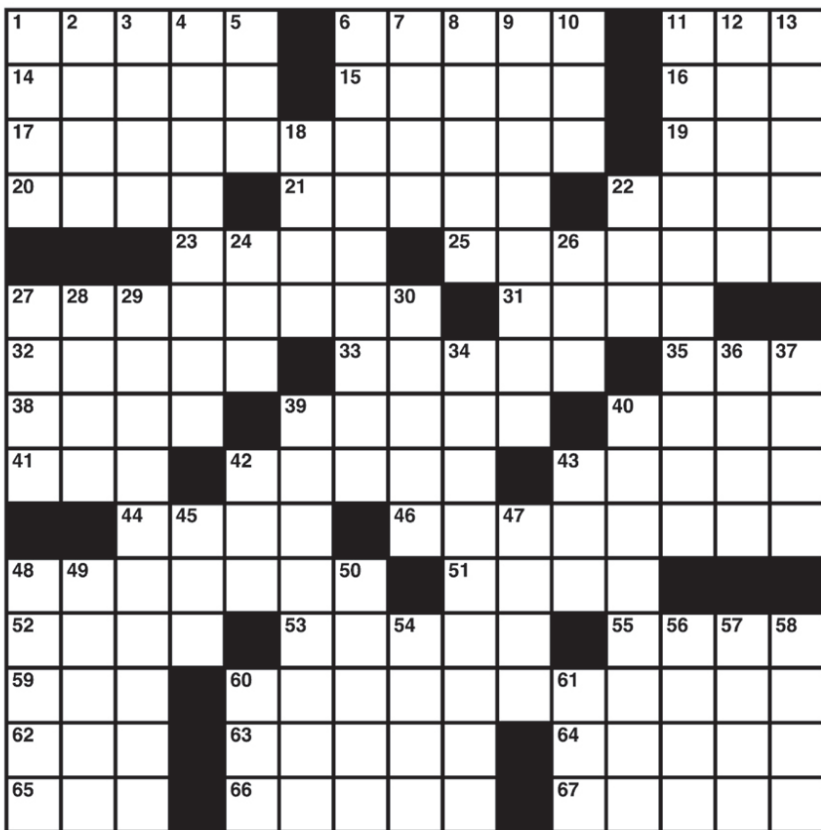
Remember Me by Mekayla Howard

In the midst of laughing at everything and nothing at all,
Finding myself and a soft place to fall,
When you think of my name or soft blond curls,
My thoughts on life and why the sky whirls.
I hope you smile inside and out,
Thinking of me without a single doubt.
I may appear small in size compared to mind,
But my heart is heavy with condolences hard to find.
I was the crazy freshman with a wild nickname,
A sense of humor rare and hard to tame.
I've never been one to seem very vain,
Because when you think of me,
I want only great memories to remain.
Remember me now, remember me then,
Remember me forever, until the very end.



Submit your poems and artwork to commuter@linnbenton.edu

- ACROSS**
- 1 Heats a bit
 - 6 Movie music
 - 11 Cigar residue
 - 14 Like loud crowds
 - 15 "Family Matters" nerd Steve
 - 16 "I like ___": '50s campaign slogan
 - 17 Striding self-confidently
 - 19 Blender setting
 - 20 Having sufficient skill
 - 21 No-brainer college course
 - 22 Lamp-to-plug link
 - 23 God of thunder
 - 25 Short races
 - 27 It's a virtue, so they say
 - 31 iTunes download
 - 32 Midterms, e.g.
 - 33 Emittted a delighted sigh
 - 35 Beaver or boater
 - 38 Tick off
 - 39 Paid to play
 - 40 Hepcat's jargon
 - 41 Condescending cluck
 - 42 Climbing tool for frozen surfaces
 - 43 TV host Philbin
 - 44 About, in a memo
 - 46 Words while delivering a blow
 - 48 Team supporters, collectively
 - 51 Hobbling gait
 - 52 Tiny pond plant
 - 53 Aired, as a TV show
 - 55 Wolf's shelter
 - 59 Dry gently, as tears
 - 60 Enjoying an extravagant existence
 - 62 Brit. record co.
 - 63 "Maria ___": 1940s song
 - 64 Kitchen tearjerker
 - 65 Pooch
 - 66 '50s Ford flop
 - 67 Part of a Santa costume



By Nancy Salomon

- DOWN**
- 1 Muted trumpet sound
 - 2 Mideast native
 - 3 Dice throw
 - 4 Provide a schedule slot (for)
 - 5 Indian title
 - 6 Crop yielding a common sweetener
 - 7 PC monitors
 - 8 Gives the nod to
 - 9 Went off the wagon, e.g.
 - 10 Right-angled pipe
 - 11 Shooting for the stars
 - 12 Mini, midi or maxi
 - 13 Whammies
 - 18 Casino sign gas
 - 22 Finish in front
 - 24 "For ___ a jolly ..."
 - 26 Towel holder
 - 27 Saucy
 - 28 Graph's x or y
 - 29 Carrying on conceitedly
 - 30 Bother big-time
 - 34 Six-sided
 - 36 Nike competitor

Last Week's Puzzle Solved

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- 39 Game in which "bullets" can be whatever card you decide
- 40 747, for one
- 42 Nest egg component, for short
- 43 Sleep lab acronym
- 45 Org. with dribblers
- 47 Crowned checker
- 48 Washed-out San Antonio mission
- 50 Gutter sites
- 54 Trig function
- 56 La Scala solo
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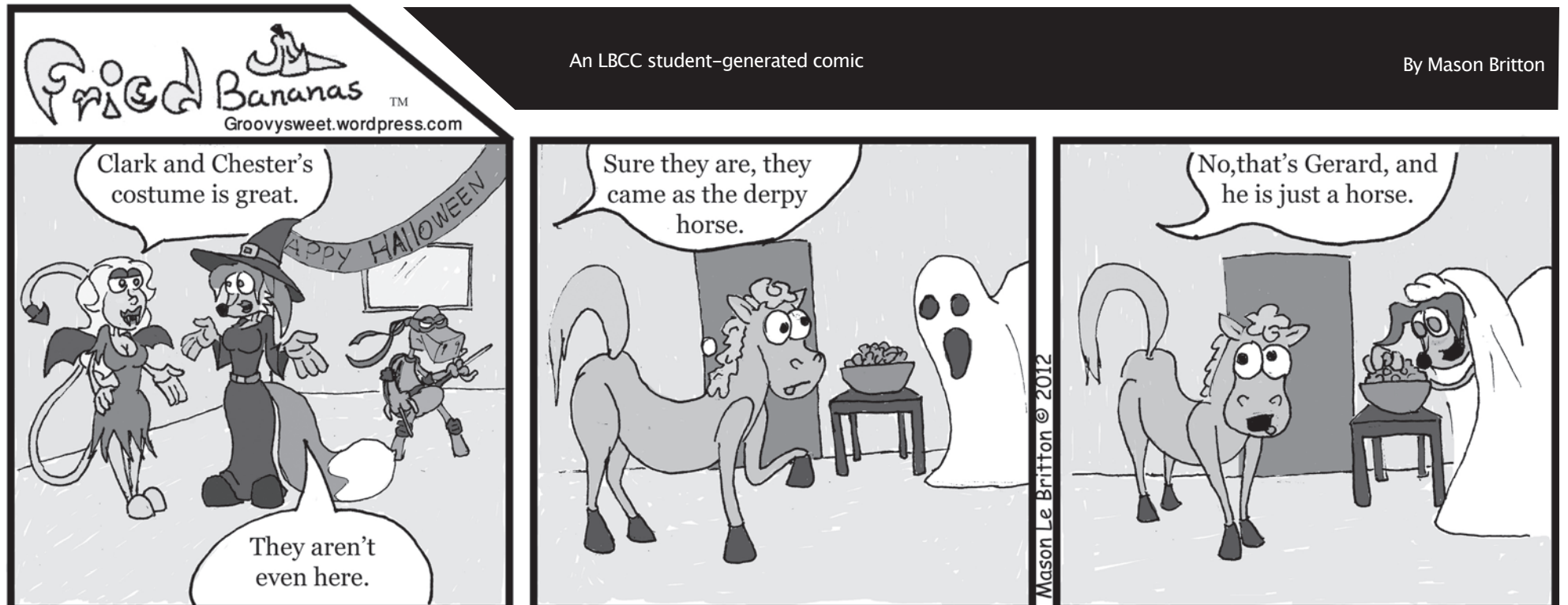
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Last Week's Puzzle Solved

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

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Three Forgotten Fright Night Films

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So as we all know, Halloween is right around the corner, and that means it's time to break out all the best horror movies. However, if you are looking for some movies that are a little off the beaten path but still great, then you've come to the right place.

REC

Some of you reading this may have seen a movie by the name of "Quarantine" that came out a couple of years ago. If you have (and if you haven't I advise you to skip it), I direct you to the far-superior Spanish film that "Quarantine" is a remake of.

"Rec" is a 2007 Spanish found-footage film that follows a news crew as they are filming a story on the fire department in Barcelona. One night, the firefighters get a call that an older woman has fallen in her apartment. The news crew accompanies the firefighters to the apartment complex where the woman lives - only to find things are much worse than they could have imagined.

"Rec" is the perfect movie to watch with the lights off and the sound cranked up really high. On top of being arguably the best found-footage film to date, "Rec" also ranks up there as one of the best zombie films ever made. The film is 78 minutes of pure terror and is the scariest film made in the last decade.



Trick 'r Treat

Who doesn't love a great Halloween party movie? 2009's "Trick 'r Treat" is one of the best party movies in recent years.

"Trick 'r Treat" is an anthology film following several intersecting stories all set on Halloween night. It is one of those horror movies that is just a ton of fun to watch. It perfectly balances being really scary at points and really funny at others.

If you're looking for a movie to throw into your rotation this Halloween, look no further than "Trick 'r Treat."



Cronos

Not very many people are familiar with director Guillermo del Toro's ("Hellboy," "Pan's Labyrinth") debut film "Cronos." This is a shame, because it's fantastic.

"Cronos" is a 1993 film that follows an old antique dealer who comes across a golden, scarab-shaped device. This device latches itself onto his hand and injects an unknown solution into him. Eventually he starts displaying traits similar to those of a vampire, but must keep them hidden from his wife and granddaughter.

While not a particularly frightening film (although that's not really the point), "Cronos" is a heartfelt and surprisingly sweet spin on the vampire story. In today's world of sparkling vampires, "Cronos" is a nice breath of fresh air and a reminder of what vampires can actually be and do.

"Cronos" is a fantastic little film that I would highly recommend to anyone who is sick of the whole "Twilight" thing.



Fairbanks Features Fuentes

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During this entire month, Oregon State University's Fairbanks Art Gallery held the exhibit "Del Corazon" by LBCC art instructor and artist Analee Fuentes. It's on display at the gallery until Oct. 31. It showcases not only her wonderful talent and skill, but also the background and influences behind the work.

The earth-toned landscape and her appreciation of nature shows in the series of works representing many types wild fish and reptiles. "Fish, reptiles and birds have been a focus of close observation throughout my life; they are my totem animals," said Fuentes. The paintings include many types of fish found in Oregon's lakes and rivers, while some focus on iguanas.

She expands and explores minuscule details and colors on the sides of these fish to bring previously unnoticed details and worlds to the eyes of the beholders. We are getting a glimpse through the eyes of which Fuentes sees the world, letting the art show us the connection she has with her strong cultural roots embracing the natural world and animals.



Douglas Russell

An oil painting by Analee Fuentes, "Golden Trout," one of the pieces on display at the OSU Fairbanks Art Gallery during October.

"In the enlargement of these details, these paintings become both microcosms and macrocosms for an unseen world that uses beautiful abstract painting techniques to represent an explosion of color, shape and form that becomes ethereal and enters into the realm of the spiritual," said Gary Westford, art instructor and colleague of Fuentes.

Fuentes grew up in San Diego with her family, most of whom delved in the

arts in different forms. Her grandfather is a tailor and her mother works with ceramics. Coming from a Mexican culture has influenced her work in the way she paints with vivid colors and patterns, representing the dynamic color schemes in Latino textiles and art.

Receiving her bachelors of fine arts from the University of Oregon in 1994, followed by her masters of fine arts from the University of Arizona, Fuentes soaked in the colors and hues of the Northwest but also return to the scenery of her youth from the Southwest. She brought her style from the Southwest and infused it with the grays and greens of Oregon to create a style unique to her.

Fuentes said she is "honored, especially as a person of the Latino community" that the local communities have exhibited her art at the gallery. Fuentes is very humble, and wants nothing more than to increase the exposure of Latino artists. In an interview with OSU's Daily Barometer, Fuentes said, "My hope is that this exhibit raises awareness of Latino artists in our region and the breadth of our creativity."

All Aboard Corvallis' Brew Station Tour

Ron Borst

Staff Writer

Beer, coffee and autumn rain. Pure Northwest.

At Brew Station, near the Oregon State University campus in Corvallis, beer and coffee are an everyday specialty. The campus eatery hosted its weekly "Brew Tour" event last Thursday to a packed house.

Brew Station hosts the Brew Tour every Thursday evening in the fall and spring. The sponsor on Oct. 25 was Sierra Nevada. The tour highlights Northwest microbrews and welcomes a wide range of professors, students and beat writers alike.

The cafe serves a multitude of Northwest microbrews but is not a bar, according to owner Roger Wylie who, along with family, has operated the Brew Station since June 2008. Stumptown Coffee is Brew Station's house coffee, another Northwest touch.

Brew Station offers espresso and barista drinks as well. The college hangout serves standard college fare: burgers, sandwiches and now pizza. Brew Station also caters, generally for small indoor occasions.

The family-run business has a rotating beer selection and



Ron Borst

The Brew Station, at 23rd and Monroe in Corvallis, entertains a packed house at their microbrew tour every Thursday in the fall and spring.

the list is updated online daily.

"We try to keep the Northwest a focus," said Wylie, adding that last week's Brew Tour with Northern California brewer Lagunita's drew almost 400 patrons.

The Brew Station offers outdoor seating and dining, live music, great people, awesome beer and a pleasant atmosphere.

See menu and list of featured brews online at: brewstationcoffee.com

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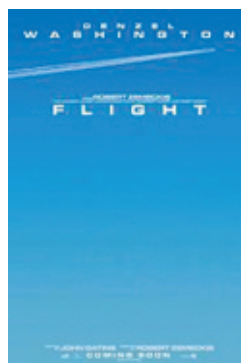
THIS WEEKEND AT THE MOVIES



Man with the Iron Fists
Rated: R
Genre: Kung-Fu Badassery



Wreck-It Ralph
Rated: PG
Genre: Animated Arcade Action



Flight
Rated: R
Genre: Jet Plane Drama

Sources: IMDb, Yahoo! Movies, Fandango.com

WEATHER

Wednesday (10/31)	Rain	60°/48°	
Thursday (11/1)	Shower?	57°/43°	
Friday (11/2)	Clouds, then Sun	61°/41°	
Saturday (11/3)	Sun, then Clouds	59°/47°	
Sunday (11/4)	Rain	60°/42°	
Monday (11/5)	Showers	57°/37°	
Tuesday (11/6)	Clouds	55°/38°	

Source: accuweather.com