

Campus cashiers on alert for counterfeit \$10 bills

by Chad Richins
of The Commuter

Someone passed off some funny money on campus last week, and school officials are not amused.

The person or persons passed a total of five phony ten-dollar bills somewhere

on campus, but the bills went undetected until Gary Snyder, manager of the Courtyard Cafe discovered three of the bills in a cash bag on Thursday morning. Upon further investigation, two more bills were discovered in the safe upstairs. Due to the pooling of money from various sources, the bills could have come from virtually anywhere on campus that takes in cash.

Snyder said his clerks are trained to put the bills in the till in a certain way so that they are forced to examine the bills. "I've been in business a long time and I can see it right off, but some people, especially if there are ten people waiting

"I've been in business a long time and I can see it right off, but some people, especially if there are ten people waiting in line don't check that close."

—Gary Snyder

in line don't check that close," said Snyder.

Mike Holland, Vice President of Administrative and Student Services who turned the bills over to the Albany Police Department said, "They weren't bad. They were not particularly sharp, but the paper was pretty close."

According to Dan O'malley, assistant chief of the Albany Police, counterfeiting seems to run in cycles. "We'll see a lot of activity, and then it will taper off. If we have any investigative leads we'll follow them up, but as of now we will hold the bills and if more come in we can compare them to see if they are from the same source," said O'malley.

Counterfeiting is a federal crime, punishable by hefty fines and jail terms, and if caught the counterfeiters will have a lot more to worry about than extra lunch money.

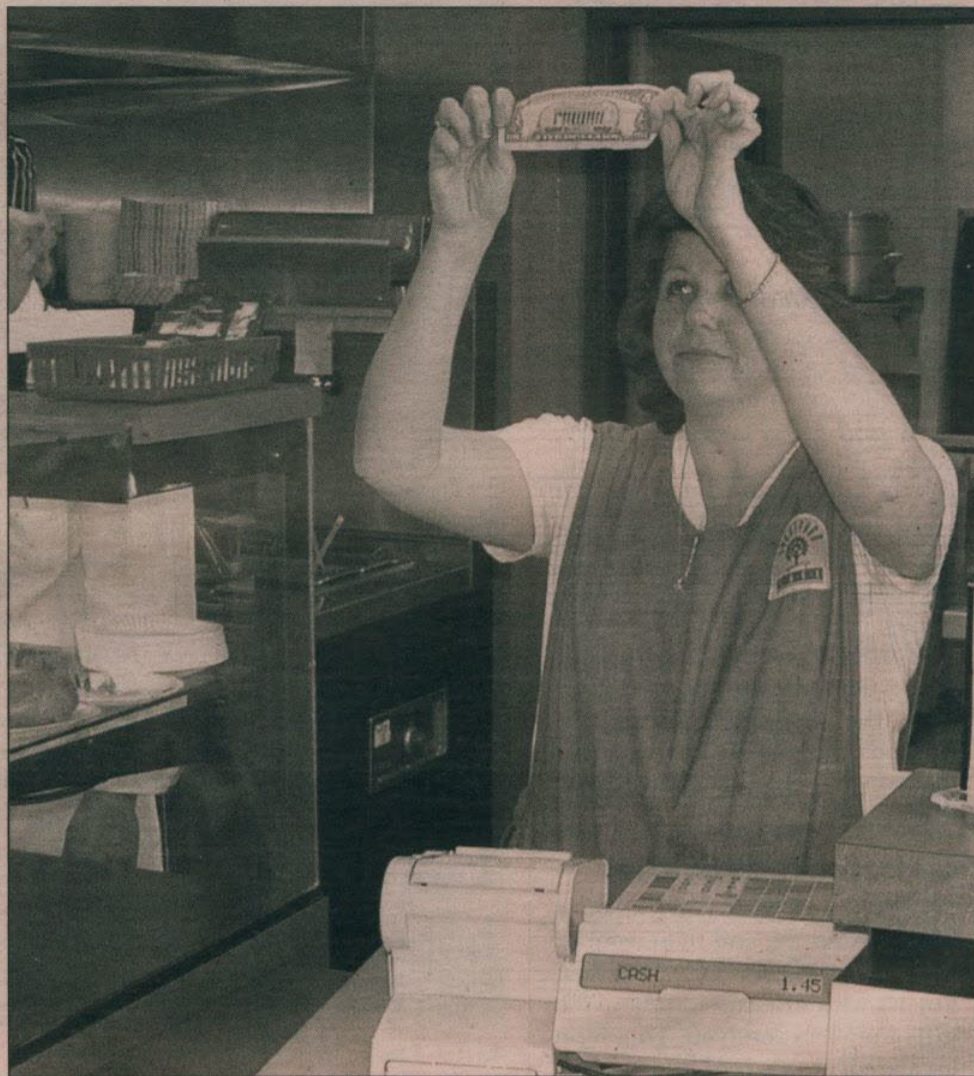


Photo by Christopher Spence

Courtyard Cafe cashier Janet Jones gives a \$10 bill a close look following the discovery of five counterfeit bills on campus last week.

Student organizes fund-raiser for Corvallis boy with renal failure

by Leon Tovey
of The Commuter

It started with an article in The Barometer.

Bill Montgomery was taking Math65 here at LBCC last term when he saw a story in the OSU student paper on Joyce Maphanyane, whose 10-year-old son Moemedi is suffering from renal failure and needs kidney and liver transplants to survive. As it turns out, Joyce's daughter Ona Lebotse was taking the same class.

When Ona showed him the article in The Barometer chronicling the family's struggle to raise funds and find medical treatment for the boy, Montgomery decided that he wanted to help somehow.

"I just felt real bad for Ona and her family," Montgomery says. "I wanted to help out in any way that I could."

Montgomery met with members of Student Life & Leadership and Dean of Student Services Diane Watson

to figure out some kind of fund raiser. The result is a Dollar Day to be held next Wednesday in Tadena Hall.

The event will be coordinated by Montgomery and assisted by representatives of Grace Lutheran Church of Corvallis, which has been assisting the family in its fund-raising efforts since late February, around the time Moemedi flew to Palo Alto, Calif., for examination and treatment at Lucile Salter Packard Children's Hospital.

After his trip to Palo Alto, Moemedi was moved to the head of the transplant list. Between several insurance companies and fund-raising efforts by family friends in Botswana and by members of the local community, the family now has enough money to pay for the surgery. However, they still lack sufficient funds to pay for the post-surgery care—a part of the healing process that's as important as the surgery itself.

According to Wes Vollmer, who has been heading

up Grace Lutheran's fund-raising efforts, the family still needs almost \$145,000.

"We've had several young people call up and offer to donate their organs," Vollmer says. "But we've got a long way to go in terms of money. We're hoping to show that we've done all we can with grass roots methods and maybe get some big donors to help us get into the end zone."

Getting into the end zone has been a repeated problem for Moemedi and his family, though. Moemedi first became ill in his home country of Botswana at age 5, and doctors there informed his family that there was nothing they could do for him.

The nearest country where Moemedi could receive treatment was South Africa, but doctors in that country refused to treat him because he was a foreigner. So in 1998, he and his mother traveled to a children's hospital

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Governor honors two LB students as outstanding scholars

from the LBCC News Service

Two LBCC students were commended by Gov. John Kitzhaber as Oregon Community College Student Scholars yesterday.

Todd Gifford of Albany and Daniel J. Phillips of Corvallis, were two of 38 student scholars selected from all community colleges in Oregon. Both received plaques from the governor in his ceremonial

office in Salem. After the ceremony, the students and invited guests (including state legislators) attended a luncheon at the Mission Mill Museum, located three blocks from the Capitol.

In addition to the pomp, both Gifford and Phillips are eligible for a \$1,000 scholarship to one of 21 public and private four-year institutions.

Gifford, a 28-year-old returning student is studying

biology at LBCC, with the ultimate goal of studying dentistry. He is President of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and President of Associated Student Government.

Phillips, an engineering transfer student, is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Navy Reserve. He plans to transfer to OSU next fall and major in computer engineering.

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A 45-year-old man was in a Tennessee courtroom to face drug possession charges when he realized that he had a small bag of cocaine in his shirt pocket, police said. Correctly assuming that this was neither the time nor the place to get caught with drugs yet again, he tried to hide the coke under a chair, but a deputy saw him. The man was locked up.

Amoré gone awry

A moose in the mood for love happened upon Leif Borgersen's small yellow automobile in the front yard of his Lardal, Norway, home, mistook it for a female moose, and (ahem) acted accordingly. But despite his efforts, the beast didn't get the response he expected to his show of affection. In fact, he didn't get any response at all from his would-be girlfriend. So, to demonstrate his hurt feelings, the disdained suitor unleashed a thunderous bowel movement on the vehicle and ran off into the woods.

Unhappily ever after

Kathryn and Brett Patrick had a lovely wedding, and then went to their Stuart, Fla., home, where they got into a little discussion about the gifts they had received. This soon escalated into a lovers' quarrel during which the blushing bride, who is pregnant, threw the wedding cake at her groom, punched him in the face, knocking him to the floor, and then kicked him while he was down, police say. She was arrested.

Gel-cam Voyeur

A man frequented a sauna in Frankfurt, Germany, to surreptitiously film naked patrons with a miniature camera in his hair gel bottle. The staff became suspicious, because they noticed he was constantly holding the bottle. The man was arrested and banned from the sauna for life. He told police he was making the film for "artistic purposes."

Tit for tat

A middle-aged woman in Dong Nai, Vietnam, unable to get her husband to give up his young lover, came up with a deal in which the wife would come away with something at least: She sold her husband to his mistress for about \$500. The man and the other woman immediately set up housekeeping together, and the 41-year-old wife is now living blissfully alone.

—From the TMS News Service

Staffers, students invited to bring children to LB

by Leon Tovey
of The Commuter

Parents hoping to bring their children to one of the workshops that are being offered on campus next Thursday have until the end of today to sign them up.

"Your Day at LBCC: A Doorway to the World," a series of workshops designed to give the children of LB staffers and students a behind-the-scenes glimpse of a variety of occupations—ranging from metallurgy to the theater—will run from 10 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

The event is being sponsored by the LBCC Gender Equity Committee and the Career Center, and, according to Jeanne Pitts, a GEC representative and Career Employment specialist, is aimed at "introducing boys and girls to nontraditional occupations via LBCC."

Pitts says that the idea of the event, which is being held in honor of National Take Our Daughters to Work Day, is to instill a sense of gender balance in younger generations.

"In the past we've been part of the Take Our Daughters to Work Day in an informal way at LB," Pitts says. "But we're doing things a little differently this year. The idea of gender balance—as in men in nursing and women in metallurgy—is fairly popular at LB, but that's not the case in a lot of other places—including other colleges. It's good to get kids started young on these ideas."

For the children, who will range from third to eighth grades, the day will be broken into three sessions, with breaks for lunch and refreshments in between. During each session

children can participate in one of 14 workshops focusing on physical, biological and computer sciences, vocational/technical programs, police work and fire fighting, and the theater.

In addition, children will have an opportunity to "shadow" their parent, spending time "observing what he/she does at work"—an idea sure to be popular with children who wonder what goes on during the day to make their parents so uptight about things like money and "the value of hard work."

The workshops will be taught by LBCC instructors and students—with the exception of the "Who Protects Us?" workshop, which will be taught by representatives of the Albany Police and Fire Departments. This allows the event to benefit LB students as well, according to math instructor Sharon Rodecap, who will be overseeing the "Egg Drop!"—a science workshop designed by students in ED 199.

"The students in that class are education majors," Rodecap says. "Part of the curriculum for the class is to develop a class lesson. Their participation in this event will meet that requirement for the class."

Although the event is over a week away, the workshops are filled on a first-come, first-served basis, and Pitts is predicting that many of the workshops will fill up fast.

"We've never had an officially co-ed event like this before, and this year there is a definite agenda for the day," she says. "People wanting their kids to participate should sign them up as soon as possible."

Applications are available in the Career Center (T-101) and are being accepted until 5 p.m. today.

Fund-raiser: Family hopes to save son

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in St. Louis, where doctors diagnosed him with primary hyperoxaloses, a rare metabolic disorder caused by failure of the liver to produce enzymes essential to the breakdown of food.

Last September the family moved to Corvallis, where Moemedi began attending Lincoln Elementary School and Joyce, a professor in Botswana, began working on her doctorate in physical geography. Ona joined them five months ago and began attending LB last term.

"It's hard to see him in pain, but it's good to be near him," she says. "He's my brother, you know? I like him."

The way she says it, you know Ona feels the same mixture of emotions for her little brother that any big sister does. Unfortunately, Moemedi is not just any little brother. And he doesn't have a lot of time left.

If Moemedi does not receive his transplants in the next six months, doctors say the outlook is grim. But if the operation is successful and the transplants take, the boy could live a long and happy life.

LB students wanting to make contributions will be able to donate money at a table in Takena Hall next Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Donations can also be made by contacting Vollmer at 752-5284 or to the National Transplant Assistance Fund Liver and Kidney Transplant in honor of Moemedi, P.O. Box 258, Byrn Mawr, PA., 19010. NTAFF can also be reached at 800-642-8399.



Photo by Christopher Spence

The Right Touch

Painting instructor Analee Fuentes helps student Bob Daley with his work during a recent painting class. Fuentes, in her second year at LBCC, is organizing a series of events next month focusing on graffiti as an art form. As part of "Graffiti As Art" students will have the opportunity to tag a car in the Courtyard.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Patients in pain need more help, expert tells conference

by Ben Hughes
of The Commuter

Those of you with chronic back pain, or who have broken an ankle or been hospitalized at one time or another for a painful injury, might have something in common; you may have all been under-treated for pain.

Misdiagnosis of chronic to moderate pain is a common occurrence in the American health care system to patients old and new. The issue is being tackled across the country, and last Wednesday the topic was discussed during an eight-hour lecture in the Forum at LB where around 250 nurses, physicians and health-care providers gathered from around the Northwest. The event was organized by Barbara McGuffey of Samaritan Health Services (SHS) and Rob Williams, P.T., Training Specialist with the LB Health Occupation Services Education Center (HOSEC).

The speaker for the lecture was Margo McCaffery, a consultant in the nursing care of patients with pain. According to Williams and SHS, she is the best speaker on health pain and analgesics in the world. Topics covered at the lecture consisted of improving pain management, the assessment of pain, an analgesic review, the issues surrounding opioids and the role of non-drug treatments.

The main issue at hand was the general misconception of pain killers in our culture and how nurses, doctors and health-care providers need to be more educated in the facts of analgesics and understanding that the topic of pain is a newly developed science.

According to McGuffey, "We are looking at a system that hasn't been working as far as getting satisfactory results for patients who have pain. And we want to change that system, we must have an argument that has legs to stand on. It's the evidence that science develops that makes that happen."

Facts brought up by McCaffery showed that the harmful effects of unrelieved pain are more harmful than using drugs that society has labeled as "uncontrollably addictive," if used correctly. According to McCaffery some of the symptoms of under-treating pain were stress aggravation, depressed immune response (enhanced tumor growth), respiratory dysfunction, hypercoagulation, muscle spasms and decreased gastrointestinal motility.



Photo by Christopher Spence

A packed Forum auditorium listens to Margo McCaffery describe methods of managing pain in patients. About 250 health-care professionals heard McCaffery argue for changes in the way they deal with pain.

McCaffery's handout on under-treating pain stated that "of patients with chronic or non-malignant pain, 50 percent were suicidal. Also (different study), patients with greater pain with the first episode of acute back pain are more likely to have chronic back pain six months later."

"We are looking at a population of professionals who are for the most part pretty overwhelmed right now in terms of managed care and all the other health care issues that they deal with regularly," McGuffey commented.

She adds, "For those providers that live on the front line with the patients it's very important for them to understand the assessment process, the importance of setting goals and getting the outcome

the patient is looking for instead of just stabbing in the dark for the prescriptions and treatments we are giving them for pain." It is important to make these assessments because the primary physicians are often not in the home and usually only make a few visits over a long period of time and do not see if the patient is getting sufficient relief.

"We have this huge fear in this country, that whenever you take drugs you risk becoming addicted. No matter if you take them for five days because you sprang your ankle or you take them for six weeks because you had a huge surgery operation," said McCaffery.

This fear is unwarranted. According to McGuffey, in a study that surveyed 20,000 cases where patients had been

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—Barbara McGuffey

prescribed a type of morphine pain killer. Only two of the patients came out addicted.

According to McCaffery the problem does not only depend on assessment of pain but the problems with using the incorrect analgesic for the pain. Today, more doctors are more apt to use Meperidine (demerol) for a wide range of pains instead of morphine, which seems absurd if you compare the two, she said. Meperidine is no less addictive and is also highly dangerous when pain is treated aggressively. Patients have been under-treated with this drug for several decades.

SHS, the largest employer of health care professionals in this area, has successfully worked together with LB in providing health care training for some time. Williams and other LB health staff have proven to SHS that LB is a prime location to hold events like this. The facilities and catering departments are also helpful factors in bringing the events here.

"My belief is that Albany, Oregon, and Linn-Benton Community College is a wonderful spot to have seminars of this size and of this impact. We need to see that we are a very attractive venue and not see ourselves as that little college in little Albany," said Williams.

He adds, "One of the things we have been doing here at LB since I came, is putting together several specific trainings to meet the needs of the health care industry, such as phlebotomy and medical unit secretary. So along with these seminars and educational workshops we have some programs that are generating and actually putting out workers in the work force."

"This is an example of what can happen with a strong partnership and collaboration between an institution of education—LBCC, and an institution of healing—Samaritan Health Services."

The next event will be the 19th Annual Diabetes Symposium on April 21 and will be free and open to the public.

Filmmaker presents workshops on ethnic and race issues this week

by Adam Pierce
of The Commuter

Tomorrow LB will be welcoming to campus a socially-conscious filmmaker who would like to share her story and the story of 64 other women.

Shakti Butler, whose documentary "The Way Home," has been opening the eyes of its viewers to the real issues of race, gender, social class and sexual orientation since its release, will be on campus to show clips of her film and facilitate discussions regarding its content.

The discussions will run from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Fireside Room. The first session will be from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 and will include a six-minute clip of the film. The second session will be from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and will take a more in-depth look at the film. A free lunch of soup and rolls will also be provided.

A reception will be held following the final session and will run from 1 to 2 p.m., where Butler will be available for personal questions and answers.

There will also be refreshments provided.

Students are encouraged to attend as many sessions as they can, as different topics will be brought up during the different discussions. The Student Programming Board's Multicultural Specialist Erin Bartelds—who planned the event along with the Multicultural Center and the Gender Equity Committee—recommends that all students try to make at least one session.

"I hope that everybody feels free to attend," Bartelds said. "We're just gonna be there to learn and understand. All groups will be on equal ground."

Bartelds said she hopes the event reaches out to more than just LB students.

Community members and faculty are also welcome to attend free showings of the film, which was also shown on campus last Thursday and again on Monday for students interested in viewing the material prior to the workshops.

The film covers a dialogue between 64 women who are separated into councils according to their ethnicity. Over the course of eight months the women share their

experiences and reveal the complexity of race issues in America today. Dispersed among this dialogue are dance sequences and music from more than 20 of the represented cultures.

The San Francisco Weekly reviewed the film as a "remarkable collection; deftly edited and never once faltering in interest."

Multicultural Center Director Susan Prock called the film "emotionally draining" and "beautiful," and is looking forward to the sessions.

"We're always looking to bring world class speakers to campus for the benefit of our students and the benefit of the community," she said.

Butler herself is no stranger to ethnic diversity. She is an African-American woman of biracial West Indian and Russian-Jewish heritage who grew up in Harlem.

In an interview with the Valley Times Butler says that she directed the film because she "wanted to give back to the community, because a lot of people that I grew up with didn't make it."

LOCAL NEWS

Auto body students awarded scholarships for collision repair

From LBCC News Service

Three Linn-Benton Community College students were awarded \$500 spring term scholarships for collision repair training.

Trinh Le, 20, of Albany, Benjamin Rickel, 23, of Albany, and Linn Syravong, 21, of Albany are the most recent recipients of the Collision repair Advisory Scholarship created two years ago with industry donations from Automotive Paint Specialties, B&R Body and Paint, Corliss Collision Carstar, Freebird Body and Paint, Main Auto Body, Inc., Wilson Motors and Pacific Auto Body and Paint.

Le will complete his collision repair certificate in June, and hopes to start working at a body shop soon after. "I feel that I will succeed in this trade because I have loved working on cars since I was young," Le says. "I hope to one day retire from a job I love doing."

Rickel hopes to continue his education after receiving his collision repair certificate. He is interested in getting a

degree in collision repair or taking I-car classes and getting A.S.E. certified in many different areas of collision repair. "I would like to work in a hot rod shop someday and build people one-of-a-kind cars," he explained.

After receiving his collision repair certificate, Syravong hopes to get a Business Administration degree at OSU. "I plan on opening my own auto body shop to customize cars," he says. "The four-year degree will help me learn the skills necessary to run an effective business." Eventually, Syravong plans to obtain an MBA.

To qualify for the scholarship, recipients must be Oregon residents entering the third term of LBCC's Collision Repair Technology program, have completed one term with a "B" average or better, have recommendation from the collision repair company and the LBCC instructor and must write a statement about their desire to work in a collision repair shop after graduation.



Photo by Christopher Spence

Trinh Le, Linn Syravong and Benjamin Rickel were each awarded \$500 scholarships for collision repair training.

Earth Day: Still a global phenomenon after 31 years

by Michelle Mayo
of The Commuter

In the summer of 1969 Sen. Gaylord Nelson was on a speaking tour of the West Coast, where he witnessed anti-war demonstrations called "teach-ins."

It was there that Nelson conceived the idea of a grassroots protest to raise national awareness of environmental issues. The following spring, the first Earth Day was celebrated.

"All across the county, evidence of environmental degradation was appearing everywhere and everyone noticed except the political establishment," Nelson says today. "I was satisfied that if we could tap into the environmental concerns of the general public and infuse the student anti-war energy in to the environmental cause, we could generate a demonstration that would force the issue on the political agenda."

At a conference in Seattle in Septem-

ber 1969 Nelson announced that a demonstration aimed at "taking back the environment" was to be April 22, 1970, and asked everybody to participate.

The idea gained massive mainstream acceptance and by the time the big day rolled around, it was clear that the idea was a success.

Twenty million people from thousands of communities, schools and other organizations participated in the first Earth Day demonstrations, and within a few years it had become a global phenomenon.

Thirty-one years later, Earth Day is celebrated in more than 50 countries on six continents.

Nelson credits the continued success of Earth Day to its organic, all-inclusive, grassroots origins.

"The most remarkable thing about Earth Day is that it organized itself," he says.

EARTH DAY EVENTS

All Week

- In the OSU quad, booths will be present from First Alternative co-op, Pacificorp and forestry and water extension service, and the Corvallis Environmental Center.

Wednesday

- Bus rides in Corvallis are free today.
- ROTC will do an annual waste audit to evaluate the efficiency in recycling on campus.

Thursday

- The quad at OSU will be home to several groups discussing sustainability indicators, home energy, and water conservation.

- CH2MHill Alumni Center will host world-renowned Marine Biologist Jane Lubchenco.

- The First Presbyterian Church at 8 p.m. will host William Sullivan, author of several books about hiking in Oregon.

Friday

- A field trip to Coffin Butte Landfill will be held and a display will be set up in the quad by Corvallis Disposal.
- A presentation of "Manufacturing Consent" by Noam Chomsky will be shown at 7:30 p.m. at the Evanite Training Center in Corvallis, sponsored by The Northwest Earth Institute.

COMMONS MENU

Wednesday

Roast Chicken with Pan Gravy
Pork Enchiladas
Pasta Bar
Navy Bean Soup
Beef Noodle Soup
Spinach Salad

Thursday

French Dip
Almond Chicken with Steamed Rice
Vegetable Calzone
Creamy Roasted Chicken
Minestrone
Baja Shrimp Salad

Friday

Closed for Inservice

Monday

Sausage Stuffed Pork Loin Roast with Sauce Robert
Chicken Gumbo
Quesadilla
Hot and Sour Soup
Split Pea Soup
3 Mustard Chicken Salad

Tuesday

Reuben with Cole Slaw
Greek Style Lamb Stew
Vegetarian Thai Curry
Shrimp Bisque
Tomato Rice Soup
Tarragon Shrimp Salad

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

BEHIND THE MIC

Greg Brown to play CHS shows

Wednesday, April 18

- Roadhouse Blues Jam—Peacock Tavern, Second St., Corvallis
- Karaoke with KJ—9 p.m. to 1 a.m., The First Round, 129 First Ave. W, Albany.

Thursday, April 19

- Solar Blue—Blues, 9 p.m., The First Round, 129 First Ave. W, Albany.

Friday, April 20

- Moonstone—Folk, 8 p.m. - Beanery, 500 SW Second St., Corvallis
- Greg Brown—Folk, 8 p.m. - Corvallis High School (benefit for In Harmony)
- Southtown Hounds—8 p.m., Squirell's Tavern, Second St., Corvallis.
- Jerry Cantrell—(ex-of Alice In Chains), 8 p.m., Roseland, 8 NW Sixth Ave., Portland.

Saturday, April 21

- Greg Brown—Folk, 8 p.m., Corvallis High School (benefit for In Harmony)
- Resistance Café—coffee, tea, political discussion, live multimedia presentation of protests in Quebec City, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., below Starbucks in Madison Plaza, (bring your own cup).

Sunday, April 22

- Karaoke—JP's Restaurant, 220 Second Ave. W., Albany: 9 p.m.
- Blues Jam—2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Oregon Trader Brewpub, Water and Hill, Albany.

REVIEW

Junior secret agents save the day in Robert Rodriguez genre film

by Chad Richins
of The Commuter

Calling all would-be undercover operatives. The OSS needs your help.

The new movie, "SPY kids", from Dimension Films (Miramax's genre film division) is a delightfully fun romp through the world of secret agents, and their parents. It is also the highest grossing film in the nation for the third straight week.

Directed by Robert Rodriguez, the film stars Antonio Banderas and Carla Gugino as Gregorio and Ingrid Cortez, the two greatest secret agents the world has ever known.

Called out of retirement and domestic bliss to find several missing agents, the elder Cortez's are quickly captured and their children, Carmen (Alexa Vega) and Juni (Daryl Sabara), find out about their parents' secret lives and embark on a mission to save them.

For a genre that has been worked over extensively, "SPY kids" is surprisingly entertaining and unpredictable. Mixing in an element of parody, poking fun at itself as it slips by a heartwarming message about the importance of family togetherness.

Set in Spain, the references to Hispanic culture are a refreshing change from the typical British or American spy plots.



Carmen and Juni (top) go for the boat ride of their lives chased by evil henchman. The family Cortez (center) prepare to do battle together, while Fegan Floop (bottom) gets serious in a tense moment early in the film.

The Cortez kids find themselves challenged and a bit overwhelmed as they pit their wits against the misguided techno-wizard Fegan Floop (Alan Cumming) and his sidekick, Minion (Tony Shaloub).

The effects and gadgets in the film are not ground-breaking but they are used well and any kids in the audience will be very entertained.

Funny and silly at times without being too cheesy or over-the-top, "SPY kids" relies on good acting and storyline to anchor it in reality.

The web-site at spykids.com has interactive elements to allow kids to sign up with the OSS and become junior spies in their own right.

All in all, "SPY kids" is worth the price for a good time family outing. "SPY kids" is now playing at the Regal Cinemas theater on Waverly Dr., in Albany.



Photo by Donald Mayo
Jeff Silverman performs at Creekside Coffee House in Philomath.

Local musician to play to OSU crowd

by Michelle Mayo
of The Commuter

Local songwriter and musician Jeff Silverman and his band bring their soul-filled music and Christian message to OSU's MU Lounge on April 26 at 7 p.m.

The band will be performing music from their recently released CD "Cleansed," which has received excellent reviews from critics online who have called Silverman a "gifted songwriter." Jennifer Layton of Indie-Music.com said "He has written the kind of music that can move listeners who may not agree with or appreciate his spiritual message."

For more information or to purchase a CD go to www.jeffsilverman.com.

PHI THETA KAPPA



Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society is seeking eight officers for the 2001-2001 school year. Ballots will get out April 19th to PTK members.

Ballots must be returned to the Counseling Center (Lakena Hall 101) no later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 2, 2001.

Newly elected officers will have the immediate opportunity to attend our Regional PTK Convention FREE. It will be held in Pendleton, Oregon at Blue Mountain Community College on May 4, 5, & 6.

PTK members who did not submit paperwork in time to be included on the official election ballot may run a write-in campaign for the office they wish to hold. Write-in votes must include the full name of the candidate and the specific office for which they are running.

The eight positions available are: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Fund Raising Coordinator, Public Relations Coordinator, and Membership Coordinator.

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NATIONAL NEWS

U.S. fliers describe intimidation, propaganda in captivity

by John Diamond
Chicago Tribune

WASHINGTON—Members of the EP-3E crew just home from China claim they were subjected to heavy doses of propaganda and told they might be tried as spies.

The comments on Sunday talk shows were in marked contrast to the Bush administration's expression of appreciation to China last week over the treatment of the crew.

"There was a lot of propaganda, pretty much trying to indicate that it was all our fault," Navy Lt. Jeffrey Vignery, co-pilot of the EP-3E plane, said on NBC's "Meet the Press" program. "All of us on board knew who was at fault."

The Chinese also told the crew members that after an investigation into the April 1 incident was complete, the 21 men and three women from the surveillance plane might have to stand trial.

Another crew member, Lt. Patrick Honeck, said the Chinese questioned the crew repeatedly about the collision with a Chinese F-8 fighter and about the intelligence-gathering mission assigned to the EP-3E.

"They wanted information about the accident," Honeck said. "They also wanted further [intelligence] information that we weren't willing to give them."

The emerging picture of the crew's 11 days of detention on Hainan Island, where their crippled plane made an emergency landing, contrasts with the gratitude expressed to China for the treatment of the crew.

In an April 11 letter to the Chinese Foreign Ministry signed by Joseph Prueher, the U.S. ambassador to China, the administration said, "We appreciate China's efforts to see to the well-being of our crew."

The letter, including expressions of regret and sorrow for the apparent death of the Chinese fighter pilot and for the EP-3E's entrance into Chinese airspace without permission, was the key to Beijing's decision to release the crew. Clearly the Bush administration had decided that such remarks might speed Beijing's decision to release the 24.

No sooner were the crew members on U.S. soil than the Bush administration abruptly changed its tone toward Beijing. President Bush last week said his emissaries would ask tough questions of China, particularly about the return of the \$80 million aircraft, still on Hainan Island, when U.S. and Chinese diplomats meet in Beijing Wednesday.

Sunday marked the first day of up to a month of time off for the crew mem-



The crew of the EP-3E relax on their flight out of Hainan Island to the U.S. following their 11-day detention by the Chinese military.

bers. Navy officials want to make sure they are mentally ready to handle a return to duty.

But Lt. Shane Osborn, the pilot who safely landed the crippled EP-3E surveillance plane, told ABC News he just wanted to "take a few days off, go visit home, and get back up flying."

Also Sunday, Navy officials told The Washington Post that the U.S. aircraft carrier Kitty Hawk was steaming toward a position in the South China Sea, where it could launch fighter jets to protect U.S. reconnaissance flights off China's coast when those flights resume.

The flights may resume as early as Thursday in international airspace about 50 miles off the Chinese coast, officials indicated.

When asked last week if fighter planes would escort the next surveillance mission in the area, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld indicated that would not be necessary and said the U.S. wished to avoid conflict with the Chinese.

Meanwhile, Republicans and Democrats have largely praised Bush for winning release of the crew before the standoff grew into a major rift with Beijing.

But lawmakers appearing on the Sunday talk shows differed widely in their recommendation of how the administration should carry on relations with China.

"We should always focus on what's in our national interest," said Sen. Chuck Hagel, (R-Neb.) "It is in the best interest of the world to put this relationship with China back on a steady course."

Appearing on CBS's "Face the Nation," Hagel said he would vote to main-

tain China's normal trading status, an issue expected to come up for congressional vote sometime in June.

Last year's passage of legislation granting China so-called permanent normal trading status was contingent on China's gaining membership in the World Trade Organization, a step still months away.

Rep. Henry Hyde, (R-Ill.) chairman of the House International Relations Committee, said on NBC that delay by China in returning the aircraft "would put in jeopardy a congressional vote on most-favored trading status." And Hyde urged strong action to strengthen Taiwan's military.

"Taiwan is a democracy, it is an island of freedom, it is an ally of ours and I certainly don't want the mainland Chinese to think we would ever abandon them," Hyde said.

Sen. Robert Torricelli, (D-N.J.) said on NBC that Bush should cancel his plan to visit China in the fall and should consider selling Taiwan four Kidd-class destroyers.

Taiwan has also asked for highly sophisticated Aegis destroyers, whose radar arrays could become part of a missile defense network. Such a move would certainly draw a negative reaction from Beijing, which regards Taiwan as a renegade province.

Torricelli said Bush could have the Pentagon buy the Aegis destroyers and keep the ship in inventory, ready to sell to Taiwan if relations with China deteriorated further.

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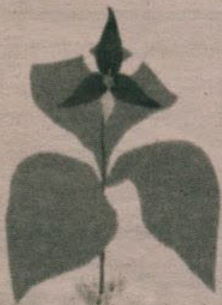
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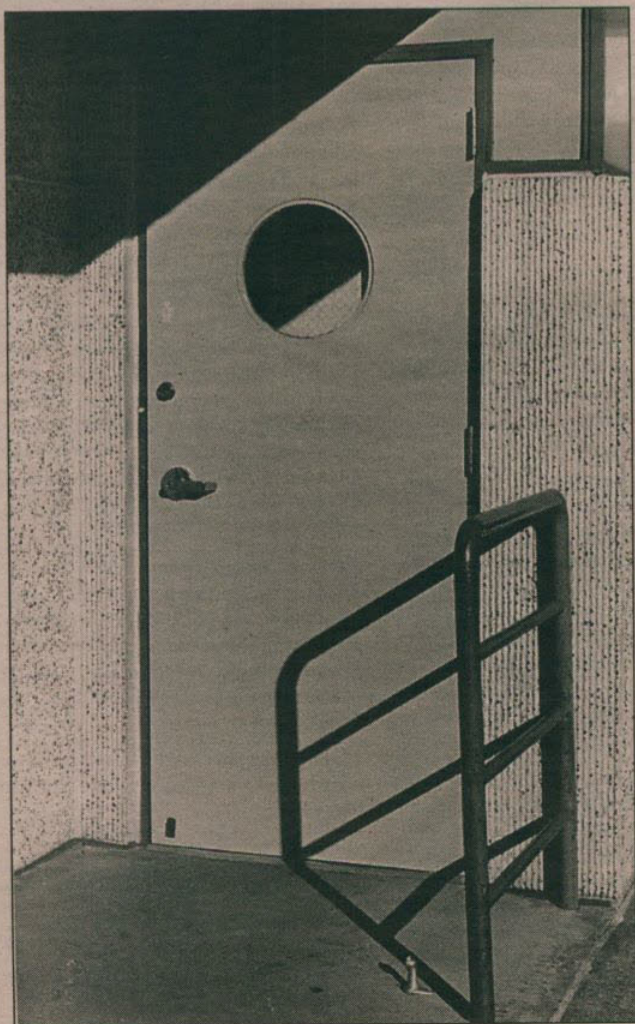
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PORTAL SPIRIT: The personality of doors



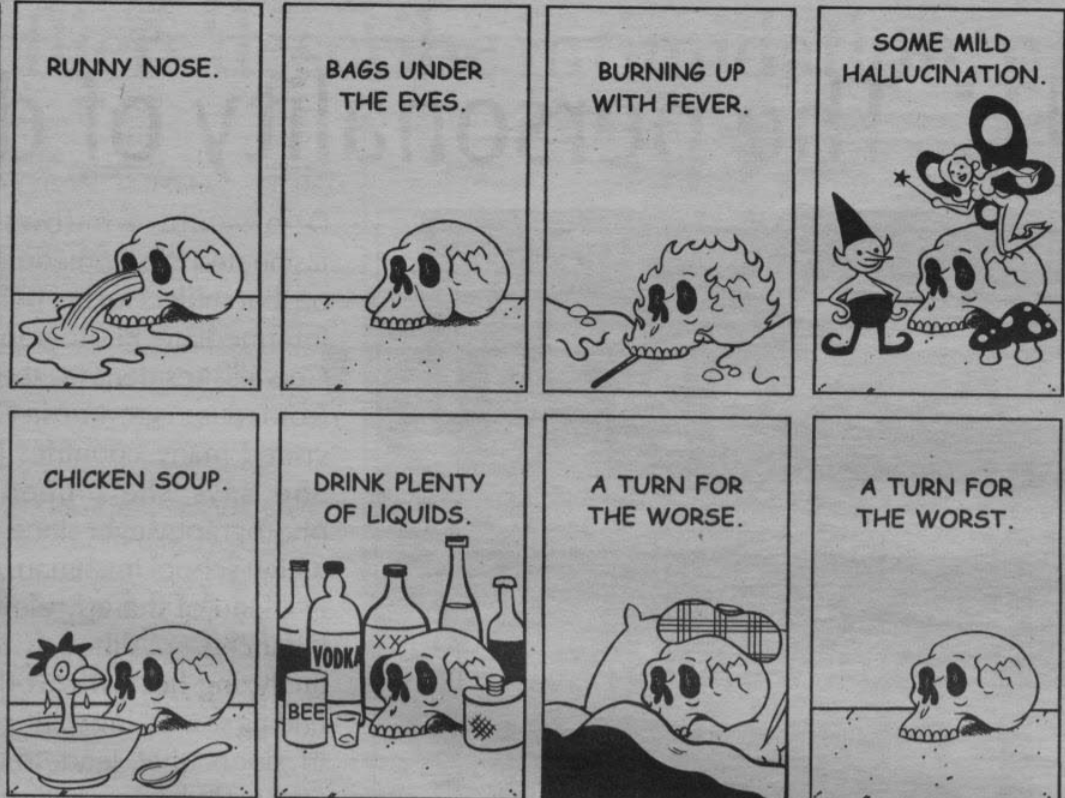
Doors and windows have always fascinated Rio Comaduran, who focused on that subject for her portfolio in ART264 Intermediate Photography last term. A Corvallis resident for the past two years, Comaduran grew up in Germany and has visited many countries in her 22 years. She says she's been in love with photography ever since she took it up as a high school freshman. "Taking pictures is a kind of therapy almost. It keeps me balanced." Although she doesn't like analyzing her own work, she admits to finding something spiritual and mysterious in doors that lead to unseen spaces. "With a little imagination you can conjure up a story behind each door about the people who might have lived there," she said. This fall she plans to transfer to OSU to major in sociology and prepare for a career that involves her other passion—travel.

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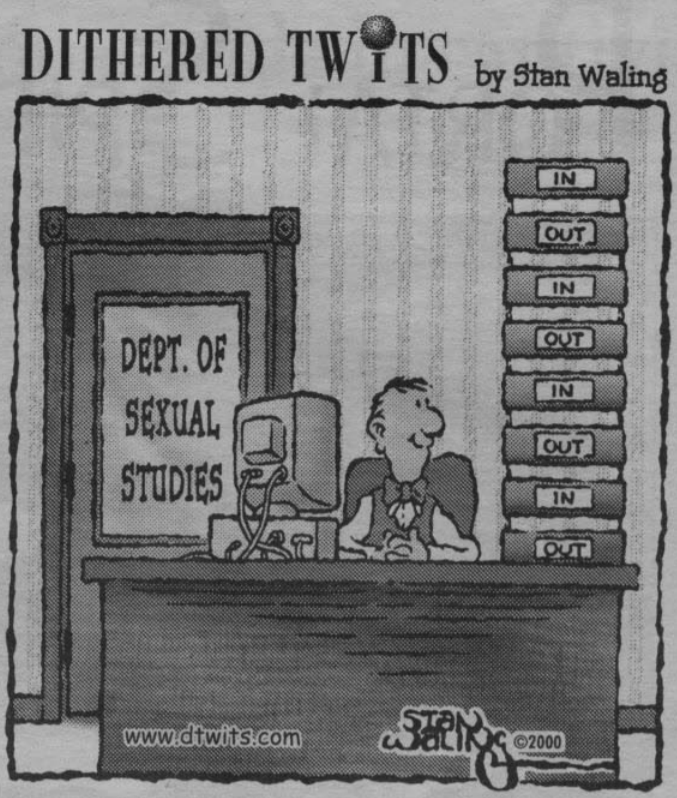


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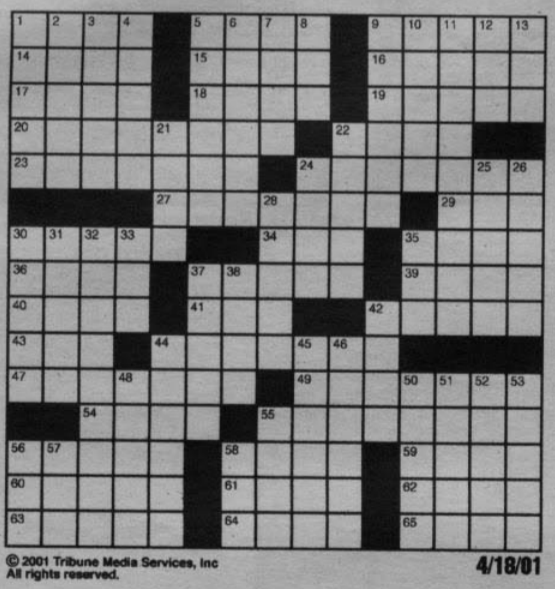


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Students with an interest and skills in photography are sought for this position, which offers valuable experience for anyone planning to pursue a career in photography. Several past Commuter photo editors have gone on to work at professional newspapers in Oregon and elsewhere. Applicants must have knowledge of conventional lab work. Familiarity with digital imaging is a plus, but we will provide training in Photoshop. The appointment carries a 75% annual tuition grant.

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SPORTS PAGE

Ultimate Frisbee Team flies to Hawaii for tournament

Ten-weeks of fundraising events attract almost \$5,000 to help finance the trip for 12-person Fighting Sheep Squad

by Jason Amberg
of The Commuter

LB's Ultimate Frisbee team is leaving this morning on its trek to Oahu to compete in the Hopu Ka Lewa tournament.

The Fighting Sheep, who are sometimes referred to as the Geology Club, will be competing in their last tournament of the year. Hopu Ka Lewa, which will be played April 21-23, will bring together teams from around the world.

"We are the only two year college (team) the in Pacific Northwest," said team captain and physical science instructor Greg Mulder. "We are still researching but so far we're the only one in the country."

The team has 20 members, but only 12 will make the trip. The traveling team includes Mulder, Nalisha Johnson, Lindsey Dunn, Alex Mench, Brian Mogel, Scott Eastburn, Cindy Gambone, Clark Engdall, Kari Engdall, Ray Dandeneau, Alex Berger, and Erik Galvan.



Photo courtesy Greg Mulder

Ultimate Frisbee players Ray Dandeneau, Nalisha Johnson, Shawn Larks, Lindsey Dunn, Brian Mogel, Scott Baird, Greg Mulder, Scott Eastburn, Alex Mench are among the 12 players heading for Hawaii for a season-ending tournament. The team raised nearly \$5,000 through a series of barbecues and other fundraising activities.

"We raised just under \$5,000 in 10 weeks. That's pretty good."

—Greg Mulder

Kim Randall is traveling with the team as a cheering section.

"Instructors have been really good at facilitating exams and we really appreciate that," added Mulder. "We really appreciate the support from the LB community."

The team has spent the past 10 weeks raising funds for the trip through barbecues in courtyard and fund raisers throughout the community.

"We raised just under \$5,000 in 10 weeks. That's pretty good," said Mulder.

The Fighting Sheep are still trying to raise money by selling the "Official Fighting Sheep Frisbee." They are available for \$10 in the LBCC bookstore or can be bought directly from Mulder in ST-103.

The team played last Saturday in a tournament in Eugene that included teams from 13 universities. LB ran into tough teams from OSU and Humboldt College, and were narrowly defeated by Lewis and Clark. The team's only victory of the weekend was over Linfield.

Injuries slow LB's top vaulters, but runners excel

by Jason Amberg
of The Commuter

LB's track team has been tested throughout the season, and following Saturday's UO Mini-Meet it is facing another challenge: injuries.

Eric Konzelman's first vault of the day had the absolute worst possible result. Konzelman slipped on the runway, **injuring his left knee.** Couple that with Christine Smith being sidelined due to pain in her right knee, and the Roadrunners are a hurting unit.

Smith jumped on Monday for the first time in a week, and was without any complaints of pain.

"I'm cautiously optimistic (that she'll compete Saturday)," said Coach Brad

Carman.

As for Konzelman's injury, Carman said that it doesn't appear too serious. However, Konzelman will wait until after an MRI to compete in order to be sure that there isn't any damage.

Despite the problems of the vaulters, the team as a whole had a good meet. Sophomore Cassidy Beaver had a good run, finishing first in the 400-meter hurdles with a personal record of 58.9 seconds.

Liz Lowe, a freshman, also set a personal record when she threw the hammer 105 feet, 3 inches. Lowe also tossed the discus 97 feet, 9 inches.

In the pole vault, T.J. Vetkos cleared 14 feet.

The team's newest addition, middle-distance runner Kasey Carlson, ran the 800-meters in 2 minutes, 7.8 seconds.

The Roadrunners will compete Saturday in Salem in the Chemeketa Duel against Southwestern Oregon, Lower Columbia and Chemeketa.

Texas cast-off finds home with Roadrunner baseball team

by David Miller
of The Commuter

Benny Anderson is one of the newest players on LB's baseball team and looks to be one of the Runners leaders, hopefully leading them to some wins.

Anderson is a catcher originally from the Bay Area of San Francisco, and says he really likes the Northwest, despite the foul weather conditions offered for baseball players.

In high school, Anderson was a utility man, playing anywhere the coach asked him to play. He was a highly recruited prospect out of high school and was awarded a scholarship to the University of Texas. There, Anderson was down on the depth chart playing behind All-League catchers. Because he was so far down on the charts, Anderson decided to try his luck at another school.

"I have been playing baseball since I could walk," Anderson said. "I didn't want to sit around."

Anderson thought about heading to

Oklahoma, but thought it would be just like Texas where he would be playing behind some of the best catchers around and didn't want to put himself in that situation again. Anderson instead decided to head up to the Northwest, where the coaches at Linn-Benton could see what he had to offer the team.

"He is an all around good catcher, who frames well," said Harvey Miller in his 13th year as LB assistant coach. According to Miller, Anderson is a good gap hitter with a lot of power.

"Pound of pound, he is one of the strongest people on the team, he has great power and bat speed," said head coach Greg Hawk.

Injuries have hindered this power hitters abilities, however. Anderson was diagnosed with tricep tendinitis before the season officially began, and that has interfered with his throwing abilities. He has thus been relegated to the designated hitter position, where he is currently 3-for-11. Anderson had surgery seven months ago to help his tendinitis, but with the lack of rest he hasn't been able to fully recover.

Anderson is looking to recover from his injury that is limiting the talent he has to offer the Runners, and hopes to be able to come back and help LB win some baseball games.



Benny Anderson

American Red Cross



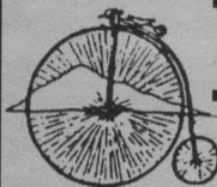
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SPORTS PAGE

Roadrunners sweep two from league-leading Saints

After dropping a doubleheader at home to Chemeketa LB bounces back against Mt. Hood

by Christina Laramore of The Commuter

After a two-game home loss to Chemeketa last Thursday, the Runners headed up to Mt. Hood to face off against last year's NWAACC champs, who were undefeated going into Saturday's games.

LBCC changed that, giving the Saints their first two league losses of the year on Saturday in a doubleheader sweep.

"It just goes to show you we can beat anybody, but it also shows we are vulnerable and anyone can beat us, too," Coach Greg Hawk said.

In the first game, the Runners had the game tied at two apiece going into the top of the eighth inning, after the Saints committed five of their seven errors in the first three innings. In the past, the Runners have been haunted by that inning, being unable to finish what they have started. That wasn't the case this time, though, as the Runners exploded in the eighth to score three more runs and then held Mt. Hood scoreless in the bottom half of the inning.

LB started the inning with a ground out to the shortstop and a fly ball to right field, before Josh Thompson and Chad Sorensen both walked. That brought up Andy Campbell, who unloaded on an 0-1 pitch and cranked a double over the second base bag, scoring Thompson and putting runners on second and third. Corey Kanaeholo then singled to drive in Sorensen and Campbell, and the Runners were up 5-2. Sam Kirby ended the inning with a ground out to third.

The Saints had the chance to mount a comeback in the bottom of the inning, but the Runners held tight and kept Mt. Hood scoreless. Justin Quaempts struck out the first Saints batter but walked the second batter, who was thrown out trying to steal second by catcher Teal Tenney. Another walk and a double put runners in scoring position, but Quaempts struck out the final batter on three pitches.

Despite a single by Justin Pratt and another by Kris Lloyd, the Runners were held scoreless in the top of the ninth. The Saints scored one more run in the bottom of the ninth, but the damage had been done and the Runners had their victory, beating the No. 1 team in the league 5-3.

Campbell, Kirby, and Kanaeholo led LB, each hitting 2-for-4 in the game. Campbell and Kanaeholo each had two RBIs, while Kirby tacked on one. Quaempts faced 41 batters in the game to pick up the complete game victory, striking out six and giving up eight hits.

"They were the team that couldn't finish this time," Hawk said. "We didn't overplay and we took what was there."

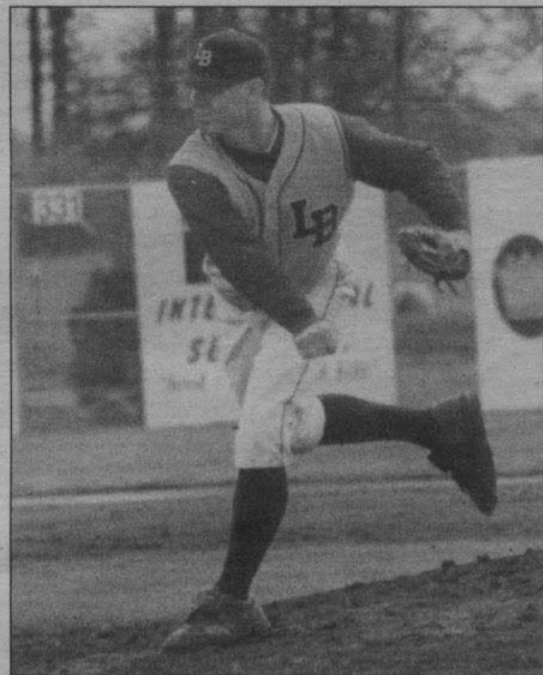
There was more scoring in the second game of the afternoon, but once again the Runners prevailed, winning 8-6.

The Runners charged off to a 4-0 lead going into the second inning, with Justin Pratt getting things going after he got to first on a Mt. Hood error. Kaneshiro also got on first on an error, advancing Pratt to second. Andy Narver then singled to drive in Pratt and advance Kaneshiro. Narver stole second before Thompson hit a two-run single to drive in Kaneshiro and Narver, putting the Runners up 3-0 after sending just five batters to the plate. And the Runners still weren't finished—



Photos by James Bauerle

Kris Lloyd (above) went 1-for-3 in the first game of last week's doubleheader against Chemeketa, while Aaron Watchman (right) picked up six strikeouts in four innings in the game, which LB lost 4-3.



after a strikeout and an out to the first baseman, Kanaeholo stepped up and drove a single that scored Thompson.

The Runners scored one more run in the second and LB managed to keep the Saints scoreless until the bottom of the fifth, when both teams drove in two runs, and each scored again in the sixth.

The Saints mounted a comeback in the final inning, driving in three runs, but it was not enough. LB had taken command in the first inning and maintained control throughout.

Kaneshiro led LB hitting 2-for-3, while Narver went 2-for-4 and Thompson hit 1-for-4. Thompson had two RBIs and Kaneshiro and Narver both added one.

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ers."

Earlier in the week, the Runners faced Chemeketa, who they have lost to twice before this season, in a home doubleheader on Thursday.

In the first game, the score was tied at three apiece, before Chemeketa came out in the 10th and scored one run to give them the lead. The Runners were unable to bounce back and dropped the first game 4-3.

Narver hit 2-for-5 in the game, cranking two doubles. Kaneshiro was 3-for-4 and Lloyd was 1-for-3. Paul Collins had eight strikeouts and Aaron Watchman added on six of his own. The Runners gave up nine hits in the game and had nine of their own.

The second game was much of the same, with the game tied 1-1 for four innings before the Runners fell apart in

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the seventh, giving up four runs to the Storm on only three hits.

The Runners had only two hits in the game, giving up six to Chemeketa. Andrew Larson had seven strikeouts, facing 30 batters. Lloyd hit 1-for-1, and Campbell went 1-for-2 with one RBI.

The Runners are now 3-6 in league and will travel to Clackamas on Tuesday before hosting Lane on Saturday and Linfield on Sunday.

LINE SCORES

Baseball

At Albany
Game One

CHEMEKETA 4, LINN-BENTON 3

Chem 010 200 010 1—4 9 1
LBCC 020 010 000 0—3 9 1

Arnold, Lockett (8) and Litzer, Reid (8); Collins, Watchman (7) and Kirby, Tenney (6). W—Lockett. L—Watchman, 0-2. 2B—Chem, Palmer; LBCC, Narver 2, Campbell.

Game Two

CHEMEKETA 5, LINN-BENTON 1

Chem 100 000 4—5 6 1
LBCC 010 000 0—1 2 2

Hilberg and Palmer; Larson, Newman (7) and Kruse. W—Hilberg. L—Larson, 1-3. 2B—Chem, Goodlow.

At Gresham

Game One

LINN-BENTON 5, MT. HOOD 3

LBCC 001 000 130—5 9 0
MHCC 001 001 001—3 8 7

Quaempts and Tenney; Burres, Sanders (9) and Hernandez. W—Quaempts, 2-3. L—Burres. 2B—LBCC, Campbell; MHCC, Wecker, Duson.

Game Two

LINN-BENTON 8, MT. HOOD 6

LBCC 410 021 0—8 8 1
MHCC 000 021 3—6 11 4

Mendenhall, Watchman (4), Kruse (7) and Tenney; Kline, Head (6) and Hernandez. W—Mendenhall 2-1. L—Kline.

STANDINGS

Men	League	Overall
SW Oregon	5-2	7-13
Chemeketa	7-3	15-11
Mt. Hood	4-2	10-6
Lane	2-3	11-11
Linn-Benton	3-6	7-11
Clackamas	1-6	5-12

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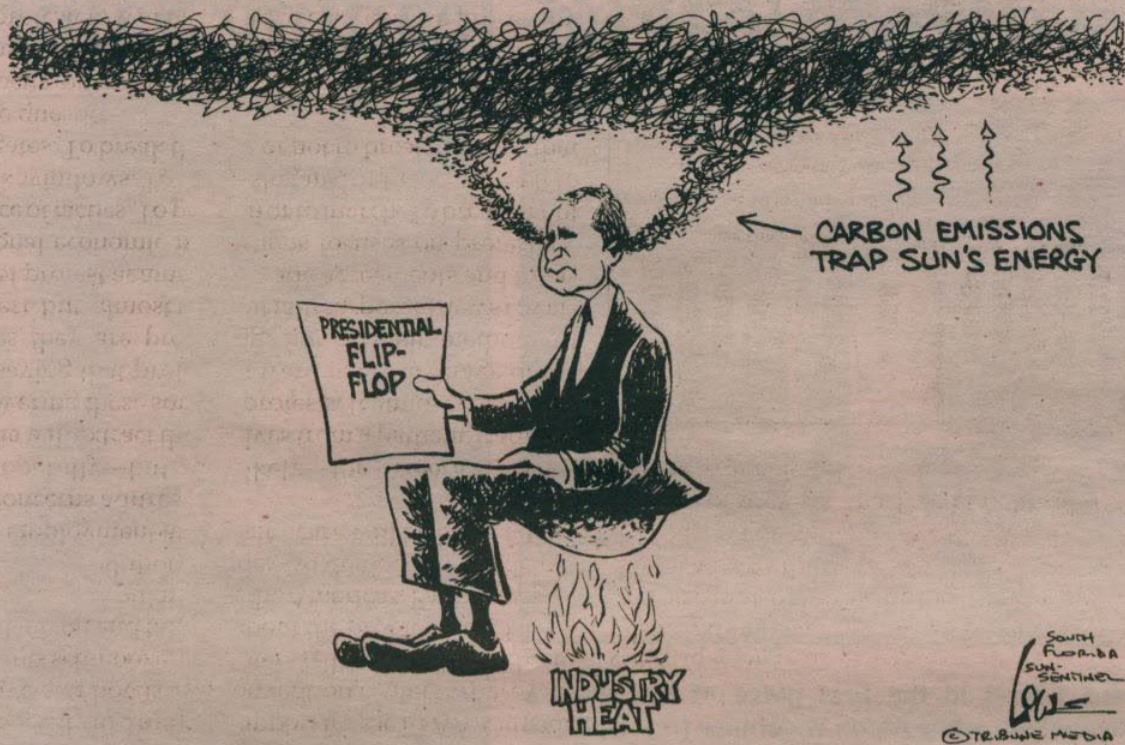
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HOW GLOBAL WARMING OCCURS...



I AM NOT A LIBERAL

News media should focus on issues, not tactics in debate over free trade

by Angus McBrian
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Another "boring" international economic conference will take place this week, and, as in recent months, protests will be the primary event drawing front page news coverage.

On Saturday, April 21, thousands of protesters will take to the streets of Quebec City in Canada in opposition to the proposed Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA). The FTAA would create a NAFTA-like agreement involving every country in the Western Hemisphere, except Cuba. Proponents of the FTAA would like to see barriers to trade and investment reduced and eliminated. These free traders see regulations and taxes as limitations on economic growth and development. But these "barriers" include environmental laws, labor protections, human rights protections and safety standards.



Angus McBrian

Heads of state from throughout the hemisphere, including President George W. Bush, will be meeting in Quebec City to drum up support for the FTAA. Outside the five-star hotels and convention centers where participants schmooze, protesters will be marching, chanting, dancing and talking about the problems the FTAA poses to the population of the Americas. Falling wages, increasing pollution, barriers to democratic participation, employment and health care will be but a few of the concerns addressed.

Hopefully—but not likely—the American news media will extract themselves from a pathetic tradition in covering these sorts of protests. It almost goes without saying that protesters want news coverage of the issues they are protesting, not of their methods of protest. But, almost without fail, corporate news coverage of protest against free trade agreements and international economic institutions focuses on protesters' choice of tactics. To petition or to march. To break or not break windows. To shout slogans, or to lock oneself to the gates. To break the law or not to break the law, that is the question.

Focus on protest, and increasingly on police response and tactics, ignores a fundamental point that the protesters will be trying to convey. The process by which the FTAA and other such agreements are constructed is highly undemocratic. The process is closed specifically to prevent public objection to the more dastardly features of the free traders' plans. The dynamic of news coverage in these situations proves this point.

In primarily covering protester and police activities,

news media dismiss not only the protesters' arguments, but also the idea that debate over these issues is appropriate in the first place. Debate is crucial for democratic decision-making. Moreover, focus on the act of protest, rather than the subject, suggests the coverage would be nonexistent if it were not for protesters' efforts.

Of course, critics will argue that protesters' tactics are flawed, too violent, aggressive or immature. But experience has shown that letter writing, petitions and contacting your legislative representatives are ineffective in drawing attention to these international issues.

With such far-reaching policies at stake, media coverage is vital to public oversight, and vital if there is going to be a turn toward democracy.

Expanded coverage of the Summit of the Americas in Quebec might occur as a result of the post-Seattle/WTO media feeding frenzy and punditry about globalization and free trade, but this conversation exists primarily because of the efforts of protesters. Corporate news outlets are the primary conduit for the info in "informed participation." As such, they have a responsibility to address the issues, and not just the tactics, at stake in this debate.

On Saturday you can check out some non-corporate coverage of the protests in Quebec City at www.indymedia.org and www.commondreams.org.

You can also stop by the Resistance Café in Corvallis, downstairs in the Madison Plaza (you know—where that bastion of capitalist evil, Starbuck's is.) Live multimedia of protests, snacks and political conversation, will be available between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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WHAT STUDENTS THINK

What do you think about President Bush's handling of environmental issues?

Commuter reporters asked students about recent Bush administration decisions regarding the environment. These include proposed drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, US withdrawal from the Kyoto Treaty, and a pullback of last-minute Clinton administration limits on arsenic levels in drinking water.

"He needs to be more active in environmental issues."

—Amanda Razey,
Interior Design



"He is an anti-environmentalist. Texas has one of the worst environmental records in the country. He hasn't paid that much attention to the environment and he's going to let it all go to hell."

—Joel Kirkpatrick, General Science

"He does not have a mind of his own. His party speaks for him and he is a waste of skin."

—Erica Lewis,
Pre-Dental Hygiene



"I think he's doing an OK job."

—Sara Shelton, Undecided

"I think the drilling in Alaska is a good idea, because I live there and I'm gonna get hella' money for it."

—Keegan Reiley,
Computer Science



"Bottom line, they (Bush's policies) suck."

—Mike Thompson,
Graphic Design