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## STANDING TOGETHER



PHOTO: CONSTANCE JONES

*"The Ballerina" by Raymond D. Hunter stands above the Women's Parade in Central Park, Corvallis, adorned with a celebratory hat and scarf. Women gathered all over the nation this past Saturday to support each other in solidarity and determination to keep moving forward, raising awareness of key issues such as DACA, sexual harassment, healthcare and reproductive rights. (See Pages 3-5)*

# OREGON TRANSFER DAY

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Have you made plans on what you want to do after your time at Linn-Benton Community College? If you plan to enroll in a four year university, have you decided where you want to go?

On Jan. 18, LBCC held a transfer fair, in order to help students connect with admissions from universities around the state. Nineteen colleges and universities participated in this year's event, including Oregon State University, Southern Oregon University, and the University of Oregon.

"This is an opportunity for students to visit four-year institutions without having to leave campus," said Amanda Stanley, organizer of the event.

University representatives from the around the state packed the cafeteria, as students filled the room seeking information.

Rick Debellis attended the event on the behalf of Oregon State University.

"We offer over 200 different majors," said Debellis.

"We have over 300 clubs and organizations, speakers that come to campus every term and a little something for everyone. OSU is a great community to live in."

"SOU is a four-year liberal arts college," said Alona Jackson, a representative for Southern Oregon University.

"We have a strong Theatre Arts program and Ashland is home to the Oregon Shakespeare Festival."

Southern Oregon University also boasts Criminal Justice and Business Administration Programs.

Brian Stanley, a transfer and residence counselor at the University of Oregon, stressed the number of programs the University offered.

"We have over 200 clubs and activities, study abroad programs and programs that offer experience outside the classroom."

He also talked about the recently remodeled Student Union and Recreation Center.

Ryan Deady, an admissions counselor for Oregon Tech spoke about his school, which offers Engineering, Healthcare, and Business programs.

"Oregon Technical Institute is the only polytechnic university in the Northwest, and we have a 90 percent employment rate for our graduates," said Deady.

Josephine Sorensen is an Admissions Counselor for Portland State University.

"[Portland State] is located in an urban environment, and there is plenty of opportunities for internship," said Sorensen. "We have a 20-to-1 student faculty ratio."

Sorensen also stressed the diversity of Portland State, which is the most diverse

in the state.

"We were voted as one of the most LGBT-friendly universities in the country."

Tyler Bieber, the assistant director of undergrad admissions from the University of Natural Medicine, in Portland also attended the event.

"The university was founded in 1966, and we were the first Natural Medicine University in North America, with other institutions founded by our graduates," said Bieber.

"We offer undergraduate degrees in Nutrition and Integrated Health Sciences."

It is important to note that admission to the university requires an associate degree. They also have a research institute and a health clinic on site.

"We're here to educate the public on resources, to help tackle the cause of the problem. What causes major health issues? We're here to give our students the resources to solve the global health issues facing us today."

STORY BY JEREMY DURAND

## CAMPUS VOICE

*If you were arrested with no explanation, what would your friends and family assume you had done?*



**JORDYN DANIELS**  
NUTRITION

"PROBABLY SOMETHING DUMB LIKE TRESPASSING, OR JAYWALKING."



**NEILA KENNEDY**  
AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE

"PROBABLY SPEEDING-I DRIVE TOO FAST"

**MORGAN MOOY**  
UNDECIDED

"I DON'T STEAL STUFF OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. THEY'D BE PRETTY SHOCKED, ACTUALLY."



**JORDAN BARKER**  
UNDECIDED

"A VERY BAD JOKE."



**BRANDON SANTANA**  
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"THEY WOULD ASSUME THAT I'D STOLEN SOMETHING VERY EXPENSIVE-PREFERABLY AN ELECTRONIC OF SOME SORT"



STORY AND PHOTOS: CUAUHEMOC REILLY

# THEN & Now



On Jan. 21, 2017, millions of people all over the country gathered to protest in hundreds of locations, just one day after Donald Trump had been sworn into office. In Portland alone, over 100,000 people filled the streets to protest for the rights of women. There were actually similar marches in over 60 countries that day, and even people in Antarctica gathered to make their voices heard.



The protest covered a multitude of movement; including, but not limited to: women's rights, the Black Lives Matter movement, health care rights, reproductive rights, immigration rights, and LGBTQ+ rights. The aftermaths of the protests are also partially credited in the renewed interest of the #metoo campaign, which aims to highlight the number of people who have been victims of sexual abuse or harassment in their lifetime.



Throughout the protest, police officers were seen posing in photos with protest members, and the Portland, Oregon police department later declared on twitter "Thank you to everyone who came out for #womensmarchpdx today in what was easily one of the largest marches ever in Portland. 100% peaceful."



With an estimated turnout of over 4.2 million, this protest became the largest demonstration in US history. Many were worried this trend would lose momentum, but so far it has stood the test of time, with estimates for this year's number of protesters ranging between 1.9 and 2.5 million.



PHOTO: ANGELA SCOTT  
Eugene, OR

# WOMAN'S MARCH 2018



PHOTO: ANGELA SCOTT  
Eugene, OR- Allyson Hyder, dressed as Susan B. Anthony, took a moment with participants from the side of the Women's March.



PHOTO: CONSTANCE JONES  
Corvallis, OR



PHOTO: ANGELA SCOTT

Eugene, OR- Police officers guided participants of the Women's March toward the courthouse, where thousands of members within the community gathered.



## Are you an LBCC student and a parent?

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Wednesday, JANUARY 24, 2018  
12:00 - 1:30 PM  
Vineyard Mt. Room, CC-213

Tuesday, JANUARY 30, 2018  
12:00 - 1:30  
Mt. Jefferson Room, CC-210

We provide lunch (and door prizes)!

Interested?  
Come to a meeting on January 24th or 30th  
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Family Connections at LBCC

# MARCH



PHOTO: CONSTANCE JONES

Corvallis, OR- On Jan. 20, over 3,000 participants came to support women's rights and commemorate the one year mark of the Women's March in 2017.



ent to watch and wave at



PHOTO: ANGELA SCOTT

From left: Eugene, OR- Courtney Holman and Hailey Goss attended the Women's March in 2017 and appear together once more in 2018.



PHOTO: ANGELA SCOTT

Eugene, OR- Children attending the march were invited to play under a parachute that read, 'I Pledge Allegiance to the Earth' while bouncing a globe underneath..

## Energy Bill Assistance

**Do you need help paying your energy bill?**



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### Schedule List

- Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2018 - 1 pm to 5:30 pm
- Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2018 - 1 pm to 5:30 pm
- Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2018 - 1 pm to 5:30 pm
- Wednesday, March 7, 2018 - 1 pm to 5:30 pm
- Wednesday, March 21, 2018 - 1 pm to 5:30 pm

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# BACK TO BUSINESS



COURTESY: FOX

TV SERIES REVIEW:

**The X-Files Season 11**

**NETWORK:** Fox, Wednesdays at 8P  
**STARRING:** Starring David Duchovny, Gillian Anderson, Mitch Pileggi, William B. Davis, Annabeth Gish, and Lauren Ambrose  
**CREATOR:** Chris Carter  
**RATED:** TV-14  
**OVERALL RATING:** ★★★★★

Twenty-five years have passed since “The X-Files” first aired. After the initial run from 1993 to 2002 as well as a pair of theatrical films in 1998 and 2008, a revival began airing in 2016. Now, after the success of the tenth season, “The X-Files” have returned for an eleventh season of investigating paranormal phenomena. While the show may have a lot to live up to given its lineage, it marks an ideal return to TV screens after being absent for more than a decade.

Picking up from the events of the last season, FBI Agents Fox Mulder (David Duchovny) and Dana Scully (Gillian Anderson) are on the search for their son William; who holds the key to what’s behind a series of paranormal acts around the world. While they try to deal with the changes in the time since the original unit of the X-files was closed, they must also try to unravel mysteries surrounding their old adversary, the Cigarette Smoking Man (William B. Davis). As Mulder and Scully are entangled with a digital simulation designed by the NSA and psychic

individuals playing lethal games of Hangman, it’s clear this revival is aiming to capture the same weird and wonderful spirit of its senior; and has succeeded in many ways.

In an age where conspiracy theories and 1990s nostalgia are quite prominent, the environment to revive “The X-Files” is an ideal one. With many key events that have shaken public trust in the government in recent years; the show presents its material through a more topical lens than ever. Combined with new otherworldly threats, this season builds not only on the tenth season in 2016; but also the lore of the series as a whole.

That said, the season is by no means perfect. If you are easily riled by the political situation being depicted in the story, then this season is probably not for you. Without spoiling anything, some of the Smoking Man’s plots can also be disturbing to more sensitive viewers. Even so, the acting is strong overall from both returning cast members and new ones (including

a role played by Haley Joel Osment in the wings for future episodes). The production values and direction wonderfully capture the surreal look and feel the series is known for in a modern setting. Fans of the series were clamoring for a revival for years after the initial run ended in 2002, and the time for the new seasons has never been better.

With more stories on the way as of this writing, this new season of “The X-Files” is easily the revival fans have been waiting for, proving after all these years that the truth is still out there.



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### Misery:

If I had a muse  
I would name her misery  
and who could refuse  
the depth of her soul?

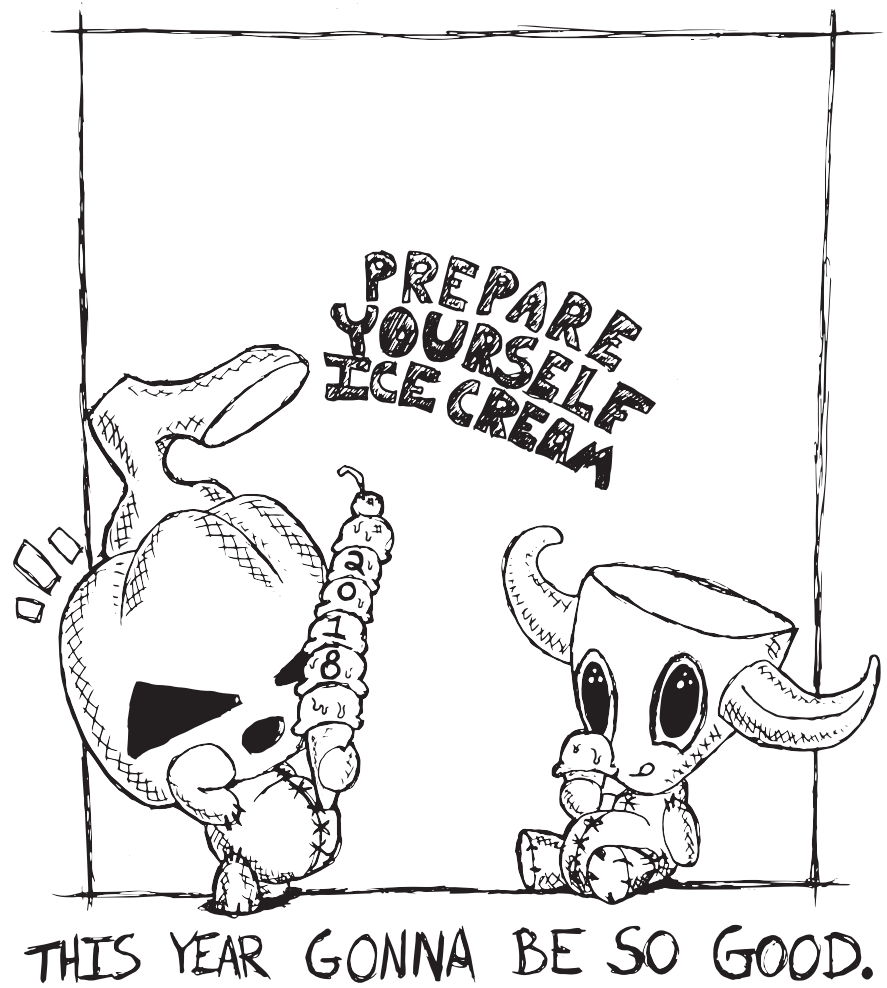
For every time I see her  
My heart and mind go wandering  
picking up words as I stroll  
And what they mean  
I do not know  
I do not know...

And when she comes  
She comes on strong  
And when she's gone  
She's not gone long

For her return, I often wait  
Apprehensive, All the while  
Because I know  
That though she loves  
I will suffer, in her smile

As she nears  
My muse, my love  
She brings me gifts  
She gives me tears

By: **Ravenshire**



COMIC BY **CORY SELF**

## THE COMMONS

\* CAFETERIA \*

**1/24 to 1/30**

**Wednesday 1/24:** Beef Stew, Chicken Piccata. Stuffed Portobello w/Bearnaise\*. Soups: Creamy Chicken Mushroom, Vegetable Minestrone w/ Rice\*. Salads: Creole Shrimp. Chopped w/ Chickpea.

**Thursday 1/25:** Chicken Massaman Curry w/ Steamed Rice\*, Fish-n-Chips w/House Made Tarter Sauce, Mac-n-Cheese. Soups: Chicken Tortilla\*, Dilled Potato Chowder. Salads: Huli Huli Chicken OR Tempeh.

**Monday 1/29:** Chicken Paprikash, Pork Schnitzel w/Apples and Bacon, Creamy Polenta\*. Soups: French Onion\*, Thai Curry Lentil & Sweet Potato\*. Salads: Grilled Vietnamese Steak, Veggie w/ Spring Roll

**Tuesday 1/30:** Pot Roast\*, Roasted Chicken w/ Jus Lie\*, Veggie Omelet. Soups: Chicken & Wild Rice, Broccoli Cheddar. Salads: Roasted Turkey Cobb, Roasted Veggie & Barley

**Monday to Friday - 10 AM - 1:15 PM**

\* Gluten Free

# SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mepham Group

**Level:**

1

2

3

4

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](http://www.sudoku.org.uk)

5	7	1
4	2	3
3	1	9
1	9	1
9	4	1

### Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

**ACROSS**

- 1 Fancy pillowcase
- 5 Not as expensive
- 9 Stats for sluggers
- 13 Lotto variant
- 14 Actress Davis played by Susan Sarandon in TV's "Feud"
- 15 "Alice's Restaurant" singer Guthrie
- 16 \*2010 Grammy winner for Best Metal Performance
- 18 Opinion sampling
- 19 2,000 pounds
- 20 French possessive
- 21 \_\_\_-Ball: midway game
- 22 Discreetly, in slang
- 26 Nag, nag, nag
- 28 Black-eyed \_\_\_
- 29 Electrified particle
- 31 Without an escort
- 32 Bygone Honda sports car
- 33 Impassive type
- 35 Dry-sounding deodorant brand
- 38 ICU drips
- 39 \*TV cooking competition hosted by Padma Lakshmi
- 41 Sch. in Columbus
- 42 Tiny laugh
- 44 Bundle of papers
- 45 Put into service
- 46 Airline to Tel Aviv
- 48 Flub it
- 49 Letter-shaped hardware item
- 50 Sinuous ski race
- 52 Gets in the way of
- 54 H.S. exams
- 55 Dripping
- 57 SEAL's org.
- 58 Tech news site
- 59 Paint choice ... and what the first word of the answers to starred clues can literally be

By **Janice Luttrell**

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>64 Longfellow's "The Bell of ___"</li> <li>65 Standoffish</li> <li>66 Just sitting around</li> <li>67 Pear variety</li> <li>68 Mix, as a salad</li> <li>69 What Simon does</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9 Nas or Nelly</li> <li>10 *Started a construction project</li> <li>11 More green around the gills</li> <li>12 Shoe bottom</li> <li>14 Old Western villain</li> <li>17 "The Simpsons" bartender</li> <li>22 Footnote ref.</li> <li>23 ___-racking: very stressful</li> <li>24 *Money-saving investment accounts</li> <li>25 Belt holders</li> <li>27 Chief of ___: Army leader</li> <li>30 Wall recess</li> <li>33 Make off with</li> <li>34 Sorbonne sweetie</li> <li>36 Point to debate</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>37 Collaborative 1993 Sinatra album</li> <li>40 Half a winter warmer</li> <li>43 Stretchy</li> <li>47 Like 1% milk</li> <li>49 Wimbledon sport</li> <li>50 ___ Domingo: Dominican capital</li> <li>51 ___ Yello: soft drink</li> <li>53 23rd Greek letter</li> <li>54 Picket line crosser</li> <li>56 New Mexico town known for its art scene</li> <li>60 Lean-___: shacks</li> <li>61 Wash. neighbor</li> <li>62 Tricky</li> <li>63 Guys</li> </ol>
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# SLC SERVES AND LEADS AT LBCC

*SLC provides helpful resources for students on campus*

With 17 Student Leadership Council officers coming and going, the Student Life and Leadership office at LBCC hums with constant activity.

The SLC is the governing body of the Associated Students of Linn-Benton Community College which advocates for students and communicates student desires and concerns to the college administration. It also provides students with opportunities for networking, social interactions, and outreach activities.

"We're a group of students trying to enhance the college experience for LB students, with clubs, activities and volunteering," said SLC finance director Caleb Hedin, a freshman.

Hedin keeps track of the SLC accounts for the ASLBCC, which amounts to around \$44,000 to spend for the 2017-18 school year.

"Students come to us, if they need help funding a school-related activity, such as \$40 to put posters around campus, to start a new club, or to pay for new monitors," said Hedin.

Hedin said the account has even provided a few thousand dollars for students to attend conferences.

"Anything that will enhance the college," said Hedin.

Barb Horn, Student Activities coordinator and advisor for the SLC, said the officers vote and make decisions for how students' money will be spent.

"They try to get the most bang for the buck. They're great stewards of the money," said Horn.



SLC can also help with basic needs like food insecurity. According to Horn November's food drive event provided for more than 150 student families' Thanksgiving meal, which included breakfast.

Food is also available at the Linn-Benton Lunch Box, LBCC's food pantry run by SLC officers and funded through proceeds from The Hot Shot Café, a campus co-curricular. Horn said six or seven families take advantage of the food pantry every week.

Another form of assistance offered to students through the SLC is the upcoming energy assistance program event planned for Jan. 30. SLC events planner Jacob Senske, a freshman, is one of the officers trying to get the word out through LBLive and posters placed

around campus.

"A real goal right now is trying to find ways to introduce ourselves and what we are doing to provide help to students," said Senske.

Students also come looking for community outreach opportunities, where they will find Community Outreach Director Marta Nunez. Nunez, a sophomore, is often the first to greet you when entering the office.

"I'm the BFF that sees students through community events they want to plan," said Nunez.

If students want to get involved in volunteering opportunities, Osvaldo Galvez, a sophomore, is the one to see. Galvez assembles and organizes volunteers for one-time events or to staff the Hot Shot Café. He can also pair a student volunteer with an SLC officer to learn job-specific skills in a more involved student leadership experience.

SLC President Brian Ixtlahuac encourages students to voice their ideas and concerns. They can stop by the office or attend student government meetings, which are open to all students and held throughout the month.

"When it comes to the SLC, if there is ever a problem that presents itself, we want to make sure that student knows they can come talk to us and knows we are here to help them," said Ixtlahuac.

STORY BY **BECKY HOWELL**

# WARRIORS TO SCHOLARS

*Veterans Club is a resource and community for vets attending LBCC.*

A Marine veteran and native of New York left his home state with one goal in mind, "to get out of there." He traveled across the country to pursue a better life for himself.

Not only did Sean Maloy, current President of the Veterans Club, find a better-fitting place to live, he found a community of veterans willing to go the distance for each other. Shortly after arriving he was elected to lead the Veterans Club.

The goal for the Veterans Club on campus is to provide resources for veterans attending school at LBCC, as well as representation at school meetings. The club has been more active in the last three years than it was prior to 2014, when the Veterans Center was overhauled and moved to its current building. Now, more veterans than ever are using the center as a resource. Last year saw over 1,500 veterans sign into the center.

Not all the veterans using the center, however, are active within the Veterans Club. According to Megan Pickens Lloyd, LBCC's Veterans Affairs officer, there are on average 200 veterans enrolled with the G.I. Bill at LBCC per term, while active members of the Veterans Club only number at 12.

"The club helps veterans set themselves up to be as effective as possible while going to school," said Zach Bullock, an Army veteran and member of the club since 2015.



Bullock, 23, believes the club is a place for vets to come together and help each other, or get help in any way that is needed. Veterans often feel that it is difficult to meet like-minded people in a college setting, and the Veterans Club provides a place for veterans to act more like they would around their old military friends.

Outside of campus, the club is attempting to get more organized with other student clubs in the area. Maloy, along with Steve Olson, Army veteran, and club vice president, are planning a banquet in spring along with veterans from OSU, and other surrounding colleges to honor veterans who have turned in their uniform for a cap and gown to graduate with a degree.

"I've had friends [veterans] here who have gone to

school for a while, then they just sort of disappear. I think it's important for some veterans maybe just starting school, or who are trying to get through it, to see others actually earn a degree," said Olson, 26.

Along with providing community for veterans attending LBCC, the club reaches out to help older veterans in the surrounding area who are in need.

"Awhile back we helped a Vietnam vet move out of a house that was full of asbestos. We try to do stuff like that around the area as much as we can," said Olson.

Nate Jarrod, 40, an Army veteran and student at LBCC, said of veterans not currently active in the club, or those who don't know about the Veterans Center, "Stop in and check it out, it's a good way to stay in touch."

STORY BY **ALEX GAUB**

## Student Leadership Council Wants You

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